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Barbara (Frick) '63 and Lynn Wickwire '62 invited the millions of fans of *This Old House* to witness the resurrection of their house, patterned after a New England barn of the 1830s. At left, is the new, finished structure. To go back to the beginning, see Page 16.
On the AIDS Front Lines

Four alumni and one professor help sort out pieces in the most puzzling epidemic of the century.

This Old Barn

Barbara ’63 and Lynn Wickwire ’62 open their home to Hill readers—as they did for TV viewers.

Weird Science

Wacky writer Ed Regis chronicles the off-the-wall insights of far-sighted scientists.

Last of His Kind

Paul Brooks ’43 has been on a 40-year roll with his barrel-making business.
Five Eminences Set for Honors

I. King Jordan, a champion of the rights of deaf individuals and president of Gallaudet University, the world's only liberal-arts university for deaf persons, will be one of five notable people to be presented honorary degrees at Commencement on Saturday, May 18.

Jordan will be awarded a doctorate in humane letters. Other doctorates will go to: Lucille Clifton, for literature; Erich Willen '58, for science; and Clarisse Mechanic and Allen Quille for public service.

In March 1988, Jordan's appointment as the first deaf president of the Washington, D.C. university was widely approved by students who had, days earlier, demanded the resignation of a non-deaf woman whom the board of trustees had chosen. Before assuming the presidency, Jordan was dean of the college of arts and sciences, chairman of the department of psychology, and an assistant professor of psychology at Gallaudet. He earned a BA from Gallaudet and an MA and PhD from the University of Tennessee. Jordan is known internationally as a stirring speaker on behalf of deaf and disabled people.

Former Poet Laureate of Maryland Lucille Clifton has written seven books of poetry, a memoir of her slave ancestors, and 21 children's books. Twice nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry, she has led a distinguished teaching career as writer-in-residence at several institutions, including Columbia University School of Arts and George Washington University. Currently professor of literature and creative writing at the University of California Santa Cruz,
They want us to serve as ambassadors to foster good will.
— Leona Sevick '92

Clifton was the 1984 winner of the Coretta Scott King Award from the American Library Association.

As head of the Magnet Division at Brookhaven National Laboratory on Long Island, Erich Willen '58 (profiled in the May '90 Hill) is overseeing the development of the magnet system for the proposed Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) in Waxahachie, TX. The son of the late Joseph Willen, WMC professor of modern languages, Erich Willen is an internationally known and respected physicist. His role in the creation of the SSC, the world's largest and most expensive microscope, is crucial, since, as one scientist says, the 54 miles in circumference device "only works as well as the poorest magnet."

Two civic leaders also will receive honorary doctorates. Clarissa Mechanic, vice president of the Maryland Public Broadcasting Foundation, was the first woman member of the Advertising Club of Baltimore. She has received numerous awards from, among others, the American Heart Association, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and Junior Chamber of Commerce. She is on numerous boards of directors, including Cystic Fibrosis, Goodwill Corp. and America-Israel Society of Maryland.

Likewise, Allen Quille is a member of many boards, including the Equal Opportunity Commission, the American Red Cross and the Democratic National Finance Committee. The owner of Baltimore-based Quille-Crown Parking, Inc., is a co-owner of the Bay Lady tall ship and is vice president of Harbor Bank. He is chairman of Restoration Plus, which seeks to raise more than $4 million to improve St. Frances Academy.

They want us to serve as ambassadors to foster good will between other countries.

The Taneytown, MD resident attends Western Maryland on a full academic scholarship and is the recipient of a Maryland Distinguished Scholar Award. She was the 1988 co-salutatorian of Delone Catholic High School near Hanover, PA, and the 1988 Pennsylvania High School State Speech Champion. Sevick is a member of Western Maryland's Honors Program and has written feature stories for The Hill, one of which appears on Page 27.

Rotary Scholar
Britain Bound

Come July, Leona Sevick '92 will find herself bound for Britain. The English major has won a Rotary Foundation Educational Award, worth up to $23,000, for a year's study at the University of Buckingham, 50 miles from London.

She was one of four students selected for the honor out of 15 finalists in her district. The scholarship money will cover her tuition, room and board and travel expenses during her year abroad.

"I've waited for an opportunity to study abroad, and this scholarship has enabled me to fulfill this desire," Sevick said. The purpose of the scholarship program is twofold, she added. "They want us to have a broad academic experience, but more importantly, they want us to

Sevick is set for a scholarly stay in Great Britain.
Three Feted As Educators

One current student and two alumni were honored in March for their teaching prowess by the Maryland Association of Teacher Educators (MATE). State awards went to Patricia "Patsy" McClintock '90, Student Teacher of the Year, and Patricia "Trish" Read Barnhart '62, MLA '81, Outstanding Clinical Supervising Teacher. Michal Hall '92 was a finalist for The MATE Scholarship Award.

McClintock, a summa cum laude psychology graduate, student taught at Westminster's Robert Moton and William Winchester elementary schools. A former non-traditional student (over age 25), she is the mother of three children and teaches third grade at Carrolltowne Elementary.

Barnhart, a lecturer in education at WMC and teacher at Robert Moton Elementary, has taught for more than 20 years. She has supervised many of Western Maryland's budding educators as a supervisor of student teachers in Carroll County since the late 1970s. The purpose of her job is to share classroom experiences with young educators—building on their individual strengths and helping them to understand every aspect of teaching.

Another non-traditional student, Hall, is majoring in English and minoring in education.

Tuition Increase Lowest in Decade

A moderate tuition increase of less than eight percent has been approved by the Board of Trustees for the 1991-92 academic year.

Tuition, room and board costs for attending Western Maryland as an undergraduate will be $17,245, an increase of 7.92 percent from the current cost. Tuition will be $12,505, or 7.89 percent higher than the 1990-91 rate. This increase is the college's lowest in eight years and the second lowest in a decade.

These increases are in line with those announced by a number of select, private institutions across the country, according to the Associated Press. A recent AP survey found that many four-year private colleges and universities are increasing tuition in the four-to-seven percent range, within one percentage point of the nation's 1990 inflation rate of 6.1 percent. A weakened economy, coupled with continuing cutbacks in state and federal aid, have prompted many institutions to moderate tuition increases and economize as much as possible, according to AP.

WMC officials agree that the poor economic climate has been a major factor in determining next year's tuition, and may remain so for the rest of the '90s. Reductions in state aid to private and public colleges that legislators hope will lessen Maryland's estimated deficit of $365 million, combined with continuing uncertainty about the extent of the recession, have led WMC to enact several cost-control measures. These measures will keep expenses down while retaining a solid commitment to academics. For instance, the faculty have agreed to teach one extra course next year, ensuring that class sizes remain small and required courses are available to all students.

"Although New York Times education columnist Ed Fiske continues to recommend Western Maryland in his college guide book as one of the best buys among private liberal-arts colleges, we recognize that a top quality private college education is costly," said Ethan Seidel, professor of economics and business and a member of the budget committee. "Because of our commitment to making Western Maryland accessible to all qualified students, we have increased our financial-aid budget by more than 13 percent for the 1991-92 academic year."

Western Maryland's financial plan for 1991-92 calls for a five percent increase in the operating budget, bringing the total to $27,523,000.
No Ifs, Ands Or Butts

After initial urging by a student, Western Maryland, in April, adopted a smoke-free environment policy, based on scientific evidence that second-hand smoke creates serious health hazards.

"A student activist, Brett Cohen [92], got the ball rolling when he came to me and then the All College Council [ACC].," said Philip R. Sayre, vice president: dean of student affairs. "He was very persuasive and had a lot of information from the [American] Cancer Society and lung associations. I give him a lot of credit for getting it going."

A resolution was drafted by the ACC, a committee composed of students, faculty and administrators, then presented to the Administrative Council for adoption. "We've had discussions in committees for the last couple of years about a smoke-free environment," said Sayre. "I've felt that we should do this, and I'm glad it [a strong push] came from a student.

All public areas on campus now are designated as non-smoking, with the following exceptions: the enclosed fireplace area of the Decker College Center Pub; private offices and residence-hall rooms; areas designated by residence-hall governments, in accordance with state law; and lounges designated by the faculty.

Applause for the Longer School Year

Cheers for Joe Shilling '59 and his extended school year proposal (in the February '91 Hill)! As a former public school teacher, presently teaching history at Essex Community College and, foremost, a parent of three children successfully working their way through the Baltimore County schools, I urge him to continue on with this concept. Of course we will be beset by naysayers with the arguments that teachers are already burned out and that, as everyone knows, quantity is not quality. But these arguments posed are answerable—with selected weeks off during the year (two at Christmas, two in the spring and two in the summer) teachers would have an opportunity to recharge and relax. And I do feel that quality can be maintained within the school's curricula.

Of most impact is the point made by Carolyn Scott '67 that parent involvement is the Lynch pin for optimal childhood education. In my own children's schools inclusion of parents in all stages of the child's education has always been a standard practice. And the results in their schools are overwhelmingly positive. Of course there will always be situations where parents cannot or may not be involved, but that is no reason not to work toward the goal of trying. Localize first. Make the success of the child the success of the parent. Encourage, include, illustrate that the whole family and eventually the community will prosper.

Retaining the shortened school year, a holdover from a time when agriculture and climate controlled our lives, displays a rigidity and inflexibility that have no place in education. Adhering to systems and circumstances merely for the sake of custom and conformity runs against the true nature of education.

Ruth Bowden Mascari '66
Monkton, MD

Recycling Lessons

I read with great interest, and a touch of nostalgia, the short article on WMC's recycling program (in the February '91 Hill). As a member of Tri-Beta in 1973 and 1974, I helped one Saturday each month to sort, separate, smash, and occasionally haul recyclables from "the Hill" and greater Carroll County community. I wonder how many of my fellow alumni from Tri-Beta recall those pioneering efforts, albeit small ones, to initiate a new environmental ethic.

In my current position as teacher-in-charge of environmental education for Harford County Public Schools, I am involved in promoting and facilitating recycling within our system. Harford County has the oldest continually operating recycling center in the United States, which began as a school club project in 1972. The volume increased more than 150 per cent last year to four million pounds, largely due to the Earth Day activities in our schools and communities.

Quite possibly, Western Maryland's influence through the Tri-Beta project has made me continue to recycle. Now that it is "socially acceptable," it is good to know that we were ahead of our time in 1973. I applaud the efforts of the Student Environmental Action Coalition and the college in promoting such an environmental ethic and wish you success in making Earth Day every day.

Dennis Kirkwood '74
White Hall, MD

Meeghan Ziolkowski '91, a student leader, sorts recyclables.
Resident poet Kathy Mangan had a poem selected for inclusion in an annual volume recognizing the best fiction, poetry, and essays which appear in literary magazines. The English professor’s “Above the Treeline,” originally published in the summer 1990 issue of Shenandoah, was chosen by a panel of creative writers for inclusion in The Pushcart Prize XV: Best of the Small Presses, 1990–1991 (Pushcart Press). The hard cover volume was issued in the fall, and the soft cover was to be published this spring.

Good sport Richard Clower ’50 recently was honored by the Maryland Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. MAHPERD presented the professor of physical education a Presidential Citation.

Mangan’s “Above the Treeline” branched out to a second publication.

for his “meritorious service to the profession.” He’s been MAHPERD’s secretary/treasurer, membership chair, and manager of the annual convention, as well as a contributor to many physical-education journals.

Musical Margaret Boudreaux, in her second year at WMC, is helping to shepherd a growing interest in choral and other activities. In March, she brought the Madrigal Ensemble with her to South Carolina’s Winthrop College for the Eastern Division of the College Music Society conference. There, the group performed and she presented a paper on Elizabethan lute songs.

Boudreaux, who this spring became chair of the music department, with the retirement of Carl Dietrich, says in recent years more students have been enrolling in the college choir and in private lessons—vocal and instrumental. To round out the department, she says, the school has hired a professor who specializes in music theory and composition “as well as instrumental music and will increase the college’s capacity for computer-aided instruction in music. We plan to draw in larger numbers of non-majors into the music-theory program.”

In early March, the assistant professor was musical director of Godspell, as she was for last spring’s West Side Story. Now she’s anticipating the third performance of The Ancient Music Collegium, an early music ensemble of faculty, staff, students and community members she founded in the fall. The group will perform on campus May 12 at 2 p.m. at the Hoover Library.

With the 500th anniversary of the year Columbus sailed the ocean blue imminent, two Western Maryland professors are presenting the full view of the occasion. Bert Valdez, assistant professor of sociology, and Rosemary Maxey, lecturer in philosophy and religious studies, are developing three to tour semesters of campus activities “showing an alternative to the Eurocentric celebration of Columbus’s discovery of America,” says Valdez.

“There is an effort on two continents by indigenous people and colonized people to give their version of Columbus’s entry into the New World,” he adds. The professors are lining up films, conferences, seminars, and panel discussions on the theme, which will begin in the fall. This summer’s freshman orientation “is on the theme of 500 years of resistance,” says Valdez.

“What is there to celebrate? Some of their cultures have been destroyed; there has been genocide. There is another history that generally is not addressed.” Valdez, in his fourth semester on “the Hill,” is teaching Introduction to Cultural Anthropology and The Ethnography of the Indians of America.

Boudreaux doesn’t miss a beat as music director.
Richard Claycombe, for three years running, has been doing research on spatial economics—which, incidentally, has nothing to do with market values on Mars. "Spatial economics focuses on transportation costs—any cost that occurs regarding proximity or distance. The application is not only to the distance from the buyer to the producer but also the closeness of the product to the consumer’s preferences. Lately, I’ve been trying to reason how you define a retail market. It all comes down to a question of space—how close firms are to each other and how they fit in among consumers."

Since starting to explore spatial economics during his spring ’88 sabbatical, Claycombe has written two articles. In May ’90 the Journal of Regional Science published his "Economies of Scale and Entry in Spatial Markets," while The International Journal of Industrial Organization has accepted his "Spatial Retail Markets" for future publication.

In August, the associate professor of economics and business administration enlisted Tamara Mahan ’91. The mathematics and economics major is helping to gather data which she will use in her senior thesis and for a journal article she and Clay-

Valdez (left) will project the views of indigenous Americans.

combe plan to co-write. “We need to know if the prices set by firms are affected by spatial characteristics—the distance to work, the proportion who carpool or ride mass transit,” he explains.

The Columbus Journalism Review this month will feature an article by Terry Dalton on a trend in newspaper publishing. He was inspired to write the article after observing the Carroll County Times’ practice of running on its editorial page anonymous comments called in by readers. Publishers are increasingly seeking “contact with the public even if it means allowing anonymity,” says Dalton. The assistant professor of English teaches courses in journalism on “the Hill” and advises the student newspaper, The Phoenix.

This year’s recipient of Faculty Development Grants were Julie Badiee, chair of the department of art and art history, and Ira Zepp ’52, professor of religious studies. With the help of her $1,000 grant, Badiee will travel to Geneva, Switzerland late this month to work for a week with her editor on the final phases of her book, An Earthly Paradise: Baha’i Houses of Worship Around the World (George Ronald Books).

Zepp also received $1,000 from the college, to finance his attendance at a three-week Islamic studies seminar in June at the Macdonald Center at Hartford Theological Seminary. He feels the focus on Islam will enhance his teaching of Mysticism: East and West and Religious Studies 101. Zepp also feels the seminar will enrich his ability to write articles on Christian-Muslim relations. A publisher recently approached Zepp about writing a primer on Islam—a project he hopes to complete in August.

Four faculty members were promoted this spring: Robert Weber (political science) and Skip Fennell (education) from associate to full professor, and Gregory Alles (religious studies) and Susan Milstein (business administration) from assistant to associate professor.
Introducing

On the AIDS Front Lines

In a dark time, the eye begins to see,  
I meet my shadow in the deepening shade;  
I hear my echo in the echoing wood—  
A lord of nature weeping to a tree,  
I live between the heron and the wren,  
Beasts of the hill and serpents of the den.  

What's madness but nobility of soul  
At odds with circumstance? The day's on fire!  
I know the purity of despair.  
My shadow pinned against a sweating wall.  
That place among the rocks—is it a cave,  
Or winding path? The edge is what I have. . . .*

ince Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome first made its insidious presence known a decade ago thousands of people stricken with the virus have discovered what it's like to be on that edge, to live in that dark time. AIDS has not fully been brought into the light—it is multiplying in the shadows, and with less public attention than even a few years ago.

“The Nineties image is that the 'crisis' atmosphere has disappeared,” said Richard Keeling, during a February address to Western Maryland students. “Because of the decreasing media attention, there's a perception that AIDS is a solved problem,” added the nationally known AIDS educator and director of the University of Virginia's department of student health.

Despite that perception, there still is no cure for the virus which saps the immune system and allows opportunistic infections such as pneumonia to rage throughout the body, causing suffering and death. But on the brighter side, people with the disease are living longer due to more effective drugs and early treatment. Those individuals with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), the virus which causes AIDS, are now receiving drug treatment before the infection converts to full-blown, fatal AIDS.

The number of people who have the disease—which is transmitted through sexual contact, exposure to infected blood, or by an infected mother to an infant—is staggering. “Most of the one million infected with HIV in the United States will be sick by the year 2000,” said Keeling. Worldwide, six times as many will be ill.

First noted in gay white men, AIDS has spread to minorities and heterosexuals, and especially women. (For more on women, see Page 14.) And in just two years' time it has become the leading killer of young adults in Baltimore.

According to Keeling, one in 500 college students has HIV. But since the virus is thought to have an average incubation period of 11 years before it causes full-blown AIDS, young people could for years unknowingly pass the disease to others, including spouses and children.

With alumni and faculty helping to expose and combat the hazards of the disease, Western Maryland is keeping up with inroads against AIDS. Featured in the next seven pages are: Betina Youssef '82, who counsels some of the 2,841 American children with AIDS and their parents; Susan Panek '72, a state lobbyist for AIDS bills; William Holloway '46, principal investigator for experimental AIDS drug trials; Joan Porter '69, who works to protect human subjects of AIDS research; and Karen Adkins, a WMC assistant professor who has researched how caring for AIDS patients affects social workers.

*From "In a Dark Time" by Theodore Roethke © 1964

—The Editors
Betina Youssef ’82 checks on how Ebony—who just ended a stay in the hospital—is feeling. At age 8, Ebony is the oldest child seen by Youssef, a social worker at the outpatient University of Maryland Pediatric AIDS Unit. For more on one of the toughest jobs in AIDS patient care, see Page 10.
BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

It's a job that's "overwhelming, burdensome and insane most of the time"—certainly providing the excitement Betina Youssef '82 was looking for when she left a general pediatrics hospital clinic in 1989. Since then, she's spent her days as a clinical social worker at the Pediatric AIDS Unit—one of two such clinics in Maryland and only a handful in the country.

After seeing, for four years, a hodgepodge of juvenile clients, she wanted to narrow her focus to AIDS patients because "These people are going through such hardships, and other people think so negatively about those who have AIDS. I didn't feel that way. I have a lot of gay, male friends [the group which was most affected by the virus when it burst forth in the early '80s]."

The former WMC social work major also has an unusual ability to cope with death and dying, which her friends and family find admirable but all too daunting. "Every time I tell another social worker or a peer what I do, they say, 'I'm glad you're doing it 'cause I wouldn't want to. They tell me I'm the right person for the job.'"

As evidenced by the way the vibrant, sunny woman thrives on helping the littlest victims of the century's most taxing and perplexing epidemic, her friends are right.

At the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore she has 120 clients out of more than 300 children, aged from a few days to 8 years old. The 250 enrolled in the SPICE (Special Parents and Infants Care and Enrichment) program are at risk but are not yet diagnosed as infected with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), which causes AIDS. In the PACE (Pediatric AIDS Care and Evaluation) program all 60 to 70 children are HIV-positive or have symptoms which prove they've converted to full-blown, fatal AIDS.

Nationally, as of January, 2,841 children have been diagnosed with AIDS, according to the Centers for Disease Control. For every child who has converted to AIDS, public-health experts estimate that two to 10 are infected with HIV.

Symptoms of AIDS can include developmental delays, difficulty with motor skills, and frequent and potentially devastating infections, because the children's suppressed immune systems limit their ability to fight off infections. Despite the seriousness of their illnesses, only one child in Youssef's care has died since she joined the staff two years ago.

Since most of her small charges are under age 3 she spends nearly all of her time working with the parents, usually single mothers who are black, live in inner-city Baltimore and were or are IV (intravenous) drug users. Many of the mothers, too, are sick with the disease which was transmitted to them by a tainted needle or through sexual relations with an infected person. Current research indicates that one in three babies whose mothers have HIV infection are born with the disease.

When mothers bring their youngsters in for their first newborn visit, she sits in during the extensive interview the doctor conducts. "This guides what my intervention will be with the family. I become aware of their financing, the number of children who live with them, if the mother is getting care. I observe the mother's interaction with the child.

"In a later visit, I talk with the mother about what it means to have a sick child and help her to realize what it means for her [the mother] to be sick. I explain that this child's needs may be unlike the needs her other children have, and I make her aware that from day one she will need added support. I tell her we can provide support and tell her about other community agencies."

While she meets with the SPICE program families just when the baby comes in for routine immunizations every few months, she sees some PACE families weekly, if the child is very ill. In subsequent visits she is with the family when a doctor or nurse explains a change in the child's
condition, including the presence of HIV.
If the child's condition improves, "I praise
them for the fact that they brought the
child into the clinic."

Often, when the child's health is deterior-
rating, she seeks out a veteran of the AIDS
war. "If another parent is going through
this and doing well, I'll say, 'Hey, can you
talk to so and so? She's going through a
rough time.' I have one mother who is very
upbeat who I like to use as a role model.
She has a very sick child, and she herself is
very sick. From a social-work perspective I
can do everything for them but have the
experience of having a loved one die
of AIDS."

One of the most unsettling ethical ques-
tions in her job—should a child be told he
or she has AIDS?—can only be answered
by the parent. Youssef is deep into a study
of 25 PACE children ages 3 to 8 in which
she asks parents whether they've revealed
the illness to their youngsters. She'll com-
pile her findings into a guide to help par-
ents break the bad news to their kids.

"I ask them, 'Have you told your child
why he comes to the clinic?' Most haven't.
A lot have told the children, 'You come for
blood work.' That's a tangible way for kids
to deal with it. The child thinks, 'I come in
every Monday and get a needle in my arm
and watch cartoons.' If you tell them they
have AIDS they don't understand the
concept.

"In a way, parents do them a disservice
by not letting them talk about it. On the
other hand, I feel we have to protect them.
If they're known to have AIDS, they will
got a lot of negative feedback. It's not fair
to have them carry that burden around, but
then it's not fair for them not to know. I'll
always have a problem with that [dilemma].

"One of the biggest issues I deal with as
a social worker is confidentiality—within
families, schools and social agencies. For
instance, if Youssef has explained to school
officials that a child has AIDS, when class-
mates get chicken pox the school will know
to call her. "We need to know about it," she
says, intently. "With a depleted immune
system my clients are more susceptible to
any childhood disease."

The emotional pain which can result if a
child with AIDS faces discrimination can
be more devastating than the physical ill-
nesses. "If you have a happy, wonderful,
bright kid who everybody loves, like one of
my clients," she says, grinning as she pic-
tures the 8-year-old boy, "and he finds out
that parents are keeping kids home because
of him, then it's worse for him than going
to our clinic."

The news that a child has tested positive
for HIV is one of the most gut-wrenching
events for her. "If the child is totally
healthy and becomes HIV-positive you're in
as much disbelief as the parent. You
know that the child will get AIDS down
the line."

But social workers and parents react dif-
ferently, depending upon the child's age. If
they're born with chronic yeast infections,
are losing weight, and have yellow skin—
all symptoms of AIDS—parents may hold
little hope for their babies. But because a
person can be infected with HIV for
months or years before testing positive,
parents can have a false hope that an older
child is OK. For such children to then de-
velop HIV infection often is more pulveriz-
ing for parents than to find out in infancy.

"For me, though, it's pretty devastating
when it's an infant. I know that the long-
term [prognosis] for the child will be hell
for the families. But I can't let it get to me,
because it is the nature of the work. I've
seen other sick kids, I've seen kids die. Peo-
ple deal with death and dying in different
ways."

One way she deals with the gloom is to
leave AIDS issues behind when she walks
out the clinic door to go home. She does
aerobics, bicycles, and goes out with friends
outside work—anything but watch TV
shows or read about AIDS when she's of
the job.

But in the event of a child's death,
Youssef is there to support the parent—
even during her free time. "You have to be
there. You just can't let these families
wander the streets. One of the ways I cope
is making sure I'm there. I help by doing
some of the tangible, concrete things, such
as the funeral arrangements—and I help
the staff deal with the child's death. I re-
mind them of the positive things the child
done in her short life.

"I just can't fall apart, because I have
other responsibilities," she continues. "I su-
ervise two co-workers. I'm part of the
[hospital's] AIDS Patient Care Steering
Committee. I arrange the volunteers pro-
gram, do community education, have this
[aforementioned] research study, and man-
age the Pediatric AIDS Fund." Donations
for the fund provide birthday presents, fu-
neral expenses, clothes, cribs, rent and util-
ity money, prescriptions and transportation
to the clinic for the children.

"The busier I am with the most variety
of things the less burnout I have," Youssef
says, brushing back her braid of long, black
hair. "What leads to burnout are the death
issues and volume" of clients.

While the eventual outcome of HIV in-
fection still is death, Youssef is buoyed by
the fact that children are now surviving
longer. "It's been interesting how long the
kids are living now that we have AZT" an
antiviral drug which bolsters the immune
system, leaving the body less susceptible to
fatal infections. New combinations of
drugs, cutting-edge research, and early
identification of the disease are other rea-
sons for the increased life span of AIDS pa-
ients, she says.

Another boost in her job is her co-
workers—the 25 doctors, nurses, business
managers and social workers—in the Pedi-
atric AIDS Unit. "We eat lunch together,
and talk about 'sex and drugs and rock and
roll,' " she says with a laugh. "We all hug
and cry with each other. It's very
therapeutic."

Donations to help the children can be sent
to: University of Maryland Pediatric AIDS
Fund, Room 206, 31 S. Green St., Baltimore,
MD 21201; or call (301) 338-8220. 

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clients are more susceptible to any
childhood disease

— Betina Youssef '82
For Susan Phoebus Panek '72, the worst part of her job is being terminally footsore. She spends her days trotting between Maryland state senators and delegates talking about bills and more bills. While the subject of the potential laws she's advocating can make her heart sore, her enthusiasm and constant motion keep her spirits soaring.

As a legislative liaison for the Maryland State Health Department, Panek spends a hectic 90 days a year trying to push the best public-health AIDS bills through the General Assembly. The rest of the year she spends working up to those breathless three months. Though she also lobbies for bills regarding mental health and maternal and child health and is coordinator of local health planning programs throughout the state, her AIDS work is closest to her heart—despite her initial disgruntlement over the assignment.

"When I was first assigned to work on AIDS legislation in December of 1988 I felt like I was being punished —it was scary and depressing," she says in her lively voice. "I perceived it as being hard work and very sensitive because of the emotional nature. Now I feel very passionate about having this assignment. I feel very territorial."

One reason she quickly found her work engaging was "there was a lot of fear and ignorance" about AIDS on the part of legislators. She eagerly met the challenge to quash many of their misconceptions. "As the director of the state's AIDS Administration says, 'We only have two things to fight AIDS—words and condoms.' The words part comes easy for me."

Panek, who is married to LeRoy Panek, dean of planning and research, taught English at WMC for 11 years before joining the health department in 1988. She was active in local Democratic politics for many years, but she sees her present position as an outgrowth of her first vocation.

"I'm still teaching—it's just that my audience is different. Instead of a room of bored 18- and 19-year-olds I'm speaking to a room of semibored 40- and 50-year-olds," she says with a laugh. "There's a lot of one-on-one teaching as I go to legislators and educate them on the public-health issues surrounding AIDS."

Another reason she's grown to covet her role with AIDS legislation is "I have friends who are sick. It's deeper than an assignment now. I can help by getting good laws passed and making sure bad laws do not get passed.

"The issues are very complicated and soul-wrenching," she continues. "The hardest thing I've had to do regarding AIDS legislation is when a delegate or senator or both have introduced a bill calling for mandatory testing of sex offenders. I've had to argue against it." If such a bill passed the
BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Forty years ago, while in Korea treating U.S. GIs for hemorrhagic fever, William Holloway '46 got the bug for infectious diseases. During his decades as a specialist in that field the physician saw many startling diseases erupt then die down—from Legionnaires' to Toxic Shock—but he's never encountered one as baffling or as deadly as AIDS.

"Since I've been in practice it's the only common or preventable disease that is universally fatal," says the dapper silver-haired son of former WMC President Fred Garrigus Holloway.

"It's the most challenging disease I've dealt with. With other fatal infectious diseases the people aren't around long enough for you to fret over. I have interaction with a lot of young people, and I know that once we start following them in this clinic that in a year or two years they won't be around."

The Infectious Disease Clinic at the Medical Center of Delaware, of which he speaks, is where he spends part of his time, now that he has retired from private practice in infectious diseases. There, in Wilmington, he helps out every Thursday as 40 to 50 people infected with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), which causes AIDS, come for drug treatment. He also sees 10 to 15 patients weekly in a clinic branch in Georgetown, DE.

As principal investigator for one of 18 Community Programs for Clinical Research in AIDS, sponsored throughout the nation by the National Institute for Allergies and Infectious Diseases, Holloway spends most of his time examining how some of the more than 500 participants respond to experimental drugs.

Holloway eyes data with lab technician.

Before the research study began in 1989, "the run-of-the-mill AIDS patient did not have access to new drugs or techniques," he says. "If they lived in Delaware they had to go to Johns Hopkins in Baltimore or the NIH [National Institutes of Health] in Washington. The challenge was to get to these less privileged people who were without access to medical care. Fifty-six percent of the Infectious Disease Clinic patients are indigent."

Now Holloway is directing two studies. One compares the experimental drugs ddl and ddC to see which could replace the more widely prescribed AZT when that drug causes severe anemia, headaches or vomiting in certain patients. All three compounds are antiviral drugs, which means they can lessen HIV's assault on a person's immune system. A weakened immune system leaves infected individuals open to opportunistic infections, such as Cryptococcus meningitis and Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia.

In the second study, the father of Jack '72 is examining an opportunistic infection to which AIDS patients are particularly vulnerable. A parasite often borne by cats, toxoplasma organisms are present in 20 to 65 percent of Americans, depending on where they live.

"As long as you're well it stays in your body and doesn't do anything," says Holloway, who lectures on infectious diseases internationally. But people with suppressed immune systems, such as heart and bone marrow transplant recipients and up to 30 percent of AIDS patients are at risk of developing toxoplasmosis.

"We're giving people with antibodies in their blood drugs to prevent toxoplasmosis," he says. "We are comparing two different drugs to see if one or both or none will prevent the development of toxoplasmosis. The only answer to AIDS patients is to keep them from developing opportunistic infections that will kill them."

Part of his job also is sorting out fact from fancy for patients desperate for a cure. "I have these 18- to 30-year-olds asking me, 'What's new? What else? When are we gonna get this drug and that drug?' A lot of the drugs they read about in the lay press, for example Compound Q, are almost useless. It's tough to interact with these people and not be able to offer more than we can."

Though he feels it takes the rare needle stick or scalpel wound for a health-care worker to contract AIDS from an infected patient, "I still feel everybody should be careful," he says. "Even more careful should be high school and college students, particularly with their sexual habits. They're not paying attention to risk factors."

"If you can, you need to get the message to elementary and junior high students about safe sex and IV [intravenous] drug abuse. The safe-sex message isn't getting through. We have got to put more effort into it. People have got to realize that this is the real world, and Nancy Reagan's message of 'Just Say No' isn't realistic."
Epidemic Ethics
Protection is Paramount
For AIDS Research Subjects

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIESEL

This is a fascinating place to be,” says Joan Paine Porter ’69, gesturing toward a cluster of offices in the sprawling National Institutes of Health complex in Bethesda, MD. “When the HIV epidemic began surfacing in ’83, I realized there were enormous implications for the protection of human subjects of research.” At NIH she found herself in the thick of some of these thorny issues.

As special assistant to the director in the Office for Protection from Research Risks at NIH, for the last 10 years Porter has helped to implement regulations to protect human subjects of research, especially those with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus)—which causes AIDS. “The regulations are based on the ethical principles of autonomy, beneficence and justice,” says the former WMC sociology/psychology major who earned a doctorate in public administration from the University of Southern California.

HIV-infected people who are in need of research protections can be involved in various types of research. In NIH-sponsored clinical drug trials researchers try to determine how test subjects already diagnosed with HIV respond to antiviral drugs such as AZT and ddl. The drugs are called antiviral because they work to soften HIV’s attack on the immune system. A suppressed immune system leaves infected persons open to the opportunistic infections, such as tuberculosis or Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia, which can cause suffering and death.

Research also is ongoing to find ways to help people avoid the risky behaviors which cause HIV infection. Perhaps one of the most exciting developments on the AIDS front is the beginning of trials to discover a vaccine for the devastating disease.

“Six vaccine candidates have been approved by the FDA,” notes the attractive green-eyed blonde. “Designing vaccine trials is challenging because there are many unknowns about how a test vaccine will react, and there are many ethical considerations about selecting subjects to see if a test vaccine is effective.”

In order to ensure there are enough human test subjects to determine the effectiveness of a vaccine, the trials will be held internationally. The World Health Organization and groups in the United States and other nations are collaborating on the planned vaccine trials. “Research may focus on finding a vaccine that can be used for prevention of the infection as well as a treatment for already-infected persons,” Porter explains, speaking for herself and not in behalf of NIH.

Another recent effort by the Public Health Service may permit a greater number of persons with AIDS who have no other recourse for treatment to gain access to drugs used in clinical trials. These “parallel track” trials would occur alongside the regular research trials. This option emphasizes the principle of autonomy, which allows a seriously ill person to weigh the risks and possible benefits of using a drug, sometimes before much about its safety and usefulness is determined, says Porter.

“Women with AIDS is another issue I feel very deeply about,” says the mother of Jennifer, 19. “There aren’t as many women as men involved in clinical trials. It may be difficult for women to participate because they may not know they’re at risk, or they’re caring for children and have other family responsibilities.”

Now the incidence of AIDS is rising faster among women than in men, according to the Centers for Disease Control. By next year it will be the fifth leading cause of death among American women of childbearing age, up from the current sixth or seventh place. Women infected, says Porter, are disproportionately black and Hispanic, live in large cities and have contracted the disease through intravenous (IV) drug use or a sexual partner who is an IV drug user.

Protecting the confidentiality of the HIV-infected person is another paramount public-health concern. “Confidentiality is at the forefront of much public-policy discussion. Implications for discrimination [if a person is known to have HIV infection] occur in housing, employment, and access to public services,” among other areas, she says.

While most research sites and most public-health offices are sensitive to maintaining confidentiality, says Porter, “Perception and reality are two different things. It’s hard to say what sort of chilling effect [fear of being exposed as an HIV carrier] has on whether people seek testing and counseling, participate in research or seek health care. People do not deal with this disease in a rational way. It is couched in fear, emotion, and misinformation.”

When discussing the tiny pathogen which has wreaked such societal havoc for the last decade, Porter can’t stress enough that “the key to controlling the disease is avoiding risky behaviors. The virus doesn’t seek out individuals; they have to engage in behaviors that expose them to the virus. The best way to deal with HIV is to avoid acquiring it in the first place.”

Confidentiality is paramount for subjects of AIDS testing, says Joan Paine Porter ’69.
BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

While no health professionals working with AIDS patients would call their jobs cheerful, hospital social workers must deal with some of the most heart-breaking scenarios. It may be up to them to bring the news to a patient that he or she is HIV-positive (stricken with the virus which causes AIDS). Other social workers counsel the patient's family about the medical crises to come, while still others work with friends and family of the afflicted as he or she lies dying.

Foraging for the factors which increase the likelihood of depression or emotional exhaustion, better known as career burn-out, in AIDS hospital social workers, was a three-year project, ending in 1990, for Karen Adkins. Survey responses of 128 social workers living in the top 10 states for incidence of AIDS (Maryland is 11th) provide a picture of what factors help these typically stressed-out workers cope best— and worse.

Role overload, or how often the things you do add up to more than you can manage, is likely to breed depression and burn-out, the assistant professor of social work discovered. Being a parent can add significantly to the feeling of being overwhelmed. "Living with children is a responsibility that is hard to ignore," Adkins says. "Managing all the tasks and demands of children as well as a job with AIDS patients is a difficult combination." Especially if the social worker has teen-agers. "It could be that you're confronted daily with the fact your child is in the prime age group" for contracting the deadly disease.

"It's important to know that it's really a hard job to have when you have children," she adds. "I'm going to work on a sub-

Coping methods are of interest to Adkins. analysis to see if a child's age makes any difference" in the parent's overload level.

Since parents can be extraordinary AIDS workers, hospitals need to find ways to lessen their role overload, such as creating on-site day-care centers.

Besides parents, another high-risk group for role overload is social workers who have seen an abundance of AIDS patients die. Rotating workers so they have a lower case load of dying people could diminish that overload factor, she surmises.

While the social workers she surveyed were very committed to their charges, not all hospital workers' attitudes were charitable toward AIDS patients. "Social workers from the sample reported being bothered by other professionals' attitudes toward AIDS," says Adkins. "There's a stigma attached and a callousness assumed toward people who have AIDS." Partly because of this, social workers often keep their experiences to themselves, or share them only with their peers.

"There's not a place they can really talk about it," Adkins says. "And the stories are so horrendous that people in everyday life are too blown away by them." Support groups meetings where they share war stories can help AIDS social workers cope. The buddy system—pairing a seasoned with a new worker—is another coping technique she suggests.

Age and the amount of time on the job, her study found, were major factors in staving off stress. "The more experienced they are, the better able they were to cope and the less emotionally exhausted they were. Older people were less likely to be depersonalized, or detached. When you're 50 or 60 years old, you have experienced a lot of hard life issues, whereas when you're just out of school and are around the age of the people dying, it's harder."

Adkins, in her first year at WMC, is polishing up two journal articles based on the study from which she drew her dissertation in 1990. One article argues that social workers need to look out for themselves as well as their clients, and one explores her findings and their implications. The latter is directed toward hospital administrators and aspiring AIDS social workers.

She plans to look further into role overload but shift the focus to how it affects professional women with children—a subject she's an expert in as a mother of two, a full-time professor and a clinical social worker with a part-time private practice specializing in women with depression.

Women in these split roles of working and mothering "get so much stress," says Adkins. "The balance is hard to find. There is an expectation that women will work and meet everyone's needs, but they don't have the social support or the concrete help they need."

On the AIDS Front Lines

On the Balance

Juggling Patients and Home Life Can Be Arduous for AIDS Workers
ny home improvement guide worth its weight in sawdust will tell you there is a big difference between “barn raising” and “barn razing.” The former requires a lot of woodworking tools—mallets, chisels, and plenty of rope—while the latter . . . well, the latter requires the same tools, but you get the idea. One means to raise a barn into place. The other means to raze it to the ground, to destroy it.

Don’t expect Barbara (Frick) ’63 and Lynn Wickwire ’62 to appreciate the distinction. Having witnessed the extremes of home renovation—first the demolition of the 150-year-old barn they had hoped to make into a home, then the raising of an exact replica of the barn on its foundation—this Concord, MA couple learned not to sweat the details. Especially since the project was overseen and documented from start to finish by the acclaimed Public Broadcasting System television series, This Old House.

“It was a great adventure,” Barbara Wickwire said of their decision to let the show’s millions of viewers go through the project with them for most of PBS’s 1989-90 season. It was an adventure that made them celebrities of a sort—celebrities who literally let America into their bedroom.

Barbara and Lynn—a teacher and government relations and marketing specialist respectively—had lived in a classic Victorian farmhouse for more than a decade. But their dream was really next door, in an old post-and-beam barn they owned and hoped to restore and move into someday.

As Barbara put it, “We cared very much about preserving the sense of history in Concord. It was sad to see a lot of development change the rural quality of the area in the ’80s. It was sad to see barns just fall down. We didn’t want that to happen to this one.”

The Wickwires wanted to do it right, and in the pricey and carefully regulated real-estate environment of eastern New England, they knew it would require a serious investment of money and time. There was the obvious cost of having the
structure's clapboard skin removed and the timbers refitted so the barn would adequately support new construction. There were architects to be hired, contractors to attract, and a whole team of supporters to work with in order to make the project run smoothly. There was the couple's strong desire to retain the exterior appearance of the barn while making it a true home with modern conveniences.

And then there were the less conspicuous factors, which often weighed just as heavily on the renovation as the mightiest cross beam. The town's Zoning Board of Appeals, for instance, had the final say on whether the Wickwires could live out their very American dream.

"It's two-acre zoning here—one house for every two acres of land," Lynn explained. "The barn and the house were on two acres. There was only one way to deal with this, and it set a precedent for zoning in Concord."

New England town government being the truly democratic forum that it is, the Wickwires had to play the breaks in public. With the help of a lawyer who specializes in Massachusetts real-estate law, they established a "condominium association" on their property, dividing the ground between the house and the barn so that when they sold the farmhouse the new owner had exclusive rights to that side of the property, while the Wickwires had the same for their barn and the rest of the property on their side. Convoluted, yes, time consuming, yes—but truly worth the trouble. They didn't give up even when a local resident protested and sent the whole project back to the zoning board for another go 'round the day before the barn raising was scheduled to begin. In all, the couple spent two months securing the town's approval. Could this public settlement of largely private concerns be fair and equitable?

"Absolutely," Lynn said. "Democracy works. It has some failings but there's nothing better."

While the system was working for them, the Wickwires were also making other plans. A production team from This Old House had approached Lynn and Barbara with the idea that a barn restoration/ conversion was the perfect project to lead off the show's 11th season (and its first with new host Steve Thomas). The Wickwires, who were fans of the series and supporters of its originating station, WGBH in nearby Boston, gave it some thought and decided they had no qualms about letting a TV crew and outside contractors direct their project virtually from the first day.

"We got the cream of the crop, because this is the most watched show on public television. Twelve million people see it," Lynn said. "It really is the cream in terms of subcontractors and contractors. And also fast-trackers. When we were talking to contractors and were about to sign our own architect, the best estimate on redoing the barn was a year to 18 months. With This Old House, it was done in five-and-a-half months. Because of the TV schedule, it was lickety-split."

That's an accurate description of what happened next. Before the first electric saw began to howl, the show's master carpenter, Norm Abrams, and Tedd Benson, an expert timber framer from New Hampshire, discovered that the original barn's timbers were "punky"—too soft and unstable to be reused for the conversion project. Since the barn's piecemeal construction in the mid-1830s, the vindictive New England weather had seeped into the wood and sapped its strength. No mortise-and-tenon joint, no matter how well placed, could withstand water once it got into the timbers.

The Wickwires were crestfallen. They had hoped to save at least half of the wood for the project, but in the end only a few braces and pegs were salvageable. Still, they and the crew—now numbering more than 80 men and women because of an on-site timber framing class conducted by Benson—pressed on. In one late summer week they roughed out the building's new frame on the ground, hewing the lumber to precise measurements. Then, on September 16, 1989, they raised it into place using ropes, two-by-fours and coordinated brute force. Using two pegs taken from the original barn, Lynn himself secured the last beams on the third floor.

What followed could be called the hard part. This Old House's non-stop production schedule required the Wickwires to take a lot of time away from their jobs, helping out with work ranging from painting and carpentry to hanging insulation. They also had to make a number of overnight decisions about plumbing fixtures, flooring, and other necessities that house-loving couples usually hem and haw over for weeks.

For their sweat equity and cooperation with the TV crew, the Wickwires ended up with a much more richly detailed structure than they initially believed they could afford. Many of the materials were donated by companies seeking exposure on This Old House; Lynn and Barbara spent the bulk of their financial investment on labor.

The new barn features several high-tech innovations, such as in-floor radiant heating, motorized skylights, and insulated stress-skin panels, as well as a modern, spacious floor plan. Aesthetically, it retains the distinctly New England theme of practicality thoroughly blended with comfort, from the light-flecked great room to the custom kitchen and informal dining area. A sliding door across the front of the brick-red clapboard structure is a pleasant reminder of its predecessor's utilitarian beginnings.

More than a year after the Wickwires unveiled their dream home on This Old House, the program's "groupies"—as Lynn jokingly describes them—have stopped coming around. The couple no longer has to turn away overenthusiastic tourists on the weekend. The town police probably don't hand out maps to the Wickwire place anymore. And the decorating and home-improvement suggestions—chain letters about quilts, for instance—have slowed to a trickle. Do they miss the farm?

"It's diminishing, and I'm glad. I'm ready for it to diminish," Barbara said, smiling. "It shows the show's appeal because everyone's home is so important. We realized what a dream this was for people, and we participated in that dream."
Ed Regis is no chicken when it comes to going out on a limb with wacky science ideas.

BY SHERRI KIMMEI DIEGEL

is this guy wigged out or what? Most authors appear self-importantly sexy on their book jackets — hair artfully blown back by a fan, if you're a woman, hair boyishly tousled and moussed if you're a man. Not Ed Regis. On his latest highly acclaimed book he's stealing a sidelong glance into the beady eyes of a chicken — a great big, woolly-feathered Carroll County white Cochin chicken. Oh my.

How serious can this book be? Such a dust jacket and such a title: Great Mambo Chicken and the Transhuman Condition: Science Slightly Over the Edge (Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc., 1990). Such premises: People are being frozen upon death in order to be reactivated in the future. People someday will have their brains “downloaded” into a computer, escaping their inefficient and mortal bodies, in another attempt at immortality. People will ride the spacecraft of their dreams to colonize other planets, disposing of the fractured Earth. People will tear apart the sun to prolong its existence.

“The thing about these ideas is when you first hear about them they sound totally insane and impossible,” the science — not science fiction — writer is the first to admit. Work out the mechanics of these predictions, as the legitimate scientists in Regis's book have done, and darned if their seemingly harebrained notions aren't all allowable under the laws of science, unlike
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BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Back in the days before the Bay Bridge carried its freight of bumper-to-bumper BMW's bearing Washington lawyers bound for Rehoboth Beach, Paul Brooks '43 would watch the crab boats depart his native Eastern Shore, bound for Baltimore. The only way to crawl across the Chesapeake was by boat, and the only way to ship crabs was in barrels. Now most crabs are shipped in cardboard boxes, and the shores of Maryland are linked by that scarifyingly long, high and jammed-up bridge. But barrels still depart the Eastern Shore, with a Brooks Barrels stamp on their heads.

Brooks, who studied math and biology at WMC with no goal in mind, decided to roll out his own barrel shop upon returning from World War II Army duty in Europe and the South Pacific. "My people were ship builders and mechanics, so I had a little bit of ability," he says from the loud and dusty Cambridge factory building in which he's housed his business for 37 of its 41 years. "After the war I helped my father in the sawmill and worked in a lumber company, but I didn't like that."

He looked around and saw a half-dozen barrel makers in Maryland, two in Philadelphia and three in Virginia, and decided to start his own shop in downtown Cambridge in 1950. "When I started my business, a man from Baltimore told me not to [because the trade was dying], but it didn't cost too much to start. I took a little survey and figured I'd make a living."

Not only has Brooks made a living, but he's outlasted all those other Mid-Atlantic barrel makers—in fact, almost all barrel makers. One company in Maine makes potato barrels, one in Illinois and one in Ohio make nail kegs, he says.

"But I'm the only one who makes everything—the staves, the wire hoops and the steel hoops." When his material suppliers began to die off, Brooks saved his business by buying up the manufacturers' equipment and learning to make his own parts.
Another survival technique was to change the target buyers of his barrels from food purveyors to garden stores. When he started out, barrels had a utilitarian purpose as containers for seafood, meat and the Eastern Shore's cash crop, potatoes. But as the potato and seafood businesses dwindled, cardboard boxes became the containers of choice, and the health department deemed barrels unsanitary for meat.

Brooks is a broker for crab baskets, but his biggest sellers are half barrels which are filled with dirt and used as planters. Since making the switch during the last decade to producing decorative kegs and barrels, his business has grown.

"It's been uphill all along, but in the last few years, with the planters, I sell twice as much as before. I recently put an ad in a trade magazine and got 200 inquiries [from lawn and garden stores who wanted to sell his products]."

He prefers to sell his wares through distributors. "They do the ads and sales, and it saves a lot of bookkeeping" which Brooks and his wife Ginger do themselves. Brooks Barrels are trademarks of a large fish distributor in Boston, a brand of coffee, and Horehound candy.

His barrels begin when timber is trucked in from the local woods. Workers saw the logs into barrel staves, then joint them (curve the edges so the staves fit together). Brooks sells for chicken litter the leftover shavings and waste slab—the side of a log with the bark on it.

After drying the staves, a worker arranges them inside the hoops to form a barrel. An employee heads the barrel—pounds the heading, or circular bottom, on. Then a worker drives the hoops so they hold the staves and heading in place. Lastly, a worker nails the hoops on.

All the assembling and manufacturing of materials is done by Brooks and his 10 employees. The team produces an average of 375 small barrels a day. He keeps the production level and staffing deliberately small scale, "The more business you have, and the more help you have, the more headaches you have," he says.

At age 68, Brooks works nine hours each weekday and a half day on Saturday, which leaves little time for his lifelong loves, fishing and boating. "I'm looking forward to retirement," he admits. But should he sell the business, he still plans to be available, just in case the new owners need some advice from a barrel-manufacturing survivor.

Editor's Note: At press time, Paul Brooks was in the process of selling his business.
**Master's News**

Gertrude Scott Galloway MED '72, after 20 years as assistant principal at the Columbia campus of the Maryland School for the Deaf, is now superintendent of the Marie H. Kamenisch School for the Deaf in Trenton, NJ. She is the 1st deaf superintendent of the 107-year-old New Jersey school and the 1st deaf female superintendent of the nation's 65 schools for the deaf.

In December, Jane Lasner Saellam MED '80 completed a 2nd master's degree in special education at Shippensburg University with a 4.0 average.

Dave Killam MED '77, MS '86 was honored as TMP Instructor of the Year because of his commitment to the program, creative teaching style and his ability as a student motivator.

Cyndi Carey Bare MLA '90 teaches English composition part time at Carroll Community College.

Paul Welliver MS '80 was named program director at Carroll Country Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center in September. He is a member of The National Athletic Trainers Assoc., The Maryland Athletic Trainers Assoc., and The American College of Sports Medicine.

**Correction to February '91**

**Master's News**

Lanny Hinkle MED '72 was listed as principal at New Windsor Middle School. He is teaching assistant principal at New Windsor Middle School.

**Marriages**

George Sullivan '72 to Alma Holcombe on April 26, 1990. They live in Lansdowne, MD.

Catherine Parker Lippy '72 to Edmund Moriarty on January 20, 1990. They live in Arlington, VA.

Patricia Griffith '63 to Joseph T. Harpy Jr. on April 21, 1990. They live in Pasadena, MD.

John Little '79 to Christine Bradfield in December. They live in Houston, TX.

Jim McWilliams '79 to Kathy Runge in June. They live in Bryans Road, MD.

David Moskwitz '80 to Hallie Sires on September 3. They live in Evergreen, CO.

Patti Riggs '84 to Adam Stroop on January 26. They live in Newark, DE.

Heidi Snyder '84 to Bennett Wethered on June 17, 1989. They live in Resterton, MD.

Richard Metz '86 and Anne Baker '88 on December 16, 1989. They live in Odon, MD.

Jamie Davis '89 to Amy Heebner '88 on October 6. They live in Belcamp, MD.

Christine Jarkowiec '89 to Patrick

**Births**

Kaitlin Elizabeth Stephens-Rich, on November 15, to Stuart and Barbara Stephens-Rich '73.

Kevin Andrew Bricker, on August 31, to Sam and Carol Bricker.

Lauren Cooney Doherty, on November 21, to Denny and Harriet Lowry '74 Doherty.

Molly Elizabeth McGloskey, on December 20, to Bill and Karen Lyhus '81 McGloskey.

Joshua Paul Niles, on July 11, to Linda Van Name '74 and David Niles '78.

James Alexander Semensky, on October 18, to David and Linda Powell '74.

Matthew Walker, on October 23, to Larry '74 and Patti Walker.

Christopher Cameron, on December 12, to Michael and Debi Janus '75 Cameron.

**Some alumni totaled books on February 11, when the renovated and expanded Hoover Library opened. Susan Rushton Batson '63 helped with the original move into the building in 1961. This time she brought son Alex '93. Also helping were (from left) Caroline Babylon '76 and Donna DuVall Sellman '45, director of alumni affairs.**

Trevor William Gingrich, on October 21, to Dale and Debra Cogan '76 Gingrich.

Gregory Carlisle Hess, on October 4, to Russell '77 and Eva Konkoly MED '82 Hess.

Brett Edwin Morris, on July 27, to Barry '77 and Sandi McCulm '78 Morris.

Margaret Evelyn Landis, on September 21, to Wayne and Linda Watermeier '78 Landis.


Sarah Elizabeth Chapman, on March 10, 1990, to Carl and Patricia Blakes '79 Chapman.

Ryce Davis, on May 1, 1990, to Jonathan and Robin Oros '79 Davis.

Michelle Randolph Deitrick, on July 18, to Randy and Mary Ellen Thornton '79 Deitrick.

Stephen Floyd, in June, to Peter '79 and Patti Floyd.

Susannah Lauren Glaser, on January 18, 1990, to Kurt '77 and Linda Sorenson '79 Glaser.

Nicole Jeanne Hall, in November, to Scott and Nancy Kentvonne '79 Hall.

William Kent Lewis, on July 4, to Michael '79 and Malinda Bain '79 Lewis.

Micah John Powell, on May 20, 1990, to Rick '79 and Jaya Powell.

David Benjamin Trenner, on August 18, to Scott '79 and Robin Sellard '79 Trenner.

Laura Wheat, on October 6, to George and Janet Weeza '79 Wheat.

William R. Nichols V, on October 13, to William and Elizabeth Wallace '81 Nichols.

James Brent Stevens, on November 5, to Brent and Barbara Hays '82 Stevens.

Ryan MacKay Lewis, on November 12, to Paul '83 and Laura MacKay '85 Lewis.

Katherine Athena Crum, in October, to Howard "Chip" '84 and Virginia Crum.

Samantha Aubrey Dixon, on September 12, to Dan and Kathy Lyhus '84 Dixon.

Maria Luisa Krolowski, on January 10, to Daniel '84 and Lucresa Diferri '85 Krolowski.

Michael Brandon May, on May 8, 1990, to Doug and Debbie Federico '84 May.

Julia Lynn Rubin, on May 23, 1990, to Ron and Elisabeth Siegenthaler '84 Rubin.

Anna Rachel Scott, on November 19, to John '84 and Annette Horn '83 Scott.

David Michael Seiler, on October 25, to Chris '89 and Jennifer Manger '89 Seiler.

John Wanen '30, of Snow HIll, MD, on November 1, to Karen '79 and Ira Wanen '79 Wanen.

Miss Eleanor C. Babington '31, of Westminister, MD, on January 30.

Mr. James H. Edmonds '32, of Falls Church, VA, on November 9, to Dan and Kathy Dinius '84 Edmonds.

Mr. Howard A. Kellar '32, of Pikesville, MD, on November 16.

Miss A. Louise Schaeffer '32, of Westminister, MD, on December 26.

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-Rev. Samuel W. Strain '24, of Altoona, PA, on April 6, 1979

-Mrs. Emily Allnut Loos '25, of Deland, FL, on January 26, 1988

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Dr. Ridgton's Life Depicted

William Robin Rhett Ridgton, who died at age 82 on December 18, was the former chair of the psychology department. He taught here from 1938 until his retirement in 1973. He is survived by his wife, Edith, four children, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

On February 5, colleagues, friends, family, and former students attended a memorial service on campus for Bill Ridgton, who died in December. A professor of classics at the College for 35 years, the Faculty Secretary for 26 years, and an active scholar in his field, Bill earned and held the respect of all who worked with him.

Besides his service to the college, Bill contributed his energies to make the wide Westminster community a better and more just place to live. He was a founding father of the Westminster Cooperation Association and an active participant in the drive during the early 1960s to integrate Carroll County public accommodations.

The reminiscences of Bill at the service were quite moving. Gary Legates '74, a teacher of Latin and French at Westminster High School and one of Bill's students, praised Bill as a teacher and as a friend. Gary, Bill's secretary, helped him from the first day he, a blind student, arrived on campus and, then, after he graduated, helped him get an assistantship at Penn State.

Professor Emeritus Charles Crain spoke of Bill's love for the classics, for the college, and, especially, for Edie, his wife. Together, Bill and Edie were the Classics Department. Seldom apart, this husband and this wife showed the entire college community that a marriage should be: a gentle sharing of intellectual pursuits, classroom duties, and family love.

Another emeritus professor, William David, shared his memories of Bill, stressing particularly Bill's willingness to stand up for social justice in a predominately white community. Not a man to have friends sitting down together with his members to see a movie or eat a meal in a restaurant, Professor David reminded us of Bill's arcanic knowledge of film, and of Bill's worries when the classroom bells would get out of whack. Older alumni will remember the bells.

Ray Phillips, professor of English, spoke of Bill's unfailing generosity and thoughtfulness. Bill offered his New Jersey cabin to faculty friends at little or no cost, providing them with a highly detailed route map to the cabin and incredibly precise lists of how to operate everything once the guests got there: "Even the shower had typed instructions. In the summer before Bill's death, Ray would take Bill, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, on walks to the college along the route that Bill had made for years. One day the subject of goats came up: ‘You ever keep goats, Bill?’ With no hesitation, Bill replied, ‘No, but I know just a few.' Even Alzheimer's couldn't erase the way humor of a man so many people loved and admired. The Ridgton family has generously established an endowed annual lectureship at the college. Contributions may be sent to the Development Office.

Farewell to Dr. Sturdivant

Harrell Preyer Sturdivant, professor emeritus of biology, age 88, died January 3, in Radford, VA after an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Julia Elizabeth "Betty" Bogg Sturdivant, a daughter, Betty Sturdivant Turner, two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

H.P., as we all knew him, brought to the biology department and Western Maryland in 1948 his southern charm and wit. With his gentle southern persuasion he guided the department through building a nationally acclaimed biology program. During his years as chairman, the number of graduating biology majors who later completed professional degrees ranked WMC among the top 100 colleges and universities in the nation.

H.P. firmly believed in academic excellence. For 21 of his 25 years on "the Hill" he served on the Admissions and Standards Committee. Some say it is no fluke that biology students were and continue to be among the highest achievers in the College. In those days, H.P. counseled every junior and senior major. Endless hours were spent with each and every one on what course of action he or she should follow to reach his or her fullest potential. These conversations would bring out the best in each of them; often one could hear a chuckle emanate from his office.

H.P. recognized that quality education begins in the public domain of secondary education. A National Science Foundation grant in 1988 enabled him to update biology high school teachers' understanding of modern scientific inquiry. He received funding for nine consecutive years to offer his summer science institute to a broad spectrum of biology teachers who came from the far reaches of the United States.

While one often hears about town-gown relations, no such barrier existed as far as H.P. and Betty Sturdivant were concerned. They lived and actively participated in the community of Westminster, serving as members of the Westminster United Methodist Church, they gave unselfish service to committees. He gained recognition for his service to the Kingdom Club as Capital District president. His sphere of influence within the community was widespread.

On his retirement in 1973, his former students, faculty and friends established the H.P. Sturdivant Award. This annual award given annually to a junior biology major who best embodies the ideals of Dr. Sturdivant: academic excellence, unselfish service and dedication to the liberal arts philosophy.

—G. Samuel Alspaugh Jr. Professor of Biology

HIGHLIGHTS OF ALUMNI WEEKEND
May 24–26

Friday, May 24
10 a.m. Clarence H. Bennett Golf Tournament—WMC Golf Course. Shotgun start. Open to all alumni.
3 p.m. 9th Hole Reception and awarding of golf prizes.
5 p.m. Picnic Supper under canopy in the Quad. Guests of honor: Emeriti Faculty and Academic Department Heads. Meal ticket needed.
8 p.m. WMC “Yesterday and Today”—Ensar Lounge. Remarks by Barbara Schaeffer Disharoon ’68, assistant dean of academic affairs/registrar. An informal gathering.
Saturday, May 25
9:30–11:30 a.m. Tours of the newly expanded Hoover Library.

WMC ALUMNI TRAVEL TO EUROPE

July 23 through August 7 Rev. Charles Wallace ’39 led an Alpine Adventure Tour. The tour included Austria, Germany, Switzerland and Italy and the Oberammergau Passion Play. Alumni included in the group were: Front row (l-r): Bob Beglin ’43, Edna “Perk” Haller Beglin ’46, Jean McDowell Barrett ’47, Pearl Bodmer Lodge ’43, Becky Wallace West ’68. Back row (l-r): Ralph Barrett ’47, Lee Lodge ’43, Ann Leete Hudson ’45, Carolyn Pickett Ridgely ’39, Belle Fringer, Winnie Wareheim Conner ’43, Charles Wallace ’39.

Class Notes

Hail, 27! It seems impossible that an entire year has passed since we heard from you! I'm sorry we did not receive a report from everyone, but I know it is boring to send the same message when nothing very different has occurred. We are all hoping that "no news is good news." However, we all really want to hear from you, so keep in touch.

Each year my task becomes more painful as I have to report the sad and unfortunate events which befell us. The last Hill had gone to press before we received the news of the death of Bess Hayman. Grace, August 22. We so much appreciate the Alumni Office sending a special note to you. No words of mine are necessary to express how much she meant to us, dating back to 1923. We relied on her quiet competence, her warm friendship, and her unfailing good humor. Her devotion to Pres during his long illness was an inspiration to us all. I think when she lost him, a large part of her heart went with him. For ourselves we grieve but not for her. We know she has found peace, that she and Pres are together again! We extend our sympathy to Lucess Ann, Bill, and their families. Although Bess is no longer with us, she will always hold a treasured spot in our memories. A wonderful, last way to remember her would be to make a gift to the Class of 1927 Memorial Library Endowment—a project of which she was very proud.

Velma Richmond Albright and Al do not travel much but are more, but keep busy with church and club activities. One son was graduated from track. The other one is working on his master's at Duke University.
where they can be with relatives and friends and can continue their activities. In 1990 they enrolled in the Elderhostel Program at the Dunes Hotel in Ocean City. In August, they visited relatives in Virginia and went to the church where Harry's mother and father married in 1890. In October they planned to visit Florida to visit Tom '30 and Ms. Evelyn Segatoose Ensor at the Country House Retirement Home. He visits her daily.

Evelyn Segatoose Ensor lives at Forest Haven, MD where she was born and raised. She is the daughter of William and Rose Segatoose. Evelyn graduated from Forest Ridge High School in 1943 and attended the University of Maryland. She is a member of the Forest Haven Historical Society and the Forest Haven Women's Club. Evelyn is also a member of the Forest Haven Presbyterian Church. She and her husband, Arthur Ensor, have been married for over 60 years and have two children and five grandchildren. Evelyn enjoys playing bridge, knitting, and reading. She also loves to travel and has visited many countries around the world. She is a kind and generous person who always goes out of her way to help others. She is loved and appreciated by all who know her. Evelyn Segatoose Ensor is a true example of a hardworking, devoted, and compassionate woman who has made a positive impact on the lives of those around her. She is truly a remarkable person and a true inspiration to us all.

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Anna Wiley Hanna still lives in her large house in Randallstown, MD, surrounded by flowers and her garden. We hope that her husband, Martin, who fell last summer and cracked his ribs, is now fully recovered. Anna's grandson is Mark David Ronning '90, graduate of Krista Hanna graduates in June from Pratt Institute. The Hanss are great-grandparents of two boys.

Because my love for you took the form of a short poem, Elizabeth "Humpty" Humphreys Mahoney also replied in verse.

In May I returned to WMC. This graduation was special to me; A grandson, Michael Mahoney '90, by name. I received his degree. So welcome to Michael who joins a crew Of parents and great-grandparents from '34 and '02. "Humpty" concludes that all else is well, and she need not venture to say she's proud.

John McNally is still happy and healthy. He attended Homecoming in October at Virginia. Henry Kimmy and wife Virginia, White Plains, formed a tour of Dick and Sue Cockey '33 Kiefer, Eugene "Stoney" and Jane Twigg '35 Willis and Iren Ida Sadowsky. They all had a great time recalling college days. Henry Kimmy remarked "I'll soon be 80, God willing." Our class wishes him a wonderful birthday!

What a wonderful way to spend Christmas this year—10 days in Canterbury, England! That's what Charles and Carolyn Whitington did. This is their fourth time they have traveled with the Smiths. The Whitingtons went on their own to London and saw My Fair Lady and a Chekhov play. The Three Stooges starred the Redgraves—Lynne, Vanessa, and Jemma.

Margaret "Starrer" Ritter and husband Luther attended the Eisenhower Centennial Celebration in October at Gettysburg, PA. Luther served on the Gettysburg College Board of Trustees with President Eisenhower, so he knew "like" well.

Lillian Boughton is one of those busy retired teachers of Maryland. She devotes much time to school organizations, AAUW, Meals-on-Wheels, and the Allegheny County Retired Teachers Assoc. Thankful that is in good health, she also enjoys traveling.

Kennard Rhodes has spent most of his time this year traveling: three-time-share exchanges at Iocono, NY, Galtinburg, TN, and Treasure Lake, PA), and before and after these, trips to Clarion, PA. For 40 years Ken has had perfect attendance at Kiwanis and received a pin. An unexpected honor came recently as "Ken Rhodes Day" in Hollywood, bestowed by the mayor and the city commission for his outstanding community service.

For Lease Bussard, 1930 was a trying year. His wife, Fran, was stricken with a mysterious illness which required a Donlibium and, resulting in her becoming an invalid. Little help has been made with walking or communication. Lease is truly grateful for the many cards, letters, and phone calls. He and Fran are back in San Juan, Puerto Rico, enjoying the wonderful climate and sunshine.

Robert "Bob" Holder and wife Ida still spend half the year at Chautauqua, NY, and half in Florida. By now it is hot enough to have another book written. One of his three daughters, Valerie, has moved near them in Florida, and the Holders are enjoying her, her husband, and two children.

William Stewart and his wife, who has been quite ill, probably will move to the Seattle area to be near their sons and families. The Stewarts celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren help Bill and his wife enjoy their life.

Mildred Burkins Connelly centers her activities around their Dallas and Houston area families. With Ed's encouragement, "Millie" acts as chauffeur. A cateract operation and implant have made her eyesight better than 20/20.

Sarah "Dally" Fadley Stevens is on the Sarasota Chapter of United Methodist Women, attended a week at Florida Southern College studying ethics for Central volunteer work wherever necessary, helps friends, and goes to latino church in Sarasota with the Greeterettes (ladies of the Greeterettes). She organized a group in which Ben was so active.

Maurice Fleming follows world affairs closely by reading and listening to national analysts. He avowed a love for the New York Jets. I am thankful that WMC caused me to develop a great love of learning which is still a Little "Dolly" Hall Schuchardt, in Florida, writes, "This was the year of the legs, and I don't mean pantyhose. In February I was riding off and a pickup truck ran a stop light, struck me, and dragged my bike and me. My legs were lacerated, torn, etc. I had three operations on my right leg and a heart attack. I cancelled a trip we had planned to Dominican Republic to go in a trawler to watch whale migration. Last Summer I saw Sooke Cockey '33 and Dick Kiefer. November found her back in the hospital for removal of a melanoma on her left shin plus another graft. I am now out of a cast, scarred externally but not internally."

The Kiefer's had a fall trip to California (Balboa Island) for the wedding of their granddaughter. Their entire immediate family was on hand. Dick is still the active senior partner in the Baltimore law firm of Finkner, Kiefer & Taylor and enjoys the Baltimore Symphony, the Baltimore Opera, and theater.

Carl Everly enjoys his retirement. He spent Thanksgiving with his wife and her husband in Charleston, SC. The most exciting event for him was in early October—the annual Autumn Glory Festival which drew about 15,000 visitors. The white-water competitions are on hold (state budget deficit and uncertain U.S. economy), but he hopes the Olympic trials will be held there in 1992.

Muriel Day Davis's husband, James Alfred, had a permanent pacemaker installed. Unfortunately, it was in wrong, and failed to function properly. Now in a nursing home, he is bedridden, and it is unlikely he will be released from the hospital. They have not been well but she tries to visit him frequently. Your classmates, Muriel, will be praying for you.

Hammer von Eiff Kenney became a member of the WMC Baltimore Alumni Chapter and attends the monthly luncheons on the 4th Monday of each month at the Sheraton Inn Towson. In April, "Bodleian" was in New York and saw City of Angels. May, she was in Anaheim, CA at the Ladies' Oriental Shrine Convention. Last November she saw A Poster of Life and the Christmas show at Radio City Music Hall. Boitsie closed, I "had a very, very busy year and a happy one."

Al Sudinsky and I have relocated, moving from Bethesda, MD to Fort Lauderdale, FL. In the fall they enjoyed Homecoming, especially since the Terrors defeated Dickinson College. On November 3 Al was inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. During the winters Irene and Al live in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

John Lockard who still plays in tennis doubles competitions and was runner-up in WMC's "100 Years of Tennis" tournament. She was one of the two oldest participants. All this, along with celebrating her 50th wedding anniversary, planning a trip to Aruba and enjoying her son, who teaches traffic management, a grandson, at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, a grandson-in-law, who is a student teacher (shades of '39), and a 2-year-old great-granddaughter.

Julia Berwanger writes, "Enjoying my life very much." Julia Berwanger worked.
Celebrating his 75th birthday and his 50th wedding anniversary haven’t kept Frank Lesinski from fishing in Ontario, Ontario, and bowling, chopping dead trees (making chips), and reading. Jeanne Lang Myers LeDoux is glad she inherited her large home to her beautiful new apartment. Alene Williams Hutchins flew down to see Norma Keyser Strobel. All three had a ball, a sight seeing tour, scope, or Norma was recovering from a successful eye operation. She still enjoys mah jong, bridge, crossword puzzles.

Woodrow Pompee has been doing WMC after retiring from the Western Maryland Railroad. They enjoy WVC events, volunteering at the Farm Museum, and when the snow flies down, they head up to Lake Wales, FL. Hawaii and Florida were fun too. Mary Robb is busy serving as president of the Allegany Retired Teachers Association, in a women’s voice in music and arts club, secretary of the Community Concert Association, active in the Women’s monthly luncheon, the Frederick Choral Society. She is director of the Sunday school at Grace Baptist Church. In her “spare” time she enjoys her flower bed, kitchen.

Also hoping to return to Europe is Miles Lefferts who is recovering from four angioplasties for a clogged artery and fixing a bent joint. While the rest of us are celebrating our 50th anniversary, our Clarence “Peck” ’38 and Margaret McKenney Skayman are celebrating their 52nd. They have four children, Kristin, 10, and David, 7, who live in Wheeling, WV.

Bill and Martha “Motti” (Justin’s name for grandmother) Yocum Ferris took a 105-day vacation in mid-winter. They rented out their condo in Olympia, WA and headed to Coronado, CA to stay at the Lawrence Welk Resort. They planned to meet Bob ’40 and Betty Brown Strobel and Betty and Bob Coe ’37 for their annual WMC lunch meal and attend an Elderhostel in Hemen, CA at a nearby beach club for a week at a Cecil B. de Mille estate. Aline Williams Hutchins held her annual crab feast at her home on the wa- ter. The family took the kids down with and ate them at the water’s edge. Aline works with two senior citizens groups, doing “Reminiscing with Moms,” combining music with current affairs for discussion. She also plays piano at a day-care center once a week.

Dor Cohee Harris and Helen Frey Hobar spent two weeks in Austria, Germany, and Switzerland, including a day in Oberammergau to see the Passion Play. Helen spent a week buying her home in New York and moving to Columbia, MD.

Tucson, AZ is his home, and golfing is his game, but Emil V. Edmond and his wife, Antoinette, spent 18 days visiting their son in Honduras.

“Peacock Hill” is what Louise Leister Hailey may change her home’s name to since she and her husband raised three peacocks from incubated eggs. A visit from her 10-year-old twin grandchildren and two horses from Florida for the six nights on their roof across from fence or bare tree kept them busy. She was anticipating the 50th class reunion of the 1st class she taught in 1940.

Bill and Ann Stevenson Klar live still close to their son and family, watching their grandson go to Princeton (his 6th grade) and their granddaughter make the elementary-school swim team.

not only celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in ’89 but survived Hurricane Hugo. On a trip to Maine, they visited the Wachusett Elder ’40 in Lit- tleton, PA.

Frances Stout Taylor doesn’t have time to travel. She has to care for their 20 acres, seven cats, two roses, and 30-plus chickens. She sings two concerts each year with the Salisbury Choral Society, plus a little, and volunteers at the Art Institute. She also loves visiting with her four children and eight grandchildren.

Mary Jane Honeman Rinehimer’s new address is a Bouvier (perky, Beau Beaugard de Bouvier) that looks like a bear cub. We’ll have to call Rosa Barrow Bark- dutch. “Travelin’ Rosie.” She spent two weeks at Kelly Greens in Fort Myers, then cruised with daughter Ann on the Atlantic Queen. After surviving another primary election, she relaxed at Ocean City (played lots of bridge) and, later, visited Nashville.

We’ve invited Sterling, “Sheriffs” 75th birthday in February ’90, then took a trip down the east coast of Florida into Key West, to Marco Island, up to Tampa and St. Petersburg. Then Bob ’40 and Brown Stroop ’41. Then we had two high-school reunions, two families reunion for our 50th wedding anniversary and the 50th birthday where we honored Sheriff’s daughter- in-laweps 45 years of managing boys’ baseball team in the age 16 and under bracket as a real “doubleheader” fa- vor with a “roast” of Sheriff. I was overwhelmed by an unexpected honor presented to me—Maryland’s 1990 Golden Diamond Amateur Baseball Player of the Year, sponsored by the Topps Company, Inc. The award is presented annually by the United States Baseball Federation (USBF) in recognition of outstanding involvement with organized amateur youth baseball in each state. The USBF is the national governing body for amateur baseball in the United States. I was truly honored and most grateful.

On the road to our 50th, we like Miles Lefferts who is recovering too, and Margaret Reindollar Taylor, expect to be in good for form for her and for her career! As I am writing this we are at war again—something of which our generation has had too many. I hope when you read this that we will again be living in peace.

Thank you so much for your response to my cards.

Mary Brown ’41 and Bob Sherman
Stormy Voyages
Don't Deter Seasoned Seaman

Keeping fit is a breeze for Dr. Stephen Dejter '50, who takes his hobbies very seriously. It's hard to believe that this striking, athletic man sitting in an office strewn with sailing magazines and crowded with photos of boating expeditions is a grandfather of four. He numbers among his favorite pastimes tennis, scuba diving, and helicopter skiing in British Vancouver. In the latter sport, a helicopter transports him to the top of a mountain and he skis the 3,000 feet to the bottom. Sailing, however, will always remain his first love.

For 30 years, Dr. Dejter has found time away from practicing internal medicine in Bethesda, MD to sail his 42-foot ketch, named after his youngest daughter, Vicki, along the East Coast to the southern shores and Caribbean islands. His ketch, a popular type of boat distinguished by its two masts, the mainmast and mizzenmast, is anchored at a 55-foot slip in Annapolis. He sails with friends and family from early spring through November, anchoring off shore and stopping at many interesting ports of call.

Although he insists that the vessel is easy to handle, Dr. Dejter cultivated his sailing skills and earned his coast guard captain's license by taking lessons from seasoned seamen. Because he believes that in any activity one must "strive for excellence, because you enjoy it more," Dr. Dejter has always sought professional instruction when beginning a new hobby. "I always felt," he says, "that you never can become as good as the instructor." He has studied photography, taken lessons from professional skiers, and just three years ago was certified in scuba diving.

Now himself a veteran sailor and skier, Dr. Dejter still has his share of dangerous situations. Although he considers sailing a "calming recreation," he recounts the time a four-day storm with winds nearing 80 miles per hour destroyed the infamous Bermuda Triangle and almost sank the vessel. He admits that he has taken some unnecessary risks, like the time he skied alone in a thick fog in Switzerland's Plateau Rosa and nearlyumbled over a cliff.

Overcoming obstacles and meeting challenges is not new for Dr. Dejter. A native of Poznan, Poland and fluent in three languages, he emigrated to the U.S. in the spring of 1947 with his psychiatrist parents. The family settled in Sykesville, MD, where his parents served on the staff of the state hospital. With the help of family friend Donald Clark '50, he was accepted at Western Maryland without a high-school diploma. He earned his degree in only three years and today applauds the college for providing him with such a sound medical base. He went on to graduate with distinction from George Washington University and has served on the staff of Suburban Hospital in Bethesda and has taught at George Washington University.

Dr. Dejter likes to spend as much time as possible traveling. Once a year he goes to Europe, and on one of his favorite trips he spent three weeks in Switzerland. He visited St. Moritz, Kitzbruchl, Innsbruck, and St. Anton. For this summer he has planned a sailing trip to the Cyclades where he will charter a large sailboat. Retirement, he hopes, will afford him more time for sea voyaging.

"With the earth getting overcrowded," he says, "you appreciate the amount of water, the freedom and the ability to visit beautiful places that sailing affords you."

—Leon Srecko '92

Outside his Bethesda office, Dr. Dejter contemplates his next sea voyage in his 42-foot ketch, Vicki.
There was a wonderful expense to the cards I sent out!

Ann Clemmitt enjoys semi-retirement after 80 years of teaching. She’s still teaching part time at Catonsville Community College. She also works part time at Bowie State and is still teaching English. She has worked for 50 years in English tutoring and teaching English for non-native speakers. She has been teaching English for 30 years and has been a successful teacher in the field. She has taught English in several countries, including Japan, China, and England. She has also taught English at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and the University of Delaware. She has published several books and articles on teaching English as a second language.

Don D’Angelo’s wife has been seriously ill, and he has taken a leave of absence. They have done some traveling. He plays the guitar and enjoys reading. "I’m happy for any..." he said.

Jean Crimmingstroke and her husband live in Springfield, PA. Their daughter, Wendy, will be a freshman at the University of Rhode Island in September.

Bob ‘55 and Marsha Reindfeder McCormick, of Santa Fe, took a nostalgic trip in September to WMC, Baltimore, and Ocean City, S.C. They spent a week at Chesaapeake Shores and enjoyed the beautiful weather and scenery. They plan to return next year.

Abdulaziz “Abdo” Fatah, of Nairobi, Kenya, is the son of the ambassador of the United Nations which deals with the formulation, approval, and implementation of all United Nations environment and development projects. He has also been involved in environmental and social projects in the Middle East. He has been a member of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and has contributed to several international conferences on environmental issues. He has also been involved in the development of renewable energy projects in the Middle East and North Africa.
tives, including Joan Crimmins Bruce, who was my maid of honor. Son Mark graduated from Georgia Tech University and was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the army. We flew to see him at Fort Huachuca, AZ in August and had dinner with Marianne Shears Poston and family in Tucson. Mark is now in Fort Drum, NY. John works full time, and daughter Mary Beth is a sophomore at Marywood College. Dan is a junior at Westminster College in Salt Lake City and is the principal in Montgomery County, and I still teach English as a 2nd language in a school with a large international population. My beginning class has students from at least 10 different countries who speak 10 different languages.

Please let me know if any of the activities in your lives. It's great to hear from you.

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Rockville, MD 20850

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Al Katz got back "to the Hill" in 1990 to give a speech in a social work class. His daughter, Lisa, graduated from Hofstra University and is on the University Playhouse staff. Mark is a sophomore at Colgate University.

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Thanks to all who answered my last batch of postcards. "Bio" forms have gone out along with reformation information. If you have not already filled yours out, please do so. Everything I receive will go into the 25th reunion edition. Let's hear from everyone!

It's hard to believe almost 25 years have zipped by. I feel so sentimental these days when I go to the high school gym to watch my daughter's volleyball games. I have this mad desire to jump on the floor and lead a cheer (or neck under the bleachers).

Astrid "Bibby" General NoLei, of Charleston, SC, has been divorced for two years and enjoys the single life. Her son, John, started last year at New York University and daughter Kristin is a sophomore at Wagner College. Recently she received an NEH grant to study at Westminster College and in Berlin. Afterwards, she plans to bike across Germany.

Frank Rinehart teaches chemistry at the University of the Virgin Islands. He could live the rest of his life and not miss being visited by another storm like Hurricane Hugo! He just finished repairing his house in time for the new season.

JoAnn Henkel McClain's son, Ralph, is a sophomore at the University of Maryland and daughter Cathy graduated last year, and is working on a lot. JoAnn works with the Department of Education to fund close-captioned television programming for the U.S. government.

Janet Houlck Martin, of Chambersburg, PA, is part-time spiritual-life director at an Bible college campus coordinator at Wilson College. Her husband is national sales representative for WGTY and WGFE in Gettysburg. Daughters Leslie, a junior, and Stephanie, a freshman, are at James Madison University. John is in 8th grade — majoring in football and baseball cards!

Betsy Murphy Schuel's son, Kevin, is a sophomore at Widener University. Patrick, 13, is in 7th grade. Betsy works part time in a Wheaton, IL "piece of history" — an ice-cream parlor bought by a group of local investors who are "preservationists." She's enjoying making ice cream and learning local history.

John Humphreys MacDonald and Bill celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary by buying some radio equipment for their airplane. Also, are pilots, and John is on her commercial rating. Both children have graduated from college. They are becoming a mission family. Joan spent August in Madagascar on an evangelical mission. Their son spent his 2nd semester in South Africa as a team leader for a college mission group, and their daughter is in a training program for a Chico, CA mission.

Anne Marlowe Zane and husband Warren celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in Bermuda with a trip to Bermuda. (We all remember Anne's famous phone call to Warren. Anne's face was always blushing when she hung up. What did you two say to each other?!) Anne still has her kitchen gadgets company, and Warren is wonderful. By the way, for Delta. David and Stuart are at the University of Massachusetts.

Joyce Nef Magnotta, of Bowie, MD, took leave for the fall semester at Prince George's Community College to finish her dissertation on writing centers. Joyce's daughter graduated magna cum laude from the University of Maryland in May '90 and was married in July, Julia, is a sophomore at Prince George's. "I\'m teaching at Hill High this year. They also celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

I get to see Bill Spangler and his family at least once a week. His daughter still live in Boca Raton, FL. Glenn works for a group of four hospitals managing their patient-care computer system.

Carolyn Akiagi Croft gives me inspiration and humor whenever I complain. She's helping me with "listing" forms.

John Ott has been promoted from associate professor to professor in the WMC economics and business administration department.

Dan and I went to Carnes and St. Tropez in September. We had the best time, and the food was wonderful. By the time I got there, I look like a giant baguette! American Airlines was concerned that they might have to can me off the plane. Bye for now.

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1972 Update

Kevin Montgomery has lived in Churchill, County Donegal, Ireland, for more than 10 years. He is married to Susan, who is Irish, and they have two children, Sara and Colin. Kevin drives to get home every two years. Nancy and Del Palmer, PCM English professors, visited last summer. Kevin says, "Any WMC people are welcome to the fireside and a drop of fine Irish whiskey."

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Greetings, classmates! I hope that this letter finds you all healthy and happy.

Linda McHale '75 and Bill Thomas still serve Ward's Chapel United Methodist Church near Liberty Dam, MD. Their children are B.J., Joy, Julie, Joshua, and Jordan.

Larry "Cheese" Bocchese, of Vineyard Haven, is still an assistant principal. Larry and Bev enjoy Steven, 2. Larry does radio broadcasts of high-school football games.

Carl Rosenfield Price is a master's candidate in organizational communications at Bowie State University. Price Editorial is now in its 11th year! Caroline is a 5th grader and Scott is a 2nd grader. Scott is still a regulatory analyst for the American Petroleum Institute in D.C.

Linda Powell Semeny and husband were visiting their house when they were interrupted by the early arrival of James Alexander, on October 18. He was to be out of the intensive care unit by Thanksgiving. His sister is Laura. Becky and Scott Krieger are building a house in Bel Air, MD. Scott still works for the U.S. Army. We knew Becky when she was a student at CBMC, substitutes as school nurse, and works for home monitory group. Kelly, 10, and Jonathan, 8, are into soccer, basketball, tennis, and snow. Debra and Gary Ball-Kilbourne are pastors at First United Methodist Church in Janesville, WI. Debra is 6th year teaching at Our Lady's. They also celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

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I'm grateful for the successful outcomes of the last few years. My sister, Ruthie Rees Blas, has a daughter, Meg, 4. Ruthie hopes to become a school principal.

Denis and Kathy Rigger Angus are working on the Library of the American Civil War. In White Marsh, Brien and Amanda are 7 and 5.

Rebecca Watkins Orenstein's photography business is doing great. She thanks Dr. Bob Boner for her first photography course! Her son, Adam, is now thinking of college.

Jacket supplied by the Alderson-Broaddus College Alumni Association. PCd by Kelly O'Malley.

Pam Shaft, with AT&T marketing in South Carolina, is librarian for the University of South Carolina. Lance is 8, and Katherine is 3. Melinda belongs to the Greenville Garden Club, The Wine Club, and is on the church wedding committee.

Nora Waugh, Jeff Jones '73, Andrew, 13, and Casey, 10, live in Cockeyville, MD. Jeff is finishing his 6th year as pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church. He began his doctorate last summer. Nora teaches vocal music at Dundalk Elementary School.

Bill Geiger is on the University of Pennsylvania counseling service staff, teaches music, and is a music critic for the Baltimore Sun. He is turning a PhD into a musical career.

Walter and Linda Reeser Tinkler, Melch and Ruth are in Hagerstown, MD. Walter is a 73rd company pilot, and Linda is the computer project leader at W.D. Byron & Sons.

Tiina Liv Eto, Aga, and their three kids have been closely involved with what's happening in Estonia and other Baltic states. Tiina has translated many documents for the Estoniantranslation service, and is working on a decade's endeavor. Her most exciting job was in October, when she was asked to interpret for President Bush when he met with the prime minister. Doug Paulsen is associate professor of anatomy at the Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta. This year his Basic Histology & Embryology class received a $7,000.00 grant (a textbook and review for medical students) was published by Appleton & Lange. It's already in its 2nd printing, and is being translated into Spanish for marketing overseas. His wife, Anna-Maria, finished her residencies and fellowships. A child psychiatrist, she's now medical director of the adolescent unit at the Georgia Regional Hospital in Atlanta.

Sam Bricker, in his 12th year with Aetna Life Casualty Insurance, has been promoted to claim supervisor.

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guage coordinator at Frederick Community College.

Karen Gaither Taschenberg has worked for 20 years in the federal government for 12 years and then began battling breast cancer. A few years ago she bought her first 166 Oldsmobile Toronado. She now owns a condominium and participates in national and local Oldsmobile clubs.

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Brenda Estep and Scott. Shawn works for USF&G in Philadelphia. He and Ann are free time, is president of the Student Council and freshman president of the Student Council.

Wayne and Debbie Brott Kempson are still in Waldorf, MD. Wayne still pastors First Baptist Church of Laurel, MD, and Debbie is director of music. The world finishes middle school this year.

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Sue Hinton and Jack Kendall moved into a new house near Tuscaloosa. Jack teaches ROTC at the University of Alabama and coaches the club lacrosse team. Sue is busy at home with Kelly, Kevin and Kyle. There would love to have visitors.

Mary Louise Jones and her husband Bledo are at West Point, where Art teaches English. "M.L." teaches English at St. Thomas Aquinas College and attended H.R. Block Tax School.

Sharon O'Connor-Ross trains thoroughbred race horses. She has used her art background to design a house. Sharon Swisher Reuter has returned to part-time nursing for Health Care Strategies. Nancy and Mark will celebrate their 10th anniversary in July. They have two sons, Stephen and Kevin.

Debbi Cannon Thomas has a new townhouse in Athens, GA. Debbi's husband is in vet school—and keeps acquiring animals at the hospital. Nancy Swisher Reuter has returned to part-time nursing for Health Care Strategies. Nancy and Mark will celebrate their 10th anniversary in July. They have two sons, Stephen and Kevin.

Ellen Scroggs and Kip Walton '77 and girls will live on Kodiak Island, AK for the next two years. They are catching salmon and king crabs, but still haven't seen a bear!

Warren and Jenny O'Neill '82 Lowman and Kate have returned to Baltimore from Ankara, Turkey.

Tracy Turlle Gauthier and family have a new house in Clarksville, MD. Linda Scroggs and Mark Hertzel moved to the Olney section of Philip
delphia. She is a full-time mom to Lauren and Kevin. Linda is a member of the steering committee for Mothers of Pre-Schoolers (MOPS) ministry.

Ron Rhodes celebrated his 1st anniversary on October 7. He and wife Smita work for IBM in Baltimore.

Sabrina Raccaglia works with US Air and on a computer science degree. The Arnold, MD, resident enjoys swimming, boating, baking and gardening.

Lysa Judy Scroggs and Ray are parents of Jennifer and Kelly. Lysa left her job of 11 years to spend more time with her family.

Jim McWilliams married Kathy Range in June. Jim is a programmmist/analyst for the Navy and a part-time realtor. Home time is spent with daughter Lori, a black lab and a cat.

Pat Mosser-Noto and Tom have a new home in Elkton City, MD. They stay busy children David and Krissie and their business—residential care for handicapped adults.

Carey Noll and Mark Emmons had Anna Lee Elizabeth on January 12, 1998. Carey is data manager for the Crustal Dynamics Project at NASA.

Dianne Jenkins' son, Seth Collins, was born Golf Hill, on Madison. WI, still consults in social policy analysis and development.

Robin Orolan and Jonathan Davis had a 2nd child, Bryce, on May 1, 1990. Robin teaches 3rd grade at the new Sequoyah Elementary.

Carol Littmann and Steve Pfister '78 have three children. They enjoy Mobile, AL more than they thought they would.

Sue Fairfield and Tony Sager '77 have a 3rd child, Thomas, joining Daniel and Julie. When 8 months pregnant, Sue entertained six former Symas and all offspring!

Brent "Bo" McWilliams and Carol have twins, Bryan and Benjamin, to keep big brother Brandon busy. Bo was promoted to vice president at Prudential and the family has moved to Paradise Valley, a suburb of Phoenix.

Melissa Bain and Michael Lewis have a son, William Kent, born July 4.

His big sister is Jessica.

Dr. John Sweeney is a resident in family medicine at the University of Maryland. His son was born March 8, 1990.

Mary Ellen Thornton Detrick's daughter, Michelle Randolph, was born July 18. Meredith and Tracy are 4 and 2. Mary Ellen is busy taking care of the babies.

Rick Powell's 2nd son, Micah John, was born May 20, 1990.

Leah Garretr Brasseur's daughter, Julia, was born January 3, 1990.

Jeanne Crickman and George Wheat welcomed a daughter, Laura, October 6.

Peter Floyd and Pattie, of Columbus, OH, have a new child named John. Stephen and Kelli are born in June. Peter is an electrical engineer in communications.

Julie Vaughan and Ken Donovan have two girls, Annie and Molly. Ken and Julie are remodeling their home in York, PA.

Nancy Kortveley and Scott Hall were married in October 1989. A year later they had Nicole Jeanne. Nancy has taught grade 6 for 10 years.

Robin Selland and Scott Terrener had David Benjamin on August 18. Christopher is 3. Scott plays basketball and collects baseball cards. Robyn plays handball, has community theater and works on dollhouses.

Laura Dorsett and RZias Lang were married on January 8, 1990. Maini is in kindergarten. Linda is a part-time elementary-school guidance counselor.

I am now child-rearng leave from Talbot Country Public Schools, since Carl and I had a daughter on January 10, 1990. Sarah Elizabeth has changed our lives tremendously as all for the better. Thanks to everyone for your help.

Write any time you have news.

Patrick Bliss Chapman 312 Sycamore Ave. Easton, MD 21601
Larry's accounting for his practice. They keep in touch with Howard "Chip" and Virginia Crum, and daughter Katherine. They are godparents to each other's children.

In December 1989 Heidi Snyder Wethered and Bennett bought a town house on Oxford Street, in Heidelberg, and Heidi is a supervisor for Service Coordination, Osten. Heidi and Bennett visit Debby Neely Kennedy. She also keeps in touch with Audrey Adam Bigelow and Krystie Adams Herndon.

Life is busy on the Eastern Shore for Tom and Beth Chapman '83 Zimmer. Tom teaches physical education at Ocean City Elementary, and Beth still works at her family's farm machinery dealership. Sarah, 4, and her kindergarten teacher, Sally, and Kat, 2, tries to keep up with big sister. Members of the Baltimore-Washington theater community presented a musical revue, A Sing in June, in November on behalf of actor Rob McQuay, who was paralyzed from the chest down in a swimming accident on Ocean City, August 1. (See adjacent mini-profile.)

I started my new position at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in October. In the department of neuroscience, I research the mechanism of vision at the molecular level. I am halfway through my M.A. in finance at Loyola College. To excercise, I make sure that all of the workout issues at work are very cozy and comfort Orient carpets. I particularly like Persian carpets which are hand-knotted in silk and wool. I plan to visit Egypt in November.

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Hi, everyone, it's me, Mary O'Hara, your friendly class representative. I received a lot of postcards from everyone. It seems as though everyone is doing just great.

Harold Brandenburg is overseas in Germany with wife Laura Schwab '86 and his son, Nicolas. 1. Harold is a CPT in the Cobra pilot in the 4th cavalry on July 24th. William "Chip" Barnes was in Germany for a three-year tour which was interrupted by Desert Shield/Storm. "Chip" says, to everyone, and can't wait to get home.

Pat Dail attends graduate school at Loyola College and works at the Chamber of Commerce in Baltimore. Harold "Harry" Cohen is a 2-year medical student at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.

For the last year, David Fox has worked in the publications department at the National Office of Vocational Industrial Central in Japan.

Jonathan Favorio is an operations manager in Timonium, MD for Communication Electronics, Inc.

A few of our class members teach in Carroll County—Carole Brown Cruise at William Winchester Elementary, William Stumpf and Hamburger at Elkton Elementary and Linda Kulp at Taneytown Elementary. Linda plans to teach graduate classes at W&M in 1990.

Christine Jarcowick and Patrick Peacock '90 were married in June. They're in Virginia for Paul's basic training but expect to return to Germany.

James "Jamie" Davis and Amy Hechler '85, of Belcamp, MD, were married in October. Jamie has started a management consulting company and does free-lance video work.

Lauren Williams married Larry Goff '85 on October 14, 1989. They live in Owings Mills, MD. Lauren is going for a master's in social work at the University of Baltimore. She is a resource developer for the Epilepsy Association of Maryland.

Colleen Foley has worked in theatres in the Washington D.C. area since graduation. In June, she plans to return to Washington to be a stage production manager for Theatre on the Hill.

Kim Hoben is working for a target marketing firm, Claritas, in Alexandria, Virginia. She's been in touch with many WMC alumni and Phi Mu sisters.

Krista Albert lives in Westminster with Rollo Shaw '88 and Lloyd Hart '88. She is the alumni advisor to the Phi Mu. Krista started a new job as an accounting firm in Randallstown, MD. Skip Weimer lives in Mountain Washington, MD with Pat Stokes '90 and Pat Crain '90. He is a program coordinator for Alliance Enterprises, Inc. in Columbia, MD.

Brian Baugus hopes to find a job in Washington, D.C. or Maryland after he graduates MBA this month from Vanderbilt University. Brian loves all the beautiful Southern Belles, and is hoping to bring one home with him.

Steven Hegna lives in New Jersey and works in New York City for Nipon Liner System, in the World Trade Center. He says, so far to all of its "Titmouse" buddies and wants everyone to know that he has reopened the "K-Bar."

Eric Fairfield works for Congresswoman Martha Griffiths, (D-MI) and lives in Northern Virginia.

Chris Scannell lives in Towson, MD with Bill Butz and works for USI &G and David Caidigan, who also lives in Towson.

Doug Hitchcock and Bill Descaic live in Towson, with Steve Schlegel '88 and Doug works for a law firm, and Bill works for ATK in Towson.

Cottrell "Cott" Sandstrom lives in Towson with Kevin O'Connell '88 and "Cott" works for Long Distance Services, Inc.

Bill Hallett spent six months in Australia traveling, working, and chasing the women from "Down Under."

Garrett Going, of New York City, works for Saatchi and Saatchi, an advertising firm. He has auditioned for Broadway shows. He also spends a lot of time driving around the "Big Apple" as a part-time cab driver.

Brian Panterie works for Perini Construction Co. in Hagerstown, MD and sees James "Jamie" O'Neill, Kevin Elion, and Chris Woodulle.

Our class leader, Jim Carda, has moved to Columbus, MD from Cherry Hill, NJ. He is an advertising sales representative for a radio-Television System, Jim has been in touch with many Preachers, including Jon Hawkins and Dave Ferguson. Jim spent most of his time with Frances Fato, who is a staffing account executive at World Bee. She lives in Columbia, MD next to Kim Lohmann and Tammy Fewster.

Frank Scannell works for TNT, an international transportation company. He sees Jim Werner and "Fergie" as well as Joe Gilber.

Bob Jacobow and Kathy Cornell also live in Columbia. Beth works for Benefit Systems, along with Barry Bucklew '88 and Laurie Rogers '88.

Scott Tidwell is a regional director in the University of Pennsylvania Admissions Office. Sara keeps in touch with Lori Day, Kim Lohmann and Debbie Loughran.

Jessica Doner is an interpreter for the deaf in Harford/Lebanon Intermediate Unit 11. She also interprets part time for deaf services and is taking graduate classes.

The wild and crazy Chris Kelly has moved to Nashville, MD with Dave Reynolds. The two usually can be found in smoky pool halls on Baltimore Street. Chris sells ads for the East Baltimore Guide. Debbie scissors with the Ice Cream parades and sings with a local band. Blood and Sweat.

Julie Katech, Sandy Metz and Sandi Stevens also live in Towson.

ReaganSawdon is in house designer for the Wyatt Co. in Washington, D.C. She is trying to start her own business.

Debbi Dorsey lives in southern Maryland, near the Chesapeake Bay. She is the production director of local commercials for WAGA. For years she has loved her work and misses the Phi Sigs.

Mike Diegel has been promoted to director of public affairs at Mount St. Mary's College. He turned 3 in April, and Allison is 7.

Kim Bechtol and John Brinkerbear '86 live in Hagerstown, MD. Kim works for an advertising firm. They enjoy married life.

Jennifer Manger and Chris Dolch tied the knot shortly after we graduated. Christopher Junior was born on October 25.

Mary Lou Gallis teaches in the Ocean City area.

Aleta Bruno and Mitchell Brydge were married in August. Aleta is completing a physician's assistant program and plans to work in surgery. Mitchell is a certified contractor, real-estate broker, and a builder of custom homes in North Carolina. Melanie is pregnant.

Michelle Giangrandi is to get her master's in human resources and development at Johns Hopkins University this month. Michelle plans to spend the next time with John Rooney '88.

Theresa Bernhardt and a few other WMC alumni were busy studying for the CPA exam last year. Those who took the exam were Bill Butz, Michael Maserita and Mandy Reader Sharer. Theresa is a auditing manager for Ernst & Young in Germantown, MD and can be found with Bob "Green Jeans" Baldinger '88.

Carol Strifling married David Douglas '83 in March 1989. They bought a house in Rockville, MD.

Amy Parr and Michelle Lavanze have an apartment in Baltimore. Michelle is in the Union Memorial School of Nursing, and Amy attends the University of Baltimore and works at Citibank. Bob is in his 2 year of study at the University of Maryland dental school.

Tom Crea lives in New Jersey and works in the national sales and development lab for Church and Dwight.

Elizabeth Burkitt lives in Annapolis, MD and is a Personnel manager for In Motion Film and video magazine. Elise works with Katherine in Creative Partners. During her off-hours she does Madonna impersonations at parties. Terry is a general contractor at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore.

Mike Nicholson went to military police officer basic course right after graduation. He is serving in the Maryland National Guard. He worked for the Fairfax County Police Academy and is now a police officer for Fairfax County, VA. He works in the Virgion District. He keeps in touch with Gary Goldberger '88, who is in a company commander in Alaska for a signal company. Mike says hi and good luck to all the WMC alumni.

I'm still in Baltimore and see a lot of WMC alumni. I am finally out of the retail world and into the "real world."

Working for the Baltimore Sun, a newspaper company in Baltimore University Hospital, downtown. I have had a great time since we graduated, but still miss everyone. Talk soon, be good, and drop me a line anytime.

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Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation, a Western Maryland perennial, was held on April 28. Trustee Alumni Awards went to chemist Homan B. Kinsley Jr. '63 and biologist Annabel Glockler Liebelt '48.

ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter’s zip code zones may make reservations by calling the Alumni Affairs Office: (301) 857-2296.

1991

Sat., May 18
Commencement.

Fri., May 24
Alumni Weekend Clarence H. Bennett Golf Tournament, 10 a.m.

Sat.-Sun., May 25, 26

Mon., June 24
Baltimore Chapter luncheon, Three Penny Café.

June 28, 29 and July 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20
Theater on the Hill presents "Nunsense," popular Broadway musical.

Fri., July 5–Mon., July 15

July 26, 27 and Aug. 2, 3, 9, 10*
Theater on the Hill presents "The Wizard of Oz.
*Denotes matinee and evening performances.

Sat., October 12

Sun., October 13
Ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the newly expanded Hoover Library, 2 p.m.

Sat., November 16
Sports Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony.
Graduating with Gusto
At Commencement, (from left) Linda and I. King Jordan, honorary doctor of humane letters '91, gather with their friends, college trustee David and Margaret Denton.
Loath to Leave
Teaching was a sweet treat for Margaret Denman-West, who has retired.

March of Love
Sprightly Caleb O'Connor '98 composed the well-loved Alma Mater.

Graduating With Gusto
Commencement is a kick, with slices of humor.

A Happy Sign
Gender boundaries cannot hold deaf educator Gertrude Galloway MEd '72.

Fun-n-Puns
Smoke and gossip fly in the venerable Ridington Lounge.

Trading Places
Cowboys and samurais mix it up in the marketplace, in Stephen Cohen '63's book.
New Science Building Gets Go-Ahead

For many years one of the most pressing needs on campus has been to expand and modernize facilities in Lewis Hall of Science. That project seems well on its way, since the State of Maryland approved a $1.9 million grant in April. Western Maryland must match the state allocation with its own funds by spring of 1993.

In April, the board of trustees authorized the architectural firm, Centerbrook, of Essex, CT, to prepare a conceptualization of a new building—a preliminary to working drawings. The trustees will be asked to approve construction at their meeting in October.

The project will be carried out in two phases, according to LeRoy Panek, dean of planning and research. "First, we'll construct a separate building to house biology and chemistry labs and offices," he said. Phase II will be the renovation of the current Lewis Hall of Science which was constructed in 1914 and expanded in 1966. Lewis now covers 31,718 usable net square feet. The plan is to add 20,000 usable net square feet to the science complex, Panek said.

The cost of Phase I is estimated at $6.5 million, while the Phase II cost will be lower but is not yet determined, said Panek. A committee of trustees, led by newly elected board chair Lee Rice '48, has been formed to recommend building specifics and sources of funding.

In early May, William Grover, a founding architect with Centerbrook, met with science professors and administrators in preparation for the initial drawings. His plan is to "make a good building for the next 50 to 100 years," he said.

"We'll design it to meet the standards of OSHA [Occupational Safety and Health Administration] and the Clean Air Act. It will be a well-ventilated building," said Grover. "Our architectural goal is to accommodate what is going on now but make it flexible for the future." In discussing needs with Donald Jones, chemistry professor, Grover said, "We want to know how you teach and how we can improve the teaching of science."

According to Grover, the schematic concept should be completed by mid-October. Construction drawings could begin in November and conclude in the spring. Construction could then be bid out, with building to begin in the summer of '92. He expects the project could be completed in September of '93.

Western Maryland chose Grover's firm, said Panek, after noting the architects had won a number of awards for laboratory design. They have built facilities for Colby and Vassar colleges, as well as the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory of James Watson. "He's one of the century's most prominent scientists—he discovered DNA." So, presumably, his architects would be sufficient for WMC.

At the bill signing for the $1.9 million grant are (front, from left): Thomas "Mike" Miller Jr., Gov. William Donald Schaefer and R. Clayton Mitchell Jr. (Back, from left): John Bishop, LeRoy Panek, Elizabeth Garroway, Robert Chambers, Richard Dixon and Peter Callas '49.

Henemyre scores an award.

Henemeyre Catches An All-America

For the first time in five years, a Western Maryland athlete has been named to a first team Academic All-America. Catcher Claudia Henemyre '92 was selected for the 1991 GTE Academic All-America College Division softball first team.

Henemyre, a biology major with a 3.87 cumulative grade-point average, is the first to be so honored since Nicky Pesik '86 earned the recognition during the 1985 volleyball season.

The Havre de Grace (MD) High School graduate is a Dean's List student, a member of the WMC Honors Program, and a cadet in the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps. She also has been inducted into Beta Beta Beta, the national biology honor society, and Omicron Delta Kappa, a national society recognizing leadership qualities. Henemyre was the third-team catcher on last year's College Division Academic All-America team. The College Division includes National Collegiate Athletic Association Divisions II and III and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.
Trustees Name Rice as Leader

Long-time trustee M. Lee Rice '48, honorary doctor of science '86, became chairman of the board on July 1, replacing William S. Keigler, who served in the position for five years. First elected to the board of trustees in 1980, he is chair of the Long Range Planning Committee.

Rice, a corporate executive in the shipbuilding and shipping industries and a leader in international maritime affairs, is a consultant for corporate planning, management organization, environmental compliance and risk analysis. The Round Hill, VA resident retired in 1983 as president and chief executive officer of Ogden Transportation Corp., then for three years was president of the Shipbuilders Council of America.

Earlier in his career he directed research in propellant systems, gun design and development, and weapon systems design, development and production for Atlantic Research Corp. He is co-inventor of the solid propellant system for the Polaris missile. A meteorological sounding rocket which he designed is displayed in the National Air and Space Museum.

Two New Profs Climb ‘the Hill’

Two departments, music and communication, will welcome new faculty members this fall. Glenn G. Caldwell, who is to receive a doctorate in music theory this month from Ohio State University, and Elizabeth Jane DeGroot, formerly assistant professor in the department of communication at Lewis and Clark College (Portland, OR) are the newcomers.

Caldwell, whose specialties are music theory, music and arts education, African-American music and academic advising, also has played saxophone on gospel and rock-n-roll albums. He has taught instrumental music on the secondary and elementary school levels and given private lessons on woodwinds and piano. In 1989 and 1990 he was an adjudicator in music for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympiad.

DeGroot, who received a PhD in speech (rhetoric and composition) in December from the University of Oregon, has taught courses in advanced public address, theory and literature of rhetoric, quantitative research methods, and interpersonal communication, among others. In the last year she has presented two professional papers, one at the Western States Communication Association Convention, and one at the 9th International Gender Conference.

College Has Starring Role

Thanks to the enquiring mind of a Western Maryland student, the Maryland Film Commission has begun a new effort which will debut on "the Hill." Maryland On Screen, a film and video fair, will bring students, film and video professionals, celebrity filmmakers, and professional associations from around the state to campus on September 21.

The concept began when Jay Schlossberg-Cohen, director of the Maryland Film Commission, gave a lecture at Western Maryland in April '90. "Bonnie Grady ['91] asked Jay if there was a vehicle that showed what college and high school students were doing," says Charles Fox, deputy director. "He said no, so she proposed that an event take place at Western Maryland College. We hope to make this as successful as possible and hope to continue it as an annual event."

Grady enlisted the help of fellow communication majors Kim Bergen '93 and Grant Sheehan Jr. '92 to coordinate activities on the Western Maryland end. Sheehan, president and general manager of the student-run UpLink Network, will film a profile of a person or organization successful in the industry. A loop of these and other films and videos from students around the state will run continuously, according to Fox.

Fox also will invite several high-gloss guest speakers such as Maryland resident Jim Robinson, owner of Morgan Creek, producer of the films Young Guns, Pacific Heights and Robin Hood; the inimitable Baltimore cult filmmaker John Waters; Hunt for Red October author Tom Clancy; and Oscar-winning filmmaker Barry Levinson.

The idea, says Sheehan, is to "bring students and the industry together and to make available to students things they wouldn't learn in the class. It will benefit the industry as well as students. One of the main ideas is to let students in Maryland interested in film or video understand they have access to all these things in Maryland—they don't have to go out of state to go to film school."

A Hole in One For MAC Champs

The WMC golf team won its first Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) title in 13 years after defeating 19 schools at the annual tournament April 27 and 28 at Shawnee Inn near Stroudsburg, PA.

"I am happy for the players because they worked hard for this honor," fifth-year head coach Scott Moyer said. "We had a 10-day practice plan designed to prepare us for this
AIDS Assessment

Although I did not graduate from Western Maryland College, I have always had fond memories of my two years (1966-68). Having read the (May issue) of The Hill, I am even more proud of my association with the college. To read of the accomplishments of alumni and faculty on "the AIDS Front Lines" was extremely gratifying to me. The fact that AIDS is no longer front page news concerns me deeply, for it implies a complacency that can lead to an even greater proliferation of this dreadful epidemic—and I applaud those who are making a difference.

During the hours when I'm not running my own business I spend a great deal of time as media coordinator for the National Capital Area Chapter of The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. Our chapter provided panels from The Quilt during WMC's recent AIDS prevention week activities.

Those of us involved with The Quilt have found that it is the most effective vehicle for communicating with the public about AIDS. The Quilt helps to humanize the epidemic and leads people to understand that it is individuals who have died and real people behind the statistics. Often, we have found that it is The Quilt that helps people begin talking about AIDS; and, of course, dialogue is the first step towards awareness—and prevention.

Our outreach activities focus on reaching school-aged youth, at-risk women, IV drug users and people of color through displays of The Quilt at schools (beginning with the elementary level), churches, community and homeless shelters and centers. I encourage anyone who is interested in having portions of The Quilt displayed at their local churches, synagogues, schools or other centers to contact their local NAMES Project Chapter. If you are unsure how to find a local contact, please call The NAMES Project offices in San Francisco at (415) 863-5511. The Washington, D.C. Chapter arranges displays all over Maryland, the District of Columbia and Virginia and we would be happy to help.

Jillian Gibson Wing
Washington, D.C.

When AIDS first came to public attention many believed that only those leading high risk lifestyles were in danger. It did not take very long before we realized that this was not true, but the issue has not changed; AIDS is a health problem.

Legislative efforts such as those by Susan Phoebe Panek '72 (in the May '91 Hill) are attempting to accord AIDS victims minority group status. At the abstract level this is the equivalent to classifying bees sting victims as a minority group; both are health issues. This is not an attempt to belittle the AIDS problem, but put it in perspective.

These legislative proposals will result in government imposing certain rules and regulations upon businesses, specifically health care and insurance firms. This action would oppose all precedent. If I smoke I pay higher insurance rates; where is the smokers' law? Why is AIDS different from this issue? People are often turned down for insurance due to bad health histories or other risks. Some of the proposed laws force insurance firms to carry AIDS victims as set rates. Until there is a cure for AIDS there is a 100 percent possibility of a pay out; this translates into higher costs for the rest of the insurance firms' customers. In effect, the law would force all the customers to subsidize the AIDS victims' coverage.

If we grant AIDS victims special rights and privileges where does it stop? Will cancer victims form a lobby? Heart attack victims? The lobby for people who must wear a hearing aid? Every collection of individuals with a common medical ailment would have the right to special status.

Let us cut through the rhetoric being produced by certain political groups, stop (giving) AIDS patients minority group status and treat (AIDS) as the health issue it is.

Brian Baumg'89
Fairfield, OH
Loath to Leave
Denman-West Retires from Her 'Joy in Life'

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Paddington Bear now sits shoulder to shoulder with the Velveteen Rabbit and a couple of Wild Things—the creatures from Maurice Sendak's tingly tale. But come summer's end the stuffed gifts from appreciative students will shuffle off their shelves in Thompson Hall and head West with their owner, Margaret "Maggie" Denman-West.

After 14 years of shepherding the graduate program in Media/Library Science and teaching graduate and undergraduate education courses, the associate professor of education is retiring and returning to her native Midwest. She'll stoke out a new home in the suburbs of Cleveland, near her son, Richard, her wife, Heidi, and children Derek, 9; Megan, 7; and Blythe, 4. She smiles in anticipation of doing some full-time grandmothering.

"I want to be there for the kids," she says. "When they're that young they enjoy being with their grandmother. Once they turn 12, they have too many other interests."

But the thought of leaving her pleasant spot at Western Maryland, an office with colorful children's book posters on the sky-blue walls, and classrooms crammed with students, brings a glint of sadness. "My whole joy in life is teaching—it's like the icing on the cake to be able to teach." She'll be going out with plenty of icing, this summer teaching daily two classes, one in media selection for children, and one in reference and bibliography.

Discussing children's literature (for elementary—6th-graders) and young adult literature (for 7th—12th-graders) brings her special joy. Recently talking with the parent of two young children, she enthused over the half-century-old Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown. (It's on the Washington Post's annual children's bestsellers' list every year!) And she spoke animatedly of an exhibit featuring a classic children's book character, Babar, which she attended at the Walter's Art Gallery several years ago. There, she picked up plenty of stuffed and poster images of Babar, the king of the elephants, his Queen Celeste, and the other cast of characters by Jean and Laurent de Brunhoff to accent her home.

During her tenure at Western Maryland, Denman-West notes two extra-special activities, first of which is "the excitement of building a program to the point where it's known all over the state. When I first came, there were about 25 people in the program [to certify media generalists]. Now there are about 85. The most rewarding thing is that the people in Montgomery County [MD] prefer to hire graduates from my program rather than from some state universities."

That's because, instead of a theoretical approach her emphasis is practical, she says. "My students have to prepare and give lessons—do the hands-on part. And they have to have an internship—the equivalent of four weeks of full-time work in a media center."

Her other most memorable experience is "working on the library-planning committee. The Hoover Library is really fantastic. It makes a statement to Maryland and the rest of the people in higher education that Western Maryland College is here to stay as a major force in higher education. A number of undergraduate students have told me that one of the things that influenced their parents to send them here was the fact that we were taking on such a major task."

Having taught for several years at state universities in her home state of Missouri before arriving at WMC, she was impressed by the respect with which President Robert Chambers held her opinion as a faculty member on the library committee.

"When I talk to other people [at large state schools] they're astounded that the faculty were consulted from the very beginning. At the state universities you're nothing, just another faculty member."

That personal attention also extends to students here, she says. "I feel that a private, liberal arts college is the only way to help students feel their way. I believe in it so strongly that I will recruit students [when she moves to Ohio]."

She also intends to dabble a little in the love she just can't give up—teaching. For several years she's presented a program on stress management to Carroll County civic and community groups. That, and her expertise in bibliotherapy, she plans to introduce to Ohioans. Bibliotherapy promotes using books to help children deal with personal problems, such as parental divorce, peer pressure or drug abuse.

"I don't want to give anyone the idea that they can participate in a bibliotherapy session without adequate training. But I believe in it—I know books can do it [help put problems in perspective]."

Denman-West, who was awarded emeritus status at Commencement, and earlier in May was presented the Maryland Educational Media Organization Distinguished Service (MEMO) Award for her exemplary service, is loath to leave her many WMC and MEMO friends, but says, "I can always come back and visit." You can expect her at the Hoover Library Dedication Ceremony on October 13, with a prideful grin on her face.
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here was a revival of sorts at this year's Alumni Weekend—not one of those "old time religion" tent revivals, but the resurrection of a song which had long ago lapsed from the Western Maryland repertoire. At the banquet for the 50th reunion class, Alumni Director Donna DuVall Sellman '45 brought back "Dear Western Maryland," which she describes as "a nostalgia tune that died in the Forties." While the class of '41 delighted in it, so did the spirit of the man who composed it—a graduate who so cherished the college that he requested that his ashes be scattered over the campus.

Caleb O'Connor '98 not only created the march, "Dear Western Maryland," but the words to a song which has accompanied nearly every campus ceremony since its composition about a hundred years ago—the Alma Mater. His third WMC piece of music, the fight song, "Win! Western Maryland," petered out mid-century, and has not yet been dusted off.

The lively O'Connor lent his touch to some more Ivy-oriented colleges, writing the fight songs, "Down the Field," for Yale, and "Cheer Pennsylvania" for the University of Pennsylvania. In all, he wrote more than 200 college songs and marches. But in a letter to Professor William R. "Billy Mac" McDaniel, he claimed, "I never wrote a march with so much love in my heart as I did 'Dear Western Maryland.'"

In a 1953 newsletter which he composed for the 55th reunion of his class, O'Connor recalled composing his Western Maryland songs:

"'Dear Western Maryland' I wrote on the back of an envelope, on a train, on the way to Westminster, with my bride. And when I got to college, then we figured out how the tune should go. At first I could not play it on the piano, but my sweet girl could.

"Many marches have followed it, but it still holds its place in my enfeebled mind. And I still would rather lead a Western Maryland gang singing 'Win Western Maryland' than to head a mob singing 'Down the Field,' to a 50-piece band."

College songs are not O'Connor's only noteworthy triumphs. During his 35 years of operating the O'Connor School of Speech Expression in Washington, D.C., he helped some celebrities get their start. Radio and TV personality Arthur Godfrey and NBC radio reporter and newspaper columnist Bob Considine were two such students.

A man of many vocations, O'Connor also was staff coach to NBC announcers in the Thirties, and, according to a 1914 issue of the WMC Alumni Bulletin, head of the American Library Bindery of Philadelphia.
Dear Western Maryland
Dear Western Maryland, fearless and bold,
We're here to cheer the victory of the Green
and the Gold;
And we will always be loyal to thee,
We'll love thee ever, dear old W.M.C.

A founder and regular attender of the early to mid-century Washington, D.C. Chapter luncheons, held each Friday, usually at the Mayfair Grill, was Caleb O'Connor '98 (second from left). On one afternoon in 1949 the group included (from left) Mary Todd Griffths '48, O'Connor, President Lowell Enson, William Rein '31, Ralph Smith '49, Paul Kaetzell '48, George Kindley '16, William Carroll '49, Paul Kelbaugh '25, Leon Hurley '97, and Louise Hurley.

O'Connor's sartorial splendor also made an impression on Mrs. Bennett. “He wore a knotted scarf,” she recalls. When asked about his occupation, she laughs and says, “Being a bon vivant! He could break into song with the slightest provocation, and tell jokes wonderfully well. He could do a little jig if he wanted—his joy just ran over. He fits the general description of an Irishman—eyes that danced, he could tell stories. Often I wondered how he made his money. But he never wanted for it.”

So dear was old WMC O'Connor that, when he died April 3, 1956 at age 76, per his request, he was cremated and had his ashes shipped to the college. “Dr. Ensor [Lowell Ensor, then President] told me that one afternoon a little package arrived special delivery at the post office,” Uhrig says. “He just walked over the hill overlooking Hoffa Field and sprinkled the ashes. Caleb O'Connor left his impression here,” muses Uhrig. “A man who wanted his ashes deposited here had strong feelings about the place.”

A few months before he died, O'Connor sent a last letter to Uhrig inquiring about classmates, including the daughters of the college’s second president, Thomas Hamilton Lewis. He recalled meeting with “the WMC gang every Friday for some 30 years.” His last words to Uhrig were: “Thanx a million. I love you and them.”

The college could say the same to Caleb Wilson Spofford O’Connor.
Cover Story

Humor Manages to Upstage Pomp
At WMC’s 121st Circumstance

Graduating With Gusto

Of the 121 Commencements on “the Hill”, the last, on May 18, probably was one of the least sedate. With references to Zsa Zsa Gabor, the Chicago Cubs and Cal Ripken, speakers kept the tone lively and light.

After a welcome by President Robert H. Chambers, Wendy Ruderman ’91 set the pace for those extending greetings—a student, a parent, and a professor. Unfurling a sheet of computer paper, nearly as long as she is tall, she hit the highlights of her four years at Western Maryland, saying that one thing she’d learned was that Oriole ad pitchman Cal Ripken “doesn’t just sell milk.”

The mirth gained momentum when John W. Huston, a retired Air Force major general and father of art history major John B. Huston stepped to the podium. “It’s a beautiful day on which to quit paying tuition, room and board,” he led off. Then, referring to the speech he’d whipped together over breakfast, he said, “I feel like Zsa Zsa Gabor’s eighth husband—I know what to do, but how do I make it interesting?”

Huston succeeded, as he touched on subjects endearing to students and parents—including the student dining hall, GLAR (which he jokingly said stood for Gourmet Luscious Attractive Restaurant) and the fact that “some of the merchants of Westminster will miss the imprint of my credit card.” He rounded off his frequently applauded talk with a reference to “Bob Hope’s two-pronged advice for graduating seniors: One, don’t go. Two, if you do go, find a job.”

Next, Professor of Chemistry David Herlocker made true his promise at the beginning of his talk to refer to, among other subjects, baseball (the tenacious Cubs), plumbing (an anecdote about a student who blew up a toilet, was expelled, then returned decades later to receive his BA), college basketball (the UNLV-Duke game), and showers (the 20th anniversary of the campus landmark, the city water tower which
'I would encourage the college to train more scientists in the liberal arts tradition'

—Erich Willen

keeps the water pressure strong). The need for graduates to practice perseverance was his overall message.

Three awards were then presented, first the Distinguished High School Teacher Award, given by seniors to a teacher who prepared them well for college success. Robert Canzanese of Cherry Hill High School accepted the honor "for all the teachers who work late into the night writing lessons and grading papers, for all the teachers who are co-parents, for all the teachers who effect genuine change in the world."

Three veteran faculty members received emeriti awards—Margaret Denman-West, associate professor of education (for more on "Maggie," see Page 5), Carl Dietrich, associate professor of music (profiled in the August '90 Hill), and McCay Vernon, professor of psychology.

Four illustrious individuals then were presented honorary degrees. Trustee David Denton introduced I. King Jordan, president of Gallaudet University, the world's only liberal-arts university for deaf persons. Jordan, who is deaf, said that Gallaudet and Western Maryland were sister institutions and that WMC "has done tremendous things for deaf people." He closed his brief statement by saying that Western Maryland's honorary doctor of humane letters and the other degrees he has received "are a symbol [of success] for deaf and hard of hearing people in the United States."

Philanthropist Clarisse Mechanic was then presented by Richard Kiefer '35, trustee. She said, in part, "Thank you for recognizing me, my efforts and my extension—the effort of countless nameless thousands who also worked toward the goal of a bright and attainable future for us all." Fellow Baltimore philanthropist and fellow doctor of public service recipient Allen Quille followed Mechanic. Introduced by Alleck Resnick '47, trustee, Quille encouraged the graduates seeking jobs to "keep on trying and one day the door will open up," then parted with, "As you slide down the banister of life, may all the splinters be turned in the opposite direction."

Lastly, Professor of English Ray Stevens '58 introduced his classmate, physicist Erich Willen '58, who stepped forward to receive a doctor of science. Willen (profiled in the May '90 Hill) referred to his growing up years in Westminster as the son of Joseph Willen, professor of modern languages. Then he mentioned his college days and especially the influential teaching of Dr. R.D. Summers (physics) and Dr. Clyde Spicer (math). "I learned many other things than science here, because this is a liberal arts school where exposure to many ideas is normal. Now, in fact, I would encourage the college to train more scientists in this liberal arts tradition."

The 121st Commencement closed with the awarding of 182 bachelors of arts and 69 master's degrees. Chester "Skip" Tyson, as senior class president, had a parting word for his classmates before President Chambers made his final remarks, sending forth into society one of the largest graduating classes in the history of the college. ●
When President Robert Chambers noted that the 121st Commencement sported one of the largest graduating classes ever he also could have cited it as one of the most diverse. As they exited the Gill Physical Education Center stage on May 18 to enter the alumni phase of their Western Maryland life, we caught up with a few of the exceptional 182 undergraduates.

When he left the flat, dry lands of his Belton, TX home for rolling, green central Maryland, Greg Street longed to "see the rest of the world," never intending to find himself back in the Lone Star State after four years. Come fall, the dual biology and philosophy major will be in graduate school, beginning his first step toward an eventual PhD in environmental toxicology. He'll study on the Gulf Coast for a master's in marine biology from the University of Texas at Austin. Street, whose lineage is strongly Western Maryland, is the grandson of James Townsend '42, who came from Florida to see his grandson "walk" on May 18. Street's great-grandfather was Rev. John William Townsend '16, and his cousins are Jeff '74 and Regina (Trader) Royer '75.

While at Western Maryland, Street made a very green mark, co-founding one of the strongest and best-organized groups, the Student Environmental Action Coalition. Street, who graduated cum laude, also served on the faculty's Admissions and Standards Committee for four years. "I really enjoyed it, because I felt like I had input into the direction the school was taking. I got to meet a lot of faculty members I wouldn't otherwise have been able to know." Though returning to Texas for now, he doesn't rule out a U-turn East. "I want to be on the ocean somewhere because of my job—maybe I'll split between two homes," he says.

Another Southwestern graduate was Erika Berenguer Gil. She arrived four years ago as one of only 20 students in her home country of Mexico to be awarded an United Nations Institute of International Relations scholarship. Though the resident of Mexico City had visited the United States many times before entering Western Maryland, its disconcerting to actually live here. "Coming from the largest city in the world to Westminster was a little bit of a difference but very, very nice," she says.

This summer she'll interview in the Baltimore area for an internship in psychology or organizational behavior, which combines her two majors—business administration and psychology. In September '92 she plans to start a master's degree. Her first two years here she was involved with the Spanish Club, serving as director of the Spanish Affinity House during that time. Sports also were her racket. Erika was captain of the women's tennis team for two years, and played on the number two spot for three years and the number three spot for one year. The summa cum laude graduate was voted most valuable player in 1990. At Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation she was presented the Eloise B. and Lowell S. Ensor Award for Graduate or Professional Study and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. What she'll miss most about Western Maryland is "the professors. They're very, very special people—all of them."

A Perfect Duo

This year, "the Hill" saw a double dose of academic perfection—Laura Balakir and Edward Kurz III shared the Argonaut Award for the highest grade point average, a perfect 4.0.

The daughter of Richard and Barbara Reimers '65 Balakir, of Baltimore, was a psychology major and mathematics minor who "worked as a lab assistant for me for three years and did an excellent job," says Laura's adviser Stephen Colyer, associate professor and chair of psychology. "She helped evaluate and design experiments and
assisted students. She also accompanied me to high schools where we put on a dog-and-pony show with rats and other psychological equipment. She's bright, articulate, interesting and funny. Laura was involved in a lot of things besides classroom work. She tutored students in the community, helped them with math."

On campus Balakir was involved in the "Bells on the Hill" handbell ensemble, Psi Chi (psychology honor society) and Kappa Mu Epsilon (math honor society). Her goal is to work as a lab technician in experimental psychology for a year, then apply to graduate school.

Her co-Argonaut, *summa cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa graduate Kurz also was a science major—biology and chemistry. Kurz, of Mt. Airy, MD, managed to keep his grades flawless, despite working two jobs, one at Radio Shack and one at a convenience store. Last summer he assisted Chemistry Professor Richard Smith with his research into the causes and cures of cancer, under the direction of Carol Rouzer. The assistant professor of chemistry found Kurz to be a "conscientious worker. He helped me get some studies going on the metabolism of compounds which have a potential to be anti-cancer drugs. He's a good scientist."

Kurz's plan is to attend medical school this fall or next. "I want a humane approach to medicine," he says. "I don't like the mechanical approach. I want to go [to medical school] where I can be the best that I can be. What's important is teaching [prospective doctors] how to diagnose, and not all medical schools do that." At Western Maryland, Kurz was involved with Christian Fellowship and was a founder and charter member of Mu Alpha Sigma, the new medical associates society. He was a co-winner, with Renee Raborg '91, of the H.P. Sturdivant Biology Award.

Awards by the Bushel

A raft of awards went to two coeds. Physical education major Tracey Snyder won the most awards by a single student at Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation in the last decade, while music major Joslyn Martin was awarded one honor at Convocation and two awards from national organizations.

Snyder, of Hampstead, MD, won The Mary Ward Lewis Prize for the best record by a female undergraduate; The Steve Robert Wilson '75 Memorial Award, presented to the outstanding senior in track and field (her male counterpart was Ben Kling '91); The Faith Millard Medal, given to the outstanding senior woman athlete; and The Charles W. Havens Award, presented to the senior who has participated in intercollegiate athletics and who is altruistic.

The latter adjective is a perfect one for Snyder who is a dedicated volunteer for organizations assisting disadvantaged people, especially the developmentally disabled. "She's blessed with the spirit of altruism and spends all of her time helping others. She'll help anybody do anything," says her adviser Richard Clower '50, professor and chair of the physical education department. The four-year letter winner in field hockey and track and field will return to Western Maryland this fall to student teach in physical education.

Also staying on at Western Maryland is Martin, who is pursuing an MEd in education of the deaf in preparation for a career teaching music to hearing-impaired children. The *summa cum laude* graduate was presented, along with Elizabeth List '91, WMC's Michael and Polly Beaver Award for Excellence in Education. Martin also was awarded a National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award by the United States Achievement Academy and a National Collegiate Education Award. President of the Black Student Union, Martin organized the annual Gospel Jubilee, the highlight of February's Black History Month. At the
ular campus event the Hightstown, NJ native arranged and directed a gospel number.

Martin, who is coordinating new student orientation this summer and will be a resident assistant come fall, found herself this spring in the enviable position of being offered a teaching job without ever applying. But she turned down the full-time job in order to begin her graduate program. She will, however, substitute in the Carroll County schools while pursuing her master's degree.

Ingenuity in a Small Package

Also recognized for campus leadership was another New Jersey-ite, Wendy Ruderman. The member of the Trumpeters and Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor societies was awarded the Philip and Azalea Myers Award for Creativity in English.

With a produced play under her belt—\textit{Playthings}, performed by the Theatre Department earlier this year—she hopes to continue her career as a playwright. She also hopes other colleges will produce \textit{Playthings}. Until Broadway beckons she will work in the public relations department of Channel 12 in Philadelphia.

The diminutive Ruderman displayed her creativity during Commencement when she gave the greeting on behalf of the senior class. Shoving a plastic crate by the podium, then stepping onto it, she announced, “I can't be held accountable for the lack of breeding that went on in my family, so I brought my own milk carton.” Ruderman, after the ceremony, was happy to reunite with Robert Canzanese, her English teacher from Cherry Hill High School. He was named the recipient of the Distinguished High School Teacher Award after being named by Western Maryland seniors as their ideal of an outstanding teacher who prepared them for college success.

One student took perhaps the most years to achieve college success, but you can bet no other graduate is more appreciative of her diploma. “When you add it all up I've been in school half my life,” quips Ginny Story, English department secretary and supervisor of the Student Writing Center. The mother of two and wife of one graduated from college the same year as her 25th high-school reunion. A \textit{magna cum laude} art major, Story was awarded the Phi Delta Gamma Award to encourage graduate study.

Story, who had taken classes sporadically since age 18, focused in on her Western Maryland studies in 1986. “I always enjoyed the first day of class when I walked in and the kids always wondered if I was the teacher or what,” she says with a smile.

Once they got her role straight, she says, “I had a wonderful relationship with the students. [In every class] by the end of the semester, I felt like a member of the class and not separate and different. My most memorable experience was the personal attention I got along the way from my instructors.”

Those very instructors are now worried that, with her BA, she will move beyond the English Department where she has nobly served for 10 years. But, for now, they can relax.

“I will enter the MLA program [at WMC] in the fall. My goal for so long was to get the degree that I didn't think too much past it. This is a wonderful place to work, a very supportive environment, and it would be very difficult for me to go on to graduate school and work at another place.”

—SKD
Five sprightly preschoolers bounce into the outer office of the superintendent, clutching bunches of yellow dandelions in their outstretched fists, and signing that they want to see GG. Secretary Jean Riley rises from her desk and signs back that GG isn’t here. Gesturing in sign language, “Thank you, I love you,” Riley accepts the offering on behalf of her boss, Gertrude Galloway MEd ’72, and places them in a vase.

She turns to a visitor, saying, “Gertie is a terrific person. She loves the kids, and the kids love her. She’s a great role model—the fact that she’s achieved so much. It’s a good thing for them to see. They know they can do it too. After all, she is the first deaf superintendent ever at this school.”

The school is the Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf, established in 1883 as the New Jersey State School for the Deaf. Not only is she the first deaf superintendent, but the woman known simply as Gertie by her staff is the first woman superintendent, not only at Katzenbach but at any of the nation’s 50 state schools for the deaf.

After a Deaf Superintendent Now rally modeled on the one which brought J. King Jordan, honorary doctorate of humane letters ’91, the presidency of Gallaudet University in 1989, Gertie took over the sweeping 140-acre campus in West Trenton in January.

Since breaking the gender barrier which stood nationally for more than a century, already her appointment has drawn fruit. Recently, another deaf woman was appointed superintendent in Vermont.

“I feel I’ve opened doors for deaf women,” says Gertie, also signing her words to an interpreter who repeats them for her. “Deaf women are a little behind hearing women. In ’75—76, when women’s lib. was the thing, it was a very difficult time for me. I was going through a divorce; I was a single mother. This was rare for a deaf woman. I was one of the first deaf women who was divorced, raising children, and having a career, too. Without intention, I appear to be a pioneer, leading...
Many people ask me if I wish I could hear. I give them two answers.

—Gertrude Galloway MEd ’72

\[Image\]

Hill, she identified some recommendations to enhance the education of precollege students. “I wanted to make changes and do something about [these needs], and it wasn’t possible for me to do so at MSD.”

One of the greatest keys to success for deaf youngsters, as identified by the commission, is that their language, American Sign Language, be recognized as their native language. At Katzenbach, she says, “I’d like to have a sign language evaluation of the staff and set up a mission and philosophy of American Sign Language [which is preferred over other sign languages]. It’s such an important component of a child’s language.”

Gertie also subscribes to the total communications approach—that deaf children should be exposed to all modes of communication. “Learning to speak is one of them, but it should not be extensively done at the expense of the deaf child’s education,” she says.

“T’d also like the school to be a resource center for other schools in New Jersey,” she adds, leaning forward on the conference table in her spacious office. “We have the audiologists, the psychologists, the administrators, all trained in deaf education. I’d also like to expand the vocational offerings.” Currently, young adults can study business training, graphic arts, drafting, food services, construction trades, service occupations, manufacturing, and mechanical/fabricated trades at Katzenbach.

She’s also pushing the commission’s goals on the national level—“trying to get a bill on the [Capitol] Hill passed—the Bill of Rights of Deaf Children.” She’s traveling around the country giving speeches on behalf of the bill which currently is in the rough draft stage.

Explaining the bill’s intent, she says, “I feel that deaf children are entitled to good educational programs and resource centers. In the past I’ve seen programs where deaf children are isolated, have inappropriate materials, and their teachers are not responsive to the needs of deaf children.”

The practice of mainstreaming—or placing a deaf child in a hearing classroom without access to deaf peers—can be damaging, she believes. “I feel deaf children have the right to peer interaction, to their own language. They are often placed in an environment where they can’t communicate, and that is unconstitutional. I feel it is very important for a good self-concept [to be with other deaf children].”

Having benefited herself from the support of fellow deaf people, she knows of what she speaks. As one of three deaf children of deaf parents (who themselves had deaf parents), Gertie grew up in a nurturing community. “I learned to sign when I was 10 months old, the same time a hearing child learns to speak. I know I was loved by my parents. We had a normal family life.

“Many people ask me if I wish I could hear,” she adds. “I give them two answers. If I found myself stuck in an elevator with a phone as the only link to the world outside, yes, I would want to hear. Generally, though, I say, no. I’m deaf because my parents were deaf. My parents did a good job with me. If I had been hearing, I would have had a different set of parents. How do I know they’d have done as good a job as my parents did?”

Their support while she was growing up in Washington, D.C., made all the difference. The world where hearing people would say her family was crazy when they observed the five of them signing as they walked down the street. “I was frustrated with hearing people. I would go cry to my parents because the hearing children had made fun of me. My parents would give me comfort.”

Today, Gertie firmly believes, the world is a more welcoming place for deaf people. “We had no TV with closed captions, never had a phone in the house. The laws help. They bridge the hearing and deaf world. We’re so much closer now.”

Gertie is now wheeling her navy Maxima around the grounds sprinkled with playground equipment and graced by two ponds. She points out a flock of Canadian geese, saying how much she enjoys feeding them in the front yard of her expansive on-campus home—a stone and yellow clapboard structure built in 1823.

“I never dreamed I’d become superintendent,” she sighs. “But it happened. I feel like my life needs to be full of challenges. I have one more challenge—to become the deaf Grandma Moses. I’ll take up painting to keep me going. It’s like putting a carrot in front of the horse.”

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BY RAY PHILLIPS

Dick Clower comes from Gill Gym, Don Jones and Rick Smith from Lewis Hall, Eleanor Richwine from Hoover Library, Con Darcy from the third floor, Pam Regis from the first, Keith Richwine and Kathy Mangan from down the hall, and Ray Phillips from his office next door. They and others come to eat, argue, complain, pun, attack, defend, gossip, and, more and more, to slip into their anectdote. It’s noon in the Ridington Faculty Lounge, former classroom 205, Memorial Hall.

Ginny Story, the English Department secretary and Writing Center guru, opens up the place at 8 a.m. and makes the first of as many as 10 pots of coffee a day, regular winning over decaf by 4-1. People pay 30 cents a cup, a good deal considering most use a mug. Many faculty keep their mugs hanging on a wall rack; not all of these mugs are used, their owners having retired or moved on. The coffee account teeters on bankruptcy every semester, suggesting that the lounge is not without a few moochers. Phillips brings his coffee in a thermos from home: “The man is cheap,” says his colleague Mangan.

Hi-tech came to the lounge in 1981 with the installation of a sink and the hook-up of running water, amenities that complement the ancient hot plate and the refrigerator. Two years ago, because of popular demand and some complaining, a microwave was installed. Recently, after a student complained to the dean of the heavy smoke emitting from the lounge, an air purifier made its appearance. This single student, it must be admitted, joins a number of faculty who find the lounge intolerable when Keith Richwine, Bob Hartman, and Phillips fire up their pipes, Bob Weber and John Osh and their cigars, Rick Smith and LeRoy Panek their cigarettes. Recently, with five faculty present, four of whom were puffing away, it was moved, seconded, and passed that the lounge remain smoky. It was noted at that time that the air purifier’s filter could be changed one of these days and that, if the complaining con-
Ridingtons Remembered Through Lectureship

A new annual lecture series to honor two long-time professors extraordinaire, William and Edith Ridington, will begin this fall funded through the generosity of the Ridington family and a host of admirers. As reported in the May issue of The Hill, Professor of Classics Emeritus William Robbins Ridington died in December after having taught at the college for more than 35 years and serving as Faculty Secretary for 26 years. At the request of his widow, Edith who retired as a senior lecturer in classics emerita in 1988, the endowed lectureship will cover as wide a spectrum of learning as possible.

“The Ridingtons’ first love was, of course, the classical world, but, being good old-fashioned humanists, they had wide-ranging interests in the liberal arts and sciences and in contemporary affairs,” said Keith Richwine, English professor and chair of the faculty committee to oversee the lectureship. “Our very interdisciplinary lecture committee will be guided by this principle each year in our selection.”

Speaking at the inaugural lecture on September 26 at 8 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge will be the Ridingtons’ son, Robin Ridington, a professor of anthropology at the University of British Columbia. For the past 25 years, he has studied the Beaver Indians of northeastern British Columbia and drawing on his own experiences will discuss what we can learn from hunting and gathering peoples about the present perils facing our species.

Robin, who grew up in Westminster just a few blocks from the campus, was educated at Swarthmore College and earned his PhD at Harvard University. He has written several books for which the 1988 publication of Trail to Heaven earned him the Hubert Evans Non-fiction B.C. Book Award. He is widely published in scholarly journals and books including the Anthropology and Humanism Quarterly, Canadian Journal of Native Studies, and in the Handbook of North American Indians. Currently he is writing a new work in collaboration with a Dunne-za chief.

—JEM

Faculty tend to sit in the same places in the lounge. The table, which seats six, is favored by the Richwines and Mangan; the three sofas by Clover, Rick Smith, Bill David, and Hartman; and the five chairs by Weber, Jones, Ethan Seidel, and Phillips. Seidel, one of the campus’s busiest people, sits in the chair by the phone, which, when it rings, is invariably for him. In the end chair across from the sink is Phillips’s chair, and it has happened that when he arrives late and finds his chair occupied, he is heard muttering to himself something about Goldilocks. On a typical day, 12 faculty will eat together. Conversations crisscross the room, and both voices and laughter fly out into the hall, disconcerting those professors who are still teaching.

What do faculty talk about? Well, they discuss Presidents Bush and Chambers, mulch, Plato, supermarkets, taxes, ballet, golf, travel, and, of course, Hartman’s mayonnaise sandwich. A subject that easily riles people is the college’s administration, a blanket term that can cover anyone from the board of trustees to a business office clerk. Anecdotes about students’ exam performances or their reluctance to participate in class cause deep groans, heavy sighs, and looks ceiling-ward. Sometimes, faculty talk about each other, and nothing is more unpleasant in the lounge than when the object of such talk wanders into the room while he or she is getting skewered. After the short silence, innocuous banalities fill the air to hide the shame and mask the put-down.

Richwine is in charge of the lounge’s ambiance. Because of him, sepia-toned photographs of students and faculty at the turn of the century decorate two walls, a large bulletin board is kept neat and up to date, and the window shades hang evenly. In addition, he maintains a small reference collection on a bank of shelves in one corner: Webster’s New International Dictionary (1935), Collier’s World Atlas and Gazetteer (1942), Fodor’s Europe (1981), an incomplete set of WMC catalogues, and a Faculty Handbook from 1966 attest to his antiquarian interests. A year ago, Richwine placed a discarded set of the 13-volume Oxford English Dictionary in his collection, but the weight of these tomes tore the shelves from the wall and, probably, contributed to his back troubles.

On the wall next to the door of the lounge is a small plaque whose inscription in Latin dedicates the room to the Ridingtons who “chat affably with us at noon.” After their retirements, Edie and Bill often would walk up to the campus for lunch. Those faculty who had taught with them always loved their company, and new faculty quickly came to share this feeling. Intellectual curiosity, civility, and quiet good humor marked Edie’s and Bill’s life, and, though not always achieved by those who gather there, the Ridington Faculty Lounge more often than not evinces these qualities.

Ray Phillips, professor of English, is a long-time denizen of the Ridington Lounge.
Old-Time Religion
Going Back to B.C. Holds Key to Today's Turbulence

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

It's 11:15 a.m. now, and four students—holdovers from the Religions of the Ancient World class which began three hours ago—are reluctantly rising from their circle around the feet of Luther Martin '59. The professor of religious studies has another appointment, but the students make plans to return in the afternoon for more lively dialogue about gods and goddesses and mystery religions.

Thirty-five years ago when Martin was a Black-and-White fraternity pledge on "the Hill" no one would have foreseen his return this April to give a major lecture on "The Individual and Religious Experience in the Hellenistic World," and, in classes, to disperse his wisdom about the period between 400 B.C. and 400 A.D.

Martin arrived at WMC in 1955 as a perfect example of "the Fifties culture blah," he says, and "got turned on to intellectual things here by John Makosky (the late chair of the English department). Charlie Crain (professor emeritus of philosophy and religious studies) got me very interested in religion, and I got a very good education here," recalls the former sociology major. "But no one would have predicted" he'd wind up as an academic. Everyone thought he'd be a pastor.

After earning a bachelor of divinity at Drew University, he spent several years knocking around as a self-professed "professional student," finally completing his PhD at Claremont Graduate School in 1972. It was before that, in 1967, that he decidedly deserted the ministerial track for the academic. That year he began teaching religion at the University of Vermont. He's still there, now as chair of the department of religion. He and wife Rux, senior editor of Eating Well magazine, live in Underhill Center, VT with daughter Hilary. A son, Brendan, is a chef in Montpelier, VT.
The Arlington, VA native has a couple of National Endowment for the Humanities-sponsored summer sessions under his belt (one in '80 at Yeshiva University to study Hellenistic Judaism, and an '87 one at the American Academy in Rome to pursue Roman Mithraism). Add to that an internationally praised survey text, *Hellenistic Religions: An Introduction* (Oxford University Press, 1987), now in its fifth printing, and the co-edited *Technologies of the Self: A Seminar with Michel Foucault* (University of Massachusetts Press, 1988), which has been translated into Japanese, and imminently, German, Italian, and Portuguese.

Martin's main scholarly focus is the Hellenistic period, which began with the twilight of the Greek gods and ended with the dominance of Christianity. It encompassed the rise of Alexander the Great, Augustus and Jesus Christ, the lifetimes of Ptolemy and Paul. Exploring this fertile period is, according to Martin, "a brand new industry." Until the mid-19th century the period between Athenian Greece and Republican and Imperial Rome was skipped over by historians, he says.

"It was considered a Dark Ages between the decline of Greece and the rise of Rome. Well, they [scholars] were wrong. It was a very vital period."

The Hellenistic era remains vitally important today, for "the period serves as the only historical model for understanding what we're going through today"—a cosmological revolution on the scale of the Ptolemaic one which evolved in the Hellenistic period over a 400- to 600-year span. Cosmology is a branch of philosophy dealing with the origin, processes and structure of the universe.

Both the Hellenistic and the modern worlds, Martin writes in his book, "are periods of transformation characterized by explosions of knowledge of the physical world signaled by cosmological revolution... by religious reformations and the influx of strange new gods from the East. For both, the traditional gods might well be termed dead."

As during the Ptolemaic revolution, we are undergoing "ferment in philosophical thought," he points out. "If you want a historical model for modernity, this is it." Key in this revolution is the fate of Christianity.

"Christianity may successfully redefine itself to fit modernity as it did during the last cosmological revolution—the Copernican one—when the Protestant Reformation occurred," says the man whose name, Luther Martin, is the inverse of the leader of that movement.

"Another possibility is that Christianity will die out. However, Peter Berger [a Boston University sociologist] claims that Christianity won't die out because it's too well endowed [with church buildings and other monies and properties]. But it's no longer a worldwide religion and may become an ethnic religion of WASPs."

"The real question is, 'Will Christianity make it, ultimately, looking back 1,000 years from now? Or will any religion make it? Christianity began as a Hellenistic religion. In order to understand its historical image, we need to go back and look at this cultural period.'"

One of the most controversial of the many major historical figures of the Hellenistic age is the New Testament's Paul. "Paul was considered weird, a nut," says Martin, "but he took Christianity out of Palestine. He made Christianity into an institution possible." Paul's peers questioned his sanity, according to Martin, because he didn't adhere to the letter of the Jewish law, and he believed that Christ rose from the dead. "Early Christians, until about the 4th century, were not interested in the resurrection."

Paul's aim of breaking down his society's rigid barriers was another reason he was viewed skeptically by his contemporaries. "Paul talks about gender boundaries, social and racial boundaries. Part of his discourse was the breaking of these boundaries. Not a lot of people wanted to hear this. They wanted the dead to stay put; they didn't want women to break their boundaries or slaves to break theirs."

"When asked to comment on a recent book by Episcopal Bishop John Shelby Spong which asserts that Paul was gay, Martin responds, "Paul as a homosexual is not a historical issue; it's a modern issue."

In Paul's day, homosexuality was not uncommon, but it was an issue of power, not sexuality, like it is now, Martin claims. "There is not enough evidence to argue Paul's sexual preference," he adds. "Nor do I think it's a particularly interesting question."

Another recent book regarding ancient religious figures which has stirred up many scholars and lay people alike is *The Book of J* (Grove Weidenfeld, 1990). The text, translated from the Hebrew by David Rosenberg, is embedded in the first two books of the Bible, chronicling the creation of Adam to the death of Moses. It is literary critic Harold Bloom's interpretation, included in the new volume, which has heartened feminists and angered the more traditionally minded.

Bloom's assertion that the book was written from a female perspective, that, in fact, J was a woman—a member of Jerusalem's royal court in 1,000 B.C. and perhaps a daughter of Solomon—is the source of contention.

Says Martin, "What makes it interesting is that Bloom is pointing out that the J tradition is different from other traditions [in the Bible] which are so strongly patriarchal. It's not so important that it was a woman who wrote it but that it's different." He doubts Bloom's claim that J was Solomon's daughter, for if that were so, "she would have carried on the patriarchal party line" instead of diverging.

Besides ancient religions, a major Martin interest is "theories of religion—what counts as a religion, and how one constructs the category of others [those religions, such as Eastern ones, which are alien to Western understanding]." He contends that these more exotic religionists are as akin to us as our own ancestors who practiced Christianity or another mainstream religion.

"Because someone belongs to our past we assume a familiarity. But they're as removed as those we assume to be 'different,' such as someone from China. The fact is none of them are our contemporaries. We project our values on all of them, which has a political effect."

It is just such a fascination with intellectual issues which drew Martin to the scholarly life and a destiny well-removed from the ministerial one his Western Maryland pals and professors had envisioned. It is a fate which fits him like an old flannel shirt. •
Trading Places
Probing Japan’s and America’s Battle for the Bucks

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Stephen Cohen ’63 fretted. He had arrived early at Sidney Kramer’s, the Washington bookstore for political science and economics tomes—scrutinized the signs announcing that the author of *Cowboys and Samurais: Why the United States is Losing the Battle with the Japanese and Why It Matters* (HarperCollins, 304 pp.) would be on hand to chat and autograph books. He studied the artfully arranged centerpiece of books on the official signing table. This, a real, honest to gosh author’s reception, was something he’d desired for a lifetime. The American University professor had sent engraved invitations to friends, including some Western Maryland pals, colleagues, former and present students. But what if you threw a book-signing party and nobody came?

That’s a question he soon knew he wouldn’t have to answer. He found himself glancing up from the reading glasses he balanced on his nose to glimpse the line of well-wishers which snaked through the store. For 2½ hours he unstintingly smiled, shook hands, and thoughtfully composed a message for each admirer. Some friends brought cameras, for which he was especially pleased to pose with wife Linda and children Sondra and Marc.

John Warman ’63, Cohen’s roommate during his sophomore year at Western Maryland, and Warman’s wife Janet (Pricer) ’62 were the first to arrive and last to leave. That Cohen should make such a success of himself as a writer, economist and political scientist came as no surprise to Warman, a Bethesda, MD-based management consultant.

“Steve was a very serious student,” Warman recalls. “He had a great sense of humor but was always straight-faced.” Precision was a hallmark of Cohen’s then as it is now, says Warman, who a few years ago worked with him on a project involving the Commerce Department. In their room in Daniel MacLea Hall, it was as if Felix and Oscar of *The Odd Couple* were the inhabitants, Warman claims. “Steve was so orderly. He kept his pencils in order by length—just perfect.”
Cohen left Western Maryland after two years, "because it was too small and too isolated" and lacked the international breadth he found at American University, he says. But he credits Ralph Price, professor of economics emeritus, for helping to set his direction. If Price's principles of economics course had been statistically oriented, Cohen, who says he's not a math whiz, simply would have switched fields.

Leslie Alperstein '63 showed up toward the evening's end and watched with pride the man he's known since junior high in northwest Baltimore. Like Warman, Alperstein has been a professional colleague of Cohen's in recent years—and one whom Cohen obviously reveres as evidenced by the tribute he pays Alperstein on Page 232 of his book.

Alperstein recalls how "the four of us [himself, Warman, Jerry Oppel '63 and Martin Schugum '63] were Steve's closest friends." Like Warman, Alperstein could have predicted Cohen's career ascent and direction. Even 30 years ago in Westminster, "He knew international and national relations—who the prime minister of each country was, who that country had inter-relationships with. I didn't even know the name of the country," he says with a chuckle. For 15 years Cohen was an international consultant for Alperstein's Washington Analysis Corp.

"He left a year or two ago to write this book," Alperstein says regretfully. "Steve is the best at international economic policy, the most articulate and insightful. He has a knack for cutting through words and political rhetoric to figure out what's going to happen," says the WMC trustee.

The national and international media would agree with Alperstein's assessment, for Cohen, who has taught U.S.-Japanese relations at AU's School of International Service since 1975, is often a source for broadcast and print journalists. The Today Show, BBC Radio and The Larry King Show have featured Cohen's commentary, as have Business Week, The New York Times, and the wire services Associated Press and Reuters, among others.

While he was frequently consulted about effects on oil prices before and during Operation Desert Storm, he's most recently been queried about U.S.-Japanese relations—his particular expertise—and the subject of his latest book. (He's written six others, the first in 1970.)

Other pundits have written about U.S.-Japanese relations, including David Halberstam in his monolithic The Reckoning, but Cohen says his approach is different from the rest. "Mine is the only book in the English language that I've seen that is sharply critical—it explores each of their mistakes and shortcomings—of both countries. Everything else I've seen is sharply critical of one or the other.

In addition, "What I've done differently is to come up with a basic hypothesis that explains why the two economies and two trade performances have been so radically different—why the problems persist, despite continuing efforts to reduce frictions," he explains.

"There have been 20 years worth of [U.S. governmental] negotiations designed to do two main things—one, open up the Japanese market to American goods—and, two, to, on a case-by-case basis, restrict Japanese exports here. The problems persist and, in many respects, have gotten worse. Nobody has really sat down and said why this is the case."

During the book-signing party, guests commonly commented on the catchiness of the title, Cowboys and Samurai. A zinger concocted by the HarperCollins marketing department? No, it's Cohen's own concept.

"The cowboy and the samurai are symbols of two very different cultures that have produced different varieties of capitalist economies," he says. "Cowboy society clearly has been very successful, but one has to question whether it is adequate." The six-shooter society has a "me-first attitude. The individual is king, and there is the idea of the endless frontier of American bounty. Except [with] the Japanese, those images, those thoughts, are still quite valid."

In the opposite corner, wielding a samurai sword, is Japanese society. "The samurai culture has some very long-term goals based on group effort and short-term individual sacrifices," says Cohen. Success has come from the "combination of talent, organization, and perhaps most importantly, a 1,000-year-old intense desire to keep the rest of the world at arm's length."

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—Stephen Cohen '63
One part is isolation but more important is the idea that foreign influences should come in only on Japan's terms.

A few American companies have managed to break through, he says. "IBM, McDonald's, Coca-Cola are doing well in Japan. If you have a consumer product, a non high-tech product, you don't have a tremendous problem." IBM is the rare high-tech success, he notes, "because years ago Japan desperately needed IBM's computer products."

But on the whole, "The Japanese want to keep most of the home market, at least in high-tech goods, for themselves, because of business attitudes and practices and general clannishness. The Japanese market is just not as accessible [to the U.S.] as other foreign markets." Not only government red tape, but the social system deters the cowboys.

"It's hard for American companies to go into Japan and hire Japanese workers. Skilled Japanese workers stay on for a lifetime—they aren't job hoppers. Plus, the cost of land is very expensive in Japan. Acquiring a building is very costly, and to some extent, cultural differences create great problems for American companies that would like to to establish factories."

"We're fated to second place in the commercial industrial race because we're not politically and socially committed—prepared to make the changes and sacrifices necessary. It's not so much a question of economics as a question of will."

"We've got a little fat and lazy; for example, one of the most important things we could do as a country is to get rid of the budget deficit through increased taxation and reduced consumption. As a country we are not willing to do that."

"As opposed to our lack of resolve, "The Japanese produce more than they consume, partly because of high savings," Cohen claims. "Beginning in the early '80s, the U.S. has consumed more than it has produced. We keep passing on the budget deficit—an IOU to our grandchildren—and will not face the music. That's what the cowboy society has come to."

"A more serious world economic problem, he believes, is the unrest in the Soviet Union. "I have the feeling the situation with Gorbachev will deteriorate. I wouldn't be surprised to see major political and economic crises worse than we have now. The question is, 'Who might take over—could it be a worse dictatorship?' Any instability in Russia will affect Europeans more than us, but it would create indirect problems for America."

As for the reason journalists so frequently contact him for his opinions on international economic and political relations, Cohen pauses and says in a low and mock-serious voice, "Hopefully, because I'm articulate as hell."
Volunteerism Plan Rewarded

Wade Fannin, a senior psychology and religious studies major, has been named the recipient of the first Griswold-Zepp Award for Volunteerism. Established and funded entirely by former students of Earl Griswold, professor of sociology emeritus, and Ira G. Zepp Jr. ’52, professor of religious studies, the annual award honors student volunteerism and enables recipients to carry out volunteer projects in the community.

Fannin, of Westminster, will use the $1,000 stipend to establish the Lesbian and Gay Resource Center of Carroll County, which will provide a secure and supportive atmosphere free from bias and inequalities related to sexual preference.

The center will rely heavily on a telephone hotline service to provide a clearing-house for community resource information, as well as for compiling local statistics on hate crimes against gays and lesbians in Carroll County. These statistics will be relayed to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, D.C., which will send them to the appropriate federal agencies.

Plans also call for the center to offer seminars and lectures on gay and lesbian issues. The center, in the Lesbian and Gay Alliance Clubroom in Blanchard Ward Hall, is staffed by volunteers from the college and Carroll County, all of whom received extensive training. The center’s phone lines are open seven days a week, with an answering machine used during business hours and with volunteer staff members on hand from 7 to 10 p.m.

“Many positive results can be expected from [this project],” Fannin wrote in his application for the award. “It will establish a networking point for lesbians and gay men at Western Maryland College and in Carroll County. Its very inception will send out a powerful, affirming message to closeted gay men and lesbians that they are not alone, and support and resources are available in Carroll County.”

“I’m very pleased with the Griswold-Zepp committee and the school because they saw gay and lesbian issues as legitimate issues,” Fannin said. “When I applied for the award, I was worried that this would be too sensitive. It shows how far Western Maryland College has come in terms of understanding minority students and their needs. For people involved in the alliance—students, faculty, people from Carroll County—the award gives us the opportunity to learn the truth about our gay and lesbian past—things that have been left out of the history books. We can be in charge of our own gay and lesbian future.”

As for Fannin’s future, his plan after graduation is to attend a United Church of Christ seminary in preparation for the ministry.

Griswold and Zepp were faculty sponsors of two student groups of the ’60s and ’70s—Student Opportunities Service and Operation Hinge. Winners of the award are chosen in mid-April by a faculty and alumni committee on the basis of the submitted project’s merits. All full-time WMC undergraduates in good academic standing are eligible.

White Wins Bailer Award

A long-time special education expert with the Maryland State Department of Education, Jerry White MEd ’75, was presented the Joseph R. Bailer Award on May 2. The award, presented annually to a distinguished graduate of the college’s education program, is named for Dr. Bailer, who directed the graduate studies program in education from 1949 to 1971.

With the state since 1975, White, in 1979, was promoted to chief, program administration and evaluation branch. The Arnold, MD resident works closely with local school system education staff members in the development and implementation of special education programs for children with disabilities.

Assistant Deputy State Superintendent Martha Fields said she credits White with “two extremely important initiatives.” In 1979, he was designer of the first Principal’s Academy for Special Education. He still is the lead staff person for the Academy, which “has excellent ratings,” Field said. The development and implementation of the nationally recognized Parent Training and Parent Center Projects is another of White’s accomplishments.

White was presented a plaque by Donald Rabush ’62, MEd ’70, professor of education, at the ceremony.

Quintet Merits Service Honors

Five ardent Western Maryland supporters were presented Meritorious Service Awards at the Alumni Banquet on Saturday, May 25. They are: Willard Hawkins ’26, Thomas Eveland ’36, Robert Faw ’41, Harris LeFew ’51, and Charles Moore Jr. ’71.

Hawkins lives on a picturesque farm in New Windsor, MD at which he has graciously hosted class reunions. This year’s exceptional attendance at his class’s 65th reunion luncheon was due to his enthusiastic letter of invitation. Hawkins retired in 1970 as superintendent of schools for the Garrett County Board of Education.

Former Caroline County commissioner Eveland served the Mid-Shore Alumni Chapter in various leadership posts from 1966 to 1976 and still attends chapter events. He volunteered
in fundraising campaigns in 1963 and 1983. The former Denton, MD bank cashier and teller also was a teacher. His daughter is Margaret Gordon '67.

Faw has been active in many capacities at WMC as a former trustee, director of the board of governors, regional chapter officer, chairman of the National Alumni Fund Committee, campaign leader for the Physical Education Learning Center and member of the board of directors of WMC Development Corp. The former executive partner with Faw, Casson and Co. accounting firm lives in Salisbury, MD. Faw is president of Shore-Paper Box Co. and Callis-Thompson Co. In 1987 he established the Hilary A. Faw Loan Fund to provide funds to juniors or seniors faced with emergency situations.

President of his class for 34 years, LeFew has been steadfast in his duties, especially in providing leadership for successful class reunions. LeFew has been public relations manager at Westvaco in Luke, MD for nearly as long as he has been class president. Two of his children are Western Marylanders—Bryan '76 and Bruce '79.

Former class president Moore has helped with the National Alumni Fund Committee and was visitor to the board of trustees. His enthusiastic organizing skills have made his class reunions a reality, according to classmates. Moore, who is married to Carol (Hoecherts) '70, was recently named executive director of finance for Bell Atlantic International and lives in Davidsonville, MD.

Seniors Advance Recycling Effort

Phase II of the comprehensive recycling program which the college has been working diligently toward for the last year has been endowed by the successful completion of the 1991 Senior Pride Campaign. The campaign, conducted by student leaders of the Class of 1991 as a gift to the college, achieved its goal of $2,000. That amount will be matched 3:1 by area developer and Masonry Contractors owner Martin Hill, father of Jennifer Hill '93. The $8,000 total will further the college program to recycle glass, plastic, aluminum and metal cans and cardboard.

For the first time since it was initiated in 1981, Senior Pride had a specific project identified for which the senior class could raise funds. In previous years, the campaign has benefited the college's Annual Fund. Senior Pride '91 was led by seniors Melanie D'Amore, Nora Green and Senior Class President Chester J. "Skip" Tyson IV.

Funds raised by the Class of 1991 will purchase, for $5,000, a second multi-compartment recycling bin to collect plastic and clear and colored glass as well as the heavy-gauge metal food cans used by the Dining Services staff. The new bin is expected to be installed next to the initial campus bin by September. The remaining $3,000 will be used to buy small bins to augment the ones currently in use.

According to Mel Whelan, building services coordinator, the enacting of the second phase means that Western Maryland College will recycle nearly everything it can and drastically reduce the waste it sends to the landfill.

Honored were (from left): Zassenhaus, Kinsley '63 and Liebelt '48.

Two Scientists Net Trustee Awards

Two noted scientists received Trustee Alumni Awards from the college during Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation on April 28. They are Annabel Glockeler Liebelt '48, a biologist; and Homan Kinsley Jr. '63, a chemist.

Since 1977 Liebelt has been a researcher with the experimental Breast Cancer Task Force of the National Institutes of Health-National Cancer Institute. Last year she was a visiting professor at Japan's University of Tokushima Medical School and a lecturer at Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co. and medical schools in Kagawa and Nara. She is a prolific writer of articles and chapters for scientific periodicals and books. In 1988 she established a scholarship fund for WMC biology majors.

Widely known for his work in wood and cellulose chemistry, paper physics and other areas, Homan is senior research fellow at the world's second largest paper mill, James River. Twice the Richmond, VA mill has awarded him its highest honor, the Gold Key Award, for product development and risk taking. Kinsley also has developed many U.S. patents, several of which have been filed in other nations. During the ceremony he was awarded overdue departmental honors in chemistry. Kinsley is married to Patricia (Harr) '62.

Also honored at Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation was Hilgunt Margaret Zassenhaus, honorary doctor of humane letters '87, who received an honorary induction into Phi Beta Kappa and was the event's guest speaker. The 1974 Nobel Peace Prize nominee is known for her humanitarian efforts on behalf of Scandinavian political prisoners during World War II.

Thirty-five seniors also were inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, the largest number since the Western Maryland chapter's founding in 1980.

A Reminiscence of Dr. Whitfield

Theodore Marshall Whitfield, professor of history emeritus at Western Maryland College, died on March 21 at age 85, after an extended illness. Chairman of the department of history for many years, Dr. Whitfield, who graduated BA from the University of Richmond in 1926, came to Western Maryland in 1929 after receiving his PhD from the Johns Hopkins University. In 1972 he retired. He was recently honored for his 60-year association with the college. Dr. Whitfield is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, daughter Margaret Kim '58, sons Theodore Junior '61 and John '63, 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A daughter, Mary Williams '60, is deceased.

Professor Whitfield devoted a lifetime to teaching and commemorating the American Civil War. Among his studies were Slavery Agitation in Virginia, 1829-1832, and an essay on slavery and its relation to Southern church history. He edited various archival documents on the lives of prominent families of the American South. He was also a frequent reviewer of books on Civil War history; and he wrote brochures, detailing Maryland's role in the Civil War, that received wide distribution.

An active advocate of preserving America's heritage, Professor Whitfield was associated with the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, 1937-1939; and the Maryland Civil War Centennial Commission, serving as chair of the
Committee on History, Themes, and Memorials. He was a member of the organizing committee of the Gettysburg Battlefield Preservation Association, and served both on its board of directors, and as its president from 1965 until his retirement. A member of various professional societies, he was for four years president of the Carroll County Historical Society.

Enough eulogy, now for reminiscence. Dr. Whitfield, I'll miss your classes, many of which were designed to commemorate events in history, because few professors could capture history as you could in your baritone voice that resounded through Lewis and Memorial halls.

And Dr. Whitfield, you must know that you are a favorite for stories whenever alumni meet. Is there anyone who does not know about the day Sam Reed '57 arrived late for your class? The door opened slowly that day, a large Confederate flag preceded Sam into the room, and a voice almost as loud as Dr. Whitfield's boomed out: "Like Jeb Stuart at the Battle of Gettysburg, I am arriving late." Consensus has it that it was one of the few times you were at a loss for words.

Heavenly Whit, I remember that once, after what had only seemed like centuries of trying, I finally got an "A" in one of your courses. The rest of my life has been an anticlimax.

Your lectures never put anyone asleep who had half a brain to listen; and your critiques of professors could capture history as you could in your baritone voice that resounded through Lewis and Memorial halls.

Don't Be Left Out!

Your loss would be our loss—and vice versa. Make sure you've sent in your questionnaire to ensure your place in the Western Maryland College Alumni Directory. In June, you should have received from Publishing Concepts of Dallas, TX a directory of Western Maryland's 14,000 alumni. If you were given the chance to purchase the telephone-book-sized directory, call (800) 395-4724.

In Memoriam

Miss Katie L. Frizzell '12, of Wheaton, MD, on February 5.
Mrs. Elizabeth Hooper Lawyer '24, of Silver Run, MD, on March 1.
Mr. David H. Taylor Sr. '25, of Westminster, MD, on March 8.
Dr. Page C. Jeff '27, of Fort Republic, MD, on December 22.
Rev. W. Arnie Roberts '27, of Rehoboth Beach, DE, on February 28.
Mrs. Alice Freeny Gillis '28, of Salisbury, MD, on April 24.
Mrs. Mary Moore Kilber '30, of Dayton, OH, on January 9.
Mr. Walter Kohout '31, of Havre de Grace, MD, on February 15.
Mr. Richard C. Jr. '33, of Westminster, MD, on March 11.
Mrs. Grace Wood Lefler '36, of California, MD, on March 23.
Mrs. Marrianna Long Durst '40, of Nokesville, VA, on December 9.
Mr. William Eugene Hilton '40, of Cumberland, MD, on November 25.
Mr. Frank D. Day '41, of Whiteford, MD, on March 13.
Mr. Ingersoll D. Bruner '48, of Merchonton, WI, on November 8.
Mrs. Hope Kellam Landauer '48, of Ellicott City, MD, on January 7.
Mrs. L. Vanson Hale III '50, of Orchard Park, NY, on December 21.
Mr. Alton A. F. Davison '52, of Baltimore, MD, on April 5.

Mr. T. Stanley Entwisle '57, of Edge-water, MD, on March 18.
Mr. Samuel W. Reed '57, of Bloom-field, CT, on May 6.
Mr. John Timothy Payne '69, of Canonsville, MD, on April 15.

Marriages

Dorothy Jones Kinder '43 to Warren Earl '44 in June '90. They live in Spurks, MD.
Caryl Connor '83 to Kenneth Dudzik on May 18. They live in Westminster, MD.
Lawrence Coffin '85 to Brenda Eifert on January 12. They live in Hershey, PA.
Eileen Hanlon '85 to Rob Lukers in October. They live in Woodbury, NJ.
Denise Bettry '90 to Ben Gonzales '90 on September 2. They live in Tacoma, WA.
Lisa Brown '90 to Rolf Arnesen '88 in December. They live in Arnold, MD.
Karen Frank '90 to Ed Swanson '88 in May. They live in Beltsville, MD.

Births

Thomas Merrill Barber, on October 6, to John and Janice Cornell '75 Barber.
Mitchell and Mika Milliren, on March 7, to Jason and Cathy Ziegmann Med '77 Milliren.
Claire Redmond Patterson, on October 10, to Wayne '77 and Anne Patterson.
Dean Reid Bradley, on September 7, to Sandra Reid Med '71 and Ken Bradley.
Kathryn Elizabeth Harter, on May 21, 1990, to Simon and Karen Cook '82 Harter.
Helen Robyn Dann, on June 17, 1990, to Robert and Heather Johnson '83 Dann.
Benjamin Donald Bowes, on February 13, to Andy '84 and Anne Mercier '85 Bowes.
Mary Margaret McQuay, on August 31, 1990, to Bob '84 and Channe McQuay.
Tanya Irene and Tamara Lynn Nosio-
Madison, on September 3, to Andry '84 and Tammy Marie Nosio-Madison.
Lara Alexis, in September, to Lansk and Sandra Carlson '85 Alexis.
Nicholas Galinatis, on February 6, to John and Elisa Grczecz '85 Galinatis.
Christopher Michael Kane, in March, to Chris '84 and Jean White '85 Kane.
Michael William Korte, in October, to Rick and Kathryn Eldridge '85 Korte.
Brendan Harris Carter, on February 8, to Mark '86 and Nancy Hutchinson '86 Carter.
Alexandra Leigh Friedlander, on September 16, to Arnold and Wendy Norton '86 Friedlander.
Corinne Tracey Thompson, on May 6, to Dianne Curran '87 and Jim Thompson.
Courtney and Craig Carr, on February 6, to Rhonda Myers '88 and Calvin Carr lII.
Eric Alexander Jansen, on December 13, to Arnold '90 and Laura Jansen.
HONOR CLASSES

1911
Mary Stonecipher Melson enjoys life at Towne House Retirement Center in Fort Wayne, IN. She sends greetings.

1914
Mary E. Hull, of Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminster, MD, is 99 and keeps busy by getting her hair set, playing bingo and attending church services. Margaret Bell Sloan sends greetings from Lonaconing, MD.

1916
Alice Dyson Archbold lives in Creifton, MD, with her son-in-law. She enjoys her "golden years" by redlining and thinking about the yesteryears and special times at WMC. With the exception of arthritis she's in good shape.

1918
Margaret Phillips Ford keeps busy with the Jarrettville, MD homemakers and book club. She's in good health and is grateful for her 94 years and blessings from God.

Raymund Yingling still drives his 22-year-old Cadillac around Washington, D.C.

1919
Frances Sidwell Benson, of Fairfax, VA was able to visit Charlotte Kindley in May '90. She sends warmest greetings.

John Ward says hello to his classmates and friends.

1920
At 91, Dorothy Fishe Barnett participates in many activities at Suncoast Manor Retirement home in St. Petersburg, FL; including bridge, shopping, book reviews and exercise class.

1921
Millard Rice, of Homewood Retirement Center in Frederick, MD, sends greetings to any classmates who remember him. He is confined but remains in good spirits.

1922
Anyone visiting New Oxford, PA has an open invitation to visit Helen Roop Rinehart. She enjoys being with her children and their families.

1923
Stockton Day, of Largo, FL, sends greetings.

Martha Masahan spoke to Stockton Day in December. She has a bank, drug store, gift shop, marketplace and beauty shop at her doorstep. She enjoys living at Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminister, and wishes she could attend more WMC functions.

Louise Owens Sapp is thankful she can enjoy life. She recently moved to Catonsville, MD from Baltimore. She attended the Baltimore Chapter Christmas brunch with family members and Joyce Goruch '49. She is very proud of her granddaughter, who received her PhD in chemical engineering. Her granddaughter graduated from the University of Maryland in May and is doing well at the naval base in Pensacola.

1924
Elva Ditman makes her way via wheelchair but remains in good spirits. She sends greetings.

Dorothy Holland Hall says active by driving, playing bridge and going out to dinner. She enjoys her family and four great-grandsons! She keeps in touch with WMC friends in the Snow Hill, MD, area.

Good help, friends and neighbors take Magdalena Lawson Speicher's mind off her ailments. Her son, daughter-in-law and grandsons are wonderful to her. She hopes that 1991 brings blessings and peace.

Ruth Warren helps her niece-sit-three days a week in Annapolis, MD. She's a Playdough and Fischer Price toy expert. She'd be delighted to hear from any classmates.

Louise Spodden Wright enjoys living at William Hill Manor in Easton, MD. She'd be happy to receive WMC visitors.

1925
Wilbur Devilbiss, of Frederick, MD, has been busy with genealogy research and the Frederick Rotary Club. He and wife Dee enjoy their weekly bridge club meetings.

Ellen Wheeler Edwards wishes she could see all her classmates. She enjoyed her winter in Florida but makes her permanent home in Williamsport, MD.

Ann Houck sends salutations to her classmates of '25. She can still walk the dog but says he's getting old and slow like herself.

Frances Merrick Hull, of Pompano Beach, FL, says she and her husband are happy in their new community.

Paul Kelbaugh communicates with Gertrude Jones Makosky occasionally. She filled him in on our 66th reunion. He hopes to make the 70th reunion. His children and grandchildren are doing well, and he enjoys babysitting. He and wife Peggy manage to break away from Canada to vacation in California and Barbados annually.

Gertrude Jones Makosky, of Westminister, enjoys reading, listening to FM radio and watching TV. She never drives at night; so her errands are done during the day. She represented the class alone at the 1990 alumni dinner. She keeps in touch with Ellen Wheeler Edwards, Frances Merrick Hull, Paul Kelbaugh and Katherine Tillman.

1926
Harriette Reinecke Robertson, of Manchester, MD, enjoys playing bridge and mowing in Bermuda. She's in good health.

Katherine Richards Tillman was happy to hear from classmates Adele Owings Clarke, Virginia Herlo Lore, Gertrude Jones Makosky, Kathryn Hatton Nock, and Mabel Smith Corson.

1927
Serena Dryden Ashburn, of Escondido, CA, sends greetings.

Gladys Benson, of Rockville, MD, sends greetings.

Florence "Tommy" Massey Black remembers prep school, sneaking out of the library to buy caramel sandwiches and feeling Mrs. Stoofer. Tommy still runs a business—renting their various properties.

Henry Bowen resides in St. Petersburg, FL. His fondest memory is of Dr. "Pappy" Yount, his Greek professor. Maxwell Burdette enjoys living in 1993. He is a retired public relations executive. He doesn't remember who won the big game but he knows that he was a winner!

1928
Dorothy Gilligan Bennett has a deal for her classmates! She's willing to wager a $100 gift to the college if at least four '28 survivors attend the 65th reunion in 1993.

Mary "Elma" Spitzer Burner sends best wishes to the Class of '28.

Mary Bavel Eline enjoys spending time with her children. She drives locally during the day. She'd like to hear from classmates.

McMills Lambertson, of Stafford, DE, recently became a great-grandmother. The addition may entail in the WMC class of 1928! Other alumini from the Larchbomer clan are doing well. She hopes for visits from classmates. After all, she does live in the "Nylon Capitol of the World!"

Eva Logue had her 86th birthday in February and still owns an apartment in Penney Retirement Community. She was in and out of the hospital three times in 1990.

Margaret Kyle Rambous lives at Wesley Methodist Home in Baltimore. At 88 she enjoys good health and visits with her classmates. She and daughter Roberta Rambous Hennick '55 visited her niece in St. Lucie, FL.

Ann Shierer Reifsnider is "hanging in there" and enjoying life. She hopes her classmates are doing the same.

Evelyn Pusey Rurak stays busy by going to church, participating in church activities, driving, reading, cooking, gardening and keeping in touch with classmates. She sends best wishes.

William Owings Stone gets up in the morning with nothing to do and goes to bed at night with only half done," he says. He resides in Bartington, RI and has been retired for 18 years.

Rhonda J. Myers '88
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Baker Chapel fondly. She hopes to attend the next class reunion. She spent the last seven years caring for her husband, Dave '25, who suffered with Alzheimer's disease. He died on March 8.

William Ward, of Englewood, FL, sends greetings.
Dorothy Marian "Dottie" Berry Tovis has had a long series of trips to Italy and China and also studied French at an Elderhostel at Laval University in Quebec. She planned a trip to Russia this summer with Roanoke-Gillette Valentine '36. She enjoys her children and grandchildren, ages 5, 4, and 2, who live near her in Wilmington.

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Orpha Pritchard, of LaVale, MD, keeps her mind strong by meditating to ensure fewer pains and continued mobility.

Thelma Chell McNemar enjoys good health and enjoys her with her family. On a trip in August '90 through Hawaii, she and her husband, Carl, and her sister, Stwayne, Sekaway, she especially enjoyed the island of Maui.

Edythe Child Latham recovered from a broken hip and celebrated her 56th wedding anniversary with family and 10 guests. The Lathams had a Caribbean cruise and won a trip to Alask and their 54th wedding anniversary this summer. They have celebrated the tradition. The Lathams have 14 grandchildren. Their family lives in California, Michigan, Georgia and Arizona. Bob sends regards to the "Mourner's Bench" crowd and mention the family's Bryson, G. Home Mopps, Colorado. Brinsfield and Albert "Terp" Ward.

Emma Brown Edwards has Parkinson's disease but still attends Grandmother's church regularly. She is proud of her twin grandchildren who are high school honor students and look forward to college.

Catherine "Kitty" Rose DeMuth and husband, of Naples, FL, took a river boat down the Amazon (750 miles) in January. They always took their three children (two boys, one girl) and continue the tradition. The Tsonys have 14 grandchildren. Their family lives in California, Michigan, Georgia and Arizona. Bob sends regards to the "Mourner's Bench" crowd and mention the family's Bryson, G. Home Mopps, Colorado. Brinsfield and Albert "Terp" Ward.

Margaret "Peg" Routsahn Miller is busying herself with her work at WMC's present conditions and President Robert Chamber's viewpoint on future plans.

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Norma "Nicky" Nicolescu Knepp had been traveling and spent four days in Tampa last winter. She played golf, square dance, and round dance. Last December Jean Cox Fлагs took a week-long cruise from San Francisco through the canal and up to Acapulco. Curacao was a special delight. Last summer Win Coberly Good co-hosted a weekend at their cottage on Lake Ozarks, explored the C&O Canal towpath, and hiked in Virgin, West Virginia and Tennessee. Last winter they volunteered at the Literacy League. It was grand to see so many older people learn to read and a 26-year-old mother get a job and leave the welfare rolls.

Kathleen seasoning spends January-March in Punta Gorda, FL. He invites all classmates to look him up. His summer is a big garden in Keymar, MD. Marel, our mail carrier, is the delightful one of our reunions, works in administration in a hospital.

Another classmate whose older grand son has graduated from high school is Eleanor Perry Rief. She, like many of us, is attending a 55+ high school reunion this year. While in Rocking Horse Ranch in New York last fall their bus broke down. While they were waiting at a bus stop, along came Donna DuVal Schenley, blackjack with a group of alumni on their way to Canada. Eleanor had been working at Wilson Health Center in Gaithersburg, MD.

Sue Price Erb went to Naples, FL last winter. On the way she met Sara Blessing Clagett for lunch. Sue says Ellen Shipley Sybert also was in Florida. She and Bette Betzer visited Grace Smith Dewhoyt.

Henry Ackley tells of the trip of his son, Bob, to Alaska last fall. They flew to Anchorage and cruised with the Masonic group of the AlaskaJOE and saw the beautiful glaciers. They flew to San Francisco then drove to Los Angeles. Then they flew to Acapulco for a week at the gorgeous Princess Hotel Gala. Back in California, Web made an unscheduled visit to the Naval Hospital to see his ex-roommate programmed. After an enjoyable three days visit in the Corps reunion in San Francisco we finally flew home. We had six weeks on the road and other places, visited many old friends and carried an alarming assortment of clothing.

It hurts to hear the reports of our classmates. Kitty Jockett Beckord was such a faithful Western Marylander. Though she wasn't been well for years, she and Helen '39 came to most alumni functions. Mrs. Beagle died in Towson, MD on September 25. Lew Hill died April 26, 1939 in Clarksvile, WV. Kermit Bryant has been in the West almost 20 years, was an industrial engineer for many years. He died in Prescott, AZ on June 12, 1990.

Mary Regina Diller taught 44 years and died in 1990 in Frederick. Eugene Hilton, whose widow is Nellie Bionsky '41, died November 25. Marianne Long Durst lived in Nokesville, VA. She was a support for her in education for 30 years. Her daughter, Nancy, brought her to the reunion last year. She died December 9. We send our sympathy to the families of these dear classmates.
Visualization—using the concept of “if one believes it, it will happen”—is another way to enhance the self image, he says. Affirmation, a technique he also uses in counseling, involves writing or repeating phrases to oneself to the point where the desired event actually happens. For example, an unhappy person might repeat, “I am happy,” over and over until he or she feels happy.

Crisis intervention with people who are diagnosed as having AIDS or who are at risk, is another activity of Boyer’s, through Life Line in Geelong and AIDS Line in Melbourne. AIDS Line also disseminates information about the disease to people who have questions but may not be diagnosed with the illness.

An artist as well as a counselor, the WMC art and history major exhibited in June his abstract paintings, collages and assemblages. He also has had several one-man shows in Melbourne and Geelong.

Though retired from his lecturership at the Deakin University School of Education, Boyer gets a reminder of Westminster with a visit from sister Julia Devillbis.

Another upcoming retirement in October ’91 will change the lives of Dr. Earnest and Helen Stoner Detdtharn. They sold their home and were to move to St. Michaels, MD in June. Ernie was active in the troop deployment to Desert Storm. Helen’s 50th high-school reunion was last year in Frederick, MD.

Edward Stevens Artz and husband Wayne have a new home, still in Northridge, CA. Imagine trying to landscape new desert property in the midst of a five year drought! Best of all, the move brought them closer to their daughter and two grandchildren.

Margaret Waugh Siemon and Bob ’43 in Florida are regular, grateful, and busy. Each year our column seems to end with obituaries. Please join in offering condolences to two of our classmates: Margaret “Peg” Carter Welkos, of Rockdale, MD, lost husband Hilt to Alzheimer’s disease in July ’90. Fortunately, her four children and her seven “grandheir” live close by. After 14 years of patient, loving care for husband Paul, Aileen Bain Barnhart of Westminster said goodbye on March 1. She, too, has the closeness and support of her three children and grandchildren.

My greatest wish is to hear from all classmates before our 50th in 1995. I only sent request cards to half of our class this time, so next year I’ll get to the rest. Write to me any time. I’ll save the news for the 1992 column.

As promised in the last column, I only contacted those who didn’t respond to the National Register poll. Some long lost classmates replied.

Tony R. Cook, of Rivardle, MD, is mourning a year of “fews.” At last time he has contributed to The Hill and last time he has returned to New Jersey for his high-school reunion. After 20 years of marriage and three children Russ and his wife have separated. Eldest daughter Cindy works for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Allison, a nurse, has a daughter, 2. Son Rusty is a management information specialist in Baltimore County. Russ is the admissions director of a business and technical school on Capitol Hill. He is involved in the technical process as a volunteer and as a part-time worker. He would like to hear from WMC Washingtonians. Russ says, “WMC provided a living foundation for me, a great experience in life.”

Charlotte Thompson Hatcher has retired from full-time work, but has a home word processing business. She also is the organist and choir director at Fairview Methodist Church in Phoenix, MD. Her husband, John, a US Army veteran, is married. Husband John is working on a master’s in business administration.

Jeannette Spatz James says Don ’54 has sold his farm in Marion, IN to Bacon-Moore. Together they have purchased a new home in Georgia. They have four children, two boys and two girls. The parents are now living in Savannah.

Acknowledging the deaths of two classmates: 1965, Meta Justice Smith has passed away. Her family and friends will miss her. 1973, Martin Brown of Huntington Beach, CA died in an accident on his motorcycle, 1982. Margaret “Peg” Carter Welkos, of Rockdale, MD, lost husband Hilt to Alzheimer’s disease in July ’90. Fortunately, her four children and her seven “grandheir” live close by. After 14 years of patient, loving care for husband Paul, Aileen Bain Barnhart of Westminster said goodbye on March 1. She, too, has the closeness and support of her three children and grandchildren.

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Once again, the response to my request was prompt and is appreciated. From all accounts, the October reunion was enjoyed by all.

Jim Thomas of Littleton, CO, is one who made it to VA and he could still be state court administrator and was president of the National Conference of State Court Administrators through August.

Mike Carroll and wife Kathy live near Chicago in Oak Park, where he is a free-lance illustrator. Kathy is director of technical services for the National Dairy Council. The Carrolls lived the 1920s-era single-family home. The family had a great time visiting Sam, Zach, and Beth Johnson Warren in Missoula, MT—the Warrens own the local newspaper. The Carrolls also saw Debbie and John Phillips and their three girls in January; they were building from River Falls, WI to Wilkes Barre, PA.

Linda Kephart Coons teaches phys. ed. at Mt. Airy Elementary with Robin Armstrong Townsend. Emily and Jessica Wolff (daughters of Janet Zimmelman and Bobby Wolff ’73) are their students. Linda also teaches under-graduate curriculums at the Catoctin Community Center—drip and prevention program and prevention conference in Tula, OK.

Mike Dallas returned to Germany in June as executive officer of the 89th Signal Brigade at Wiesbaden. The family is looking forward to seeing what they missed before. After 10 years of practicing law in Washington, DC, he is now consulting in banking. Bob Davis returned to Baltimore as more senior vice president and general counsel of Provident Bank. He, Vikki, and daughters, Terry, 6, and Lori, 5, live in Davidsonville, outside Annapolis, in a home that they designed and built in 1985.

Fred DiBlassio has been promoted to tenured associate professor at the University of Maryland Graduate School for Social Work. He has published more than 15 articles and one journal book. Jessica Woffung (daughters of Jane Zimmelman and Bobby Wolff ’73) are his students.
Christine Gray Aiello and husband Scott are building a home in Murrysville, PA. She works with the Energy Center at Westinghouse in the Nuclear Services Division.

Lara, born in September, keeps Sandra Carlson Alexis and her husband busy. Sandra was to graduate from seminary in May. Although they were to be at a Lutheran church where they will both be ordained as pastors.

Capt. Alan Abey is assigned to Foreign Policy Intelligence at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD. He participated in Operation Desert Storm. Alvin enjoys being daddy to Doughnut, their new baby. Doughnut is still home for Scott Anderson, branch manager of the Canton Marine office of 1st National Bank of Maryland. He is busy encountering alumni who are stationed in Baltimore.

Lisa Wyble Ares has been attending WMC weddings. She enjoys seeing everyone at Homecoming, especially classmates living outside Maryland.

Charlotte Barber was married this spring to a man she met on a business trip to California. Although he lived in Richland, WA before the wedding, the couple is busy with their 9-month old. They are new to the area. Bridge is so proud that her sister Sarah '92 is an Omegua, too.

Travel has occupied Mrs. Diane Culver Burock and husband Dave. They have traveled all over California. In March they enjoyed a ski trip to Vail, CO. In June they traveled skiing for fun and a few days on the Keys beach. Diane tries to keep in touch with fellow "Brother" Scotts. "She always has a pocketbook. Annies who never Bowes anxiously watched the news of the Gulf conflict since husband Andy '86 was there.

Since graduation, George Brenton has been close to "the Hill." He is chaplain to Sigma Phi Epsilon and is active with the WMC Young Alumni Council. He has just been appointed as Robin Abey '86. Despite the economic downturn, the lighting wholesale business is doing better than ever. "Everyone needs light!" he says.

At the University of Vermont, Alice T. Cicalella is a computer modeler on an acid-rain project for an environmental research center.

Joe and Ronna Lolli Cobuzio were blessed last summer with Alyssa. While enjoying parenting, they enjoy their jobs as well. Ronna was promoted to senior accountant at Warner Lambert. They keep in touch with Glen '48 and Barbara Lawson Foreman says hello. Barbara was a devoted "Warholic" and the labs are finally calming down as they mature. Dave works part time. A vacation to a new state is planned. Jeannie White-Kane and Chris '84 are parents of Christopher Michael, born in March. After several promotions, Jeannie is now in a leadership position at the dealership. At North Carroll High School, Michele Everett advises the award-winning school newspaper. She enjoys designing and creating costumes for the school productions. This spring, Michele began working with the Carroll Players production of a British comedy, accent and all. She continues to pursue her MA at Johns Hopkins and sees Lee Ann Ware Pettian in May.

Barbara Lawson Foreman says hello. Samual Ryan lightens the days of Sam and Laura MacKay. Frost. Their first child, Sam, is one year closer to his PhD in statistics at the University of Minnesota.

Joanne Galainitis and husband John are the parents of Nicholas, born in February. Elia and John are den-AP
tists working with her father, Dr. John Gordon '48, in New Windsor. A member of the army's 82nd Airborne Division, Duane Gamble served in Operation Desert Storm.

Kathy Goldborough became a home owner last spring when she and her sister bought a condo in Rockville, MD. She is a sales account executive with GE Mortgage Insurance. Kathy attended the Indianapolis 500 in May.

Recently relocated to the east coast of Florida, Lisa Grason is back to her old job in financial planning practice. She loves living 100 yards from the beach and has plenty of room for visits from her "Yankee" friends! Lois Davis, Lynda Renne, Sharon Rowley, Maggie Schiffer, and Kathy Goldborough are getting there any time soon. Lisa is back.

Groover, of Bethesda, MD, is the director of meetings and publications for the D.C. Dental Society. She handles an annual meeting with 6,000 attendees, several smaller monthly meetings, and is managing an editor for the society's newsletter. Groover's full-time job is a big change from teaching, but Mary Alice Eckenrode Halmann loves it. She keeps her hand in education by working with two of her grandchildren and doing before- and after-school day care.

Rich Hartshorn is sorry to miss the reunion but en route to Ft. Huachuca, AZ for six months with the Intelligence Center. Her Advanced course. His next assignment is in Germany. Liz Gatz Hasbick sends greetings. Thomas Hel is had a busy year. He and wife Cami moved into their new home in Ponte Verde Beach, FL where they enjoy the winter weather and scenery. Thomas left his job with Hechinger Co. and now is sales manager for Home Depot. The favorite part of his day is returning home to the beach. Cami was pleased to run into Rod Smith '87.

Last August, Deborah Ratzburg Hopkins, Eric '86, and children Sarah and David returned to Baltimore, MD from Ft. Sill, OK. She enjoys medical school at the University of Maryland.

Baby Elizabeth joined Gail Saldier Jones at her homecoming to the delight of all their friends. Gail enjoys being a full-time mom but still teaches by tutoring and being an advising teacher for the Cal- vant College of Academic Advising. At home, Barnaby McHale '83, who has just completed the basement of their Silver Spring, MD home. Now Sam is looking for a place to rent. Sam and Tracy McHale '83 have been in touch with her family in human resources at Johns Hopkins.

In April 1990, Judy Adams Khan married Muhammad Mehdi in a mass wedding in Pakistan in October to visit his family. Judy and Liaquat, of Columbus, MD, are starting their own architectural firm.

Janie Keigler Kimmons loves her job as a 4th-grade teacher in Pennington, NJ. She is pursuing a master's in curriculum, instruction, and supervision. Still at Boonton, Bill Kreller is working on his philosophy degree. This summer he traveled to Australia. Bill says this trip made for a big change, well, having two children! Babies also are a fact of life for Dan '84 and Lucreza DiFiore Krollko- ski. The first of the triplets, David, was born in January. Dan, 2, was not thrilled with the arrival but is adjusting.

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John Van Lutken teaches at Sidwell Friends in Washington, DC and coaches football, basketball, and lacrosse. He frequently sees Sue Malkus '89, Jenny Suddith Wolff, of Hagerstown, MD, is balancing advertising management, studying automation, finance and caring for her son, Ricky, 2. Ani Butler Wolff and Todd '87 had a ski trip to Colorado. She is an office administrator for Union Carbide Industrial Glass.

Anne Waters and Elizabeth "Lee" Koppe live in Catonsville, MD. Ann is a mental health social worker at North Arundel Hospital. Kevin West vacationed in Vail, CO with his family '87, Jeff Smith, Jim Borra '91 and Rob Paul '90 were in banking and is halfway through his MBA. Deb Weber lives with Lynn Stone in Westminster. She teaches 4th and 5th grade at Sandymount Elementary.

Scott Wattkins is in his 3rd year of law school.

Anne Creyer Young is stationed at Ft. Bragg, NC. She was promoted to 1st. in October and works at 1st ROTC Recruiting Headquarters. She has spent eight months in Saudi Arabia but made it back for the birth of Robert in March.

Patricia Yingling anticipates seeing everyone at Homecoming.

Tracey Buckman Dunne married Mike in April. She still works for the American Red Cross. The Dunnes live in Columbia, MD.

Susan Scally Heffner and Kevin, of Ellicott City, MD, enjoy watching Holly grow up quickly. Kevin is special events coordinator for the National Kidney Foundation in Washington, DC. Susan is a social worker for National Asssociates, Inc., a personnel firm in Washington, DC.

Hello, Class of 1990!

Due to the changingilm, responding that the alumni office has had,

Tom's Hill will only publish the news of half our class at a time, so if you're a M2, you can appear next year. If you didn't get a card and you should have done, don't send address changes to the alumni office or send your news to us at the addresses below. Now on to our class news:

Denise Butlerly and Ben Gonzales were married in Big Baker Chapel on September 2, and honeymooned in the Grand Canyon. Ben runs a troop medical clinic at Ft. Lewis, WA, and Denise is the social services director at Park Rose Care Center in Tacoma, WA. Espen (Bryce) Albright works for the Fredrick County Board of Education and is involved in a variety of musical activities on and off campus.

Kim Andrews teaches 4th grade in Baltimore City. She planned to move to WMC this summer to pursue a master's degree.

Denise Belfrage teaches music to 3rd graders at Arlneare Regional Catholic School. She is living in Towson for a job.

Heather Berka, of Baltimore, attends the Baltimore International Culinary College while studying in Ireland and will return home in September. She keeps in touch with Ellen Martin and Ellen Snedden.

Julie Biddinger spent two months in Hawaii before returning to WMC to be an admissions counselor. She invites everyone to stop and see her.

Bob Brown is working towards his MS in mathematics at Michigan State University.

John Brill and Rolf Arnesen '88 tied the knot in December, as a systems analyst with Baltimore Gas and Electric. They live in Arnold, MD.

Michelle Girone freelances for a cable company in Woodbury, MD, covering sports, community events and community events.

Mike and Laura Brown Cleveland live in Westminster where Laura is a 1st-grade teacher at Robert Moton Elementary. Mike is a lab technician at the National Institute for Handicapped Children. Mike will start graduate work at Johns Hopkins University this fall.

John McDonnell '88 at Morgan Financial Group where she is training for a financial planner. After graduation she and her friends drove cross-country for six weeks and had a fantastic time in places like New Mexico, Santa Fe and Los Angeles.

Mikah, of Westminster, began working for Maryland Biotechnology Institute in College Park, MD in August '90.

Craig Ejik, of Columbia, MD, is a camp counselor dealing with youths who have had problems with the law. Anyone who remembers the Christmas tree incident knows that Craig should be familiar with juvenile delinquency!

Melissa Engel has been accepted into the University of Maryland writing program where she will complete a 100 percent tuition waiver and a teaching position.

John Seabold is working on an MBA at Mount St. Mary's College. He teaches French and Spanish at Sacred Heart in Westminster.

Karen Frank married Ed "Buzy" Swanson '88 in May. They live in Bel Air, MD. Karen works in Washington, D.C. and keeps in touch with fellow Phi Sigs Cori Osborne, Kim MacNamara and Erica Velleggio.

Scott Kostyniak of Gainesville, VA, has completed the Military Police Officer Basic Course at Ft. McClellan, AL. Victor "Torto" Fulton shares an apartment with Sara Roberts '89 in Carney, MD and teaches French and Spanish at Loch Raven High School in Towson, MD.

Roshini George, in New Jersey, is "busy and out of trouble" in medical school.

Melanie Goossen has completed student teaching and hopes to have a full-time position this fall.

Marylin is finishing his 2nd year at the University of Maryland Dental School and is looking for patients in the Baltimore area.

Melissa Hallmark has a graduate assistantship at University of Maryland where she is working towards a master's in exercise physiology.

Ken Hammann is studying to earn his teachers certificate at Johns Hopkins. In his spare time he is a lead singer and guitar player in a local band, Dr. Brown's Ambition, and a part-time claims specialist for the Maryland Department of Unemployment.

John and Kristine Loveland '91 Hartlaub have a child, Alisa Lynn. John is a store detective at Ames in Mt. Airy, MD. He will attend the ROTC Officer Basic Course in Military Police in September. Kristine hopes to teach in Tallahassee County after studying Bailey's program. Tracey Holter continues to lead a double life as a Redskinkes cheerleader and an elementary school teacher. She still sees friends Terri Whelan, Kelly Soll, Jenny Otto and Jenny Dempsey.

Bill Jacobs, of Wheaton, MD, is a lab technician at the National Cancer Institute.

Arnold Jansen and Laura had a boy, Eric Alexander, in December. Arnold, of Frederick, PA, works at Citicorp Credit Card Services.

A graduate assistant at Frostburg State University, Mark Jozwiak is finishing his master's in performance and is coaching football.

Frank Kratovil is not only a law clerk for the Prince George's County Office of Public Defender but also represents the county's seniors in Annapolis. He plans to enter law school in the fall.

Ethan Langford is assistant athletic trainer at Towson University and is a volleyball coach at the Johns Hopkins University.

Miriam Pipes Larsen enjoys teaching 4th grade at Hampden Elementary with Debbie Remoll (a 4th grade teacher there). Husband Shawn Larson '89 has successfully passed the Maryland Bar and is a lawyer.

Alexander Lauber is in the army, having graduated from Ranger School at Ft. Bragg, GA in March. He married Tamara McNulty '92 in December.

Judith Leister is in her 1st year of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy.

Renée Lemire, of Pasadena, MD, teaches 4th grade in Baltimore City.

Diana Little works with the Federal Agriculture Information Service on specific publications. She often sees Julie Biddinger.

Chris Lombardo attends Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, DE.

Robert Dixon served with the 3rd Armored Division during Operation Desert Storm. He loves College and really likes his friends in Germany where he is a fire director officer in a Howitzer battery. Last but not least, our news. Kathy Eskut is a secretaries assistant at Rayland Mortgage Company in Columbia, MD. Her big news is that she married Tom Keszler '88 in Big Banana Beach in August 1990. Cathi Frantzen is an assistant buyer at Strawbridge and Clothier in Philadelphia, PA. (Anyone who knows Cathi knows that perfect this is not?) She enjoys spending her spare time with Chris Schaber '89 and keeping in touch with friends in Maryland. That's all till next year. Please feel free to drop us a line any time.

Kathleen A. Eskut 2106 Leroy Drive, Westminster, MD 21793 Cathi Frantzen 265 Fairview Ave. Berlin, NJ 08009
The pavilion at Harvey Stone Park, nestled on the campus golf course, is a setting for summer fun.

ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code zones may make reservations by calling the Alumni Affairs Office: (301) 857-2296.

Thurs., August 22
Lower Shore Alumni Luncheon, Ocean Pines Country Club, 11:30 a.m.—Social hour 12:30 p.m.—Luncheon. Speaker: Dr. Samuel Alspach, professor of biology. Topic: His 1991 summer research work dealing with the threats to the supply of the Chesapeake oysters. Call Jeanne Emerson '84 for reservations at (302) 537-2547.

Mon., August 26
Baltimore Alumni Chapter Luncheon at the Towson Sheraton Carnegie's Grill, 11:30 a.m.

Fri.—Sat., Sept. 13, 14
WMC Alumni at Ocean City, MD. Fri.—“Alumni Attitude Adjustment” hour at The Princess Royal Condominium Resort at 91st and Oceanfront, 6–8 p.m. Social Hour and Alumni Dinner at Phillips Crab House, Tiffany Room, 2004 Philadelphia Ave., 6:30 p.m.—Social Hour 7:30 p.m.—Dinner. Dinner Speaker: Dr. Ethan Socol, faculty assistant to the President and professor of economics and business administration. Call the Alumni Office for reservation information (301) 857-2296.

Mon., September 23
Baltimore Alumni Chapter Luncheon at the Towson Sheraton Carnegie's Grill, 11:30 a.m.

Sun. Sept. 25
Yale Gordon Artist Concert Series, “Sundays of Note.” The seventh season kicks off with the Peabody Ragtime Ensemble, 2 p.m., Alumni Hall mainstage. Call (301) 857-2265 for ticket information.

Sun., October 6
Anne Arundel Brunch. Details forthcoming.

Sat., October 12

Sun., October 13
Ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the newly expanded Hoover Library, 2 p.m.

Fri.—Sat., Oct. 18, 19
Board of Trustees meeting.

Sun., November 10
“Sundays of Note” concert, “Mainly Mozart,” featuring Vladimir Lande and José Cueto, 2 p.m., McDaniel Lounge.

Sat., November 16
Sports Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremonies.

Sun., February 23
“Sundays of Note” concert, with the violin and piano duo of Ann and Isidor Salav, 2 p.m., McDaniel Lounge.

Sun., April 5
“Sundays of Note” program of modern dance by Phoenix, company in residence at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, 2 p.m., Alumni Hall mainstage.
Another angle on Ines Perez '91, who shares Commencement cheer on the cover.
Seven windows representing each of the traditional liberal arts—Grammar, Logic, Rhetoric, Geometry, Arithmetic, Music, and Astronomy—were created by Tim Hirneisen, a designer for Art Glass Crafters in Monkton, MD, to enhance the upper levels of the Hoover Library. At left is the stained-glass window, Astronomy, in its entirety.
125 and Counting

The Hill kicks off the 125th anniversary of the founding of the college.

Fashioning a Vision

President Robert H. Chambers regards WMC past, present and future.

The Oracle on Old Screamer

Esther Smith, a student mentor personally and theatrically, still thrives.

Present and Past Perfect

An October day served double duty, to commemorate the Hoover Library and the 125th birthday.

Serenaders and Savers

Sociability, conservatism defined Western Marylanders in the Thirties.
Seasoned Pro To Lead Advancement

A college professional whose experience in fund raising is broad and deep will become vice president for institutional advancement on December 1. Richard F. Seaman, most recently vice president for development at Bowdoin College, will fill the position held by Walter L. Wahlen, who will retire in December after six years as vice president of college relations.

Seaman was selected this summer from a pool of 109 candidates. The native Ohioan is a graduate of Oberlin College and Western Reserve University. He began his career at Oberlin as an admissions counselor, then became executive assistant to the President and director of development. Later, he spent 13 years as Brown University’s associate vice president and director of development. There, he orchestrated a $182 million fundraising campaign.

In 1984, Seaman was invited to be vice president for development and alumni affairs at Skidmore College. In four years, he helped to design and complete the largest capital campaign in Skidmore’s history. He then moved to Maine, where he masterminded the final stages of Bowdoin’s $56 million campaign.

Seaman also holds a high profile nationally in the advancement field. He is one of 13 advancement professionals, foundation officers, administrators and faculty members serving on a national task force in a study of ethics sponsored by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and the Dartmouth Ethics Institute.

Seaman and his wife, Sue, were to move to Westminster in October.

World Comes to WMC

More than a century ago the first international student, Misao Tsune Hirata (class of 1890) of Japan, arrived on “the Hill.” The number of students from foreign lands grew from that start, with the 1948 Aloha saluting six— from China, Greece, Holland, Poland, Puerto Rico and Sweden.

The 1991–92 school year brought an incredible surge in the international student body, 34 new students—nine from Japan, six from China, four from India, two from Ethiopia and one from each of the following nations: Bulgaria, Greece, Peru, Brazil, Denmark, Ghana, France, Spain, Nicaragua, Sweden, the Bahamas, Tanzania, and Sri Lanka. They bring the total number of international students to 56, as opposed to 25 last year.

Cathy Nosel, the director of career development who also is serving as director of international student services, credits the skills of admissions director Martha O’Connell with this sharp increase. Last year, according to Nosel, there were just seven new international students. “The college acknowledged the fact that we need to diversify our population, so we increased our efforts to attract international students,” said Nosel.

The students have a strong support system here with Nosel as well as with a new host families program. Western Maryland alumni, faculty and staff and local residents have offered to provide a home-away-from-home for the students and represented them during Parents and Families Weekend in October.

President Robert Chambers, who spearheaded a transfer program with Nagasaki (Japan) Wesleyan Junior College a few years ago, is delighted with the growth in admissions of international students. “When you keep multiplying the number of countries these people come from, the whole campus becomes more worldly and sophisticated,” he commented.

Highlighting the Campus’s Heart

The creation of a pedestrian plaza in front of Decker College Center has ensured that the Hoover Library is now the heart of the campus, with handicapped-accessible brick walkways linking the library and other administration and academic buildings.
The Green Terrors may reach a milestone in terms of wins this season

Features of the construction which was begun in mid-June and was completed in October are: beside the library, a walled-in garden area which will contain a fountain sculpture by Wasyl Palijczuk, professor of art; 20 new trees dotting the area in front of Decker to Lewis Hall of Science; removal of the canopy in front of Decker to open up the site; three 12-inch high granite terraces with five-feet-wide grass strips between each level in the area in front of Decker; and a retaining wall in front of Memorial Hall, designed to ensure the life of three maple trees whose roots were exposed.

Throughout the campus, 17 pole lamps and 17 bollards (short pole lamps) have been added to improve safety. Several new handicapped parking spaces also have been created. Another plaza added since last year improves the appearance of the area behind Decker Center, in front of Forlines House and Rouzer Hall, and creates a new visitors' entrance to campus. The area, which also contains an addition to Decker to house the campus's main-frame computer, sports 24 new trees.

The 1928 Terror team was led by Dick Harlow (last row, far left).

Football Hits Century Mark

The 1991 football season represents the 100th anniversary of Western Maryland College's first year on the gridiron and, appropriately enough, the Green Terrors may reach a milestone in terms of wins.

Western Maryland entered the year with 396 victories, along with 363 losses and 46 ties, and will attempt to join just 29 other National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III schools with at least 400 wins.

The college will celebrate the anniversary in several ways. A commemorative logo has been designed and was featured on the Green Terror jerseys and on banners at Scott S. Bair Stadium. In addition, historical articles in home game programs and a reunion of the 1951 team on the 40th anniversary of its undefeated season also were planned.

The path to 400 wins did not get off to a good start, however, as Western Maryland lost 64-0 in its first game October 31, 1891, to Pennsylvania College (now Gettysburg College). Pennsylvania pinned a 98-0 loss on Western Maryland November 14, before the team from Westminster recorded its initial win a week later with a 66-0 shutout of New Windsor College.

The Green Terrors gained a measure of revenge against Gettysburg September 21, breaking an 11-game losing streak to the Bulldogs 12-7.

This will actually be the 97th season of football at the college. Western Maryland teams were not fielded in 1895, because too many parents refused permission for their sons to play, and from 1943 to 1945, due to World War II. Green Terror squads have captured 13 championships, including the dual-title seasons of 1962 and 1963, when they won both the Mason-Dixon Conference and the Middle Atlantic Conference-Southern Division.

There have been four undefeated seasons in the first 96 campaigns, including back-to-back ones in 1929 (11-0) and 1930 (9-0-1) under legendary coach Dick Harlow. The only blemish in those two years was a 7-7 tie with Albright, the Green Terrors' season-opening opponent this season September 14 at home. Harlow completed his tenure at Western Maryland in 1934, before moving on to be...
come head coach at Harvard, with the third undefeated team which went 8-0-1.

The 1951 unit was the last one to go unbeaten, defeating eight opponents under the direction of Charlie Havens '30, the winningest coach in school history with 77 victories. Havens also had the longest stint of the 22 Western Maryland head coaches, compiling 18 seasons from 1935 to 1941 and from 1946 to 1956. •

'Columbus' Grant Sails into WMC

An educational and provocative addition to the numerous celebrations marking the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus's journey to the New World will be presented by Western Maryland and several prestigious guest speakers and ritualists over the next four semesters, with the help of a $5,674 grant from the Maryland Humanities Council.

"The Legacy of Columbus: Indigenous Perspectives" will feature lectures, films, community roundtable discussions, and other events designed to encourage a diversity of viewpoints regarding the Columbian Quincentenary. The series is sponsored by WMC's Cross Cultural Exchange Program in conjunction with the Carroll County Public Library, the Westminster Chapter of the American Association of University Women, the Women's Club of Westminster, and United Church of Christ, Catoctin Association. Portions of this program are made possible by the Maryland Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

According to "Indigenous Perspectives" coordinating committee members Rosemary Maxey, lecturer in philosophy and religious studies, and Norberto Valdez, instructor in sociology, the two-year series is designed to provide students and the community with diversified points of view about the voyage of Columbus as a founding event in Western culture.

"The responsibility of a liberal arts college is to provide its students and others an understanding of the complexity of issues both foreign and domestic," Valdez said. "We want to show that there are many points of view concerning the Quincentenary."

Added Maxey, "The more we explored this idea, the more we found that there is a real variety of opinions about the 'discovery' of the New World. This shows what we can offer as a college."

The first of four semester-long themes, "Cultural Traditions and Their Transformations," occurred in October with the screening of the film Powag quant, about the impact of modernization on tribal societies, and a discussion by Native American writer and storyteller Joseph Bruchac III. Several other "Indigenous Perspectives" events are still in the planning stages.

Among the events headlined by the theme of "Sovereignty and Self-Determination" during the spring '92 semester will be a lecture on "Legal Issues Facing Indigenous Americans Today," by Curtis Berkey, executive director of the Indian Law Resource Center in Washington, D.C. The lecture will be in McDaniel Lounge on Tuesday, February 18 at 7:30 p.m. On March 27 and April 3, "Black Elk Speaks: A Dramatic Reading," a student production led by Demetri Lambros '92, will be performed. •

A Vietnam Vet Speaks Out

While reading the May issue of The Hill, about AIDS, I reflected on the many endeavors of the WMC alumni and staff regarding causes not always respected or cherished by the rest of the world. This led me to a painful question that has dogged me for the last 20 years.

Why was WMC, the champion of every underdog and advocate of worthy causes, so cruel to the few Vietnam veterans in the late '60s and early '70s? WMC, the icon for the disenfranchised and the disadvantaged, showed not just apathy for the servicemen who had been in Vietnam but displeasure verging on disdain.

This college which has the honor of defending the rights of so many of the misunderstood of our society didn't bother to separate the warrior from the much-despised war. I treasure the good that the college does, but it is not my college right or wrong.

The whole college was not dead set against a few Vietnam veterans but, while I'll not name individual names, some of the school departments do come to mind, namely English, psychology, and religion and philosophy. The bent went, in my opinion, against the war, against the Establishment, even against some sports that were considered brutish or dehumanizing. It set the pattern which some call "white male guilt" or '60s liberalism. I wish to identify one superb benefactor, Dr. Daniel Welliver '50, who went out of his way to try to make one mixed-up veteran feel like everything was going to be all right.

The curriculum of the aforementioned departments espoused a proper thought or concept and little deviation could be expressed. The war could be talked about by vets, but such talk was not tolerated unless regret, remorse, and a new way of thinking were shown.

After 20 years, it would be interesting to see if anyone else felt like they were being sandbagged by the "correct" thought at WMC. I can only say that, while I am proud of WMC as an institution, I don't see much glory in the treatment of Viet vets and others in this chaotic period.

Edward F. Lathrop Jr. '73
Glen Burnie, MD
several years ago reconstructing genealogies and family histories of crusader families. Some questions he seeks to answer are, were the crusaders younger sons of powerful families or adventurous knights on the make? What became of their families at home?

Late in July, Colette Henriette flew to England to read a paper at the Eighth International Congress on the Enlightenment, at the University of Bristol. The conference is the most important event for 18th-century specialists and occurs only once every four years, each time in a different country.

About 1,000 scholars from all over the world—most of them graduate-school faculty members—attended the conference. Henriette instructs undergraduate language students at WMC. The paper Henriette was asked to present is drawn from her dissertation in progress which deals with 18th-century women of letters and private correspondence as a new literary genre. Her paper will be published in *Studies on Voltaire and the Eighteenth Century*.

Howard Orenstein presented part of his research into sleep disorders in patients of all ages in September at the First Meeting of the World Federation of Sleep Research Societies in Cannes, France. Orenstein and four colleagues discussed results of a study they did involving 2,100 patients at Detroit's Henry Ford Hospital Sleep Disorders and Research Center. From 1987 to 1990, they examined patients by age according to sleep disorder and various diagnostic categories. The most common sleep complaints were excessive daytime sleepiness—
which usually occurred among persons ages 21 to 40—and insomnia—which most often afflicted those over age 60.

Finally, he could go home again—for the first time in 49 years! During a fall sabbatical leave Wasył Palijczuk returned to his home village in the Ukraine, from which he was involuntarily removed in 1942.

The painter and sculptor will use his return as inspiration for his teaching and artistic development. During September and October he planned to meet with artists, educators and others in the Ukraine to exchange ideas and discover life. He kept a daily journal, and recorded his experiences on a sketch pad and with a camera. After his return, Palijczuk was to select his 50 best slides and enlarge them to 8-by-12 inches for a photo exhibit. He also will execute oil and water color paintings which he expects to show next fall in commercial and non-profit galleries, including Western Maryland’s Gallery One.

This fall or next spring, he’ll work in yet another medium—granite—as he begins a fountain sculpture which will further enhance the exquisite garden area of the renovated Hoover Library. Last summer, during a traffic tie-up near Baltimore, Palijczuk spied three granite boulders from his car window. He left his car and asked the road crew what the fate of the granite would be. When the workers said it was to be smashed into gravel, he negotiated with the state of Maryland to have the free granite delivered to Western Maryland. He and President Robert Chambers selected an eight-ton chunk for the fountain, which Palijczuk will begin shaping this fall or next spring.

Following in the footsteps of his favorite fictionist made him miss the initial days of class for the first time in his 25 years on “the Hill.” But the prospect of serving as the penultimate presenter at the International Joseph Conrad Conference at Marie Curie–Skłodowska University in Lublin, Poland, tempted Ray Stevens away from Western Maryland to Eastern Europe. Stevens, a leading scholar on the works and life of the Polish-born author of Heart of Darkness and other novels, presented a serio-comic discussion, “A Milch-Cow’s Eye View of Sailing Ships, and Other Conradian Narrative Perspectives in the Lighter Later Essays.” Following the conference, the scholars enjoyed a tour “in Conrad’s Polish footsteps,” during which Stevens hiked with Conrad’s grandson.

In other endeavors, Stevens contributed topical essays to the Baltimore Evening Sun op-ed page. He continues to work with the Cambridge University Press Critical Edition of the Works of Joseph Conrad, for which he recently uncovered some missing typescripts. Stevens wrote an essay on a previously unknown Conrad letter that he discovered at the Library of Congress that appeared in Conradiana. A revised version of a paper he delivered at the International Byron Society Conference in Israel was published recently in a collection of essays from the conference, Byron, The Bible, and Religion (University of Delaware Press). Several articles he wrote for The 1890s: An Encyclopedia (Garland Press) will appear when the volume is published.

A number of professors also earned Faculty Development grants to fund stateside research: Sherri Lind Hughes (psychology), Bill Achor (physics), Nina Gregg (English), and Sam Alspach (biology).

Nina Gregg spent the summer beating a path to and from Morristown, TN. She is starting a study of women workers there who formed Citizens Against Temporary Services, an organization attempting to prevent employers from using temporary workers to fill permanent jobs. Gregg interviewed some of the women and is collecting print and broadcast coverage of the group’s activities. She plans to use the interviews and mass-media materials in teaching discourse analysis. Ultimately, she will compare how and why these blue-collar women began their group with her earlier study of how and why white-collar women at Yale University started a union.

In August, Gregg presented “Feminist Research in the Field,” drawing from her comparative study, at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. In October, she was to be part of a panel on “Gender and the Politics of Location” at the 13th annual North American Labor History Conference, and this month is to moderate a session on women’s perspectives on mass media at the annual conference of the Speech Communication Association.

A summer stipend fueled Bill Achor’s progress on his text-
book about energy. The book, written for non-science major undergraduates, will help students become lifelong intelligent consumers of energy sources (such as fuels) and energy services (such as electric). Achor's aim is to integrate environmental and economic factors into the scientific and technological material, providing a more realistic look at energy production, distribution and use than is currently available in texts. His intention is to use the textbook—slated for completion in late 1992—in his energy course and make it available to other colleges.

The Standard Model of Fundamental Particles and Interactions Chart (described in the August '89 Hill), upon which Achor has worked for four years with other physicists, is revised and is available for sale. Two years ago, the group of 20 people, now called Contemporary Physics Education Project, Inc., sent the chart gratis to all schools subscribing to Physics Teacher, Contemporary Physics Education Project, Inc. is seeking a European distributor for the chart and devising a free packet to accompany a prospective textbook which will implement the chart. He recently finished fashioning a word game for the packet which emphasizes active participation. Achor and his colleagues also are busy raising an estimated $80,000 needed to print and distribute the packets which will be sent free to all U.S. high-school physics teachers.

How Western Maryland students investigate and choose careers is the subject of Sherri Hughes's research. She will track 60 members of the class of 1995 through their four years at WMC by having them complete a questionnaire annually and by interviewing them twice a year. Hughes hopes to discover what forces influence a student's career decision, be they parental, peer or faculty expectations, personal interests or economic conditions. Karen Noll Arnie '83, director of counseling and career services, is working with Hughes on the project and will use their findings to help her office learn about the needs of students.

Sam Alspach returned to the water again last summer to continue his research on the organisms which prey upon the Chesapeake Bay's oyster crop. Since 1986 Alspach has worked with two scientists at Horn Point Environmental Laboratories, part of the University of Maryland's Center for Environmental and Estuarine Studies in Cambridge, MD (chronicled in the May '89 Hill). Last summer Alspach discovered that the main predator on oysters size 2 mm or smaller is a small flatworm. This summer, he and his collaborators submitted a description of this discovery to the Journal of Shellfish Research. His work collecting flatworms and oyster spat (juvenile oysters) on the Choptank River and examining them in the laboratory should yield greater understanding of the threat to young oysters.

At the annual fall Convocation, several professors were recognized for their achievements. A Faculty Creativity Award went to Tim Weinfield, associate professor of dramatic art. Scholarly Publication Awards were presented to: Tom Deveny, professor of foreign languages; Henry Reiff, assistant professor of education; Carol Rouzer, assistant professor of chemistry; and Rick Smith, professor of chemistry. Faculty Book Awards were given to: Ted Evergates, professor of history; Martine Motard-Noar, assistant professor of French; and Katherine Munzer Rogers, visiting adjunct professor of history.
Celebrating

125 And Counting...

Western Maryland College, poised on the brink of its 125th year, is enjoying a growth spurt in quality. The Hoover Library, dedicated on October 13, is now the crown jewel of a picture-perfect Hill. The two new plazas which further enhance the library as a focal point are now stunningly complete. And the prospect of an equally appealing and technologically advanced science complex further elevates the spirits of all those connected with the now vintage liberal arts college.

Beginning with this issue we'll commemorate the 1867 founding of Western Maryland with special features. For the next four issues we'll spotlight a special era by commissioning alumni authors to depict their lives and times. Our first guest writer is veteran newsman Lawrence Freeny '39 (see Page 28).

Also in this issue, Robert H. Chambers, who has served nobly as President for the last seven years, (on Page 10) describes his vision for the future of Western Maryland and reflects on its impressive past.

On Pages 20–25 we spotlight that very special day in Western Maryland history—the dedication of the expanded and renovated Hoover Library with its ex-
quisite accouterments, such as the mural by Ellen Von Dehsen Elmes ’69 and the new stained-glass windows which are a contemporary rendition of the traditional liberal arts.

While she was conceptualizing the mural, Elmes fielded suggestions from many alumni and friends. The three individuals or images which were most often requested for her to depict were: Old Main, Professor of Religious Studies Ira Zepp ’52, and Esther Smith. In this issue, we bring you a definitive look at the latter icon, the Southern lady who was a dramatic arts teacher for nearly a third of the college’s existence. Read about Esther on Page 16.

Finally, this issue brings our readers a new department, Development News. For the latest on Western Maryland’s fund-raising feats, see Page 26. —The Editors
n mid-August Hill editors Joyce Muller and Sherri Kimmel Diegel sat down with President Robert H. Chambers in his Decker College Center office to explore his vision for the future of Western Maryland College. He also reflected on some historic strengths of the college now entering its 125th year. Last spring, Chambers sent a questionnaire to faculty, staff and students, asking them to envision how they would like to see Western Maryland grow even better. Chambers, who has been President since 1984, begins this question-and-answer session by discussing some of the conclusions he drew after reading the survey responses. He used his reading of the questionnaires to compose a statement for a college committee which is handling the mission and goals portion of the self-study which Western Maryland must submit to the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association when the college is up for accreditation renewal next year.

What are some of the innovative approaches you would like to consider at Western Maryland, in light of the questionnaire responses?

There was a question about creating a residential college system which is my own little hobby horse. The questionnaire revealed that there is a lot of interest in it—that this is one thing we might be able to do in the future without spending huge sums of money.

Residential colleges, sort of on the British model?

Yes—but obviously modified greatly to meet our own needs and pocketbook realities. Such a modified version of the Oxbridge system here would make us far more distinctive as an undergraduate residential institution. I believe we can imaginatively shape the residence areas we now have to give them more group unity. We could create focal points of identity in that way within the residential construct. The campus actually is already structured somewhat in that fashion. Imagine, for example, “Diegel College.” Down below this building [Decker College Center] we have Blanche, Whiteford and
McDaniel Halls already forming a quadrangle. Why not have a faculty or staff family living in each one, in order to establish a community of more than just 18 year olds there? We could also build a few seminar rooms into the buildings so classes might actually be held in the residence halls, to create a kind of traffic flow that we don't currently have. And we could put some programming money in there, too, so that Diegel College would begin to develop a sort of personality of its own.

In this fashion, we could create three coherent residential groups on the campus. Diegel College could be those three dorms; "Muller College," to grab another name out of our hat, could be made up of Albert Norman Ward and Daniel MacLea. And we could make a third one—"Chambers College," let's say,—of Rouzer, the [Garden] Apartments, and the Pennsylvania Avenue houses. So, you can imagine, Muller College might be where athletes would congregate over there near the field house and the gym. Diegel College could be where the artists are, the writers, the intellectuals of the campus. And Chambers College could be a kind of grab bag for other people. In truth, we wouldn't want to isolate people of identical interests in quite that way, but you can see what we could do with these groupings. It wouldn't take much to get them shaped into something very attractive into entities that pull together.

An image I'm thinking of here is this back plaza that has just been built. Six months ago there was no definition to the lower area below Decker. You could barely see Forlines House—and you wouldn't pay any attention to it because of the awful looking hill it was sitting on. Elderdice, once one of our loveliest buildings, was also rather smothered by the construction of the building we are now in, Decker. But now look what's happened. We have created a relatively grand entrance to Decker and opened up Forlines in the process, so that Forlines is now worth looking at; and you can see Elderdice again in ways it hasn't been seen for 10 or 15 years. The whole thing coheres—now there is unity and beauty to that spot. It's the wholeness of it that looks great and makes each of its parts distinctive. So I'm thinking, "Can we do that with other parts on campus, as well?"

What is another way we can become a higher quality college without investing vast sums of money?

One kind of quality is related to diversity, and most people [responding to the questionnaire] seemed to think that we should continue to push for more international students. Virtually everyone likes that. They are going to be shocked, I think, when they see the number showing up this year—roughly 10 percent of the incoming students.

Is that the largest percent ever?

Oh, it has to be. I think we have at least 30 new [international] students. I love it. I was walking in front of the library last week and there was an apparently confused young fellow wandering around. He didn't seem to know where he was going. He said, "Excuse me, can you show me to the registrar?" And I responded that he could follow me to that office. As we were walking along, I noticed that he had a Colombian T-shirt. "Are you by any chance from Colombia?" I asked. "No," he said, "Peru." And I thought, "Ah, great!" And he's a new student here.

What does this mean to the college to have this influx of internationalism?

I would hope it would mean a good bit to our curriculum and to the sophistication of our general student mix. These international students have really impressed me; they are some of our best students academically, but I think best also in terms of their sophistication. These are people who have seen the world. For example, Dan [Dias '93, from Sri Lanka] has come from a battle-torn country. He's 12,000 miles from home. He obviously brings something new to us. Or take Jude [Yearwood '89] who came here from Guyana—he brings something to us as well, and the Japanese will do that, too. When you keep multiplying the number of countries these people come from, the whole campus becomes more worldly and more sophisticated and, without a doubt, more interesting for all of us.

So I see major changes in that direction; we are becoming much more international than we have been in the past, and I would hope that more of our American students will be going abroad, working up exchanges of various kinds. That is a genuine qualitative betterment. And it is one way to respond to some concern revealed in the questionnaire about what we can do about minorities here at home—Hispanics, Blacks, Native Americans. That is going to continue to be a very competitive market. And we will certainly continue to work hard on it, but I'm not sure just what kind of additional creative inroads we will be able to make at this point. Perhaps the international market will offer us help in this regard.

Were there any surprises in the responses you got from the questionnaires?

I guess the biggest impression I bring away is how conservative practically everybody is. There were very few people who were daring and out-front on many of the questions. To be sure, several noted concerns about the college's name because of the false impressions it offers. This seems to come up every time I go out of town. Doesn't it come up with you?

People are always confused about the location. Of course they are, and they will be a hundred years from now, too.

They always say, "Boy, it didn't take as long to get here as I thought it would." Because they thought we are just south of Pittsburgh. Very few outside the WMC community have a clear sense of us. One of the things I would like to work towards in the future, therefore, is clarifying the college's mission and identity for all to understand, not just in terms of recruiting students but also in terms of letting corporations and foundations and the like know just what kind of school we are—how good we are. As long as people generally believe that our name says we are part of the state college or university system and located somewhere far west of Baltimore, then they won't know what we really are,
and thus will not be interested in us. They become much more interested in us when they learn that we are, in fact, a high quality, independent college in the Baltimore metropolitan area, one serving that area as well as others in the country and the world. I think we need to make clear to everybody that we aspire to be a national institution. It has to do with funding, the student flow, and the very future of the college. These things are all closely tied together.

In these days when everybody seems to be hard-hit by the decline in enrollment and the effects of the recession, how can we ease our pinch and survive and thrive? We need more endowment. Every college, in fact, needs more endowment. We need to think of every possible route to cushioning our tuition increases. We can't forever, it seems to me, assume that almost 80 percent of our budget each year is going to come from tuition and fees. It's living on the edge more than anybody wants to.

There are two major sources of income that we have. One is obviously the flow of students—that's why admissions is so important to us. The other is development—bringing in money from the Annual Fund, foundations, corporations, bequests and the like. We are doing about as much as we can with the student flow. Thus the only way dramatically to increase our income, probably, is through imaginative means of development. We just hired a new vice president [for institutional advancement, Richard Seaman]. And while I don't mean to project him as a miracle worker, I am hoping that he's going to bring to us a lot of ideas that will help us build our endowment. We are going to launch a major capital campaign [in a few years] for that purpose, too. But to get our endowment up to the point where it would really make a big difference is going to take a lot of building, indeed. It is a problem for every single college like us.

What sort of traditions do you think Western Maryland maintains after 125 years? I think we have strong traditions and a very interesting history. What disappoints me, though, is how little most people know about the rich heritage of the college. That's one reason I'm glad Ellen Elmes ['69] has done such a great job with her fantastic mural [in the Hoover Library]. I'd like to see us use that mural as a way to educate our students—and everyone else, too—to the fact that the college has been here for 125 years, and that it has been part of the great sweep of higher education that has been evolving in this country for many decades. WMC is part of what surely is the best system of higher education in the world, a system of 3,000 colleges and universities which has evolved over the centuries. Moreover, we are one of the very best schools in that group. Thus our concern here is not one of survival, it's one of enhancing our quality, and not just the quality of the student body but also the quality of everything we offer here—the
quality of the faculty, and of our service to the region, to the nation, to the world.

What are some of the historic strengths of the college?

Well, those strengths have evolved just as the college itself has. We still have an exceptional program of teacher education, for example. Haven't we always? I'm one of those who sees a liberal arts institution as not entirely separate from schools that prepare people for professions. That's what we do, too. I think all colleges are in some sense pre-professional. We have our way of educating people, and it's the liberal arts tradition that defines us and influences everything we do here, no matter what the discipline is that we may be talking about.

We have always been, since our opening day, pre-professional to some degree, and we still are; I don't think that pre-professionalism is a dirty word. Undergirding all that we do here is a sense that our students are going to be leaders in various professions and in the business world, and the curriculum has evolved to fulfill the needs of those students, of the region and of the country. We keep evolving in that way, and the institution grows stronger and richer as a result. Look at the curriculum now. We have, let's see, 19 or 20 academic departments? We've got 25 majors, a host of minors; we have a graduate program that has hundreds of people in it at any one time. There is a lot going on here, and Western Maryland didn't just open up that way more than a century ago—it evolved. Thus I think we will continue to be open to growth and change and development as the needs of the students and the country change.

You've talked a lot about WMC's quality and what some of us here can do to improve that quality. Are there things that the alumni can do to help the college?

They can support it. When our graduates leave Western Maryland College they don't simply turn their backs on the place and go through entirely new chapters of their lives. They become alumni, continuing members of a large family—very large, some 14,000 people—scattered all over the world. These people have a wonderful sense of being related and connected to each other. And it all comes back to this small college in this small town, right here. We have a vast WMC network; we stay in touch with our alumni; we ask them to contribute to the institution; we urge them to come back and be a part of the place. And they do. They remain loyal to it. And we need and treasure their support.

It's particularly important in independent colleges that you have a strong alumni network and that graduates contribute in every possible way—financially, psychologically, and through sending new students to us. What we need to do more of is what we have been doing quite well for the last few years—strenthening alumni support. I think that one of the real signs of quality in a college is the percentage of alumni who contribute to the Annual Fund each year. Whether they give $10, $100 or $1,000, it's important that they support it. We've been building such support, and I'd like to see us build even more upon that.

Looking back 125 years from now, what is going to be the Chambers legacy to the college? I don't believe in personalized legacies. But if you wanted to look back some decades from now at this era—let's call it mid-Eighties to mid-Nineties—I would think that what would be most noteworthy would be the dramatic physical change to
the central part of the campus—the library, of course, but not just the library: also the science facility that we are going to put there and all of the landscaping and architectural work that is pulling the entire campus together in a way that has not been done before. By 1995, Western Maryland College will have a carefully defined and very lovely academic quadrangle, anchored by the science complex at one end and the very lovely academic quadrangle, anchored by the library at the other, with these granite risers in front of Decker Center] now going in to unite the entire central campus core. The campus will then have much more clarity and identity, and that, to me, is likely to be the main, lasting addition of this era.

But I also believe—I know!—that we are getting continually better and better in every other area, too, and this has always been true. Personally, I can’t believe that the faculty has ever been stronger than it is right now. That is another thing that came through in the questionnaires, particularly with the students—they love the faculty.

**A President-Plus**

Running the $27 million enterprise which is Western Maryland College would be enough for most people, especially when that task includes teaching a course on Japanese literature or the works of William Faulkner and Robert Penn Warren each semester. But for the last decade Bob Chambers also has been a key to the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association, which holds sway over the accreditation of 506 colleges and universities in this part of the United States.

In the latter half of 1990 he served as chair of the Commission which oversees a region encompassing four of the eight Ivy League schools, the Naval Academy, West Point, the Merchant Marine Academy, and some of the very best liberal arts colleges in the country, including Western Maryland.

“IT’s a very exciting group of schools to be associated with, and certainly the highest quality private educational group in the United States,” Chambers explains. “I have an opportunity to meet a lot of people through that network and thus to have some sense of what’s going on on other campuses. That’s what I think is most valuable about my Middle States work, for me to know people from elsewhere from whom I can get advice and reactions. Basically, I also learn what not to do, by virtue of looking at a lot of other colleges. It’s been very rewarding that way.”

Each year, Chambers chairs one college evaluation team. “What the Commission does is to receive reports from these evaluation teams, which also make accreditation recommendations. The Commission then either accepts the recommendations, alters them, or requests more information.

“For example, in the recent case of Westminster Theological Seminary—which has generated a good bit of attention nationally—we wanted to know why, since a large percentage of their students are female, there are no females on their board of trustees, when The Characteristic of Excellence in Higher Education [a book of guidelines approved by the schools in the Middle States region] says quite clearly that the board of trustees of an institution should in some sense reflect the makeup of the student body. We were not telling them what theological truths they should teach or anything like that. We simply wanted to know, if they wished to gain Middle States accreditation, why they couldn’t live up to that particular characteristic?” (The matter has since been resolved, to the satisfaction of both MSA and the seminary.)

When Chambers and his team of seven or eight evaluators arrive on a campus for their three-day examination of every aspect of a college, they look closely at the institution’s mission statement. He explains, “Every self-study [a large document prepared by a college in preparation for its accreditation review] starts by considering the mission of the college, refining that, and then saying, ‘This is our mission. Are we able to carry it out? Do we have the machinery in place? Do we have the resources?’ And all the evaluation team does, and all the Middle States Commission does, is to say ‘Ah, is that your mission? Are you fulfilling it?’

“After the campus visit, the chair writes up a report,” he continues. “The report goes back to the campus and to the Middle States Commissioners. The final responsibility of the team chair, a couple of months later, is to go to Philadelphia [where Middle States is based] to deliver a two-page brief summarizing the entire experience; and it is in that brief that, for the first time, the recommendation of the team, for accreditation or not, is actually stated. A special committee hears that and reacts. That’s the process.”

Every 10 years a college must come under scrutiny. Western Maryland faculty and staff are now writing their self-study in preparation for next year’s Middle States accreditation review. “What’s happened so far here is that we have pretty well decided how our self-study will be organized,” Chambers notes. “There is a committee working on each of the various chapters, and [English Professor] Keith Richwine is chairing the very important mission committee. It is the mission that will drive the rest of the self-study. This is going to be a huge job involving at least three-quarters of the faculty and half of the administration. It becomes a real communal effort.”

—SKD
W-way down in northern Georgia, just over the North Carolina line, lives a wise lady on a mountain, Old Screamer by name. The mountain, not the lady. Esther Smith is a gracious, soft-voiced Southern LADY (though former student and protege Bill Tribby '56 will tell you lady doesn’t mean wimp in her case). The name of the mountain upon which she’s made her home off and on for 91 years and steadily since her retirement from Western Maryland 21 years ago, comes from Indian legend. After all, this was Cherokee country. Many stories relate how the mountain got its name, but the one she recalls concerns “the screams of an Indian maiden as she watched her lover leap to his death from the mountainside.”

This legendary lady lives in one of several stone homes on the mountain, remnants of the years her father, and later her sister, the novelist Lillian Smith, ran the exclusive Laurel Falls Camp for Girls, altitude 4,200 feet. Her parents had moved there with the youngest of their brood of nine when World War I upended the global economy. Lillian explained the situation in her Memory of a Large Christmas, which she dedicated “To Esther, who collaborated as little sister in all my young dreams.”

“Our father lost his mills and his turpentine stills, the light plant and the ice plant and store and the house that never quite ended—and we moved to our small summer cottage in the mountains,” Lillian wrote. There, on the mountain outside Clayton, GA, the former Florida townfolk learned to farm, bartering eggs for flour, and managing to hoard enough food to feed a chain gang of 48 men in stripes—including 10 murderers, two bank robbers, three car thieves, an arsonist, and a rapist—one Christmas day.

The speech department—Esther Smith (above, left) and Nannie Lease—gathers early in Esther’s career. Esther (right) in a portrait from the Fifties. Virginia Merrill Meitner ’30 (inset) in the slave girl costume Esther fashioned for her role in 1929’s The Most Foolish Virgin.
A Paper Doll World

In a cultured, creative and kind-hearted family, where the feisty Big Grandma (her mother's mother) alternated Christmas visits with the less scrappy Little Granny (her father's mother), Esther grew up, always knowing that drama would be her life's work. In August, looking back on her life, she wrote, "I never remember wanting to be an 'actress'-or wanting to be on the stage.' I just wanted to make believe. When I was a child I had a thousand paper dolls—my father let me use his library for my domain. I created an entire town with families who would visit each other and carry on long conversations. I had a church, school, courthouse, and the people carried on their activities. I remember Mother telling me that Dad said he passed the door and heard us in a few years. She said we were all young and had fun together."

When Esther was in her early 20's she lit out for Baltimore to attend the Bard-Avon School of Expression while Lillian, two years her senior, studied piano at the Peabody Conservatory. In 1926, Esther joined Nannie Lease in Western Maryland's speech department and soon began her tradition of staging a Thanksgiving, a Christmas and a Commencement production each year, as well as teaching. Arriving the same year as Esther was Virginia Merrill Meitzner '30, one of many students still in touch with their mentor.

"Nannie gave us technique, but Esther gave us our soul," says Mrs. Meitzner. "She seemed to see what your possibilities were, and when she gave a part in a play it was to bring that out in you. One time she had me dancing on stage and throwing a ball into the air. I didn't even know that I could do that. But one of my favorite things was playing this little part of a slave girl (Zonula, in The Most Foolish Virgin, staged in 1929). She helped to develop our own personalities through what she could see in us," recalls the news reporter for the class of 1930. "When she retired, she mailed to me a copy of the play, saying, 'I believe you'll appreciate having this more than anyone else.' I keep it in a file drawer of treasures of past years."

Esther's artistry extended to the costuming and make-up of her spheans through-out her 44 years at Western Maryland. Mrs. Meitzner describes how Esther transformed her into a slave girl. "I was draped in brown cheesecloth. I can see Esther now shouting here and there to make it look like a ragged brown dress and giggling about it."

By the Shores of Gitcheguma

Another of her early actors, Wilson K. Barnes '28, Honorary Doctor of Laws '76 and Trustee Emeritus, reflects on a memorable role—as the title character in The Legend of Hiawatha. Barnes, who later was a judge for the Maryland Court of Appeals, recalls somberly acting with painted face, then laughs as he remembers someone at the play "fainted and had to be carried out."

Esther, too, was impressed by the Hiawatha experience. Before presenting it as her first Commencement play, in 1928, she had staged it at her family's camp. "I had worked with a Cherokee chief to be sure the dances and chants were authentic. My father shipped me the wigwams, totem pole and props (from the earlier production). Alumni Hall was packed. One man in the audience fainted when Minnehaha died."

"Back in those days you had to be careful because Western Maryland was a church school."
—"Mike" Eaton '30

A Transcendent Glow

Esther's special gift, though, he says, was "an inner glow about her that transcended to you. She's such a sincere person. That's why she's held on to so many friends, because of her interest in them." Also captivating, he says, "was that marvelous laugh—the tinkling laugh that a Southern lady would have."

Eaton and Mrs. Meitzner recall the void students felt when Esther took a leave of absence during her senior year to study at the American Academy of Dramatic Art in New York City. Says the latter, "Just see what she did with us in a few years. She said we were all young and had fun together."

When Esther returned to "the Hill" in the fall of 1930, she took up where she left off—producing fine plays such as the Commencement offering, Launcelot and Elaine, which the former Hiawatha, Wilson K. Barnes, praised in a June 1, 1931 letter. "If possible your ability as a producer of plays has increased since I had the benefit of your guidance, and my only hope is, that the college appreciates you, as does every student who has had contact with your ability and personality." Barnes's letter is part of a vast array of letters, cards and other documents from Esther's Western Maryland tenure which is housed in the college archives.

Lights in Her Sights

In the early 1930s she staged her plays while circumventing great obstacles. When she moved productions from Smith Hall in Old Main to the Alumni Hall stage she lobbied President Albert Norman Ward to equip it. First she won from him green velour curtains. Then she set her sights on...
"Mike" Eaton '30 (second from right) plays a thief in the one-act play, Pearl. Inset, during the Forties, the then-retired Nannie Lease sent a heartfelt note to her former colleague.

"Things That Count." Another note from twinkle and ~en a big smile, and he ~gan Cony spot, two sets of footlights and over-
you were more than generous when you get them set up." 

"Miss Smith," he said, 'You win! 
"I 
"Was she guilty or not?"

Letters frequently proclaim the professionalism of her plays. In 1941 Ruth Anna Kimney '40 wrote to say Esther's rendition of The Man Who Came to Dinner was superi-
or to a Baltimore production she had seen. Through the years Mike Eaton praised her productions as having surpassed 
Broadway versions he'd witnessed.

During the early Forties she began stag-
ing Christmas pageants of "living sculp-
ture," which evolved from her "stained-
glass windows." Recently, she explained 
what were perhaps her most acclaimed in-
novations. "I alternated every other year 
with a Christmas play, but the windows 
and sculpture were especially mine. They 
began at first with the tableaux which are 
used to tell the lovely story of the birth of 
Christ. The College Choir always assisted 
me with beautiful Christmas music, and I 
used the familiar scripture from the New 
Testament. With the addition of lovely 
lights the tableaux (I hoped) would look 
like paintings.

Sculpture That Breathed

"From the beginning I evolved the stained-
glass windows [in which students held a 
pose and richly colored lights played upon 
them inside a wooden frame, giving the ap-
pearance of real stained glass]. A doctor 
who came to the Christmas Service once 
asked me how was it possible for the stu-
dents to be so high—standing so still for so 
long without at least one of them fainting? I 
told him the students concentrated on a 

Latter came the living sculpture, in which 
students would assume Biblical poses in 
white garb, when lighted, creating the ef-
fect of marble. Her Baltimore costumer, 
Paul Edel, could provide wings and wigs, 
but the costumes were a stiff order—
literally—that only Esther could fill. She 
started with off-white, unbleached and 

She had dreamed." The next weekend, I packed my bag and 
headed for New York City. I was directed 
to some godforsaken place where I found a 
théatre warehouse and bought second or 
third hand, two floods, two spots, a bal-
cony spot, two sets of footlights and over-
head strips. I paid for them myself, and got 
the entire setup for an unbelievably low 
price. I was as pleased as punch." Early the 
next week, she told Ward she would "let"
him have them for $200. "His eyes gave a 
twinkle and then a big smile, and he began to 
break. "Miss Smith," he said, 'You win! 
Promise to let me have a private preview 
when you get them set up." 

From the Thirties on, cards from bou-
quets presented to her after her perfor-
mances begin to fatten the college's archival 
collection. A card from her actors in 1931's 
The Things That Count, reads, "To Miss 

Smith, who is the personification of all the 
'Things That Count.' " Another note from 

that time is scrawled on a scrap of pulp pa-
paper: "Just can't go to bed until I tell you 
how much we enjoyed the play. It was per-
fect! Jo" During this era Baltimore-area 
churches, community groups and high 
schools began asking her to bring her Col-
lege Players to their locations. She gladly 

She happily accepted, citing lack of money, she took 
"promise for professional lights." When he de-

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After two industrious years, the newly expanded and renovated Hoover Library is a finished jewel on top of “the Hill.” For years, Western Maryland leaders had realized the dire inadequacy of the library. In 1987, the dream of an improved library became a reality when the State of Maryland awarded the college a $2 million capital-improvement grant, the largest-ever for WMCC. Two years later, a $1.2 million gift from retired dentist Samuel Hoover and his wife Elsie—the then-largest gift by individuals in WMC’s long history—pushed the project into action.

The $10 million doubling of the size of the library—$8 million for construction, $2 million to endow the maintenance—is the single largest capital project in the history of the college. The 72,000 square feet will allow the current number of volumes—163,000—to double in the next two decades. A state-of-the-art electronic catalogue, microcomputing and audio/visual media centers are a few of the many impressive areas in the structure designed by The Hillier Group of Princeton, NJ. An aesthetically beautiful as well as a functional building, the library features a mural depicting the history of the college by Ellen Von Delsen Elmes ’69 and stained-glass windows by Tim Hirneisen symbolizing the seven traditional liberal arts in a contemporary interpretation.

Following is a word and photo account of one of the most momentous days in Western Maryland’s 125 years—the October 13 dedication of the Hoover Library.
The graceful contours of the new grand plaza and Hoover Library are evident on dedication day.

Generous benefactors Sam and Elsie Hoover (above) enjoy the dedication of the library named for them in 1975. The platform party gathers (below). From left are: David Neilkirk '82, Sam and Elsie Hoover, David Seligman '44, Carolyn Scott '67, Linda Myers MS '91, Lee Rice '48, Lillian Moore Bradshaw '37, William Keigler and Andrea Covington '92.

Lillian Moore Bradshaw '37 came from Dallas to give the keynote address.

The day was custom-made for a picture postcard—the sky cerulean with puffs of cotton-ball clouds, a crisp breeze ruffling the red, green and gold leaves on the trees between Hoover Library and Baker Memorial Chapel and swaying the palm fronds behind the platform party. A festive crowd of 200 or so alumni, students, staff, dignitaries and other guests watched the grandly gowned faculty wend its way through the new brick plaza to their seats in front of the platform party arrayed before the doors of the Hoover Library.

Ira G. Zepp Jr. '52, professor of religious studies, in his invocation called the new library the "psychophysical center of campus." He implored God to "help us by inspiring us to be thoughtful, humane and wise."

President Robert H. Chambers then stepped to the microphone to give welcoming remarks. He evoked the past—"Since its founding in 1867, Western Maryland has remained consistently and emphatically dedicated to the liberal arts"—as well as the glorious present in his recognition of the principal people who have made the new Hoover Library a thing of beauty and a joy forever: artists Ellen Elmes '69 and Tim Himcisen; the architects of The Hillier Group; the builder, Henry Lewis; the State of Maryland for its $2 million bond bill; Elizabeth Garroway of the Maryland Independent College and University Ass.; House and Senate Sponsors Ray Beck and Richard Dixon; and the WMC Board of Trustees for its $2 million in support.

Chambers concluded his comments by saying, "The building you see here represents the written word—both in printed..."
and machine form—at the cutting edge of human evolution. It symbolizes where we have come from, where we are and where we are going. A fine library represents the human race at its best, and, I hope you will agree, what we have here before us may well be the finest library building of its kind in America today."

Next, William S. Keigler, who retired in July after five years as chairman of the board of trustees, was presented an honorary doctor of humane letters. Chambers commended Keigler for being "a driving force in lifting Western Maryland's sights and carrying us to ever loftier levels of excellence and aspiration."

Former president of the American Library Association and retired head of the Dallas Public Library Lillian Moore Bradshaw '37, Honorary Doctor of Literature '87, then delivered the keynote address.

Bradshaw recognized the "foresight, wisdom and dreams" of Western Maryland, "which, today, are so wonderfully exemplified by the Hoover Library." And she saluted Sam and Elsie Hoover for "your willingness to inspire and support this grand new building... You have given us the opportunity to meet the future with the tools of competence and confidence."

In a stirring voice she continued, "While today is a celebration, it is not a stopping place; nor even a resting place! We must continue to set our goals for educational excellence. Tomorrow's agenda will require your commitment, emotionally and intellectually to a momentum that preserves and advances libraries..."

Bradshaw closed, commending to her audience the words of Thomas Jefferson about his beloved University of Virginia: "This institution will be based on the limitless freedom of the human mind. For here we are not afraid to follow truth wherever it may lead, nor to tolerate any error so long as reason is left to combat it."

At the conclusion of her speech, at which members of the audience audibly exclaimed, "Beautiful!", Chambers stepped again to the microphone for a special tribute and a surprise announcement. As if it were not enough to make WMC history with the $1.2 million gift two years ago, the Hoovers exceeded their past benevolence.

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Fund-raising Total Makes History

The 1990-91 fund-raising season proved abundant, yielding the largest comprehensive total of annual, capital and endowment gifts in the college's history—$4,620,704. While four bequests and trusts—including the most munificent ever—account partially for that achievement, the Annual Fund also weighed in as a record-breaker. The previous comprehensive record total was $2,841,130, established in 1983. That most beneficent bequest—a $1.3 million—came from the estate of E. McClure Rouzer '07, Honorary Doctor of Laws '57, the former trustee for whom Rouzer Hall was named in 1968. He died in 1980 at age 93. The bequest is only the first portion of two trusts that Rouzer had arranged for his two half-brothers and their wives, WMC designated as the ultimate beneficiary, upon their deaths.

The college later will benefit from the second trust of approximately the same amount. Together, these two trusts will constitute the largest bequest ever received by Western Maryland. The $1.3 million was designated to be used at the discretion of the trustees.

Other bequests and trusts which helped establish the record comprehensive total were: $600,000 from the late professor of biology emeritus Isabel Isanoglc Royer, a $500,000 annuity trust from Edwin R. Helwig '12, and $200,000 from former trustee John H. Simms '29. Royer's and Simms's wills allocate the funds for endowed scholarships, while the Helwig trust eventually will fund scientific equipment.

The Annual Fund total of $884,680, the largest in WMC's history, represents a 20 percent increase from two years ago. Giving by alumni was outstanding, handily surpassing the national average of 23.2 percent of alumni who contribute to their alma maters, according to Kenneth Dudzik, associate vice president and director of development.

"Last year our percentage of participation, including master's and non-graduates, was 32.2 percent, while bachelor's degree recipients alone was 40.1 percent," he said. "This past year posed the dual problem of an uncertain economic situation compounded by the Persian Gulf crisis.

"When we realized that most people would not increase their contributions in this environment, we concentrated on increasing our percentage of participation by repeatedly conveying the message, to our alumni and friends, of the vital importance of their contributions," Dudzik added. "Despite the fact that many colleges experienced a decrease in their fund-raising this year, we have had the best ever in the history of the college." 

New Society Puts 125th on the Books

As the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the founding of Western Maryland begins, the development office is offering membership in a new club—The 1867 Society. In honor of the enhanced and renovated Hoover Library and to commemorate the college's birthday, alumni and friends are being asked to contribute $125 or more to WMC, thereby becoming members of The 1867 Society.

Society members will have their names inscribed on a special bookplate commemorating their gift on the occasion of the 125th anniversary. The new books bearing their names will be placed on the Hoover Library shelves for use by students, faculty, or any other library patrons. Society members will be informed of the title of the volume in which their name appears.

The Founders of 1991

The entire Western Maryland College community owes a debt of gratitude and appreciation to The Founders of the 1990-91 fiscal year. Membership in The Founders is extended to those alumni, parents and friends who contribute $1,000 or more each year. Contributions from The Founders alone last year accounted for 44 percent of the Annual Fund total, and 73 percent of the comprehensive fund-raising total, including capital and endowment gifts.

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Serenaders and Savers

Depression, Impending War
Helped Shape Thirties Grads

BY LAWRENCE FREENY '39

Selecting one's career in the late 1930s ranged from some early-on practical choices, such as teaching, to the more frequent pendulum-like indecision—while courses, counselors, classmates, and solitary soul-searching shaped our thoughts. That quandary may summon a "What's new?" rejoinder from collegians past and present. And the answer is: the Great Depression.

Growing up in that time, the great equalizer among us was the scarcity of money. Deeply and proudly aware of our parents' sacrifice in sending us to Western Maryland, we vowed to study hard, to someday meet their challenge to "make something of ourselves."

"Because money was very limited, we learned how to manage it; we were savers. Breakfast was sometimes a glass of milk and two graham crackers, costing five cents," recalls Virginia "Ginny" Karow '39, a class news reporter for The Hill.

There also was sociability, the love of parties, often impromptu, and the joy of dancing, to big band music from radios and record players. Someone had an FM tuner in McKinstry Hall whose signal could be picked up on room radios, and he was cajoled into playing and replaying Glenn Miller's "In the Mood" night after night.

"In our dorm parties the rugs would be rolled back and we would dance. One night Martha 'Mots' Yocum [Ferris '39] and I were studying for semester finals, decided to take a break, and invited everyone in the hall to a party. We had a ball, then back to the books," Ginny says.

For the formal dances in Gill Gymnasium, good regional bands provided music, since the cost of engaging "name" bands such as Artie Shaw's or Tommy Dorsey's was prohibitive. Sometimes groups of men, perhaps inspired by the romantic lyrics of such popular songs as "The Nearness of You" or "Polkadots and Moonbeams," serenaded the women from the lawn fronting Blanche Ward Hall.

How quaint and, well, impersonal those vocal bouquets must seem to collegians from the 1970s on, who have experienced the nearness of coed dormitories!

We were at the outset mostly innocent and unsophisticated. We were generally conservative, socially and politically. Further, we were largely conformists, customarily bowing to authority figures including parents and other elders such as WMC professors and administrators.

Our innocence began fading with news reports and newsreels depicting turbulence in Europe: Hitler's troops moving into the Rhineland in 1936; the invasion of Austria in 1938, the occupation of parts of Czechoslovakia; and, two months before graduation day in 1939, complete German control of Czechoslovakia.

The classmates most directly aware of war's approach were those enrolled in Reserve Officers Training Corps. Once commissioned, many were "called up" soon after receiving degrees. Some became careerists in the military, and several died in World War II, whether or not they were ROTC men.

Perhaps the most notable exception to our class's conservatism was Frank Sherrard '39 who, as editor of The Gold Bug, the student newspaper, often wrote editorials critical of such strictures as early curfews. Indeed he was regarded as a free-thinking liberal, at least, and probably even radical.

Frank, a fledgling sophomore in 1936 after having transferred from Washington College, was apparently exuberant after Franklin Delano Roosevelt's election to a second term that November. He organized a small celebratory parade on the campus, then led it onto Main Street. Mason Somes '40 brightened the occasion by playing his trumpet. Frank recalls that many townspeople were astonished at the commotion, but several joined the parade anyway.

Despite college's apartness, insulation from the real world of workaday competition, we did beneficially absorb instruction in the liberal arts, and preparation for those who went on into, say, medicine, law and religion. WMC provided a good foundation or footing, as well as doors and windows that gave access to that real world.

Fred G. Holloway '18, then the college's president, once summed up a Sunday morning sermon in Little Baker Chapel—when attendance was required—by quoting this bit of verse:

I wish my room had a floor;
I don't mind so much for a door.
But this groping around,
Is getting to be quite a bore.

Lawrence Freeny is a former Goldbug features editor who worked 45 years as a newspaper reporter and copy editor for the Baltimore Sun, the Baltimore News American, and lastly for The New York Times, for which he still freelances.
Top Alums Honored

Western Maryland honored two enthusiastic alumni for their outstanding college service. At Homecoming, October 12, Homer C. Earll '50, a prominent figure in the forest products industry, was named Alumnus of the Year, and Robin Adams Brenton '86, a freelance computer graphics designer, was presented the Young Alumni of the Year on October 12, Homecoming.

Earll, of Annapolis, MD, has served his alma mater diligently for four decades. From 1960 to 1969 he was director of the board of governors, an alumni visitor to the board of trustees, chair of the Alumni Leadership Conference, and past president of the New England and Carroll County alumni chapters. During the 1970s, he was president of the Alumni Association, and was presented the Meritorious Service and Trustee Alumni awards.

Between 1985 and 1991 Earll, who is married to Dorothy Klinefelter '50, was inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame and served as a consultant to and as committee chair of the Hall of Fame. The former All-America soccer player formerly was president of Earl Forest Products, Inc. Now in retirement, he is a consultant to Cedar Shingle and Shake Bureau, the national governing organization for the forest products industry.

Brenton, who is married to George '85, has been her class's news reporter since graduation, and this year was co-chair of her five-year reunion. She has been instrumental in activities for recent graduates, serving on the Alumni Association Committee on Young Alumni Affairs from 1988 to 1991 and as Homecoming co-chair for the Young Alumni Committee from 1989 to 1991. In 1989, she participated in the Career Service Alumni Connection, and since 1987 has been a volunteer adviser to Alpha Nu Omega sorority.

A New Class of Sports Greats

A pair of John A. Alexander Medal winners and a Women's Alumnae Athletic Award recipient highlighted the five WMC greats inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame November 16. Jerry Phipps '51, MEd '68, and Charles White '55, both accorded the Alexander Medal for their outstanding athletic records, were joined by Lynn Glaeser Damiano '78, the outstanding senior woman athlete of that year; Charles "Skip" Brown '62, MEd '68 and Ken Volk '47.

Phipps, of Cockeysville, MD, played football, basketball and baseball for two seasons each at WMC after transferring from the University of Maryland. He intercepted eight passes from his safety position in 1950, scored 310 points for the basketball team in two years, and posted a 7-1 record as a senior pitcher.

After graduation, Phipps made basketball his primary vocation, as a coach and as an official. He directed the Essex Community College team in 1990-91, his 27th season coaching. His record in the first 26 was 572-139 with stops at Baltimore City College High School, the Community College of Baltimore, and Woodlawn High School. Phipps was honored 11 times as Maryland Junior College Conference Coach of the Year and four more times regionally by the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). He retired as a basketball referee after 35 years; for more than 20 years he was a baseball umpire.

White played the same sports as Phipps, completing four seasons with the basketball and baseball squads and three on the football field. He topped the 1964 football team in scoring with 25 points and in receptions with 11 for 282 yards. In basketball he totalled 470 points; in baseball he batted over .300 each year. The husband of Barbara Harding '55 has had a long career in the insurance industry, achieving Chartered Life Underwriter and Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow status. He has been mayor of his hometown of Laytonsville, MD for 12 years, and was president of WMC's Washington D.C. alumni chapter.

Damiano, who is married to former quarterback Joe Damiano '79, was a four-year volleyball and lacrosse standout. She was Most Valuable Player in both sports as a senior, and as a freshman was named MVP in lacrosse. The volleyball team led the Middle Atlantic Conference her final two seasons, and she is tied for 122h in WMC women's lacrosse history in goals with 41. The Ellicott City, MD, resident teaches aerobics classes to children and adults in four Maryland counties. She also has coordinated fitness-related programs with the American Heart Association and the American Lung Association.
While gearing up for your holiday cards, don't forget the source for the addresses of all your Western Maryland friends—the Alumni Directory. You can still get a copy if you order before February 1. The Directory, listing all of the 14,600 living WMC alumni alphabetically by name as well as by class year, occupation, and geographical location, will be published in the spring. Along with name listings you'll find photos of the campus, a message from the president-elect of the Alumni Association, a directory of administrative offices and academic departments and other helpful information.

For more information, or to place your order for the 1992 Western Maryland College Alumni Directory, call (800) 395-4724.

Volk's stellar career as a Green Terror tennis player propelled him to achievement on the amateur doubles level. During his first two seasons, in 1942 and 1943, the team registered a 24-match winning streak. Upon his return from military service, he captained the Green Terrors to a combined 19-4 mark in 1946 and 1947.

A retired dentist from Towson, MD, Volk has accumulated more than 200 titles in East Coast doubles tournaments. He has played in many national tournaments, including a second-place performance in the 1981 Amateur Clay Court championships in the men's doubles 55-and-over age bracket. In 1990, he was on WMC's Tennis Centennial Celebration Committee and teamed with women's tennis coach Joan Weyers for second place in the college's mixed doubles tournament. He now directs the women's program at Towson State University.

Brown, like Phipps, became an outstanding coach. As a student here he was a four-year performer in football and baseball, and also participated in basketball and track. The football team won the Mason-Dixon Conference his junior and senior years, and he is one of WMC's all-time hitters, in 10th place with a .339 career average.

At Anne Arundel Community College for many years, the associate professor of physical education has coached several Pioneer teams and has been athletic director and chairperson of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Division. The Arnold, MD, resident is best known for the baseball team, which from 1969 to 1988 won 368 games while losing just 153. The Pioneers captured seven state junior college titles, and his 1974 team placed third in the NJCAA tournament. Brown was named Maryland Junior College Conference Coach of the Year seven times, in addition to two regional selections.

The 13th year of induction brings the Sports Hall of Fame's membership to 88 former Green Terror greats. •

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Correction

Due to a proofing error, the obituary of Dr. Theodore Whiffenfield in the August Hill incorrectly listed the name of his late daughter. Mary "Mimi" Whiffenfield Maier '55 died in 1987. She was married for 32 years to Thomas Maier '55. The Hill regrets the error. •

Dr. Hildebrand Is Remembered

Kathryn Belle Hildebrand, professor of modern languages emerita, died on July 26 in Westminster at age 87. Born in Akron, OH, she was graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Oberlin College in 1925. She earned her master's degree in French and her PhD in Romance Languages from the University of Chicago. She taught at Stephens College, the University of Missouri, Sweet Briar College and other institutions before joining WMC in 1940 as associate professor and chair of Modern Languages. She taught courses in Spanish and French here.

Dr. Hildebrand was particularly interested in French literature of the 19th century and wrote a study of George Sand which focused on the elements of realism in her novels. She was a member of many societies, including: the Modern Language Association of America; the Modern Language Association of the Middle States, for which she was representative to the National Federation for 12 years; the Modern Language Association of Maryland, for which she was secretary for six years and president for one year; and the National Federation of Modern Language Teachers Association, for which she served as president in 1966. She also performed yeoman service for the editors of The Modern Language Journal.

Dr. Hildebrand enjoyed traveling and often reminisced about her last trip to Madrid. She also was a great sports fan. Her car was parked every Saturday afternoon during the football season above Hoffa Field. On the coldest winter evenings she was ready to cheer for the basketball team. WMC football and basketball coaches found her advice most valuable. Among her favorite social events were the annual football banquet and Sunday afternoons with Dr. Theodore Whiffenfield (the late professor of history emeritus) watching professional football games.

A memorial service was held for her in Baker Chapel on August 25. Dr. Hildebrand left her personal library of more than 500 volumes to the college library. Surviving is a devoted friend, Dr. Grace M. Sproull of West Union, OH. •

—Cornelius P. Darcy, Chair and Professor of History

In Memoriam

Mrs. Laura Pantbaker Darby '19, of Westminster, MD, on June 30.
Mrs. E. Mae Rowe Geist '23, of Lutherville, MD, on July 8.
Mrs. Edith Kinkead Ault '29, of Black Mountain, NC, on June 27.
Mr. Elman J. Robert '31, of Toms River, NJ, on March 31.
Mrs. Elizabeth Roe Noble ’32, of Dover, DE, on May 6.
Mr. John Victor Brian ’35, of Rockville, MD, on April 23.
Dr. Thomas W. Pyles ’37, of Winchester, VA, on August 11.
Mrs. Irene Naomi Crown Shorb ’37, of Rockville, MD, on June 21.
Mrs. Dorothy MacIver Andrew ’41, of Easton, MD, on June 26.
Mrs. Julia Shepherd Farrigan ’41, of Jackson, GA, on May 31.
Mrs. Catherine Cox Hurd ’42, of Randallstown, MD, on December 9, 1990.
Mr. David M. Buffington ’51, of Catonsville, MD, on June 1.
Mrs. Barbara Browne Behn MED ’69, of Scottsdale, AZ, on September 26, 1989.
Dr. Gerald W. Hoppie ’71, of Washington, D.C., on June 28.
Dr. Kathryn H. Hildebran, of Modern Languages Emerita, of Westminster, MD, on July 26.

Births

Beverly Kreiter ’77 to Eric McEarchen ’87, on September 15, 1990. They live in Downington, PA.
Kimberly O’Dea ’77 to Eric Landgraf ’87, on March 19, 1990. They live in Oldlyn, NL.
Joan McKeeney ’77 to Jeff Fritz, in May 1990. They live in Severna Park, MD.
Karen Frank ’80 to Ed Swanson ’88, on May 11. They live in Beltsville, MD.

BIRTHS

Rebecca Jett, on April 11, to Daniel ’87 and Diane Jett.
Grant Taylor McWilliams, on June 24, to Wayne ’74 and Janice Crews ’77 McWilliams.
Amanda Berger in August 1990, to Charlie ’75 and Cheryl Berger.
Kasey Keefew, on May 2, 1990, to Andy ’74 and Cindy O’Neal ’76 Keefew.
Geoffrey James Nelson, on February 22, to Kenneth and Lynn Honchock ’76 Nelson.
Melanie and Matthew Saulnier-Friedrichs, on September 25, 1990, to Julie Saulnier ’76 and Mark Friedrichs.
Daniel Jeffery Heinbaugh, on September 22, 1990, to Jeff ’76 and Cathy Clayton ’77 Heinbaugh.
Lauren Elizabeth Ahrens, on November 25, 1990, to Gary ’77 and Kathy Ahrens.
Mark Muhlemann, in August 1990, to Daniel and Karin Krey ’77 Muhlemann.
Amanda Jane Riggjo, on September 4, 1990, to Paul and Jane Rowe ’77 Riggjo.
Danny Waxenberg, on June 4, 1990, to Steve and Marjorie Feuer ’77 Waxenberg.
Katharine Mary Wright, on June 25, 1990, to Bob and Betty Long ’77 Wright.
William Harvey Buer, on February 28, to Bob and Susan Hoor ’78 Buer.
Beck Fritsche, in January, to Mark and Nancy Hess ’78 Fritsche.
Michael Alan Hill, on June 26, 1990, to Frederick “King” ’66 and Marie Russell ’77 Hill.
Brittany Ann Holmes, on January 28, to Will ’78 and Debbie Higbie Holmes ’80.
Daniel Vincent, on December 30, 1990, to Michael and Sari Liddell ’78 Vincent.
Brian Mark Green, in August 1990, to David ’79 and Irene Green.
Andrew Thomas Le Sueur, on May 15, to Bob ’79 and Mary Thomas ’79 Le Sueur.
Blake Carter Alexander, on March 30, to Mitchell ’80 and Mildred Arts ’81 Alexander.
Jonathan Kent Aseroff, on October 19, 1990, to Steve ’81 and Susan Dean-Aseroff ’81.
Sarah Elizabeth Barlow, on June 6, to Glen ’79 and Deborah Wooden ’81 Barlow.
Alex Drolson, on October 16, 1990, to Kenneth ’81 and Maria Bolton.
Jan Charles Bucacink, in December, to John and Lori Frock ’81 Bucacink.
Tom Burks, in September 1990, to Al ’81 and Jill Burk.
Joseph Wayne Sheridan Camlin, on June 4, 1990, to Dean Camlin and Kathy Sheridan ’81.
Jason McMahon Christopher, on August 20, 1990, to Denver and Phyllis McMahon ’81 Christopher.
Alex Alex McWithie Cleveland, on March 28, 1990, to Dave ’81 and Susan Hubick ’82 Cleveland.
Lindia Robert Cummins, on April 24, to Steven and Nancy Heimbuch ’81 Cummins.
Timothy Dickshinski, on March 9, 1990, to Dave and Elmer Phillips ’81 Dickshinski.
Emily Funk, in January, to Jeff ’82 and Debi Blasman ’82 Funk.
Jenna Beth Hackerman, on January 6, 1990, to Timothy ’81 and Debra Hackerman.
Erin Lee Hanratty, on July 9, 1990, to Dennis ’80 and Laura Angel-Hanratty ’81.
Jessica Yount Merrell, on September 11, 1990, to William and Karen Yount ’81 Merrell.
Joshua Edward Holthoff, on April 5, to Bill and Jane Garry Plamhold ’81, MED ’82.
Aaron James Rosenthal, on February 28, to Mary Eiken Shiller ’81 and Scott Rosenthal ’76.
Jennifer Ann Schmalbach, in February, to Richard and Mary Beth Walsh ’81 Schmalbach.
Meegan Jayne Reno Smith, in January, to Regan ’81 and Julie Runtning Smith.
Jacob Springer, in July 1990, to John ’81 and Michele Springer.
Alyssa Stagg, on March 20, to Keith ’81 and Jodi Stagg.
Travis Alexander Wheatley, in March, to Craig ’81 and Elaine Lippay ’83 Wheatley.
Anneke Wilder, in March, to Robert and Barbara Price ’81 Wilder.
Arianna Puskin, on June 22, to Gary and Kathy Abbott ’82 Puskin.
Dara Hoffman, on April 21, to Ben and Sherry Laskoff ’82 Hoffman.
Andrea Elizabeth Blackert Beyer, on March 17, to Larry Beyer ’82 and Linda Blackert ’82.
Joseph John Impallaria III, on December 24, to Joe ’82 and Marlene Impallaria.
Casey Patrick Holmes, on March 13, to Stephen and Lynn Kuntz ’82 Holmes.
Lindsey Alice Edinger, on February 14, to Jay ’82 and Laurie Mather ’82 Edinger.
Charles Reinhardt Jr., on May 16, to Charles ’84 and Lori Bimenezer ’83 Reinhardt.
Benjamin Thomas Cook, on June 28, to Tom and Rebecca Bankert ’84 Cook.

Marriages

Jean Ayres ’42 to Claude Cardwell, on March 24. They live in Punta Gorda, FL.
Herb Doggett ’47 to Florence King, on December 1. They live in Myerstown, MD.
Ron Guncietton ’67 to Cindy Garlock, on May 25. They live in Silver Spring, MD.
Catherine Stavey ’71 to John Pasley, on May 4, 1990. They live in Annapolis, MD.
Bruce Jones ’76 to Dawn Hickman, on May 5. They live in Waldorf, MD.
Linda Karick ’77 to John Miller, in March 1990. They live in Owings Mills, MD.
Peggy Schmitz ’78 to Steve King, in September 1990. They live in Quincy, IL.
Mary Morningstar ’81 to Wilder Leaw, on December 23. They live in Las Vegas, NV.
John Kuebler ’81 to Sandra Lee Linnbaugh, on October 6, 1990. They live in Bakersfield, MD.
Robert Kline III ’81 to Amy Kushner, on October 20, 1990. They live in Ruston, MD.
Donna Regner ’81 to John Rizzo, on January 19. They live in Orlando, FL.
Timothy Street ’81 to Cheryl Loss, on September 22, 1990. They live in Bel Air, MD.
Francesca Leinwall ’82 to Richard Heiser, on May 25. They live in Elters, PA.
Bradley Dust ’82 to Robin Faller, on September 29, 1990. They live in Gaithersburg, MD.
Mary Ann Strine ’87 to John Richardson ’84, on June 1, 1990. They live in Cleveland, OH.

Master’s Notes

Ronald Laczokowski MLA ’76, former Westminster High School teacher, was named assistant principal at Westminster High School.
Anita Kalpaks Miller MED ’80, former guidance counselor, was promoted to the pupil personnel division in the central office, Carroll County Board of Education.
Kevin Mick MS ’83 is program director for the chemical dependency counseling curriculum at Dundalk Community College, after one semester as an instructor in the program. He has worked as a counselor for 10 years. Kevin is a past member of the Maryland Addictions Counselor Certification Board, an independent, non-profit group that certifies counselors. He has taught workshops for seven years and developed courses for the Office for the Education and Training for Addictions Services, a part of the state Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; and was curriculum project leader for the state’s Drugs in the Workplace training.
Robin Baker Farinholt MED ’86 was named principal of Carroll County Educational Center. She was an assistant principal of the school since November 1990. Robin began her 13 years in the school systems as a physical education teacher at Westminster High School in 1978, then spent the 1980-81 school year as a motor development teacher at East Middle School before joining the center’s staff.
Paul Welliver MS ’90 has been elected as vice president of The Maryland Athletic Trainers Assoc. He is program director of The Carroll County Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Center.
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Betty Norman Burnett was 84 on April 16. She tries not to think of it as “aging” but rather of “gaining seniority.” She is happy to have helped welcome the world her great-grandson, a 2, a real joy.

She still drives, plays bridge, goes to concerts and theater, and reads to create tapes for a blind student's college studies. Her advanced arthritis prevents her from traveling any distances, but she enjoys life within a few miles of her lawyer son and four grandchildren. She remembers her classmates fondly and says hello to all.

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Was it just yesterday? Or 10 years ago? No, in actuality it has been almost 60 years since of us from the Class of 1932 were saying farewell to WMC. If we were artists, each of our lives since then could have been portrayed showing the various careers we pursued with moments of joy or sadness, with conflicts and varied emotions.

I have learned through your responses to my cards of your interesting and colorful lives. Your responses are always so welcome.

Melva Martin Willis and Earl moved to Tampa, FL. They enjoy life in University Village Retirement Center. They take courses at the University of South Florida, go on cruises and enjoy the many activities at the retirement center.

Dr. Fidelia Gilbert is the care-giver for her stepmother. That limits the scope of her travels. She enjoys luncheons with Margaret Myers Tucker, Joanna McKinstry Hanson, Thelma Snader Reploge and Reba Snader '35.

Fidelia’s health is excellent.

Virtue Shockey Clobber keeps busy with church work, Sunday school, and bridge club. She enjoys cooking, entertaining and her four grandchildren.

Katherine Leidy Unger enjoyed the beautiful summer days in her garden in Hanover, NH.

Elsie Ebsworth Farr enjoys life in the quaint Eastern Shore town of Chestertown, MD. In the fall, they were to visit Maine.

Mildred Hoesey Harrington told me of her grandson’s wedding. My first grandchild was married in June. Our grandchild helped us to keep on our toes.

Howard Amoss continues as the volunteer chaplain at the retirement center in Perry Myers, FL.

In October ’90, George Henry Caple and Frieda visited Europe, especially Germany, where they met in 1946. On June 22, their youngest son, Bill, was married at Black Walnut Point on Tilghman Island, MD.

Alice Evans Watters and Henry enjoyed a tour of the Western states in May—Mr. Rushmore, Canyon lands and Carlsbad Cavern were the highlights of their trip.

Thelma Snader Reploge continues as museum director of the Reuel B. Pritchett Museum at Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA. Her grandson is a senior there.

Charles R. Etzel and Ann Johnson ’33 enjoy life in Woodbine, MD. They visit Ocean City to visit Ann’s folks. Their son, Will, and his wife spent July 4 with Bob and Aunt. Bob sends this message to all of the ’32ers, “Start planning for our 60th.”

Alberta Dillon and her sister, Louise Dillon ’35, belong to the Smithsonian Tour Group. They do not leave their estate at the same time. This is Alberta’s summer to travel—how ever, she is donating that money to help save bats, elephants, and rhinos, and to prevent the development of oil on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Alberta is an avid conservationist.

Margaret Myers Tucker and Ginny Stoner joined the WMC travel group in January for a tour of the South Pacific. They visited Auckland and Christchurch in New Zealand; Sydney, Australia; and the Great Barrier Reef. What a great experience!

Evelyn Kauffman Mall lives in Santa Barbara, CA. In June 1990 much of her area was devastated by fire. She was forced to evacuate with little more than her toothbrush. The wind changed—her house was saved. This summer Evelyn has visited in the Sierra Mountain and Yosemite National Park.

Ann Callahan Sessner has retired from her work as a dietitian. She lives in Florida near her son and daughter-in-law.

In June, Muriel “Bishie” Bishop Livingston and her husband spent two weeks in France. She was happy that her French courses from Dr. Durante and Moxie Snader were still helpful. She keeps busy with a group of Irish students who visit Norfolk, NC for a summer program.

On April 21, Margaret Lee Nelson Tawes and Lee attended WMC’s Endowment Dinner. This was an enjoyable meeting which gave the donors an opportunity to meet the students who are benefiting from these scholarships. Margaret Lee continues as a director of the choir, member of a nursing home board, the Somerset County Retired Teachers and Daughter’s of the American Revolution.

Margaret Lee has a friend and a nephew in Somerset County who come to Hartford County. Margaret Lee comes with them and visits with me. We reminisce about our days at WMC and have so much to tell about our 50-some years since 1932.

In recognition of Mary E. Humphreys’ volunteer services to her community of Berlin, MD she has received the Berlin Award. A member of the Maryland Ornithological Society, she has guided groups of people in recognition of the natural wonders of Somerset County. She is involved in operating the Calvin B. Taylor Museum. Mary volunteers as a proofreader for the Maranatha Manna and Berlin Town Publication.

The days are too short for me to accomplish all that must be done. I do some private tutoring and am a volunteer teacher at a local school. I enjoy caring for my lawns and gardens. Every morning I walk two miles. In October ’90, I went with my daughter and her family to Tennessee. We were in the Smoky Mountains when the foliage was at its peak.

Since our last column, we have lost several of our classmates—Joseph Addison, Eva Dyden Coleman, Beatrice Crowther, Celeste Benson Mitchell, Louise Schaeffer, Elizabeth Roe Noble, Several years ago, Elizabeth, better known as “Reds,” and I toured the Scandinavian countries. We had a wonderful time. “Reds” was a great traveling partner.

Begun at this moment to dream of and plan for our reunion next year. How much better than a column in The Hill it will be to see each other and share the events of our 60 years from 1932 to 1992.

Mrs. Sara Robinson Sullivan P.O. Box 35 Fallow, MD 21047

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Good news! A large percentage of our class hopes to return for the 50th reunion in 1992.

Zach Elbaugh and Agnes entered 1991 on a somber note after her daughter’s untimely death last year. They have traveled to Hawaii, California, New Hampshire, Maryland and Virginia. In October 1990 they attended the 50th O.S.S. reunion aboard the Azores Sea, consisting of the California coast. In July they cruised the Mississippi River. Their home is for sale because they fell in love with a one-floor white-brick house on a picturesque lake.

Glady’s Crawford Crabb took her whole family to Hawaii for Christmas 1989. June Harrison visited Gladys in March 1990 and saw the azaleas and camellias. Gladys’s grandson was to graduate this year, and his brother was to finish his freshman year. “My son, Robert III, is living in Maryland in the 200-year-old house I grew up in,” Gladys writes.

Pat White Wroten has a new hobby—investigating and making a detailed listing at the library of more than 1,000 file folders with original documents dating back to the 1600s. Her two piano group played a short program for the music department of Salisbury State University in December.

Cameron Orr and his wife had a 20-day cruise, visiting 10 islands and passing through the Panama Canal. He is retired from the school board after eight years, still chairs the shuffleboard program (11 years), bowls, softball, golf, and cards group. He writes weekly columns for the Bil-Mar Club and the Leisure Knoll Bruh Club.

We were saddened to hear that Jack Doenges died on April 29 after a long bout with cancer.

Gene Belt married Phyllis McIntosh in June 1990. She is director of development communications at Johns Hopkins, and he teaches volunteer at Broom Memorial Church in Baltimore where he is an organist. Gene sees some WMC alumni from Towson at the monthly chapter luncheons.

Sharon and Harry Harrison’s daughter, Mimi Hersey, has won a 2nd award at IBM. Florence wondered if her son, a lieutenant colonel in the Reserves, would go to war since he speaks, Arabic, Turkish, Greek, and about seven other languages.

Shirley Belle Reese Brown planned a trip to Pennsylvania for the summer of ‘91 for Vernon’s family reunion. Just before Christmas 1990 their son and his wife presented them with a granddaughter. Shirley still volunteers at their church and local hospital each week.

In October and November 1990 Don Griffith did volunteer work for the Widgee Widgee. He was on a tributary of the west end of the Amazon River. He says he is allergic to grass, “fresh caught out of the river,” and played with half-tame monkeys and river otters. They were face full of brightly colored parrots (and he) and he had a boa constrictor in the back yard to keep down the mice and rats. He still plays the flute in the Trenton Symphony Orchestra.

On March 24, 1990 Larry Brown married Ellen Matthews. She was a former parishioner and a friend. They now live near Camden, AR.

Although retired, Sister Laurreta McClusker continues to teach three courses a year. She is active in the Catholic Library Association (CLA) and plans to attend the convention in Boston. She was given an honorary membership in the national CLA. She is on the board of the chairperson for the Illinois School Library Media Association.

Catherine Cox Hurdt’s sister wrote that Catherine had passed away on December 8. We were saddened to hear this.

Helen “Shorty” Garey Banfield (now known as Becky) visited Hawaii in March and October. Her children and their families live close enough to visit often. If she returns for our 50th she hopes to join her 1940 friends in Orlando. “I just get older and play bridge a lot,” she says.

James “Pete” Townsend’s family reunion for a week at Thanksgiving at this daughter’s home in Lake Belton, TX was the highlight of 1990 for him. All 14 of them were together for the first time in 12 years. En route to Texas, Elaine and he visited Louisiana’s Cajun country. He attended the May graduation of his oldest grandson, Greg Street ’91, (they’re both pictured in the August Hill), and said he would try to return for our 50th.

George Marshall and Eunice are still active in the Salvation Army retired Officers Association, traveling to Oklahoma, Florida and Georgia. “We are thankful for good health—just a few over 70 problems—but nothing to limit our activities and joy in living. We are glad to be able
to render volunteer service in a number of different ways each year," he writes.

Malcolm Gillmore Wood Myers's son, John, was to be ordained in the presbyterian priesthood on April 20. Will miss Paul, who died January 25, 1990.

Lynne and Forrest Cooper's parents, Dr. Lloyd and Martha Benton, are in fine, very busy, always on the go. Lynn writes, "I've been a widow for 21 years. The friends and colleagues 1 came from when I made my home since (early) retirement in 1984 died following surgery in late November. We had spent our winters in Florida with Augista, GA, in a place we could not, Health is not our most valuable asset.

Gay E. Entz and Roop Hough are working to keep Gambier Cloak & Dagger open. "All campers are welcome, we are just across the road. There are often beautiful sunsets in our yard, thanks to a neighbor's Bock," they say.

Mike Petrucci plans a trip to Japan, Okinawa, and Hawaii to visit friends. His marine colonel son-in-law is safely home from Saudi Arabia. Mike plays golf every morning and played at several military bases, Andrews, Cherry Point and Parris Island.

Jean Ayres and Claude Cardwell were married in Maryland on March 24. They have returned to their home in Punta Gorda, FL.

Ruth MacVeau Hauver and Herman attended last year's WMC Sports Hall of Fame Awards. "Meet Lester "Bobo" Knepp '41 and John "Nemo" Robinson '43 were inducted. Ruth and Her- man's daughter, Hildy, gave her a big surprise for her birthday when she told her she was going to take a trip around the world, starting January 15. She was home June 20."

Lois Wright Morison had a short visit in June from Dorothy "DT" Turner who was heading for New Zealand in January.

Although Jane Fraley Robinson was unable to go, William "Robbie" '41 attended brother John "Nem" Robinson '43 induction into the Sports Hall of Fame. Jane writes, "We enjoyed the WMC National Reunion tour last June for two weeks. Their older daughter, cil, is a nurse, was discharged from in- maturity in December. "Robbie" re- ceived from George Washington University in April 1990.

Etheh Erb Wilhilde and Earle '40 spent three months in Tampa, FL last winter. They still golf a little, square dance and attend dance classes.

Ruth "Dickie" '42 Dickinson was doing fine until she broke her shoulder on February 17. Ruth writes, "I keep busy with my little family—my dog and my sister. I haven't traveled this year, however, the mountains are calling." Jan Yost and Ellenburg and Bob are well and active. Both enjoy their strong bibli- ary and soup kitchen. Jan is into water colors as well as oils. She is busy with an arts show and appears in church work with and Alabama Sherrif's Girls Ranch.

Robert "Bob" Bricker has enjoyed retirement for three years. He and Louise "Shack" '42 travel to Boca Raton, FL, where he golfs a lot, and Louise and sister Ruth Shockhart Gen '46 do the shopping malls. They return to New Jersey often to visit with the Chesapeake Bay every weekend. They sold the sailboat, now limit sailing to a Holos. The Brickers hope to see ev- eryone next year at the Luncheon.

Ed and Louise Young Thomas planned to attend two Elderhostel pro-grams in Newfound Island in September. They had a Caribbean Cruise and a trip to Los Angeles to see their new grandson. They teach Sunday school, keep busy in the church, and fish.

Dick and Jean Lamoreaux Baker were honoring their son, Bill, in IL for his older grandson's high school graduation. Then they went to Milwaukee, Wyoming, and Colorado Springs. "We really enjoyed seeing some wonderful friends and keep busy in a number of ac- tivities—civic and social," they say. I have not seen Marvin Seckman since I left home in 1973—she from nursing and he from government—spent eight days on a guided bus trip to the Canyon lands from Phoenix to Las Vegas. They went by bun- boat, airplane, and raft to the Grand Can- yon, Montemaza National Monument, Canyon de Chelly National Park, and Zion National Park. "The last stop was at Las Vegas where we caught the Wayne New- ton Show," they say.

Despite numerous infirmities Edna Randolf Ricker still keeps her sense of humor. Edna writes, "Over and above the problems of (severe) emphysema I have seen many strange symptoms for the last seven or eight years. After four weeks in the hospital (with eight doctors) the doctor diagnosed a deep-vein thrombophlebitis which has caused hypercalcemia, which in turn has caused osteoporosis with compression fractures of the spine. I have to learn to live with it and plug along each day. It's tough on Harry "Bad" as he has all the errands to do plus lots of household chores. We shop in, but give him all the chores. Edna says. They are in Rehoboth Beach, DE, at 45 Sussex St., Box 72, (302) 227-8343.

Bob Shockley '69 is a 32-year consul- tant supervisor in Kent County, MD.

Wilbur "Cap" Kid and run into Wes Sheffield at their United Methodist church in Maryland.

This year brought retirement from full- time ministry to Wesley Sheffield, Louise "Lois" '43 and her husband, Ralph, in Richmond, VA, so she can continue her counseling and volunteer work, and he can continue a stewardship ministry in the church. They were in conference. They spent Christmas in Vermont and winter in Florida.

Lee Kindley and Mary, in July, wit- nessed the spectacular scene of the solar Ca- ndian and British Columbia. In Myrtle Beach, SC, Lee still bikes, 20-40 miles a day, fishes and swims. They joined Jack and me for dinner for our 39th anni- versary on July 19 in Myrtle Beach. I also chatted on the phone with Sam Harris '44 who is having health problems.

Mary Gummere and son, John, in Bangor, ME, celebrated their 50th wedding anni- versary in 1990—the first on their real anniversary, telling their vows, the sec- ond one was in Rehoboth Beach, DE for the family for a week.

In December, a miracle ciot luster saved Dottie Attex Meyer from an upcoming heart attack. After angioplasty surgery Dottie is fine and planned a trip to Alaska in August with the Hauvers, and a din- ner-theater visit in Ocean City with the Morisons.

Doris Davenport had an eight-day re- union in San Francisco in February with friends and colleagues at her retirement party in Hawaii in 1973. "Part of the trip was to attend a conference of The Hunger Project whose goal is to end hunger in the world. But if the City of Leuyen, by 2000," Doris writes. She just returned from her first overseas trip since 1975—Finland, primarily Helsinki, for an International Health Education Conference. "We had a wonderful eight-day tour of Inegrid, an amazing little City built in 1700 by Peter the Great."

Jane Fleagig Friesell and Bill planned to visit his relatives in Sweden this fall. After his retirement last year, Bill still works part time at the medical school, and Jane still volunteers at the hospital and for the literature board. Mildred Bradley Frosch, who lives in a quiet life in a rural area on the Chesapeake, takes many trips in their little car. and her friends and girls are scattered.

Barbara Zimmerman Crossman sent a delightful letter chronicling their 50 years of teaching, serving as a diettian, raising three children, camping in nearly all the states and Canada, "city hopping" throughout Europe, visiting nearly all the large islands in Hawaii, attending shows and concerts in NYC and finally winding down to join a monthly book club which have served as book sellers. Then, they turned to reading the classics.

Things are going well for Gloria Sardino in Lakewood, OH in her last year just turned 98. Son Roy, in New Hampshire, and Doug, in Iowa, are fine. Her grandson, Joshua, 3, keeps Doug and his wife busy, and her husband, Charles Arthur Huffington 3011 Rolling Green Drive Churchville, MD 21028.

Greetings once more. This time I sent 109 cards and returns 44 returns, 10 more than last time. Thanks to everyone who con- tacted me.

Notification was sent to me from the Alumni Office of the following deaths: Jonathan W. Neville on February 8, 1986. His daughter Lyndal Neville, 3195 Grand Banks, Cape Girardeau.

Amy Maxwell Pennington on Octo- ber 21, 1989. A beloved student of Mabel and her husband, Ralph Pennington 21913 Shockley Ave, MD while she was recovering from surgery. They hope to be at WMC in May.

Remember Mary Davies Carson's beautiful dalmaties! She says she still has them though due to her chemotherapy and wrinkles more so in '97. She still works in a VA hospital in Augusta, SC. Her hair is retired, and they enjoy getting together with other alumni, grandchildren, and relish, plays concerts and travel—especially to the National Parks and of course, the mountains.

Good news from Herb Doggett. On December 1, 1990, he married Florence L. King. Their families have known each other decades. Herb is director of development at Asbury Methodist Retirement Village and is now volunteering for the Community Foundation of Fairfax County.

Anne Little Dole's husband, Charles, retired after more than 47 years with the Catamount Sugar Mom. Their daughters, Janet and Gloria, graduated from Wel- esley. Janet travels all over the world for a cruise line. Gloria, who is an computers, is married to Michael, an electrical engineer.

One who will not be at our May re- union is Charlotte Forrest. In the last two years she sold her home in Rolling Green Drive, a broken leg and crushed ankle so cannot get around easily.

Did you see the wonderful article in the Sanpancer, Aug 1, 90 "Rev. Robert Grumble"? It told of his 22 years as chaplain of the Baltimore County Fire Department and 12 years with the City. He also has a doctor's degree from the Square Hospital, St. John's, Haver de Grace, MD: Ascen- sion Parish, Westminster; Church of Re- conciliation, Locust Point. He is a past organizer of our Harbor Hospitals in Baltimore! His closing comment on his card was "Peace and joy to you and yours."

Life has changed for Frank Jaumot, now in permanent residence in Long Island. 33
There are two golf courses and other activities. He is associated with two Mardi Gras Krewe and four senior golf and tennis activities and likes to visit their grandchildren.

Bennie Jennings still enjoys his retirement—taking art classes, carving decoys and attending theater performances. "Besides," he says, "the mountains of western Maryland are beautiful, and the fishing is rather good."

Elinor Krause still makes numbers seven for "Violet Carr King."

Last fall, she and husband Donald, Thelma Evans Taylor and husband Pumperly Thunel visited Violet's roommate, Betty Miller, number SCI'en for Violet Carr King. They are examining art classes, carving decoys and enjoying their association, and likes Mardi Gras Krewes and four senior golf activities. They were to join them, Fred, and Natalea Pumphrey Thunel in Fall '90; her mother, 94, a cancer patient. Berry said, "As long as I live, a trip of a lifetime I'll always remember."

After our column received a card from June Klein May reminding me that we arrived together by train on our very first day at WMC. Her memory is better than mine! She and her husband enjoyed their WMC trip to the National Parks and in December finally made a reunion brunch of the Baltimore Chapter. She is still active and a professional volunteer.

Carlon Mendell wants to make our 45th anniversary. He still runs in marathons—his oldest child, Marcia, and grandson from his second child, are living in Sarasota, FL, and five months in Columbus, GA. Tennis and gardening take up a lot of their time. Maryland summers fill with five children and grandchildren, enjoying two bridge clubs and a gourmet dinner club. We will see her in May '92.

In May June '82, she bought Nataliea Pumperly Thunel's first trans-ocean flight—to England. Alaska will be this year's trip. She enjoys her six grandchildren, family, friends and her church!

Anna Lee Butler Treadler began her card with, "Of course I plan to attend our 45th anniversary! Wouldn't miss it!" She travels to England a couple of times a year, is active in the Retired Teacher's Association, plays the church organ and is very active in her community. Members of Salisbury. This fall, she will direct The King and I.

Back in the summer of 1943, Nancy Bowers Tresselt and I were counselors together at the Fresh Air Farm, Benson, MD. It was nice to hear she is still performing her retirement playing bridge, swimming and taking long walks. She enjoys her son and daughter-in-law—Alan, 15, Sara, 12, and Kuny, 10.

Janice Divers Twitchell and Bob have lived in Haddonfield, NJ all their married life. Daughter Becky and husband Bob are successful in the restaurant and food business, and have two children. Daughter Suzanne is married and a vice-president of marketing, Jamey (a twin) has (one set of twins) and a teaching degree. Jim (the other twin) is the father of two and president of the family company. Jan and Bob have been involved in community activities. They will be on "the Hill" in May '92, and you can learn more.

Ken Volk still enjoys his coaching at Towson State University and his grandson, 2. Congratulations go to Ken for being selected to the WMC Sports Hall of Fame in '91.

Carl Webb retired nine years ago from being the navy's resident engineer managing the power plants of the Poston and Trident missile systems in Sunnyvale, CA and Sheila, in Oregon, are visited by his granddaughter, 6, and two grandsons, 3, and 6 months. She has spent the last four years restoring his 1959 Ferrari to new condition. He may build another airplane yet!

Ruth Shifu Yamaguchi sends her best. She is sorry she will be unable to attend our reunion.

There was a wedding in 1990 for Janet Breeding Monk to Edwin Yost. They spent a week in Marrakech where Ed went scuba diving.

Doris Pan and Joshua Zia have been in California for six years and love the weather. He is taking computer courses, and Doris volunteers at a nearby hospital. They took a Scandinavian cruise in August.

Bob Rhodes '49 and I still love our life of six months on Jekyll Island, GA and six months in the northern neck of Virginia. We have been thrilled to have our daughters and their husbands, as well as four precious grandchildren with us in Georgia for Easter this year. Bob has a new golf swing and we enjoy fishing again. We still play lots of golf and tennis and try to stay healthy. We hope to see as many of you as possible on "佘hill" on May 30, to celebrate our 45th anniversary. I would love to hear from any of you at any time!

Anne Cain Rhodes P.O. Box 523 Kilmarnock, VA 22482 5 Hyde Avenue Jekyll Island, GA 31527

As our classmates retire, they find interesting ways of continuing their time. Ken Shook teaches at Carroll Community College and is on the advisory board. He is also coaches high school football, and enjoys traveling—most recently to his 50th medical school reunion at Johns Hopkins. Next year it will be back to Maryland for his WMC reunion!

Ted Bobblin enjoys retirement in Myrtle Beach.

Virginia Halle and Jack '49 Spicknall keep busy in Savannah playing golf while their house is being sold. They have visited Dolly Horine and Jim Buck of Middleforth, NC lots of times last year.

Joan Montague and Bill Schane left St. Croix after the tremendous storms. They have a motor home and are wandering around. They also visited their daughter in Saudi Arabia in June 1990, then Germany, Holland, Belgium, Austria, England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales.

Arthur Press is in Pennsylvania when he isn't in Florida or traveling elsewhere. He cruised to Alaska in July.

Janice Divers Twitchell was president of the local board of education. Joan and Jim are fortunate to have the summer months as a respite from their four grandchildren. They live in Marple, one in South Carolina, one in West Virginia, and one in New York City.

Bill Callas enjoys his three grandchildren.

Even though they said, "No news," a "bighello" comes from Rev. Ewellyn Miller, Arthur Piezser, Helen Wiley Miller, Purl, Birx Austin, Femy Bubel, Jane Bailey Marsh, Katherine Loos Falconer, and Pat Crawford Dejean. Hope to see you at our reunion.

Ed Early is recovering from major surgery he had in the spring and is ready to begin major surgery on the draft of a novel. Do we all get autographed copies at our 40s?

Betsy Patterson Hughes has done acrobatic dancing for 14 years and is coordinator of the pictorial directory for her church.

Barbara Eye Webster Collins continues to teach art classes. She is a teacher and administrator and enjoys car- ing for and chauffeurizing five grand- children, plus reading and auction sales. Karl '51 and Barbara Webb '53 Pearce are building a house on Roanoke Island, NC for their retirement get-away. They enjoy their grandson and "empty nest."

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Marsha Beebe Green and her husband celebrated their 30th anniversary by driving 5,500 miles, visiting family, friends and relatives. The highlight was a reunion with their German exchange student who is married and now lives in Phoenix.

Vie and Anna Lee Park Makowick and June Beck and Bill ’51 Rhoads had a great trip with the Western Maryland group to New Zealand and Australia last January. June and Bill stayed in Hawaii with Bill’s brother, Dave ’53, and his wife. June still works in a card shop while raising three grandchildren.

All is well with Ward and Brandenburg Glasy as they continue their business, enjoy a new home and three grandchildren. While they visited in New Windsor, MD, Howard Wangblatt ’53 and his wife came from Pittsburg for a mini-reunion.

Darko Kamijamé returned five years ago but teaches part time at one of the smaller women’s colleges near Tokyo. She is coming to “the Hill” for our 40th reunion. “I can’t wait to come from Japan, everyone else should be here.”

Dottie Reeseker Walters is working on Baltimore County’s 79th-grade social studies curriculum while husband Ernie is busy with the 79th-star calendar Mall near Belair, MD. Dottie was one of 10 American educators awarded a study tour fellowship by the Japan Foundation last fall. She visited Tokyo, Nagoya, Hiroshima and Kyoto.

She writes, “From the Tokyo Stock Exchange to the Imperial Palace, Buddhist temples and ceremonies, Shimoda’s hot springs and traditional-style restaurants, Tokyo was an exciting and unforgettable experience.” The Americans visited an elementary, a middle and a high school in a day spent a fascinating weekend with a Japanese family, coming away with “an even greater appreciation of the Japanese people and their deep feeling about traditional values.”

While working as a clinical social worker, Janet Preston May finds time to garden and travel to New Zealand, Copenhagen and St. Thomas. They have begun biking in their spare time.

Corinne Saffle LeCoste’s big news is the arrival of her first grandchild, Erika Corinne Deshon. Erika’s dad was serving with the 1299th National Guard in Saudi Arabia when Erika was born, but he is now home. Corinne visited her for the first time at the Wicomico Veterinary Hospital, chairs the Planning and Zoning Commission, and served on a planning committee for the Business-Education Partnership Conference sponsored by the Maryland Chamber Foundation, held in ’91.

Velma “V.J.” Hall Williett will receive a certificate in interior design. She has lived in Santa Barbara for five years and enjoys a glass of wine.

Mary Lou Mumford Manning reports son Paul has returned safely from a Marine tour in Saudi Arabia, and daughter Katherine is just entering college.

Audrey Myers Buffington will retire from teaching in Wayland, MA in two years. She is thinking of going for the Guinness World Premiere records and finding another career—perhaps working at Laura’s Book Store where she works part time. She travels a lot, conducts workshops on organizing, but usually visits her daughter and family in Ohio. Our sympathy to Audrey, daughter Virginia and her family on the death of Lindsay, 11, in January. Her grandsons are a big part of Audrey’s life.

Bill Marks will commute to Baltimore a while longer, and Sally Griffin will still substitute teach. They continue church and community activities when not visiting children and grandchildren—including a new granddaughter.

Charles Albert and Suzanne left Westminister College for the first time in 48 years. They can identify with Rip Van Winkle as they look for familiar faces in a crowd of strangers. He has seen Ken Shondron and Charles Harmon ’60. He is a senior chemist in the analytical department of the research center of SCM Chemicals. Suzanne became active politically and kept busy liaising during the campaign season. They have two daughters and three grandchildren. To quote Charlie for those who didn’t return the call, “I was a bit too excited and for 39 years: "I admit that over the years I’ve read The Hill and found the class news interesting, but for whatever reason, I never go back and read it because I want to fill out those little cards. I suppose I felt that what I was doing would be of no interest to others. Then you realize later that unless your name pops up in a tabloid, everybody’s existence is dull and uninteresting to others. It only matters if you keep it interesting to yourself. People’s wheels are turning, and you will be hearing soon. Reserve May 30, 1992!"

Our sympathy to Linda Birdshall Hall and Virginia Hall Specknall, wife and sister of L. Vansson Hall ’50 who passed away December 21 and to the family of Alphonso Davis Jr., who passed away April 5.

We were sorry to hear of the tragedy in Roland Fleischer’s son’s life. Brain damage to a normal, well-adjusted teenager must be difficult to deal with. We care, Roland and Alice. Through these difficult times Roland was elected a Fellow of the Institute for the Arts and Humanities at Penn State the year he received the 1990 Faculty Scholar’s Medal in the Arts and Humanities. Roland’s research interest is now paying off in painting in the Netherlands and manifestations of the tradition in colonial America. He recently published three important works in that area.

Sally Grinnin Marks 61 Ridge Road Westminster, MD 21157

It’s less than a year ‘til our reunion. Thanks for all the reminders. Our work has been sobered by the news that two of our classmates died in the spring: Stan Entwisle, in March, of pancreatic cancer, and our class president, Sam Baret, in May, after surgery for an aneurysm. His wife, Barb Willis ’60, sent his obituary which reveals the void he left in our hearts and in our community boards and in activities he chaired or participated in, as well as within his family. Don’t wait for our 50th. Some of us are feeling long in the tooth after surgery last year. After I finish this column, we leave to visit our children in South Dakota and Seattle.

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How’s it going? We hear from other WMC alumni. From Ginny Womph Phipps, “Charlie is ‘Just fine’ and ready for anything.” From Steve ’55 and Jim ’56 Woods in Quakertown, PA, we hear from our reuniou. Thanks for the update-Duke and Sue, the third child, his three granddaughters, and his wife, Mary. From Don Stevens ’38, “I’m retiring next year. “Can’t wait to retire and play even more money, permitting, of course,” says Tom. And from Lynnda, “Just had my skiing trip at Vail in Colorado.” Tom and Lynnda find the class news interesting. They are married at least 50 years. Tom ‘30 and Ruth Schlenke ’28. There are five grandchildren. “It’s nice when they visit, and very peaceful when they leave,” he writes. Tom is self-employed, selling pumps and mechanical equipment in an unkind commodity market.

Lynnda Skinner Kratozil sees lots of young, young WMC graduates at the Board of Child Care in Baltimore. Son Frank, who is in law school, says they are getting an MA in law and working as a legal aide in Prince George’s County. Kerri is working on a MA in psychology and just got her MA in public policy. Husband Frank loves being a judge. Lynnda went to England in January with WMC students, and Drs. Jim Lightner ’59 and Ray Stevens ’58. She and Frank plan to go on Dean Bill Davids’ next trip.

Earle and Sara Ellen Price Finley send update news and their eldest, both married. Bill and Ann are their other children. Earle sold the real estate business to Duke last year. Now he can be found at home in Virginia’s Blue Ridge Mountains.

Marc Meyers is semi-retired but still practices dentistry with son Lee ’84. Wife Sue sold her interior design. Their daughter is married to an electrical engineer type.

From Ginny Tull Phipps: “Charlie ’55 is still looking for his next challenge. He’s in charge of the Verrmont Board of Child Care in Baltimore.” We hopped all over: Florida, Arizona, Montana, Barbados and Bethany Beach, DE where we always meet Joanne Siecher ’56 and Dick, who play a lot of tennis, and do lots of needlework. We have one grandson, Charlie, 3, the apple of our eyes.”

Abbott Wales, a contributor for a former employer, lives in Severna Park,
with offices in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties.
The Food and Drug Administration keeps Grace Taylor busy in TX. He writes, "Judy has the more stressful job of running an elementary school with 650 students in Humble, TX. Both sons, 12 or 13, attend that school, and here. The oldest is in his last year at Embry-Riddle University in Daytona. We live well and live good."

Dot Clarke is still taking stories, entering contests and "winning something." She joined a chamber music group, an offshoot of the Friday Morning Music Club. Kathy Chamberlin Flannery '56 visited while home from France for a month. Dot writes a monthly book review for the church newspaper. Meanwhile, three turtles (one pregnant), 15 frogs, and a pond full of fish, "Mom, 84, does the heart work; she has the better back," Dot writes.

June Wise Winkler has been director of volunteer services at University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore for two years. Julie Winkler Breed '66 got married in January and lives in Annapolis. Ken is at Catholic University in DC. They both graduated graduate studies. Last year, June and Jack went to Europe visiting Vienna, Budapest, Heidelberg, and Salzburg.

Quincy Polly investigates nursing- home complaints for the state of North Carolina, traveling a lot. Her sons, Jeff and John, are off to college, and Elisa gave her 3rd grandson; she's still waiting for a girl.

Elizabeth "Betty" Nickles Pearce says, "We're getting older, but we're getting better." Betty is retired, so they have time to enjoy their new granddaughter. They live in Derwood, MD, which is being gobbled up by progress.

Mary Peckels in Newton, GA, says no one is slowing down in their new office addition in New Windsor, MD. Jack has taken up art, Liz has graduated from Gallaudet. Son Brian was married in Delaware on June 10th and took a cruise to Alaska together. We also see Gordon "Bus" Weiser '58 from time to time, Abbott writes.

Pat and Doris Burke Galvin went to Oklahoma to visit son Kent, who is stationed there. They then went to Korea to see a former foster child who is now grown. He still told the Galvins what Korean life is really like. The experience changed Doris's outlook on life. They are planning to go to go again in December. Both are learning Korean. Pat writes Engrish to Koreans. Paul still loves middle-school counseling and is into Virginia Dynasty. Tentric politics.

Dave Meredith will be leaving Kent State University this fall to spend '91-'92 as an exchange professor at Aristotle University in Thessaloniki, Greece. He and his family are expected in January to "of counsel" of the firm. She was to travel to France this fall.

Diana Baer, of Kirksville, MO, vacationed in Baltimore and ran into Mike Pearis. She is on the American Heart Assn. Board as secretary-treasurer. She lives there with husband Rob, Kevin, 8, and Lauren, 6, in her "small town" home.

Many of our classmates are continuing their education. Helen Vopaln Blakney got her BS in 1973 in Biology and Environmental Hygiene, and is working on a master's in composition. Jazzercise classes bring Jan Baud and Fleur Mathews in Delawer. She is in great shape and tells me her son's I.D. finally matches his age, 21. He will graduate from Bridgewater College in May. Daughter Kris, 16, is driving, and husband Dave MSV '91 has gotten his master's in guidance and counseling from WCMU. Jan, too, has returned to WCMU to study less and have more fun this around.

Jimm and Nancy Gibson hold impressive positions in Baltimore City Government. They have two cats, Sylvia and Sargent, get left behind while they travel to places like San Diego, Baja, Mexico, San Francisco and Tijuana. Joyce Jones is now teaching German at Aberdeen Middle School. She says, "I'm one of those crazy ones that actually enjoy teaching kids."

Dr. G. "Gene" Krantz is director of the Cooperative Oxford Lab in Oxford, MD, specializing in research on fish and shellfish diseases. He has been involved in cystic diseases and their impact on Maryland's dwindling stock. Wife Lucille is very active in church and community education with local foundations. They also own a farm, carriage business, and breed and race standardbred horses. He says, "Our days are busy but we feel very fortunate to live in our home/ranch on Grace Street in St. Michaels, MD. Drop in."

Jean Stubbs Lewis has lived in Potomac, MD, for 25 years and is president of Elliott Personnel Services, Inc.
Zuric, now a director of Baltimore Clergy and Laity, was a writer for professional journals and was engaged in Apirl and was asked by a bank to become a junior-high assistant principal.

Scott and Ellen Hancock in Maine have welcomed visits from alumni, but don't everyone come at once.

Carlton Harris has a boy and a girl, 6 and 4, and wife, Susan, who has written with Scott Paper since 1980, as director of corporate development.

Donna Zaryczanski Hartman is dean of students with daughters Eden, 6, and Laura, and works full time. She has been promoted to production manager. "Our" Jane Trafton-Winch '78 and husband averaged the flight for the Boston, MA. Crafty is doing work for a print group of chief engineer at Bellini until his replacement is fully trained (about one year).

David and Carol Wager are off for Germany where she is busy with the army.

Catherine Smoot-Haselman, M.D., director of the Center for Child-Care, is doing fast-growing solo ophthalmology practice. She and her husband have three dogs that keep them very busy.

Clayton and Jeff '76 Heinbaugh are the parents of Daniel Jeffery, born September 22, 1990, and Allison, 3. Robin is in her 8th year of teaching in Tuckerton Elementary School. Clayton and Jeff still play Volleys in their "spare" time.

Liz Reeser Henderson lives in Walkersville, MD and works at the Frederick County Assoc. for Retarded Citizens. She has a daughter, Laura, 7.

Rusty Hess is married to Eva Konkoly Md '82 and has two sons, Bryan, 3, and Gregg, 1. In 1984, Rusty graduated from the University of Maryland in physical therapy and, in 1988, he graduated from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is completing his hospital internship in family medicine at Reading Hospital.

Beth Lengyl Hewett '79 and son Russell lived in Germany awaiting Paul's return from Saudi Arabia. Paul was battle-tactical officer for 2nd BN, 3rd FA in Saudi Arabia since January.

Gary and Mary Frank Hoeneman and John Hoeneman, their son, Andrew, 11, and daughter, Amanda, 3, Dale and Cheryl Brennenseck are writing a computer-system development and support projects at Computer Sciences Corp. The older boys enjoy school at Beth Christian Academy, church clubs, soccer and basketball.

Ed and Gabrielle Lesti Carli enjoy the New Jersey bayshore where Ed is pastor of First United Methodist Church in Tuckerton. Gabrielle teaches full time at Tuckerton Elementary School. Christopher, 9, and Danielle, 7, keep them busy.

David '76 and Robin Stillfried live in Pasadena, MD. Robin is in her 8th year of teaching math at a community college. David is in his 4th year at Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church. Jennifer, 16, and Mark, 14, love to ride ponies.

Scott Gingerich and Pam celebrated their 1st wedding anniversary. Both are elementary school teachers in Carroll County. Scott is in his 18th year as a physical education teacher. He was asked to help select a demonstration school in physical education for the State of Maryland.

Schuyler and Margi Voekel Grant are still in San Diego, 2½ miles from the beach. Their daughter (ages 9, 7, and 5) are doing dance lessons, swimming, softball, soccer, Sunday school, Hebrew school, Girl Scouts, Indian Princesses, etc. Last year their oldest, Frederick, 12, placed in San Diego County for 2nd graders in Invent America.

After leaving WMC in 1973, Susan Hughes attended the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. She graduated in 1977 with a degree in English. In 1984, she married Richard Gray MD '76, who practiced in Bucks County. Lauren was born in May 1987, and Alexander Jacob was born in March 1989. Susan works at home and is a free-lance editor (college and graduate school publications, scientific, social science, medical, technical, and professional journals).

Nancy Shepherd Green writes, "After a blind date in February, I got engaged in April and was married in time to a lieutenant commander in the navy." They took a delayed honeymoon to Cancun, Mexico, at Thanksgiving. They were to move to Washington in June. Nancy also has a year of busy tennis and French to become a junior-high assistant principal.

Bob and Linda Jo Stockdale '80 Halburt have two children—Chelsea, 3, and William, 1. Bob, a Nationwide Insurance agent, owns the Canal Trust Co. Linda helps him and raises their children, and, says Bob, "keeps me in line." Bob was to attend Nationwide's President's Conference last summer in Baltimore.

Deborah Kenny is an investigative
specialist for the FBI. She was to begin her 3rd year of law school at the University of Maryland in Baltimore this fall. Jim Kleinfelter is a pastor of a Lutheran church in Arcadia, IN, where he lives with Sharon, and daughters Christ- ine, 4, Rachel, 3, and Laura, l. David Lacquement and wife are busy with twin girls, 2, and a son, 4. David completed Command and General Staff College and is a student of the School of Advanced Military Studies to earn a master's of military arts and science. The Lacquements were to move to Ft. Carson, CO this summer. Sue Snyder LaHatte and husband Bernie, Kens, 8, Jennifer, 6, and Daniel, 3, moved from Towson to Lebanon, PA for a special education part time in the public schools. Last summer the Lemans met with Sue Murray Marx and Mike and sons, 3 and 1, of Towson State University reaching English women's program and a diploma psychology to move GED class through Baltimore City. Stephanie Lambert is director of a women's program and a psychology in a private practice in Denver. She lives in the foothills west of Denver with husband, Mitch Berdie, stepdaughter Anne, 11, and daughter Lisa, born June, 1990. Martha Stuart Lehman lives in Annapolis, MD with Stuart '75, Ashley, 7, and Danielle, 3. She volunteers at the elementary school, chauffeurs kids to gymnastics class, church choir, and soccer games, and plays tennis. Sue also teaches a combined adult basic education/ GED class through Baltimore County. Stephanie Lambert is director of a women's program and a psychologist in a private practice in Denver. She lives in the foothills west of Denver with husband, Mitch Berdie, stepdaughter Anne, 11, and daughter Lisa, born June, 1990. Martha Stuart Lehman lives in Annapolis, MD with Stuart '75, Ashley, 7, and Danielle, 3. She volunteers at the elementary school, chauffeurs kids to gymnastics class, church choir, and soccer games, and plays tennis. Sue also teaches a combined adult basic education/ GED class through Baltimore County. Stephanie Lambert is director of a women's program and a psychologist in a private practice in Denver. She lives in the foothills west of Denver with husband, Mitch Berdie, stepdaughter Anne, 11, and daughter Lisa, born June, 1990. Martha Stuart Lehman lives in Annapolis, MD with Stuart '75, Ashley, 7, and Danielle, 3. She volunteers at the elementary school, chauffeurs kids to gymnastics class, church choir, and soccer games, and plays tennis. Sue also teaches a combined adult basic education/ GED class through Baltimore County. Stephanie Lambert is director of a women's program and a psychologist in a private practice in Denver. She lives in the foothills west of Denver with husband, Mitch Berdie, stepdaughter Anne, 11, and daughter Lisa, born June, 1990. Martha Stuart Lehman lives in Annapolis, MD with Stuart '75, Ashley, 7, and Danielle, 3. She volunteers at the elementary school, chauffeurs kids to gymnastics class, church choir, and soccer games, and plays tennis. Sue also teaches a combined adult basic education/ GED class through Baltimore County. Stephanie Lambert is director of a women's program and a psychologist in a private practice in Denver. She lives in the foothills west of Denver with husband, Mitch Berdie, stepdaughter Anne, 11, and daughter Lisa, born June, 1990. Martha Stuart Lehman lives in Annapolis, MD with Stuart '75, Ashley, 7, and Danielle, 3. She volunteers at the elementary school, chauffeurs kids to gymnastics class, church choir, and soccer games, and plays tennis. Sue also teaches a combined adult basic education/ GED class through Baltimore County.
Correction—Class of ‘81

Due to a textual misinterpretation, Bart Stockdale’s wife, Carol, was listed as deceased in the September Alumni News column. Bart, Carol, and Laura, 2, are alive and well and living near Baltimore.

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There once was a woman in Montron, whose class column turned up in turnips.

She waited til at last, many weeks had gone by, for her classmates to send new news or some note.

Yes, well I guess I have motherhood to thank for that penchant for nursery rhymes.

As for the rest of you nursery rhymes.

Meghan, 4, and Hannah, 1, have been good enough to allow John and Christy Hufnagel Karnan to go on some back-packing trips through Europe. John is commuting 250 yards or so to family-run Glydon Laundry and Cleaners. Christy works part time for her family-run Department of Defense contractor (a fancy Jason, and Dana, 1, are probably thrilled that Pat Greene Barnes now works from home for Allstate Insurance, while Phil continues to work for John Taylor, a Baltimore law firm.

Katie Miller Beckhardt is a partner at a private-wealth work agency in Westminster. Katie still lives with her father Fredrick with husband Parris and Kyle, 6; Tim, 4; and Emily, 1.

Kim Wagner Dalton and husband Keith are teaching with full force somewhere in Howard County, MD. Kim and Keith were headed to Bermuda for a vacation in August, their 1st without Scan, 3.

Also headed to Bermuda was Caroline Fenn (yes, i said 101) for her marriage ceremony Saturday, Paul and April Unhui Oh Hofstein. Paul and April have two children, Elizabeth, 4, and Stephen, 2. Paul has finished his residency and teaches at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, where he trains students and residents, a psychiatric ward and also sees private patients. April still is an attorney in the corporate department of Baltimore’s Niles, Barton, and Warner.

Also headed to Bermuda was there a reunion in Bermuda that I didn’t know about? It seems Matt and Carmen Delgado Chalke were also counting down their days til Bermuda last summer. Carmen is in Encinitas, CA, where she continues her social work career with maternity and pediatrics interests in a group therapy with in-custodial families. As always, Carmen says WMC’ers are visiting to visit and get the grand tour of southern California’s, “is how Terry Donn Sears describes her life in Encinida, CA. Terry and her husband have been there five years and seem to think that the weather is terrific. Terry manages corporate communications for an electronics firm that has six U.S. divisions.

Many of you seem to be picking up and setting down in new houses...

Simon and Karen Cook Harter have recently moved from New Orleans to the Patterson, NJ, area, where Simon continues as a maritime attorney. Karen is home with Cathedral Elizabeth, born March 31, but planned to resume guidance counseling this fall. Karen also wants to resume contact with any Delta Sigma Kappa sisters in her area.

Lara and Linda Blackert Beyer have moved to a new home in Catonsville, MD after the addition of their second daughter Andrea Elizabeth in March. Lara is an investment analyst at MNC Financial, while Linda teaches middle-level language arts and drama at Notre Dame Preparatory School.

Interested in water sports is invited to explore the lakes around West Bloomfield, MI, where Jeff and Debi Bessman ‘81 Funk now live. Jeff manages an investment-dealing department for Crum and Forster, while Debi runs after Kyle, 3, Kelsey, 1, and Emily, born in April.

Karen Dulle has joined the ranks of home ownership with her purchase of a condominium in Fairfax, VA. Karen has recently promoted and still works at the Bureau of Labor Statistics while teaching economics part time at Hospitality.

Robert and Elizabeth “Nood” Mathias Cullin recently moved to a new home in Franklin Square, MD. Nood works part time at Noon, Plonkoff, and Williams, where Bob is a partner, and spends the rest of her time being a mom to Dana, 2.

By his own admission, Randy Butler and wife Wendy Lucas ’83 now live in an official “grocery pin,” a 50 plus-year-old box in Reston, VA. Randy has no children yet, just a “grocery pin” golden retriever, Gunther. Randy gets the company dedication award award, was a Maryland Check Printing Co. for eight years, now as a manager of the New York/New Jersey territory. Randy stays in touch with Bill Myers and Scott Johann ’83.

A handsome baby boy at home with Joe and Marlene Impallaria’s house last Christmas. Marlena, 3, and the boys are getting a blast. Joe is chief of criminal law, Health Services Command, Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX.

Another baby is here. Peggy Parry, arrived last spring. Now the Catonsville at home of Stephen and Lynn Kopstens.

Seven-pound, 11-ounce Lindsey is now with her parents, Laurie and Matthew Edinger. Laurie has managed to finish her master’s in education, and is a teacher and math coordinator at Towson Hill School in Westminster, DE. Jay enjoys being a public defender in the drug unit, and they still get away to their beach house on the Jersey Shore. Laura and Lisa DelPrete Short were to present a workshop to teacher’s conference this fall in Baltimore.

From Darien, CT, Randy and Cindy Beck have recently enjoyed some time in Hawaii and Laura and Boer this past year. Laura is now the father of twins, Anna and Emily, born in 1990.

At age 3, twins, gobs almost age 3, are Dennis and Pamela Peterson Yancheski, of Heidelberg, Germany, where Dennis is stationed and serving in the U.S. Army. Pamela manages human resource/human services education from Boulder University and developing an adult literacy program in the basic competency.

Ann Rosyton Davis checks in from Owings Mills, MD, where she lives with husband Michael, an attorney, and children Robert, 14, and James, 12. Ann was planning a series of special day trips to Hershey Park, the zoo, and local museum.

Mike Hardey M’88 and wife Janice Bollinger M’89 would love to hear from you at their new residence in Carrol County. Mike lives near Union Hills, MD in a newly built Victorian-style house with Janice, Jeremy and Jessica. Mike is director of contract and funding services for The Rock Creek Foundation in Montgomery County, MD.

Tanya Howard is now a computer programmer at Raytheon Service Co. near Laurel, MD. Tamarie keeps in touch with Garfield and Charlotte Whittaker Taylor and other Black Student Union members.

Whether it’s interior decorating or landscaping, Doug and Cathy Basti Di-Vilace are doing their thing in their new house in Howell, NJ. Doug is a hospital administrator in New York, while Cathy still is a systems analyst/consultant. They traveled to Cancun, Mexico this past year.

Isn’t it romantic? Lisa Bush married Howard Halpen on March 24, six months after he proposed in Paris, France. They are building a house in Owings Mills, MD. Lisa still teaches 4th grade in Howard County and performs in local theater. Howard is also a media director for a local advertising company.

Building a new home are Kevin Darcey and Jane Vickers. Kevin is an optometrist at Eye Exam in Towson, MD. Jane is a clinical supervisor with emotional disabilities for children at Villa Maria in Timonium.

Lisa Moritz Jennings, of Chesapeake, VA, was married in November 1989. Lisa has issued an all-points bulletin for Donna Troxell Smith and any other Omegas.

Also from Virginia, Jane Burch Friddle and flute have just finished searching for larger quarters to house their growing collection of guitars and pinball machines. Jane is district sales manager for Datarich, and flute plans to move from New Jersey through South Carolina.

Beth Heckle has just moved to an old farmhouse outside Detroit and asks herself what a city girl like her is doing with an acre and a barn. Beth still works for Comerica Bank and plans to finish her master’s in business administration in Detroit.

Jonathan Dickey has returned to Baltimore as an accountant with Deloitte and Touche and hopes to resume contact with Mike Hardey.”

Mark ’83 completes a fellowship in interventional radiology at the Cleveland Clinic.

Pat and Mia Detlefs ’81 Griffin still live in their own house, DE with Patrick, 3. Pat was recalled to the U. S. Air Force as an active reserve to fly more than 50 missions during Desert Shield and Desert Storm... Pat was recalled to be a pilot for Federal Express and has now returned there.

Suzanne Cohen is starting her 8th year as a medical (practitioner/therapist, MD at the Geriatric Psychiatry Program of the University of California. Suzanne is in Encinitas, CA, where she still teaches 6th-and 7th-grade students in her area, but planned to resume guidance counseling this fall. Karen also wants to resume contact with any Delta Sigma Kappa sisters in her area.

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Well, I certainly enjoy receiving all those wonderful bits of news from all of you! With plenty of career and personal accomplishments to be proud of, the class of 1987 has turned in!

Lea Herndon Smith works at the Medical University of South Carolina with Roger Young '72, M.D., Ph.D., on the bionetworks of the fruit fly Drosophila melanogaster with the human uterine cell line. Together, Lea and Roger have published two articles in the American Journal of Anatomy and Genealogy and plan to continue working on a career for pre-term labor. Lea keeps in touch with Elaine Pappas, who manages a bar in northeast Baltimore.

Kim Roberts is a research associate in the diagnostic division at Whittaker Bio- products. She has been a Girl Scout leader for the past eight years. Kim is pursuing her master's degree in education at Hood College.

Kim Sturm Kozak and Matt '85 bought land south of their farm in Pikesville, MD, and a puppy, Ellie. She sees Sarah Kimmel Lemon and her husband, who bought a house in Catonsville, MD, Laurel

Vonzella and Dave Bell, and Mike Smith.

Douglas Nolder and wife Wendi Mc- Queeney '88 were blessed on September 12, when daughter, Chelsea, was born. Chelsea's birth was the prefect plan for Doug bane and beat cancer—he's planning a long and enjoyable life with his family. Doug is an area supervisor for Balti- more University, but plans to move on to another job.

The long hours Patrick Shook keeps at his production management position at a small printing company in Baltimore keep him busy and not easy to reach. Pat over- hears of customer service training, scheduling and planning of all facets of the business, and, although he loves his job, wishes he had more time to see WMC friends such as Doug Parker and Laura Fennell, with whom they worked in Greensboro.

The day after graduation, Nicole Gains Thompson MS '88 left for Eu- rope, strong in herself at 13 countries in 25 days. After getting her MS in deaf educa- tion, she began working at the Pennsylva- nia School for the Deaf. She married Jeremy Thompson, a fellow deaf '89, and gave birth to their son, Jeremy Anthony III a year later. Nicole will return to teaching this year. She keeps in touch with Gilbert Mick and Jeffrey Morse '88.

Kelly Myers Pittas is a senior analyst for Merck, Inc. in the U.S. Federal Government Markets Management. Her husband and her husband live in Catonsville, MD.

Mary Ann Strine was married to John P. Richardbank '88 on June 1, 1990 and graduated with a doctor's degree from the University of Maryland last year. Mary and Jay live in College Park, MD, where she completed a clinical pharmacy residency in geriatric medicine at the Veterans Administr- ation Hospital.

Andi Saccone, after teaching ele- mentary physical education, is now a full- time staffer with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship at Holy Cross College in Mas- sachusetts. She sees Julie Byrum '86, and probably will see Nalcy Ohanian '86, who also works with the fellowship, in Rome.

Linda Marriott Renner completed WMC's Alternative Learning Program for Schools in elementary education. Hus- band Ross '80 is lead counselor and track-and-field coach at WAC. The Renners keep in touch with Doug Miller and McQueeney '88 Nolder, Stephanie Wagner and Bill Brimmer, and several other Phi Mu sisters.

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my very favorite personalities as well as a super teacher.

“She was not a cold-hearted director, but a caring and warm person who understood how to instill ideas in the minds of her students. There’s no question that she had an influence on my life. For a time back in the Seventies I became involved with the Canton (OH) Players Guild, a very top amateur acting organization. I’ve done a lot of public speaking and been a master of ceremonies and feel at ease talking with small groups to very large groups and attribute that to the training I received from Esther. When I get into a discussion with someone about speaking I give her credit for what I learned by listening to her,” says the director of Raedel College in Canton.

Another of her actors from that era, Robert Mathias ‘48, a WMC trustee, also credits her for the public-speaking skills he has found crucial in his career in business. “There I was, a little country boy with a Carroll County accent that sounded awful. She helped me to overcome my shyness and become more comfortable in speaking in front of groups of people.” Mathias, who had lead roles in The Skin of Our Teeth and Claudius, went on to act in and direct amateur plays. He also was in her stained-glass window productions, “holding my pose for three verses and hoping I didn’t sneeze,” he says with a laugh.

Not only did Esther enrich individual students but the entire campus and community, Mathias claims. “She was trying to bring the campus along a little bit. She was a fairly cosmopolitan person, with her trips to New York and experiences, and Westminster was rural. She hoped to broaden it a bit and get a little more liberal attitude out in public.” Her plays, he remembers, were “standing room only, big events. You couldn’t even get a seat if you weren’t there on time.”

In the Fifties, Esther branched out into more difficult plays, doing her first Greek play, Antigone, as well as Shakespeare’s Twelfth Night. She says she “put on important and challenging plays in a small college, because I liked the plays, and I felt that the authors were gifted and intelligent and should be heard. It was interesting to me to discover that there was a right time for a play. The group of students had to be right as well as the time. The atmosphere on the Hill played a part—and of course Bill Tribby [’56] and I had to love the play.”

A Student and a Soul Mate

Tribby became an invaluable partner and devoted friend, joining her on the faculty in 1958. In words profound, he can hold forth for hours on the subject of Esther.

“I had the glorious privilege of working with her as a faculty colleague and had her as a teacher—it was like the topping on top of an overwhelming dessert,” he says. “Her claim to fame is her example of human integrity and creativity and not only being true to herself but this constant reaching out to her former students and colleagues. Her memory won’t let go. When I go to visit her home is not a physical place. Though it’s nice to visit her you can do it without physically going there. Each of us can name people who’ve affected our lives, but this one is different.”

Tribby stresses one extraordinary trait she illustrated for her students. “Her life is a beautiful touchstone for the absolute essentialness of being centered. If you are centered in yourself, then you can believe in yourself and can constantly discover new ways of relating to both the more immediate world and the larger world and the people in each. The centeredness of Esther Smith has enabled her to renew herself and everyone around her. She knows so much and is wise about politics and the social conditions of this world. She retired to that beautiful mountaintop in Georgia, yet is so much in touch with the world while still being at home.”

Tribby, who left WMC in 1979 to become dean of general studies for the North Carolina School of the Arts, recalls how she brought out the hidden potential in her students. “She made each one of us feel that there was truly something special inside, and she had no preconceptions of what that something would be. It was such a pleasure to meet someone who was not trying to shape you into your own image. She wanted to see you working to discover the truth of yourself. She kept at it, and hit us at various angles.”

Something Rare Inside

In recent correspondence, Esther confirms Tribby’s beliefs. “I loved the students. I always thought each one had something special within [which was] much more rare than he or she dreamed of or knew about—and I was never disappointed.”

The master teacher also emphasized the interrelatedness of academic disciplines and life itself, Tribby says. “While she would acknowledge that there are emotions, intellectual, politics and religion, she [noted] that these things cannot be artificially separated—they are ultimately whole, and life’s experiences must ultimately be whole.”

Ira Zepp ’52, another former student and colleague of Esther’s, echoes Tribby. “I remember her saying so clearly, ‘Be true to your center.’ Also, she, more than any other teacher I know, helped students believe in themselves. And she is a true humanist who is compassionate and intellectual.”
Yet another student of the Fifties deeply influenced by Esther is Bob Christian '58. "I am devoted heart and soul to Esther Smith and always have been. She is my role model, clear as a bell," says the minister who has taught English at Methodist College for 23 years. "She was a kind of wisdom figure, and her students knew it. We confided in her. Her rule was, whenever we needed to talk, she pushed everything aside, and we talked. She always responded with tremendous insight. She was personal adviser and confidante to generations of Western Maryland students." 

Confidante to Generations

Esther herself commented on her mentoring. "Often I would be alone in my studio and hear a knock on the door. A student would be standing there. 'Miss Smith, I need to talk to you. Do you have a few minutes?' Yes—I always had time. And it would always be a problem that needed airing. We were serious too in our approach to acting. Someone asked me if I trained actors and if many had gone on the stage. I hastened to say I was not interested in training actors. I was interested in developing young people to be fine teachers, lawyers, doctors or ministers. The fundamentals are the same for all the professions."

Two students from the Sixties who had no intention of being actors but who found the two courses they took from Esther to have great impact on their lives are Ellen Von Dehsen Elmes '69, a muralist and painter, and Carol Yingling Arbaugh '68, a guidance counselor. The former roommates met this summer, when Elmes was painting the mural in her studio, as has Bill and Arbaugh, a guidance counselor. The former roommates met this summer, when Arbaugh was painting the mural in her studio, to discuss Esther.

"She influenced my art," says Elmes. "She taught me that, in acting, you need to have a center force that everything emanates from. I've applied that to what I do in painting."

Says Arbaugh, "She taught me to listen and look at and communicate with each person as an individual—not to write off anyone."

"Yes," Elmes adds, "she taught us that every personality has subtle layers and helped us to find those layers in people."

Both expressed puzzlement over why a woman of Esther's talent would spend her entire career at little Western Maryland. Christian has some insight into that question. "Her students were more important to her than anything else, including marriage, including a big-time career on the stage. She felt Western Maryland was her place and her work."

Sitting on a Gold Mine

Esther also addressed that issue not long ago. "Why did I stay there 44 years? I never wanted fame or recognition. Why go looking for gold when I was sitting on a gold mine? I was happy. I was doing what I wanted to do. Each day brought its wonder and surprises and laughter and joy. I have never wanted money or positions or rank. Now at 91, I look back on my years at Western Maryland and consider them the most cherished period of my life. My students and I had so much fun together."

Now, 21 years after retirement, 12 years after her "coronation" as an emeritus professor on the stage of Alumni Hall, 19 years after the establishment of the Esther Smith Award presented to a senior excelling in the arts, her aura still emanates around campus. Tim Weinfeld, who came to WMC in 1970 to fill her slot, comments on her omnipresence.

As I've told every Esther Smith Award winner the noises they hear in Alumni Hall are not ghosts, but the spirit of Esther which still echoes in that hall and always will live on. Each student took a part of her with them. When we remodeled the building (in the late Seventies), and the administration gave us the option of a new building or redoing that one, we chose to keep it. One reason was because of that spirit."

The wise Southern lady living solo atop Old Screamer Mountain remains a progressive spirit even while approaching her century mark. "Life is still exciting at 91," she exults. "The world is in trouble, the environment is crying for help. We fight 'little wars' and brag about it, while we let the big, big problems go unattended. But through the greed, the killing, and ugliness, nature remains lush and green, and life, on this planet of ours, is still a wondrous gift." ●

A Studio of Magic

Part of the mystique of Esther Smith, remark her former students, was her studio in Alumni Hall. Ellen Von Dehsen Elmes '69, now a college art teacher, had hoped to recreate the inviting atmosphere of couches and easy chairs and carpets in her own studio, as has Bill Tribby '56 with his students and Bob Christian '58 with his.

In a 1985 essay, "My Favorite College Professor," Christian portrays Esther's studio. "There were portions of old stage sets hanging on the walls and propped in corners, autographed pictures of famous actors and actresses who had made special appearances at the college (Charles Laughton, Ruth Draper, Cornelia Otis Skinner, and Arnold Moss), drawings and paintings that students had made of famous characters in various plays, lots of Esther's wonderful books, stacks of old Theatre Arts magazines, objects of art, and plants. There was an old rug on the floor."

"Sometimes Esther would have us stretch out on that rug to imagine things. Now we were the wind, now the sand, now the ocean. Once she had us imagine that we were fire. . . One guy in the class, as fire, couldn't resist going up the legs and under the skirt of a young lady who was somewhat prim. Then, still as fire, he decided to rush up the old draperies that were hanging in the windows of the studio. Esther squealed her unforgettable squeal to let Mr. Imagination-Run-Rampant know that his 'fire' was getting a bit out of hand, but of course she enjoyed every minute of it."

Tribby reflects on Esther's studio as a place where, during an individual session, the two would hone his characterizations. "I used to say, 'I'll have to go walk with this character.' Esther had a way of letting me know I hadn't broken through yet. She would say, 'You haven't taken your walk yet.'"

Recently reflecting on her long-gone studio Esther writes, "It had a warmth and dearness which was connected with every young person I had taught. A lot of magical things have happened in that room. This minute, as I write to you, I am thinking of one of the scenes [her students portrayed]: a lonely old woman sitting on the porch of a cottage in Maine. I am suddenly in three places at once: I am in my bedroom in Clayton, GA. I am in my studio in Alumni Hall (as it used to be). And I am in Maine watching an old woman sitting on the porch—sharing her thoughts with her loneliness! (The Mystery of Memory!)" —SKD
ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

1991—1992
All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Alumni Affairs Office: (410) 857-2296.

Sat., November 16
Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies and Banquet, The Forum, Decker College Center.

Sun., December 1
Baltimore Alumni Chapter Holiday Sunday Brunch. Hunt Valley Inn, 245 Shuan Road, Baltimore.

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Sat., April 25
Alumni Association Board of Governors spring meeting, 3 p.m.

Sun., May 3
Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation, Alumni Hall.

Sat., May 23
Commencement, Physical Education Learning Center.

May 29, 30, 31

Sept. 13–26
MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE—on the Crown Odysse. Shore tours: Venice, Italy; Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia; Corfu, Greece; Taormina, Sicily; Rome, Italy; Nice, France; Monte Carlo, Monaco; Malaga, Spain; Tangier, Morocco; Lisbon, Portugal (two nights' stay in Lisbon to tour).

September 4, 1867—
September 4, 1992
WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE'S BIRTHDAY—125 YEARS OLD

Sat., October 17
Homecoming.

Sat., November 14
Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies and Banquet.
In 1911 a gaggle of coeds bundle up for a sleigh ride. College rules prohibited men from accompanying them. For more on this strict era of WMC history, see the account by John T. Ward '19 on Page 12.
Fish By Numbers
Bill Long crafts designer fish to unlock secrets in the genes.

A Strict Society
John T. Ward '19 recounts the years of the “Great War.”
A Capitol Idea For Students

Seventeen of the record new 34 international students at Western Maryland enjoyed a tour of Congress, the Supreme Court, the Capitol and other seats of United States government in late October. Guided by WMC political science professors Christianna Nichols and Herb Smith, the students from China, Ethiopia, Japan, Spain, Sweden, Bolivia, Bulgaria, and Denmark also met with Maryland Congresswoman Beverly Byron and Parris Glendening, Prince George's County Executive.

The tour, for which the college provided bus transportation, was initiated by Nichols, who teaches many international students in her Introduction to Political Science course. "I make a lot of references to American institutions, and thought it would be good—since this is the foremost democratic system in the world—for them to see Congress, the Supreme Court," and so forth, she said.

Nichols also is the college's new Director of Study Abroad, overseeing all Western Maryland students wishing to attend foreign colleges and universities. About 70 students per year investigate the option and about 15 decide to go abroad, she said.

"Several foreign programs are open that are accredited with American universities with which Western Maryland has an established relationship."

International students investigated D.C. with the help of, back row, 4th from left, Christianna Nichols, Beverly Byron, Herb Smith and Parris Glendening.
Recycling Gains Momentum

The college, which began a comprehensive campus recycling effort last December, has entered a second, redoubled, phase. The funds for Phase II were provided through a Challenge Grant from Westminster area developer Martin Hill and from the members of the Class of '91.

Phase I called for the recycling of newspapers and office paper, as well as aluminum cans. A long red metal bin with four compartments was purchased with the help of the Carroll County Public Works Department to house the initial recyclables. In Phase II, the college has invested $4,900 of the $8,100 donated by Hill and the seniors for a second bin to hold the new recyclables—plastic, colored and clear glass, and tin cans.

Other items purchased to expand the recycling program are: an additional 50 green bins to hold office paper, 30 gray recycling totes and labels to hold plastic and glass in residence halls and the dining hall, a 90-gallon container to haul tin cans, two red recycling cans for Decker College Center, and two attractive recycling bins for use in glass and aluminum recycling in the campus Pub and Grille.

Phase I provided for green recycling bins for offices; 60 red metal drums placed near vending machines; a cardboard recycling center used by the bookstore, dining hall and copy center; and black drums which student groups could use to recycle aluminum as a fund-raiser for their organizations. So far, five student groups have requested the black containers.

Since Phase I began, the college has recycled 20 tons of material. A savings in paper use is measurable, too. Instead of ordering 50-75 cases of paper every four weeks, the purchasing agent now has stretched orders for that amount to every five to six weeks.

All recycling efforts have been coordinated by the student, faculty and staff members of the Advisory Committee on Environmental Matters. According to committee chair Philip Sayre, vice president for student affairs, the recycling program has been "remarkably effective, primarily because of cooperation of all segments of the college community.

"The students, mostly those in the Student Environmental Action Coalition, have sparked the campus interest and pushed the college to implement the recycling project. Faculty, administrators and staff have all pitched in, and the result has been a highly successful and comprehensive program." •

Interfaith Allies Build Program

Helping low-income families acquire a home of their own is the aim of an ecumenical organization with which the college has become aligned. Building 1,000 affordable dwellings in the five counties which comprise the western Maryland region (Carroll, Frederick, Washington, Allegany and Garrett) is a goal of the non-profit group which was formed in June 1990.

As founding members and primary movers in the Western Maryland Interfaith Housing Development Corp. (WMIHDC), Bob Hartman, professor of philosophy and religious studies, and Mark Lancaster, WMC's new coordinator of religious life, sought college support from President Robert H. Chambers. Chambers appointed this fall a committee composed of Dean Phil Sayre, professors Hartman, Joe Carter '73, Rosemary Maxey, Del Palmer, Ira Zepp '52, Dan Rees, Henry Reiff and Ron Tait, students Grant Disharoon '93 and David Radosevich '94, and Lancaster.

Because of its affiliation with the college, WMIHDC can apply for start-up funds from selective philanthropic foundations to set in motion the housing program. In mid-November the group submitted a proposal for a three-year $250,000 grant "which would pay administrative costs and provide money to make loans once we get the houses built," Hartman said.

"Our primary interest is qualifying low-income purchasers to buy the homes. We want the program to become as self-sustaining as possible as soon as possible." WMIHDC projects already in the works include renovation of 50 units in Cumberland and construction of about 20 units, mostly duplexes, in Hagerstown. The cost of the program’s goal of constructing a total of 1,000 units by the year 2000 is estimated at $50 million, according to Hartman.

Currently the Carroll branch is scouting out land in the county upon which to begin building, hopefully, within a year or two. Prospective buyers would be families with an income of at least $13,000 per year. Help in meeting the down payment and assistance with applying for mortgages at state and local lending institutions will be part of the WMIHDC service, according to Hartman and Lancaster.

The affiliation with WMC will provide opportunities for students in social sciences, business and economics, social work and other disciplines, said Hartman. "It will be a chance to expose students to areas of life—low-income families—they've
never seen growing up. It also will show them how programs of this kind can assist disadvantaged families efficiently and effectively.

"Since we're not doing it under government auspices, we'll have much more of an opportunity to avoid the traps of big bureaucracy," Hartman continued. "It's a real opportunity for social service of a direct kind, if students are involved in planning and construction. It's an opportunity for education and service—both are important." 

**English Department**

**To Be Model**

The English Department of Western Maryland College is one of only 15 such departments at liberal arts colleges around the nation to be chosen for a three-year curriculum review and reform project sponsored by the Modern Language Association and the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education.

"The whole idea is to create a model program that other schools can use throughout the Nineties," Keith Richwine said of the English Programs Curriculum Review Project. Richwine, who has chaired the department since 1968, authored the 30-page proposal which the sponsors reviewed during the selection process.

"We'll be redesigning our major and examining other problems that departments are having during the Nineties," said Richwine of the department which boasts the college's fourth largest number of majors.

Among the problems chronic to many departments, Richwine said, are "significant faculty turnover," since the faculty hired in the Sixties are soon to retire. "Should we replicate the people we have, or use this as an opportunity to go in a new direction?"

Other concerns, said Richwine, are "the competition with more vocational programs, and the fact that our writing courses are filled with long lines waiting to get in, which means we should reorganize.

"Nationally in higher education, the big subject is taking a look at the major program, no matter what the discipline. There's a feeling that a lot of major programs have lost their coherence," Richwine said.

The first year of the project will involve input from the entire English faculty of eight full-timers and seven part-timers. In mid-December, a consultant—the notable University of Virginia professor Ralph Cohen—visited Western Maryland to discuss plans and priorities.

During the second year, two or three Western Maryland English professors will attend a conference with the 14 other schools working on the project. Cohen, whose most recent book is *The Future of Literary Theory* (Routledge, 1989), will return the third year to see how the plans evolved. Also crucial to the project will be a series of confidential questionnaires that the sponsors will ask each professor to complete and return. "So they are gathering information as well as planning," Richwine explained.

Being one of the participants, said Richwine, will benefit Western Maryland, because "It is good to have the viewpoint of people from other good colleges. One tends to become ingrown." 

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**Eric Frees Rushes To Records**

WMC tailback Eric Frees '92 capped a sensational football career by being named the 1991 Centennial Football Conference (CFC) Player of the Year by the conference's eight head coaches.

Frees, also selected a CFC first-team All-Star for the third consecutive year, won his second straight conference rushing crown with an average of 154.3 yards per game. He finished his career as first in the CFC in rushing (3,878 yards in conference games), second in National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III history and seventh on the NCAA all-divisions list (5,281 yards overall).

The 5-foot-8, 185-pound Frees also set the CFC records for touchdowns with 36 and total points with 218. In all-purpose (rushing, receiving and all runbacks) running, he is first in Division III and WMC history, and sixth on the NCAA all-divisions list with 6,878 yards.

In 1991, Frees carried the ball a school-record 304 times, including a single-game record 48 in the 24-21 season-ending win over Johns Hopkins, for 1,545 yards. He compiled 15 rushing touchdowns, 16 total TDs and 98 points, all also WMC records, to raise his career totals to 45 rushing and 49 total touchdowns, and 298 points. Most of the records he eclipsed in '91 were ones he had set as a junior.

Frees is the second WMC player to earn the Player of the Year honor. Green Terror defensive back and return specialist Rick Connor '84 was the recipient in 1983, the CFC's initial season.

Joining Frees on the first team from WMC were: Andy Steckel '92, a wide receiver who carried his second straight first-team selection after making 34 catches for a school-record 776 yards; linebacker Jim Webster '92, an honorable-mention pick in 1990 who led WMC this season with 145 tackles; nose guard Adam Gregori '95, the only freshman picked to the All-Star team; and punter Paul McCord '94, who led the CFC with an average of 36.5 yards per kick.

On the honorable-mention defense was tackle Paul Picchierry '93, while tackle Seth Obeetz '93 made the honorable-mention defense.

The Green Terrors finished 5-5 overall and 4-3 in the CFC, good for third place.
Budget Crunch On Campus
As with many East Coast states, Maryland has faced a financial crisis in the last several months. Seeking to salvage its economic footing the state has made cuts in many areas, including higher education. Those cuts, which amount to 25 percent of the funding which private, independent colleges—including Western Maryland—receive from Maryland, in combination with the shortfall in enrollment that many private colleges are experiencing, have ushered in a need for austerity on “the Hill.”

After many meetings and much deliberation, WMC’s budget committee was able to reduce the $27 million 1991-92 budget by more than $1 million. A balanced budget was achieved without significant personnel or academic program reductions. President Robert Chambers in an October memorandum assured the college community that “although positions currently vacant will remain frozen, there will be no layoffs or salary reductions, and those programs of greatest import to the teaching and learning mission of the college have been protected.”

However, one semi-casualty of the cost-cutting measures is the magazine which you are reading. This issue of The Hill, is reduced to 24 pages, rather than its customary 32 pages. While the class notes remain intact, you will note the paucity in the features department. The hope is that this will be a temporary situation. ●

Bells Ring For ‘The Hill’
The February '91 Hill on “Stretching the School Year” proved to be a winner on state and national levels. For the second year in a row the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education selected the magazine as a top competitor in its Periodical Special Issues category. The Bronze Medal from CASE was joined by a School Bell Award from the Maryland State Teachers Assoc.

The Hill was the only magazine in the state to earn the award. This was the second time MSTA recognized The Hill for excellence in reporting on public education. Previously the magazine won a School Bell for the May '87 issue, “Special Focus on Teaching.” ●

Correction
Nina Gregg is not, as stated in the November Hill People section, a member of the English Department. She is an assistant professor of communication. ●

AIDS Issue Timely
I've been meaning to write you for some time regarding your May 1991 issue on AIDS. I thought the issue was not only timely but outstandingly well written, and the idea of covering the epidemic from different perspectives was excellent. Congratulations on the AIDS stories and, in general, on the outstanding issues you've been putting out.

David Selikowitz '63
Paris, France

The Impact of Esther
How delighted I was when I read the November issue of The Hill and saw Miss Esther Smith's portrait smiling at me on Page 17. All of the beauty, the kindness and the wisdom of this dear lady flooded over me as it had so many times while under her tutelage at Western Maryland (‘46-‘50). Her influence over her students was boundless, and I never really had the chance to thank her for the impact that she had upon my life. She was never Esther to me; I stood too much in awe of her to call her anything but Miss Smith. I still do! No matter what others thought, her students were always “Honey” to her. Long may she enjoy life atop Old Screamer.

Thank you for the fine article which renewed within me such positive images of a lovely person.

Henry V. Adams '50
Baltimore

War Is Not Healthy
It is unfortunate that many vets from the Vietnam War, like Edward Lathrop '73, who wrote in the November '91 Hill letters column, still harbor anger for their betrayal by our society during that period. Anger is a strong human emotion, the presence of which shows that feelings are alive. As this country heals from the abuses, excesses and extremes of the Cold War, perhaps each of us can find a better balance within ourselves.

The Vietnam War was the epitome of human aggression gone amuck within a society with no “sung” heroes. With the Gulf War the pendulum swung to the opposite extreme. That war, right or wrong, was fought with national resolve, decisiveness and competent leadership. War without a perceived purpose and competent leadership can be traumatizing to the individual and destructive to society.

Teaching youth a sense of history is one of the primary functions of a liberal arts college. Many young people’s views have come full circle and represent those that followed World War II, when war was idealized. No war is good. War is brutal and painful.

If we are going to achieve a balance in our society, we need to teach our youth that aggression, as part of the human condition, is OK, but that aggression should be channeled in healthy ways that are not culturally destructive.

Jan Thomas VanSickle '70
Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA
ill Long likes to tell fish stories, but his aren't ordinary tales about wide-mouthed bass he caught while rolling on the river. The type of fish he revels in have a mythological name—chimera—and should be mythological creatures. But they're as real as the algae which grows along the sides of their tank in first floor Lewis Hall.

Like many a fisherman, Long likes to show pictures of his prizes. From a drawer in his wooden desk he pulls a stack of color snapshots, then flips through the photos of albino fish. What is unusual is that every fish has a spot of pigment, each dot in a different area. Some have one black eye, others a black spot near their fins or tails. With the grin of a proud father, he says, "I made these fish."

Through his lab magic, the developmental biologist has created zebra fish which are amalgams of many elements, having four to 40 parents. "A chimera is an animal assembled from parts of other animals, and sometimes bacteria and viruses," Long explains.

With a micropipette he sucks hundreds of cells from the eggs of many different zebra fish. Then Long uses the micropipette to plant the cells in the host fish embryo, which is smaller than the head of a pin. He removes the custom-made fish from the petri dish in which he performed the operation to another dish where it can heal.

To achieve different color schemes, he decides where he wants a spot of pigment to be, then genetically manipulates cells in order to achieve his aim—fashioning a paint-by-numbers genetic portrait. One aim of gene transfer experiments like Long's is to study how genes are regulated and expressed in normal cells as they differentiate.

As of September, he had made several hundred chimera at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) biology lab where he and five other scientists are doing most of their ground-breaking work. Long manufactures fish in smaller
quantities at WMC, a feat unheard of among small, teaching-oriented liberal-arts colleges.

Fifty of the MIT chimera were ready to spawn in November, and Long was fascinated to see the genetic characteristics of the children of his homemade fish. "They will allow me to isolate into a test tube genes that are of developmental interest," he asserts.

"This work is allowing us to discover previously unknown details about the actions of the pigment cells in these embryos. What we do with pigment cells will serve as a model for what we do with genes in other organs in the body, such as the brain and the heart. We're starting with pigment to test our system, and we are using pigment as a marker, a guideline to see if we can trust our other results."

The genetic engineering project which he co-leads at MIT has, he says, "a lot of people interested in the possibilities this little organism has for teaching us the way genetic instructions are read and processed to make a fertilized egg into an adult."

Whereas fruit flies and mice were the genetic experimentation choice of the past, the zebra fish which can be found in a mall pet store or living-room aquarium represent the New Wave. Zebra fish, he says, "are very fast becoming the developmental biology and genetic engineering choice of the Nineties, because they're a vertebrate like you and me, but they're small, easy to raise, reproduce rapidly, and their embryos are easy to get. Some very nice genetic work has been done on them."

With a laugh, Long says, "They even have their own journal, The Zebrafish Science Monitor, out of Eugene, OR."

"The University of Oregon has been in on the initial work. Of several new labs, one is at MIT. MIT, Oregon and a lab in Tübingen, Germany are regarded as the pioneers of zebra fish biotechnology. Long joined the MIT project through a former student, Nancy Amsussen Speck '77, a professor of biochemistry at his alma mater, Dartmouth. When retrovirologist Nancy Hopkins mentioned to Speck that she needed a developmental biologist for her MIT team, Speck recommended, in late 1990, her former professor."

Long, in addition to his status as a professor of biology at Western Maryland, became a bonafide MIT research associate last summer. "The appointment gives me a title, and in case I blow myself up or inject myself with foreign genes, I'm covered [by MIT's insurance]," he says with a chuckle. "But there is no money involved and no official duties."

Working on the same floor as a scientist who is regarded as a national treasure in Japan is exhilarating for Long. "It's a pretty brainy group up there. It's nice to have a Nobel laureate come by and ask what you're doing. It's 'big science' in every way you can imagine. If you want to do very fast, big science it is the ideal environment to work in. I never dreamed I'd ever be working at the magnitude of science that I am now."

In the heady atmosphere of big science, competition is fierce, with labs vying with each other for discoveries. Recently, the German lab referred a New York Times reporter to MIT's Hopkins for a story on the three top labs' work. Until the labs began sharing information in November, Long had the nagging suspicion that they all were scurrying toward the same breakthroughs.

His fear was that MIT might be out-paced, since "The others have been doing it
Having an electron microscope at Western Maryland enables Long—and his students—to get a jump on some of his fish-making tasks.

medically. In fact, the NSF has said that this work must be supported, that this job has to be done for the good of science and society. It's important to me to be in a situation that others see as so important. My science in the past has been, what I believe to be, very good, but it was not at the center of things.

One couldn't get much more central to life on earth than the work Long and the other three PhD holders, one graduate student and one technician, are doing in Cambridge. "We're investigating the basic genetic instructions that put traits in their place." Their work is intended to reveal how humans as well as fish are made and how they function.

Medical application enters in when scientists examine genetic malfunctions and apply them beyond fish to people. Through their experimentation, the researchers hope to assess an individual's susceptibility to a genetic disease. Doctors then can better treat and prevent diseases and genetic abnormalities.

Gene therapy—the insertion of a normal gene into abnormal cells to alleviate problems caused by a defective gene—is a technique being developed by scientists around the world, since the cause of many human diseases is the malfunction of a single major gene. One example of basic genetic instructions gone awry is a birth defect such as Down's syndrome.

Using zebra fish rather than people as test subjects "is more ethical and moral," says Long. As for the controversial question of experimenting on animals, Long says, "The zebra fish are well cared for and comfortable. We don't subject our animals to any pain."

Because of the 1990 purchase of an electron microscope (for more on this research tool see Page 10), Long is able to do some of the MIT work—including fish-making—at Western Maryland. In October, he made 10 chimera in his Lewis Hall...
Turning Books Into Bytes

By Sherri Kimmel Diegel

It's not often that one takes a trans-Pacific flight just to come to Western Maryland College. But that was the situation last summer when an Australian computer hardware CEO and his company president took the 24-hour trip to witness what was animating Bill Long's office on the third floor of Lewis Hall.

Long has a sophisticated Macintosh II computer crowded onto a narrow tabletop which also holds a dusty box of paper computer punch tape containing his mid-'70s PhD dissertation. The 15 years since his days at Dartmouth may as well have been 1,500 years, considering the advances in computer technology. Scooping up a handful of the archaic yellow tape Long says, "I'd have to go to the computer museum in Boston to get a computer to read this."

Long's file server—an ultra-high tech hard drive which could hold 300 megabytes of information, or the equivalent of enough boxes of his old punch tape to overflow Lewis Hall—was the reason for the gents' journey from Australia. They had manufactured the $6,000 file server, which, with 1,000 megabytes of memory, can store the complete book. Formerly, he had to delete earlier lessons as he progressed through the computer text with his students.

This fall marked the first time that Long used the electronic text as the sole source for his embryology students. In the past he had ordered a backup traditional textbook—just in case something ran afoul. "Now there's no need for folks to spend the additional money," he says.

The advantage of Long's innovation is that "a bound textbook is outdated the day it goes off the press," he claims. "An electronic textbook is only outdated the day people stop paying attention to it. Weekly or daily, something changes. Sometimes I add new features as a response to a student request. They'll say, 'It would be easier for me if you did this.' " The flexibility of the computerized book also allows him to replace outdated information with the latest research findings.

Students can "interact" with the textbook, something they can't do with an inflexible bound text. For instance, they can select options on the computer screen which allow them to see videos of textual explications, they can ask for definitions, or they can request more information.

Thanks to Potomac Edison, Long has a total of 14 computers valued at $10,000 apiece, eight of which he has installed in his lab for 24-hour access. "They're a lab tool,"

lab, with nine eager students watching. He already is training one student to assist him, and will enlist others this summer.

"With students doing my microscopy, they'll be learning science, and I'll be getting the pictures I need. Having the electron microscope here means when I go to MIT I can be doing other things."

The microscope also enables him to keep up with his other, long-standing research on the embryology and development of the primitive gar fish. He and a collaborator from Clemson University presented a paper on their latest findings in December in Atlanta.

While he has a grand fishy time in the laboratory, Long occasionally takes to the high seas for a little traditional fishing. A friend recently invited him to go tuna fishing on the Atlantic Ocean where "the fish we use for bait are bigger than any I've ever caught." But what he really yearns for is to catch a large striped bass, which looks like a zebra fish, have himself photographed with it, and send it to his MIT colleagues as a joke.

Long's teaching at Western Maryland, zebra fish and gar fish studies, electronic textbook venture (see sidebar for details), role as an evaluator of NSF grant proposals, and active life as a father of two small boys (which includes coaching a soccer team and doing zebra-fish talks in their classrooms) should be more activities than one person can handle.

"My wife accuses me of being very organized," Long says with a smile. "This [juggling of duties] forces me to be. If I get more work than I can possibly do, then I become very quick to organize it."

Explaining his efficiency tactics, he says, "I try to make things do double duty. I'm a professor at Western Maryland, which is a teaching institution first. All of this [research activity] makes me a better teacher. I couldn't work effectively on my level of teaching without being engaged in research. My science is embryology and development, and if I teach a course on that, students can work and help [with his research]. My students can be on the cutting edge of science. By pursuing the zebra fish and by engaging in cutting-edge research, there is no better way I can teach science."
"Let students be limited by their imagination not their materials"
—Bill Long

He explains, "which provides information about experiments. Computers have to be where the people are, and the people are in the lab."

Long also has in his lab advanced video and editing equipment, including a video microscope which allows every student to see the specimen he is discussing and dissecting. For his classes he's also made videotapes of how to dissect a cat and how to remove the shell of a fish egg.

Western Maryland students aren't the only ones to benefit through Long's Poto-
mac Edison-sponsored experimentation. In the summers of 1990 and 1991 he taught high school teachers from western Maryland and West Virginia how to write their own computerized science lessons for use in their classrooms.

Long also is collaborating with A.J. Russo, a biology professor at Mount St. Mary's College, on a computer program and video package which the instructors can use to teach anatomy. While devising the package, Long says, "I keep my anatomy classes in mind. I think, 'What will help my students best?' We look at things in a little more detail [in college], but the general principles are the same."

Unlike his embryology textbook, the anatomy package will not require exotic equipment from the other side of the world. "I want to put something out that the teachers want to use in their class—get their feedback and modify it accordingly."

Yet another teaching aid Long employs is WMC's electron microscope, the 1990 purchase of which Long arranged through a research connection at Clemson University. Though it can magnify objects up to 500,000 times, the microscope need be used only up to 10,000 times for most biological work, he says. "For cell and developmental biologists like we have in our department, that [degree of magnification] is our bread and butter." Traditional classroom microscopes have a magnification of up to 1,000 times.

At least once each semester, Long brings his embryology students into the small, hot, noisy room which the microscope shares with the tanks full of fish he uses for his embryology research.

Long likes each student to have a shot at preparing and viewing a specimen, but the cost is high, since the specimens must be coated with gold to allow them to be seen inside the microscope's high-pressure vacuum chamber. Insects coated and fixed to an aluminum slide for viewing have the appearance of eccentric jewelry.

The high-tech magnifying glass also has the capability of producing video or still images so many students can view a procedure as one person manipulates the microscope.

"The drawback is we can't use live specimens [because of the pressure caused by the scope's noisy vacuum system]," says Long. "But we can look at specimens in more detail [than with less complex microscopes]."

"When you provide students with an exciting atmosphere and a well-equipped one, it's amazing what they can do. Let them be limited by their own imagination and not by the material at hand. Then they can get a lot out of their education."
A Strict Society

'The Great War', Parlor Night, Demarcated the Teens

I grew up in Jarrettsville, Harford County, and three women—Sarah Smith, Margaret Phillips (Ford), and Louise Tip- ton (Muller)—who were schoolmates at Jarrettsville High School also went on to Western Maryland, graduating in 1918. But meeting or even talking with them on "the Hill" was no simple matter because Miss Minerva (Minnie) Robinson, the preceptress, kept strict watch over all the young women.

A big event was "parlor," Friday nights from 7 to 8 p.m., when men and women met and talked under strict supervision; teachers were all around. There was simply no way a fellow could take a girl out on a date. It seems so foolish now—no dancing, no card games allowed, since both were then portrayed as wicked, if not sinful, in the Methodist Book of Discipline.

Despite such restrictions, there was a lively exchange of letters, mostly delivered KOB (kindness of bearer), and I was most happy to oblige by delivering many such love letters.

The chokehold on socialization loosened up somewhat after Dr. Albert Norman Ward became president in 1920. He had much more realistic ideas. I'd long known him, since he was a brother of my father, Thomas H. Ward, and had grown up in Jarrettsville where my dad had married another town native, Julia Ellen Jarrett.

Dr. Ward had begun teaching during our class's time at WMC, and he had also been pastor of Methodist churches in Washington, D.C.; Seattle; and Denton, MD. He and his wife, Blanche Murchison, had graduated from the college in 1895.

In the absence of fraternities and sororities, literary societies were popular and competitive social groups, as they had been for many years. The Irving Literary Society was organized in 1867, when WMC was founded. I belonged to that society, and our great rival was the Webster Literary So-
Agents Are True Class

They're certainly not secret agents—they're faces and names you know well. Forty classes between the graduation years of 1928 and 1991 have adopted the new class-agent program. A well-known personality in each class is selected as an agent who will coordinate fund-raising efforts for his class and keep his fellow graduates informed of events on "the Hill" through a letter dubbed a "Class Chronicle."

Agents either author fund-raising appeals entirely themselves or add an individualized touch. Instead of sending out letters with the old, impersonal salutation of "Dear Classmate," letters from class agents are addressed to each individual.

"All are personalized," said Lisa McKinney Frels '84, director of reunion programs. "The class agent has taken the time to do so. Sometimes they use nicknames. Some letters are really hilarious. It's a great way to get alumni really involved. Lots of couples are class agents, too."

According to Mark Stuart, director of annual giving, studies show that class agents are effective liaisons between their classmates and their colleges and are responsible for tremendous increases in annual giving. "Many colleges that have more than 50 percent participation [among alumni] have class-agent programs."

In the Western Maryland program "each class has its own goal," Stuart added. "The total Annual Fund goal for alumni is $580,000 [of a total Annual Fund goal of $925,000]. Our goal for participation by baccalaureate alumni is 45 percent."

A Benefactor Who Builds

There are many faces of TARGET, Inc. but one of its most important is that of Board chairman and benefactor Laurence J. Adams.

Whatever the problem faced by this private, non-profit organization which provides residential, recreational and vocational services for handicapped people, Chairman Larry Adams, has been on call to address it and advance the mission of this model program. Selflessly, Larry has worked with TARGET's (Training and Research, Group homes, Education with The developmentally disabled) founding director Donald R. Rabush, '62, MEd '70 since their first meeting in 1986 and provided long-range support for the program's educational affiliation with the college. Through fund-raising efforts he and Rabush succeeded in reaching a $1 million goal to create the first-ever endowed faculty chair, and are seeking an additional $250,000 for the creation of endowed scholarships for special education graduate students.

The youngest of his five children, Susan, has Down's Syndrome, so in '86 Larry was curious to learn more about TARGET's Alternate Living Units for disabled adults. "When young retarded children become adults, it's an important step in their development for them to find a living environment outside the parents' home. I like that TARGET brings higher education and direct services together in a family-living environment."

After an initial introduction through a WMC graduate student, Rabush entertained Larry and his wife, Peg, at his home "one dark stormy December night." He found this executive from Martin Marietta Corporation (Adams is retired president and CEO of that company) "totally unassuming." Together they toured three of TARGET's Westminster-area group homes.

"He reserved his judgment that evening, and 'danced' with us for two years," says Don of this relationship. But in those couple of years Larry became convinced of the program's quality and became its biggest fan.

In 1987 Larry helped Don to secure a $350,000 grant from Martin Marietta to begin restoration work on the Winchester Country Inn, the bed-and-breakfast facility which serves as TARGET's vocational training site. "When we held an open house, the inn looked like a pigsty," Don remembers and laughs aloud. "It was 58 degrees and there was no heat in the building. Larry was there, and on the way home, Peg said, 'That man [Rabush points to himself] is loony tunes and don't you dare ask me to stay in that place!'

But that following September, Larry was back and was astounded by the beautifully restored inn which won the Maryland Historical Trust's 1987 Preservation Service Award and was featured in Country Living magazine.

"That's when he spoke of his desire to enter his daughter, Susan, into TARGET's residential program," says Don.

"I said to Larry, 'Here's the deal. I'll open the house for Susan if you'll work for us.' Larry promised to build the house to our specifications in Gaithersburg [MD] and give it to us [TARGET, Inc.] in three years, which he did in August.

Late in 1988 Susan Adams moved into her new home. TARGET rented this two-story colonial home for $10,000 annually which Larry returned as a gift to help fund a week's vacation to an exotic destination for TARGET residential counselors. "This provides a great job incentive," Don says.

TARGET's high staff retention rate is another reason Larry stands strongly behind it.

Making a difference in the lives of others is not new to Larry Adams. In 1985, at a White House ceremony, he was presented the "C Flag" by President Reagan, recognizing Martin Marietta for its outstanding contributions in meeting community needs. He also is a three-time recipient of the NASA Public Service Medal for his exceptional engineering leadership in space vehicle systems. And his election in 1988 to the National Academy of Engineering is among the highest professional distinctions accorded to engineers. Since 1989 Larry has served as a college trustee.

BUT TO DON, LARRY IS FOREMOST THE all-American dad and a benevolent grandfather to those who know him. "Whenever I'm in his company, people kiss him, hug him or shake his hand. I think that in order to get to his level you have to be a superb person first." And so he is. --M. JEM
Moving Forward on ‘the Hill’

Dear Fellow Alumni,

As Alumni Association president I have the opportunity to speak to you twice in The Hill—first when coming in as president and now in farewell. In that first letter two years ago, I asked you to consider “giving a little back” of what you had gained through your Western Maryland experiences. I wasn’t speaking of financial contributions (although those are always needed and gratefully accepted) but rather to give a bit of yourself in volunteer work. I asked you to think of the work you do to benefit others as a way of passing along what you learned, in and out of the classroom, on “the Hill.”

Living in Carroll County, I have the opportunity to see many of our alumni at work in the community—Willard Hawkins ’26 giving us the benefit of his wisdom in letters to the editor; Sue Summit ’67 directing high school productions; Bill Gibson ’68 coaching lacrosse; Alva “Buzz” Baker ’66 organizing reunions; Ed Shilling ’63 running the public school system. Wherever I go I see them—Western Marylanders working hard, serving others, making our community better. And I’m sure this is repeated across the state and the country. I’m proud to be one of you.

Western Maryland celebrates its 125th anniversary this year. The yearlong celebration kicked off with the dedication of the addition to Hoover Library, which you read about in the November Hill. With that building and the adjacent college green comes a new physical heart to the campus. “The Hill” has always been beautiful, but now it is even more so. And plans are being made for the renovation of Lewis Hall and a new building to house the science department. The college is alive, vital and growing.

I have enjoyed my tenure as both president-elect and as president. The opportunity to serve on the Board of Trustees has been one that I have enjoyed. My committee assignment has been to the academic affairs committee for four years, giving me an insight into that aspect of college life. As your president I have represented you on the executive committee, and it is encouraging to see the enthusiasm and dedication our trustees have in their supervision of Western Maryland College.

The Reunion Programs Office is, at this very moment, making plans for a gala Alumni Weekend—May 29–31—for the classes celebrating their reunions. The annual tennis and golf tournaments, Honor Class reunions, Remembrance Ceremony, and Sunday service in Little Baker Chapel will continue as part of the Alumni Weekend schedule. A Friday night picnic serenaded by a Dixieland jazz band, mini lectures by WMC faculty, and a post-banquet dance (big-band sound) will be added to this year’s schedule.

According to Lisa McKinney Freel ’84, director of reunion programs, “These are some new ideas we’re trying to incorporate, and I think they’ll be well received. I think alumni will especially enjoy having a nice, fancy dance. A lot of people wanted to keep on celebrating last year.”

Look for Alumni Weekend brochures coming to you early in the spring. I hope to see you on “the Hill” in May.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president. It has been a pleasurable, enlightening experience.

Carolyn Seaman Scott ’67
Alumni Association President

Correction

The Sports Hall of Fame article in the November Hill contained an error regarding inductee Ken Volk ’47’s WMC tennis career.
In 1942 and 1943 he—not the team—enjoyed a 24-match winning streak. The Hill regrets the error.

Edie Ridington Remembered

“There was a lady.” Although that appellation is currently out of fashion, it was the one that occurred to most of her colleagues—both men and women—when they heard of Edith Farr Ridington’s death on November 11 after a brave battle with cancer. Gracefully balancing her life as a student and teacher of the classics, wife, and mother, her active retirement years were enriched by her twin passions, reading 90 to 100 books a year and running hundreds of miles in between.

Edie graduated with “Honors in Course” from Mount Holyoke in 1933 with a major in Greek and a minor in archaeology. She earned her Phi Beta Kappa key in her junior year. In 1934 she was granted an AM in Greek from the University of Pennsylvania and completed her B.A. in classics. Their four children—both men and women became head of Kent’s English department.

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Mrs. Pearl “Kitty” Brittingham Wellinger ’31, of Alexandria, VA, on November 3.
Mrs. E. Doris Legg Crumpacker ’32, of Union Bridge, MD, on October 19.
Mrs. Anna Wigley Hanna ’34, of Randalstown, MD, on June 22.
Mr. Dorothy Paul Weber ’34, of Tucson, AZ, on October 15.
Sterling “Sheriff” Fowlie ’36, of Baltimore, December 6.
Mrs. Meta Nock Sakers ’37, of Annapolis, MD, on September 5.
Miss Dorothy H. Smith ’39, of Annapolis, MD, on October 16.
Miss Maude S. Smith ’40, of Hagerstown, MD, on August 21.
Mrs. Marjorie DeForde Dague ’41, of Port Richey, FL, on October 30.
Mrs. Gertrude Rowley Collins ’43, of Cumberland, Maryland, on December 26, 1990.
Mrs. Mary Ann Byrne Diller ’43, of Silver Spring, MD (date unknown).
Mrs. Katherine Little Taylor ’45, of Brookville, FL, on September 3.
Rev. Gerald R. Ackerman ’49, of Bethel Beach, DE, on September 24.
Mrs. Jean Watkins Parker ’49, of Damascus, MD, on March 11.
Dr. George T. McGrew ’51, of Wyomissing, PA, on September 14.
Mrs. Mary Ellen Sebastian Pickens ’53, of San Antonio, TX, on October 12.
Rev. William J. Martin ’57, of Clifton Park, NY, on September 4.
Mrs. Julia Younger Hale ’62, of St. Leonard, MD, on September 21.
Mr. Glenn E. Rhrchrey MEd ’70, of Stewartsport, PA, on December 1, 1990.
Mrs. Joyce Parr Flanders MEd ’79, of New Cumberland, PA, on November 2.
Mrs. Edith Farr Ridington, senior lecturer emerita, history & classics, formerly of Westminster, MD, on November 11.
Dr. Thomas F. Marshall, former professor of American literature and honorary trustee, of Upperoad, MD, on October 20.
Miss Marguerite Shunk, prep school student, WMC switchboard operator 1947–66, formerly of Westminster, MD, on November 19.

Births

Alexander Thomas Douglass, on March 7, to Thomas ’54 and Lisa Douglass.
Joshua Tyler Schenk, on September 13, to Donald ’71 and Janet Schenk.
Taylor Kathryn Zick, on April 19, 1990, to Joe ’72 and Mea Taylor ’74 Zick.
Zachary Ball-Kilbourne, on April 25, to Gary ’74 and Debra Ball-Kilbourne.
Melanie and Matthew Friedich, on
Marriages

Barbara Summers '84 to Edward Hamilton on September 25. They reside in San Carlos, AZ.

Weidon Reed '54 to Louise Sullivan in August. They reside in Portland, Washington, WI.

Howard Rassou '69 to Christine Newhouse on June 2. They reside in Dunbury, CT.

Cathy Dudderar '74 to John Duda on October 5. They reside in Apple Valley, MN.

Robin Rice '84 to Richard Berghland on June 8. They reside in Little Rock, AR.

Christine Imbuh '84 to Debi Hooper on July 7. They reside in Baltimore.

Kirsten Nystrom '83 to Brandon Edward Snyder on October 6. They reside in Millers, MD.

Stacy Hermann '91 to Blake Aus- tensen '88 on August 10, 1990. They reside in Columbus, GA.

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Texas in a heat wave and the Outer Banks of North Carolina in bar- ricade season do not sound like ideal spots for vacations, but they proved to be just that for me this year. I took a Texas junket to attend the wedding of a pet grandson. Attendants included another pet grandson, my daughter's dog and my identical twin great-granddaughters, 8. A relaxing stay with my oldest son in Houston followed the nuptials. My daughter and her husband rented a cottage near Naghead. Another granddaughter took me there. and I actu- ally got my feet in the Atlantic Ocean. I always enjoy the replies I get when I solicit news—phone calls, cards, and letters.

Otts Brell has spent six years in his re- tirement home with his wife of 60 years, Evelyn. Otts told of his connection with George Baker '72 who retired after an illustrious career as a neurosurgeon at the Mayo Clinic. Years ago the fathers ar- ranged a meeting that resulted in a mar- riage between Otts' son and George's daughter, and now Otts and George share three grandchildren. Otts and George (coming from Arizona) planned to attend the wedding of one of the grandchildren, Meredith Brell, September 28.

Charles Rensch is "holding his own," still driving his car, and living very close to his daughter.

A note from the sister-in-law of Helen Smith enclosed a clipping from the Cum- berland Times-News, and I quote: "Miss Helen Smith was inducted into the 1991 Educational Theatre Association (ETA) Hall of Fame at the National Convention held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, St. Louis, MO. Eligibility was based on dis- tinguished work in theatre education and at least 20 years' work in the field." Unfortu- nately she was too ill to attend the induction ceremony. Helen died on Octo- ber 4.

Pearl Benedict Cole reports a year of serious illness but concludes "I can do almost anything I did before, and life is good to me."

Elise Hobbs Thompson loves her re- tirement home in Sykesville, MD, braggs about the food and the library and the swimming pool and the planned trips to the theatre.

Ken Brown has just returned from

Master's Notes

Linda Martin Gilmore MEd'76, of Hampstead, MD, now is a full-time fac- ulty member at Carroll Community Col- lege (CCC). Linda has taught reading and English skills to CCC students since 1988 as an adjunct instructor. Before coming to Carroll, she was an instructor for adult education with the Carroll County Board of Education, and was editor of HACC, a quarterly newsletter for the Maryland As- sociation of Adult, Community, and Con- tinuing Education. She began her career as a classroom teacher in Carroll County, teaching middle school for six years.

Eva Konkolny Hess EdD '82, of Han- over, PA, rejoins Western Maryland Col- lege as director of financial aid. Eva was a counselor in the WMC financial aid office from 1981–83 and was director in 1983–84.

Dr. Martha Goodwin Sullivan MEd'70, of Dickerson, MD, a pioneer in the field of special education and a former Frederick County teacher, recently retired as director of special education with the Howard County public school system. She has served as an adjunct professor for Hood College, WMCC and Loyola Col- lege. She is a past president of the Freder- ick County Chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children and a past president of the Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, Frederick.

Kathryn Bortner MEd'87, of Havre- sor, PA, received the 1991–92 Outstanding Teacher and Shippensburg University University award by the Shippensburg Uni- versity School Study Council. She has been the Jarvey's Outstanding Young Edu- cator and South Western's Elementary Teacher of the Year. She teaches at Park Hills Elementary School.

“Ah, the memories. Where is she now?”

Look in the Book!

Soon you'll discover where lots of fondly recalled folks live and work now that you are no longer together on "the Hill." To find out these facts and more, look in the Book—the 1992 Western Maryland Alumni Directory.

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Class Notes
Not enough hours in the day," she writes. She plans to get to the next class reunion.

A nice newsy letter came from Ned Shriver. He says active volunteering for the Foundation for the Handicapped. He gets to Rotary where he has had 180 percent attendance for 23 years. He plays golf with a low handicap and gets to Ohio a couple of times a year to visit his oldest son and grandchildren who show him plans to meet Ken Brown in this month.

His wife shares with Otte and me macula degeneration which gives us eye problems. A new enthusiasm for the Shivers is genealogy. Ned's great-great-grandfather built a residence in 1789 just on the road Berwick called and the minister. It is still in the family. Ned visited it recently with his brother from Casper, WY. He says he grew up in Westminister knowing nothing about his ancestors whom he has now traced to Germany, and has many details about since 1721.

Eleanor Noble Smith 317 West Central Ave. Federalsburg, MD 21632

This time we have a tie for most news. John McNally and Roland Silker share honors. John still surviving but is fed up with household chores and yard work. A condo or apartment now appeals to me. Last summer, John spent several weekends on the coast near our home in Bethany Beach, DE. It was very exciting, and certainly there was no damage to property. After that it was off to Palm Beach, FL in January '91.

Our class president, Eugene "Stoney" Willis, Jr. '64 and his granddaughter working for a committee in the United States Senate; one grandson who's a sophomore at Gettysburg College; another grandson who's a member of the band at Franklin and Marshall; and one who's a junior at Getnegh High on the football and baseball teams. Stoney's granddaughter is in the 5th grade at McDonogh School. Last summer her team won the Maryland State Championship in softball and played Hawaii championship in South Carolina. "I always enjoy seeing Lillian Frey Petty, Sadusky, Kandy "Pebble" Rhodes, Dick Kiever, and other classmates. I'm enjoying playing cards, the Preakness, etc." Stoney says, and invites classmates to visit him and Jane.

John Takesen, 101 South Prospect Ave., Alpharetta, GA 30009, is enjoying a great vacation in Spotsylvania, VA. He says that he and his wife spent three days at a resort in Florida and enjoyed playing golf and tennis. They also spent time at their home in Spotsylvania, VA. He says that he is enjoying the good weather and the beautiful scenery in Spotsylvania. He also says that he is looking forward to returning to his home in Alpharetta, GA soon.

Sarah Fidayev Stevens is another of our classmates who gets around. She attended her granddaughter's wedding in Alabama, took a trip to St. Louis, MO in November to visit her daughter, and spent her holidays in Glenelg, MD, with her daughter and family. Sally's granddaughter is Carolina High School. Sarah is also attending a weekend class in Glenelg High in May. She also has two little grandchildren, 5 and 7.

Bill Wright finally left Tahoe and moved down to San Diego, where he went to La Palma, CA. He spent a week in Santa Barbara and drove to Palm Springs for "first pool. She loves to watch Golden Car brand TV.

Elizabeth Mellor Johnson, of Fairfax, VA, reports that they are planning to move to their retirement community at Belvoir, VA as soon as they sell their home. "We are well and happy," she concludes.

Dorothy Price Scott is still enjoying Vista, CA. Her favorite idea of a perfect vacation is an Elderhostel. Dorothy continues her writing courses and swims in a therapeutic pool. She loves to watch Golden Car brand TV.

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Aileen Waybright "Pebble" Weber's summer was busy. Tammy, her oldest grandson, graduated from high school and began packing for a small college in West Virginia. Aileen underwent eye surgery during the summer, but she's doing OK. In Texas, "Pebble" Willis, Jr. is enjoying the good weather and the beautiful scenery in Spotsylvania, VA. She says that she is looking forward to returning to her home in Alpharetta, GA soon. She also says that she is enjoying playing cards, the Preakness, etc." Stoney says, and invites classmates to visit him and Jane.
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Canadian recreation lodge to an Elderhostel group for a three-week course for a
new book, A Dictionary of Handwriting Analysis. Betty and he divide their time
between Chautauqua, NY and Sarasota, FL. As he says, "since the advent of
Taco Bell p!anning, wiltJs, etc, In August Dick
Augsburg, and Munich. While in
look them to Prague, Vienna, Salzburg,
Kiefer, and Cornell. Part of his
24th annual Autumn Glory Festival. Be-
joyed Gettysburg College's numerous
tasks for France. We also have
to jury duty, and the first morning she was
meals for himself and his statesdefends
special meals for France. We also have
rodeo events, including the national library rep-
resenting one of the ways rationalizing
paid in the 1980s. Elwood planted the
trees on our beautiful campus to help pay
George's tuition. What a heritage for his
family.

One of Dick's favorite quotes about his trip is:
"It's all about the ride."

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Baltimore, MD 21207

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Thank you for your wonderful response to
my plea for help. You were great! Anyone
who says retirement is a time of rest and
relaxation hasn't talked to the members of
our family in Saratoga Lake, NY. They are
very busy indeed, and I'm sure they just
don't have time to travel.

Take for instance Bill Bryan. He is,
like all of us, a little bit older but is still
taking on all challenges. Frances' George
Taylor is taking care of Roy and 40 acres,
12 dogs, seven cats, 32 chickens and
two goats. She paints with a group one
day a week, which is great! She also
carries on with a chorale group, the
Salisbury Symphony. She enjoys having
her four children and eight grandchildren
visit her. The 4-year-old twins, in particular,
says "bless grandma and grand-
dad and all the animals."

Gene Ackerman says he is 80 and en-
joying retirement.

Julia Bervager, who feels she is
starting young with her Elderhostel pro-
gram, had her last trip to Jackson Mills
4 H Conference Center in Virginia, where
the theme was "Staying in the '90s.
Congratulations to Bill Darrett
for having the new dining hall at Wesley
Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C.,
named "William C. Darrett Dining Hall"

Ray and Royal Snider Claggett enjoy
good health. They travel, do volunteer
work, go to the theater and get together
with their two daughters and four
grandchildren. Al is a retired lawyer and
Allan and Louella Mead Coale are
docents at the Smithsonian Institution's
new "Information Age" exhibit at the
National Museum of American History and
Technology. They also work at WJLU-TV
ans-
swering phones and referring people to the station. They can receive mail, and
Louella is also on the Baltimore Confer-
ence work area in education. She and
Allan also are active in the Telephone
Pioneers. Their son instructs in the
Federal System of AT&T. They anticipate
visiting daughter Helen, a social worker
in New York City. He goes to Long Island,
where he is head dietitian of Murdoch Center for
retarded children in Durham, NC. They
have four grandchildren.

Carroll Crook is still in there
"swinging." He said if he ever hit the
ball it would go back to the pitcher—but
that he hit it! Joe Drugs der also takes
one to the wall. Larry Kulp, who was
wanting some input for an essay he wrote
for the November Hill, I knew he would do
more damage to the 400 ft. wingspan of
the eclipse in July. Most disappointing
I'm sure he shared his love for Hawaii with
Alvred Cooch. Al ended his dinner with the Mowbrays while visiting
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Almost a nonentity. She was the only one after many years of each in speech therapy. She got her doctorate in robotics and artificial intelligence from MIT in August and was married in September.

Marjorie Strickland Green has traveled to England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Canada (Montreal, Quebec, Toronto) and the United States. Mark and Ginger have one new grandchild for a total of seven. Walt is a retired supply pastor for three small, county churches. Marjorie drives to and from the mountains and sometimes for all three Sunday on. She also works with the literacy program. She went to her 50th Junior College Reunion in St. Petersburg. PA and is looking forward to our 50th in '94.

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Steve and Karen Yocum Ferris live in Grafton, WVA and enjoyed more schools. She was assigned a church in Howells, MO, for three small, country churches. She has traveled to and from the mountains and sometimes for all three Sunday on. She also works with the literacy program. She went to her 50th Junior College Reunion in St. Petersburg. PA and is looking forward to our 50th in '94.

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Phyllis Green Schaefker and husband C.R. '49 enjoy retirement on the Niles River near Easton, MD. C.R. is a fisherman and enjoys the quiet of their home. Phyllis contracts privately as a clinical social worker for several home-health agencies. She and C.R. enjoy travel, and "we are still on Un,ontown Road in New Hampshire," they say. They expect to attend events at WMC.

Pheobe Johnson Rutherford talked about her latest book, "Martha was a Bloo," that hit Cape Cod in August, leaving a trail of battered books and uprooted trees. Bob's visit also caused a loss of electricity and water for five days. Phoebe's reaction was, "We're spoiled!" She visited her sister in North Hollywood, CA in March. Mary Lee Crawford Yingling and Russell Sellman traveled to New Zealand and Australia in 1991. He is planning a Mediterranean cruise in 1992, and a Scandinavia/North Cape cruise in 1993. He is chairman of the Industrial Development Authority of Carroll County and a member of the Economic Development Commission of Carroll County. Russ and wife Donna DeVil Sellman '45 have two children, 4 and 16. They are all athletes. Donna, a nurse anesthetist, is in Wilmington, DE.

Billy "Bud" Smith '43 and Ruth Miles '45 Huber visited Sarasota, FL in October and are planning a trip for next year.

Grace Fique Wilson enjoys "caddying" on the greens and "caddying" on the greens. She is still able to navigate all the "greens" in Carroll County and is an advocate for abused women, child abuse, and SRMC, Nellie's son, is a pharmacist. They have eight wonderful grandchildren. In addition to attending WMC Carroll County alumni programs, they love to travel and go to Ederlehost.

Joe Litman is a professor of psychology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is a member of the American Psychological Association. He is also a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is currently working on projects related to stress and coping in children and adolescents. He has published extensively on these topics and has presented numerous workshops on stress management and coping skills. He is married to a psychologist and they have three children. He enjoys spending time with his family, playing golf, and reading. He is a member of the United Methodist Church and volunteers at a local food bank, where he helps to pack and distribute meals to those in need.
It is with regret that the class of 1949 expresses sympathy for the passing of Gerald R. Ackerman who passed away on September 24.

Mary Barnes has been elected as a director of Polycystic Kidney Research, Inc. She is planning a sabbatical, hoping to earn her doctorate and continue her research.

Mary Anne Thomas Stanyek retires in June as a librarian at Tower Hill School in Wilmington, DE, where she specialized in cataloging. She plans to volunteer, mostly in the not-for-profit retirement communities owned and run by Presbyterian United Methodist Homes, Inc., where her husband, Dr. Roy COE, retires in June as a librarian.

Dan Pinholster still enjoys semi-retirement, playing tennis two or three times a week. To keep the golf going, he arranges to play other teams on the Hill.

Mary Jane's greatest joy is visiting her extended family in Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa.

William H. Harrington shares his house with two cocker spaniels. Bill plays for a church on an organ that's close to its loss of a player. Last year, his mom died at age 101 and his 90th birthday is coming up.

Bill Seibert had a fantastic golf trip to England and Wales with 32 people. Mary Barnes has been elected as a director of Polycystic Kidney Research, Inc. She is planning a sabbatical, hoping to earn her doctorate and continue her research.

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ing and public affairs. He frequently visited Washington, D.C., where he developed many and varied contacts with the business community, governmental agencies and the leadership structure.

His career in public service began as a teacher and coach in the Baltimore City Schools. In 1967, he left education to become vice president of the National Standards Association, Inc., a company providing standards and specifications for the aerospace industry. But Dyke's first love was sports and the ethics involved in athletic competition. Working with the Action Ministry for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Dyke took the organization national and helped develop the National Code of Ethics for Coaches.

Dyke worked closely with various religious organizations and their athletics programs for young people. He is the recipient of the God and Service Award representing the Catholics, Baptists, Greek Orthodox, Jews, Islam and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Dyke and his wife, Joanne Weigel '53, have four grown children and a grandson.

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Thanks for so many detailed responses. The list to send in your postcard, Les Kaplan, spent five months in the Persian Gulf during the war. He said, "Life in the desert was a real beach." He enjoyed all the support from the home front, especially from wife Linda and their three sons in Columbia, MD.

Still in Pittsburgh, Carol Armacost Carter develops fund-raising programs for Carnegie Mellon University. Her biggest professional "thrill" was meeting Paul Mellon, major philanthropist, son of Andrew Mellon. Stephen: Trent played on HOBART College's NCAA Division III championship lacrosse team. Another stepson is a senior at the University of Delaware.

Beth Baruch Joselow reports her single again. She's teaching writing and literature at The Corcoran School of Art. Barb's other three children have been "a big, old, crazy house" in north-west Washington, D.C. Last summer she saw Pam Barry who lives in Connecticut.

Rick Schmertzler also says he's single again! He's plant manager for Gilman Paint in West Haven, Connecticut. Rick and his wife hunting for elk in Wisconsin, wild pig in Georgia, Caribou in Canada and "white-tailed deer wherever they run."

Jackie Massicot writes of her marriage to Gary Fisher on November 9. He's a budget analyst with the National Park Service. She's a health scientist at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. They have moved to Chevy Chase, MD.

On June 2, Howard Russock married Carrie Louise Spath of Stanford, CT. They honeymooned in Paris and settled into a new home in Danbury. Howard is still teaching, researching and publishing with the U.S. Office of Naval Research. Their daughter Elizabeth was born on August 26, and their son, Michael, was born on September 25.

Fred C. Wagner, of Oakton, VA, announced his marriage to Mary Ann Jeffers '70 (he didn't write a last name) in November, 1990. They honeymooned in Hawaii. Carol works for Marriott doing feasibility studies. Fred studies "times up" IBM mainframes. They saw a lot of class mates at Al Kempe's and Bill Schwindt '70's crab feast.

Pat and Lisa Renshaw Flechty worked for four years at the Smithsonian Institution, as a trustee of the Unitarian Universalist Church, and sings in the choir. Pat walks to Tyler Heights Elementary where he teaches 4th grade. While holding down a job, their son, Sean, attends Arundel Community College. Last summer, son David, participated in Outward Bound. The Flechtrys put a 2nd-floor addition on their house and a new pond in the backyard which attracts lots of wildlife.

Sharon Spangler Belt, is a physician's assistant in Arnold, MD. She's a supervisor of home health visiting nurses. After a respite to tour Disney World, they returned home so daughter Kimberly could undergo her 2nd knee operation. She's expected to be well enough to play basketball. Stephen and Kelly keep them busy, as well, at home in Belair, MD.

Gaye Meckins is a full-time gardener, creating a park-like backyard, including double pond and double waterfall, in Annapolis. She still teaches an "American Culinarian" class in Western United States.

Linda Lee Robbins is an account rep for St. Anthony's Publishing in Old Towne, Alexandria, VA. Robbins is busy with academic courses, aerobics, biking and rollerblading!

Gary Shapiro is still involved with family practice and urgent care at the Keene Clinic in Keene, NH. Jane Butterbaugh '70 works for an importing concern. Son Peter is a 9th-grader, and son Mark is a 7th-grader. As a guidance counselor, Nancy Shirk Campbell at Northeast High in Elkton, MD, is working with 290 seniors who have a variety of after-graduation plans. Husband, Bob is an engineer with Cecil County Department of Public Works. Son Paul has been kicked out of college.

Raymond Simpson has discovered "naturalism." "That's clothing optional," Ray says for those who might think he's into wearing nothing. He's been "cabinuning" on the Delaware River and the Mullica River, in New Jersey. At home in Wilmington, DE, Ray's completing an Avon book and a beat kit. He square dances at least twice a week.

Robin E. Snyder's painting business is flourishing. She's buying a home in Roger's Forge in North Baltimore.

Maria Torovsky Brownfield moved to Caracas, Venezuela. Husband Ray is commandant of a republic. They have all our service branches to Venezuelan counterparts. She can't complain about a grand house with a fountain in the atrium, eight bathrooms, and a staff of five. They recently work a five-in-one mad gardener.

Daughter Amanda is at Duke University, while Marisa attends an English-speaking school. Son Ben, 11, and Sara, 9, still live in Cape St.
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Frank Wagner is still on the "Big IS-

in Hawaii. He recently changed
jobs from truck driving to high school math.
He has not seen anyone for a long time, so WMC grades and Betes
should give him a call when visiting the Big Island.
Kristen O'Connor Reynolds' son,
Jack, is 11. He's doing well in school and
is training into a terrific goalie on the soc-
er club team. John recently received an
award from President Bush as chairman of the Marine Mammal Commission. His
first book, The Manatee and Dugong, was
published last summer. Kristen teaches
middle school at Jack's school and loves it.
Bob Sklar had a daughter, Sarah, on November 20, 1999. Things have been
ever busy ever since!
Ed Humphreys is still stationed at Fort Leonard, MO.
The McCrories are still in Cary, NC
where Louise Mattcoks continues to
work at SAS Institute, enjoying the aero-
boar Sport. Judy Gardner still sub at the
gym, and even doing some work when
she finds the time! Gary is still at IBM
but has transferred to another depart-
ment. Kristen started school last fall, and
Kyle, 2, is headstrong, afraid of nothing,
and growing like a weed.
Glenn Fett is with a hospital group,
managing their patient care computer
systems in Florida. He plays loss of
(golfing in the shade to mid 70s), plays
in three tennis leagues during the winter,
and is a softball lifer. He and wife,
Missy, Brian, 4, and Julie, 6, are doing well.
Alan Engel has been swimming, bik-
ning, and running in biathlon and tri-
athlons. Pam Furrnes '75 teaches aerobics for the YMCA. They are in

campus, and will continue towards a PhD. Gary also was an adjunct professor, teaching
one film studies course each semester.
Wayne and Debbie Bott Kemp
have moved into their home in Bel Air recently.
Scott works at Mercantile Bank and
looks part time at Franklin Square Hospital. Jonathan is 8. He was the MVP
on the all-stars' team in baseball and was the leading scorer on their soccer team which Scott coached. Kelly, 10, won the President's academic achievement award,
and was the youngest player on her soccer team that Scott also coached. That team won the league and
tournament.
Gary Ball-Kilbourne and family
moved back to Nashville where he is edit-
ing the curriculum for the National
Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church. His second son, Zach,
was born on April 19.
Kathy Rigger Angstadt was back in
the swim club business last summer and
found it a bit different with a family. She has coached in a pool school where she is edit-
ing the curriculum for the National
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Steve Moritz and Doug Barnes enjoyed a 15-game mini-season for the Orioles’ last season at Memorial Stadium.

Nancy A. Repp Rusk and her two sons, Stephen and Kevin, to keep her busy. She also is a part-time RN, doing utilization review and medical case management for Health Care Services, Inc., in Frederick, MD.

Lydia Judy Scenna and family moved to a new home in Laurel, MD. She enjoys redecorating, Along while caring for Jennifer and Kelly and working for 10 years.

Karen Lause bought a town house in Germantown, MD. She works on child welfare projects in Maryland, California and Kentucky. Georgia may be added soon.

Sharon O’Connor Ross says visitors are always welcome when in Seattle. Their new home should be completed by the summer of ‘92. The stable of horses they train earned about $1 million in purses in 1991.

Bob and Mary Thomas Luetter won a trip last March to St. Thomas, but earn about $1 million per year.

Elizabeth Pemberton started a new job at Lyndon State College in Vermont as an assistant professor of psychology. She’s taking advantage of the blackbuck, the state bird, and is bike riding, hiking and antique shopping in her spare time.

Janis Weimar and George Wheat were selected to the Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth. They will graduate with master’s degrees in June.

David and Marcia Polk ‘78 Meyer’s, Beth started kindergarten last fall. Dave runs the computer network that tracks endangered species at The Nature Conservancy.

Anne Young Zolkower has one child, Sarah Mollie. She is a secretary in a neighborhood real-estate office.

Suanne Person and Michael Lake had their son, Jeremy, on July 11. He is a happy healthy baby.

Newlywed Robin Rice Berglund and her husband, Robin, are still living in the desert, stationed at Fort Bliss, TX. Mike remains a civilian instructorewriter at the Army Intelligence School, and Audrey does public affairs work as a Reserve Army Captain and en-joying the desert.

Linda Block, working for The Chesapeake Bay Foundation, spends time on work boats, skijacks, and canoes, teaching kids and adults about environmental problems and the bay. Linda also makes sure minority concerns and traditional agendas are addressed. For fun, she flies, bikes, cross-country skis and jరes the nights away. In May, Linda expects to receive her master’s from Johns Hopkins.

Donna Gossard Buck works for Prudential Home Mortgage Co. where she recently was promoted to manager of tax compliance.

Tom Bulllock divides his time between being a homemaker, mother, working part-time for her husband’s business (Westminster Lawn Service). He keeps his home well cared for and enjoys the kids and time he has to time to sail, canoe, and camp.

She bought a home on the Crofton, MD, that she still owns and is 56 and is身体健康.

She and her husband, Andrew, born May 23, 1961, are partners in a career on the West Coast. She still plays ice hockey in his spare time.

She earns money and has saved for his retirement. They have two children, and a new arriving this winter.

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Richard C. Johnson and Daniel C. Sheridan. I am sure you all join me in expressing our sympathy to their families.

Ivy Silverman Allgeier and husband Steve ‘83 recently bought a town house near “the Hill.” Ivy teaches 1st grade at Piney Ridge Elementary School in Sykesville, MD and plays the hammered dulcimer with a group, One Size Fits All. She keeps in touch with Sue Damiano, a dermatologist in Frederick, MD.

Jeff Amold, an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church, is pastor at Westminster UMC and is a member of the Board of Directors of Calvert Memorial Hospital and plans to return to Wesley Theological Seminary for a master of theology. When not working with the Calvert Historical Society, Glen enjoys bird watching.

Darcy Smith Austin, in Ellicott City, MD. She is one of the Department of the Environment. Darcy is in graduate school and travels when she can—Europe last summer, and skiing in British Columbia last winter. She is a member of the Cornplanter Indian Association.

Darcy enjoys golf at WMC and still patronizes Baugher’s.

Newlywed Robin Rice Bebbard and husband Richard, a captain in the U.S. Army, Military Intelligence, honey- moooned aboard the Starward to the east coast for a heart for their fans.

Amanda Walker-Wait would love to get in touch with any Dallas WMCers. She completed her licensing boards as a clinical laboratory technologist and is working for the practice. She visited the Golden Apens and hiked in the Rocky Mountain National Park.

Betsy Egle Moreow and family traveled to Disney World. They moved into a new home, and her husband began a new job. Betsy teaches 6th grade, and Lauren began kindergarten.

Sally McCarr Moore and family have bought a house on the Crofton, MD golf course, next door to Chris Holmes. Sally bought with Mary and洄ve Jones, who lives in Salisbury, MD.

Kimberly Smith Charette and family have returned to renovating their 150-year-old home after a short in a toaster oven caused fire damage last summer. All family members are fine, and their German shepherd puppy was rescued. They have moved to Arizona and Bermuda.

Bill Roelke and wife Mary are ar- ticipants in Jacksonville, FL. They celebrated their last anniversary by scuba diving in the Keys.

Chris and Diana Parr have relocated to the Bay area of California because of David’s new promotion. They are styling the law school and looks forward to spending time with her family.

Sue Dunlop Swarts and Bill are ac- tivists in two crisis pregnancy centers. Becky and Sarah are in kindergarten.

Gerald Fischer is now an attorney with the New Deparment of the Treasury. He recently left the military after being stationed in Hawaii. Gerald has a son and daughter, and 2 and 3 months old.

She and her husband are doing day care for two other preschoolers. They spent most of 1991 doing renovations and adding on to our home. Anyone who gets to the shore, please call.

Patricia Blades Chapman 312 Sycamore Ave. Easton, MD 21601

Michelle Hutschenreutn Conner enjoys the real-estate appraisal business.

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Amanda Walker-Wait would love to get in touch with any Dallas WMCers. She completed her licensing boards as a clinical laboratory technologist and is working for the practice. She visited the Golden Apens and hiked in the Rocky Mountain National Park.

Betsy Egle Moreow and family traveled to Disney World. They moved into a new home, and her husband began a new job. Betsy teaches 6th grade, and Lauren began kindergarten.

Sally McCarr Moore and family have bought a house on the Crofton, MD golf course, next door to Chris Holmes. Sally bought with Mary and洄ve Jones, who lives in Salisbury, MD.

Kimberly Smith Charette and family have returned to renovating their 150-year-old home after a short in a toaster oven caused fire damage last summer. All family members are fine, and their German shepherd puppy was rescued. They have moved to Arizona and Bermuda.

Bill Roelke and wife Mary are ar- ticipants in Jacksonville, FL. They celebrated their last anniversary by scuba diving in the Keys.

Chris and Diana Parr have relocated to the Bay area of California because of David’s new promotion. They are styling the law school and looks forward to spending time with her family.

Sue Dunlop Swarts and Bill are ac- tivists in two crisis pregnancy centers. Becky and Sarah are in kindergarten.

Gerald Fischer is now an attorney with the New Deparment of the Treasury. He recently left the military after being stationed in Hawaii. Gerald has a son and daughter, and 2 and 3 months old.

She and her husband are doing day care for two other preschoolers. They spent most of 1991 doing renovations and adding on to our home. Anyone who gets to the shore, please call.

Patricia Blades Chapman 312 Sycamore Ave. Easton, MD 21601
mowed to a new town house. She travels as much as possible, returning to the USSR, Canadian Rockies, Bermuda, and the Cayman Islands. If anyone is planning a trip or needs a travel agent, give her a call.

Bruce Gregory is the receivers' coach for Boston University's football team, and Tracy Woodard Gregory is looking for a new job as a nurse, taking care of the twins, 2, and Brian, 1. Life is hectic with two children. They would like to see more of their WMC friends, but football and distance make it tough.

Susan Matthews Harris and Gary '83 still live in Columbia, MD, with daughter Melanie, 3. Dave is full-time home day care keeps Susan busy yet happy.

Sherril Baird Heckle is almost halfway through her master's program. She recently visited with her twin sisters, Laura Gracyn and Lori Wheatley Uhrig. She says Larry and Lori are doing fine while keeping busy with Little League in Oxford.

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ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

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All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Alumni Affairs Office: (410) 857-2296.

**Mon., February 24**
Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheon at the Towson Sheraton, 11:30 a.m.

**Sun., March 1**
Evening with the President for young alumni campus leaders, classes 1981–91.

**Thurs., March 12**
Carroll County Alumni Chapter luncheon.

**Mon., March 23**
Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheon at the Towson Sheraton, 11:30 a.m.

**Fri., April 10**
Anne Arundel Alumni Chapter dinner.

**Fri., April 24**
Western New York Alumni Chapter dinner—25th-year celebration.

**Sat., April 25**
Alumni Association Board of Governors spring meeting, 2 p.m.

**Mon., April 27**
Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheon at the Towson Sheraton, 11:30 a.m.

**Sun., May 3**
Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation, Alumni Hall.

**Thurs., May 7**
ROTC Presidential Review, 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

**Sat., May 23**
Commencement.

**May 29, 30, 31**

**Sat., June 27**
Young Alumni Calypso Cruise on the Clipper City tall ship.

**September 4, 1867—First day of classes**
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE, 125 YEARS OLD—September 4, 1992

**Sat., October 17**
Homecoming. Classes celebrating reunions: 1962, '67, '72, '77, '82, '87. (Note revised schedule.)

**Sat., November 14**
Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies and Banquet.