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# The Hill

*Coming Home  
to Ukraine*



Western Marylanders increasingly are making strides in the world arena. In this first of two Hills devoted to international issues, we take a look at alumni and faculty involvements abroad.

Our cover story concerns Wasył Palijczuk, who, like a Ukrainian Ulysses, finally completed his odyssey. The art professor's photo/paintings tell his story. Hill readers also get a privileged view of Chernobyl through the lens of Palijczuk's friend Ihor Kostin.

Our international thread continues with an account of the Green Terrors' history-making trip to Moscow, where they became the first U.S. collegiate team to play football on Russian soil. Tiina Liiv Ets '74, a translator/interpreter in Estonian for George Bush, is featured, as is Pamela Wason '87, who's teaching Russian artists the American way of commerce. Donna Lee Brown '59, teaching English in China, verses us on cultural harmony there.

Rounding out the issue are two poignant essays by alumni—one by English Professor Ray Stevens '58 about a fall visit to Poland—and one on the Sixties by Linda Sullivan Schulte '68, in continuation of the series depicting eras on "the Hill."

A later theme issue will focus on the influx of international students to Western Maryland in the last year and will feature early outstanding international students and a current student's-eye view of study abroad.

The Editors



In "Breakfast at Home," Wasył Palijczuk portrays a typical Ukrainian scene. The same image, only as an actual photo rather than the above hand-painted Polaroid version, opens the story on Page 16. Palijczuk learned the Polaroid technique from Susan Bloom, assistant professor of art.

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"Corn for Winter," a Polaroid miniature painting by Wasyl Palijczuk, depicts an 80-year-old man who lives in a Ukrainian village.

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# News

## From The Hill

### Honoraries Set For This Month

An alumnus who is an international corporate leader and a radio journalist who is well-known in Washington will be presented honorary degrees during Commencement ceremonies, Saturday, May 23, 20 days after three graduates received Trustee Alumni Awards.

George F. Varga '61, who emigrated to the United States following the 1956 revolution in Hungary, returned to his native Budapest in 1990 to manage the largest American investment in Eastern Europe. A General Electric employee since 1962, he now is a vice president of GE and general manager of Tungstam, Hungary's largest maker of light bulbs. His specialty is finance, special plastics and electric light-source manufacturing. Varga's success has been highlighted in major American media, including *The Wall Street Journal*, *Fortune* magazine and network TV.

A trustee of the college since 1988, he also is a member of the WMC Sports Hall of Fame, in recognition of his 1960 status as the nation's leading collegiate soccer scorer and as an All American. Varga, who is fluent in six languages, has been a corporate executive in Mexico, the Netherlands, Spain and Switzerland. He and Judy, a Hungarian emigre he met on the bus to Westminster his freshman year at Western Maryland, have one son, George.

Diane Rehm, who hosts a two-hour weekday talk show on WAMU 88.5 FM, is the other honorary recipient. Host of the 10 a.m. to noon talk show since 1979, she is known for her thought-provoking questions

and thorough preparation. Recent guests have been Barbara Bush, ABC newsmen Ted Koppel, anthropologist Jane Goodall and novelist Mario Vargas Llosa.

In 1991, Rehm was presented the Commendation Award from American Women in Radio and Television for "Best Radio Talk Show." Also that year *Washingtonian* magazine named her one of the area's best radio talk-show hosts. The Washington native is married to John Rehm and has two children.

Three alumni were honored recently with Trustee Alumni Awards at Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation, Joseph Shilling '59, E. Kay Davis MEd '63 and Ira G. Zepp Jr. '52 were spotlighted for their achievements.

Shilling, while Maryland's superintendent of education from 1988 to 1991, was dedicated to bold school reform. Some of his goals were pre-kindergarten education for disadvantaged children, a means to assure good teacher performance, a measurement of student performance which leaves schools accountable for student outcomes, and lengthening the school year. Shilling resigned last May to become superintendent of the Queen Anne County (MD) Public Schools.

As executive director of Fernbank, Inc. Davis directs a \$40 million project to build a museum of natural history in Atlanta. The 150,000 square foot museum, which is set to open in October, will be the largest natural history museum south of Washington, D.C. Before becoming Fernbank's director in 1984, she was, for 12 years, an administrative coordinator at Fernbank Science Center. She has served on many committees for the National Science Found-

ation, the American Association of Science and other groups.

Zepp, a WMC religious studies professor since 1963, is the author or editor of seven books, most recently this year's *A Muslim Primer: Beginner's Guide to Islam*. In 1989 he was named Maryland Professor of the Year and a Gold Medalist in the national contest sponsored by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. He is widely known as a scholar on Martin Luther King Jr. and gives 30-35 lectures and sermons annually in the Baltimore-Washington area. ●

### Women's Music Tunes Up On Campus

A research and creativity grant from Western Maryland has made possible the start of an ambitious project by students who have formed the new Women's Music Awareness Group. Most of the \$175 grant will be used to do research, purchase tapes and compact disks to form the genesis of a women's music library for the campus.

The group began promoting women's music starting in March, Women's History Month, by airing specific female musicians and singers on the campus radio station, WMCR; holding lectures; and submitting articles on women musicians to local and college newspapers. The students selected women for inclusion in the project based on



*'We want to build up empowering music, showing how women affect music'*

—Kristine Holland

their contributions to women's music, history and culture. They also asked women musicians and publishers of women's music to donate sheet music or recordings—a request which some of those solicited have obliged.

According to Kristine Holland, the junior theatre and writing major who is heading the project, campus support has been strong, with professors donating tapes or contributing money from departments concerned with women's issues. The Political Action Coalition, another student group, has donated \$200. Other supportive student groups have been Women Making Changes and the Gay and Lesbian Alliance, which helped start the project.

Some of the women highlighted through the project are Billie Holliday, Aretha Franklin, the group Sweet Honey in the Rock, Kay Gardner, Chris Williamson and Holly Near. "We want to build up empowering music from different eras and show how women have affected music," says Holland. ●

## **Lincoln Lore New to Library**

A collection of books and pamphlets about Abraham Lincoln has found a new home in the Hoover Library, thanks to the generosity of the late Dr. Charles E. Bish '25. "Charles always had a dear spot in his heart for Western Maryland," said his widow, Gertrude, who arranged the college's receipt of the bequest following his 1988 death.

"Charles became interested in the study of Lincoln in 1958 when somebody gave him a gift of the [Carl] Sandburg biography of Lincoln. From reading Sandburg he became so interested that he acquired all [431]



books in 30 years," she said.

Dr. Bish was an active life member of the Lincoln Group of the District of Columbia and served on the Lincoln Commission of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, where Lincoln himself worshipped.

The Bethesda, MD resident was a senior-high teacher and principal in Washington, D.C. before becoming director for civilian training for the military during World War II. "He was responsible for the training of thousands before they assumed positions in the government," said Mrs. Bish. He later was an education professor at George Washington University, and from 1958 to 1969, worked for the National Education Association directing a project to strengthen senior-high programs for academically talented students, she said.

Harold D. Neikirk, director of the Hoover Library, said that the library intends to feature an exhibit of selected materials from the collection this spring. "The Bish Collection is an important addition that will be treasured by present and future scholars at the college," Neikirk said. ●

## **Jones Takes ChemCom to Moscow**

Fostering chemistry education internationally and nationally keeps Chemistry Professor Donald Jones on the go. In November Jones was one of 19 Americans who traveled to Moscow to introduce a community-focused chemistry curriculum, ChemCom, to 120 Soviet teachers. The nine-day trip marked the first time Soviets and Americans had joined together for a workshop on teaching high-school chemistry.

Jones was one of three individuals representing the American Chemical Society (ACS), co-sponsor of the event with the Mendeleev Chemical Society, the Soviet Association for the Advancement of Chemical Education and the Mendeleev Institute of Chemical Technology.

He led discussions on curriculum partnerships involving Soviet, Dutch and American teachers. Fifteen teachers from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Illinois taught

Moderator Dean David Seligman (far right) confers with (from left) Don Jones, Christianna Nichols, and Wasyli Paliczuk after their discussion, "Views of the Soviet DisUnion."

educators from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Belorussia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Ukraine and Russia about using ChemCom in their classrooms.

ChemCom emphasizes "chemistry in context for college-bound students," said Jones, editorial board chairman for the ACS-developed curriculum which is based on "the need to know" and explores science, technology and society issues (STS). The curriculum, which is taught in Carroll County, among other places, poses real-life STS dilemmas for students to explore.

One sample situation involves a chemical company that wants to manufacture chemical products in a small town, Jones said. "The people have to decide at a town meeting whether or not to give permission to build the plant. They have to weigh the factors." For instance, the new plant may create more jobs but also more pollution. "They have to look at issues of water resources, look at the chemistry associated with purifying water."

ChemCom experiments presented to the former Soviets used the microscale approach which employs small amounts of chemicals. It is a particularly effective method for the former Soviets who have little money for chemicals, said Jones.

Currently Jones is involved in a project to translate the ChemCom texts into Dutch and Russian versions. "Under the auspices of UNESCO [United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization], we put together examples of the curricula which can be adapted

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for any country wanting to use the STS approach."

Jones, in March, discussed a possible exchange between WMC and Russian student with Pavel Sarkisov, president of the Mendeleev Institute. Sarkisov had initiated the November workshop in Moscow after attending a ChemCom teacher seminar at State University of New York, Cortland, in 1990.

Meanwhile, Jones also is gearing up for his stint as chair of ACS's Division of Chemical Education. Chair-elect this year, he will head the group in 1993.

Yet another chemistry-education endeavor will require a leave of absence from Western Maryland, where he has taught for 29 years. In September he will become a program director in the Education and Human Resources Directorate of the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C.

Jones will spend one to two years working in teacher preparation and enhancement for K-12 schools across the country. He will evaluate and administer, observe and review programs which have been submitted for NSF grants. Gaining a grant is "predicated upon changing the curriculum and the way teachers are prepared," according to Jones. About one in four, or 155 new programs each year that apply, are supported by a total of \$83 million in grants. ●

## Alcohol Education Efforts Noted

Recognition for regional leadership in alcohol education caught Amanda Thompson '92 by surprise. The sociology major and president of the WMC chapter of BACCHUS (Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) was attending the group's regional conference at James Madison University when her name was announced as the Outstanding BACCHUS Student in the Mid-Atlantic.

"I saw a copy of the application [which fellow WMC BACCHUS members had submitted]

after the award was presented, and I was floored," she said. "It shows our members really care about what we're doing and the work I've come to do."

Thompson, one of three founders of the WMC chapter in the fall of 1989, had belonged to a Students Against Driving Drunk chapter in high school. Her involvement, she said, "is due to personal reasons and because I love to help people and want to show my peers as well as the entire community, including faculty and staff, the consequences, whether positive or negative, of alcohol use."

One popular alternative that demonstrates the innovative approach of the WMC chapter is the Hard Mock Café. The 16 chapter members had learned about mocktails, cocktails without the booze, at the BACCHUS 10th Annual General Assembly in St. Louis in the fall of '90. The students concocted a twist on the popular nightclub, Hard Rock Café, and staged their first event in February '91. Now, said Thompson, 150-200 students attend the free café several times each semester.

"Everyone seems really excited about it and likes to come and dance with friends," she said. "It shows that you can have a large group of people together and not have alcohol and have a really good time." Now other area chapters are modeling Hard Mocks after Western Maryland's.

WMC's chapter won two other awards this year—Outstanding Program or Event (Hard Mock Café) and Outstanding BACCHUS adviser (Eric Chase)—both national recognitions. ●

## DuPont Fund Propels Program

Hill readers were introduced in February to a new college-related endeavor, the Western Maryland Interfaith Housing Development Corp (WMIHDC). A \$250,000 grant, for which the college applied, came through in March.

Over a three-year period the Jessie Ball duPont Educational

Fund will provide money to help Western Maryland College and WMIHDC achieve the goal of building low-income housing—1,000 units for up to 4,000 needy individuals within the next 10 years in Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Allegany and Washington counties.

Helping to meet this need will provide a direct social laboratory experience for WMC students and volunteers. Other benefits will be a reinforcement of the spirit of voluntarism, which has a long tradition at the college, and extended technical and educational benefits for WMC and WMIHDC.

Beginning this fall the college will offer the project for internship and independent-study credit. Groundwork will be laid for a 1993 January Term course

and special topics courses offered by one or more departments. During the third year the grant will support a continuing-education conference hosted and conducted by Western Maryland for private and public agencies with similar concerns.

Two Western Marylanders have been particularly instrumental since WMIHDC's founding in 1990—Robert Hartman, professor of philosophy and religious studies, and Mark Lancaster, coordinator of religious life. On campus they are now joined by an 11-member committee of faculty, staff and students which is coordinating Western Maryland's share of the partnership. WMIHDC has a separate board and has hired an executive director, James Upchurch. ●

## Letters

### The College Provided A Firm Foundation

Sitting in my apartment in Greenwich Village and not yet having received my new *Hill* magazine, I decided to write a letter and thank WMC for shaping the minds of all the people who have ventured onto "the Hill."

WMC is a place I often think about and look back on with fondness. I have only been gone since May 1991, and yet at times, it seems a lifetime ago. It was my home, not only in terms of my liberal arts education, but it also was a place where I grew up and became an individual. I think that much of that credit goes to the professors at WMC. While at college many of us did not realize what a privilege it was to have teachers who actually knew us on a personal level as well as the conventional teacher-student relationship.

Being in New York City on a theatre internship with an off-Broadway theatre, I am comforted by the fact that I am not really alone. I took with me all that I learned at WMC. Besides the friends who write me and encourage me, I also have old professors and bosses from past

campus jobs who still keep in communication with me. I've met a lot of people who went to large institutions who are amazed at my stories of WMC and what a nurturing environment it was. I feel very lucky to have gone through such a school. I also am certain that I would not have dared venture to NYC alone were it not for the strong foundation I received at WMC.

Let's you think WMC was always a bed of roses let me assure you that it was not, but even in dealing with the problems we might have sometimes had with the administration, it was still a learning experience certain to make us stronger. Never in my life would I really have imagined myself actually doing theatre (my casting internship) in NYC. I certainly thank my old departments, theatre and communications, and the professors there who gave me the knowledge that I have since taken with me. To all of WMC, I thank you, and to the students who are still there, don't take for granted the things you might miss if you don't look hard enough or participate in your major strongly enough.

Elizabeth A. Palmer '91  
New York, NY

## Feature Story

# Mission to Moscow

WMC's Pigskin Emissaries Pioneered All-American Game on Russian Turf



What some students did on their Spring Break made sports history this March when the Green Terrors became the first

U.S. college football team to play the Russians on their turf. An audience of about 4,000 in Moscow's Central Sports Club of the Red Army watched the Terrors turn the indoor stadium green on St. Patrick's Day with a score of 47-7. The Euro-Asian League All-Stars, large, fast and inexperienced, were upstaged by WMC's diplomats of football, many of whom had been handling the pigskin since they could toddle.

Accompanying the 47 players were 20 parents, coaches and team supporters, including head coach Dale Sprague; physical therapist Robert DuVall '76; Scott Deitch, WMC's sports information director; Dr. Samuel Matz, team orthopedist; Dave Ammenheuser, sports editor of the *Carrroll County Times*; Mike Hamm '91 and Scott Funk '86, assistant coaches; and the directors of International Sports Connection, the tour arrangers. The football ambassadors brought along free helmets and uniforms donated by U.S. companies, and gift packs of WMC pens, water bottles, notebooks, folders and stickers. The participants paid their own way at \$1,800 per person.

Though practice and preparation before the game and skill sessions with the Russians afterward were paramount, the entourage squeezed in some sight-seeing—to the Kremlin, Red Square, the Moscow Circus and Zagorsk, during its March 14-20 stay. They were housed in the well-appointed Ministry of Defense Hotel for Generals.

Highlights of the game were performances by running back Eric Frees '92—the all-time leading rusher in Maryland—who rushed for 130 yards and two touchdowns, and by running back Mark Vergalito '95 who rushed for 112 yards and scored a touchdown. Coach Dale Sprague, who led the Terrors to their historic victory, remarked at the game to the *Carrroll County Times* reporter, "For Western Maryland this was our Olympics." He later summed up the game: "They're getting an education in football, and we're getting an education in life."



An Euro-Asian All-Star works on blocking techniques with Kris Baker '95 (top). The Green Terrors pause on a Moscow practice field.

SCOTT DEITCH (BOTM)

*I could see they were balding and at least in their 30's or 40's*



Andy Steckel '92 found the trip a special way to end his football career.

C. KURT HEATER

*One of those being educated was wide receiver Andy Steckel '92. Following are excerpts from the diary he kept of the six days which shook his world.*

BY ANDY STECKEL '92

### *An Unexpected Bonus*

The opportunity to go to Russia and play football was something I never thought of when I came to Western Maryland as a freshman. This was a special way to end my football career at WMC. Meeting with the Russian players and practicing with them in the days before the game, I was struck by their differences from American football players.

Size-wise, they dwarfed us. Their linemen were all in their high 270s. They were a lot bigger than any team we were used to playing. An outsider watching us would have said we were outmatched because of the size factor, but the skills we have learned since we were youngsters overcame their size.

Another difference is they were a lot older than I thought they would be. They looked like the average college student, then they'd take off their helmets and I could see they were balding and at least in their 30's or even 40's. Several were missing teeth because of the poor conditions they're

subjected to. Others could put on a Western Maryland College uniform and pass for one of us easily.

A lot of them were former Olympians—sprinters, runners, and weight lifters. Now they're lobbying for football to become an Olympic sport in '96. If the Russians put the money into it, like they have their other Olympic sports, they'll definitely be a force to be reckoned with. The problem is that we work every day to learn to get better, but they're working to learn the basics. They easily could be competitive with Americans if football was their job and if they had a full-time coach to work with them. (Former Denver Broncos coach John Ralston had volunteered to instruct them for the game.)

Football is not so much a part of their lives as it is for us. Most of them were older and had families. Football is a sideline to their real careers, some of which are trading goods and operating on the black market. They don't take football seriously 'cause it's not their living. Maybe that's why so many of them smoke, which is very uncommon for American college athletes. At least 50 percent of them smoked immediately after practice.

### *Culmination of a Career*

After a pre-game meal of steak, rice and potatoes at our hotel, we left for the athletic complex. We were forced to warm up on a track where people were running and working out around us due to lack of room. After warming up we headed for the field, but the pre-game festivities were still going on, and the game was delayed (by an hour and a half). We, the captains, met at mid field for the coin toss and gift exchange. We received a Russian pennant commemorating the game, and we gave them a gift bag full of WMC souvenirs.

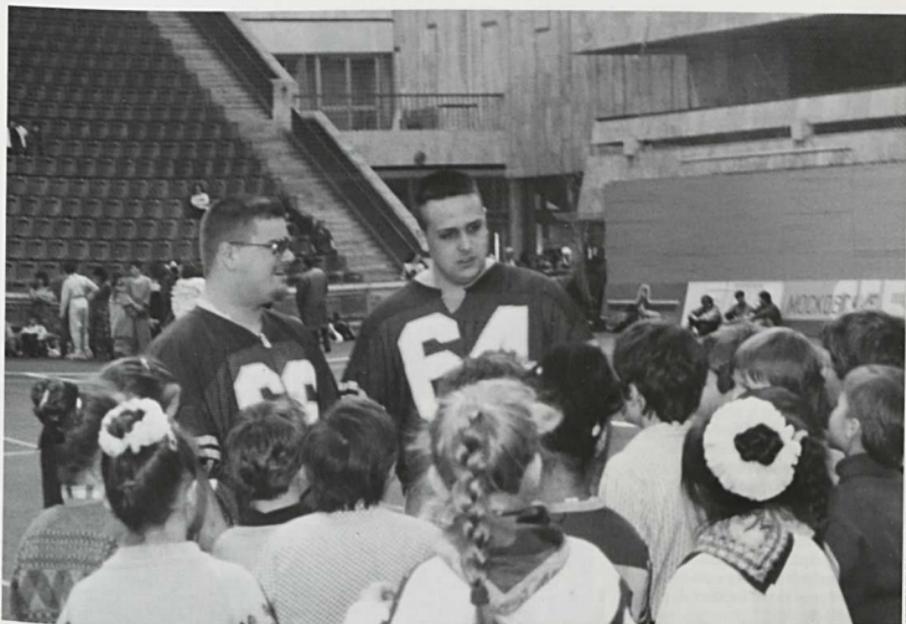


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Coach Dale Sprague (center photo) was honored by Igor Tatourian (right), president of the Euro-Asian League of American Football. Parents who accompanied their WMC sons whooped it up in the stands during the historic game.



SCOTT BUTCH (BOTTOM)

The Euro-Asian All-Stars are composed of three different teams and all wore white jerseys from these different teams—the Eagles, the Swans, and CCCP. Most had on the white helmets donated by sports companies that we brought over. But some had yellow or red helmets. They lacked proper athletic shoes. A couple of guys were wearing rubber-soled walking shoes. Some had on sneakers in poor condition for ankle and arch support.

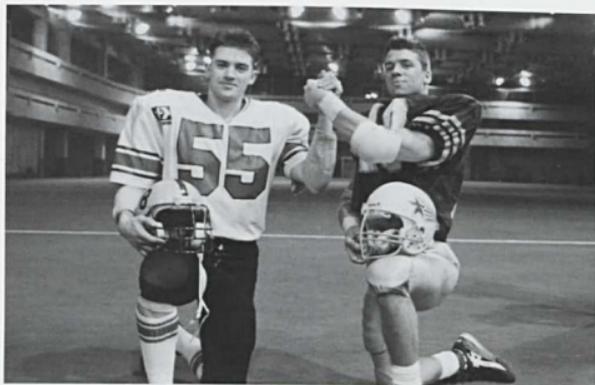
The crowd of about 4,000 was quiet and subdued, especially compared to an American crowd. Booing was their first response, when we were warming up and the ball got away from me. At an American game there's always some kind of commotion. But there was mostly silence from the crowd in Moscow.

We kicked off to them, and the returner bobbled the ball, picked it up, and was leveled by Keith Abel ('94). This big hit set the tone of the game. Their first offensive play from scrimmage was turned into a big loss of yardage when Adam Gregori ('95) sacked the quarterback. Our defense forced them to punt three plays later, and we took over on offense at about mid field after a short punt. A couple of plays later, tailback Eric Frees scored our first touchdown on a nice run. Throughout the game, their defense had trouble stopping our tailbacks Frees and Mark Veralito ('95), especially on misdirection plays.

The crowd eventually loosened up and began cheering for both squads, mainly for the Russian team, and especially on *any* gain of yardage. The Russian players

**The Moscow Swans, one of three teams which joined to play against the Terrors, mix with WMC's gridders (top). From left, Ron Kudlacik '95 and Rob Nightingale '95 enjoy meeting children who performed pre-game music.**

*The crowd roared and the players were ecstatic; it was a nice moment*



ASHLEY SCATTERGOOD '98

### Trading, Trading, Trading

The funniest experience I got out of the whole game was, afterwards in the locker room, a kid saw in my bag a sweaty Nike T-shirt. He took it out, and I tried to tell him that it was dirty, but he insisted and gave me a Russian doll for it. It was the easiest trade I made.

Trading went on the whole time we were there. When we arrived, we were greeted immediately by Russian teen-agers and younger kids, most wearing American apparel such as college and pro sports-team clothing. The smaller kids wanted gum and candy in exchange for small pins. The teen-agers wanted hats and clothing in exchange for Russian fur hats, military hats, jackets, etc. Nike, Champion, or any American brand were their favorites.

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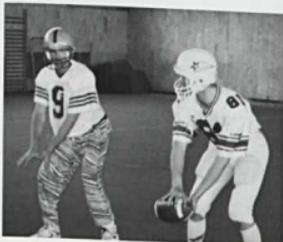
showed real enthusiasm when something went well for them. They were patting each other on the back and doing high fives. They tried their best on every play.

I played sparingly as we built a commanding lead. I had one catch which was the only completed pass of the evening. It was a diving catch, and the hard AstroTurf left burns on both my arms and my stomach, a small price to pay for the first catch on Russian soil.

One of the best moments of the game occurred on the Russians' last offensive drive, when they marched down the field, mainly on pass completions, and scored their only touchdown of the contest. The crowd roared, and their players were ecstatic. It was a nice moment, and I couldn't help but feel happy for them to be rewarded for their efforts. The final score was WMC 47, Euro-Asian All-Stars 7.



SCOTT DREICH



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Keith Abel '94 (top), greets Andrei (no. 55), a former Olympic bobsledder. Brett Kehler '95 relishes Red Square. Quarterback Paul McCord '94 instructs his Russian counterpart.



ASHLEY SCATTERGOOD '98



SCOTT DEITCH

military hat with fur earflaps. You can't come back from Russia without one. I traded a T-shirt for a T-shirt, and I paid \$10 for a watch which has on its face Yuri Gagarin, a cosmonaut and the first person to orbit the Earth. The traders understood enough English to name a price. We did our bartering in English. Out on the street they had set up long tables, with four people behind them doing the trading. Sometimes the ones doing the talking had to confer with others in order to approve the trade.

**Brian Stiff '95, (top) surrounded by traders, as photographed by Ashley Scattergood '93, a trainer and the only coed on the trip. Physical therapist Bob Duvall '76 treats Paul Picchierri '93's ankle.**



KENNETH K. LAM, COURTESY OF THE BALTIMORE SUN

**Bill Davidson '95 (from left), Brett Kehler '95, and Eric Frees '92, arrive back in the USA with Russian souvenirs.**

### *Football Opened Doors*

It was great to get a glimpse of Russian life firsthand. Everything I'd heard before was through textbooks and secondhand knowledge. Some of the stereotypes are correct—there were a lot of "typical Russians" with fur hats who looked like Russians from textbooks, but I also saw very Americanized Russians wearing American clothes. I saw a lot waiting in line, sometimes for fruit which we would class as being rotten here. They're a very proud people, and begging is their last resort.

Moscow is an old, old city with a lot of people who are fixed in tradition and not willing to change. That's why the overthrow of Gorbachev and rise of Yeltsin was supported by the young. I have a much better understanding of the Russian people now and the country itself. We must empathize with them as they adjust to a new situation much different from the traditional USSR. I'd like to go back in several years and see some of the changes.

I'm glad I got to go to Russia and not just be a sight-seer but to get to know people through football. Being a football player enabled me to facilitate communication. If I hadn't been, I would have been labeled as just a tourist and not gotten treated as an individual. It was a satisfying trip, and I was very fortunate to have the chance. ●

*Andy Steckel, of Eplorata, PA, will graduate this month with a BA in sociology with an emphasis in criminal justice. He hopes to find a job in the juvenile justice or court system. Andy holds three Western Maryland records, in receptions (110), receiving yards (2,248) and touchdown catches (24). He is a two-time Centennial Football Conference (CFC) All-Star and two-time CFC Academic All-Star.*

Faculty Essay

# Shadowed by Auschwitz

## *Conradians Confer and Confront Persistent Prejudices in Poland*



PETER HOWARD

BY RAY STEVENS '58

An international group of students of Joseph Conrad, born in the Polish Ukrainian town of Berdichev to Apollo and Ewa Korzeniowski in 1857, were talking into the early morning hours last September at the Castle Baranów Sandomierski in eastern Poland, not far from the Ukrainian border. It was a fascinating evening because we were a community of scholars attending Poland's First International Joseph Conrad Conference. Most of us were meeting each other for the first time, even though we had corresponded for two decades, had critiqued each others' works, and had celebrated together in our different cultures the life and works of Conrad.

We were there because Zdzislaw Najder, Poland's most distinguished Conrad scholar and dissident, had returned from exile, absolved of the sentence of death that the communist government of Jaruzelski had imposed upon him. Najder is now counsel to the Lech Walesa government, thanks in small part to Conradians around the world who had refused to participate in a conference in Poland until that fighter for intellectual and political freedom returned to his native land.

After the usual conversation at such meetings, a grandmotherly Ukrainian scholar, whose greatest worry in September was that she would return to Lvov to face empty shelves in wintry food shops, began to talk. She complained gently that the conference program, which had been prepared months earlier, had identified her as a citizen of the USSR, not Ukraine.

Then she addressed with great feeling the central unasked question in the West. How was it possible for a person of obvious intellectual gifts to spend decades discussing literature and ideas only from the point of view of the State?

"What could we do? Not to have taught literature from the Marxist-Leninist perspective would have sent my family or me to the *gulag*. The only way to keep Western ideas alive was to teach whatever we were allowed to teach. Not to have taught Western books as we were required would have meant that our students would have no exposure to Western literature at all." She concluded with a twinkle in her eyes: "But you know students."

A series of incidents at the conference, however, reminded some of us that seekers of academic freedom and international camaraderie need constant vigilance.

One day, while hiking in the Carpathian Mountains, I absent-mindedly began to whistle "The Happy Wanderer," a song that I had learned as a boy in North Carolina. An elderly nun who attended the conference let me know gently that one does not whistle a German hiking song in Poland.

A Croatian from the University of Zagreb who had left his home amidst the

hail of Serbian bullets in Yugoslavia to attend the conference returned to the explosion of mortar shells in Zagreb 10 days later. We heard that Polish tourists are beaten regularly at the Ukrainian border, and that passage into Poland from Ukraine is often delayed seven to 10 days.

But an even more invidious specter haunted us. Our journey through Poland led us to Auschwitz with two colleagues, Adam and Isabella Gillon, both of whom had fled from Poland in 1939 to escape persecution by the Nazis. Auschwitz is testimony to suspicions and hatreds and wounds of the past, but an incident confirmed that prejudices from the past scar the present.

We gathered only a few miles from a Jewish cemetery that Isabella wanted to visit, because her brother had been interred there in the '30s. When Isabella asked the desk clerk at the conference center directions to the cemetery, the clerk hesitated a moment, and then said in Polish: "You mean the dog cemetery." Anguish registered on Isabella's face, and tears seemed to hurt the eyes that had been spared the sight of watching her Jewish parents' execution by the Nazis only because she had fled from Poland a few hours before her parents' death.

When Adam and Isabella visited the cemetery, they could not find her brother's grave, because the cemetery had been desecrated, and the stone monuments broken up for use in nearby construction. Later, a conference observer from the United States said: "But the Jews brought it on themselves."

When I left Warsaw to return home, I wondered whether we should be more concerned about hatreds in Central and Eastern Europe than we should be about hatred in the United States, as represented by the incomprehensible comment of an American in the shadow of Auschwitz. ●

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# To Market

## Soviet DisUnion Promotes Artists' Chance for Commerce



Wasson (center) and Selezneva admire the enameling of Timofeev (left).

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

The whirlwind changes in the former Soviet Union have not left crafters of august art forms stuck in the centuries-old aura in which they used to practice their skills. Valeri Timofeev and Galina Selezneva, whose methods pre-date enameling's household name, Fabergé, are learning some new skills which have less to do with art and all to do with commerce. Their guide to the mysteries of new terms such as "marketing" and "wholesale" is Pamela Wasson '87, director of international development for the non-profit Foundation for Arts and Cultural Exchange (FACE).

In February the Rosen Agency, the Baltimore-based parent company of FACE, contributed free exhibition space and sponsorship for Timofeev and Selezneva to showcase their elegant enamel pieces to about 10,000 gallery and store owners. At the four-day Rosen-produced Buyers Market of American Crafts at the Philadelphia Civic Center 1,300 Americans exhibited their mid-to-high-end crafts to wholesale buyers. All craftspeople direct their own companies, "very different from the way works are sold in Russia," says Wasson.

"We want them to experience the American way of marketing," says the former WMC business major and art minor. "They don't understand the concept of wholesale.

In Russia they bargain. I try to explain to them wholesale versus retail, and it's a totally new concept. If they're at a market they don't have a price [marked on their wares]."

During dinner the night before she had tried to clarify for Timofeev, regarded as one of the top 60 enamel artists in the world, the practice of placing a set dollar amount on his artwork. "He says, 'This is your bottom price?' No, I said, 'This is your only price.'"

The Moscow residents, however, seemed to be getting the picture in Philadelphia. At their booth which they staffed with their friendly smiles and painstaking attempts to communicate in English, they had detailed price lists for their art. Timofeev's prices began at \$150 for a pair of enamel earrings, and rose to \$2,500 for a fine silver, filigree and gold-plated *plique-a-jour* enamel goblet—the latter price well above most artworks by American exhibitors. But then his work leans heavily toward the art and less toward the craft. Each object is one-of-a-kind and often takes weeks or more than a month to fashion.

Timofeev, whose work is featured in Russian museums and Polish, Czechoslovakian, French, British, Spanish, American and Israeli private collections, had spent six months before the Philadelphia show traveling to universities and art centers with Selezneva, teaching to American artists the techniques they have resurrected.

"After the revolution [in 1917] they closed this art," he explains. "They said, 'We must build communism not art.' I had to learn it all over again, because the old Russian technology had been lost." By studying museum pieces and musty books, Timofeev breathed life into the *plique-a-jour* technique, an enamel method in which metal is not used as a backing or foundation for the glasswork. "The glass is held in place by capillary action in the cells, then fired in a kiln," according to Marilyn Druin, a New Jersey enamelist who flew to Cincinnati to a Timofeev workshop sponsored by Thompson Enamels.

"He knows something that not many in the world know," says Druin. "He's been willing to show Americans what he's learned." Such exchanges of information between American and Russian artists is what Wasson's FACE is striving toward. FACE will continue to sponsor Russian artists' participation in Rosen shows and technique-sharing with Americans. "This is kind of a lost art. We're helping to revive that in a sense," Wasson says.

Selezneva, like Timofeev, is an artist who reverts the old ways. "I know very well the old traditional technology. It has taken me 16 years to learn," says the 32-year-old. "It is more interesting than modern art."

Like Timofeev's her work is displayed in many Russian museums, including the Kremlin, and has won many international prizes, in 1991, the top awards at the Enamelist Society Convention in Covington, KY and the Japan Enameling Artists Association's International Exhibition.

Her favorite piece, which took her a month to paint, is a classical miniature portrait. On one side of a painted enamel-on-copper locket is the dreamy face of Pushkin, the 19th-century Russian poet. On the other is his wife. She opens the locket to reveal two views of the pastoral Pushkin estate. In Philadelphia, Selezneva was asking \$2,100 for the locket which includes 14 karat gold and diamonds in its composition. A samovar in the *doisonné* style, metal sculpture to which she applies enamel, is another of her stunning works.

Of her association with FACE she says, "I am very happy with the invitation and the help. I learn now to help sell [her work] and know what is the American market." ●

# Ever Estonian

## Mastery of Native Tongue Translates Into 'Bush League' Job for Ets '74

*Turning and turning in the widening gyre  
The falcon cannot hear the falconer;  
Things fall apart; the center cannot hold;  
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world,  
The blood-dimmed tide is loosed, and everywhere  
The ceremony of innocence is drowned; . . .\**

On the opposite page, Ets assists in a discussion between George Bush and Estonian President Arnold Rüütel (left) as Brent Scowcroft and John Sununu look on.

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

**W** B. Yeats, writing above of the Russian Revolution of 1917, could have been depicting the Soviet dissolution of 1991.

While most citizens of the world watched with interest as the new year dawned and the Union set, Tiina Liiv Ets '74, whose heart is ever with her Baltic country of heritage, found the events particularly engrossing.

Ets, who makes her living through her finesse with her native language, in March '91 sat to the left of George Bush as the President, National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft and then Chief of Staff John Sununu listened to Estonian President Arnold Rüütel speak. Then the top politicians listened as Ets offered Bush's response, in Estonian. "I feel I have had, in a way, a little hand" in Estonia's recent independence, she says.

Besides interpreting for Bush twice and Secretary of State James Baker once, she has translated documents for the Baltic World Council, the Estonian American National Council and other organizations. These groups forwarded the pro-independence translations to U.S. and Estonian government agencies. She also has translated articles for newspapers and magazines concerning the independence of the smallest and northernmost of the three Baltic republics.

In recent months the State Department has called Ets in to test applicants for jobs as escorts or conference interpreters in Estonian. "It looks like they're trying to build up a whole team of Estonian-language interpreters—a very encouraging sign, as far as international politics goes."

Estonian independence, which finally came in September after years of percolation, was celebrated for months by the 500 members of the Baltimore-Washington Estonian community in which Ets, her husband, Agu, and children Taivo, 10; Marika, 8; and Hillevi, 5; are prominent. One of their independence parties afforded the celebrants four minutes of fame on a Washington TV station.

The living room in the Ets's ranch-style home in Laurel, MD is dominated by a painting over the mantle of swirling dancers in Estonian garb—a gift from Tiina's parents upon her Western Maryland graduation. With its folk-art paintings, plates, dolls, and wood carvings and Estonian flag, the dining room completes a striking pictorial of the life of first-generation Americans.

Tiina's parents met in a refugee camp in Germany after the Soviet Union claimed Estonia in 1940, then married in 1950 in New Jersey. They came to Baltimore in 1951, where her father, Voldemar, became a meat packer for Esskay, and her mother, Meeta, an office manager for the YWCA. Tiina, born in 1953, spoke only Estonian when she began school. "I don't remember anything unpleasant about it then," she says, "but I was teased later because my parents spoke 'funny.'"

Not so ironically, since Estonians are a small, close-knit nationality, the Liivs met the parents of Tiina's future husband in the German refugee camp where Agu was born. As a child, Tiina met Agu, now a computer specialist: "All Estonians on the East Coast know each other. I knew him but never was interested; he was seven years older than me." After graduating from WMC with a major in biology and German, the petite blonde became reacquainted with Agu through an Estonian

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—Tiina Liiv Ets



MARCO KALU

folk-dance group they both joined.

Agu, on the board of the Estonian American National Council, which kept the media and Congress informed of their interpretation of Soviet events without the official spin by the USSR's Tass news agency, shares his wife's allegiance to a country in which neither have dwelt.

"We have a dual loyalty," she says in her soft voice. "We're real hyphenated Estonian-Americans, a sandwich generation. We can fit in both societies, but are not 100 percent in either. Our parents never fit into American society, and our children are totally in the mainstream of American society."

To keep her children in touch with their ancestry, Ets takes them every Sunday to the Estonian School which she attended herself from age 4 on in the Estonian

House on Bel Air Road in Baltimore.

There she teaches 4th-grade reading and grammar and 12th-grade history of literature—all in Estonian, which resembles Finnish. She also visits Estonia as frequently as she can, lastly a year ago. During a trip in 1990, she brought her son.

"It was very meaningful for him. Now this place called Estonia is tangible, not just something that mommy talks about all the time."

Since the liberation of her parents' homeland she's torn between two countries.

"People ask me if I'd go to Estonia [to live]. It's caused a lot of soul-searching. I could see living and working there in the summer. But, for all practical purposes, my roots are here. A lot of younger people just out of college have gone over to help build

it up. I'm kind of jealous of that."

Another emotion she feels is regret, because her parents didn't live to see their land freed. Estonia had been a sovereign nation from 1918 until the Soviet Union swallowed it up in 1940. "My dad passed away just when Gorbachev came in and saw the very beginning of *perestroika*. Mom died two years later. They never would have dreamed that Estonian independence would come so soon.

"But it's good to know that both of them are vindicated now. My parents were labeled anti-commie emigres. They stuck by their guns and told it like it was. [Their stance] was unpopular for a while. Then it turned out that's really the way it's been [in Soviet-controlled nations]."

For most of the last 700 years, Estonia

has been under Russian rule, valued for its harbors and coastline along the Baltic Sea, Ets says. "There will be rough years ahead, but the Baltics in particular will fare well. The people have a good work ethic, a tradition of independence, and because Estonia is small, a good chance of rebuilding. They have more of a kinship with the West than the rest of the Soviet Union, and the raw materials and people [to succeed independently]."

As she spoke, Ets glanced down at a box



SHERI DRUGEL

of coffee, powdered pudding, and other staples she was sending to relatives. "A big gripe in the past has been that the Russians buy up bags and boxes of food [in Estonia] and send them to relatives in Russia. In the summer of '90 I stopped in a post office to make a phone call. There were very large Russian women there sewing up burlap sacks with big needles. They had stuffed bread and jars in the sacks. [Since the advent of independence] the Estonian government has passed laws so the Russians can't send this and this out."

The preponderance of Russians has long been a problem in Estonia. Of the 1.5 million residents, only 65 percent are of Estonian descent, while 25 percent are Russians brought in to dilute the native population.

Another legacy of the Stalinist system that the new nation is trying to abolish is the interdependence between itself and other former Soviet states. "Nothing could be done independently," Ets relates. "If a bakery in Estonia wanted to make a new kind of cake, it had to get approval in Moscow for the recipe. I can understand why people would want to break away from this ridiculous control that went into every aspect of their lives."

Her first-hand view of her kins' privations spurred Tiina, her husband and children to demonstrate at the Soviet Embassy and the White House. She also joined letter-writing campaigns for independence and spoke to church, school, and women's groups about Estonian culture and independence.

But it is her work as a freelance translator and interpreter which has brought her closest to effecting real change. Such a livelihood Ets never had imagined for herself.

### *'On TV Bush seems a wimpy sort of fellow, while in person he's dynamic'*

—Tiina Liiv Ets

"At Western Maryland I was a biology major because I liked science and figured it would be a practical major for a career, and I studied German because I liked language." For four years after her *cum laude* graduation she worked in an ophthalmic research lab, then decided she needed a master's degree to advance her career.

She soon discovered biochemistry was not for her and decided to study something she loved—language and linguistics. At Georgetown University "I met a fellow student who was a freelance translator and was bogged down. I started to help her and translated documents for several years." Then the Voice of America asked her to translate Estonian documents and to read news in Estonian, which she still does on Saturdays and holidays. She also does interviews and lead-ins for feature stories which are broadcast in Estonia.

Through her VOA contacts Tiina began getting letters and diaries, as well, to translate. "I did all written translations until the summer of '89. Then there was a folk festival on the Mall [in D.C.]. A group from the Soviet Union was performing, and they needed an escort/interpreter for a father-and-son musical group. I responded to a newspaper ad, and the rest is history."

Then, in October of '90, destiny called. Actually it was a state department official who'd been directed to Ets by VOA. "The day before [then] Estonian Prime Minister, Edgar Savisaar, arrived to meet with George Bush, the state department realized they didn't have an English-to-Estonian interpreter and that they could no longer conduct affairs in Russian, for that would be quite rude."

Ets declined the job, feeling she was ill-prepared for such a high assignment, since she didn't even have an interpreter's certifi-

cate. Desperate, the state department official urged her on, saying, "Don't worry. It's just a 10-minute photo op." Says Ets, "That was just, 'Anybody, please!'" She relented, and the 10-minute chat in the White House Oval Office, also attended by James Baker, turned into an hour.

Despite her nervousness, she forged ahead. "Once you're there, you just have to do it. I figured, after that, now I could handle anything. I'm just glad I had less than a 24-hour notice. I didn't sleep at all that night before."

Although she wasn't a great Bush fan before she became his Estonian voice, she found him "very impressive, very strong and fit. He radiates an energy which doesn't come across on TV. On TV he seems a wimpy sort of fellow, while in person he's very dynamic, very pleasant and friendly."

"Bush was very considerate—he spoke in brief sentences. He knew I was a novice, but I didn't know how considerate he was until I took my exam [for interpreter certification]." Her Russian examiner, who'd interpreted for the President too, said that when Bush realizes his expositor is a veteran, his words just fly.

Keeping up with a rapid flow of words is not her most demanding task as an explicator, however. "The hardest thing about interpreting and translating from Estonian is the economic and scientific terms that didn't exist when my parents left Estonia 50 years ago," Ets explains. "I keep a personal glossary. When I find new words I write them down. There are new words with Russian roots, Finnish, and even English roots."

Ets, who is translating into English a 250-page book by an Estonian historian to be issued by a Washington, D.C. publisher this spring, also writes her own articles for the *Baltimore Estonian Bulletin* and travelogues for the sole Estonian weekly newspaper in the United States, New York City's *Free Estonian Word*.

She savors the creative process of translating—"I like the writing and originality." But she finds interpreting most challenging. "It's demanding and exhausting. You have to let it take you over and concentrate intensely on what you're doing. When I'm into it, I concentrate so hard, and when I'm finished, I go, 'Ah!'" Fingering an imaginary keyboard with a dreamy look on her face, Tiina says, "It's like playing a piece of music; you're just so absorbed while you're doing it." ●

\*From "The Second Coming" by William Butler Yeats, © 1924

# Sixties Serenade

## Action, Reaction Defined The Times for Students



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BY LINDA SULLIVAN SCHULTE '68

### *Hey, look, what's that sound . . .*

In the early Sixties, Oliver Stone was just beginning his journey through the quagmire that was Vietnam.

Jane Fonda's idea, then, of exercise was defined not by an evaluation of body fat but rather by the boundaries of Hanoi.

Dr. Martin Luther King was wading through the rip tide of discrimination.

Joni Mitchell protested paving paradise.

Father Courtland Murray was rewriting the definition of Catholicism.

Paul Simon wrote ballads on seasonings and silence.

So many legends that seemed so very human. Characters and caricatures of a time—of our generation.

The country went from Cold War to one that inflamed almost everyone on all sides.

### *Oh what a time it was . . . it was*

We, the WMC classes of 1960 through 1969, were very much a nexus of that generation.

Oddly enough, the class of 1960 and that of 1969 seemed removed by more than simply a span of years—a difference less of time and more of values and perspective.

The national focus seemed to shift from specialty sciences, aerospace engineering and math majors to the importance of a liberal arts education.

In the early Sixties, sorority and fraternity pledging was sought after, indeed, lobbied for; and then later in the decade, rejected by many as bigoted and superficial.

ROTC dropped from a peak enrollment at the end of the Eisenhower years to virtual racing weight.

SOS came to mean less as a distress signal and more as a pledge of commitment and social consciousness, with the campus advent of Student Opportunities Service.

Cleanliness was not only *not* next to godliness, but godliness itself was questioned.

Colors were psychedelic. There was a campus coffee house.

Cigarettes and marijuana were the drugs of choice.

The mandatory pew of the early Sixties disappeared as the Sunday evening chapel service became more a matter of conviction and less one of Commencement.

### *I am woman, hear me roar . . .*

College campuses were always forums for sexual exploration but perhaps never as much as in the Sixties. And not all of the battle of the sexes took place in dorms, but in classrooms, in elections and in sports.

The role of women was debated in the streets as well as Dr. Earp's soc. class.

The distaff students in the classes of the early Sixties entered a college world which embraced dorm mothers, and where the definition of open housing meant an open house once-a-year-for-guests-some-of-whom-might-happen-to-be-male. Most of us female members of the boom grew from patent leather shoes and crinolines to slacks everywhere even ("For Heaven's Sake") in church.

### *The day the music died*

A President's son in knickers saluted a caisson (who would know then that he would grow to be voted the country's Best Looking Hunk *and* become a practicing D.A. in New York City?); and Yes, we *would* all remember where we were on that day. How is it possible to judge the politics of a generation when the Decade that formed it began with John Kennedy and ended with Richard Nixon?

The campus was a fertile field for Procrastination followed by despair. Despair followed by a desire.

Action followed by an action to learn more.

An attitude of, Don't let your classes get in the way of your education.

Rejections of things material. Existentialism defined.

The great unwashed became the great recognized—selected by *Time* magazine as the People of the Year.

### *Like a bridge over troubled water*

The awesome roster of first-string players—Sturdivant, Zepp, Whitfield, Makosky, Griswold, Palmer, Ensor, Tribby, Smith, Royer, Miller—scoring runs with lessons from others like Stringfellow, Frost, Albee, Shaw, Aristotle, Galbraith, Toynbee.

Our not-to-be-believed (often beleaguered) yes, beloved

line-up of designated hitters . . . designated to help all of us in our incredible life-trip, touch all the bases and go home. ●

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Cover Story

*After a Half-century's Absence,  
An Artist Returns to His Natal Land*

# Coming Home

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

A

t an age when American children cling to a comforting parent's hand as they approach the schoolhouse door for the first time, Wasyl Palijczuk had no hand to hold, no one to feed him, let alone lead him.

In his last memory of life in his native Ukraine he is a boy of 6, clad in a long, dirty shirt left behind after his father was captured by the Nazis. The professor of art paints a defining word portrait of his solitary life in that one-room house in a remote Carpathian Mountain village. "I opened the door and saw deep snow, so I wrapped rags around my feet and ran to someone who would feed me. I was almost like a cat."

The former beggar boy returned to his village in September, 49 years after the Nazis sent him to a displaced-persons' camp wearing hand-me-downs. Now he wore the corduroy sportcoat and pants and leather shoes of the middle class American which he had become. Instead of accepting hand-outs he passed out dollars to residents of a country on the brink of collapse.

A week after the Soviet Union's August coup, he handed his ticket—paid for by a WMC faculty-development grant—to an Air Ukraine agent and set forth on a six-week sabbatical leave/odyssey.

"I felt the emotions of excitement and trepidation. I did not know what to expect after 50 years," recalls Palijczuk, 58. Well aware of the current privations in Ukraine, he says, "I wondered how the way the people lived would affect me. I wondered who I would meet. I realized that this was not a trip of pleasure. It was a job, a sabbatical, but a very personal kind of job."

Happily for Palijczuk, his plane took him directly to the Ukrainian capital of Kiev instead of to Moscow, a recent change for visitors. Going to Moscow, he says, "would have been like putting a knife in you. It is the symbol of all the evils that have happened to us [Ukrainians] for three



In the photograph, "Good Morning Son," Palijczuk depicts a breakfast scene between a mother and her son, Wasył. The house, a substantial and modern one by Ukrainian standards, was built largely through contributions by Palijczuk's father-in-law in Baltimore. Still, it has no running water.



*‘What possessed me to  
make a torso when  
I had not seen a  
sculpture before?’*

—Wasył Palijczuk

centuries.”

The flight East he says, “was like painting a huge painting. As you come from the West to the East the light changes so quickly. You can’t catch the light.” Seated on the plane next to his friend, photojournalist Ihor Kostin, chronicler of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, Palijczuk says he felt “a mixture of the desire to be an artist and a man who is Ukrainian and American.”

In the 1,000 photographic images the sculptor and painter made to document his return home he achieved both—not compromising the integrity of the people he depicted yet still retaining a high artistry, as the photos on the next three pages attest. Many of the images, which he first exhibited in March at Western Maryland, are Polaroids which he ran through a processer that added brown tones to the full color. He then painted atop the photographic image, often creating an impressionistic or pontillistic effect to represent the real and the dreamlike images he has of his present and his past Ukrainian worlds.

Returning to the mud streets he once wandered, depending on the kindness of gypsies for a crust of bread, was an overpowering pull. “I wanted to come back, because the whole village, the fields, the river, the forest was my property. I was like an animal [roaming a territory unbounded].”

In that village which, like most parts of Ukraine still has no running water, he hoped to satisfy his quest for the origins of his life’s work. “How is it that a 5-year-old guy, out of boredom in the winter, takes charcoal out of the stove, smears all the windows and the walls [with drawings]?” Now we’re not talking a Leonardo da Vinci product,” he says with a laugh. “But what made me do it? Did the devil make me do it?”

“The next thing, spring comes, and there is mud. What possessed me to make a torso when I had never seen a sculpture before? Later, when I was in a home in Germany, I couldn’t go to school, because I wasn’t German. But the children who did came to me to decorate their letters with hearts and flowers.”

He didn’t find the key to what made him an artist but he did discover the genesis of a motif in his paintings. “I was always painting these strange trees. On a hill I discovered four ancient willows [identical to the



“Neighborhood Well” (top) illustrates the water source Palijczuk would be using today had he stayed in his home village. The same woman also is in the bottom image.

The older lady in “I Remember Her Mother” was Palijczuk’s only living link to his Ukrainian childhood. The woman’s mother is now deceased.



"Mushrooms." (top) a market scene by the Carpathian Mountains, shows a relative of Palizczuk's wife with wild mushrooms.

In Western Ukraine, another relative of his wife's seems to ask "Is It Enough?" as she examines the wheat supply for the winter.

WASIL PALIJCZUK (ALL)

ones he had long painted]. They were burnt-out inside but still living. That is the story of the Ukrainian people. They have a tenacity for survival. They survived the Tartars, the Polish, the Russians, the Germans."

Palizczuk, just a few weeks before Ukraine's December 1 vote for independence, witnessed what 70 years of numbing Soviet domination had done to his compatriots. "They have developed a patina, a surface color of depression. Generally, they look very sad."

They are beaten down, he says, by a system which forces them to daily wait as long as 2½ hours for a bus to take them home from work. He observed people spending their work time phoning around in search of food for supper or direly needed shoes. "You have to survive by your wits, not by working."

While struggling for survival they still try to maintain their pride. "In their clothes they try to be modern, but the most modern clothes come from Poland or Romania," he says with a shrug. "I lived with a young married couple, and the woman wore the same dress to work for a week."

Staying in the private homes of relatives of his wife Oksana and other members of the Baltimore Ukrainian community was a way for Palizczuk to reconnect with his country of origin. Often four people lived in apartments which measured 12-by-18 feet. All viewed the returned expatriate as a god of plenty.

"The first thing they asked is, 'How much do you make?' Translating into their standards I'm a millionaire." The average Ukrainian, at the time of his visit, made the equivalent of \$4 a month, according to Palizczuk. "I was almost ashamed to give someone a dollar. That's a week's work. But there's no way to compare. Some pay six rubles a month for an apartment, which is 15 cents to us."

In their homes, "people were extremely happy to have you," he says in understatement. "I paid them \$15 a day—a third of their yearly salary." As an American visitor, "I felt fortunate, almost ashamed and guilty. I was gonna go home naked, give them everything. But you can't save a whole country."

One of the trip's disappointments was

*'I couldn't find a relative. But I remember vividly where I came from.'*

—Wasył Palijczuk

Palijczuk's inability to locate a trace of his family. "I couldn't find the grave of my mother [who died when he was 6 months old]. I couldn't find a relative. But I remember very vividly where I came from.

"I found what used to be our home. The Russians had destroyed the house. Ours was the last home on a dirt road going to another village. The well where we got our water from was not even there anymore. But I met a woman whose mother knew my father. She now owns what was once our field."

One of his joys was watching the dismantling of the Soviet idols. "When I arrived in Kiev, Lenin's monument was still standing but had nasty writing on the bottom. The week before I left, Lenin was decapitated." While photographing the former dictator's image, his Russian camera began malfunctioning, so Palijczuk whipped out a sketchpad and continued documenting the deconstruction of this "major work of granite which would cost \$250,000 here."

The man who allowed him in the locked area to draw the statue, he discovered, "was the stonemason. Imagine how that guy must have felt. Here he was the guy making Lenin's statue. Now he is the guy tearing it down [because he knew how it was assembled]."

Palijczuk himself will soon tackle an ambitious statue. This spring he will begin carving an eight-ton granite boulder for the garden of the Hoover Library into a fountain sculpture featuring heads, faces and hands, he explains. "The students are here to fill their heads. The head is like a fountain, with water symbolizing education springing up with new ideas."

Hands also will be a dominant symbol in the exhibit of paintings he plans here for next spring based on his Ukrainian homecoming. "Hands to me are the greatest thing you have. You are totally useless



In "Air Ukraine, New York to Kiev" Palijczuk (right) converses with friend Ihor Kostin (see story on Page 21) as he flies to his ancestral home.

WASYŁ PALIJCZUK

without this." One painting he envisions is a self-portrait against a field of sunflowers or wheat.

"Either I will hold up my hand with three fingers showing against the sky or a sign with a trident." (A trident is the Ukrainian national symbol.) I want to say the age that I was there and how I felt while I was there, how I feel now finally that Ukraine is recognised as a nation. I see my show as art/illustration/political statement."

Just how did Palijczuk make that original journey from his homeland? After much uprooting he wound up in a German camp where a Quaker family met him and sponsored his emigration, in 1950, to a New York City children's home. Three months later, he was given a bus ticket to Baltimore where he found lodging in a Ukrainian woman's boarding house. During his teens he was briefly reunited in America with his father. "But he was sick and old and didn't live long."

In 1954 he graduated from Baltimore's City College High School, then joined the air force's intelligence arm as a technical illustrator, later earning bachelor's and master's degrees in art from the University of Maryland and an MFA from the Maryland

Art Institute's Rinehart School of Sculpture. Palijczuk came to WMC in 1967 and has built a significant career as a painter and sculptor. He and Oksana, a Baltimorean of Ukrainian descent, have twin daughters, Ksenia and Natalka, 15.

A U.S. citizen for 36 years, he says, "America is my adopted mother. But I was born in Ukraine. I don't know how to slough off my background and become something else." Nor does he desire to do so. ●

*Alumni will have the opportunity to view "Wasył in Ukraine, a Sabbatical Photo Show," during Alumni Weekend, May 29-31, in Enzor Lounge, Decker College Center. Hours are Friday 6-10 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m.-12 p.m.*



## *Chernobyl's Chronicler Confronts the World With Nuclear Truths*

Ihor Kostin is a persistent man. Though cordoned off from the core of Chernobyl's exploded Unit No. 4, he talked officials into letting him join the "cats" who, shrouded in protective suits, were clearing away the radioactive debris. As the twisted hulk belched deadly smoke they moved chunks of graphite while he shot film, much of which was damaged by radiation. Kostin's undying mission is to show the world the horrific results of nuclear mismanagement, beginning his documentation just hours after the April 26, 1986 explosion and continuing today.

His son, Nick, a scholarship student at Baltimore's Maryland Institute of Art, says that because Kostin is suffering from radiation poisoning he is advised to stay away from the perilous reactor site near Kiev, Ukraine. "But no one can convince him not to go." The photojournalist whose images of Chernobyl have appeared in the international media, including *Time* and *Life*, will make sure the incident in all its gruesomeness is remembered.

"To forget quickly means to repeat somewhere in the future not just a mistake but a crime. Chernobyl is a warning bell from the 21st century," he wrote in the program for an exhibition of his photos. As bad luck would have it, the Italian company which sponsored the exhibit absconded with his photos, says his son. But Kostin still has his negatives in Kiev.

One book was published by the former Soviets, but says Wasyl Palijczuk, "They put in it the most benign" images. Kostin's aim, which now has become the WMC art professor's project, is to publish in America a full, uncensored account of the aftermath of history's worst nuclear accident. According to Nick, his dad's images of horribly mutated animals born to parents who lived near Chernobyl and of workers with skin peeling from radiation burns are some of those he wants to make known. Says Palijczuk, "He wants to point out the suffering of the Ukrainian people and show the world the danger of nuclear power."

By donating 15 percent of the proceeds from his recent show of photos he took during his sabbatical in Ukraine, Palijczuk has begun a fund to publish the book. For information about the project, contact Wasyl Palijczuk at (410) 857-2596.

—SKD



Hours after the reactor explosion, the "cats" (top and inset) began clearing away the nuclear debris. Note radiation damage to Kostin's film reflected in the print above.

IHOR KOSTIN (TOP)

# Development

## NEWS

### Faculty Phoning Speaks Volumes

Away from the podium and in front of the phone is where nine professors found themselves one Thursday evening in February. Their enthusiastic calls to alumni raised \$11,570, a record for two hours of phone solicitation, according to Mark Stuart, director of the Annual Fund.

"In the history of our phone center program, they set the record for dollars pledged per hour," he added. "The professors lent an importance to the call, an air of significance and urgency to the message."

Those participating were: phanathon organizer Sue Singer (economics), Con Darcy (history), Joan Coley (education), Ron Tait (sociology), Sherri Hughes (psychology), Jim Lightner '59 (mathematics), Henry Reiff (special education), Evelyn Hering (music), and Dave Neikirk (library director).

The professors called alumni who had given in other years but hadn't yet made a pledge for this fiscal year, Stuart said. In many instances professors were matched with their own former students or with those who had majored in their area. "It was a time to reminisce as well as to seek support for the Annual Fund," Stuart said.

Reiff, who teaches mostly graduate students, was paired with alumni who hold WMC master's degrees. "Everybody I called was willing to donate, even several people who are unemployed. There was a very positive response about the college and their experience here. The alumni have a strong sense of loyalty to the institution. I think it speaks well for the institution that the faculty were willing to participate, and

clearly, the alumni are impressed by the commitment of the faculty.

"Part of successful fund-raising is involving as many members of the [college] community as possible," Reiff continued. "It's an opportunity for us to have more of an active role in doing what needs to be done. I think it's a very positive step that the development staff is enlisting faculty support."

This was not the first time Western Maryland had asked professors to make dollar-generating calls. Sue Singer recalls joining the last effort nine years ago. "That was my first year on campus, and I was naive enough to do whatever I was asked to do," she said with a laugh. "But I really enjoyed it."

During this winter's deliberations by the college's budget committee, of which Singer is a member, she said she met new Vice President of Institutional Advancement Richard Seaman. "I asked him why the college has

never held a faculty phanathon again. He said, 'I don't know, but I'll check into it.' The next thing I knew not only did he check into it, but I was heading it. I've learned now that if I say something I'd better be prepared to go all the way."

Singer's efforts in organizing the faculty phanathon weren't her only contributions to the success of the rejuvenated effort. "Because of Sue's calls [to alumni and parents who work for IBM] we have met the minimum requirement for the IBM Initiatives Challenge, which provides a \$5,000 matching grant in computer equipment for every \$1,000 contributed by IBM employees," said Stuart.

Once the \$5,000 minimum was reached "Big Blue" will give WMC \$25,000 worth of credits toward any IBM equipment the college needs. Faculty who will use the computers as part of their curriculum will have priority, Stuart explained.

Besides the clout inherent in faculty phone calls, there are

two other reasons the session was so successful, according to Stuart. The calls reinforced the message of a special letter which President Robert H. Chambers had sent a week earlier as an appeal for alumni and friends to remember the college during this uneasy economic climate.

Two weeks after the letter was mailed, already \$24,000 in gifts had been sent in. "They ranged from a second gift of \$10 to a reunion class gift of \$1,000 from a couple whose lifetime giving before that had been \$660. The rapid response speaks volumes for what people feel for the college," Stuart said.

Another enticement was that a donation of \$125 would ensure that a book plate inscribed with the donor's name would be placed in a library book in commemoration of the 125th anniversary of the founding of Western Maryland. "People raising their gift level from \$100 to \$125 is where some of our greatest growth is," Stuart said. "It's an incentive to increase their giving by 25 percent.

"As Dave Neikirk said during his calling, 'For a gift of \$125 this contribution by you will be remembered forever by the students of Western Maryland.'" As of late February, 675 people had pledged \$125 and requested a bookplate. These donors had pledged a total of \$98,690 as opposed to \$60,704 last year, representing an increase of 63 percent.

After seeing such a success rate for the first outing, Stuart and Singer were busy arranging more professorial phanathons for the spring. "I can't imagine anyone not wanting to participate in whatever it takes to generate not just dollars but general interest in the school," Singer concluded. ●



Phoning the night away were (front, from left) Henry Reiff and Dave Neikirk, plus (rear, from left) Sherri Hughes, Joan Coley, Sue Singer, Con Darcy, Evelyn Hering, Jim Lightner, and Ron Tait.

JIM FELDORF

# News

## From Alumni



SHERI DRESEL

### Graduates Pack Punch in Economics

The combined skills of two alumni have given new life to a five-year-old program based in Memorial Hall, the Western Maryland College Center for Economic Education. One of 10 centers around the state sponsored by the Council on Economic Education (CEEM) in Maryland, the WMC branch specializes in serving non-public schools.

Bruce Damasio MEd '79 was chosen to succeed Ethan Seidel, the professor of economics and business who nurtured the center from its inception. Assisting Damasio is Richard Bornemann '49. Damasio, who heads up the social studies department at Liberty High School, assisted Seidel in the past, as has Bornemann, who directs his own personnel firm, Human Resources Consultants. Both Bornemann and Damasio teach part time in WMC's Department of Economics and Business Administration and continuing education.

"We're going to take over what Ethan did and build upon it," Damasio said. "It's like a relay race—he's passed the baton, and we'll try to take it to the next level, get into the schools and community and also let WMC alumni know that we're here."

Damasio used another analogy to describe the center's mission. "If education is a smorgasbord, we're an enriching option. We'll help teachers benefit more during their class time, make them aware of options and strategies for success. To support the classroom teacher and program and to help them succeed is our purpose."

Bornemann and Damasio planned to enter local private schools, K-12, particularly those in the city of Baltimore, plus Montgomery, Howard, Anne Arundel, and Baltimore counties in the winter to market what the center has to offer. "We'll show teachers model lessons, assist them in developing curricula, and provide them guest speakers and materials," Damasio explained. "We're going to be assessing the schools

and their needs and let them know that we're alive and kicking and ready to help."

The center's leaders also intend to sponsor programs for teachers on the Western Maryland campus. To start, "We plan to show them how to use an interactive game in which students can be involved. We want teachers to see there are other options than the traditional simulations, other activities that they can use. That's what we're about." The cost for attending workshops, Damasio said, "is an investment of time."

The Western Maryland College Center for Economic Education receives funding from CEEM, while Western Maryland provides office supplies, office equipment, a telephone and office space in 8 Memorial Hall. Another alumnus, State Delegate Pete Callas '49, "helped us get a grant for office equipment," Bornemann said.

Western Maryland, said Damasio, is a "good place for the center to be. It's a central location, and a lot of people who are alumni of the college can be resources." ●

### Notice

The date for the memorial service of Edie Ridington, listed in the *May Hill*, was changed by the service organizers after the magazine was mailed to its readership. Any inconvenience caused by this change is regretted.

### A Gentleman Passes On

Frank Benjamin Hurt, professor of political science emeritus, died on February 16 at his home in Ferrum, VA at age 92. He held a BA from Washington and Lee University, an MA in economics from the University of Virginia and an MA in history from Princeton University. Additional studies were done at the Johns Hopkins University and Harvard before joining WMC in 1930 as assistant professor of political science. Promoted to associate professor and head of the department in 1947, Professor Hurt taught until his retirement in 1965. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; sister, Mary H. Whitehead; niece and nephew-in-law, the Rev. and Mrs. Kenn Shirley.

"Pappy" Hurt, as he was affectionately called by his students, not only devoted a lifetime to teaching but for three decades coached tennis. He amassed an impressive record of 248 wins, 157 losses, and three ties, earning him membership in the Century Club, a national organization for college coaches winning more than 100 games. His teams also won several championships for WMC. The college in 1981 inducted him into the WMC Sports Hall of Fame and renamed the tennis courts in his honor. In May 1991, he was named an Honorary Alumnus.

However, when one mentions "Pappy" to an alumnus, it is not his degrees or his tennis record which come to mind, but a culmination of experiences and impressions made by a real gentleman. Remember the greeting—right hand up in almost a saluting position: "Ooh, ooh, say, say, say Mr. Harchenhorn.

## ALUMNI WEEKEND, May 29, 30, 31

### Friday, May 29

College Store and Library open—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### 9 a.m.

Registration—Decker College Center, Middle Level.

### 10 a.m.

Clarence H. Bennett Golf Tournament—WMC Golf Course. Shotgun start. Open to all alumni.

### 11:30 a.m.

"Grand and Glorious 50th Reunion Luncheon," President Robert H. Chambers, host, The President's House. Honored guests: The Golden Anniversary Class of 1942.

### 1 p.m.

Tour of Hoover Library. Special tour of the newly expanded Hoover Library for the Class of 1942.

### 3 p.m.

"Bibi Hole" Reception—for all golfers at the College Golf House. Tournament prizes will be awarded.

### 5 p.m.

Disland Jubilee—in the Quad. Entertainment by the Students of Dixie. Picnic Super. Advance reservation needed. Cash bar. Rain Location: Englar Memorial Dining Hall, Decker College Center, lower level.

### 8 p.m.

"Yesterday and Today"—A time to reminisce. Entertainment by Decker College Center, upper level.

### History of WMC—slide show.

Current campus activities—video presentation. Remarks from the College Administration: Dr. Ethan A. Scidel, faculty assistant to the president and professor, economics and business administration.

### 9:30 p.m.

"Nightcap" refreshments—Ensor Lounge.

### Saturday, May 30

The College Store will be open—9 a.m.—12 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.

### 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Registration—Middle level, Decker College Center.

### 9:30 a.m.

Alumni Tennis Tournament—Frank B. Hurd Tennis Courts. Prizes will be awarded at the courts.

### 10 to 11 a.m.

"Alumni College" Entertaining and informative presentations by WMC faculty and administrators. In Memorial Hall.

### 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Self-directed tours of the newly expanded Hoover Library.

### 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Morning Coffee Hour—We welcome you back to "the Hill" Enzor Lounge and adjacent Terrace, Decker College Center, upper level. All alumni are invited.

### 11:30 a.m.

Reunion luncheons for 1942, '47, '52 and '57.

Dear Western Maryland Fearless and Bold Honor Classes' luncheon for 1922, '27, '32, '37, and all other classes who have celebrated their 50th in previous years. Dining Porch, Decker Center, lower level.

### 12 p.m.

Master's Degree Reunion luncheon, President's Dining Room. Speaker: Dr. Helen B. Wolfe, Dean of Graduate Studies.

### 5:30 p.m.

Social Hour—Enzor Lounge and Terrace.

### 6:30 p.m.

Annual Alumni Banquet, Englar Memorial Dining Hall, Decker College Center, lower level. Advance reservations needed. Remarks: President Robert H. Chambers. Meritorious Service Awards will be presented.

Guests of honor: Class of 1942; 1991 Alumni of the Year, Homer C. Earl '50; 1991 Outstanding Young Alumnus, Robin Adams Brenton '86. Newly elected members of the Board of Governors.

### 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

"Puttin' on the Ritz"—The Forum, Decker Center, lower level. Dave Littlefield '62 invites you to dance to the BIG BAND sounds of Sultans of Swing. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar.

### Sunday, May 31

### 9:15 a.m.

Remembrance Ceremony—in the bell from Old Main on the College Green between Hoover Library and Memorial Hall.

### 10:15 a.m.

Morning Chapel Service—"Little" Baker Chapel.

Arranged by the Class of 1942. Sermon: Rev. Edward R. Thomas '42.

### 11:30 a.m.

Farewell Luncheon—Dining Porch, Decker College Center, lower level.

Advance reservations needed.

## In Memoriam

**Mr. John Desmond Kopp '22**, of Onancock, VA, on January 15.

**Mrs. Marguerite McCann Shugart '23**, of Upper Marlboro, MD, in January.

**Mrs. Gertrude Hunter Dalton '25**, of Greensboro, NC, on December 1.

**Mrs. Florence Mae Loudon '25**, of Connelville, PA, on November 16.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Deffenbaugh Bare '26**, of Westminster, MD, on January 15.

**Mr. Maxwell E. Burdette '26**, of Damascus, MD, on July 2.

**Lt. Col. Owen R. Dooley '27**, of Tucson, AZ, on January 28.

**Mrs. Louise Hughlett Johnson '27**, of Cambridge, MD, on February 9.

**Miss A. Hortense Pettit '27**, of Nelsonia, VA, on January 20.

**Mrs. Josephine Warren '28**, of Snow Hill, MD, on October 4.

**Mrs. E. Katherine Gilbert Kaetzell '29**, of Boonshoro, MD, on October 22.

**Mrs. Selma Pickett McMahan '30**, of Bel Air, MD, on January 25.

**Mrs. Evelyn Ryan Primeau '32**, of Phoenix, AZ, on July 22.

**Mr. Floyd N. Doughty '33**, of Cape May Court House, NJ, on December 23.

**Mr. C. Lease Bussard '34**, of Frederick, MD, on December 1.

**Mrs. Marjorie Day Davis '34**, of Knoxville, TN, on November 1.

**Miss Louise M. Dillon '35**, of Accident, MD, on January 31.

**Mr. Oscar L. Moritz '38**, of Baltimore, MD, on February 8.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Matthews '44**, of Hampstead, MD, on December 29.

**Mrs. Lois B. Davison MEd'60**, of Towson, MD, on August 31.

**Mr. Gary F. Kullick '66**, of Murrysville, PA, on January 25.

**Mr. Frank B. Hurt**, honorary alumnus and professor of political science emeritus, of Ferris, VA, on February 16.

**Dr. L. Earl Griswold**, professor of sociology emeritus, of Westminster, MD, on April 9.

## Marriages

**Ann Bavender '75** to Glenn Pleishek, in June 1990. They reside in Herndon, VA.

**Cynthia Mann '85** to Charles Fisher, Heights, TX. They reside in Harker

**Ola Monastyrskij '85** to Francisco Colon, in October. They reside in New York, NY.

**Val Wiedner '85** to Jeff Rickert '85, in December. They reside in Elliott City, MD.

**Janelle Crosby '87** to Tom Longhta, on October 25. They reside in Chicago, IL.

**Jim Weber '89** to Debra Kayne '90, on November 9. They reside in White Marsh, MD.

**Lisa Diefenbaugh '90** to Kevin Maher, on December 8, 1990. They reside in Hanover, PA.

**Karen Baldrige '90** to Dan Moskowitz '89, on July 22. They reside in Baltimore, MD.

**Bob McCarthy '90** to Mary Baschoff

'91, in October. They reside in Germantown, MD.

**Mark Mulle '90** to Elizabeth Edgerton, on November 23. They reside in Cherry Hill, NJ.

**Brooke "Sandy" Nice '90** to Melissa Hammond, on June 15. They reside in Baltimore, MD.

**Karen Snyder '90** to Jason Plummer '90, in September. They reside in Frederick, MD.

**Kevin Swain '90** to Becky Britton '90, on June 16, 1990. They reside in Winston-Salem, NC.

**Erica Velleggia '90** to Stanley "Danny" Hudson '91, on December 7. They reside in Brooklandville, MD.

**Regina Woolen '90** to Michael McDonald '86, on May 25, 1991. They reside in Owings Mills, MD.

## Births

**Kevin Brown**, on May 29, 1991, to Jerome '72 and Laurinda Brown.

**Jeffrey Javie**, in January 1990, to Vivienne and Lynn Hulse '74, MEd'75 Javie.

**Joel Isaac Blackman-Mathis**, on December 9, to Matt Mathis and Susan Blackman '76.

**Blake Alexander Angelos**, on October 20, to George '77 and Kimberly Angelos.

**Molly Blauvelt**, on May 31, 1991, to Peter '77 and Gail Blauvelt.

**Alexandra Elizabeth Moody**, on August 12, to Jack and Susan Coleman '77

Moody.

**Erin Collocatt-O'Meally**, on June 21,

How is my fine young colleague today?" Remember the wry smile, the red face and the little jokes: "Be careful walking among the flora and fauna back campus. The flowers are in bloom and are shooting off their pistils."

A master of the pun, one can remember the professor during class sessions in what many students referred to as his uniform—blue shirt and red tie. Some even tried wearing the same in the hope it would help their grades.

Just a few summers ago at an alumni tennis tournament, the professor and I were playing set on an extremely hot day when Mary Ann motioned for me to come over to the fence. She indicated that he had been out on the court too long. I suggested to him that it was very hot and perhaps we should quit. "Say, say, say. Mr. Mowbray, aren't you feeling well?" We finished the match.

I recently was talking to Lanny Harchenhorn '66 about "Pappy" Hurt, and he said, "I could tell you stories for hours." Most of us could! Students and colleagues alike remember this man with numerous stories, sometimes embellished, but always with respect and warmth. Professor Hurt said himself that he at times left the classroom wondering what had been accomplished but that he had tried to make a contribution along the way. "It's as Henry Adams said, 'A teacher is someone of whom it may be said his influence never comes to an end.'" Well, professor, you were a teacher!

A memorial service in celebration of his life was to be held in Little Baker Chapel at 2 p.m. on May 2. ●

Wray Mowbray '58

to Timothy O'Meally and Mary Jean Colclough '77.

**James Alexander Hancock**, on March 3, 1991, to Scott '77 and Ellen Hancock.

**Kelsey Leigh Pillets**, on July 13, to Stephen and Karen Zawacki '77 Pillets.

**Lindsay Osborn**, on September 13, to Keith '77 and Dana Osborn.

**Sofia Bacon**, on February 3, 1991, to Richard '78 and Linda Bacon.

**Jackson Rider Colver**, on November 19, to Brandon '78 and Martha Colver.

**Matthew Thomas Chapman**, on February 9, to Carl and Patricia Blades '79 Chapman.

**Stephanie Jeanne Butzer**, on February 3, to Randy '82 and Wendy Lucas '85 Butzer.

**Cerise Andrea Kleb**, on January 16, to George '82 and Christina Volpe '85 Kleb.

**Zachary Isaac Rosenfeld**, on November 7, to Jay Rosenfeld and Lisa Segal '82.

**Amanda Michelle Tarlton**, on September 10, to Bill and Coralea Simmons '82, ME#86 Tarlton.

**Kevin Adam Uggowitzner**, on February 27, to Peter and Robin Döllinger '82 Uggowitzner.

**Scott Andrew Wingate**, on August 23, to Gary '82 and Cathryn Spivey '85 Wingate.

**Caitlin Covey Youngk**, on October 22, to Richard and Andrea Stasioff '82 Youngk.

**Kelsey Megan Feurer**, on October 8, to Nicholas '83 and Karen Feurer.

**Sarah Nicole Miller**, on September 1, to Shanne and Elizabeth Smith '83 Miller.

**Loren Ann Heaps**, on October 14, 1990, to Robert '84 and Carole Sanders '83 Heaps.

**Christopher Patrick Luce**, on December 9, to Patrick '84 and Donna Todd '83 Luce.

**Sophie Elizabeth Lydic Diven**, on October 25, to Anita Lydic '84 and Thomas Diven Jr.

**Janison Maine McNulty**, on June 13, to Kevin and Kara Haugh '85 McNulty.

**John Francis McNulty**, on February 10, 1991, to Sean and Angela Veltre '85 McNulty.

**Emily Grace Ripley**, on September 11, to Ed '85 and Elizabeth Hedges '85 Ripley.

**Erin Colleen Smith**, on July 30, to Mark and Robin Grey '85 Smith.

**Anna Bryson and Ella Marie Heck**, on December 3, to Randall '82 and Cynthia Swezey '83 Heck.

**Corey Alexander Heck**, on May 18, 1991, to Andrew '86 and Laura Ahalt '87 Heck.

**Justin Tyler Larson**, on December 17, to Shawn '86 and Miriam Pipes '90 Larson.

**Courtnay Ann Younger**, on October 28, to Cole '86 and Catherine Howley '87 Younger.

**Matthew Davis Johnson**, on April 16, 1991, to Steven '87 and Maria Johnson.

**Ryan Parker Salvo**, on July 8, to Dru '87 and Traci Parker '88 Salvo.

**Zachary Brandon Sine**, on January 6, to Ronald '87 and Lisa Sine.

**Nicholas Steven Gruber**, on January 17, to Richard '88 and Stacey Pucci '87 Gruber.

**Elizabeth Meta Swezey**, on August 27, to Dave '89 and Cathy Swezey.

## Master's News

**Harry Foge Med '79**, of Westminster, was appointed supervisor of special education for Carroll County schools.

**Gail Thieret Med '85**, a health and physical education teacher at Spring Grove (PA) Intermediate School, was presented recently an award from the National Water Safety Congress (NWSC) for her dedication to water safety.

In 1988, Gail wrote a boating curriculum and grant during a graduate course at WMC. Also in 1988, she competed for a

Pennsylvania Fish Commission grant, and the School District was awarded \$2,563 to purchase personal flotation devices (life jackets) and other water-safety equipment. Gail has volunteered for the last three summers as a boating and water safety instructor at Camp Cadet, the Pennsylvania State Police Camp for youth, helping more than 400 youngsters earn safe boating certificates. The Spring Grove program has certified more than 1,300 youngsters.

In May '90, Gail received the Pennsylvania Fish Commission's Boating Education Award in appreciation for professional excellence and commitment to boating and water-safety education. In 1991, she was honored by NWSC for her work in water safety. This was the only award given to a public school program.

## Class Notes

**30** Although "slowing down" was a recurring refrain running through the replies, reports indicate that our classmates are still involved in various activities. Sixty percent of the class responded.

Our president, **Harry O. Smith**, was honored by the Community Foundation of Frederick County for his lifelong connection with the county from early school years through his 44-year career as teacher and administrator in the schools, along with his leadership in many community organizations.

**Marianne Engle Browning** is another lifelong Frederick cousin who has served numerous organizations. She is now historian for the Farm Bureau, the Homemakers' Club, and the Providence United Methodist Church of Kempstown, MD. Marianne considers helping to research, write and publish a history of the last 150 years of the Kempstown Church and "Memories of Kempstown" to be among her most meaningful achievements. Preserving records of her family is an ongoing project.

**Latimer Watkins** likes caring for his house, yard, and garden, listening to music and reading. He goes to Frederick for concerts by the U.S. Army, Navy, and Air Force bands.

Westminster's **Mike Eaton** finds plenty to keep him on the go. Visits to London and New York are filled with concentrated travel time. Mike very much enjoyed Sherri Kimmel Diegel's profile of Esther Smith in the November *Fill*. Many have commented about how much they look forward to reading Sherri's excellent articles. Mike relayed greetings to all from **Charlie Havens**.

**Tom and Ruth Schlincke '28 Braun** enjoy their retirement home in Seminole, FL. Their son, **Thomas H. Braun '57**, and his wife spent Christmas with them.

The Brauns have three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Tom sends best wishes and hopes to see many classmates at our 65th reunion in 1995!

With eight children, 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, **Hayes Brown** must be busy keeping track of birthdays.

**George Hitchcock** and his wife have celebrated their 60th anniversary. Their older grandson finished his senior year of college in London, where he met and married a young woman from New Zealand. A 2nd grandson at West Virginia University is in environmental studies in that "wild and wonderful" area.

Less wild but no less wonderful to **Asenath Ray Landis** is the Blue Ridge area of Roanoke, VA where she lives in a Methodist home. She served many years with her late husband, the **Rev. Theodore Landis '33**, in Methodist churches in Virginia. A photograph from May 1930 shows Asenath as the demurely pretty shepherdess Phoebe in our outdoor performance of *Shakespeare's A Twelfth Night*.

In this same photo **Elizabeth "Libby" Clough Kain** looks impish as Audrey, a "country wench." **Elizabeth and Albert Reed** had great fun hanging love poems of Orlando (**Mike Eaton**) on trees.

Libby visited her daughter's New Jersey home via the Florida panhandle, Alabama, Georgia, and Virginia. A day was spent at **Mac Mills '28 Lambertson's** home in Seaford, DE. **Frances Raughley Roberts** joined them for a spirited talk-fest.

Frances and her sister, **Ann Raughley Ewing**, live in Rehoboth Beach, DE, and check in touch daily. Frances regularly checks up on shut-ins through telephone calls. She remains in our special thoughts since the death in February 1991 of her husband, the **Rev. W. Arnett Roberts**, who always joined Frances at 1930 reunions.

**Albert "Bucky" Reed** and his wife

have spent the last 15 of their 51 married years in Naples, FL. They have three sons scattered around the nation and six grand-children, one of whom is a teacher.

Throughout most of 1991 **Shakespeare** was very much on the mind of **Virginia Merrill Meitzner** as the co-chaired a flower show with the theme, "Show Time With Shakespeare." Design classes were based on quotations or titles from works of the Bard. Costumes from a dinner theatre, plus books, pictures, and sketches by the other co-chairperson lent an Elizabethan ambience to the floral displays. Two special events for the Meitzners were the wedding of their grandson in Illinois and that of a granddaughter in a colonial Lutheran church in Spinnertown, PA. This bridal party included three of the Meitzners' granddaughters, one the 4-year-old flower girl.

**Frances Ward Ayton** thinks that she must be living her life backwards because these "old-age years" seem more interesting than her younger ones. In March 1991 Frances attended a concert at Boston University—a program of music composed entirely by son William who teaches at Roger Williams College. Her three other children also are teachers. The wedding of a granddaughter was the big event in June. Two other granddaughters are in college.

**Margaret Leonard Leach** and Frances cherish memories of their four years as roommates.

**Amanda Bell and Watson Phillips** find much to care for in home and garden. For 30 years Amanda has been the "young" leader of a senior church group.

**Ruth Gleichenmeyer Keiter** is happy to be settled at her new address, 1 Baltimore St., in her native Cumberland, MD 21502.

**Arvelene Hitchens** enjoying being an English teacher in her home town, Laurel, DE. Friends, books, and music make her life pleasant.

In November **Otis and Evelyn Bradley '29** celebrated their 60th anniversary with family, including four great-grandchildren. They spend summers at their cottage in Ocean City, MD.

After two surgeries and coronary arrest, the **Rev. Francis A. Belote** is recuperating at his daughter's home, 628 Lane Ave., Norwalk, IA 50211. The three youngest of his 11 grandchildren help to entertain him. "Gus" would appreciate hearing from classmates.

**Gloria Thornburgh Evans** puts the story line in a nutshell—BUSY! Having been a math major at WMC, Gloria is well qualified as treasurer of five organizations in her church. Of her 17 grandchildren, five are in college, two studying for master's degrees. Gloria has five great-grandchildren.

**Virginia Scrivener Meade** rejoices that good health allows her and Roland to enjoy several groups that travel together and attend entertainments. Golf and bridge fill many pleasant hours, as do family affairs that now include six great-grandchildren.

It was difficult to find **Edna Nord-**

wall Bowman at home, but now this great-grandmother of three does less traveling and more reading. Her daughter rearranged her books into categories and named one "Mother's Oward and Upward Books." Please lend us some of these, "Nurdy"! ED follows the progress of two grandsons who are in college.

**William Hobbs Jr.** has had several books published on financial investment, including *Flag of Profit: A Do-It-Yourself Manual*. Four lovely great-grandchildren add another facet to his life. Bill wrote a typical account of trouble with a car that refused to start.

**Calvin Warner** stays busy with church work, volunteer activities, and reading. **My Webber "Sunny" Broughton**, **Engle** is glad that she lives in State College, PA where family and friends keep her outlook positive. She spends part of each summer at Cape Cod and Nantucket. Like "Sunny," **Col. William Petton** and wife Polly also savor living in State College, PA. Bill enjoys returning to WMC for sports banquets, class reunions, etc.

**Nila Wallace Yohn** prides her retirement home in Tempe, AZ. Last year Nila's health brought her restrictions, but she keeps cheerful through associations with friends and by thinking about all those wonderful trips she enjoyed.

**Grace Armstrong Sherwood** and her younger son live quietly in the historical town of Gillingham, Dorset, England. They frequently visit with the families of her London-based son and daughter. It was an event when son Stephen, his wife, and six children visited for five days. The boys set up sleeping tents in the garden. A missionary friend who had been with Grace in China came for a weeklong visit. Friends visit from London and the United States. A week spent at a Christian conference in Devon was pleasant.

We keep in memory those 1930 members whom we have lost through death since the time of our September 1990 column: October 25, 1990—**Carroll Brueth**, who was at most of our reunions. November 1, 1990—**John Warren**, who enjoyed working with the Nature Conservancy in Worcester County, MD. November 11, 1990—

**Ruth Sartorius Armstrong**, who was active in church affairs and traveled extensively with her family. January 9, 1991—

**Mary Moore Kibler**, who was active in community cultural organizations and had traveled worldwide with her husband. January 28, 1991—

**Elizabeth Mitchell Goale**, whose husband had been with her since she loved Western Maryland College and her career as a teacher of mathematics and a coach of high school athletics. January 25—**Selena Dickert McMahon**. In August, Selena's devoted husband, who always accompanied her to 1930 reunions, died suddenly of a massive heart attack.

Mrs. **Erich F. Metzner** (Virginia Merrill) 124 N. Lynnwood Ave. Glenside, PA 19038

35 Many thanks to those who returned cards to me in December, a busy month for me. Bob and I enjoyed a winter vacation in Sarasota, FL.

**Dottie Berry Tevis**, our president, keeps busy with family, clubs, short trips to the ocean and took a trip to Aruba. **Harry Marple** admits to being 85, but is in good health. He's proud of his grandchildren—the oldest a junior at Hamilton College (New York), 2 at

Salisbury State U., no. 3 at Wyoming Preparatory Seminary, no. 4 and no. 5 still at home. The Murphys live near **Al Sadusky '34** and wife and see them often.

**Frank and Grayson Brandenburg '37** Clarke had a three-week tour—China, Hong Kong, Thailand, Nepal, and India, before returning to London. Frank still enjoys his hobby of Kentucky rifle building. His mother will be 101 in March.

**Margaret Withrup Long** and John enjoy their grandchildren—Gregory, 16; Chris, 15; and Margot, 14; (exceptional basketball players and students) John, 21; a musician, and Billy, 17, a football star. Their disabled son John, 51, and Stephen, 41, are achieving, largely due to the mentoring and care of their sister, Susan, and husband.

**PEG Downing Duvall** and Archie (who is not well) have 16 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. There are 28 (not counting spouses)—a large family tree!

**Dan Moore** and Nora celebrated their 50th anniversary with their five children and grandchildren in Carmel, CA, on November 22. Nora's garden and Dan's golf keep them active. He anticipates our 60th reunion.

**Jeanne Weber Gogers**'s husband died in September. She keeps busy with credit union work and bridge, and visits with her sister in Florida and her son in Boston.

**Charlie Carlisle** and wife have become great-grandparents for the 2nd time. They spend the winter in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, and the summer in Tennessee and North Carolina at their lake cottage.

**Joe Lipsky** has had health problems this year, but is happy to be back "in the pink."

**Andy Gorski** and Sylvia celebrated their 50th when their son and wife celebrated their 25th. Rick retired from the army after 25 years. Sons Tom and David are doing well in their careers. Andy plays golf, and he and Sylvia swim and folk dance once a week.

**Thelma Chel McNamee** has been retired eight years and lives with her sisters. She says she's chauffeur and chief cook. At their Christmas family gathering of 51 persons, her sister, 89, was the senior and a great-meez, 2, was the youngest.

**Donnis Yingling** and wife, of Palm Coast, FL, had a cruise on the *Norway* over Christmas. They plan a trip to Alabama, and travel to Arizona and Michigan.

**Dorothy Thomson** is on a very rigid diet and is learning new "gluten free" recipes. She still enjoys her hobbies and home activities.

**Lucille Bork Jones** enjoys bridge, reading and grandchildren. They find they can no longer take long trips.

**Emily Dashiell Leckey** and husband enjoy weekend trips, friends, clubs and church. See **PEG Snowden Nelson** occasionally.

**Beatrice Cutsail Brandenburg** spends winters in Largo, FL, and summers on the Chesapeake Bay. Their youngest granddaughter graduated from Salisbury State U. in May '91.

**Catherine Rose DeMuth** and husband, of Naples, FL, still travel extensively. They spent three weeks in Spain last fall. Her favorite place was Granada. They even went to the Catskills!

**Charlie Moore** continues to be registerer of wills for Caroline County. The Moores have four grandsons, the oldest a sophomore at the University of Virginia. They had a boat trip to Alaska last summer, and marveled at the sights on Glacier Bay.

**Louise Orem Hart** seems happy in a

life-care apartment in Peoria, AZ. She returns to Maryland every year, participates in Eldershood trips and, with friends, enjoyed a fall trip to Asheville, NC, and a Bermuda trip.

**Emma Brown Edward**'s physical problems have made travel dubious. She's proud of twin grandsons who were selected to attend the Presidential Classroom for a week.

**Carlton Brinsfield** spends most of his time with house upkeep and visiting family within a 400-mile radius. My close friend, **Reba Snader**, is having health problems. She had two hospital trips and a back operation. She suffers with arthritis and osteoporosis, which is getting some relief from home therapy. Keep your chin up, Reba!

**Mildred Sullivan Child** stays involved with church work, Meals on Wheels, and Phi Delta Theta. She's a proud grandmother of three—two grandsons are employed at DisneyWorld. They had attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Penn State.

**Ruth Jenkins Smith** and I see each other frequently at our Retired Teachers' chorus practices—she sings and I accompany. Our group entertained at the Maryland Retired Teachers Convention in Ocean City in September. Along with accompanying at church and nursing home programs, I especially enjoy my book club, Lutheran Women, and daily pinocle games with my husband.

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40 Another milestone has been reached by many of our classmates—the 50th wedding anniversary. The ones who will let me know are **Norma "Nicky" Nicodemus** and **Lester "B" Knepp '41**, **Lalia Scott** and **Ray Riley**, **Grace Giller** and **Ed McCullough**, **Ethel Barnes** and **Shockey**, **Ledia Meda'63**, **Bill and Bill Reeves**, **Lidia Broad** and **Gerry Hill**, and **Myrtle Hood** and **J. Congratulants** to all of us and to the ones I've missed.

**Charles Horan** and Sylvia are blessed with good charity. He and another "old fellow" enjoy caring for the building and grounds at the local Washington Grove, MD Women's Club and the town's arboretum. Daughter **Meredith Meda'80** is fleet captain at West River Sailing Club. In March 1991, he had a mild stroke now. He has had a column in the *Mount Airy News* for five years. He quit his part-time job in a hobby store in Westminster, Md. and Mary Jane visited Florida in November.

It was wonderful to hear from **Madlyn Cline Burtis** in Willow Grove, PA. For 22 years she has been director of food services at her Presbyterian church where they serve about 1,000 meals per month. **Pats** died in 1983. They had 42 years together. Their three children are scattered, and there are six grandchildren who provide her much happiness.

**In '91 Carleton "Stumpy" Gooden** was in New Mexico. He climbed six 12,000 foot mountains then a couple of Guadalupe Peak's 8,749 feet. Texas' high spot. He also did the Carlsbad Caverns. That trip got him over the 3,000-mile mark for his year. His activity this year will depend upon how well his knees hold up.

**Jan Cairnes Blickman** is well and busy with civic activities. She was to go

to Maryland (from California) for Thanksgiving.

Part-time teaching at Mount St. Mary's keeps **Henry Ackley** busy. His son, daughter and four grandchildren are great company, all living close to him in Gettysburg, PA.

**John Carnochan** still hobbies around as a result of ankle surgery in '88. He and **Emily Linton '42** visitors. His son, **Michael Crawford '43** Lowery in Seattle. Kids to son John who was editor of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*. Son David, also a film editor, has moved to Boston. Rob is in graduate school at the University of Colorado. John and Emily have joined a Frederick Visual Arts Center project.

Last October Bill and Lorraine **Beatty** visited Australia on an International Churchill Society tour (their 4th). They traveled 27,000 miles in three weeks. They visited Alice Springs, Darwin, Cairnes, Great Barrier Reef, Sydney, and Canberra—where they visited Parliament and attended a reception at the U.S. Embassy and had dinner at the Commonwealth Club—and finally Mount St. Mary's. They found an anchor at their last stop, **Dan and Mrs. 62**, from Baltimore, a pilot for a domestic airline. On their own they went to Tasmania—a very rough boat trip—they met a pen pal who showed them the interesting and beautiful island. Bill is back on duty as class agent for the Annual Fund.

In late November Walt and **Marguerite "Peg" Kuhns Scott** had an utterly delightful three-week Caribbean cruise. Walt was ill for over a year; but was able to fully enjoy the cruise. He said Walt had died of heart failure soon after returning home. Their daughter, Sandra, who also lives in Ellenville, NY, had a baby in December.

**Bill Shockley**, our cabinet maker, has made six delimiters. People are clamoring to buy them, but they belong to children and grandchildren list. He and Mill are reasonably healthy. They had a good auto trip to the Midwest, including Tomahawk, WI, where they used to live. During their return to Williamsburg, VA, they looked for a retirement community in the North.

**Sara Galbraith**'s only problem with living at Air Force Village is it has too many old people, he says. He and **Mary Frances Hawkins '43** have two visited Portland, OR, to see granddaughters and their parents. They are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Bomb Group in Tacoma. There were many old people there too. They have made two trips to Lynchburg to visit Mary's family. She has taken up golf but says she doesn't do too well because he never wanted to know what to do on a golf course in the day time.

**Oliver Roder Green**'s husband, Will, had a remarkable recovery after a hip and knee replacement. They visited St. Michaels, MD to discover what happened to **Corinne Adams LeCompte** (deceased) but had no success.

**Bill and Grace Scull Rand**, on a Colorado tour in July, were having lunch at Grand Lake when they should count, along with **Scott and Adelaide Brooks!** They had just come from Estes Park. The Rand's daughter and husband, in the State Department, do not know Algeria this summer.

**Ray Roderick** has retired as chaplain at Rieder's Nursing Home near Middle-town, MD after 12 years. This is his last retirement, the 6th, and he is now living a more restful life.

**Harry and Eleanor Wheeler Stalcup** have closed their motel in Port Republic, VA. They enjoy the seven-bedroom house on the property. Their granddaughter is a senior at the University of Richmond, grandson a sophomore at the University

of Virginia. That big house is handy for them and their friends. Eleanor is still on the town council.

**Sheila Helm Retzer** is still in Sarasota, FL. She enjoyed her Caribbean cruise in January with friends. She sees and hears regularly talks with **Grace "G.B." Smith Dougherty**.

**Charles MED'63 and Ethel Barnes Berry** enjoyed touring the Erie Canal, up and down for 37 locks, all the way to Canada. Ethel had successful eye surgery last year. They joined the Ekedahl program at St. Simons Island, GA in December to study the barrier islands and the U.S. Constitution.

**Les Stokes** had major surgery in May 1990 followed by radiation therapy. He's feeling very optimistic about his condition and is busy with Meals-on-Wheels, Recordings for the Blind and volunteer church work. They have a new grandchild (7th grandchild). In February, Les and Mary traveled to Sun City, AZ.

Last summer **Harry Hoffacker Spalding** and his daughter had a 10-day bus trip in Ireland. They then went to London for six days and stayed in the theater district, did a lot of walking and saw four plays. They had a one-day trip to Dover. Mary is regent of the Hanover Chapter of Daughters of American Colonists and is Pennsylvania state historian for the next three years. Mary also enjoyed three weeks at the beach last year.

**Frank Shipley** and Doty have four grandchildren. Last fall Doty had her 2nd stroke. We hope her recovery is as good as after the other, nine years ago.

**Connie McKinley Pfisterer** feels that Florida is great in the winter but Cambridge, MD is still "home." They are going to sell the low-income homes they have been managing because her husband's health is very poor, and it is too much work for Connie to manage.

The search and rescue team with which **Beulah Griffin Curtis** works in the Sierras had two lost back lads the winter of '91. Two lost snowbirds were not found till after the thaw in March. In July she was invited to the Japanese National Chamber Music Workshop. She is a marvelous time and loved the people.

**Dotie Brown** Womble has acquired two kittens—a wounded black stray and a deaf white one. They have bonded so well and are so happy that they are destroying her house. Dotie was in Westminster in June for the 55th anniversary of our high school graduation. By now she probably has visited Antarctica (her last continent to visit). In March she was to tour the Canary Islands, Spain and North Africa.

**Sally Blessing Claggett** went in '91 to the Southeast for bird watching and to Panama, California, and Alaska. In the summer they sail in Maine for six weeks on their *Island Packet*. Bob retired from University of Rhode Island as dean but still teaches several classes. Sally finds time for her garden club.

**Homar and Laurie Breeden Elserod** had a trying '91. In January Homar had a colon cancer tumor and his gall bladder removed. Neither chemotherapy nor radiation was necessary, and July examinations showed a clean slate. In October he had hernia surgery. All is well now. A super-dry winter kept Homar busy watering his azaleas just to keep as many as possible alive. They joined us when the Washington alumni chapter had its summer boat trip from Annapolis to St. Michaels. They were in Portland, OR for a meeting of the Board of Trustees for Pension Systems and their annual fall fling with the Maryland Seniors Group Association at Sea Trail, NC. In January they had a two-week trip to Hawaii. Homar still chairs the State Board for Community Colleges.

**Ed and Grace Gillner McLaughlin** are retired in New Jersey.

**George Myers** and Annette are thankful for reasonably good health. In July they had a great tour of the Canadian Rockies east of and north of Newfoundland. They were disappointed in not seeing the promised herds of caribou and moose, but there were plenty of icebergs.

**Kittie Cochran Newcomb** still is busy with the history of the 1876 "little red school house" in Port Tobacco, MD being restored by the Charles County retired teachers. The Charles County Garden Club will have a tour in May, with the monies realized going to the school. Kittie has researched and written the histories of the nine houses on two churches on the tour. The injuries she incurred after being hit by a truck in 1988 seem to be all cured. She always attends the alumni dinners in Southern Maryland and is happy to see the increase in the number of young alumni attending.

**Wyn Coberly Goben** still is a Literacy League volunteer the winter in Florida. Besides seeing the women blossom as they read more, she can work on the problems of child abuse. Last year she had a camping trip through the Northwest. Her favorites were Idaho and the Snake River, lovely Seattle and the Olympic Peninsula, the Lewis and Clark Fort, the Oregon coast, Mt. Shasta, the state forests near Sacramento, CA and Donner Pass. She was distressed by the devastation of our national forests and had fun putting up her 10-ft-by-10-ft tent every night. In June at Lake Umbagog she did some genealogical research. She found her dad's family in New Jersey in 1690 and her mother's in Virginia in 1722. Next, she has to find out how they got there.

**Price Eric** spent part of the winter of '91 in a condo in Naples, FL. He had a cruise on the *Baltic Princess* then a trip to London.

**Bob and Betty Brown '41 Stropp** still enjoy their travels from Clearwater, FL. We saw them at Betty's 50th reunion. They were looking for some WMC snow birds to visit in '91.

**Bo Lak and "Nicky" Nicodemus Knepp** enjoyed Bo's 50th class reunion last May. They visited their two sons and families in Ohio in October. They spent several days in Gatlinburg, TN with Canadian friends. At the height of the fall foliage they visited their oldest son and family in Vermont. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their whole family in December, then had a 10-day Caribbean cruise in January as their gift. Nicky is a docent at the Augusta County Historical Museum.

**Edie Armstrong** had a very successful cancer surgery last May. She was soon back to her golf game. She and Jack still enjoy life in South Carolina.

**"Tish" Bogan Gwynn** will soon move into Ginger Cove, a lovely retirement community near Annapolis, MD. Last fall she came to our Washington alumni chapter brunch in Alexandria.

Last summer **Eleanor Perry Reif** went to Bethany Beach, DE several times with a church group. She also had a trip to Louisville, KY which evoked pleasant memories of when she worked at Fort Knox. In October they enjoyed Niagara Falls and the foliage of New England. Time flies—her oldest grandchild is in college, and her youngest is a teen-ager.

**Dick and Marelle Mehring** added two new grandchildren last year, making a total of five. Dick is a member of the MD which suits the grandparen's fine. As usual they spent January to March in Punta Gorda, FL. WMC snowbirds are welcome.

**Lydia Bradburn Reeves** says they have only a few "aging problems." She

volunteers in a nursing home in Frostburg, MD, is active in American Assoc. of University Women and church. She and Gerry are still into antiquities.

**Helen Nellman Pancake** and Loral are retired, living in Tom's River, NJ, and are healthy and happy.

Last year **Web and I visited Jack and Edie Armacost Ernest** for several days of fun. In July Web had double by-pass surgery. He was recovering well 'til he got pneumonia three weeks later. We discovered a taken longer to snap back at his age, but he is doing OK. In October we had a trip to Cape Cod for a Marine Corps reunion. Happily, our whole family was on board to help celebrate our 50th anniversary in December. In February we took a two-week trip around Florida looking for warmth, visiting friends and playing golf.

**Maudie Smith**, who retired from teaching about 20 years ago, died August 21. She lived in Hagerstown, MD. Our sincere sympathy goes to her cousin and only relative.

Thank you so much for your response to my cards. You are pretty wonderful. I did miss news from a few old faithfuls.

**Doris Mathias Hood** 6428 Eastleigh Court Springfield, VA 22152

45 Thanks to 19 of our classmates, we have a new worthy column. During Christmas week I sent out 45 request cards. Perhaps the holidays found many of those recipients too busy to answer.

**Dennis and Margaret Fredrich Bizzard**, of Lutherville, MD, still are active retirees. Dennis is preparing a 2nd book, targeted for '93 publication. He volunteers at the University of Baltimore's Special Collections Library archiving manuscripts and records of that city's institutional and social history. Margaret seeks unique pieces to add to her burgeoning miniature book collection. She is a volunteer chairperson for several organizations supportive of educationally disadvantaged youth. A vacation in Canada and Mackinac, MI and time with two grandsons in Chadds Ford, PA and two others at Chevy Chase, MD claim the Bizzards' travel time.

**G. Wells Drumwright** plans to enjoy home, family, hobbies, and travel after more than 44 years of dentistry in Silver Spring, MD. His last major jaunt will be a Western Caribbean cruise in March. The Drumwrights' oldest grandson has applied for admission to WMC for this fall.

**The Carroll Doggetts**, of Myersville, MD, continue to travel—last year to Alaska and Ireland. Carroll has been interim pastor for two clergywomen on maternity leave. The Doggetts also find time for their hobbies, hand quilting a king-size quilt, building an entertainment center, and tending a flock of laying hens.

A resident of Florida for many years, **Ruth Hausmann Thomas** has discovered there's much to see in her spread-out state. The Thomases returned to Maryland for her 50th high-school reunion and visited in California.

In Elizabethtown, PA, **Dorothy-Mae Taylor Stephens** is very busy volunteering. When she isn't involved in eldership duties for her church, she is driving patients to Lancaster for medical treatment for their hobbies, hand quilting a king-size quilt, building an entertainment center, and tending a flock of laying hens. She also divides her time between counted cross-stitches and her two grandchildren, Kevin, 17, and Kelly, 14.

**The Friedels**, of Irvine, CA,—  
"Ridge" '43 and **Thelma Young**—are

so active that Thelma wrote a two-page letter. Both still sing in their church choir. Ridge is chairman of the board of trustees, and Thelma served on committees and is the wedding coordinator (for local hotels, too). Thelma's greatest commitment is to the local community theatre at the University of California, Irvine. She also is the founder of a support group for the theatre, where she feels she is truly needed as a volunteer. The Friedels celebrated Christmas at home with all their children: Dennis from Texas, and their four daughters from various parts of California. The four grandchildren ranging from ages 21 to 4, completed the "package deal" for a wonderful time (the last in four years). Thelma said, "I hope to hear from a lot of our classmates—enjoy the column!"

**William Burgess**, who spent his first two years with us, graduated from Lehigh U. in '48. After working for other people for 35 years, Bill finds great reward in operating his own business—a small manufacturing firm in his Wilmington, DE home. The Burgesses live in North Carolina, Massachusetts, California, and North Carolina to visit family. They have two sons in Delaware, too. Their 1st grandchild (a boy) was born in June and will perpetuate the family name since Bill's other grandchildren are offspring of his classmates.

**Luciene Ransburg Pfefferkorn** watches over her aging father, Bill and Luciene's youngest son, Rob, and family moved from "down the street" in Annapolis to California, where he will study for his master's at UC.

**Mary Spalding Pfefferkorn** will be surprised when she reads this column, for I saved her letter dated May 7, 1991, too late for the August column. She keeps quite busy chauffeuring "older" senior citizens to centers and sharing their days. She sometimes attends WMC alumni chapter meetings.

Unfortunately, because of my busy schedule and Elderhostel trips, I could not attend the reunion hosted by **Leucia Venale**. The following is an account written by **Grace Lodge Thiele**.

"On an October weekend **Leucia Venale** entertained five grads from '45. **Suzy Maddox Suborsky, Grace Lodge Thiele, "Six" Kuhn McKinley, Millie Soper Link** and **Owre Stewart Ward** enjoyed the camaraderie at the beach house which **Grace Dryden** and **Sidney Venale** lent us. After 45 years we recognized each other immediately. We decided personalities don't change much, and we enjoyed much laughter about the college years that bonded us. Time has been kind, and—as a group we have each grown or swelled and chie. In addition to delicious dinners at the Pepper Mill, we searched out the site of the old Hastings Hotel in Ocean City, where many of us had early working experience—it's now a parking lot. We also visited **Suzy Maddox Suborsky's** condo at 120th Street in Ocean City. Millie has been named a senior master bridge player and recently visited Cancun and Colorado, where she saw her son. Hope is into bird watching and nature conservatory. Leucia has traveled extensively, recently, the explosive situation in Russia, generally, and the World Series, and, books, books, books! It was a special weekend!"

In Clifton, VA, **Dr. Earl Morey** has completed his 2nd book. The Moreys bought a home in Pinchurst, NC. One



are frightened at first, because I might be the first foreigner they have ever seen. There are two million people in this city, and there are maybe 20 foreigners.

"But after a minute or two the children smile and reach out to their hands. They are just dear. The elementary school children, because there's only one child allowed in a family [to enforce population control], are dressed so cute and are so expressive and animated. Their parents say they are very naughty and spoiled, and they probably are, but they're precious."

While the friendliness of the children is buoying, mingling with the adults is not so easy. "We're treated in a hands-off way," says Brown. "We're living in this guest house separated from the Chinese community.

There are bars on all of our windows and an eight-foot wall with spikes on top and a gate that's locked every night at 10."

By inviting adults to her home for meals and by attending their dance classes and other social activities, Brown hopes to interact more with the Chinese. "My mission is not to come and

change the Chinese. My mission is to be here and let them get to know personally a Western person who does not want to exploit them and wants to know about their culture."

Brown has long been interested in exploring non-Western cultures. From ages 10 to 12 she lived in Tokyo. "My dad was an agricultural consultant right after the war [World War II], and I spent many hours with him visiting with farmers, walking the land." She also has lived in Egypt and South America. When she returns in 1993 to her home base, Austin, TX, she plans to train people in cultural awareness to increase the understanding of diversity and the need for cross-cultural harmony.

While fostering harmony, Brown keeps writing:

#### *Scriptured Land*

*Natural land, long since spent, rare untouched grass, uncut tree,*

*Pacing, blending, deftly rearranged, the surface stretched,*

*Scriptured land, smoothed and patted, fanciful expression of Earth's mother-life, devotion and sacrifice.*



Donna Brown enjoys most the company of these youngsters.

Jonathan flying refueling tankers. During Desert Storm he served in Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Diego Garcia.

**Elizabeth Shepherd Collinson** retired in June after 31 years with the Anne Arundel County Public School System. She is kept busy by her grandchildren, her mother, 92, and crocheting.

**Phillip and Jean Wantz '56 Loyce** also have retired from teaching. Phil is busy with home refurbishing projects. Son Kevin is a junior at University of Maryland Dental School. Granddaughter Amy was 2 in January. Her mother is **Michelle Lawyer Gribben '87**.

**Nancy Sadofsky Stange's** husband, **Gilbert '53**, retired in July. They still live in Baltimore City but hope to move to the country. Gil has moved his Oriole memorabilia from his office and created a place for it in his home. Their son, who was married in November, teaches history and coaches at Towson High.

**Marilyn Goldring Rigerterink** wrote

that Walt retired in July after 29 years with IBM. She still substitute teaches and works with Weight Watchers. They've taken two trips to Hawaii during the last year to see son Andrew and his family. Son Dan lives near Washington, D.C., and daughter Nancy in Portland, OR. Marilyn and Walt plan to move to Tillamook, OR this summer. Marilyn wonders how many WMC alumni live in the Northwest.

**Rev. Dr. Alan Hagengrub** and Elaine have moved to Panama City Beach, FL. Alan loves the Florida weather, especially from September-May and wants to teach at a nearby college or serve as pastor of a Presbyterian or Methodist church. He's been in touch with **Rev. Harold Johnson '53**, a Methodist pastor in Stuart, FL.

**Ken and Marianne Renshaw Hynd** moved to Florida six years ago but not to retire. She says south Florida's east coast is anything but a retirement community.

She keeps busy with charity work through the Stewardship Alumni Assoc. and the Women's Republican Club.

**Barbara Goss Miller** and husband Ty moved from San Francisco to Paduca, KY. Ty is a senior consultant for Martin Marietta. Barbara has found a couple of groups with which to sing. Daughter Gretchen works for Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. Son Ty is a PhD candidate at Stanford and has a Fulbright Scholarship to Vienna, Austria, where he is researching and teaching. Youngest son Tom is a 1st lieutenant in the army in Germany.

**Mara Justice Smith** now has her own part-time network marketing business and is admission/marketing coordinator for a nursing facility. She was in Westminster on business in December and took a quick look at the campus. She thinks it looks great.

**Harold "Peter" Posey** visited his daughter and granddaughter in Wichita, KS over Christmas. He's enrolled in a post-graduate program focusing on neo-Freudian therapists, especially object-relations therapy as a bridge between psychoanalytic and general systems theory and therapy. He hopes to finish this spring and plan a new career in full-time pastoral psychology when he retires from the church ministry in 1995.

**Ray Davis**, still in San Antonio, plans to visit the East Coast this summer to look at colleges with daughter Jennifer who will graduate in 1993.

**Bob Leather**, of Poughkeepsie, NY, said nothing was new.

**Rev. Merle Fox** is preparing his master's of sacred theology thesis for printing. It's *An Annotated Bibliography of the Works of Rev. Henry Harbaugh*. Rev. Harbaugh was well known in the Reformed Church of Washington, D.C.

**Bert Springstead** and his wife are avid hikers. They've spent several vacations in Vermont and hope to hike Mt. Washington in New Hampshire next year. They have four grandchildren, two of each sex. One of their sons lives in Arkansas. The other and their daughter live in Pennsylvania.

**John '56 and Suzanne Dorsey Batista** have added two grandsons. They were in Rhode Island in September and visited Hawaii in April.

Last year's highlights from **Pattie Hamersy Church** include the safe arrival of three grandchildren, fishing trips to northern New York, a New Hampshire vacation, son John returning to Georgetown, U. for his MBA, and a lovely vacation to Ocean Creek Lake in Maryland.

**Martha Ann "Marsie" Kohout Nelson**, of Easton, MD, says her oldest son presented her with a granddaughter in May '91, her youngest son has returned to college, and her younger daughter received an MA in English and creative writing from Virginia Commonwealth University. Marsie's father, **Walter Kohout '31**, died in February '91, missing his 60th reunion by a few months.

**Mary Lou Arnie Kelly** is still a paralegal, and Ed '54 coaches swimming. Their children are scattered—a son, married with two boys, in Atlanta; a married daughter and a son in Miami; a son in Winston-Salem, NC, doing his 2nd year residency; and a daughter in New Orleans. Last year Mary Lou and Ed visited **Arnie Needleman Mann '54** in Miami. Mary Lou invites all to visit in New Orleans.

My best friend's family is exciting in several directions. Daughter Genevieve recently gave a senior recital in piano at the University of Wisconsin. Nathalie is very involved in her high-school class. In addition to teaching, Duval is involved in science and education in Indiana. This year he is president-elect of the Indiana Academy of Science.

**Anne-Marie Summers Egan** and John still teach at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, IN. John is district governor in Rensselaer and president of the Indiana School Board Assoc. They celebrated Christmas with all but one of their seven children and all 11 of their grandchildren. Their 7th child is in his 4th year in Africa and spent the holiday having knee surgery in Switzerland.

**Mary Waver Swadell** sent her Christmas letter from Henderson, NV. She is doing genealogy research and has collected data on more than 1,200 family names. She has collected these into several "books" and passed copies to each family. Her project for 1992 is to complete her mother's book. She recently inherited the last old Warner family Bible which she had not seen in 40 years. Husband Bob is deeply involved with projects in Henderson, including a new police station to be followed by a new jail and court facilities. He is also a commissioner examining the proposed free-trade agreement with Mexico.

**Barry Murphy** has lived in Woodstock, VA with wife Linda and daughter Erin for two years. Linda teaches 7th grade; Erin is a high-school freshman. Barry practices law, but says the slower pace of Woodstock is conducive to a longer life. He was elected president of the Shenandoah County Bar Assoc. in November.

I had a Christmas card from Jack and Gloria Strickland Dooley, of Atlanta.

**Craig and Mary Lee Younger Schmal** reported nothing new. Lee shared some of her Christmas letters with me. Some highlights follow.

**Gloria Bunting Blades** has had her art exhibited in an established gallery in Washington, D.C.

**Joan Walter Winkelman** is a secretary at Reston Hospital in Virginia. Son Bill was married in April '91. Don and his wife have a 1st-grader. Joan's claim to fame for 1991 was meeting Willard Scott when he appeared at the Reston Farmers Market to broadcast a segment for the *Today* show.

**Henry and Nancy Tait** are home alone in Charleston, IL, for the last time since 1962.

**David and Doreen McNeil Naish**, of Cornwall, England, celebrated their 71st anniversary and her birthday in London exploring and fishing. They see David's family as often as possible, and Doreen took time off from her busy schedule—working with the elderly in Plymouth—to make a quick return to the States to celebrate Thanksgiving in North Carolina with two of her children and their families and then went to Michigan to see daughter Lynn and family.

The *Carroll County* Sun printed an article about **Gertrude Banker Roberts**. She has been instrumental in the board of directors of the Carroll County Department of Social Services with a plaque for 32 years of service. In a career where there is a lot of turnover Gertrude has learned to "cope" and has worked in nearly every area of the department.

My best friend's family is exciting in September to teach for another year. She has traveled to Japan, Singapore and Hong Kong. I have been president of the board of directors of a non-profit corporation concerned with housing for the elderly. As such, I recently signed a \$400,000 mortgage agreement with the state to build an 80-unit facility in Westminster. School and church keep me busy.

I anticipate hearing from more of you next time. There are still some from whom I have never heard.

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I was pleased once again with the response to my request for news. Here's what the Mary-

landers had to say:  
**Barbara Bell Woodley**, of Timonium, joined **Mina Kirby**, **Pat Kurlde**, **Ma speaker**, **Norma Bell DeBus**, **Caroline Lewis McIntosh** and **Mary Jo Smith Bostic** last summer for lunch in Annapolis. Everyone had such a good time! In the summer of '90 she and Joel went to Great Britain for two marvelous weeks visiting such Arthurian sites as Cadbury Castle, Tintagel Heath and Glastonbury, as well as London, Bath, Stonehenge, Salisbury and Stratford. They spent a couple of days on Angelsey Island with the folks she lived with as part of the Experiment in International Living 30 years ago. Daughter Jennifer married last June, and son Bruce expects to complete his studies at Towson State University soon.

**Caroline Lewis McIntosh** also enjoyed the aforementioned get-together. It was a busy year for her in Timonium with two daughters getting married. She still enjoys working in education at St. Joseph Hospital. Teaching 8th-grade language arts at West Middle in Westminster keeps **Pat Welk Wolf**, of Sykesville, busy. Hoby has "retired," which means he works only 10 hours a day. They enjoy time with grandson William and Collin.

The sky is no limit for **Betsy Parker O'Donnell**, who got her private pilot's certificate in August. Her husband has his certificate and now that their four children are grown they hope to have their own plane and do some traveling. Hoby is still at the University of Maryland Medical Systems as a medical technologist in clinical chemistry.

**Nancy Helwig Geary**, of Westminster, too, has ventured afloat with both sail planning and hang gliding. She is a beginner bicycling and hiking again. She is in her 2nd year of a new "hands-on" science curriculum which is very rewarding. Her beautiful grandchild has turned her into a doting "Gram."

In Westminster **Sharon Board Chilcoat** is enjoying her 31st year in education as a guidance counselor in Carroll County. Doug still is busy with his veterinary practice and standardbred race horses. Son Clay is planning for veterinary school, and son Wade is at Emory University.

**Joe Bender** is still in Frostburg doing housing development and management. Dolly crafts dolls and does craft shows in various states. Their youngest daughter is a student at Frostburg State U., and they have two grandchildren.

**Charlotte Prevost Hurley** is facilities coordinator for the Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Division of Essex Community College and teaches part time in the math and physical education divisions. She is looking to retirement in 1994 when son Christopher completes his history education degree at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Son Timothy, wife and three children live in San Antonio where Tim works with Frito Lay. Charlotte tries to travel abroad once a year and spends time on the Delaware coast.

**Linda Mackert Meade**, of Takoma Park, got her master's in social work in 1989 and works with emotionally distressed adolescents. She has four grown children and one grandchild. She and her husband have a cabin in the Blue Ridge Mountains where they retreat from jobs and kids.

**Jim McMahan Junior** sends best wishes from Aberdeen for a speedy economic recovery in 1992. Son Jim III de-

cided to go to law school after a trip to Kuwait. It was great for Jim Junior to commission son Jim and have him as a platoon leader in the same unit in which three generations of McMahan's have served. Jerry got married, promoted and took command of the 8th Battalion in the new state guard, all in the same year.

How about the out-of-staters?  
**Vern Johnson** was to retire from government services in April, and hopes to return to writing. After working hard to see that our troops returned safely and quickly from Saudi Arabia he is enjoying the new home he recently built in Fayetteville, GA.

**Barbara Long** and **Ed Gross** have a "teeny nest" in Clyde, NC. Barbara enjoys gardening and cooking with fresh and dried herbs. They bicycle and play handball at their church where Barb is director. Ed's work as director of technology for Day International keeps him challenged. They invite classmates to visit when traveling in the Blue Mountains.

The Sears-Roebuck Foundation Award for Teaching Excellence and Community Service went to **Lloyd Musselman** at Oklahoma City University. He is in his 23rd year there and is chair of the history department and the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. He rides a 14-speed road bike, and has made it over Vail Pass, CO.

**Toni Steinacker**, of St. Louis, MO, sends part of the year in the Midwest, part in Puerto Rico teaching graduate students about ionic currents in nerve cells, and part of her time in Cape Cod, where Hurricane Bob swept their house out to sea.

**Bob Harris**, of Scranton, PA, was elected to the board of directors for the Pennsylvania State Sunday School Assoc. (SSA) for 1991. Janet continues her interest in doll collecting. They hosted a trip to England, Scotland and Wales, sponsored by the SSA.

In Natick, MA, **Mary Harrison Wheeler** is director of training for the Loss Prevention Department of Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. in Boston and is on the adjunct faculty of the University of New Hampshire and Bentley College. She is working on a 2nd book. They enjoy being in touch with **Pat Blair Richards** and **Glenda Luttrell Rickabough**. Both children are on their own but keep in close touch. She spends her free time traveling and waiting in line for tickets to the nearest play.

**Ether Uppercro Gay** writes from St. Mary's, GA now. Before they moved from Washington State last summer, they had several visits with **Tom** and **Diana Ward** in Bellingham. Esther's daughter is now a student at Western Washington University (WVU) where Tom has a son at Georgia Tech, and one in high school. Navy activities keep her busy, and she has some piano students and hopes to substitute teach. She invites anyone headed for Florida to visit. St. Mary's is a small town in a picturesque area, but she says she misses the mountains.

**Tom** had visits in '91 from **Ether** as well as **Don Hester** and **Mina Kirby**. When **Tom** and **Diana** were in the D.C. area they shared more memories with **Don Lowe** and **Doug** and **Sandy Eastwood Smith**. Tom still directs plays at WVU, and was mounting *Wings* by Arthur Kopit.

**Norm** and **Bev Cox Davis** have moved to Annapolis, NJ after 23 years in New England. Norm is director of systems technology at Pharmaceutical Research Institute of Johnson and Johnson,

in Raritan. Daughter Devon is in medical school at Vanderbilt U. in Tennessee, and daughter Candia, a Russian linguist, works for People's People, Inc. She spends five months each year in the Soviet Union. Bev is busy working on their new home and trying to find her "niche."

**John Karrer** is busy with his church, Union Congregational in Taunton, MA. He tries to find time for the beach and sailing. Since his 2nd knee surgery a year ago he has been going to the Y at least three times a week. He writes, "As the years go by I am more aware of the preciousness of life."

"Running an insurance agency with a staff of 17 keeps her on my table," writes **Don Hester**, on Sayville, NY. He is still in a volunteer ambulance corps and is a volunteer fireman and chairman of the board of fire commissioners. His real accomplishment has been with the youth exchange program of Rotary International. Judy and he have hosted more than 30 kids from more than 21 countries. Most important has been arranging high school full-year two-way exchanges with the (former) Soviet Union. They also have a short summer exchange program.

Between the two programs they have had more than 200 kids involved from both sides. Don recounts "I left the army right after the Cuban crisis, when I was in a staging area. In 1989 I met a man who was in Ukraine who was a deck officer on one of the missile boats. Enemies no longer, we now work for the Peace of the world with the next generation."

After 20 years of teaching nursery school in Timonium, **Janet Lindy Updike Palmer** moved to a veterinary clinic in Chatham, NJ. Besides working part time at a veterinary clinic she judges figure skating which takes her around the country. Her oldest son is a captain for Northwest Air, her middle daughter is a triathlete, and youngest daughter is a research chemist for Dupont in Newark, DE. She would love to hear from her classmates and to have visitors.

As for me, travels in the last year have taken me to Quebec, the Gaspé Peninsula and Nova Scotia. I especially enjoyed witnessing the Bay of Fundy tidal bore at two in the morning.

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**O**This is my last article for the Class of 1970. I have done this for approximately 20 years, and I believe it is time for a change. If you go to a different person in the fall for the 1993 deadline. For now, however, on

**Tom Van Sickle**, in Manchester, MA, reports that Roban works as an RN; Jesse, in kindergarten; and he has two stepsons in high school. Tom's sailboat-rigging business is doing fair in a sluggish economy at Harvard, and was trying to stop work in January.

**Joe** and **Linda Wright Donovan** are in Boonsboro, MD. Joe, pastor of a Lutheran church, will receive his MBA from Mount St. Mary's in May.

**Carol Hoerlich Moore** and **Charlie Charleston**, WV for four years after living in Annapolis, MD, are in Alexandria, VA. They purchased a home in Mer working on a home and rehoming friendships. Judy is in a high-school sophomore; Andy is a sophomore at Elon College.

**Wilma Van Hart Smith** and **Ed** '71 live in Atlanta, GA with Lisa, 17; Jonathan, 12; and Robbie, 7. The Smiths bought a house at Tripp Island, SC, and related whenever possible. **Walt Michael** '68 visited in October.

After 20 years, I received a note from **Bonita** '80? **Scotty** **Bagnall Sherman**. Scotty writes, "After graduation I found myself unhappy teaching school." She had a "change of heart" to the wind. " (Sounds just like her husband!) Scotty owns a 30-acre farm in New Market, MD, has 20 horses, four dogs and seven cats. She breeds, buys, sells, and shows hunters and jumpers. Her biggest thrill was owning, training, and riding a champion country championship Scotty invites everyone to smell some fresh country air and have a pony ride.

**Dick Porter** teaches at Old Mill High where a coworker is Jane "Woodly" **Fleisher**. He is the organist at West Baltimore United Methodist Church and has a woman pastor—can you believe it? Dick plans to tour the Midwest this summer to attend the Ann Arbor, MI Arts Fair, one of the biggest in the country.

**John Mosca** is still happy drilling and tilting. He is a member of the Chesapeake Economic Slump in fine fashion. John and Beth have been married for 17 years. Shannon, 14; Stefanie, 12; and John, 10, enjoy sports. Last summer the Moscas entertained **Bill Griffith**, **John Seaman**, **Mike Elliott** and their families aboard a wave runner on the Chesapeake Bay.

**The Rev. Emma Moore-Kochals** and **husband** moved in 1991 to Redlands, CA, where they are full-time copastors of the 60-member First Union Methodist Church, Carlsbad, CA. **John** and **Matthew**, 7, are true California kids—they've never experienced snow but are anxious to go to the mountains to "visit" the snow and sled.

**Francis Sullivan** is in St. Mary's County, MD as the director of the Health Programs unit in the Health Department. His is the 2nd jurisdiction to consolidate all programs under one manager, so "Sully" has been very busy. Wife Janet is a nurse at a hospital. Carolyn is a sophomore at Towson State University, and Susan is a junior at the University of High. Sully enjoys boating, fishing, and crabbing.

**Barbara Payne Shelton** is chair of the Child Development Department at the Julie College and is working on her dissertation, which she plans to do on her daughter, **DiAnne Gordon** from Lehigh University in '96. **Gordon** '68 has more free time than Barb, so she fills it with hunting trips. Wade, 15, is running cross country and working on his 2nd round of Black Belt in Tae Qoon Do. **John**, 9, is a member of the 4-H club and is in the local Nintendo expert.

**Keith Porter** and **Michele Catington** '72 are in Rising Sun, MD. Keith teaches at the middle school, and Michele is at the new high school. **Kerrie** finished high school last fall, and **Craig** is in the 5th grade. Keith still coaches high school and Little League programs.

**Jill Gibson Wing**, in Alexandria, VA, has a successful personal counselor in Wash. She is a media coordinator at the University of D.C. for the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial quilt and an on-air spokesperson for WETA-TV (public TV) during fund-raising drives. Husband Terry is a journalist at Voice of America and hosts the daily news program, *World Report*.

**Lynn Coleman Smarte** and **Doug** '69 are in Arlington, VA with son, Chris, 6. Doug is deputy executive director of The Family Services Agency, a non-profit social-service agency in Montgomery County. Lynn teaches preschoolers twice

a week and works part time for the Council for Exceptional Children. Doug has discovered golf, but needs partners and golf courses. Interested alumni in the northern Virginia area are asked to call!

**Lynne Price** is in her 21st year of teaching in Frederick County, MD. She teaches Latin and is the foreign language department chair at Warville High. The town has changed from a rural farming village into a bedroom community for Washington and Baltimore. Lynne plans to take early retirement at 25 years and pursue another career. She has applied for a Fulbright teaching exchange to the United Kingdom for the year 2000 but will not hear from the government until late spring. Lynne has also "hit the boards" as an actress for the Fredericktown Players.

**Michael Rudman** is practicing family medicine in Littleton, MD and has been married to Frances for nearly 20 years. They have three children, the oldest about to enter college. They are both blessed by health, peace and prosperity and thank God for it.

**Greg Virgili** is in the army with the Ordnance Group in Zweibrücken, Germany. It's his 3rd tour in Germany. He writes, "It has been exciting to watch all the positive changes which have occurred in Europe the last two years, plus support the Persian Gulf War. Jan and I hope I am selected for the War College, and if I am, we will return to the States this summer." Greg's oldest daughter, Jennifer, is a senior at Radford University. Youngest daughter Katie is 8.

**Barbara Thomas**, husband Tom Gasprini, Kristen and John are preparing to move from San Diego to Cleveland. Tom is now vice president of TRW Law for the TRW Information and Services Group. Kristen is 18 and has the college application olympics behind her. She's in many national honor societies, co-captain of the dance team, photo editor of the yearbook, and an excellent student. John, 3, plays golf and basketball with Dad whenever he can. He attends Montessori school. Last summer Barbara spent a 10-day vacation with Kristen, visiting colleges and family across the South. Barbara writes, "For those of you who missed visiting us while we were in San Diego, please come and visit us on America's North Coast. We want to say hello to our friends in the East, and hope to have plenty of opportunities to renew our friendships in the West." Her new address is: 6418 Paderborn Drive, Hudson, OH 44236.

On June 15 I finished 12 years as pastor of Baldwin United Methodist Church and 11 years as executive director of the Baldwin Human Resources Center in Pontiac, MI. Lee and I live in a very tough inner-city neighborhood with our three dogs, three cats, and assorted fish. We have lake-front property in Michigan, but our true love is the Atlantic Ocean, which we visit at least once a year. Between raising \$1 million per year for the center, i.e. food, shelter, and all the other necessities for this impoverished area, and raising \$90,000 per year for the church, I realize I should have gotten a bachelor's in fund raising!

The last 20 years have been fun. I have enjoyed being your secretary, and I wish my successor the best of luck. I'll send my card now that I am on the sending end and not the receiving. How about you?

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**5** Before starting the newsletter for the 2nd half of our 2nd class, I should cover news that missed the last deadline. **Elizabeth Whipple Brackbill** is in family practice part time at a large state nursing home. Beth also does a lot of church work and is helping to start a crisis pregnancy center in Reading, PA.

**Laura is crazy for Sharon Hobbs Fisher**, who teaches science to 5th-8th graders in a small Catholic school and hopes to enter the county system this year. She has the same house, same husband, and same children. Her 13-year-old son's asthma prevented him from starting regular school until January 15 last year. The Johns Hopkins doctors were running out of ideas, so they sent him to a special research hospital in Denver for two months. The Starlight Foundation flew Sharon and her daughter to Denver for a weeklong visit over Christmas. Sharon anticipates having some nice boring days.

**Teresa Fogle** is a senior systems analyst in Washington, D.C. and took her vacation in Tahiti last year.

**Janet Cannon** and **John** were reported on before. **Donald Gordon** has shifted from teaching juvenile delinquents for more than 15 years to working with high school students with emotional problems at Francis Scott Key High School.

After 20 years as a high-school teacher, **Nan Hamberger** became an associate professor in the education department of Albion College and planned to move to Reading, PA last summer. She was to teach education courses and supervise student teachers.

Thanks to all of you L's-Z's who replied.

**Martha Stuart '77** and **Stuart Lehman** still live in Annapolis, MD and enjoy family trips. They sit in the winter and boat on the bay with their daughters, Ashley, 8, and Amanda, 5. Stuart works on a stream clean-up project at the Department of Natural Resources. Martha teaches special education at Bates Middle School.

**Jane Massey Licata** is a patent attorney dealing with biotechnology—a challenging blend of science and the law. Charlie is the assistant environmental prosecutor for New Jersey, and Joseph started kindergarten last year. Katie is in her 2nd year of ballet and is anxious to dance in *The Nutcracker* after seeing it at the Pennsylvania Ballet. Rachel, 2, had a super Christmas.

**Felix Loeffl** and family are doing fine. Lee and wife **Sherri Sheckler '78** are still in Houston. The boys, Nick, 5, and Matt, 2, are getting big. Sherri works for Bank One, and Felix is director of sales for MicroAge Computer Centers.

**Jon Markanich** anticipates a move to a warmer climate if his job with the Marjorie in education at the University of Virginia and plans to pursue a PhD at a different school.

Last year was for **Becki Blyer Masters**, and 1992 promises to be even better. She received her MD from George Washington University in May '91 and is a research fellow in the division of endocrinology and metabolism at Johns Hopkins while husband **Phil '78** finishes his residency. In June, they will move to Henshey, ID, where Phil will be chief resident, and Becki will begin her residency.

**Doug McQuade** has been busy directing the Supported Employment Program at the Chiles in Baltimore and, with wife **Pattie Boehme '79** raising Neil, 7, and Katie, 5.

**Susan Doncier Meredith** is still in Centell County, primarily as a home-maker. However, she loves substitute

teaching and is thinking of becoming a professional substitute. Molly, 8, and Heidi, 6, are doing well in 3rd and 4th grades. Susan enjoys her volunteering at school, and Don is still doing well in electrical sales. The economic recession hasn't hit them too hard, and the Merediths take as many family vacations as possible—skiing.

**Mark "Pearl" Metzger** married Janine in October. He is vice president of LeisureTime Inn, Inc. His restaurant, The Tabernacle Inn, received four-star reviews from the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and *Atlantic City Press*. He says **John Tuthill** and **Bob Hove** are frequent visitors and are happy fathers of two.

**Laura Laine Middleton** says **Jeff's** practice keeps her busy. She still volunteers in classrooms (David's 3rd grade, and Scott's 1st), and chauffeurs the boys to soccer, basketball, soccer, and music, which she loves. Laura thought about returning to audiology but decided she didn't have the time. Jeff travels to teach at the VA Clinic in Baltimore once a week and to the Pediatric Dermatology Clinic at St. Agnes Hospital once a month. He spent the last two years as president of the Maryland Dermatological Society, enjoying mixing medicine and politics.

**Roberta Tall Morton** is busier than ever with Deborah, 11; Tim, 8; and Rebecca, 4; and her part-time job as a preschool teacher. The last year was hard—Roberta and her husband Dan helped his parents through the terminal illness of his mother, who died in October. All the Mortons are active in their church—Roberta helps with pastoral care, Dan is working on liturgy, and the children are in the choir.

**Julie Mullen** is a learning handicapped specialist for Oceanside Unified and speaks at California's Kindergarten Conferences in San Francisco and Northridge on her research, "Teaching Reading Through Art." She also is working on her 1st children's book and hopes to have it published this year.

In June 1990, **Ann Bavender Pelishek** married Glenn and moved into their new house near Herndon, VA. She is an attorney at Ginsburg, Feldman and Bressi, specializing in communications law. Glenn works at the Department of the Treasury. They stay busy gardening, playing with their Labrador retriever puppy, Lady, and sailing the bay on their sailboat.

Deby and **John Phillips** moved to Wilkes Barre, PA last summer when John became an associate professor in the chemistry department of Wilkes University. They bought an old house in the mountains and are making it habitable for themselves and the three girls—Beth, 9; Kate, 5; and Becki, 2. The Phillips are busy and back East.

**Holy Purpur** is now at Woodbridge Junior-Senior High in Bridgeville, DE teaching 8th-grade reading and 9th- and 10th-grade English. She also sells Mary Kay cosmetics as an independent beauty consultant (her Mary Kay unit includes a 1977 BMW car).

**Robert Ramsdell** was deployed to the Gulf as an operations officer and fired more than 1,000 rockets in support of the 1st Armored Division's attack. He left Germany in December and arrived at Fort Leavenworth, KS for duty as a tactics instructor at the Command and General Staff College. Leslie is at home, schooling Erin and Stephen.

**Randy Richards** moved to Cincinnati in May 1990 and joined the faculty of The Children's Hospital/University of Cincinnati Medical School. He is living in and remodeling his new home, complete with stained glass and leaded glass windows, 10-foot ceilings, 3rd-floor attic, stone foundation and radiator heat.

Last September, he bought a piano and resumed lessons after a 25-year hiatus. He enjoys being a homebody.

**Larry Schmidt** is busy as zoning commissioner for Baltimore County. He also is a partner in the law firm of Fothast and Schmidt. **Linda Looch** is a part-time computer worker and stays busy with their three girls. In April, the Schmidts took a trip to Nevada and the California with **Mark Higdon**, **Debi Lanias Cameron**, John "Chip" '73 and **Norma Hamilton Graber '74** and **Lynne Howe Javier '74**.

**Tom Seiffert** and his wife, **Flora** Magne, relocated to San Jose, CA, about six years ago in California. They now live in South Bend, IN and keep busy with their medical practices and their two daughters.

**Kristin Peterson Smalley** and **Steve** are in California now, but they may move again. Steve is an air force chaplain and, after 17 years as a Methodist minister, he was ordained as an Episcopal priest in January '92. Kristin changed careers and now provides home day care to six children (in addition to her own). She loves being at home and around children, especially the ones they and their baby last year. Katie is 12, and Patrick is 11.

**Roger Trostle** was named the Pennsylvania state personnel/public relations manager for Nationwide Insurance's new consolidated Pennsylvania region. Tamara is challenged with managing the household schedule. Sharon, 19, is trying to become more independent while plotting his future. Amanda, 14, is busy with sports (basketball, field hockey, volleyball, and softball).

**Richard Tucker** and Nancy moved to their new Houston home, four blocks from Rice University, in January (Richard's eight-track recording studio is housed in the apartment over the garage). Richard recently was promoted to general manager of a group within Petroleum Information Corp. which provides database services to the oil and gas industry. Ashley, 2, still wears her hat. **Clayton**, 16, Stepson Michael turned 13 in January. The Tuckers often see **Carl and Linda Rickell Stiegler** and **Pete and Tom Barr** who live in Houston, along with **Felix and Sherri Sheckler Loeffl**. Richard finds it quite odd that two of the 1975 Jazz Band trombone players (Pete and Carl) and two members of the same rock band (Richard and Felix) and Richard's replacement bass player (Linda) all ended up in Houston.

**Jane Zimmerman Wolff** and family was to sail on the *Warner's latest adventure* from Bremen, Germany to London, in September. She also toured Australia and New Zealand. Nancy keeps busy as vice president of accounting systems at Citizens Bank of Maryland in Laurel, MD. Last year ended with **Clayton** and **Suzi Windemuth**, now associate director in administration at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City where she's been for 12 years. She also is back in school at New York University doing post-graduate work in finance.

**Janet Zimmerman Wolff** and family have moved to their new house in Mt. Airy, MD. The children have more fun, and **Bob '73** has a lake for fishing. Janet saw **Beth McWilliams Tressler**, **Linda Kephart Coons**, and **Robin Armstrong Townsend** at the elementary school—**Janet** is the only one still in the ball.

Thanks again to all of you for writing. I'll hold any news until next year, but please remember that you can drop me a line any time at the address below—I have a very special place reserved for saving all your words until the next deadline.

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**80** The Alumni Office received information about the latest move by the Armbrusters, who were previously assigned to Helsinki, Finland. **Tom Armbruster** is vice counsel for the United States of America Interest Section, Havana, Cuba. He is serving a two-year diplomatic assignment. **Kathy Chandler Armbruster '78** is helping out in the library at the International School which their children, Bryan, 10, and Kalia, 6, attend.

No news column was presented for 1980 for this issue.

**85** As I write this article, the winter of '91-'92 is more than half over, and we have had almost NO snow in Maryland. Remember the fun we had when it snowed on "the Hill"—trying on the golf course and snowball battles on the quad? The response to the mailing was light this year, so here is the news from those who wrote.

**Cynthia Mann Fisher** was married on August 31 at Little Baker to Maj. Charles "Mike" Fisher, a native of Madison, VA and a '74 graduate of Virginia Military Institute. She enjoys married life, their English bulldog, Sir Huey B. Big-Boy, and her assignment as army supply officer at Fort Hood, TX. Next year will take them to Korea.

**Sharon Rowley Gomes** and husband Bill recently completed graduate school in Connecticut and are seeking social work jobs. They are not being in a hurry and hope that means being able to see more of Maryland and Sharon's Rouzer 3rd friends. They plan to take **Lisa Grason** up on her open invitation. Anyone looking for snow instead of sun should give Sharon a call.

**MacLean** can again claim **Jennifer Marley** as a resident. She left her work with Young Life and is in Baltimore working on her certification to teach high-school math. She enjoys being **Gail Sadler Jones** and **Vickie Turner**.

**Carol '84** and **Barbara Hess McAlouse** have enjoyed having many friends visit since they moved to Myrtle Beach, SC in December 1990. Barbara is director of cardiac rehabilitation at Georgetown Hospital, and Carol is assistant athletic director at Coastal Carolina College.

In February 1991, **Angela Veltre McNulty** and Sean had a baby boy. She works part time for First National Bank of Maryland.

**Kara Haugh McNulty's** family welcomed **Janison Marie McNulty**. He, **Katey** and their doberman, **Ginger**, keep them very busy. They also moved into a new home in December. Kara says that "Nana's" willingness to baby-sit allows her to work part time in the administrative offices of Greater Laurel Nursing Home.

Baltimore is home to **Lauree Pekin Marchand** and husband **Mike**. They now have a stray border collie, **Aunnie**. Laurie enjoys her new job as marketing coordinator for Weinberg and Green, a prestigious law firm.

**Kathy Marvel** is one of us who has a "split life"—living in one state and working in another! Kathy lives in quaint Haddonfield, NJ and is an account executive with an advertising agency in Philadelphia. She keeps in touch with fellow Phi Alphas and recently enjoyed a trip to the Wintertown in Wilmington, DE with **Anne McDonough Lepczyk '84**, **Tricia Troy '84**, and **Missy Wagner Keyser '84**.

Working in her own version of *LA Law*, **Janine Meckler** is in the public defense office in Baltimore County doing District Court work. She hopes to move to felony work soon. She says, "The work is satisfying but exhausting." She keeps in touch with **Chris Berke** and **Ross Brightman**. This winter she visited **John '83** and **Lauren Ruberg Silva** and her goddess-like, then **Janine** and **Lauren** planned to visit **Ross** in sunny Florida without husband or children.

**John Meier** sends greetings from Carrollton, TX.

**Susan Cooke Meurer** filled her card with news of friends. **Karen Gallagher Oliver** was married in November, and **Lisa Turner** was married in late December. **Lisa Wyble Arens** and **Susan** were in Lisa's wedding. Susan recently changed jobs and is now a contracts specialist for General Physics International in Columbia, MD.

**David '83** and **Grechen Onnen** Milchling and daughter **Brigid Patricia** are fine. **Grechen** enjoys being an advisory teacher for her students, but she says because it allows her to stay home with **Brigid** and landscape their house. They were sorry to miss everyone at Homecoming, but a vacation in Nags Head, NC kept them away.

**Carrie Miller** loves living near Harbor Place and keeping in touch with many WMC friends. Living downtown, she commutes in the opposite direction of the traffic to Hunt Valley, where she is a senior marketing research analyst for **Black and Decker**.

**Lennie Miller** lives in Baltimore and works for State Farm Insurance in Columbia negotiating personal-injury claims. He keeps in touch with **Allan Bernardini**.

**Louise Nemko** and **Sharon** moved to El Paso, TX in August 1990 and married **Chris** in November. They met through an Army Officer Advance Course. In January 1991 **Louise** became executive director of the El Paso Center for the Deaf. They celebrated a 2nd anniversary together in June in Pennsylvania, have bought a house in Texas, and enjoy traveling throughout the West and Southwest.

Also recently married last fall, **Ola Monastyrskij-Coulson** and husband **Francis** had a wonderful honeymoon on the island of St. Lucia. **Ola** enjoyed seeing some Omega friends at their wedding. They now live in New York City where **Ola** is finishing her residency in internal medicine, and **Francis** in surgery. In June they plan to move to Boston.

**Wendie Moore** has moved to Arlington, VA where she works for a small legal publisher and does free-lance photography. She is working to get a National Endowment for the Arts grant to do a photography project about the 10th anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. She sends a special message to Dr. Ray Phillips: "I've almost finished your 'Books Everyone Should Read Before They Die' list. It's only taken me nine months to finish it! Any additions?"

**Deirdre O'Neill** is on to another adventure, this time in LA where she is seeking a job in production. Schools' out for **Lee Ann Ware Peck**, who completed her A in Johns Hopkins last May. To celebrate, she and **George '86** took a Caribbean cruise and loved it. Unfortunately, in November **Lee Ann**'s mother died of a heart attack. I know that all of you who remember what a special lady she was send thoughts and prayers along with mine to **Lee Ann** and her family.

**Harriet "Lisa" Pelton** sends greetings from Baltimore.

Having completed a PhD program, **Warren Porter**, wife **Alma**, and sons **Adam**, 4, and **Andrew**, 2, will soon move to Corvallis, OR, where **Warren** will work on post-doctoral research for two years at Oregon State University.

**Elizabeth Hedges** and **Ed Ripley** have moved from Kodiak Island to Wasilla, AK. Before the move they enjoyed a visit from **Alice Ciarella** and **John Robinson '86** for a week of fishing, crabbing, boating, and sightseeing. Ed now teaches computer science at the high school, and Elizabeth coaches girls' basketball. They are busy with daughter **Emily Craig**, born September 11, and were delighted to receive her WMC bib from the Alumni Association.

**Alaska** also is home to **Jim Shepherd**, a commercial fisherman. **Jim** moved to school in 1992.

**Mitzi Munford Roca** is celebrating several anniversaries this year. She is approaching her 3rd year with **Sandy Spring National Bank** of Maryland, where she handles compensation and benefits for the \$550 million bank's 250 employees. **Mitzi** and **Mario** hope to celebrate their 9th gourmet cooking and scurrying residential realty properties in Texas and Florida.

**Helen Potter St. John** and husband **Rick '84** still love living in downtown Annapolis, MD where **Helen** is a manager for **Clair's Boutique, Inc.**

**Craig and Linda Ashburn '87** Sarson recently bought a house in Silver Spring, MD. **Craig** works for a non-profit financial services group in Washington, DC, which specializes in exchanging currency for international projects with health programs for developing countries.

**Robin Sullivan Sharp** is surrounded by little ones. She is a preschool teacher in Elkridge, MD, and has two children, **Tyson**, 2, and **Brittany**, 1, and a great puppy, **Pit**.

**Lynne Simmons** has taken a year's "vacation," leaving the city life of Boulder and heading to a mountain ski town, **Creede**, **Butte, CO**. She lives on the mountain and is psyched for ski season.

After a brief marriage, **Scott Sites** is single again and traveling as a sales rep. for **Moyer Lacrosse**. He also manages their print shop. Within the last year, **Scott** has traveled to Hawaii, California, Maryland, his black lab, **Yips**, says hi!

Last July, **Erin Colleen** was born to **Robin Grey Smith** and husband **Mark**. **Robin** loves motherhood and work at **T-Rose**. **Price** is a supervisor for a group of writers specializing in shareholder correspondence.

**Kristen Anne Nyström Snyder** was married in October to **Brandt Edward Leslie Cavill '86** was her attendant. **Kristen** and **Brandt** have started their own business, **Snyder Custom Cabinetry**, specializing in antique reproduction and custom design for the home and office. They County near the Pennsylvania border. When busy with the business, **Kristen** and **Brandt** play the Irish folk harp at area festivals and events. She enjoyed being **Peter Roof '84**, **Beth White '84**, and **Chuck Pierpont '84** at Homecoming.

**A. Robert Starner** sends greetings from Alexandria, VA.

**Tracey Seratelli Stewart** will run the life of the corporate fitness facility at AT&T and enjoyed seeing the Maryland crew at Homecoming.

**Terri Thier** teaches psychology and sociology at Centennial High School, her alma mater in Howard County. She en-

joys her condo in Ellocott City and spending time with family and friends.

"I'm great," writes **Carole Templeton** from Susquehanna University, where she coaches volleyball and softball. Her teams are doing well. She sends hello to all, especially to **Delta**.

**Rose Walter** says hello to classmates from Westminister.

Last spring, **Lisa Washhausen** had an island wedding on Anguilla. She and her husband now live in Atlanta. Among the guests were, **Anne Gumbert**, married to **John**, **Greeta Feische** and **Joseph "Jody" Walter '83**. The day after was spent scuba-diving!

**Deborah Waxman** received a master's in instructional technologies. At the University of Maryland System she is a training and development specialist. She has a house in Baltimore city and keeps in touch with **Marci Sartorch Yaffe** who has a son, **Aaron**, 1.

School is also out for **Cathy Spivey Wingate**. She finished her master's in chemistry at Johns Hopkins last May. She and **Gary '82** welcomed the birth of their first child, **Scott**, **Andrew**.

**Guy Whitlock** has a daughter in 1st grade and remarried two years ago. **Helen** and **Veronica** like fixing up the house in Hartford County and skiing. **Guy** is still seeking a teaching position.

Life on "the Hill" has led to several marriages, and here's another one. **Val Wiedner** and **Jeff Rickett** were married in December at Bishop Cumin Memorial Church, and **Yates** in Elkott City, MD.

**Charissa Wisland** lives in Burlington, VT and sends her best to everyone.

**Eric Wilhelm** sends his best to all his WMC friends. His growing dental practice and traveling keep him busy.

**June and James Yarns** are home. **June '87** now live in Ft. Rucker, AL, with **Megan Ashley**, born in July. **Wendy** is a full-time mom, "molding a mind of the future." The army is sending them to Ft. Hood, TX in April. **Wendy** be sure to look up **Clayton Mann Fisher**, her husband.

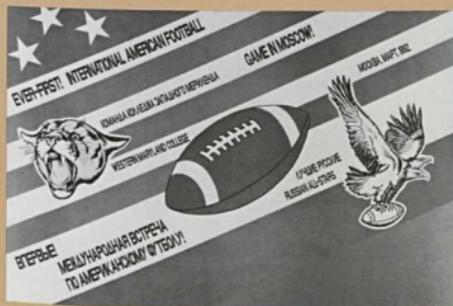
**Beth Chapman Zimmer** writes that all is well. Tom teaches at Ocean City Elementary School, and **Both** works in the family's farm-equipment business. **Sarah**, 5, started kindergarten, and **Katie**, 3, is in nursery school.

The last time I wrote this column we were in the middle of the Gulf War, and I pray that all of our friends returned home safely.

This last year has been exciting and full of changes for me. I left the National Science Teachers Assoc. in November to join the Challenger Center for Space Science Education in Old Town Alexandria, VA. The center was established from the vision of the seven families who lost loved ones in the Challenger accident six years ago. We now have a network of 10 operational hands-on simulation learning centers across the country where children can discover what it's like to be part of a space mission and learn problem-solving, team work, and critical thinking skills. I am project director for a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, National Eisenhower Funds for Math and Science Education. With the grant we will conduct evaluations of our learning centers and develop innovative and exciting materials to enhance the learning center experience for the kids and teachers, once they return to the classroom.

As always, it was great to hear from everyone who returned cards. If you didn't receive cards, we missed you and anticipate hearing from you soon. Wishing you all the best in '92!

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A poster commemorating the historic game in Russia was one of many souvenirs. See the story on Page 5.

## ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

### 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.

#### Sun., May 3

Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation, Baker Memorial Chapel.

#### Thurs., May 7

ROTC Presidential Review, 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.

#### Sat., May 23

Commencement.

#### May 29, 30, 31

Alumni Weekend. Classes celebrating reunions: 1912, '17, '22, '27, '32, '37, '42, '47, '52, '57.

#### Sat., June 27

Young Alumni Calypso Cruise on the *Clipper City* tall ship.

#### Sun., June 28

DC/Northern Virginia Dinner Cruise on the Potomac.

### June-August

Theatre on the Hill performances are on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Box Office: (410) 857-2448.

*Fiddler on the Roof*, Alumni Hall, Main Stage, June 25–July 12.

*Lend Me a Tenor*, Alumni Hall, Elderdice Theatre, July and August.

*Alice in Wonderland*, Alumni Hall, Main Stage, July and August.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WESTERN

MARYLAND COLLEGE,  
September 4, 1867—First day of classes  
125 YEARS OLD—September 4, 1992

#### Sun., October 11

Anne Arundel Chapter Brunch.

#### Sat., October 17

Homecoming. Classes celebrating reunions: 1962, '67, '72, '77, '82, '87.

#### Sun., October 18

Mid-Shore Chapter Dinner.

#### Fri. and Sat., October 23 and 24

Board of Trustees meeting.

#### Sat., October 24

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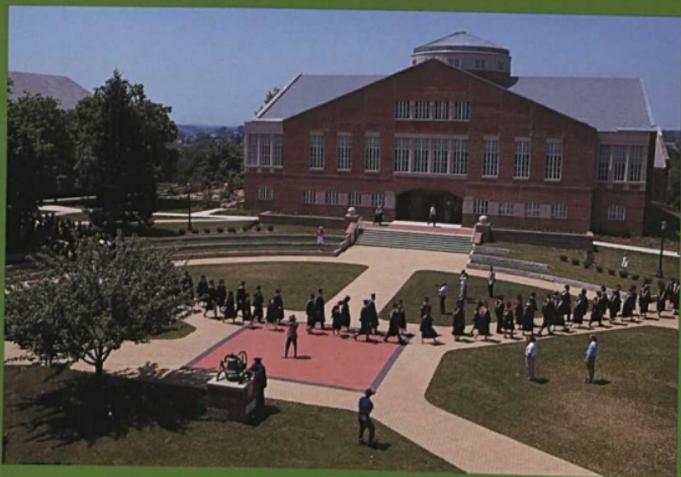


  
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*Enhancing a  
College of  
'Signal Quality'*



Before graduation exercises commenced on May 21, Western Maryland inaugurated a to-be-annual event. Faculty and graduating seniors processed through the new brick red square in front of Hoover Library. President Robert H. Chambers rung the Old Main bell, recently relocated in front of Memorial Hall.

BY FRANKIE

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## From The Hill

### Team Advances With New Director

Stevenson W. Close Jr. joined the Institutional Advancement team on July 1 as associate vice president and director of development. He had been senior director of Institutional Advancement at the National Aquarium in Baltimore's Inner Harbor.



Steve Close advances to WMC.

Close brings to the college more than 15 years of successful endeavors in advancement, including seven years at the Aquarium, three years as institutional campaign director at Johns Hopkins University, and five years at Cornell University, where he participated in a capital campaign. In the early '70s, he was director of activities and assistant director of admissions at Maryville College in St. Louis, MO.

At the National Aquarium he helped conduct a five-year campaign for the \$40 Marine Mam-

mal Pavilion which opened late last year. The project inspired donations from the state, the city, local counties and the private sector.

A native of Churchville, MD, Close received his bachelor's degree in education from Cornell University in 1971. He earned a master's from Ohio State University. He and his wife, Lisa, have two children and reside in Baltimore. ●

### Four Trustees New to Board

Four new members were elected to the board of trustees at the April meeting bringing voting membership to a total of 31. Joining the board on July 1 were Eugene Arbaugh '60, Frank H. Menaker Jr., Caryl Ensor Peterson '58 and R. Peter Urquhart '58.

Arbaugh, senior vice president and chief marketing officer for the Baltimore-based PHH Corp., is responsible for developing and directing corporate and intercompany marketing efforts. He serves on the board of The Independent College Fund of Maryland and has been board director of the Baltimore Museum of Art and Maryvale Preparatory School. He holds a law degree from the University of Maryland and MBA from Stanford University. He is married to Starr Anne Beauchamp Arbaugh who attended WMC; their youngest daughter, Starr Caroline, graduated in May with a BA in communication.

A distinguished Washington, D.C.-based lawyer, Menaker is vice president and general counsel for Martin Marietta Corp. Before joining Martin Marietta in 1970 he was staff counsel for the Office of General Council,

GAO, Washington, D.C. He earned his bachelor's from Wilkes College and his law degree from American University. A member of the D.C. and the Maryland Bar, he is listed in *Who's Who in America*.

Most familiar to "the Hill" is Peterson, the daughter of Eloise Ensor Parker and the late Lowell Ensor, fifth president of the college. Peterson was Western Maryland's valedictorian in 1958 and was inducted into the college's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1984. She earned an MS degree from Bryn Mawr College and a PhD in anatomy from the University of Maryland. Since 1960 she has taught biology at Towson State University, where she now is department head.

Returning to the board is Urquhart who first served as a trustee in 1980-86, but left due to a career move to Texas. Back in Baltimore, Urquhart is chairman and chief executive for Tongue, Brooks and Co., Inc., a subsidiary of Crown Petroleum Corp., insurance brokers and third-party administrators of employee-benefit packages. He is an honorary life member of the Metropolitan Baltimore Chamber of Commerce and a board member of Junior Achievement. He is married to Mary Lou Dorsey Urquhart '58. ●

### College Store Turns Page

A national chain of bookstores, Barnes and Noble, began operating Western Maryland's college store in April. As part of a five-year lease arrangement Barnes and Noble will renovate the store in Decker College Center before fall semester begins.

A task force of faculty, students and staff began reviewing college store operations in the spring of 1991. The members decided the store, which was operated by the college, could use improvement. Barnes and Noble was selected for a number of reasons, including strong endorsements by institutions such as the Johns Hopkins University, University of Maryland at Baltimore, Trinity College, and Wittenberg University, and the company's strong commitment to service and performance. ●

### Magazine Recognized for Excellence

The third year proved a charm as *The Hill* once again won an award from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. In its annual recognition contest for the best college magazines in the U.S. and Canada, CASE awarded *The Hill* a bronze medal in the category for all-around excellence in College Magazines. Other winners included John Abbott College in Quebec, the University of Pittsburgh and Dartmouth College. *The Hill* also won CASE awards in 1990 and 1991. ●

## Coley Named New Dean

A Western Maryland education professor since 1973, Joan Develin Coley, has been named dean of Graduate Affairs, succeeding Helen Wolfe, who requested a return to full-time teaching after serving as dean for seven years.

Coley, who became dean on June 1, is regarded internationally for her pioneering research into and commentary on reading programs. Her insights into the development of reading comprehension in children have been sought in South America, the Caribbean, Germany and throughout the U.S.

Her numerous awards and honors include the 1989 Outstanding Teacher Educator in Reading Award given by the State of Maryland International Reading Assoc., the 1982 Carroll County Outstanding Educator in Reading Award, and



Students led a rally and march for racial justice in May, in the aftermath of the LA riots. Sponsored by the Black Student Union, the event drew about 130 students, faculty, administrators and local residents.

WMC Scholarly Journal awards in 1980, '82, and '84. For the last 20 years she frequently has had articles and papers published in respected journals.

She has been author, co-author, editor and producer of several books, monographs and videos and was editorial adviser for Simon and Schuster's reading and science textbooks.

Now that Coley is the graduate dean, Herman Behling has been named to fill her former position as director of the education program. Behling, whose promotion to associate professor of education will take effect on September 1, has taught full time at WMC since 1988. ●



Reading expert Joan Develin Coley became graduate dean in June.

*The Marshall Collection will enhance resources available to theatre scholars*

## Terror Teams Move To New Conference

All of WMC's 21 intercollegiate sports teams will begin competing in the Centennial Conference with the start of the 1993-94 academic year. The move away from the Middle Atlantic Conference came as a result of the expansion of the Centennial Football Conference (CFC), of which Western Maryland was an original member in 1983, to an all-sports organization.

The late-April announcement of the expansion was the culmination of a yearlong study conducted by the CFC presidents regarding its feasibility. A purpose and mission statement adopted by the presidents states, "Recognizing that our fundamental purpose is the academic mission of institutions, we agree to establish an all-sports conference in the spirit of rationalizing our competition by controlling travel, schedule and costs. The Conference will be controlled by the presidents of the member institutions."

Bryn Mawr, Haverford and Washington colleges now join the original CFC members - Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Johns Hopkins, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and WMC - as charter members. The Centennial name has been retained since all of the institutions are more than 100 years old. ●

## New Marshall Collection Enhances Library

The Thomas Marshall Theatre Collection of more than 450 scholarly books, periodicals and pamphlets concerning the history of theatre has been donated to the Hoover Library by Elizabeth Marshall, widow of the professor of English emeritus who died on October 20 at age 83. By establishing a fund, Mrs. Marshall intends to maintain and enhance the collection as a resource available to scholars in the history of theatre.

Dr. Marshall, who taught at WMC from 1943 to 1955, before directing the English department at Kent State University, built the collection throughout his long and productive career as a teacher and scholar. Many of his books bear inscriptions by their authors - leading theoreticians and critics of the theatre and personal friends of the Marshalls. A selection of the books will be on display in the Hoover Library in September. ●

# Hill People

*Traveling the Iditarod's distance is like 'going from WMC to Des Moines, Iowa'*

— Sam Case '63

Snow is no obstacle for Case, who monitors mushers and skiers.



E.M. OWEN/STAFF

Sam Case '63 went North to Alaska again this year but followed skiers instead of dog teams as he did in '90. Because of a conflict with the World Cross-Country Championship, participation in the Iditaski in March was slim. Case had planned to measure body composition (the percentage of body fat), body hydration and the level of thyroid hormone in the three skiers signed up for the 300-mile cross-country race, but none of the trio finished. "I didn't get a lot of publishable data. It was more to prepare for this year," said the professor of physical education.

However, Case and his co-researchers are still mining their initial data from the 1990 Iditarod. Then, by airplane, Case tracked the 77 mushers in the 1,167 dog race from Anchorage to Nome, AK. In length, it's like "going from WMC to Des Moines, Iowa," he said. "The record time is 10 days and a couple of hours." He and his cohorts at the Naval Research Lab at the Naval Health Center in San Diego "are interested in how cold affects the human and, because sailors fall overboard, how hormonal changes can be used to save lives. I'm personally interested in diet and nutrition also and in looking at kidney function." The first Alaskan venture was funded by the navy and a WMC Faculty Development Grant, while this year's trip was financed by the navy and by Case.

The *Alaska Medical Journal* was to publish an article on the physiological findings in June. One article has appeared in *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise* and two are in the works. The Iditarod data has been presented at the American College of Sports Medicine national meeting, as well as at regional and state sports medicine meetings and to several WMC alumni chapters. Next year, Case and colleagues may work both the Iditarod and the Iditaski.

Pamela Regis and her hot-off-the-press nonfiction work, *Describing Early America*.



E. M. SWENSTYK JR.

His expertise on adults with learning disabilities keeps **Henry Reiff** busy at the keyboard and on the platform. *Speaking for Themselves: Ethnographic Interviews with Adults with Learning Disabilities* (The University of Michigan Press, 203 pages), was released in late '91 to laudatory reviews. The monograph by Reiff and Paul J. Gerber was endorsed by one journal as "required reading for all working with learning-disabled individuals, including those with dyslexia, as well as for students studying special education." The assistant professor of education and Gerber, of Virginia Commonwealth University, have a book contract on a similar subject with Andover Medical Press. An article appearing this fall in

the *Journal of Learning Disabilities* also will appear in an upcoming book by PRO-ED Publishers.

The colleagues, who met when both were at the University of New Orleans, have teamed up on several presentations on adults with learning disabilities: in March at the Learning Disabilities Association International Conference in Atlanta; in April at the Council for Exceptional Children International Conference in Baltimore; and upcoming in November at the Orton Dyslexia Society Conference in Cincinnati. Reiff and Gerber, also in November, are to be honorary co-chairs of the Frederick (MD) Learning Disabilities Conference. Reiff, who coordinates WMC's graduate program in special education, has, for the last year, played bass with the Gary Marvel Orchestra, in his spare time.

Another successful new author is **Pamela Regis**, associate professor of English. Her *Describing Early America: Bartram, Jefferson, Crèvecoeur, and the Rhetoric of Natural History* (DeKalb: Northern Illinois University Press, 203 pages) came off the press in January. In the book she shows how texts previously viewed as *belles lettres* employ recognized scientific methods in recording observations of the New World. She offers a new reading "based on the lost paradigm of the science of natural history." The writings she explores are *Notes on the State of Virginia* by Thomas Jefferson, *Travels* by the early American botanist William Bartram, and *Letters from an American Farmer* by the transplanted Frenchman J. Hector St. John de Crèvecoeur.

Regis's current research is a rhetorical analysis of texts

describing the Pueblo Revolt of 1680. "I will analyze the different ways in which this singular event in American history has been described by writers across different disciplines," she said. "My central claim is that these competing, sometimes conflicting, descriptions are a product of the various rhetorics employed by these different disciplines."

The University of Utrecht in The Netherlands became the summer setting for **Patrick Reed**. The assistant professor of history spent two months there, one month of work and one month of leisure. He was invited by the university to present a series of lectures on American history to history students. In addition, during an informal setting he met with American history and American studies faculty to discuss the teaching of



Patrick Reed savored summer at the University of Utrecht in The Netherlands.

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Playing, directing and arranging music kept Glenn Caldwell hopping in his first year on "the Hill."

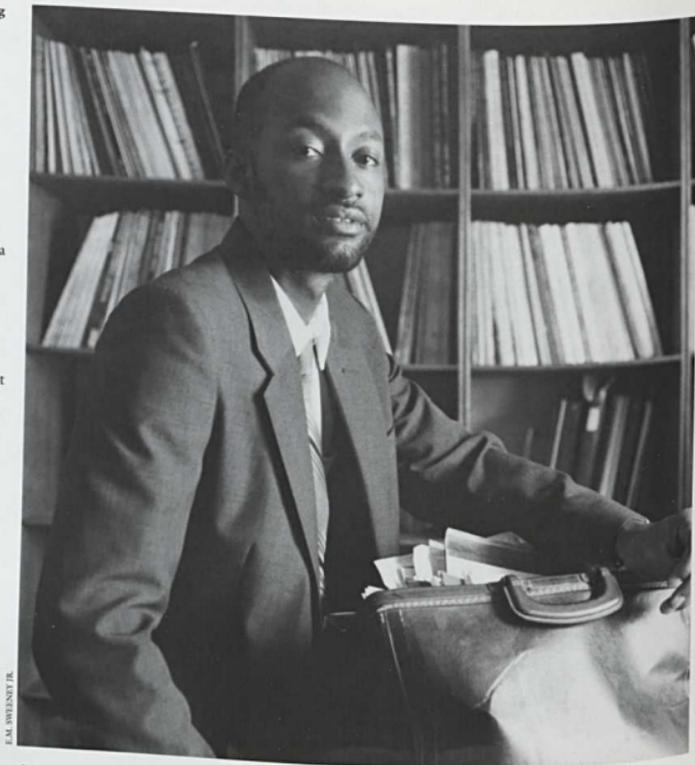
American history.

Reed's invitation was part of a cultural exchange program at the university which is funded by the government of the Netherlands. He still is engrossed in his scholarly endeavor which received funding from a National Endowment of the Humanities research grant last summer. Reed, who came to Western Maryland in 1989, is exploring the issue of political allegiance and revolutionary politics during the American Revolution.

Making and teaching music keeps **Glenn Caldwell** in tune. This spring he was busy creating arrangements of Stevie Wonder's music for the pop superstar's upcoming European tour. The instructor of music was approached by a colleague who is doing the orchestration for Wonder. Caldwell, who joined the WMC faculty last fall, also was preparing for the first performance of the Central Maryland Wind Ensemble, for which he plays baritone saxophone. The 40-piece band, led by Steve Miles of Liberty High School, is composed of area musicians, music teachers and high school and college students.

Caldwell, who directs Western Maryland's Concert Band and Saxophone Ensemble, was recruited for a steering committee "to solidify music education's place in the state of Maryland," he said. The assemblage of public school teachers, arts council members and college professors is "building an advocacy group for music in Carroll County of people who will speak out for maintaining money for the arts."

When not teaching he spends most of his time completing his



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dissertation on Jerome-Joseph Momigny, a French composer who died in 1842. "I'm studying his theories [in the original French] which were ahead of his time. He was criticized quite a bit and not accepted."

In the future Caldwell would "like to get more involved musically, in the local scene as well as in what's going on on the East Coast. I'd like to do more writing and composition. I'd also like to get more involved with students interested in composition and working with synthesizers." Another goal is to start up a clarinet quartet or ensemble in the coming academic year.

**Terry Dalton** has begun research especially pertinent to his role on campus: "Teaching Journalism at the Small Liberal Arts College: Purpose, Problems

and Priorities." The study by the assistant professor of English and adviser to the student newspaper, *The Phoenix*, is supported by a Faculty Research and Development Grant which he was awarded last academic year. Because of budget cuts no grants were given during 1991-92.

Of the new project Dalton says, "I hope to determine how journalism educators at schools comparable to Western Maryland establish and achieve their goals. For example, in the absence of a journalism major, let alone a journalism department, how can journalism professors best prepare their students for graduate school or the 'real world' of professional journalism?"

Dalton plans to interview journalism educators at schools comparable to WMC and at the national convention of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication this month in Montreal. He has tentative approval to conduct a round-table discussion of his research findings at AEJMC's '93 convention in Kansas City. Dalton was delighted in May when the full faculty approved his proposal for a journalism minor. Not only will the minor give journalism a foundation on which to build, but it will help him to enhance prospects for both improving *The Phoenix* and gaining valuable off-campus media internships for students. The new minor requires no additional staffing.



J. M. DWYENSKI JR.

While folks were shivering back home in Maryland, **Susan Bloom** spent part of January in sunny San Francisco teaching a photography workshop on alternative methods. Her 15 students included the art directors and creative directors for *MacWorld* magazine and Silicon Graphics, the company responsible for the equipment used to create special effects for *Terminator* and Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*. "They were so eager to learn and soaked it up like sponges," said the assistant professor of art. "They were so full of play and so creative."

Among the techniques she demonstrated were infrared photography; hand coloring of

photos, using pastels, watercolors, pencils and other media; the Polaroid-transfer process; and hand application of Liquid Light emulsion. The latter three techniques result in the art form which is her specialty: "It floats somewhere between painting and photography." Photographic images to which her techniques are applied "are not reproducible in that exact form ever again." Because of the success of the initial workshop, the sponsor, Mark Leet Studio, is planning to bring Bloom back for an encore.

Part of this summer Bloom spent in Provence, France, shooting new images and working with well-known French photographers. She's also preparing a new body of work to exhibit in a show in the Seattle area next year. Her work also

Practicing and teaching her photographic art keep Susan Bloom on the go.

Don Rabush (left) accepts the Laurence J. Adams chair from its namesake.



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has been displayed in the mid-Atlantic region, Texas, Florida and France.

Professor of Education and the energetic founder of TARGET, Inc., **Don Rabush '62, MEd '70**, has been named the first to occupy the Laurence J. Adams Chair in Special Education.

Trustee Adams and Rabush together sought the funds to establish this special Chair and to date nearly \$1.3 million has been pledged to fund both the Chair and a scholarship pool for graduate students in the educational program for community-based human services. This is the first fully funded chair in the college's history and cements the relationship between TARGET's residential program for developmentally disabled adults and WMC's graduate program. On June 6 Rabush realized another one of his dreams when he hosted dedication ceremonies for the new \$650,000 recreational facility near Deep Creek Lake in western Maryland, where TARGET's clients enjoy summer vacations.

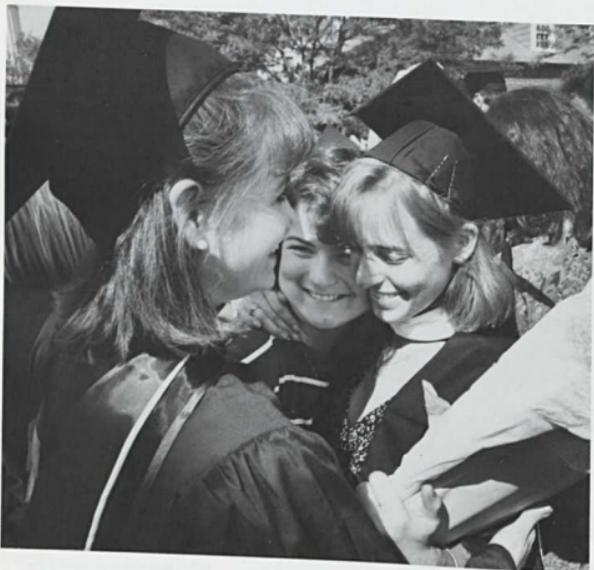
Another honor came to Rabush this spring when the Westminster Rotary Club named him Outstanding Citizen for 1992 for his "total service above self." His work with the nationally recognized TARGET (Training And Research, Group homes, Education and The developmentally disabled) was a leading factor in his selection.

For the third time in his career **Ira Zepp '52** was named the top teacher by Western Maryland seniors. The professor of religious studies was already among the honorees at Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation - as recipient of a Trustee Alumni Award - when, to his surprise, he was proclaimed the winner of the '92 Distinguished Teacher Award. Zepp previously earned the award in 1973 and 1982. He also won WMC's Meritorious Service Award this year.

Four faculty members earned promotions, effective in September: **Esther Iglich** and **Louise Paquin**, both biology, to professor; and **Herman Behling** (education) and **Ronald Miller** (theatre arts) to associate professor, with tenure. ●

# A Striking Symmetry

*Coincidences Combined  
for 122nd Commencement*



BOY FAUSER

BY CHRIS HART

**F**unny how a singular public event like a Commencement can mean so many things to those in attendance. Western Maryland's annual graduation ceremony runs the gamut of understanding, from revelry to resolution to moments of real reflection. Not to mention duded-up relatives cranking out the video and critiquing résumés.

This year's event, the 122nd in the college's 125-year history, was no exception. Taking place on a hot spring afternoon on May 23, the 1992 Commencement brought forth the usual mix of surprises and synchronicities that lend the day such significance, as evidenced in the awards for highest grades and distinguished teaching. A new tradition was started with the ceremonial procession through the new college plaza and the ringing of the Old Main bell. An alumnus came from halfway around the

world to receive an honorary degree. And a nationally known media figure returned to a favorite place of her youth to be recognized.

The ceremony commenced this year from Baker Memorial Chapel, where departing seniors and graduate students paraded through the double line of faculty and administrators along the new grass and brick plaza in front of Hoover Library and down the walkway to Gill Center where proud families waited for the speeches to begin. President Robert H. Chambers brought the Old Main bell to a fever pitch as more than 300 students marched by.

Traditional greetings from various members of the WMC community were offered. Margaret Farrelly '92, winner of this year's Philip and Azalea Myers Award for Creativity in English and representing the senior class, entertained the audience in Gill with a fractured fairy tale about college life. Her heroine, having escaped from a land where everyone sleeps through life, is challenged by such terrible monsters as Examinus and Physical Education Requirementus, and the dreaded Snooze Alarmus, "whose murky waters sought to claim her into oblivion forever." After years of struggling to reach her goal, Farrelly recounted, the young woman succeeds, and is given the name "graduate."

Farrelly's humor was followed by yet another new Commencement tradition—a greeting given by a master's degree candidate. Chosen for this honor, Matthew Robinson MS '92 said he had a feeling of redemption, stirred by memories of a long-ago family gathering at which his father predicted how his four children would fare in life.

After his father enumerated each child's strongest attribute he came to Matt. Pausing for a moment Matt's father finally stated, "Son, you better hope you marry into money," Robinson recalled jokingly. He is already on his way to earning a doctorate in athletic administration from Temple University.

The speaker representing parents, A. Darlene Boggs, a high school English teacher and mother of Jenifer Jo Boggs '92 *summa cum laude*, said her emotions concerning the college's request for a speech

*'This [honorary degree] surpasses all the hopes and dreams I could ever have.'*

— George Varga '61

traveled from "anxiety to relief to pride to humility" and back again.

"We parents are following the same emotional path today," she said. "We are a little afraid for our children. It's tough—very tough out there. We know that these graduates will go radiantly into a greater tomorrow with their diplomas in hand. If we're really lucky they'll go for a job in Des Moines."

Speaking for the faculty, Professor of Education Donald Rabush estimated that his words would have a "shelf life" of no more than four hours. Still, he strongly urged the graduates to make good use of their time—not just in terms of years, but in minutes.

Distinguished High School Teacher awards were presented to H. Colleen Burke and Mildred L. Watkins, of Fort Hill High School in Cumberland, MD. Four Fort Hill High graduates who are exemplary members of the Class of '92 nominated the pair as ideal educators who best prepared them for college success. Burke teaches senior English, American literature and journalism, and is a longtime adviser to the student newspaper. For the last 30 years, Watkins has taught algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, and statistics. This was the first time in the award's seven-year history that two teachers have been saluted.

The Argonaut Award followed, and its announcement brought exaltations from all present. Seniors Michelle Kloss, Keith St. Amand, and Trevor Wysong all shared in the honor, having consistently achieved Dean's List Highest Honors and graduated with perfect 4.0 GPAs. It was the first three-way tie since 1971 when the award was first given, and, amazingly, St. Amand and Wysong both were co-valedictorians of Fort Hill High, where Burke and Watkins teach. (For more on the trio see the back cover.)

Other coincidences were no less striking. Washington radio talk show host Diane Rehm, recipient of an honorary doctorate in journalism, told the crowd that she had fond memories of Western Maryland from her youth, when she attended a summer Methodist camp on campus.

"It was a glorious week for me," Rehm recalled. "Most of all I remember the

peacefulness of the setting, the green grass, the trees—such peacefulness. When the letter informing me of the board of trustees' decision to honor me arrived, I really looked at the letterhead in disbelief.

Because it was the college of Western Maryland at Westminster that I went to by train all those years ago. There's a lovely symmetry here, and it feels wonderful."

Rehm, whose five times weekly show on WAMU-FM has been designated the most quotable radio program in America, was particularly moved by her selection because she had never before received a college degree—honorary or otherwise.

George Varga '61, president of General Electric's historic joint-manufacturing venture with the Trngsam company in Hungary and a member of the college's board of trustees, was just as gracious in his acceptance of an honorary doctorate in humanities.

"Anything good that has happened to me started here," Varga said. A native of Hungary who fled its communist regime during the 1956 revolt, Varga arrived at WMC in early 1957 by way of refugee camps in Austria and then New Jersey. Dr. Ralph Price, professor emeritus of economics, helped Varga obtain a scholarship to Stanford University, where he earned a master's in economics after graduating *cum laude* from WMC. In 1989, Varga was honored with WMC's Trustee Alumni Award.

"I had a lot of dreams and a lot of hopes 35 years ago, but this surpasses all the hopes and dreams I could ever have," Varga said of his honorary degree. (See Varga on inside back cover.)

After the awarding of degrees to 240 undergraduates and 76 master's candidates, English major Cheryl Dishon, president of the Class of 1992, encouraged her classmates to hold on to their dreams.

"I challenge you to maintain the vitality you have now, to grow as individuals, to do something you truly love and surround yourselves with the people that you love. And, of course, recycle all those acceptance letters from prospective employers." •



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Diane Rehm (top) was honored with a doctorate. President Chambers congratulates the Distinguished High School Teacher Award recipients, H. Colleen Burke (left) and Mildred L. Watkins.

# Mind in Motion

## Sheehan Directs Energies Toward Filmmaking Future

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

He may be pounding drums in a rock venue peopled by Hare Krishnas selling beads and cookbooks or directing a scene on campus for a film he created. Whatever his gig is, Grant Sheehan '92 embraces it with a prodigious enthusiasm.

Talking to Sheehan, a long, lean bundle of synapses, one soon becomes immersed in ideas and plans which may sound fantastic. But . . . as his mentor English professor and film director Robert Sapora says, "When Grant comes into your office it's like he's been shot out of a cannon. He'll have this idea that, in most other hands would sound crazy, but not when you know it's coming from Grant Sheehan."

One idea which may have sounded far-fetched was Sheehan's goal to attend the University of Southern California's prestigious master's program in film and video production. "In the U.S., it's the best school, and they only accept 40 to 50 of 600 to 1,000 applicants," Sheehan explains. The day before this conversation he'd gotten his acceptance letter for next spring and was bouncing in his seat with eagerness.

"Every day for three years all I thought about was USC, USC, USC. If I hadn't gotten in I would have been devastated for a week." He pauses a beat and beams.

"Then it would be time for Plan B."

A few years ago Plan A was something quite different - in many ways - creating special effects and gore make-up. Despite WMC's lack of emphasis on that career, he signed up as a communication major.

"What sold me was the things Bob Sapora had his students involved in." And the Westminster native could continue with Gut Instinct, a hard-core rock band which had begun to take off.

Near the end of his freshman year, he redirected his considerable energies, from make-up to directing. "I began to realize the power that films hold in society, as far as being a reflection on society. You can use film to say positive as well as negative things about society. I'm more geared toward showing the negative in an attempt to change things, whether I do it through a



Ambition didn't exceed the grasp of Grant Sheehan who is film-school bound.

serious dramatic film or dark satirical comedy."

The latter brings to mind his favorite movie, *Heathers*, which depicts high-school peer pressure taken to its extreme. "I like what it says about cliques. Everything is categorized. You're this, or you're this, or you're this."

That his interest would swing around to film doesn't surprise him, since his father, Grant Senior, has shot films, enlisting young Grant as a crew member, for as long as he can remember. "I guess it was an unconscious influence, him playing guitar and making films when I was young. I wrote and directed a short film when I was 13. Dad was my cameraman and film editor."

In the spring of '91, Grant Junior began seriously exploring filmmaking by starting a script for an hourlong film. Writing took him through the summer, then during the three-week January Term, he directed the film, using 25 student actors. *Semantic Dementia*, ideas for which he gained in the classes he cites as foundations for his life, Sapora's courses in semiotics and linguistics, was premiered on campus just before graduation. Sheehan describes the theme as "a college student's search for the truth."

At the same time he's gotten film school lined up, he's watching his musical career burgeon. This summer the band is to tour

Europe, and he's awaiting word on a \$150,000 recording contract from a division of Sony. The band, which plays all original music, made a record two years ago which was distributed worldwide.

Gut Instinct just cut its third record, at a Hare Krishna studio in Potomac, MD. Although the band is hovering on the cusp of commercial success, Sheehan waves it away, saying, "I'd give up the band to go to film school, even though it's a blast. You get paid for having a great time, and I certainly will miss that."

Grant, whose sister Coreen, 24, now has a band in LA, gives his patient parents much credit. "For years they put up with bands practicing five out of seven nights in the week. I don't understand how they could stand it. Recently my father said, 'I want our house back.' He gave us a month to find another practice space.

In a couple of years Sheehan plans to be in Baltimore, jump starting an independent feature-film company with a band mate. "A lot of people think I'm naive, but so many people see the odds against them and let that defeat them. If you're willing to pursue every last avenue to get what you need, you can do anything. I do the impossible every day [playing in a band, directing films, maintaining a 3.77 grade point average]. My mind set is, I know I'm going to do it." ●

# Where's Claudia?

## All-around Student-Athlete Kept Housemate Guessing

BY LEONA ANN SEVICK '92

**H**aving for one year shared a suite in Daniel MacLea and then for two years a house on Pennsylvania Avenue with Claudia Henemyre '92, I can with confidence declare that I know her pretty well. What I must admit, however, is that with very little confidence during those years did I answer the overwhelming question of our household: "Where is Claudia now?"

The list of possible (and even probable) answers to that question at first seemed limitless to me, but in time I learned that there was some method to her schedule madness. If it was a warm day, the answer could be softball practice; a cool day – soccer; a cold day – basketball; a weekend – ROTC field training exercises; a weekday – the library; and every day the answer could certainly be the biology lab. Looking back, it's a wonder I knew Claudia at all.

Just as difficult as pinpointing Claudia's exact whereabouts during her four years at Western Maryland was the task of defining her interests and experiences. A biology major with a dual major in German, Claudia was never one to limit her opportunities. While achieving a grade point average of 3.72 and participating in WMC's honors program for four years, this Phi Beta Kappa scholar also excelled in three varsity sports. A broken nose from a foul ball and several sprained limbs during her college athletic career made her a regular patient of the school's trainer, and so if Claudia was not at practice she was probably in the training room. She survived these injuries, however, and this year was named the most outstanding senior woman athlete by the Alumni Association and the most valuable player in softball. A catcher, she was selected to the GTE Academic All-America College Division II softball team for the third consecutive year and to the at-large team for a second straight year.

Her list of accomplishments does not end on the playing field. Drawn to WMC



Claudia was a cadet in motion.

by an ROTC scholarship, the Havre de Grace, MD native was recognized as a fine leader and outstanding military cadet when she was awarded the Legion of Valour Bronze Cross last fall, an award which is given to only six people in the nation. Nominated for the award by Professor of Military Science Lt. Col. Joseph Cinquino, she was chosen on the basis of her scholastic excellence in military and academic subjects. Claudia cites among her best experiences in the ROTC program the summer training session at the Northern Warfare Training Center in Ft. Greely, Alaska. There she practiced boating maneuvers along glacier-formed rivers, rock climbing and rappelling, glacier hiking, and a little moose watching. If someone were to have asked me in that summer of 1991, "Where is Claudia?" my answer would have been unbelievable.

On May 23 this distinguished military graduate was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Her father, a retired army master sergeant who served in Germany, Korea, and Vietnam, had the honor of swearing her in at the morning ceremony. This was an unforgettable and touching moment for both father and daughter.

This fall Claudia will find herself at the University of Cincinnati where she was awarded a research fellowship which includes a tuition waiver and a \$12,000 a year stipend. On an educational leave from the army, she will participate in the university's developmental biology PhD program sponsored by Children's Hospital where she will focus on birth defects. The proud and somewhat doting aunt of two young boys, Matthew and Luke, Claudia has a special interest in healthy child development.

The future may find her at a military hospital such as Walter Reed in Washington, D.C. where she will continue her research in developmental biology while serving the U.S. Army as an officer. This summer she has been working at the National Institute on Aging at the Baltimore Gerontology Research Center studying mechanisms of aging related to Alzheimer's disease. Keeping busy has never been a problem for Claudia Henemyre.

She admits that there were many times when she had to readjust her priorities as her many activities overlapped. "Did you know that I quit ballet and tap-dance lessons in the second grade to play soccer?" she asks me with a wry smile and conspiratorial tone. I respond with surprise that I didn't, but I assure her that I will not tell anyone. I suppose that no matter how well I think I know Claudia, some things will always remain a mystery to me. ●

*Leona Ann Sevick '92 was awarded the Edith Farr Ridington-Phi Beta Kappa Writing Award at Commencement. This spring the Taneytown, MD resident also received the Makosky Award for Excellence in English. During her college career she spent a year in England through the sponsorship of a Rotary Foundation Educational Award and has written frequently for The Hill. She plans to begin graduate study in English in the fall of 1993.*

*New VP Seeks Spirited Support  
for College of 'Signal Quality'*

# A Choice Commitment

With a vast background in fundraising, Richard F. Seaman became Western Maryland's vice president for institutional advancement on December 1, replacing Walter L. Wahlen, who retired. Seaman's quarter century in the advancement field includes four years in development at his alma mater, Oberlin College, a 13-year stint at Brown University, and the vice presidency at Skidmore College. He masterminded the final stages of a \$56 million campaign at Bowdoin College, where he last served. Six months into his new vice presidency, Seaman talked with *Hill* editors Sherri Kimmel Diegel and Joyce E. Muller about the challenges, priorities and direction of Western Maryland College.

*How does Western Maryland differ from other institutions with which you have been associated?*

Perhaps it's helpful to say a bit about my own background. I sometimes identify myself as an education "brat." My family spent 40 years in higher education, and I am a product of that environment where I developed a deep commitment to a liberal arts education in a private, independent setting. That really is the context which makes Western Maryland particularly attractive. I believe strongly that private colleges have an opportunity separate from the public sector to be at the cutting edge of what's happening in higher education, to set the pace and to be essentially the leaders of higher education. I think if you look at what has been happening here, the distinctive mix educationally of what we have, that this makes Western Maryland especially attractive. When one takes a hard look at the kind of institution the college is, one sees first a deep commitment on the part of the faculty—a unique commitment to teaching, a commitment to the students who they are teaching, a commitment to the college and the kind of education we offer here. There's a phrase I like to use—"Helping students learn and grow." And that kind of expresses the special ambience and nature of Western



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## *'We are a bonded community of human beings who are serving an important set of human values'*

—Richard F. Seaman

Maryland College. The unique sense of nurturing and caring here combined with educational programs of top quality make WMC distinctive among the institutions with which I've been associated.

*What do you feel are the greatest strengths that you bring to this college?*

I've been privileged to serve higher education for 31 years — 25 years in the advancement profession. In the process of doing that, I hope that I've gained a sensitivity to the special relationships that individuals have with institutions, whether it's students, faculty, administrators, trustees or alumni. I believe strongly in the collegiality of institutions, that we are a bonded community of human beings who are serving a set of human values that I think are fundamentally important to what we are as a society, and which I think are at the core of what Western Maryland is about.

## *Building Trust Is Crucial Task*

Maintaining impeccable ethics is a crucial element of the fundraising profession. Richard F. Seaman, with a 25-year record of upholding strong principles in the college advancement field, was selected as one of three fundraising professionals for a national commission of 12 administrators, teachers, and foundation officials to study the ethics of fundraising in higher education. The commission is being conducted under the joint aegis of the Ethics Institute of Dartmouth College and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) for which Seaman was a trustee in the late 1980s.

Besides Seaman, members of the commission include two other fundraising professionals, "national philanthropic leaders such as Robert Peyton, formerly of the Exxon Education Foundation, and now head of The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, and Eugene Dorsey, retired executive head of the Gannett Foundation, as well as a number

Continuing on the vein of strengths, you've been here six months now. What do you see as the strengths of this institution at this point? We have an institution that is on the move. President Chambers's leadership is visionary. You have a faculty deeply committed to the teaching and learning process. You have here a group of individuals who care deeply about what happens to this institution and what happens to higher education here. You also have enormously sound management of this institution. The college has never had a deficit. As you look about higher education nationally and look at what some of the major institutions of this country are going through, it certainly is a great tribute and credit to the college that it has never had a financial deficit. Another signal aspect of this institution, in my view, is that its quality overall is ahead of its reputation. I wonder sometimes if those who really know Western Maryland appreciate what a gem in higher education this institution is.

*What are some of the more challenging issues facing the college at this point in its history?*

There are two fundamental issues that strike me as the major challenges for the institution. One reflects what is happening nationally with the number of college-bound students. We are in the last stages of a major national decline in the total number of 18-year-olds who are going on to some form of higher education. Thus, Western Maryland College, like other col-

leges of philosophers who specialize in the subject of ethics from such institutions as Dartmouth, Georgetown and Johns Hopkins," Seaman said.

"We are in the process, over a two- to three-year period, of preparing what we hope will be a definitive book on the subject of ethics in fundraising which will serve education professionals and scholars alike in broadening their perception of the kinds of ethical issues in fundraising that all institutions face." The study is underwritten by grants from the Lilly Endowment and the Kellogg Foundation. Involvement in such a project, he said, is "quite a responsibility. Our nation's social fabric is sharply impacted by charitable groups. Maintaining integrity in the fundraising process is crucial to the bonding that occurs between institutions and those upon whom they are dependent for support. Adherence to sound ethical standards helps to build the trust and confidence upon which fundraising in support of deserving causes is so dependent."

leges of our kind is in an increasingly competitive arena for the best and the brightest students. We want to continue to aspire to being an institution that takes great pride in its academic strength and is attractive to the very best students who are going on to college. So that level of competition is very, very real.

The other major issue has to be a financial one, and the financial issue, too, is not peculiar to Western Maryland College. If you look at the sources of income to run a college, you essentially have three: one is endowment income, the earnings on gifts which are invested and reinvested, and on which only the earnings are spent each year; second is tuition income, which we want to remain as low as possible to be as attractive as we can to the best and brightest students, and to remain competitive with both public and private colleges; and, third, annual gifts for current operating purposes. If you look at Western Maryland College, we are sharply underendowed relative to our peers and raising vast sums for endowment takes time; our tuition is competitive, but we want to keep it as low as possible; and our Annual Fund is strong, nearly a million dollars a year and it is, therefore, a very high priority for us.

When you then look at the expense side of the picture and look at the uncontrollable economic factors that impact a college like this—the dramatic increase, for example, in health costs, the growing issue of deferred maintenance on this campus and every campus in the country, and issues of that kind, we are caught in having to strike a new balance between available resources and expenditures to sustain the quality of education and remain competitive. Now what is remarkable to me is how well the college has indeed struck that balance in one of the most difficult financial periods higher education nationally has ever experienced.

The optimistic side of me likes to point out that individuals who are considering voluntary contributions to institutions and causes in which they believe should take a hard look at the special mix at Western Maryland of educational quality and visionary plans at an institution that is both well managed and uses its limited resources wisely. What a deserving combination. Just imagine the *impact* of what each gift to this institution means! That's part of the excitement. In the end, everyone makes a gift of their voluntary resources to help make something better, make something change for the good. And that opportunity exists in abundance here.

*What are some ways you are planning to help meet these challenges?*

I have primary responsibility for the organization, planning and conduct of the institu-

tion's advancement effort, meaning oversight ultimately of alumni relations, public information, and fundraising. In the exercise of that role there really is a triple need at play, a triple opportunity. We need, first, to help those who are members of our constituency understand the special opportunities that are at the college right now and for us, in the process of doing that, to be as candid and as straightforward as we can be. The whole nature of the interaction between our constituency and the college is a very precious kind of a relationship, and Western Maryland College has been traditionally strong in this area.

Associated with that are alumni relations programs where there is an important opportunity ahead, again, to conduct programs for the college, but *by* and *for* alumni, which again continues to nurture a lifelong relationship that alumni and parents and friends of the institution have with it.

And, then, obviously, it is a major responsibility to maximize the level of gift resources to the college as we look ultimately to the turn of the century. At some point several years out, this will almost surely mean a major comprehensive fundraising campaign.

*In the fundraising area of your responsibilities, what do you see as your priority right now?*

Clearly the most dominant priority in the next two years will be strengthening the annual giving program. We're building on a very fine record. Over the last five years, we have been having annual increases in Annual Fund support in double digits. The alumni, parents, and friends of the college are to be commended for the kind of support that they direct. However, if you look at the opportunities that exist for immediate impact in a period of great need for an institution, the most dramatic impact can come through sharply increased annual gifts. Perhaps that impact can be understood when one realizes that to the Annual Fund each year are credited gifts that are spent in the year in which they are received to support core activities of the college—library acquisitions, faculty salaries, and the like. If we are able to increase annual giving by, for example, \$250,000 a year, that represents the equivalent income on \$5 million of endowment we do not have. When you recognize that it has taken 125 years to amass some \$20 million as endowment, you can appreciate what it would mean to have \$250,000 more of annual income through the Annual Fund. I think that is a very reasonable early objective for us to set. It is also a way in which each and every member of the college family can help and have impact at this critical moment in the life of the college.

*The institutional advancement plan which was approved in April by the board of trustees calls for new programs and the addition of new positions at an incremental cost of \$338,000. Can you tell us a little bit about the impact this expanded advancement program will have?*

That investment in the future of the college is just that—an investment. It is a recognition that there are opportunities to enhance the relationship of our constituency with the college. That relationship will be enhanced only if we are able to serve their needs and interests. Let me give you some graphic examples of this. If you go back and look at the last five years of giving to the institution, the college has been enormously served with gifts totalling nearly \$15 million. Of those contributions, over half were contributed by individuals in the form of so-called planned gifts—testamentary gifts, or gifts made during one's lifetime, in which the donor or other named beneficiary has retained an income interest during his or her life or lives. Thus it is in the interests of its constituents as well as in the college's interests to establish at WMC a planned giving program, headed by a new director of planned giving.

A second position that has been authorized is in the area of corporate and foundation relations. The college has received an average of just under \$500,000 annually from foundations and corporations. I see an opportunity for substantial additional impact from a sophisticated foundation and corporations program, the investment of which will have a return of an order of magnitude larger than the investment being made. And such a return will occur almost immediately.

Even though the institution, at this time, is sharply shepherding its resources—as you know there is a hiring freeze and there will not be salary increases for faculty and staff—the particular investment being made now in staff and programs in the advancement area represents an investment in the future of the college that carries with it an expectation that the funds thus expended will ultimately result in substantially larger contributed resources to enhance the educational quality of the college.

*You've mentioned particular needs of this institution. Could you delineate some of the more critical capital needs?*

On the capital side we have two dominant needs. In the physical plant area, by far our most urgent and compelling need is for a new science center. We're looking at a project that ultimately will require as much as \$12 million for a new laboratory/science building and the renovation of Lewis Hall to provide a complementary facility that will serve the natural sciences for many, many years to come. It has been almost 40



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years since our latest science facilities were built, and you can imagine what has happened in that 40-year period to teaching and research in the sciences. Clearly our facilities are inadequate both for teaching and research, and that's the most fundamental educational building need that we have.

Simultaneously on the physical plant side, we want to complete the campus plan that was put together some five or six years ago. Major progress on that plan has already been seen; anyone who has taken a look at the campus recently and has visited the magnificent Hoover Library and has seen the gorgeous quadrangle that graces the campus will get a sense of what the completion of that campus plan will ultimately mean. We also have major renovation needs, such as Levine and Memorial halls, and substantial deferred maintenance.

In addition to the physical plant, we have enormous endowment needs to meet. If you look at our endowment, we are comparatively underendowed relative to our peers. Just for comparison, the figures show, as of June 30, 1990, Western Maryland's endowment was roughly \$17 million. Other institutions have endowments, such as Hood's \$32 million, Loyola's \$34 million, Ursinus's \$40 million and Gettysburg's \$41 million. You can see that relative to our peers we are seriously underendowed. Of interest is that if you take the number of alumni of record and look at how much endowment the college has relative to its constituency, we have roughly \$1,200 of endowment per alumnus and alumna. That compares with, for example, \$3,200 at Washington, \$3,000 at Hood, \$3,800 at Ursinus. I believe our constituency is every bit as good and as loyal

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Alumni Profile

# Gadfly Galore!

Newsquaker Davis Gives  
Boards the Business



SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Evelyn Y. Davis, in front of the Watergate, with an issue of the newsletter she edits, *Highlights and Lowlights*.

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

*"I do not deal with flunkies."  
— Evelyn Y. Davis '51*

So why is "the woman (corporate chiefs) love to avoid" escorting a lower-level administrator from a small college into the refined Brighton Grill of the Watergate Hotel? Liveried waiters snap to attention when the lady in the natty navy suit strolls in, the gold-chain strap of her Chanel bag secured in twists from elbow to upper arm. Clearly a customer they're hell-bent to please, two waiters flutter like hummingbirds over a hyacinth throughout the Davis lunch at a table overlooking the Potomac.

An activist for stockholder rights and a business journalist who seems to spend as much time being grilled as she does grilling, Davis settles back for a parade of questions. But she straightens when her latest interlocutor hands her a yellowed book, saying, "I have a gift for you, and I'll have you know it didn't belong to any flunkie." Davis flips open the 1948 WMC yearbook to see the name of a top-ranking college official of the time inscribed. She nods in approval.

"Turn to Page 126."

She does and gives a little gasp to see a photo of herself leaning invitingly out of a car. "I didn't know about this," she says.

"Well, I'm not surprised, since you were only at Western Maryland a year, and the yearbook would have come out after you left."

"Foreign students?" she says, spying the heading on the page. "That's wrong. I'd been in the United States a whole year when I came to Western Maryland."

She studies the photo some more. "Oh God, I was too heavy," she says, shutting the book with a snap. "Don't you think I look better now?"

Indeed she is slimmer and bedecked in designerwear, but the shot of her at a 18 certainly is comely. It makes her next statement wholly plausible. Obviously still delighted, she chirps, "At Western Maryland I got a marriage proposal from a sophomore."

That was the first of at least three others, for she married the man she dubs "the third Mr. Evelyn Y. Davis" last August 19, three days after her birthday. "At 62 I had to prove that I could get another man," she says in her clipped Dutch accent.

Her third "merger," to retired economist Walter Froh Jr., proved to be big news, with mentions in *USA Today*, the Associated Press, the *Detroit Free Press*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Atlanta Constitution and Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *The Cincinnati Post*, among other newspapers. In fact, nearly everything Evelyn Y.

Davis does seems to invite the publicity a wilted presidential candidate could only dream about. From Buffalo to St. Louis, from Nashville to Toronto, her boardroom antics have gotten plenty of play. *Time*, *Newsweek*, and *U.S. News and World Report* find her blend of eccentricity and business smarts engrossing. Just this April her boardroom bravado made the front page of *USA Today's* business section. Talk of the ink she engenders brings a purr to her voice. "I may very well be the most famous person who attended Western Maryland? Well, you add that to your article. OK? Right!"

Right, Evelyn. Who else would offer to Lee Iacocca unsolicited diet advice, then cancel her order for a new Chrysler when he refused to deliver it to her in person? She found a more amenable CEO in Ford's Donald Peterson who, in 1986, drove to the steps of the Jefferson Memorial and handed Davis the keys to her new sedan. Besides the VIP handling (remember, she doesn't deal with flunkies), the woman who could well afford a Rolls Royce bought her modest beige Mercury Topaz because "it was the first American car with an airbag."

Davis, who is said to be worth \$2 million, owns stock in 120 corporations and disrupts up to 60 stockholder meetings each spring. With carefully reasoned and written resolutions she crusades for the rights of stockholders, loudly berates executives when they disagree or try to silence her, then reports her opinions of the proceedings in her newsletter, *Highlights and Lowlights*.

For 29 years, gathering news, writing and editing the 20-page booklet has been her career. "When I took an aptitude test at Western Maryland they said being a journalist would be the best thing for me, and to be a nurse [what her physician father hoped for] was the last thing. As you can see, at Western Maryland they were right," she says, rolling the "r" on her tongue.

When she declined that marriage offer her freshman year, she says, "My father was disappointed, but I knew I was too young for marriage." After a year in Westminister, "I realized I was more of a city woman, and it was time for me to leave."

Her father inadvertently furnished her with the seeds to succeed. Their estrangement after he divorced her mother and took a second wife in 1949 "made me determined. Sometimes unpleasant things in life give you determination. When I was 19 I had to begin looking after myself. I learned very early to save money."

After limited course work at George Washington University, a stint as a secretary and a model, she married for the first time. Two years later she dumped the husband but kept the name Davis. "It's better than DeJong, isn't it?" The transformation of Eveline Yvonne DeJong to the Americanized Evelyn Y. Davis—without having to change her monogram—was complete. Later, there was a two-month hitch with a Mr. Knudsen.

With two divorce settlements and a little money from her father, she was off on her stock-buying sweep, with Safeway being one of her first purchases in 1953. She schooled herself, ignoring investment advice from her father. "Doctors are notoriously poor investors."

*Highlights and Lowlights*, which she began selling at \$20 an issue in 1964 and now offers for \$330 per year (sometimes with supplements), earns her "a good income" annually and White House access press credentials. Known as "the lady in red" she knows how to catch the presidential eye. "I wore a red Adolfo like Nancy. It was very helpful with Reagan to wear red."

Dressing for her audience has always been a forte. In 1970 Davis wore a bathing suit to the General Motors annual meeting. Asked why, she says matter-of-factly, "I

didn't want anyone to upstage me."

Since with flunkies she does not deal, she offers newsletter subscriptions only to corporate execs. She is her own subscription service, calling up CEOs and badgering them until they relinquish their fee.

*Highlights and Lowlights* is a breezy blend of gossip, political commentary, and wry corporate appraisal, spiked everywhere with multiple exclamation points and question marks, boldfacings and capital letters. Using the royal we, she reports in statements short and clipped, just like she speaks, and is as entertaining as she is informative.

In her 1991 edition, listed under "Washington Events," she writes: "Bill Webster resigned from the CIA. Now we can tell you one of the real reasons!!! His marriage to a woman HALF his age—him being 66—she 33!!! A difference of 33 years is TOO much for Washington. Perhaps one can do this in Hollywood, but if one has ANY Washington ambitions you just better stick to someone nearer YOUR age!!!"

Under "Conduct and Arrangements of the Meetings," she notes:

"We attended many meetings we had not been to for several years—no one absolutely no one can take us for granted—Keep them guessing!!!"

"ATT was much better this year!! Ted Turner had to do a lot of explaining about Baghdad Peter at this year's Atlanta Turner meeting!!!"

"At Dupont a female 'security officer' would not let us in ahead of time. The envious creature was promptly overruled by a male superior!! Nevertheless, Dupont has greatly improved since the Neo-Nazi regime of Irving Shapiro!!!"

The "Miscellaneous section" in '91 featured this, among other gems:

"And we are stuck with Greenspan for another four-year term. You can be sure he will follow a TIGHT monetary policy. After all he has been living with a woman for several years, living with but not married to. Reason: The District of Columbia has NO palimony laws, so when they split up, the TIGHTwad does not have to give her one dime!!!"

*'Not only am I doing my own act, I'm producer, director and scriptwriter!'*

—Evelyn Y. Davis '51

And this one: "1991-1992 are THE years for good prenuptial agreements!!! A MUST if one has any kind of assets!"

Speaking of matrimony, Davis and Froh, 65, who she described at the time of her wedding as her best friend, live in the apartment she's held for a decade at the tony Watergate. In that infamous complex she also keeps, between the Korean Embassy and Saudi Arabian Airlines, a tiny, paper-clogged, windowless office where she writes *Highlights and Lowlights*.

There she toils over three phones and an electric typewriter, eschewing a word processor. "I am a brilliant speaker and journalist but very untechnical," she says with a smile and a wave of her hand.

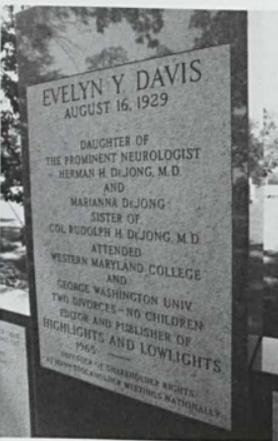
In April and May, the months for corporate meetings, she spends little time in her office, hitting the road alone and at an exhausting pace. "Yesterday I was at Dow Jones and earlier this week at the *New York Times* in Wilmington, North Carolina. Next week I have, in New York, Citicorp and Bankers Trust, then on Tuesday it's NationsBank in Charlotte, North Carolina, then, on Friday, Pacific Telesis in Reno, Nevada. I have Bell Atlantic in Richmond a week from Tuesday..." And on it goes.

This year she's pushing proxy statements on two main stockholder issues. "One is to end the stagger system. Boards should stand all 12 members for election each year rather than four members every three years. I'm presenting this at Martin Marietta and Marriott. Usually I get a lot of institutional support on ending the stagger system and on executive salary disclosure. I believe boards should reveal senior executives who make \$100,000 or more."

While her support for these resolutions grows among stockholders every year, she is most proud of the resolution which turned GM to her way of thinking. After listening for three years to her proposal, the world's largest corporation agreed to cancel greenmail. She had introduced her resolution after becoming outraged when in 1987 GM bought H. Ross Perot's stock for \$743 million, almost twice its trading value. GM had struck the deal to prevent a



DAVID J. PHILLIPS



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The WMC coed (top) hoped for a career on the stage. Davis's marker in Rock Creek Cemetery reflects her originality.

corporate raid and to remove the Texas billionaire from its board.

Asked how she feels now about the presidential aspirant, who like her, claims to be self-made, the Republican blurts, "H. Ross Perot is running with the money he got from GM stockholders! It would be unbelievable if he becomes our president!"

Just how self-made is Davis? Well, she started out quite comfortably as Eveline Yvonne DeJong, daughter of Marian and Herman DeJong, a University of Amsterdam associate professor of neurology. "I had a French governess, private schools, two maids."

What happened next, she hints at vaguely. Something about her father doing a lec-

ture tour in the USA during World War II, her mother staying behind, bombs all around, and shrapnel in her leg. Interviewers who dig too deeply will be halted with, "Life has been a challenge to me. After all, I survived World War II."

Eveline wound up joining her father in Maryland in 1946, graduating from Catonsville High School in 1947 despite her newness. Dr. DeJong, who was an assistant professor of psychiatry at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine from 1946-49, selected Western Maryland for her.

Her hope was to parlay her flair for drama into a career, but she says the legendary dramatics professor Esther Smith cautioned her with, "Your accent will hold you back."

"She was right," Davis says today. "But I still made it in a roundabout way. Now I'm a real-life actress going to real-life stockholders' meetings. Not only am I doing my own act, I'm producer, director and scriptwriter!"

Though she has no flesh-and-blood offspring in whom to invest ("My stocks are my children," she gives generously to further other people's children. In 1990 she established the Evelyn Y. Davis Foundation. Her first gift was to the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism to support education in journalism. The foundation also supports business, medicine and the arts.

Evelyn Y. Davis, like all good investors, looks to the future. And being a well-organized executive, she had erected in 1987 an elaborate tombstone, etched with an epitaph of her creation. Her philosophy of life and business, her pedigree, her divorces and her education, including her stint at WMC, all are there.

"If you give someone \$200 to select a dress for you, they won't get one that you'll like. Right? Right? So I thought while I am in good health and can make the right decisions, I'll have it done the way I want to." Don't leave important decisions to flunkies, she implies.

And does she plan to amend her stone, adding Mr. Froh's name as the third Mr. Evelyn Y. Davis?

"When I get around to it." ●

# A Winning Pitch

*Kay Davis Met the Challenge  
for Atlanta's Largest Museum*

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Whether her topic is molecular weights or a million-dollar donation to her building fund, when the light comes up behind Kay Davis's blue eyes and her soft Georgia voice hones in on her subject, you can bet her listeners are soon true believers.

"When I used to teach physics I told my students, 'This is the best thing you'll have in school all day,'" E. Kay Davis MED '63 relates. "I'd tell them what they were going to learn for the day, and I always told them how good it was. You can absolutely sell your subject, and why not? They'll explore and find out whether or not it's for them. My hope is they'll develop the same passion for whatever it is they *do* want."

What Davis has wanted since 1984—and what she succeeded in doing, with the help of her board of trustees—is to raise \$45 million to build what is dubbed the largest natural history endeavor since the Thirties. When Fernbank Museum of Natural History opens—on schedule—in October it will be, at 160,000 square feet, Atlanta's largest museum and the largest natural history museum south of Washington, D.C.

At the same time Davis, as executive director, was trying to raise *her* millions so were a number of Atlanta groups, such as the ballet and opera. "Cultural institutions don't always get together and get in line [for donations]," she explains. "If we don't all hang together, then we'll hang separately. We've had our competition."

What made her pitch stand out, she says, is "We were trying to do something that had not been done. Atlanta didn't have a natural history museum. I focused on the educational aspect, and that by adding this museum and cultural facility, we could build on the success and quality of the existing Fernbank."



LOOKING FAVORABLE COURTESY OF THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION

**Kay Davis takes pride in the plans for Fernbank Museum.**

The 140-acre Fernbank parcel in an old, established neighborhood near Emory University includes Fernbank Science Center (FSC), which was built 25 years ago with the help of federal funds back when the space race fueled America's thirst for science education. Operated by the DeKalb County Board of Education, for which Davis used to teach physics, biology and math, FSC draws 800,000 visitors a year. Davis expects 1.3 million to visit the new museum on the same grounds.

The existing Fernbank also includes a planetarium and observatory, 65 acres of forest, two Olmsted parks, several restored mansions which house science programs and a botanical complex with two national test rose gardens.

The most revolutionary feature of the new museum is that it is based on a story line, not a collection, notes Davis, who has a PhD in museum administration. "Collections are very expensive to buy and maintain, so we decided to do something for the public first by using existing collections.

"We had a good writer write a story line, one that almost nobody knows all of but

almost everyone knows some of," she says with a mysterious smile. "It's called 'A Walk through Time in Georgia.'"

Designed by Ed Schlossberg, husband of Caroline Kennedy, the exhibit begins with the Big Bang theory of the creation of the universe and its attendant reverberations in Georgia, and ends in the future. Using an interactive video, visitors can choose different options and see how their choices alter the fate of the world.

Besides the story line, another priority for Davis has been to design into the museum concept income-generating centers, such as a museum store and an IMAX theatre, to support its operating budget. "When we go to the public for money I want it to be for new educational programs not the operating budget."

Davis, who taught science in Carroll County in the late 1950s and 1960s when her former husband Herb Davis taught biology at Western Maryland, was back on campus in May to accept a Trustee Alumni award. Tall, slim and distinctly ungrandmotherly in her black dress, she was anticipating the birth of daughter Vicki's first child. Son Greg, former leading scorer of the Atlanta Falcons, is now with the Phoenix Cardinals. He credits his mom, a high-school basketball stalwart, with teaching him to work hard as well as to place-kick.

After accepting her award, Davis told the audience "Western Maryland taught me that hard work is OK, that it's something to be desired." She said that at WMC she learned "to respond, without fear, to challenge."

Doing so is a hallmark of her character. She took on the museum project just three years shy of retiring. "I froze my retirement and decided to take the risk, because why not? Some people live right here," she says holding her thumb and index finger an inch apart, "when they could be out here," she continues, sweeping her arms out to their full breadth. Kay Davis lives out *there*. •

# Not So Silent

## Early '50s Was Era of Interim Generation

BY NANCY L. WINKELMAN '51

A highly indignant blonde came back to the dorm one fall afternoon of our freshman year and said, "They ought to make married men wear wedding rings."

Turned out she had been flirting with the student seated next to her only to leave class and see him greet his wife, who was pushing a baby carriage. The high schools we had left in the spring of 1947 did not have married men or baby carriages.

That dorm we were in was unusual, too. It was not on campus but downtown, at the point where Pennsylvania Avenue and Main Street meet. Cassel Hall had been a home for elderly ladies. With a large enrollment of veterans, the college had run out of dorm space on campus, and we were part of the selected spill over. It was better, though, than cots lined up on the floor of Gill Gym where some vets had to be housed for a while.

Those veterans were older, more experienced, more sophisticated and not at all sure that they would put up with college life as it had been. Wearing beanies and kowtowing to sophomores did not interest them.

We went to the Rec hall every night to dance to music from the juke box, stopped in the Grill for hot chocolate and cinnamon toast between classes, and played a continuous game of hearts in the area near the post office.

In good weather, we sat on the bench in front of the Grill or on the steps of Old Main and watched our world go by.

But one afternoon as I went from Science Hall to Lewis Hall, no one was sitting on the bench or the steps, and there was the kind of quiet that one remembers 40 years later. Outside McDaniel I heard radios. It was March, 1948, and President Harry S. Truman was making a speech. We didn't have televisions in every room then, in fact, in none of them, so everyone sat around a radio waiting to hear if Truman would reinstitute the draft. He did.

We went to chapel on Sunday nights; it was required. You had to be in the good



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In the '50s, playing cards in front of Old Main and talking in the gazebo.

graces of whichever member of the football team was taking attendance in order to cut.

One Sunday President Ensor was unable to give the chapel talk; he had lost his voice in Philadelphia at Saturday's football game. It was a fairly common disease that night. We had cheered ourselves into laryngitis for a one-point win over Drexel. That may have been the game a player missed because his wife was delivering a baby.

In the dining hall on the first floor of Science Hall we ate family style at tables for 10. Smart men looked for a table of women who might be dieting and took a seat. Mounds of joy and green scrambled eggs were an adventure, but the coffee was always good.

It was possible at that time to take non-lab biology in first semester freshman year, and biology, labs and all, was on the third floor of Science Hall. On the next floor there was a man teaching religion who questioned the virgin birth; that passed for a scandal in those different times.

The *Gold Bug* was our newspaper (an eccentric but great name). The office was first in a room over the Grill and then in the basement of McKinstry, an area shared with cases of a geologist's rock collection and our pet cat.

Those of us who came to college right after World War II graduated into the beginning of the Korean War. A good while later, I realized that we weren't the Fifties people being referred to as "the silent generation." Ours were The Interim Years.

When I went back to Western Maryland at the end of the Fifties as an employee rather than as a student, the campus and the world were still changing.

That was a strange and scary decade: the Iron Curtain, increased nuclear war capability, Senator Joseph McCarthy, bomb shelters in back yards, revolution in Czechoslovakia and Hungary, and large enrollments in ROTC.

Old Main was torn down and Science Hall became Memorial Hall; new dorms were built and went coed (that period's scandal). The Grill was in Winslow where warm sticky buns and deviled eggs with Cokes were the breakfast fare of choice. TVs had become standard dorm equipment. And women students panicked if they reached graduation day without an engagement ring.

Fifties people were referred to as the "silent generation" by Sixties and Seventies activists. I've had the feeling that they weren't silent for lack of something to say; perhaps subconsciously they were just holding their collective breath waiting for the other shoe to drop. And, with Vietnam, it did.

Progress means that the campus is still changing, of course, but I doubt that today's students will come up with anything to equal white gloves worn to Sunday dinner or men serenading outside women's dorms that were locked up tight at 10 p.m. •

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# News

## From Alumni

### 125th Honored In October Fete

A special ceremony featuring a speech by Louis Rukeyser, America's foremost economic commentator, will further fete the college on its 125th Anniversary. On Saturday, October 3, from 10:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. a Founders Convocation will be celebrated in honor of the first day of classes at Western Maryland, September 4, 1867.

The festivities will include a full faculty/staff processional through the new square between Hoover Library and Memorial Hall and into Baker Memorial Chapel. There, Student Government Association President Kourtney Sweeney '93 will provide an introduction. The host of the award-winning public television show, *Wall Street Week with Louis Rukeyser*, will then deliver a speech.

Other highlights are: the reading of the official anniversary proclamation; the presentation of the John Smith medalion to a recipient selected by the executive committee of the board of trustees; an address by a distinguished speaker; a choral presentation with alumni singers invited; and a recessional into the square where a picnic lunch will be served.

For more information, call (410) 857-2290.



C. KURT HOLTER

Trustee Alumni awardees at Convocation were (from left): Kay Davis MED '63, Joe Shilling '59, and Ira Zepp '52.



MARK SMITH

David Radosевич's volunteerism project was a Griswold-Zepp winner.

### Mentoring Project Merits Griswold-Zepp

David Radosевич '94 has been named the recipient of the second Griswold-Zepp Award in Voluntarism, an annual award which enables the student to pursue volunteer projects in the community. The sophomore psychology major, of Green Bay, WI, will use the \$1,250 stipend to fund a mentoring program for Carroll County high school students.

According to Radosевич's proposal, as many as 15 Western Maryland students will work with a group of about 25 ninth- and 10th-graders involved in Maryland's Tomorrow Mentor Program, which is administered by the county school system's Alternatives Program. These students will spend the fall semester interacting with Westminster High School students who are at risk of not succeeding in high school. The goals of

their interaction will be to encourage the youths to stay in school and graduate; to improve their academic standing; to better their self-esteem; to develop career goals; and to provide them with a positive adult role model.

"It's an honor to receive this award because it gives us a chance to reach out to those kids who need help," Radosевич said. "There are so many social problems in the U.S. right now, and I think education is the key to solving them. If we can help one person to not drop out of school, that's one more productive member of society."

The Western Maryland group has already gained experience with the Maryland's Tomorrow participants, having mentored about a dozen Carroll ninth-graders during the previous school year in a less formal program. The WMC students are volunteers with the college's Kiwanis Circle K Club, a community service organization led by Radosевич.

The group's activities with the students will include trips to Genesee Valley Outdoor Learning Center, sporting events, and museums in Washington, D.C.,



C. KURT HOLTER

Two alumnae were inducted into WMC's Phi Beta Kappa chapter this spring. Nancy Speck '77 (left) is an assistant professor of biochemistry at Dartmouth Medical School who graduated *cum laude* with departmental honors in biology from Western Maryland. Barbara Ernst '77 is an attorney with the Washington law firm of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst and Kurz. She was a *summa cum laude* political science and chemistry major.

as well as meetings with career counselors and participation in community-service projects and entertainment.

The group is "making a visible commitment to help improve the community by making a positive impact on illiteracy, school dropout, unemployment, and other problems," Radosевич wrote in his application for the award. "We are preparing the next generation of workers, teachers, parents, and members of society - we are taking a chance to make a real difference."

The award, conceived and endowed by Western Maryland alumni, is named for two long-time WMC educators - Ira G. Zepp Jr. '52, professor of religious studies, and the late L. Earl Griswold, professor emeritus of sociology. All full-time WMC undergraduates in good academic standing are eligible for the award.

## Reading Experts Earn Awards

Two Carroll County reading specialists were presented Joseph R. Bailer awards on April 28. Thomasina DePinto MEd '79, a teacher in the county's extended enrichment program, and Janice E. Knight MS '88, an eighth-grade teacher at Westminster's West Middle School, were the recipients.

DePinto has earned many accolades for her expertise, including a research award from the State of Maryland International Reading Assoc. and recognition by the State Department of Education as one of five expert reading teachers in Maryland. She has authored or co-authored a series of articles on classroom adaptations of research-based reading strategies.

Knight has served on various state education committees addressing reading and writing instruction and is involved in the ongoing assessment of Maryland students' overall reading abilities. She has authored several articles on reading, regarding such topics as response journals. DePinto and Knight both teach part time at WMC, DePinto in the graduate program, and Knight in the Alternative Learning Program for Schools.

The Bailer award is presented annually to a distinguished graduate of the college's education program. It is named for Dr. Bailer, who directed the graduate studies program in education from 1949-1971.

## In Memoriam

Mrs. Margaret Gailley Bosworth '15, of Richardson, TX, on September 21.

Mrs. Madge Wimbrow Butler '20, of Fruitland, MD, on February 19.  
Mrs. Sarah Ethel Marker Copenhaver '22, of Winter Haven, FL, on December 3.

Mr. Alvin H. Wilson, Prep School '23, of Cumberland, MD, on March 26, 1990.

Mrs. Nellie Parsons Schimpff '24, of Oxford, MD, in 1984.

Mrs. Gladys Bean Weech '27, of Baltimore, MD, on December 9.

Mr. John J. Reinecke '28, of Westminster, MD, on May 16.

Mrs. Ethel Ensor Foresman '29, of Westminster, MD, on March 1.

Mrs. Mary "Rosalie" Allender King '30, of Westminster, MD, on January 17, 1988.

Mr. Walter S. Albright '35, of Colorado, CA, on January 29.

Mrs. Catherine Hall Rae '36, of Brevard, NC, on December 2.

Miss Hope Godwin '38, of Ellicott City, MD, on May 11.

Mr. James A. Lesh '38, of Catonsville, MD, on April 24.

Mrs. Catherine Stuller Myers '39, of Taneytown, MD, on April 3.

Rev. Bernard A. Jennings '47, of Williamsport, MD, on March 5.

Mr. Howard R. Sauder MEd '49, of Catonsville, MD, on May 3.

Mrs. Esther Mullinix Green '50, of Catonsville, MD, on May 3.

Mr. George A. Hubbard Jr. '54, MEd '65, of Phoenix, MD, on April 24, 1991.

Mr. Gardiner A. Hall Jr. '56, of Annapolis, MD, on August 24, 1989.

Mr. Wilson D. Wenk MEd '56, of Aspers, PA, on October 23.

Mr. Carlton L. Charnock MEd '65, of Sykesville, MD, on December 13, 1989.

Mr. William C. Bond '67, of Greenwich, CT, on August 1, 1991.

Mr. Harrison M. Diver III '69, of Severna Park, MD, on December 18.

Mr. David E. Butler '77, MLA '78, of Fort Myers, FL, on March 10.

Mr. Robert L. Yiengst MS '88, of Hanover, PA, on June 21, 1991.

Dr. Ruth B. Rosenberg, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters '81, of Baltimore, MD, on April 3.

## Marriages

Eleanor White '61 to John Brown, on October 21. They reside in Timonium, MD.

Winfield Barber '72 to Helen Best, in June 1991. They reside in Fort Washington, MD.

Walter R. Burke '80 to Carroll Linda Fields, on February 14. They reside in Laurel, DE.

Janet Butts '80 to Brian Anderson, on October 19. They reside in Arlington, VA.

Lisa Brandau '81 to Andrew Stickle, on April 25. They reside in Arlington, VA.

Jill Kortveley '81 to Thomas Menick, on April 25. They reside in Long Island, NY.

Marcie Allman '81 to Ted Perrin, in September. They reside in Baltimore.

Ami Wist '86 to Jim Carrier, in January. They reside in Reisterstown, MD.

Melissa Arhos '86 to Dino Katsoulas, in November. They reside in Crofton, MD.

Cynthia Werner MEd '87 to Richard Richmond, on March 28. They reside in Birmingham, AL.

Patricia Yingling '88 to Briane Keane, on January 18. They reside in Cranford, NJ.

Mary Baschoff '91 to Bob McCarthy '90, on October 26. They reside in Germantown, MD.

Julie Baile '91 to Bob Brown '90, on August 24, 1991. They reside in East Lansing, MI.

Drista Henry '91 to Steve Bowser '89, in June 1991. They reside in Westminster.

## Births

Lenice Klinger, on April 30, 1991, to Randy '70 and Linda McGregor '72 Klinger.

Abigail Denise and Ashley Olivia Barber, on February 25, to Winfield '72 and Helen Barber.

John Gibbons, on April 8, to William and Susan Robinson '76 Gibbons.

Robert E. Bowman III, on October 22, to Rob '81 and Connie Thompson '81 Bowman.

Dylan Stephen DiGioia, on February 18, to Bobby and Sharon Kelley '81 DiGioia.

Matthew Perry Hearn, on April 23, 1991, to Bill '81 and Annette Hearn.

Caitlyn Elizabeth Hickey, on January 20, to Brian '81 and Gina Hickey.

Garrick Hoekstra, on January 28, to Al and Valerie Encinjian-Hoekstra '81.

Thomas Kevin LaPerch, on July 8, 1991, to Rich and Betsy Malkus '81 LaPerch.

James Richard Tangies, on November 10, to Anthony '81 and Jhan Shilling '83 Tangies.

Timothy Robert Hubach, on January 5, to Frederick '82 and Stephanie Opsahl '82 Hubach.

Benjamin Louis Israel, on March 16, to Marcus '82 and Ann Landwehr '82 Israel.

Teresa Eileen Lund, on November 7, to Richard and Susan Frost '82 Lund.

Robert Parajon Jr., on May 26, 1991, to Robert and Lauren Tario Parajon MEd '82.

Rebekah Hope Trice, on December 16, adopted February 14 by Jeff '84 and Carol Trice.

Matthew Runner, on December 2, to Richard '82 and Jacqueline Smith '84 Runner.

Michael Vincent and Megan Joan Short, on August 22, 1991, to Michael '82 and Lisa DelPrete '82 Short.

Joshua Andrew Zinnert, on April 16, 1991, to Tim and Marie Borowski '82 Zinnert.

Daniel Mark Cockerill, on March 7, to Mark '83 and Melissa Pruitt '82, MEd '84 Cockerill.

Claire Margaret Cooper, on March 9, 1991, to William '83 and Linda Cooper.

Spencer William Barnes, on February 11, to Troy '84 and Susan Barnes.

Lauren Elizabeth Dick, in September, to Dave '84 and Susan Garman '86 Dick.

Lauren Elizabeth Neder, on November 25, to Eric and Donna Mummert '84 Neder.

Patrick Lawrence Cooney, on May 11, 1991, to Gregory and Laura Buchness '85 Cooney.

Randolph Tyler Blair, on February 9, to Randolph '86 and Catherine McNiff '87 Blair.

Sean Donegan, in June 1991, to Peter and Karen Butting '86 Donegan.

Kevin Pyle Ewing, in December, to John and Caroline Butler '86 Ewing.

Kellie Nicole Handley, in April, to Brian and Charlene Ballard '86 Handley.

Kelsey Hare, on April 11, to Leslie and Dena Miller '86 Hare.

Brittany Ann Libert, on September 30, to James and Wendy Barlos-Libert '86.

Rachel Rockefeller, in November, to Rick '86 and Kathy Boyer '86 Rockefeller.

Drew Stump, in January, to Andrew '86 and Abbie Hume '86 Stump.

Lionel R. Facecime III, on October 25, to Lionel and Holly Morgan '87 Facecime.

Alice Elizabeth Langrall, on January 7, to David and Elizabeth Phipps MS '88 Langrall.

Justin Patrick Feehan, on September 16, to Patrick '90 and Christine Jarkowicz '89 Feehan.

Anthony Joseph DeFabio, on January 17, to Leonard '93 and Michelle Fullerton '93 DeFabio.

## Master's News

Following 36 years of service, **Earl Hersh MED'66** retired this year as supervisor of physical education, and worked with the Athletics and Outdoor School for Carroll County schools.

**Gary Harner '74, MLA'83** is at New York University finishing his mas-

ter's. He hopes to enter a doctoral program next spring.

**Timothy S. Bryson MS'89** has been appointed to the advisory board of Carroll Community College for a two-year term. He is active in the Literacy Council, the Westminster Business and Professional Assoc., and the Ethics Commission for the City of Westminster.

**Doug Crosby** was glad he came to the reunion. He lives in Baltimore, but his happy times are when he visits with his son and family in Ellicott City, MD.

**Viva Reed Engle**, while on her way to an Elderhostel in Keyser, WV stopped by the Frostburg Nursing Home, and had a great visit with **Peg Hamilton**. "Vi" will be on board for the WMC Mediterranean Cruise in September.

George and Ruth Davis Darby lost their son, George Junior, just after Thanksgiving. We send them our sincere condolences.

**Clarence Knoll** still keeps busy. Community and church activities, duplicate bridge, maintaining a home, and visiting with his daughter and her family who live in Australia all keep him occupied.

**Paul Rates**, when he returns to Florida after a reunion, always wishes he had said or done something that he intended but never got around to. So now he writes to his classmates, especially the women, "The warmth, grace and intelligence you have presented each time we meet is a wonderful and special feeling for me. I love all of you."

**Evelyn Collosion MacKenzie** moved to a continuing-care community, where she enjoys being pampered and spoiled. It's close to the Towson Sheraton, so she can attend the Baltimore Alumni Chapter's monthly luncheons and programs.

**Ruth Hobbs Chapin** is now at Carroll Lutheran Village. Here she enjoys life to the fullest in a community that is dedicated to a "ministry of caring."

All's well with Bill and **Martha Fogie Conrad**. Our condolences go to Martha's granddaughter Sabrina whose husband died late in '91. Most of us know Sabrina, as she brings Martha to all our gatherings.

**Ralph Mark Reed** has been relaxing since his visit with his sisters, **Elmer Hassell '33**, and the WMC class reunion. San Antonio, where Mark lives, is covered with bluebonnets, a perfect place for R and R.

**Jim Mann** enjoyed the reunion and I agree with him when he says it was great to have so many classmates together again. Jim helped plan and attended his 65th high-school reunion June 12, 1991 at the Westminster Inn. **Sally Reincke** says the Inn, where they celebrated their 65th, was the school they attended.

**Clarence Hobby Neale** sold her waterfront home on the Rappahannock River and moved to a condo in

Richmond, VA. This puts her near her son and still on a waterfront. There is a stream six feet wide that's occupied by a duck and several geese. They wake her up every morning.

Here are a few highlights of **Wesley Day's** adventures. In July '91 he attended The World Methodist Conference in Singapore with 3,000 delegates, representing 68 churches in the Methodist Movement and 40 million people. After the conference he went to Medan, Indonesia, where he and his wife were missionaries for many years. In Medan he joined a tour of 99 from the Conference and visited churches in North Sumatra. Then he spent a week in the home of Uncle and Auntie Lim of Wesley Church. In 1952 the Methodist Youth Fellowship, which became the Wesley Church, was organized in their living room. He arrived home in time to celebrate Christmas with his family.

This winter I was plagued by several aging "miseries." I thought spring would never make an appearance.

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**36** In March, 12 classmates answered a query about their fondest remembrances of WMC. Many mentioned favorite professors, friends in the dorm, hikes on campus, and classes. More specific memories were:

**Marquette Carrara Bruce** recalls trips to the theater in Baltimore with Dr. Wills and Prof. Makosky.

**Martha Washburn Berthoff** cites the Wesleyanette group of 30 women who met at our Stony Vista home on Saturdays.

**Samuel Corbin Sr.** notes the rifle team, ROTC summer camp, boxing in the old gym, May days.

**Henrietta Twigg Murray** remembers listening to Dr. Albert Norman Ward at Sunday chapel.

**Jane Leigh Hartig** mentions senior invitational chapel service where we wore our caps and gowns for the 1st time.

**Lee Irwin Cronin** recalls jam sessions in the dorm.

**John Manspeaker** contributes a humorous incident involving a group of football players seated on the mourner's bench as he drove by in his laundry truck.

**Ray Simpson** speaks of dancing in McDaniel Lounge to music coming from the radio.

**Doris Smedes Stonebraker** recalls

## Class Notes

**23** **Stockton E. Day**, of Largo, FL, remembers the parlor fondly and keeps in touch with **Louise Owens Sapp '23**.

**Martha E. Manahan** resides at Carroll Lutheran Village and enjoys memories of WMC. Her fondest memory is graduation day and "The Mighty Fortress." She anticipates the 1993 reunion.

**Marie Langrall Poffenberger**, of Newport News, VA sends her love and best wishes to all classmates. She is 90 years young!

**Reba Van Sant Wharton**, of Goltz, MD says that the inspiration of dedicated professors, the uplifting atmosphere of Baker Chapel and the lasting closeness of dear friends brightened her life. At 90 she's active but not as adventuresome. She plans to attend the '93 reunion.

**F. Anna Wilson**, of Gaithersburg, MD sends greetings to her classmates. She speaks to **Louise Owens Sapp** by phone. They discuss the fun they had while being roommates at WMC.

**Louise Owens Sapp** writes, "I am now an A-One procrustinator and as slow as molasses in winter. I wish I could see each one of you. I have a wonderful family and am never lonely. On December 9, I was present with 20 members of my family at the brunch sponsored by the Baltimore-area alumni chapter. **Mike Leister's** daughter made herself known as did **Jesse Mof-fets'** daughter, and **Guy Leister's** sons. They asked if I remembered their fathers, and of course I did; in those days I didn't forget anyone."

Louise talks occasionally to **Stockton "Stick" Day**. This winter his missionary brother, **Wesley Day '31**, visited him. No doubt you '23ers remember his brother **Chapin '26**. Stick had a setback some weeks ago and now gets around with a walker. Stick says the care he gets at the Assisted Living Home in Largo, FL is

excellent. Louise talks to **Anne Wilson** when she can get her on the phone. She talked recently to **Reba Van Sant Wharton** who lives in Goltz, MD and drives her car to shop each week also to the beauty salon.

**Peg McCann Shugart**, a dear friend since Prep school, left us suddenly in January; Louise's folks took her to the memorial service in Upper Marlboro, MD. Peg has a son and daughter who Louise loved seeing. **Elizabeth "Tootsie"** Corkran Smith said she would see Louise in '93 at our 70th. Louise sends love to each and every one of you.

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**31** The cards came back quickly from the "faithful group" and I was pleased to hear from several others who hadn't written for some time, so here's the news.

The fancy black came that **Jim Day** leaned on at reunion came from Liberia. It's a chief's cane and a very fitting one for Jim to have.

**Catherine "Sophie" Lynch Bass** lost her beloved Sam last August.

When her apartment at Cross Keys in Baltimore is sold she hopes to join her family (nieces and nephews) and live in Delaware.

**Catherine Downing Holcombe's** favorite cat went to "kitty heaven" 25 years ago. Her home in Millford, DE is complete once again. Catherine has another cat, Abby, who keeps everyone entertained.

We lost three of our classmates this past year. **Hannah Hecht** from Haver deGrace, MD; **Betty Cain Van Atta Joachim**, our poet, from Sun City, AZ; and **Pearl "Kitty" Brittingham Wellinger** at the Goodwin House in Alexandria, VA. They were all faithful classmates, and we shall miss them.

rehearsals with Miss Esther Smith and "Yes, even some classes."

**Rosalie Gilbert Folda Valentine** mentions living in the "buzzards' roost" of Old Main, and **Jayne Roof**.

In more recent news, **Marguerite Carrara Bruce** reports, "We have done much traveling abroad — last trip to China — and in our fabulous California." She is still a drama buff and likes her San Diego with its many theaters.

**Robert Bennett** has completed chemotherapy. He traveled abroad last winter, takes walks and does weight training. He sees **Bud Brown '37** once a week with a senior golf group in Catonsville, MD.

**Martha Washburn Bertholf** enjoys retirement life in Westmont Village, Bloomington, IL, near daughter **Lynn Bertholf Westcott '42**. They still travel in their motor home.

**Josephine Dawson Clark** in Lady Lake, FL, has traveled to Alaska and abroad. She enjoyed visiting former roommate **Muriel Waltz Kable** at our 55th. Her best news is she now has a great grandson.

**Joshua Cockey** is feeling better after a bout with pneumonia. He enjoyed a trip to Arizona to visit his brother and sister. One granddaughter has graduated from college, another is attending Frostburg U. and a 3rd is in high school.

**Samuel E. Corbin Sr.** enjoys good health. He recently visited Spain and Morocco. Wife **Elizabeth Rankin '41** is very active with the National Gallery. Both are busy with civic affairs in Camp Springs, MD.

**Lee Irwin Cronin** is fortunate to have their four daughters close enough to visit often and to enjoy the grandchildren near Bel Air, MD.

**Thomas Evidand** finds many jobs piled up after returning to Denton, MD from Florida where he spends five months every winter playing golf.

**Thyra Waltham Fischer** is now at Edgewater retirement home in Towson, MD where she occasionally sees WMC grads.

**Klee Grumbine** was distressed, as we all were, to hear of Sterling "Sheriff" Fowble's death. He played all sports with him in high school and college. Klee visited sister **Katherine Grumbine Whitehead '29** on Cape Cod last fall. He stayed home last winter in St. Joseph, MI. He's now anticipating cross-country jaunts on their horses.

**Elizabeth Hagen** in New York City has been retired for 10 years, still is active professionally, but is a little slower physically. She hasn't seen anyone from WMC for years. (Let's all visit her.)

**Jane Leigh Hartig** still lives in Elliott City, MD. She and her husband attend Johns Hopkins activities. They traveled in the West, Europe, and have done some cruising. Jane says she and **Doris Smedes Stonebraker** get together one day each summer for lunch to celebrate their birthdays.

**Helen Stump Hoffman** has traveled with husband Jim in the U.S. and Canada. She's busy with church work

in Hampstead, MD.

**Muriel Waltz Kable** works at WMC with **Donna DuVal Sellman '45**, director of alumni affairs, helping with the Undergraduate Relations Committee, since 1981.

**Henrietta Twigg Murray** and **Charles**, in Collingswood, NJ, are proud great-grandparents of Christopher Murray.

**Virginia Roberts Peters** has moved into a new retirement center. "We are kept busy with assorted activities plus a trip to Bermuda," she says. She would be pleased to see alumni who visit Clearwater, FL (2751 Regency Oaks Blvd M-301).

**Donald Prince** of Silver Spring, MD visited **Zaida McKenzie** McDonald and **Marguerite Carrara Bruce** in San Diego while seeing younger son Roger.

**Doris Smedes Stonebraker** of Thurmont, MD is proud of son Tom who just had a book published on biological psychology. She wants to know if 12 grandchildren is a record our old class.

**Rosalie Gilbert Folda Valentine** of Bel Air, MD visited Moscow with son Jaroslav last August where they took a course in Byzantine studies at the University of Moscow. He is author of several books on ancient subjects. Jaroslav was a baby when the two of them were evacuated from Pearl Harbor after the bombing.

**Anna M. Baker** is in Southington, CT caring for her long-time traveling companion, Helen Edick.

**Edward Beauchamp** in Pikesville, MD has a granddaughter, **Caroline Arbaugh '92**, who just graduated. Her dad, **Eugene A. Arbaugh '60**, became a member of the WMC trustees in July. Ed asked me to excuse his scribbles as he was in Great Baltimore Medical Center with heart problems.

I called **Robert Brooks** in Wake Forest, NC. We used to double date in Baltimore and swim at his family's summer place at Middle River, MD. Bob writes in a bit, reads a lot — "learning more in my old age than when younger," he says. He visited Washington's birthplace in northern Virginia. He can't complain, except for trouble with arthritis.

I talked with **Charles R. Daneker**, my WMC roommate, by phone.

"Bro" of Boynton Beach, FL had just returned from a motor home trip to Las Vegas and the West Coast, visiting friends and relatives. He says the years are beginning to take their toll. He needs to have some surgery done on his right hand, probably at the Mayo Clinic.

**Norman Davis** had been cruising in the Caribbean. He wouldn't leave his home in Surfside Beach, SC "until the snow melts up North." He was to visit with a daughter in Chicago and then be off to visit old friends in L.A.

**Louise Raver Lanfer** is in Finksburg, MD close to her daughter and granddaughter. She's been "smelling the roses" for 11 years, after working 29 years at Hutzlers in Baltimore. She celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary in 1987. Soon after, her husband

died. She did some traveling in the South, but says that lately her legs are giving her some trouble. She hears from **Willette Schad** (an old schoolmate from Franklin High). Her big regret is leaving WMC after only one year. But granddaughter **June Caples'** graduation in 1989 almost made up for it. She may top the list with two great-grandsons and twin great-granddaughters.

**Kay Young Mackley** writes from their home in Carroll Lutheran Village. She and Mack are busy with a "Great Decisions" discussion group and are working hard to get Tom Hattey elected to Congress. (Should I tell her I'll miss Beverly Byrom?)

**Marvel Jackson Simpson** of Potomac Creek, Fredericksburg, VA, writes, "The peace and solitude of water and country are always wonderful but particularly so as I struggle to restructure my life following my husband's death." She had a nice visit with **Karen Cochran**, director of major gifts, but said the WMC brochure she left pictures a school so different from our day.

**James A. Richards** from Ledgewood, NJ, says, "Haven't seen or heard from any WMC'ers for 56 years. You are the 1st one." He spent six years in Westminster Theological Seminary — awarded STB, STM and STD degrees; was Methodist minister for 41 years in eight churches; also did concerts and solos for oratorical society in eastern U.S.; then last 13 years was one of several ministers at largest Methodist church in New Jersey.

I like reporting. It's fun. **Helen Leatherwood '38** is now into church drama — writing, directing, costuming. I planned and conducted a tour to Great Britain in May '91. The group of 35 included **Robert '48** and **Jane Conaway Wagner '49** and **Joshua '43** and **Jeanne Patterson Ensor '48** '11 had a tour in September with 53 aboard to the Alps, Italy and Paris. **The Wagners and Ensors** plus **Lucille Grimm Berry '42**, are going.

I sadly report that **Catharine Hall Rae** died December 2. Sympathy letters may be sent to The Family of Catharine Rae, One College Walk Lane, no. 96, Brevard, NC 28712. **Vernon R. Simpson** 208 East Church St. Mount Airy, MD 21771

**41** Is it possible that a year has gone by since our 50th reunion? Many were disappointed to miss it but hope to attend the next one.

**Bob and Kathleen "Kakie" Coe Walters** were pleased with the video and card that we signed at the luncheon. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in January at home and in Charlotte, NC where daughter Barbara lives.

**Neil Ekenrode** also had to miss last year's celebration due to illness. His doctors say he is improving each month.

**Doris Hess Milner** was tempted to

join us, but her battle for willand preservation won out. Another concern is for national health-care reform. Perhaps Doris should run for office.

**Helen Hoke Voss** was not physically able to join us but is happy with the love and devotion of her family and friends.

**Margaret Ringle's** arthritis limits her activities. Although age 84, she recently renewed her driver's license.

**Stew Eckers** graduated from Mt. Vernon Law School after World War II. Later he formed his own Lutherville, MD-based company specializing in packaging products and equipment. Stew summers on Fenwick Island, DE and winters in Naples, FL.

**Hester Ayers Blood** couldn't make the trip to "the Hill," but had her reunion with **Tane Takahashi Matsumura** and her friends. Together they visited **Anna Grace Small** in a nursing home in Silver Spring, MD.

**Catherine Council Cherry** still farms her Caroline County land, recently managing a ditching project. She goes to Annapolis, MD often to lobby for the handicapped and mental ill. For fun, she is involved with Questers and the American Antiques Arts Assoc.

**Rudy Mansberger Shearer** finally has given in to retirement after 42 years in higher education. She most recently was professor of education at West Virginia Wesleyan College where there is a building named for Fred G. Holloway. He was president of WMC when we were there, and a United Methodist bishop in that area.

**Nellie Itneyer Lytton** couldn't travel as much as in the past, staying close to home in Hagerstown, MD.

**Madeleine Cooper Duryea** is well and happy in South Carolina. The new event in her life was a grandchild born in October.

**Harper L. Coempt** retired to Florida where he discovered tennis after age 60. He participated in the Great Books Discussion program of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. He was a laborer, retriever, Dutchess.

**Ruth Billingsley Weller** is active in the Carroll County Alumni Chapter. Last year she had an educational experience traveling in the former East Germany.

**Lindsay Chase** is well and active in South Carolina fishing, painting, sculpting and gardening. He and Ann continue to care for 97-year-old mothers. Their children are well established in business education and the army.

**Bill Dennis** golfs and boats at St. Michaels part of every month March-December. Come to visit. Daughter Sandra is a translator for a magazine published in France but works in Hartford, CT via a fax machine.

**Harold Solomon** still practices law and recently made his 28th trip abroad. He also is chairman of the board of the Maryland psychosocial agency in the largest where he oversees a \$4 million budget and 150 employees.

**Bill Banks** enjoys good health and good friends at his club at Lake Orville, CA. In a new motor home, he explored Northern California and Ore-

gon. Panning for gold in "them thar hills" yielded more than \$100.

**Mildred St. Clair Thomas** remembers fondly the Friday activities in May '91. She and Jim planned a trip to the Canadian Rockies this month. Two grandsons in Pennsylvania are the reason for frequent trips to that state.

**Arnold Fleagle** is proud of the apple yield of his vegetable garden and the trees. He spends his spare time helping grandchildren with 4-H projects and sports. Twice weekly he supervises volunteers at the homeless shelter in Frederick, MD.

**Eileen Trott Sheets** and I traded pictures of the reunion. We hope her recurring neck ailment has been resolved.

**Elise Wiedersum Dudley** reports that many of you are enjoying one of the tapes that Jim Howard took of the reunion events. The money he received for tapes came back to WMC as an additional contribution on behalf of our class. Thanks, Jim. He and **Ellen "Lucky" Logan Howard** were impressed by the loyalty of the alumni and events of the weekend. Thanks, too, to you, Elise, for planning such fun.

**Eleanor "Scotty" Prescott Vergis** is still basking in thoughts of our 50th.

**Rachael Green Marsey** spent last August with her daughter in a motor home visiting states she had never visited. In October, she took a bus tour through the Midwest despite her weakened foot.

**Violet Young Cook's** trip to Westminster was only one of many travels. She and John attended Elderhostels, Presbytery events, Bermuda courses, and innumerable rides to their Montreal, NC home entertaining family and friends. In Welch, WV they continue their church involvement, Violet cooking, John teaching and advising the elderly.

**Hazel Beard Guyer's** new interest is volunteering at the Quincy United Methodist Home in Waynesboro, PA, where Al is chaplain. She helped a lady complete her genealogy. Hazel put all the information on her computer which helped her document the genealogy.

**Harry and Thelma Bowen Offutt** are grandparents of Andrew, born in October. Thelma is bowling again after recovering from a fall.

We are happy to announce the 50th wedding anniversary of **Lester "Bo" and Norma "Nicky" Nicodemus '40** Knepp on December 28. Col. Knepp retired from Fort Gordon, GA after a distinguished 32-year career which included combat duty in Europe during World War II and a tour in Vietnam. The Knepps have three sons, **"Bo" Junior '65** of Columbus, VT, Greg and Joel of Middleburg, OH. Bo, who played football was inducted into the WMC Sports Hall of Fame in 1990. He is active with the Lions Club and the Masters Tournament in Augusta. Nicky is a volunteer docent with the Augusta County Historical Museum.

We are saddened by the loss of three

of our number during the year. Our sympathy goes to the families of **Margorie DeFord Dague**, on October 30, 1991; **Dorothy MacEwen Andrew**, on June 26, 1991; and **Julia Shepherd Farrigan** on May 31, 1991.

Keep well and happy in 1992 and send me news of your joys and sorrows.

Elinor Culligan Skelton

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**46** Eleanor "Polly" Higgins Green and a grandson stopped at my home in Massachusetts on a trip from her home in Carlisle, PA to Maine. She introduced me to the news gathering process and brought information that **Cassie Schumann Kiddoo** had organized and Polly continued. I hope to follow suit and provide an ongoing record of our classmates' "big days."

**Polly, Erma Young Gebb** and **Idona Mehring Tetter** attended two Elderhostels, one in the Georgia mountains, the other in Biloxi, MS, both to study bird migration. A reunion luncheon in Fairfield, PA was attended by **Polly, Erma, Irene VanFossen Myers, Dean Hess Reinhold '45** and **Frances Brown Crawford '45**. The main topic was elderly parents.

**Marjorie Little Zerkel** and **Bernie** are still busy with ministerial duties but find time to travel. Her card was written en route to Australia. She takes voice lessons and has given concerts with her daughter, **Sharon Spangler Belt '69**.

Westminster High's Class of '42 will have its 50th reunion, reports **Rose Lee Kuhns Stroh**. Several classmates will attend. Hagerstown, MD, where she lives, boasts two new beautiful ski resorts.

**Henrietta Jones Moore** has attended several Elderhostels including one in Williamsburg, VA. She urges others to try them. **Jean Shirley Williams** agrees with "Henry" that the Elderhostel trip to Williamsburg was very good. **Jean Baker Wilson** and husband, **Nancy "Polly" Shipley Moore**, and **Mary Shipley Myers '44** also went.

In Louisville, KY **Lucy Jane Stoner Nasser** does a weekly TV talk show, "Senior Scene." She enjoyed being called "young lady" when interviewing a 95-year-old man. She and Mike enjoy traveling.

**Patrick Caruso** enjoys retirement, now spends his winter in Florida or visiting sons in California and New Mexico, returning to his Verona, NJ home for the summer.

It's sad that **Patricia Donovan Gray** lost her husband in October. Pat has moved from her farm near the ocean to a mountaintop site in Dresden, ME. Art galleries keep her very busy.

Imagine teaching piano in Beverly Hills, CA. That's what **Gloria Mathias Defenderfer** is doing. She and Leonard enjoy living near their son and daughter.

A prayer letter sent from Faith Academy in New Delhi, India tells of some events and concerns of **John Dorsey's** ministry there. His wife, Mary, returned to the U.S. for health reasons and as of January was living in Kings Mountain, NC.

**Cassie Schumann Kiddoo** entertained several former 4th floor Belcher Ward-ers at her Gibson Island, MD home before our 50th reunion. Cassie, a WMC trustee, expresses pride in the new library and new campus look. She and Dick spent last Christmas in England with son Bill and family. Since then the family gathered for son David's wedding in October. The Kiddooes winter in Stuart, FL where I visited them recently. They were considering a move to Naples, FL.

**Mildred Vanderbeck Barthel** loved the reunion in May '91. She was happy to come East from Iowa to see familiar friends and places.

**Janet Reese Farley** keeps busy with nine grandchildren. She enjoys church and volunteer work plus theatre and trips "hither and yon."

**Jane Hughes White** winters between the ocean and the gulf on Long Key, FL. She and Bob enjoy touring in their recreational vehicle and spend time in Salisbury, MD.

Grandmother **Ruth Callahan Westfall** brags about Robin, 10, and Douglas, 7. They are busy performing in a number of musicals including The King and I and The Sound of Music. Ruth works at a library and serves on several boards around Pocomoke City, MD.

When not at home in Lake Worth, FL, **Kathy Naylor Bell** and husband Mel might be traveling. Recent destinations include Palm Springs and San Diego, CA, Washington, D.C. and Detroit, MI.

"Merthur" is **Marie Wilson Litterer's** art and weaving studio in Camden, ME. Marie does transparent tapestry and gives workshops. She invites us all to visit when traveling that way. She loves being close to her daughters and grandchildren.

**Jean Lee Phillips Jelski** spent time in St. Petersburg, FL last winter. Glad to hear she is recovering from a serious heart attack in 1991.

**Edna "Perk" Haller Beglin** complimented many of us by saying the reunion picture showed a very photogenic group. She and **Bob '43** are healthy and happy in their lovely Westminster home. The 45th reunion luncheon there was great!

**Dotie Bopet Pennington** tells of the wonderful time she had in New York. She took her sons and their families, 16 in all, to lunch at the Top of the Sies and to the Christmas Extravaganza at Radio City Music Hall.

**Frances "Diddy" Wahmann Zapf** and her husband, Al, love living in Sarasota, FL. They enjoy visits from granddaughter Marilyn, 5. They often travel to cooler spots, such as Wisconsin and British Columbia in the summer. "Diddy" and Al, **Millie Lloyd** and **Ed Olson**, a friend and I, meet in Plant City, FL for annual visits.

Millie is delighted that son David

has given her her 1st grandchild, Alyson. Daughter Marthanne is a pharmacist and has moved with her company to Annapolis, MD. Millie still works for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index. One of her bosses, Bill Brock, married a Western Marylander.

**Doris Kemp Boone** and Gene still have their motor home and spend five months in Fort Meyers, FL. They can't believe they have grandchildren in college.

**John Sney** writes that weather, fishing, swimming and relaxing are great at Paget Farm, Bequia, St. Vincent, West Indies. His Maryland address indicates that is not a permanent move.

**Mary Lee Crothers Cannon** enjoys traveling in the U.S. and Canada. She lives on Lake Ontario in New York. Her youngest daughter, Angie, is doing graduate work at the University of Wisconsin and is a U.S. Wilderness Forest Ranger Interpreter.

The Nanticoke River in Seaford, DE provides an enjoyable lifestyle for **Carolyn Wilson Stoner**. Owning a pleasure boat has meant life has not been the same.

Any other quilters in our class, asks **Jan Anderson Markowitz's** She has been an active quiltmaker for six years and has made more than 80. Jean and her husband love to travel, visiting Australia, New Zealand, Scotland and North Yorkshire recently. They visit children in California frequently. But they are happy to return to their riverside home in Little Silver, NJ.

**Fred Morgan** and **Rosemary's** grandchildren live close by Richmond, VA. Fred appreciates our class's giving to the Annual Fund. He hopes New Yorkers will encourage **Don Capobianco** to attend our 50th reunion.

**Dot Bolles Swanson** and Ray visited their daughter in Minnesota, MN and enjoyed the area's national parks. Son Eric is ski racing coach at Holderness School and completing his degree at Plymouth State, in New Hampshire.

**Erma Young Gebb** and daughter Wendy traveled with pride to Lexington, KY to see son Wayne perform in an opera at the University of Kentucky. Besides enjoying the Elderhostels, she had fun for a month as hostess in a rooming house in Ocean Park, ME.

**Ann Stevens Gorman** enjoyed the arrival of their 7th grandchild, a boy; a trip to Hawaii; a husband who still goes to work and some tennis and golf.

The 45th reunion was the high point of 1991 for **Nancy Dawson Bolden**. **Dot Bolles Swanson** and I visited her home in Chevy Chase, MD before the reunion and had a great time.

**Vernelle Potts Long** visited London and environs for 10 days this spring with her children, Patricia and Victor. **Peggy Phillips Evans** and husband visited Vernelle in Raleigh, NC on their way to Florida.

**Betty Baker Engler** enjoys trips to California to visit son Greg and family. Grandchildren, garden club, church and other groups keep her busy at home in Blacksburg, VA.

**Jane Kester Henkler** still has her

bush Ft. Myers, FL catering job. Her son and family are fine.

**Ed Furlow's** wife mentioned the birth of the fourth grandchild. He told of his and Birgit's trip to the small, lovely Danish island of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea. He observed that other nationalities now qualify for "Ugly American" status.

**Ginny Voorhes Ward** is busy with genealogy and has discovered 18th-century ancestors in Frederick and elsewhere in Maryland. Husband **Joe '48** is semiretired. He is in good health again after serious surgery last year. They toured Italy. She can't believe their oldest grandson is in college.

**Betty Leister Laws** and husband enjoy retirement life, including visiting four grandchildren. They visited **Marie Stewart Grobaker** in Naples, FL last winter. Sadly, Marie's husband passed away in April '91. Betty and Bill traveled with Shirley Noll Merkle and husband Den to Georgia. A get-together with Marie, Shirley and Den and **Mary Lou Stephens '47** in Ocean City, MD probably has taken place.

**Audrey Donaldson Baker** and husband had been ill, but they were improving.

**Pat Barrett Klove** had a cruise in May and a trip to San Francisco later.

**Ada Thomas Petrun** and Paul are still with Allegheny Intermediate Unit-Exceptional Children's Program. Ada is newsletter editor for Phi Delta Kappa, an honorary educational organization. She was granted an educational scholarship to use for the next two years to travel to Australia, New Zealand, Russia, Ukraine, Switzerland, Poland, Hungary, Austria, Spain, China, Kenya and Zimbabwe. She will visit schools to evaluate educational systems as well as observe customs and sight-see. Their four children are doing well.

Thanks to all of you who returned cards. Including news about others you've seen or heard from helped fill in some of the gaps.

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**51** It was so nice to hear from so many of you again. It makes my job easy. Thank you.

**Martha Buchman Brauning's** four married children have built homes and live in Finksburg, MD. This gives Gary and her time for bonding with their eight grandchildren. They produce milk and fiber in partnership with their two sons.

**Rachel Holmes Ebert Cruzan** won a Dow Jones scholarship to the University of Alabama to study journalism last summer. After that, she and Bill took a train trip around the USA. Rachel teaches advanced placement literature, creative writing and English. She has become a tenured teacher this year. Rachel's happiest news is about daughter Mary Leslie. She was hired to teach college art

courses this year in Beckley, WV. Sewing, weaving and crafts fit nicely with marriage and children. Rachel and Bill live in Mobile, AL.

**Beverly 'Bud' Dunning** and his wife had two new grandsons in April 1991. Diane's 2nd child is David Martin McClatchy III, and Leslie's 1st is Daniel Shehan Baird Jr. The entire family flew to Orlando and Disney World in January 1991. Bud spent time with Diane and David in September 1991 on the Outer Banks of Duck, NC. They plan to repeat the trip this fall. Bud planned a Florida trip in February to scout out future places to spend the winter.

**Stan Fieldman**, of Pikeville, MD, returned a card with the sad news that his daughter, Carol Ann, died last summer. Our sympathy is with Stan and his family. Stan was pleased that the Sports Hall of Fame inducted **Al Paul '50, Joe Giannelli '50, Al Jacobson '49 and Howard 'Jerry' Phipps**.

Nancy, his youngest, has applied to Colorado State University near Denver and hopes to become an occupational therapist. Lucille and Stan were to be near Nancy in March while attending an Elderhostel in San Diego, followed by a trip down the Baja Peninsula. Stan planned to retire from the Department of Defense in May. He says, "It's been a great ride, and now it's time to get off."

**Doris Joerin Hancock and Bill '54** are about to retire and spend time living in Sedona, AZ, traveling and enjoying three grandchildren: Heather, 10; Brad, 5; and Stacie, 4. They visited WMC for her 40th reunion in May '91 and his 1950 soccer team reunion in October and enjoyed seeing old friends and classmates. They plan to go on a WMC Mediterranean cruise in September. Other trips will include a week at Lake Tahoe, and a week's fishing trip to northern Manitoba to celebrate their 38th anniversary. She promised to go and not complain even though they fish for about 10 hours daily. They still have a home in Tucson and a cabin on top of Mt. Lemmon. "He loves the winter sports and being snowed in more than I do," Doris writes.

**Dorothy Klinefelter Ebert**, of Annapolis, MD had a difficult year in '91 with cataract and surgery for a torn retina. She and **Homey '50** went to the West Coast for two weeks, then to Sea Island, GA. They went to Boston and New England to see Homey's daughter in January. In February, they spent two weeks in Florida; then a week in Bermuda. Since Homey is semiretired they can "go a lot more."

**Jay Eggly** and his wife went to Hawaii in '91. Jay is advertising director for Sandpapers of New Jersey. He is now into magic which is a lot of fun. **Gill Clough** and his wife have a summer home in Ocean City, so they see them each summer.

**Harriet Kahn Kessler**, of Baltimore, sent me the Baltimore Sun editorial, "Western Maryland at 125." The article made me feel pride in the fact that I am connected to WMC. It

was such fun to see Harriet at the reunion.

**Barbara Pfoutz and Leo Lathrum**, of Baltimore, and family are well.

**Roland Layton**, of Hiram, OH, says that like all teachers in retirement, he misses his students and the classroom, but he loves the leisure. He spent the winter reading Gibbon's *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, "all three big volumes, and it's wonderful." Something else that's wonderful is playing with his grandchildren.

**Lawrence "Larry" Loper**, of Randallstown, MD has been retired from Koppers Co. for several years, after 35 years of work there. He has done consulting and part-time work since. Marie, his wife of 40 years, and he still enjoy camping and traveling. Marie does cross-stitch, stained glass and painting. Larry refinishes antique furniture and does other woodworking projects. He says he is "heavily into gardening" on their three acres. They spend a lot of time with their eight grandchildren and with church work.

**Charlotte Janney Mellott's** "best-laid plans" were thrown away by the recession. Her move to Naples, FL is on hold. She enjoys tennis and her family in Baltimore. Her work in mortgages is really up. Charlotte heard from **Jean Zerbe Ferrull** in California. Charlotte has had a recent addition to her family, Brandy, an Irish setter puppy. She says, "I was free as a bird 'til this puppy, but she's lots of company." Janney asks, "Anyone for tennis?" Give me a call at (410) 882-6216." She sends her love to all.

**Lloyd Owens**, of Winnetka, IL, has two married daughters, one in Toronto with children 6, 3 and 1 and one in Milwaukee. His son is in Washington, D.C. He's still a stockbroker at Kidder Peabody & Co., now part of General Electric. "The stock-and-bond market keeps me busy, no thoughts of retirement because I'm having too much fun," he writes.

Lloyd is with a company destined to revolutionize the passenger transportation industry to reduce urban congestion and pollution." His wife of 37 years is executive director of the International Platform Assoc., a meeting place for important public speakers. She runs a big convention in Washington, D.C. every August. He writes, "I had a battle with a lymphoma-type tumor as big as your hand. Thanks to radiation and chemotherapy I am in remission if not completely cured." They traveled recently to Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, China, Hawaii, Jamaica, and to Baltimore to visit his mother, 100. In November they go to Turkey. He plays tennis at least twice a week.

**Janice Benson and Douglas Paulsen** are in Middlethion, VA, where Doug is thriving in his retirement. He is secretary-treasurer and will be vice-president next year of the senior men's group he helped to form. He plays golf several days a week. Jannie teaches French.

The highlights of '91 were family vacations, last June in a beach-front

home at Hatteras Island, NC with all their children, and in August when their children gave them a 40th anniversary gift—two nights at The Inn At Little Washington in north-western Virginia. The stay was complete with gourmet French meals. In mid summer Doug and Jannie visited Lisa and Jay and family in Kansas City, MO and then Doug and Annamarie in Atlanta, GA. Nancy and John and family live in Annapolis, MD, so they visit often. Last fall they hosted two teachers from the French Exchange which Jannie created. Doug had two trips with his senior golfers to North Carolina and to western Virginia. Jannie attended a National Convention of Teachers of Foreign Languages in Washington, D.C.

It is so nice to see **Shirley Stevenson Potter** at our 40th reunion. The Monkton, MD resident is manager of the Criminal Investigation Unit for the state of Maryland. She has three children—Steven Barnett, 39, a radiologist; Lee Barnett, 36; and Rick Barnett, 30. Shirley likes to travel and enjoys her garden.

**G. Howard "Jerry" Phipps** married Sharon Lee Wright in June '91. Sharon is a part-time staff accountant at Peabody and teaches piano at home. They moved to Springdale in Cockeysville, MD. Jerry, now retired, works part time as credit manager for a Towson CPA firm, planning his week schedule around golf. He also is head basketball coach and golf instructor at Essex Community College and involved in senior golf activities. He is a member of the team which won the 1991 Senior Club State championship. Jerry also won the 1991 Free State Senior Golf Assoc. individual tournament. He was "gratefully and happily" inducted into the WMC Sports Hall of Fame last November," he says.

**Betty Duval Rigoli** writes from Annapolis, MD that she and Bill are both retired, so took their 1st "retirement trip" to Cancun, Mexico and saw the Mayan ruins. Betty has kept her hand in editing (she's retired editor of *Cheapeake Bay Magazine*) by working on the church monthly newsletter. "She also does occasional book reviews. "Bill's gardening, green thumb keeps me seasonally busy freezing veggies and making numerous fruit and berry pies," she writes.

A mountain log cabin in Newland, NC is the retirement habitat of **Barbara Roberts**. She retired from teaching in June 1991 and planned a trip to the Scandinavian countries in May.

**William "Bill" R. Rosenberg's** wife, **LaRue Coblenz '50**, sent me a January clipping from a local paper concerning Bill's life as a veterinarian. As owner of the Reisterstown Veterinary Center, he splits his practice between farm animals such as cows, pigs, and horses. His most famous patient was Native Dancer. The center also cares for household pets. He once gave penicillin to some boia constrictors and cured a constipated elephant for a visiting circus. He opened his practice in Reisterstown in '56, the year he gained his vet degree, and

moved to his present location in 1970. He says, "... my hobby and my vocation are the same." Bill's son is **Dave '90**. Daughter Bonnie Cook is married, and has a son.

**Patricia Moore Ruth**, of Union Bridge, MD, had a great visit with former classmates at the 40th reunion. They're still working on their old farm house and say the end is near—the end of ambition, energy and funds. Their flock of Southdown and Suffolk sheep are thriving, and so is their family. Michael Edward, born in November, is grandchild no. seven. They enjoy hearing from WMC friends and hope to see them soon.

**Jan Dennison Smart** writes from their new home in Clarksville, VA after having lived in Maryland for 40 years. They are on a lake and have a home big enough for their two sons and five grandchildren to enjoy. They hope to go to Florida in February. Jean and her husband belong to the Methodist church and enjoy square dancing and have recently taken up round dancing. They also do some traveling and camping.

**Marian Benton Tonjes's** big news for '92 is that she has been invited to be the guest of the Russian Reading Assoc. in Moscow for one week. She was to leave Bellingham, WA on April 16. Marian was to visit elementary and secondary schools, speaking to teachers through an interpreter and dialoguing with Russian research colleagues. Marian was to take a group back to Oxford this summer for her 15th year. She enjoyed hearing from **Peg Kerns Band**, this year.

**Barbara Payne** and **Robert Wilsey** still split the year between Salisbury, MD and Palm Harbor, FL. Their biggest news is the arrival in February '91 of their 1st grandchild, Jennifer Lee. "It's amazing how many people will fit around a child's little finger," she says. She and Bob are fully retired now. He putters and plans in the yard, and she volunteers, sews, does crafts and plays bridge. "It's a nice, lazy life," she says.

**Nancy L. Winkelman** took extra-early retirement and traveled for most of the last year. She planned to move to Florida some time this summer. (See her essay on our college days on page 20.)

**Waller B. Wiser** still enjoys retirement in Ocean Pines, MD. In June '91 he and Elaine took a two-week trip to Russia.

**Patricia McLaren DiMeo** says they still enjoy the San Diego climate. Vic is semiretired but busy with occasional clients, helping inventors and learning about computer graphics at adult school. Pat is a secondary substitute, specializing lately in special education for the severely handicapped. "I learn as much as I teach," she states. For therapy and fun Pat acts in local theater. (Wasn't that a marvelous article about Esther Smith in *The Hill*?) Daughter Laren is a professional writer and artist in Greenwich Village. Lisa has been a sheriff's deputy for 12 years in La Mesa, CA. She is now a latent print examiner/crime scene photographer. She appeared on Rescue 911 in

October.

**Robert I. Fraser** spent some of last year on the South Island of New Zealand. In September he and Shirley and friends visited France, rented a boat and traveled on the canal system. Part of the adventure was working the canal locks themselves. Bob's family spent Christmas on the island of Kauai, HI. Bob visited us on his way to see his son, Robert, in Washington, D.C. He's a legislative assistant to Sen. Stevens of Alaska. Bob and Shirley's other son, William, is pursuing a PhD in mechanical engineering at Washington University in St. Louis, MO. Bob lives in Alaska and knew it when he awoke one morning and found a bull moose and his mate in his back yard.

**Beverly Milstead Carow** is moving from Oxon Hill, MD to Front Royal, VA. She is now organist at the Methodist church and has established a piano studio in Front Royal. She spends half her time at each town.

Not much has changed here on the farm. I'm looking forward to another trip to Ellensburg, WA to visit my family. Bill will come up from Santa Fe, NM, so we will all be together at Jerry's house. Another joy for me is visits from family and friends. **Anna Hess McLean '48** has five children, and they all come to see us, although they're spread out from Minnesota to Nottingham, England. **Florence Rice '50** and **Richard Dunlop '50** were to visit in March and October. We went to Fallingwater, Frank Lloyd Wright's masterpiece, and enjoyed the full color (before I had to rake them). Flo had an exciting trip to Poland where she led a workshop on family counseling. She worked through an interpreter and learned some of the language.

It was fun to hear from so many of you. Thanks for keeping in touch. Mary Ellen Hess Meyn P.O. Box 352 Indian Head, PA 15446

**56** Thanks to all of you for returning the postcards so quickly. It was nice to hear that so many of you enjoyed our 35th reunion. It was fun, so let's look forward to our 40th in 1996.

**Marilee Hodsdon Quesada** has been visiting her family. In February she saw her brother in Penang, Malaysia, and then went on to Bangkok, Thailand. In April daughter **Donna Quesada Pagano '81** had her 3rd child in California, so Marilee was able to schedule a business meeting to coincide with the arrival of the baby. Daughter Suzanne has received a pancreas and kidney transplant and is doing so well that she could return to school this year.

**Stanley Bice** has begun his 15th year as pastor of Clinton United Methodist Church. Several former WMC'ers are in the congregation as well as a current student. Their oldest child, Stan III, graduated from James Madison in 1991, and their youngest, Ken, is a freshman at Towson State U.,

playing on the men's tennis team.

**Joanne Sichter Durst and Dick '55** spent the winter at Sanibel Island, FL. **Son Brad '83** is married to Robin. Son Jeff resides in Park City, UT, and Steven was expected home from Saudi Arabia in June.

**Earl Seipp** is still in insurance and financial planning in Carroll County. He enjoys good health and the "thrill of the chase" in business. Daughter **Robin Seipp Leonard '80** lives in Ft. Pierce, FL, where she is a clinical psychologist. Younger daughter **Heidi Seipp Berry '84** lives in Philomont, VA, and is in the horse business: she instructs riding and trains and shows horses, specializing in dressage.

**Jack Morton** spent a one-month vacation in southern Africa visiting his daughter, who has been there for two years in the travel business. She had an exciting four weeks planned for Jack and his wife, including safaris in Botswana and Zimbabwe and a visit to Victoria Falls. They took the Blue Train to Cape Town through beautiful scenery. They planned a few month's tour around the U.S. this fall. Jack works a couple days a week in radiology, so has time to do what he wants. They also have daughters in Annapolis, MD and Florida. The good news is that Jack's wife has been cancer free for six years, so he wants to put in a plug for mammography.

**Marie Uppercro and George Douglas '57** spent six weeks in Florida to get away from the cold, and winter traveled until they got back home. Marie loves keeping her grandchildren's lives a week.

**Jean Wantz and Phil '55 Lawyer's** son, Kevin, will graduate from the University of Maryland Dental School next May. Daughter **Michele Lawyer Gribben '87** still teaches at Carroll Community College. Granddaughter Amy Gribben, 2, keeps them all happy. Phil has started a new job at WMC at the Gill Center desk.

**Marilyn MacLennan Baumcister** found it a treat to see so many of our class at our 35th reunion. Daughter Marie is practicing law at St. Mary's Courthouse. Marguerite received her graduate degree from Georgia Tech and landed a job with E Systems, designing computer programs. The black cloud in Marilyn's life is that her father passed away in February at age 96.

**Richard and Peggy Huffines** still enjoy their retirement from the Baltimore Annual Conference. One of their joys is to visit their three grandchildren in Massachusetts and spoil them. They also enjoy the historical sites in New England.

Our 35th reunion was the first ever attended by **Ruth Allen Higbee**. She doesn't plan to wait as long the next time. Ruth spent Easter visiting daughter Denise and her husband in Pensacola, FL.

**Shirley Goote McWilliams** has completed her 31st year of teaching and recently completed her 1st year as president of the Dorchester County Commissioners. She finds politics quite challenging so far. Son Bruce is a DJ at a station in Cambridge.

Daughter Donna is a CPA in Washington and is working on her master's in taxation.

**Kay Mch Miller** is now "Dr. Kay" after her June graduation from Saybrook Institute with a major in psychology. She researched the meaning of a positive experience of the body for women. Kay has sold her home in Hawaii after 23 years, moving back to the mainland, possibly to build a house in Grass Valley, CA. Summer will find Kay in Europe, a 1st for her. Son Steven lives in England. Kay will continue her advice column for *Island Lifestyle* magazine in Hawaii.

**Mary Bond** had a kidney removed in October due to cancer. Fortunately the cancer has not spread, and Mary is doing great. She often sees **Nancy Pennyacker Howard and Mary Angell Pobletts**, who are well and happy. Mary keeps busy with craft work, volunteering and occasional substituting.

**Catherine Moon Mathews** became a grandmother in the last two years. Oldest son Greg and wife Jan have a wonderful son, Alex. Catherine lives in Benicia, CA, recently re-entered the single's world, and works part time in market research.

**Fairy Brock Flickinger** is still a member of the town Heritage Committee and is active with the women's Republican Club. She goes to Washington at least once a month to volunteer in the mail room at the Old Executive Building.

There have been several significant events in **Charlie Luttrell's** life: Charlie and Barbara recently moved to a condo near the park in Frederick, MD. Charlie still teaches at Frederick Community College and plays lots of tennis.

**Paul Schubert** recently was promoted to director of marketing for all construction products-business for the Norton Co., a worldwide manufacturer of abrasive and diamond-cutting tools.

**Molly Hargett Williams** retired in December from the Department of Welfare after 30 years. She is traveling and enjoying herself.

**Sharon Alward Ward** and **Belle** are retirement and travel. Twelve acres keep them busy, plus working with the retained bush. Sharon had a spur removed from her neck in January and is doing fine. Bill goes every day possible and works in his woodshop. Son Charles is an assistant golf pro in Atlanta.

**Suzanne Dorsey '55 and John Batista** have been blessed with another grandson, Nicholas. Oldest son Jay and wife Annette have two children and live in Greenville, NC. Son Michael and wife Maria live in Winston-Huntsville, NC, and have a son, Benjamin Michael, 20 months. Daughter Elizabeth is a manager for Bank One in Dayton, OH.

**Helen Prettymann Hickam** has retired after 25 years' teaching and has completed real-estate courses. She will begin working with White-Robbins, with offices in New Castle County, DE, and nearby Pennsylvania. Helen and Frank traveled a bit last year to the Midwest and South. Daughter Paige and family live in Iowa.

**Shirley Clarke Mann** had twin grandchildren born to daughter Cindy in August 1991. They were 11 weeks early but now are growing and thriving at home in California. Another grandchild is a freshman at Chantilly High School in Fairfax, VA. Shirley and husband Lindy were anticipating a trip to Greece in June. Lindy has retired from the U.S. Geological Survey, but Shirley still works for *Reader's Digest* in Washington, D.C.

The Alumni Office notified me that **Gardner A. Hall Jr.** passed away August 24, 1989. Our sympathy goes to **Betty Culpepper Hall '57** who resides in Annapolis, MD.

**Judie Horne Henry** has been a widow for almost eight years and shares her home with a small noisy poodle, Dudd, and a couple of cats. Neither her son nor daughter like Florida, so they stay in New England. Judie says they are doing their best to remain single, so she has no hopes of grandchildren in the near future. Judie is a delinquency case manager for the State of Florida. She also volunteers for several local organizations dealing with drug education and prevention. Judie's spare time is spent in her pool, biking, or hunting for the perfect antique or piece of art that she can't do without.

**Dotty Wade and Bob Truitt '57** detoured briefly from I-95 this winter and dropped by for a short visit. They were on their way home after a cruise in the Bahamas and looked great. Judie misses **Lorna Hamblin Miller**, who passed away in a tragic auto accident September 27, 1989. Fortunately, Judie and JoAnne and **John Judge Coolahan '58** had dinner with Lorna shortly before she died. Judie says if anyone is heading down I-95, she would be happy to have company. She is close to the Space Center, Orlando, and the beaches.

**Lois Coffman Lundberg** was in France to visit **Kathy Chamberlin Flamanc**. They had a great time, and Kathy whipped up wonderful French food in her 15th-century manor house. Lois and her husband still enjoy Belgium. It was the 1st time that Lois and Kathy had seen each other in the 30 years that they both have lived in Europe. Lois and Kathy also taught at New Windsor High School in '56-'57. It was sad to learn that Kathy's husband Jean passed away following a heart attack in November 1989. Last June, Arleen '51 Heggenicher and **Nancy Winkelman '51** visited Kathy following their trip to England. **Amy Chamberlin '15** and Kathy spent a long Christmas week in Amsterdam, Paris and Florence and, in May, they flew to Vienna for a week.

**Nancy Walton Singleton** and husband Al enjoyed seeing old friends at our reunion. They were sorry they hadn't attended earlier. They spent Easter with their son and wife and grandson in Lynchburg, VA.

**Chuck Conover** just observed his 30th anniversary with Du Pont. Chuck has been in Newport and Wilmington, DE, New Johnsonville, TN, and now is on the Gulf Coast in Mis-

issippi, in human resources. Retirement draws near. Wife Elinor still sings with the Sweet Adelines and would like to contact former Vetsville neighbor **Meta Justice Smith '55** who also is a Sweet Adeline. One son and daughter plus a granddaughter reside in Mississippi, while another son and daughter spend their single days in California, where they visit whenever possible.

Two important events happened in my life this year. In June I retired from the Baltimore County school system after 25 years of service, and in July, Jay "Gus" '55 and I celebrated our 10th wedding anniversary. Time really flies when you're having fun. My retirement should give us more time to travel, catch up on household chores, and do things we wanted to do for ages.

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**61** Thanks for another good response to my request for news. It is very gratifying to continue to hear from so many of our class, and I appreciate the nice comments made about our class column.

**Carolyn Powell and Doug Winking** have moved to Dresher, PA, where Carolyn still teaches with the Montgomery County intermediate unit. During the '91-'92 school year, she taught seven middle-handicapped 8-11 year olds. Sarah graduated from the University of Chicago in June with a master's in international relations. Richard will be a junior at Cornell U. where he plays the banjo, is a disk jockey, and is on the Dean's List.

Deer, turkeys, squirrels and geese abound on **Don Linzey's** 35 acres outside Blacksburg, VA. Don is an associate professor of biology at Wytheville Community College. He served as director of the 1st Blue Ridge Highlands Regional Science Fair on April 4, which featured 7th through 12th graders from a seven-county region.

**Ozzie Stewart's** daughter Dina married Ron Shuster on February 29. Son Doug graduated from Stanford U. in June.

As usual, **Bea Ackerman Sherrill** is busy as a "Bea." Two of her daughters were married within a three-month period (October and January), and daughter no. 3 graduated from nursing school in May. Bea enjoys being an administrative aide to State Del. Don Fry, and was hoping to work some in his Annapolis office while the General Assembly was in session. Bea is active in church and coordinated her high-school class reunion. Richard has completed his 30th year of teaching and is considering retirement.

All three of **Chris Reichenbecker** Boner's sons live at home: one working on a 2nd degree, one working at several different jobs, and one a high-school senior. The Boners live in Skylesville, MD where Chris is an aide for a high-school girl with cerebral

palsy and Goswin is contemplating retiring from teaching.

**Judie Boettger Tufaro** enjoys working with adolescents and their families as a clinical coordinator of the adolescent unit for drugs and alcohol rehabilitation. She is certified as an addictions counselor and a relapse specialist. Judie's older son is 29 and, as of the date of her card, was an out-of-work architect; her other son, 26, is an excavator. Judie lives in Watchung, NJ, and her "significant other" is John.

Since Japan is a United Methodist Church mission study area this year, **Gary Teyrwar** taught about Japan at the UMC Virginia Conference School of Mission in July '91. He also has spoken at other church and district mission events in Virginia. Gary continues as chair of the English Department at Bridgewater College. **Marcia Wilson Teyrwar** was a maternity replacement in the accounting department of a large medical practice in Harrisonburg and found it a valuable experience. In October '91, **Kristen '88** was married in Knoxville, TN. Karen, a senior at Bridgewater College, will student-teach most of the next school year to certify for K-8. She will graduate next May.

**Bob Schroeder** works at the Insect Biocontrol Laboratory, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Beltsville, MD, conducting research on biological control of major vegetable pests in the U.S. He initiated and participated in the search for biocontrol agents in Brazil, Peru, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador and Mexico and is developing a major program for maximizing biocontrol in pest-management programs in potatoes in Central and Eastern European countries. He is project leader for an expedition in Brazil with scientists from Russia, Moldavia, Argentina and Brazil. Bob lives with wife Patty and children, 12, near Westminster. He is restoring a 200-year-old house in Union Bridge, MD.

From Springfield, VA, **Nancy Smith Stewart** wrote that Al travels a lot with his job, and she sometimes goes with him in the summer. In June '91 they went to Idaho, and in July, South Carolina. Brett graduated from Virginia Tech in May with a degree in mechanical engineering. After 12 years, no more college payments! Alan Junior is still in Phoenix, AZ. **Nancy and Diane Kanak Holter '62** went to Michigan in September for the wedding of **Chip Rembert '91** (son of **Don and Judy Ellis '60**). Other WMC'ers were there and they had a ball.

**Walt and Reba Mahan** still live in Reston, VA, enjoying grandson Chase, 2. Mark, his wife, and Chase live in nearby Herndon. Jay is back from Korea and was stationed at Ft. Knox until May, when he returned to college. Walt has written a novel, *The Unraveling*, about the fulfillment of Biblical prophecy. One of the characters even visits WMC. He is seeking to publish the novel. In late February the Mahans vacationed for a week in Cancun, Mexico.

**Jack '58 and Malinda Burgess Fossett** had a wonderful three-week

trip to the former Soviet Union right before the dissolution.

Also traveling to the former Soviet Union were **Jack '60 and Barbara Horst Fringer** in November. They visited Moscow, Kiev and St. Petersburg. In March the Fringers traveled to the Big Apple for a theatre week-end, seeing *Jack's Women* with Alan Alda and *Miss Saigon*. At Thanksgiving, their family was together at their river respite, Rainbow Chase.

**Judy Gloersen Oeame** and family have moved from Connecticut to St. Petersburg, FL, to Deltona, FL. They have five children, and their youngest, Debbie, 15, is with them. Judy is organizing for a small Methodist church in DelRay, FL. The church burned to the ground at Christmas '89, and earlier this year, a new sanctuary was dedicated.

**Gorge Varga** is still CEO of Tungsram in Hungary where there is never a boring minute. It is a lot of work, and there is still a lot of media interest. A highlight of the last year was meeting President Bush in the White House. In June, **Phil MEd '52** and **Ruth Uhrig Laszlo '63** and **Janet Zscedics**, visited in Hungary. In May Gorge received an honorary doctorate at WMC. (See the photo on the inside back cover.) Judy has become a super fund raiser for charities. Son George is a graphics designer in Boston.

**Charley Reisenweber** has brought us up to date. In 1990 the Randallstown football team, for which Charley is an assistant coach, went undefeated and attained the Maryland Class 4A Championship. Charley retired from teaching in Baltimore County in June '91, still coaches football and lacrosse at Randallstown. His "side job" as a graphic artist, sign painter and silk-screen printer has become Custom Graphics, and is booming. Weekends and holidays are reserved for Laura's Child a 27-foot Hunter sailboat of which Charley is co-owner with Laura. Laura, a Johns Hopkins grad, and Charley share interests in WMC football and Hopkins lacrosse. Charley sat with **Carroll Giese** and **Laszlo Zscedics** at a recent Baltimore County Coaches' Ball Rost and saw Tony and **Rhea Ireland Wiles** at a Hopkins game. He was proud to tell of the great turnout for the induction of Bob Waldorf into the WMC Sports Hall of Fame in November '90. The Sixties football players got together after the former dinner to rehash old times. In March, Charley moved to a smaller house, still in Catonsville, MD.

Did you know "young" love was in bloom at our recent class reunion? **Eleanor White Brown** is sporting a new name. She met John on a trip to Alaska; they became engaged on May 25, 1991, which was her birthday as well as our class reunion; and were married on October 12. They live in Timonium, MD.

Congratulations to **Sondra Nyström Leef** on receiving her bachelor of science business administration in the management of human resources in October. Her last course was statistics, after not having had a math

course in years. Last summer they moved to Elverson, PA.

During their dream sabbatical, Ted and **Sue Wheeler** Goldsborough visited homes of 35 authors, from Hemingway in Key West, to D.H. Lawrence's ranch in Taos, NM (during a snowstorm). They also visited with **Bill Tribby '56** in Hindon-Salem, NC; Dr. and Mrs. Weston in St. Cloud, FL; Esther Smith in Clayton, GA; and Resident Carter in Plains, GA;

**Martha Woodward Davis** in Tampa, FL; and **Connie Shankle Houtz** in Virginia. Son John was married in December to a fellow Swarthmorean. He is in Villanova Law School. The Goldsboroughs often visit with the **Wayne Conrads and Carolyn Powell and Doug Schalkoff**.

**Jon and Bev Whitting '60 Myers** still enjoy having 350 girls from 22 states at their summer camp in Maine. They also enjoy Colorado in the winter where they ski during January and parts of February and March. Oldest son Jeff teaches in Carbondale, CO, just 40 miles from Vail, where they ski. Youngest son David, 25, eloped in November. Son Michael has a boy, 2.

**Ron Sanders** retired two years ago after 30 years in public education in Baltimore County, the last 13 as a middle school principal. He took over a family business, expanded it, took "Food 101" and is a restaurateur, ready to greet all WMC friends at Sanders' Corner adjacent to the Loch Raven watershed. **Jackie Cook** has completed her 8th year as head librarian at The Bryn Mawr School, a job she loves. Her only role at their restaurant is as taster and adviser. Lynn graduated from The Bryn Mawr School in June and will attend the University of Virginia. Chae graduated in June from Harvard Law School. **Chuck Bernstein** has been a sort of mentor to Chae, giving him advice and assistance, along with hilarious commentary and insight.

In Leonardtown, MD, **Lloyd "Jerry" Brown** is still with the navy as a computer scientist/administrator. He has a granddaughter, Kristen, 2, who is ruler of all the surveys. Jeff lives nearby and also works for the navy in electronics. Daughter Julie recently left IBM and now is with the U.S. Treasury in telecommunications and lives near D.C.

Two of **Brenda Stevens Mayer's** sons have graduated from college. **Kevin '91** and Jeff from Wittenberg University in 1990. Steve is a biology major at Gettysburg College. They all play lacrosse. **Lynn '58**, is director of high school instruction for Baltimore County Public Schools, and Brenda is still an executive secretary with Becton Dickinson Advanced Diagnostics.

In 1991, **Sue Garretson Daniel** lost 46 lbs, and now wears her daughter's clothes. What fun! Jim and Sue bought a building for their law practice of mainly disability cases. It is a one-man, one-woman operation. Jenny graduated from Middle Tennessee State U. in May. Doug teaches at Western Kentucky U. after receiving his master's in math from Georgia

Tech. Tom is a junior in high school.

**Don Rice** retired from teaching at South Hagerstown High School in July '91 and is a part-time math instructor at Hagerstown Junior College. Wife Mary and children Robin, Kent and Kellan are fine. All the children have graduated from college, and Robin got married last summer.

**Beth Butler Denton** is having the most exciting year of her career. At the National War College, there is a "mountain of reading and papers to do." To make up for that, there have been trips to Ft. Benning, GA; Nelic Air Force Base in Las Vegas; Rome; China and Hong Kong.

In Westminster, **Ann Weller Norvell** has completed 27 years of teaching, still at Sykesville Middle School teaching language arts to 6th-graders. She also enjoys a part-time job at a local art gallery. **J.D. '67** works for planning and zoning for the county and likes to run. (Ann tries to walk a few miles a day.) Their three grandchildren, Michael, Matthew and Sara, are a pleasure. Son Jim was married in June '91.

In conjunction with her church, **Audrey Arent Lambert** has been commissioned as a Stephen Minister, a caring ministry of lay people. She also continues with choir and committee work. She's decorating chair for their community center in Ridgefield, CT, which is a restored former governor's mansion. She swims regularly and hikes with Molly, her golden retriever. Tim Junior will be a sophomore at Hobart College. Also graduated from American U. last year and lives and works in Virginia. Kristin spent her junior year in Paris where Audrey, Tim and Tim Junior visited her in March. She returns to Boston U. this fall for her senior year. The Lamberts spend summers on Nantucket and would welcome visitors there or in Ridgefield.

As news was coming in for this column, I learned of two classmates who are battling cancer. **Ann Pherigo Wheeler** was born in February that she was having her 1st session of chemotherapy for breast cancer as our class was celebrating the reunion last year. In May she updated her news as follows: "This has been a year of exploration and self-acceptance for me. Thanks to the help of family and friends I have passed the 1st milestone with breast cancer (one year). I feel energetic and renewed. Vermont has one of the highest fatality rates in the U.S.A. from this disease, and I am actively involved in political efforts to get funds for research on the national level. I have been able to continue to work for Middlebury College and have learned to take one day at a time, something new for me." I did not hear from the other person directly and presume he wishes to remain anonymous. Please keep these people in your thoughts.

For us, 1991 held a few bumps. In July, I had surgery from which I fully recovered. In June, Roland became a victim of middle-management cut-backs. Since jobs in his field were and

still are in short supply in Tampa, he is putting his language skills to use and is teaching French, Italian and English at Berlitz. In April, we took a post-tax-season R&R cruise out of Tampa with stops at Cozumel, Mexico; Montego Bay, Jamaica; and Grand Cayman.

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**66** Greetings! It's been a year since my last column. Those of you who could not make the 25th reunion missed a FUN time! More stories surfaced — the *Star* and the *Inquirer* want to attend the next class function.

The reunion started off with a wonderful brunch at the President's house. A small group of alumni were clustered in the family room when **Gary Crowell**, of Salisbury, MD, burst onto the scene and announced that he was running a brothel in Brazil — got my attention! Needless to say that took the edge off. Gary does go to Brazil, but it's to oversee a mine. He does this in connection with his estate jewelry business. Gary was designated master of ceremonies for the evening dinner/dance. He was a great choice — warm, witty and spontaneous.

**Diane Bennekammer**, of Freeport, MA arrived with a U-haul containing every single issue of the *Gold Bug* from the four years we were at WMC. I think **Carolynn Akagi Croft** and **Scott Joyner** were in every issue!

**Dan McCready**, of Virginia Beach, VA shared his stories of military service including the "gyna-thon." Ask Dr. Dan for more details — hilarious!

**Lynne Marck Olsh**, of Somerville, NJ, recounted the exploding copypie story. Were your ears burning, **Rick White**.

**John and Louise Nelson Ballard**, of Fallston, MD shared poignant stories of their life in provincial China.

**Judy Griep Burdette** attended with her husband. She has worked 25 years for IBM.

**Bob Bayse**, of Newark, DE attended with his wife. They were preparing to open their own business.

Also attending were, **Jackie Hardin Janovsky** and husband Bob. Bob would circle the attendees whose names we couldn't read and report back with the "info."

**Sherriel Mattingly** is working in Annapolis, MD and on a novel.

**Pat Stahl Reese** was at the dinner/dance. She looks stunning as a blonde.

**Gerry Winegrad** and **Bill Falkler** traded humorous stories about their many family trips together.

The big question from the reunion — Where was **Denny Gosnell** today? Everyone had a crush on him one time or another.

After surveying the crowd and ourselves, **Doris Brown Chambers**, **Lynne Marck Olsh**, **Lois Little Buckard** and myself planned on contacting a plastic surgeon before the next reunion. However, we concurred

that it would be much easier to just send in replacements — we're interviewing now! I myself will be cellulite free with perky little "boozoms!"

I wish I could write about everyone as there were so many interesting and funny stories. The WMC campus was so impressive. I had real pangs of anxiety to go back in time. The weekend brought back memories of a much simpler life. The reunion was a time to remember 1st loves, lowest lost, events that changed and shaped our lives. Most of all it was time to renew friendships.

Hope 1992 finds you all healthy and content.

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**71** It was great to see so many of you at our 20-year reunion. We all looked terrific.

**Darlene Richardson Robison** and husband **Steve '72** celebrated their 20th anniversary this month. Daughter Sonya will be a freshman at James Madison University in the fall while Dorrie, a high-school sophomore, anticipated being an "only child." Darlene teaches nursery school and directs the music ministry at Otterbein United Methodist Church in Hagerstown, MD (where Steve is program minister).

**Frank (Charnasky) Chase** provided music for the reunion with his band, Final Touch. The band may do some local touring to places like Ocean City, MD and the Potomac (latest hangout for Frank and wife Gail). Daughter Laura is 13, and stepson Rick is in the Marines.

**Nancy Decker Wagner** is working on a National Science Foundation grant at University of Maryland Baltimore County while Dorn is a designer for Vulcan Hart. Amber, 11, finished 5th grade, and Audrey, 8, finished 2nd. **Jackie Gill**, of Levittown, NJ was a recent guest of the Wagners.

Summer vacation for **Marshall and Leslie Hohn '78** Adams and children Susan, 11, and Tiffany, 6, was to be in Jackson Hole and Yellowstone National Park... a real change from their Connecticut environs.

**Carol Graves Koffinke** and army husband Dick enjoy their new home in Bel Air, MD. Her latest book, *I'll Never Do That To My Kids: Parenting Tips of Adult Children* (Deaconess Press), continues to do well.

**Charles M. Horn** is in his 4th year of serving two small Lutheran churches near Ashland, OH. As part of a program of pastoral education at Children's Hospital in Columbus, he was chaplain to families in the emergency room.

**Harold Baker** was among the classmates at the "great party" reunion. His job keeps him on the road one week out of three to New Mexico and California.

**Glen Hopkins** is in his 14th year in the continuing education division of LA city schools. His theatre group has

issued seven of his plays in anniversary editions (15 years). Son Bucky attends Vincennes (IN) University.

Action/adventure seeker and accident-prone **Chris Spencer** recovered from a baracuda attack while diving off reefs in Jamaica... after his short shoot in Bombay. His big news is that he sold his home and businesses in Pennsylvania and headed out West to live on an island in Puget Sound. He hopes to take a long sabbatical and build a new house on the ocean. (Just be careful!)

**Charlie Moore** extends his thanks to all who helped make the reunion such a success. He and **Carol Hoerichs '70** moved back to Maryland where Charlie is the executive director of finance of Bell Atlantic International. Daughter Julie finished her sophomore year at Elon College, NC, and Andy (varsity golf and J.V. basketball) finished his sophomore year in high school. Carol volunteers at school and church.

**Betsy Feunite Carpenter**, struggling with health problems and the challenges of "single parenting," continues to tutor part time.

**Steve Kaplan, Joan Rudrow '73**, Seth and Sara have been in Norman, OK for two years building their chain of Subway stores. (They're up to five now.)

**Corinne Klein Jenemsa** (special education hearing officer for D.C. and Maryland and part-time teacher at the University of Maryland) and husband Carl give lectures and technical assistance related to their consulting firm. Tammy Lee '92 is 21. Rachel, 20, is at Montgomery College; Jurrion, 12, completed the 1st year at middle school; and Marissa, 10, graduated from elementary school.

**Carol D. Lichty** is still IBM. Travis and Heather attend the College of William and Mary.

**Robert Gagnon** formed his own company, Gagnon Engineering, in Ellicott City, MD, to provide fire-protection engineering and code-consulting and fire-protection system design services. Daughter Rebecca is taking courses toward an elementary education teaching certificate. She is also writing a book on animal rights for children. Wife Martha received her PhD, and her consulting business is booming. Travel has recently taken the Gagnons to Japan, Puerto Rico and the Bahamas.

**Jerry Johnson** moved into a basement apartment at her mother's house where she enjoys the "therapy" of gardening after work. Her travels include conferences related to library work. An avid storyteller, she has performed for the Arts Council, and her group has produced a cassette tape.

Things are peaceful in Kittinging; however our lives don't seem to reflect a performance at all. Jim and I attended a performance at The Lincoln Center which was made special by my daughter Samantha, 17, being one of the performers. She graduated from Interlochen Arts Academy and will move to Boston University to continue her music studies. J.D., 15, will return to the area we moved FROM in order to

finish high school in a more progressive district.

I would like to hear from you. The reunion only reinforced the need to stay in touch. It helps to be a connected class; it's up to you to keep it connected.

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**76** Greetings to the Class of '76. I was sorry not to make it to our 15-year reunion, but heard wonderful things about it.

**Pam Gorder Lipsey** is still department chairperson and science teacher to 7th- and 8th-graders in Frederick County, MD and busy with Sarah, 10 and Bryan, 3.

**Nancy Jewett Gallaway**, of Mechanicsburg, PA was able to find some spare time away from Daniel, 9; Philip, 7; and Tracy, 3; to take up photography. She still gets together with **Ricky Jourdan Webster** and **Debbie Huffer** every so occasionally.

**Karen Valentine Hawthorne** still lives in Frederick, MD with her husband and daughter Jessica, 10. Like everyone, they are busy with jobs, church and sports, and they enjoy running and biking.

**Robert Griffin** is in his 14th year of teaching science in Washington, NJ. He recently completed his master's in urban administration and hopes to join the school's administration. He is married with five children and lives in a log home they built in 1985.

**Carol Zynel Ellis** and husband **Dave '74** are still in Bel Air, MD and both work at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Son Michael is 8 and was in 2nd grade with Amy Luchey, daughter of **Sue Ogilvie Luchey**. Carol and Dave also have a son, Jason, 3.

**Dell Wogland Elias** lives in California where she is active in daughter Julie's school as a tutor and librarian (without parents, there would be no library—it's not in the budget). Kristen is in preschool and eager to follow big sister.

It has been a busy year for **Jodee Engle Med '80** and **Rich Heritage** with the birth of their 3rd child, Todd, in November. Brad, 8, and Dana, 4, enjoy their new brother. **Steve Spinelli '77, Pete Clark '77** and **Rich sold their company** to the franchiser, Jiffy Lube, in July. Rich has resumed coaching football at Wesleyan University, along with coaching every activity an 8-year-old can play in Cheshire, CT.

**Robin Rudy Dennis** and Bill report that they now have the full cast from My Three Sons since Carter, 2, joined Reed, 8, and Chris, 4. Robin is semi-retired from writing for *National Geographic* World magazine after Carter's arrival, but still uses her writing skills for swim team, school and church. **Corynne Coupass** visits Robin, and they research Atlanta's Civil War sites and barbecue joints (but not in that order). Corynne lives in Carroll County and is very active in

Maryland politics. She has been on the Democratic Central Committee, coordinating several campaigns and plans to attend the convention in New York in July.

**Donald "Skip" Chambers** and **Karla** recently moved into a new home in Williamsport, MD which they are trying to organize between the activities of Chip, 10; Katie, 7; and Andrew. Skip still teaches social studies at Boonesboro High School and is head coach for the JV squad which won the Baltimore Catholic League Tournament for the 1st time.

**Jim and Beth Peterson Anderson's** time in New Orleans has been wonderful, especially with the birth of Craig, 2, but the army is moving them on — to Panama. They view it as three years in the Caribbean, and are very excited.

**Diane Johnson Cash** has begun teaching French full time in two elementary schools and is busy with Lauren, 9, and Brendan, 7. The entire family has been campaigning for David who is running for the Statesville, NC school board.

**Laurie Matthews Lijoi** and husband **Andre** are family physicians in Hanover, PA. They previously spent four years practicing in Appalachia in Kentucky. Laurie retired for a while to spend time with Katharine Virginia, 2.

**Debbie Cogan Gingrich** is busy as chauffeur and sports mother to Matthew, 7, while Dana, is a Turtle manic and Trevor, 2, loves to tag along. Debbie also finds time to help with the books for the Grease Monkey franchise that she and Dale own.

**Ann Luckenbill** and **Steve Koster** live in Sykesville, NY where Steve is busy in his 6th year as the owner of a graphics-design studio in Manhattan. He and Ann are renovating their house and enjoying a family vacation in Puerto Rico with Lauren and Allison, 8; Hailey, 6; and Paige, 4.

**Sue Bolender Fortune**, of West River, MD, is a part-time resource teacher for Anne Arundel County Schools. She and Bill stay busy with Will, 8, and Meaghan, 4, and all are self-proclaimed "beach bums" at the Delaware beaches.

**Toby Meldrum DeLaney** and **Dick** are still in Springfield, PA where Toby manages the financial administration of Home Box Office's Northeast Region. Son Michael is 2, and stepson Tim begins college next year.

**Bea Price Kade** has been with Delta Airlines for 15 years and says it's still a great job with a great company. Son Matthew is 8, and Marie is 2. Bea still plays volleyball in Northboro, MA and anticipated being in a golf league over the summer.

After 10 years in television news, **Mike Andrei** decided to get a real job and is now communications manager of the Buffalo, NY Chamber of Commerce. He enjoys the travel including a trip to the Super Bowl for PR work.

**Frank LaFale** is director of special assets for 1st Florida Bank in Tampa, FL and has four sons ages, 5, 7, 9 and 18.

**Bob '73 and Rhonda Dahl Buchanan** have been teaching and

doing research at the University of Louisville, and trying to renovate their Victorian home. In May, Rhonda expected to travel to Argentina to interview some authors then continue to Mexico to present a lecture for a conference series commemorating the quinquennial.

**Barbie Vose Armstrong** is working full time in the family insurance business and juggling household duties and driving J.C., 9, and Rachel, 5. She still finds time to do step aerobics.

**Laura Hayner** and **Ken Barnes '77** enjoyed seeing everyone at the reunion. Laura has been home full time for the last two years and finds it as much or more of a challenge than working. Heather is in 2nd grade, Kenny is 5, and Timmy is 3. Ken is in his 10th year with Federal National Mortgage Assoc. and travels abroad two-three times a year.

**Caroline Babylon** has been back in Westminster for five years, working at Carroll County Bank and taking graduate courses at WMC. She completed her M.A. in May.

**Bryan LeFev** moved to Winchester, VA two years ago and is a programmer/analyst for American Woodmark. Besides being involved with Nathan, 20; Meagan, 8; and Sara, 3; he is busy with church activities.

**Jeff Leedy** is in his 13th year with Exide Corp. where he is responsible for environmental compliance at 200 locations throughout the U.S. Fortunately, wife Fay and daughter Lauren, 2, have joined him.

**Teresa Koontz Levensky** and Ron have a daughter, Kathleen, 3. Teresa has been at Ft. Meade for 15 years.

**Darlene Martin Coppedge**, of Eilan, VA, is recovering from a broken ankle she received during a volleyball game. So much for exercise. Son Wesley recently became a Cub Scout, and has been helpful while Mom recuperates.

In addition to teaching art (K-8), **Lynn Harrison** has been on the Northeast Coast Committee to research ways of integrating art into the curriculum and also is on a state committee of the New Jersey Education Assoc. for public media.

**Jeanne Dubel Byrd** has been sent back to work with an international scout camp and ended up moving to England for a year, where she married Charlie. Charlie has since been transferred to Baltimore, and they have bought a house in Pikeville, MD.

**Bob and Patsi DuVal** accompanied the WMC football team to Moscow, Bob providing sports medicine as the team's physical therapist. On the return, they were able to visit France, Italy, Switzerland and Germany. As a result of their trip, the DuVals are arranging to have Russian athletes treated in Atlanta in preparation for the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, where they reside.

**Chris and Donna Hannaby** are settling into Chambersburg, PA after moving there in November. Megan, 7, and Erin, 6, have adjusted well to their new schools.

**Jeff Hale**, of Annandale, VA, was promoted to associate partner with Anderson Consulting and says that he and Diane and children Ed and Meredith still survive his travels to New York, with occasional trips to Europe and Asia.

**Christiann Dykstra Taylor**, Thomas, and Neil, 2, in Angier, NC, enjoy hiking, boating and camping, and try to travel to the mountains in the western part of the state.

**Tom Lewis** is director of administration at the Carroll County Health Department. He and Mary Beth are active in their church and try to keep up with Timothy, 3, and Kristen, 1.

**Susan Blackman** and Matt Mathis had their 3rd child, Joel, in December. David is 5, Emma, 3, wants to grow up and use a computer, just like mom. Susan is a freelance writer for art organizations and edited a catalogue for a museum of contemporary art which was published last summer. Her plans include returning to Vancouver this month to study medical music.

**Rick Cross** and family are still in Pittsburgh where he is vice president for Profit Research Consulting, Inc., which provides consulting services to commercial banks and savings and loans. Lisa, 8, and Amy, 4, attend school in the same building, so Rick is able to walk down the hall and take his daughters to lunch. Rick also is involved in ministry, managing a one-day distribution of more than 15 tons of food to 2,000 needy people.

**Eileen McCauley Hirsch** enjoyed seeing everyone at Homecoming. She is an information-systems analyst for Prudential and is still in Union, NJ. Daughters Michelle, 12, and Stephanie, 6, keep her hopping.

**Jeff Heinbaugh** is in his 8th year at Gathersburg Services. He likes to play volleyball with his **Cathy Clayton '77**. Children Allison, 5, and Daniel, 2, fill up the remaining spare moments.

**Victoria "Torrice" Armour** is an assistant professor at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology. She is a homeowner and landlord and recently bought a Jeep Cherokee so she and Bear (a shepherd-husky) can travel in style. Torrice received her MEd from WMC in 1977.

**Jim Lathrop** and "Tish" live in Fallston, MD in a log cabin they built four years ago. For the last 10 years, he's been a staff physician's assistant at Good Samaritan Hospital, working with **Dave Mowry** and **Brad Houck '77**. Jim also still plays trumpet in a 13-piece band at church.

**Bruce Hohne** was busy house-hunting in the Mt. Holly, NJ area.

**Bruce and Kathy Clevenger Jones** are on Kent Island on the beautiful Eastern Shore. Cory, 4, keeps them busy as well as Kathy's job as an itinerant teacher for deaf and hard-of-hearing children.

**Linda Bergofsky** returned to Baltimore in October 1990 and is director of planning at St. Agnes Hospital. Linda enjoys traveling; last fall she

went to Spain and Portugal, and is planning to go through the Panama Canal this fall.

John and I are looking for a new house to accommodate our growing family, since the addition of Brian in February. Laura, 8, and Kevin, 5, are requiring many hours of car-pooling so I may qualify for a chauffeur's license soon. I appreciate the great response I received for the column and look forward to hearing from the 2nd half of the alphabet next year.

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**81** Greetings! I hope everyone is having a good year. I was wonderful to see everyone at the 10-year reunion in October. I think we all had a great time. Thanks to everyone for their responses. Here is the news:

**Sue Armstrong** says life is "magically wonderful" with son, Isaiah, 2. She recently released her 1st tape, "Earth Daughter," which focuses on women's empowerment and healing the earth. Sue also teaches the Songs and Sign Language classes in Santa Ynez, CA, where she lives in Santa Ynez, CA.

**Mildred Aris Alexander** and husband Mitch '80 live in Catonsville, MD with Blake, 1. They enjoy parenthood.

**Susan Dean** and **Steve Aaroff** are busy with Jacob, 3, and Jonathan, 2, in Mt. Vernon, IL. Susan volunteers for several health-related organizations. Steve plays lacrosse for a St. Louis club and wonders if any of his teammates still play. The Aaroffs thank their WMC friends for all of their prayers and support after Susan's car accident last summer. She expects a full recovery from her broken neck. The Aaroffs also congratulate Coach **Bill Thomas '89** on his Sports Hall of Fame induction.

**Deborah Wooden Barlow** is busy with Sarah, 1, and as a full-time attorney concentrating on insurance defense and environmental coverage litigation. **Husband Glen '79** is busy with his two dental offices. The Barlows, of Morrisville, PA, vacationed in Hawaii in April.

**John Blum** is in the U.S. Army and in December is to receive his master's in international diplomacy and commerce at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, where he is stationed.

**Connie Thompson** and **Rob Bowman** enjoy their new son, Robert E. Bowman III (Bobby). The Bownmans have a new swimming pool at their Laurel, MD home and invite all to visit.

**Lisa Brandau** was married April 25 to Andrew Strickel in Washington, D.C. They reside in northern Virginia.

**Kristine Milker Brockman** lives in Orange, VA with Bob, Will, 6, and Paul, 2.

**Nancy Casey** recently joined the investment firm of Tiedeman Boltes Partners in New York City, where she enjoys managing money. Nancy travels often and commutes to Maryland on the weekends to see her boyfriend,

Arthur Marks. She enjoyed the reunion and wishes she could have seen more of **Mary Lee Fones Weber** and **Leah Cox**. She plans to visit **Leslie Mosberg Heubeck** and husband David soon. Leslie traveled to Disney World in March for a legal conference. On the way home, she visited Colleen Kelly Protzko and family in Augusta, GA. Leslie enjoys her children, Hanly, 4, and Hilary, 3.

**Nancy Heinbaugh Cummins** loved seeing everyone at the reunion. She is sales representative for a color-separation house in College Park, Off-set Pre-Press. Nancy also is mom to Shannon, 4, and Liam, 1. She recently attended a luncheon hosted by **Lyn Keener Totty** with **Karen Lyhus McClosky**, **Connie Thompson Bowman**, **Barb Forrey Wahlbrink**, **Helen Wroe Kline** and **Ellen Spiva Chatard**.

**Bonnie Jean Day**, of Rockville Centre, NY received her master's in counseling in May '91. She hopes to be a guidance counselor in New York City after teaching mathematics for nine years there.

**Sharon "Shanni" Kelley DiGirola** teaches in the Garrett County, MD, school system. She and her husband have two sons, Patrick and Dylan Stephen. In her spare time, Ronni operates Send-A-Friend, a small business which sends custom-made stuffed animals anywhere for special occasions. The challenge of designing costumes for bears, bunnies, etc. is fun.

**Dave Cleveland** and **Susan Hubich '82** spend most of their time caring for Tristan, 4, and Alex, 2. They enjoy traveling to Pennsylvania's many bed-and-breakfast inns. Dave is a defense contracting engineer for AAI Corp.

**Thomas Earl** has a new town house in Gaithersburg, MD. This year he traveled to San Diego, Santa Monica, London, and North Wales.

**Michael Easley** presented his MFA exhibition, "Conscious Conscience: Cross Cultural Art," a mixed-media exhibit of sculpture, at Rochester Institute of Technology in May '91. He and wife Angela joined The Operation Smile International Medical Team in Nairobi, Kenya in September, as clinical coordinator and photographer, respectively. Michael says the highlight of the year was the wedding of **John Spaar** and **Patty Collins** at Little Baker Chapel followed by an elegant reception attended by many WMCers.

**Valerie Enfejian-Hockstra** is the mother of Bret, 5, and Garrick, 1. Valerie is on leave from being a part-time school psychologist in a program for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. She says hi to her "Nantucket Buddies" — **Colleen Kelly Protzko**, **Leah Cox** and **Mary Lee Fones Weber**.

**Carla Fifer-Staub** lives in McSherrystown, PA with her husband of 31 years. She is a marriage and family therapist and enjoys her grandchildren. She wants everyone to know, especially after the prize she won at the reunion, (that) there is life after 31 years of

marriage!

**Mark Franklin** continues his FAO Training in Seoul and studies the Korean language at the Foreign Service Institute. In October he begins studying at the Korean Army Command and General Staff College and should be back in the U.S. by next spring. He and wife Cathy enjoy Korea, especially bargaining with the local merchants.

**Lucille "Luanne" Perry Frebertshauer**, of Westminster, is director of case management services for Maryland Trust for Retarded Children and works for TARGET, Inc., teaching and monitoring medical issues. Luanne and husband travel as much as they can in their mini-Winnabago. They spent two months last summer traveling to and from Alaska. They plan to travel in the Southeast soon.

**Debi Bessman Funk** and husband **Jeff '82** live in Bloomfield, MI with Kaitlyn, 4; Kelsey, 2; and Emily, 1. Jeff is a manager with Crum and Forster Insurance Co., and Debi stays home with the children.

**Betsy Walsh Geiger** keeps up with her two girls in Cumberland, MD and teaches English. Betsy had a great time at the reunion and was glad to see that her classmates haven't changed very much, just settled down a bit!

**Bill Hearn** and **Annette** live in Towson, MD with their two children. Bill is director of development for Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound. Annette is a reading specialist with Baltimore County Public Schools.

**Jan Mosser Heath** has moved to a new home in Catonsville, MD with Mark, Megan, 3, and Tyler, 1. Mark is an insurance claims line manager, and Jan is a full-time mom. She stays in touch with **Janet Trainor Byrne** and husband **Bill "Willie" '82**. Jan also sees **Dawn Sweeney Stonesifer** and **JoAnne Campitell Nelson** often.

**Wade Heck** still works in defense policy for the Committee on Armed Services, U.S. House of Representatives. He spent two weeks in the Far East, traveling to the Philippines, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Brunei, South Korea and Guam, looking for displaced naval requirements once the U.S. left the Subic Bay Naval Station in December.

**Jo Marie Guth Henry** is full-time mom to Paul, 5, and Andy, 4, in Severn, MD and runs a licensed family day care. Husband Rob owns a lawn-maintenance business. They are active in Christian youth work, meeting weekly for Bible study with neighborhood teen-agers. They recently visited **Elinor "E.D." Phillips Dickshinski**, husband Dave, and son Timothy at their Virginia Beach home.

**Brian Hickey** and **Gina**, of Lutherville, MD are parents to Caitlyn, 1, and an older girl, Helena.

Last August, **Jay and Patricia "Trish" Griffiths Holtzman** escaped unharmed from their apartment fire which was caused by lightning! Trish loves her new job as a paralegal at the Maryland State Attorney General's Office. Jay celebrates his 10th year with the Defense Investigative Service of the Department of Defense.

**Scott Kallins**, of Holmes Beach, FL, has been in touch with several WMC'ers since Homecoming — as a result of the great time he had at the reunion. Scott plans to travel to the former Soviet Union or to Africa this fall, depending on the political climate. Last spring he visited the Caribbean and the Rockies.

**Bob Kaplan**, of Wilmington, DE, is married and has two daughters, Jennifer and Alexandra. At Boeing Helicopters he is a senior flight test engineer on the U-22 Osprey Tilt-Rotor Development Program.

**John Kern** is an ammunition specialist in his army. **Beth Robertson Kiefer** lives in her new Lewes, DE home where Lindsey, 3, and Alex, 1, keep her busy. Alex was delivered shortly before the reunion by his dad on the way to the hospital! Beth continues to freelance in financial and benefits research.

**Robert Kline** owned the law firm of Friedland and Kline in Reisterstown, MD specializing in bankruptcy and creditors' rights.

**Steve and Wendy Prozman Klohr** celebrated their 10th anniversary last summer with a trip to Barbados. They are building a new home in Gastonbury, CT.

**Jill Kortwey** was married April 25 to Thomas Mennicken. They moved from Manhattan to a house in the suburbs of Long Island. They still work in New York City. Jill enjoyed the reunion and thanks the committee for organizing it so well.

**Betsy Malkus LaPerch** and Rich have a complete set of outfielders in their Fairfax, VA home, with three sons! They traveled to Hawaii when Rich earned a trip through his work at Octel Communications. They visited Beverly Hills to attend a wedding.

**Robyne Jenkins Lentz** lives in New Windsor, MD with her family.

**Marci Allman** was married in September to Ted Perrin. **Carolyn Bouna Stull '82** was a bridesmaid. WMC'ers in attendance included Elizabeth Wittrop Hesler and Yvette Odell Gerhardt '79. Marci has a step-son, T.J., 7. They live in their new house in Baltimore with their black Labrador, Bear. Marci, at Martin Marietta, designed a computer program to measure progress of program goals. She saw Mike Williams '80, of Orlando, FL, in October.

**Jeff Waldron** and Dorothy are accountants in the Washington, D.C. area. They have two sons, Matthew, 2, and Taylor, 1. Jeff wishes to see "Hardy," "Honeydoo," "Buzzy," "Dr. O." and "the two oldest fossils." Tom Waldersheim '79 and Denny Powell '79. He also hopes to reconcile with "Just D.," and he found "Orrt." Jeff says to call on him any time in his Gainesville, VA home.

Finally, I would like to clarify a fact about **Bart Stockdale**. The last '81 column incorrectly stated that Bart had lost his wife, Carol, to cancer, when in fact his wife is alive and well. The colleague clarified the typesetting error in the November issue of *The Hill*. Sorry, Bart.

I'm still with the Frederick County Public School System as a music teacher, teaching mostly piano and music theory. Jim and I live in Middletown, MD with Gregory, 8; Brian, 5; and Emily, 2. Life is hectic, but enjoyable! We are very active in our church and community and enjoy visiting. **Jay and Trish Griffiths Holtz** live in Baltimore. Jim works for the Frederick County Sheriff's Office and recently received an award for life saving. I graduated in May from WMC with a master's in curriculum and instruction (finally!). I will teach Performance Learning Systems, Inc. graduate courses on a part-time basis through WMC.

Please feel free to contact me any time with your news — I love hearing from you!

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**86** Well, our 5th reunion has come and gone — thanks to all who helped make it a success. For those who couldn't attend, start planning to attend the 10th! Our column uses the half-class format, so if you're not included this time look forward to hearing from me next year! Please also remember that engagements, pregnancies, etc., are not included in the column due to their tenuous nature — but once they happen I'll get them in for our next column. **Lisa Abbey** will soon enter the world of home ownership when her house is finished in Owings Mills, MD! She is an expense analyst at USF&G and received her MBA in finance from Loyola this spring. She enjoys sailing on the Chesapeake with boyfriend Rob.

Since last he wrote, **Malcolm Allman** has completed certification in special and elementary education; taught special ed. in Baltimore County for three years, purchased a condo; almost gotten married; and had an overnight stay in Shock Trauma (there is no permanent damage). He still has not heard from **Julie High!**

Victor Aybar completed his surgical residency and is in private practice in Owings Mills, MD, specializing in the treatment of foot and ankle disorders.

**Drew Heck, Doug Barna** is extremely worried about how poor your golf game has gotten and is seeking help for you! **Doug and Kathy Eichelberger '85 Barna** live in Marlton, NJ with Amanda, 3. **Doug works** for Walker Manufacturing, a subsidiary of Tenneco, Inc., while **Kathy** is a teacher's aide.

Anyone in need of a music video? If so, **Wendy Bartko-Libert** and husband Jimmy have opened Music Video Productions, so give them a call! Aside from her entrepreneurial endeavors, Wendy works as assistant to the president of District Moving and chases Britany Ann 1.

**Dick Bender** just can't stay away from basketball. He is assistant basketball coach at Radford (VA) U. and proud papa to Dalton Andrew, 1.

**Valerie Willey Berg** has traveled since marriage to Kevin in November '90. They honeymooned in St. Lucia, recently visited the Orioles in spring training in Sarasota, FL and also spent a few days in Disney World.

**Randy Blair** graduated from University of Baltimore School of Law in December, took the state bar exam in February and anticipated active duty in the Navy JAGC Corps upon receiving his bar results.

After attending Naval Justice School in Newport, RI, **Randy and Cathy McNiff '87 Blair** report to San Diego, CA, with Randolph Tyler (born in February).

In the international arena, **Pascale Bonnefoy** is studying journalism in Santiago, Chile and teaching literacy to adults. She also works in community organizations, and collaborates on radio and publications.

**Bill Boyadjis** is a regional support manager for AT&T Credit Corp. in New Jersey. He saw **Sandy '87 and Estelle Almogla Stefanelli; Paul Johnson '87** and **Chris; and Pete '87** and Stephanie Wilson at Mark Jantorno's daughter's christening. He still plays ball with **Todd "Spot" Ewing '87** and asks, "where's Murph now?"

**Kathryn Boyd** completed the MSW program at University of Maryland in December and gave birth to Jeremy Ryan in February. She works at the Frederick County Department of Social Services.

Congratulations to **Julie Winkler Brewer**! She finished her master's in computer systems management, purchased a home in Annapolis, MD on Horn Point in Eastport; sailed off the Costa del Sol in Spain; toured Paris; and visited **Lynn Welch** in London. Julie says Lynn is doing great in her 2nd of three years living in England.

**Bob and Karyn Upton Butler** are busy with Robert (born in September). Karen has taken a leave from teaching to stay at home with him.

**Ami Wist Carrier** was married to Jim in January, and they honeymooned in Tobago. This was it back to reality for Ami who is in nursing school and is a full-time social worker for Baltimore County Department of Social Services. She frequently sees **Nora Kane, Lucy Purcell Lutche** and **Sarah Jahries** and says all are doing well!

**Maureen Carroll** enjoys her job with the City of Rockville and is planning to move soon. She sees **Robin Williams Pollock** often and says that Wayne III is '79. **Eric Cubberley, Susan Amoss Chapman** and **Tamara Sinclair Emerson** visit often.

Hopkins nursing school keeps **Leslie Cavill** very busy. She has completed her 1st year and says, "nursing students don't have a life, outside of school," but she loves city living.

From "down South (Franklin, TN)," **Susan Garman Dick** writes that **Lauren Elizabeth** (born in September) is the spitting image of her dad **Dave '84**. Sue is a therapist/counselant with an employee-assistance program while Dave still manages a research and development lab. They

miss seeing their friends but keep in touch with **Sheri Bialczak Miller, Beth Erb** and **Pam Bruffey Ayler '87**.

When he's not schmoozing with the likes of Donald Trump, Marla Maples, Ernie Kennedy, Dan Quayle, Julius Ethingel and the Moody Blues, **Gordon Digby** teaches at Lake Mohawk Golf Club in Sparta, NJ. He recently received his class "A" PGA card and plays in professional tournaments. He sees **Jack Collins** in San Diego often.

Our resident health nut, **Laurie Dollar** teaches aerobics, works at the National Center for Health Fitness in Washington, D.C. and recently graduated from the American University with her MS in Health Fitness Management.

**Jerry Donald** finished his master's in school administration last August, and moved into a new house in March. He is starting a part-time PhD program in policy sciences at University of Maryland Baltimore County.

**Karen Buttling Donegan** reports that cases of beer have been replaced with cases of formula! Sean (born in June '91) keeps Karen and Peter busy, but this working mom of the '90's manages to juggle Sean, teaching and new home ownership. They enjoy visiting with **Andrew and Abbie Hume Stump** and **Drew** (born in January). **Rick and Kathy Boyer Rockefeller** and **Rachel** (born in November) and **Cole and Cathy Horsley '87 Younger** and their babies! Karen would like **Barbi Colombo** to get in touch!

Still single — but having a ball — **Beth Erb** keeps in touch with many WMC'ers including **Sheri Bialczak Miller, Pam Bruffey '87 Aiello** and **Heather Bremser '85 Fahmy**. Beth, of Rockville, MD still is assistant treasurer for the Bank of Baltimore in Potomac, MD. She anticipates seeing the Class of '86 at Homecoming this fall!

Kevin Pyle, born in December, arrived in the household of **Caroline Butler Ewing**. "With two boys in diapers," she writes, "I have been a very busy mom!" She and her husband are planning to leave the air force in September and hope to get one of those hard-to-come-by airline jobs.

**Brian Friedlander** and **Renny** recently celebrated their 1st wedding anniversary. So far, their only child is a golden retriever, Archie! Brian keeps busy owning and operating Forest Vending Machine Co., Inc., which serves the Baltimore metro.

**Scott Funk** was lucky to travel with the WMC football team (for which he has been an assistant coach since graduation) to Moscow last spring. He completed his MBA in May and works for Citicorp.

**Jane Manlove Garrett**, of Perryville, MD, is busy perfecting her golf swing (much to her husband's dismay!). When not out on the golf course, she "hoobnos in hardware" as the person in charge of accounts payable for two retail home centers.

**Bryan Geer** writes, "I am now divorced and have moved and am much happier." He is still a chemist.

Our international set is growing!  
**Kevin Groner** and wife **Karen Scheldt '87** left in July to live in Papua, New Guinea for at least two years. They will develop health-care programs and work as community agriculture extension agents. Kevin invites anyone to their hut for a visit.

**Katy Halstone** recently traveled to England for the 1st time in 12 years to visit friends and family. Katy lives in Baltimore with her "mate" Mark and their fat cat, Dusty, and is attending College of Notre Dame in the ACT program for elementary education. She is active in National Organization of Women and the fight for pro choice and belongs to a national health-care coalition. Katy is a legal assistant for a family law attorney.

Retiring already? That's right—**Winnie Newsome** and **Lance '84 Hammel** have given up coaching to spend more time with their daughter, 1. Winnie still teaches basic skills to 7th- and 8th-graders, while Lane teaches elementary physical education.

**Charlene Ballard Handley** enjoys teaching sign language part time in Carroll County. This allows her time at home with Kellie Nicole, born in April, and Erin.

**Kendra Hyde** enjoys extensive travel across the U.S. as director of internal audit for Duty Free International. She is in the MBA program at the University of Maryland College Park and lives in Pasadena, MD.

**Joan Lemeshow Horton**, my old roommate, says she and husband Mike are home hunting in Lawrenceville, NJ. She's with a Noble Lowndis in Newport, PA as a flexible benefits consultant. Mike is a pension actuary for Towers Perrin in New York. He recently completed his actuarial exams and he is now an FSA (Fellow in the Society of Actuaries).

A "lovely old Victorian house in Woodsboro, MD," is now home to **Roger and Becky Nave Hub** and their cats, Winston and Zeldi! Becky is an optometrist working in Frederick and Annapolis, MD and enjoying seeing everyone at the reunion!

Congratulations to **Karl Hubach** who was named chief resident for next year! He just finished his last year of residency in family practice and plans to travel the country as a temporary doctor before he assumes his new duties. He is having fun in the sun in Newport News, VA and invites anyone to stop by and visit!

**Leigh Anne Huseman** enjoys her new life and her new job as director of social services at a nursing and rehabilitation center in York County, PA. Before this, she was development coordinator for a non-profit organization in Washington, D.C. Leigh Anne enjoys gourmet cooking, swimming, exercise, attending cultural events and spending time with friends.

**Mark Johnson** works part time with Young Life, a Christian youth group that reaches out to high-schoolers. He is trying to develop a new area in southern Prince George's County, MD. Mark also works part time at Chevy Chase Golf Course.

**Stew and Jeane Owens Johnston**, of Perry Hall, MD keep busy. Stew as marketing representative for 1st Financial Federal Credit Union, and Jeane as branch manager with Perseon Pool.

The Cayman Islands were the honeymoon site for **Melissa Arhos Katsoulos** and Dino, in November. They bought a town house in Crofton, MD, and she teaches in Annapolis. **Nairy Ohanian**, Missy looked for you at our reunion!

**Laura King King** (yes, this is correct!) returned to Chicago with husband Mark in August '91 and is an editor for the American College of Surgeons. She also does free-pace editing and writing. Laura keeps in touch with **Julie-Ann Erdhart '87** and wants to know if **Lisa Edmott** is back from the Peace Corps.

**Steven Knott** is with the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs as a chemist, and says it's demanding, but he manages to squeeze in a little skiing, golfing and biking! He lives in Germantown MD, but may move closer to work in Crystal City, VA.

**Leslie Stinchcomb Dolan**, where have you been? writes **Lauren Pearl Kunert**. Lauren was elementary school in August, teaches elementary and is "so close" to finishing her master's at WMC!

**Lisa Gregory Riddle** was married in October to a police officer, and they own a home off the South River in Annapolis, MD. She was maid of honor in **Joan McKeefy-Fritz '87's** wedding in April '90. Lisa is doing case management with Service Coordination Systems in Glen Burnie, MD and works with the developmentally disabled.

**George '85** and I moved to Hanover, PA in January and are renovating our home and making plans to move the family business (of which George is president!) and my parents onto our property. I am now a full-time free-lance graphic designer/desktop publisher/editor and love it! We are still active with the Young Alumni and as advisers to the Omegas and Sig Eps and with our church. If you're ever in the area, give us a call—we love visitors! Take Care and God Bless!

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90 Greetings, classmates! Many thanks to those of you who wrote. Remember, you don't need to wait for a postcard to send news. Simply jot your name and address along with any news of you or your friends and send it to you or your friends and send it to us, either one of us. Now for your news. There have been so many weddings this year that I decided to write about them all at once. Here are our latest new!weds: **Karen Baldridge** married **Dan Moskowitz** '89 on June 22, 1991. They reside in Baltimore County where Karen is a music teacher and choral director at Arthur Slade Regional Catholic School.

**Lisa Diffenbaugh** married Kevin Maher on December 8, 1990. She decided to stay at WMC as an admissions counselor and lives in Hanover, PA, where they recently bought a house.

**Bob McCarthy** and **Mary Baschoff '91** were married in October and honeymooned in St. Croix. Bob is an accountant for Bond, Beebe et al. in Washington, D.C.

**Mark Mulle** was married on November 23 to Elizabeth Edgette. They reside in Cherry Hill, NJ. Mark is director of circulation and marketing for Intercountry Newspaper Group. He sends greetings to his Sig Ep brothers.

**Brooke "Sandy" Nice** was married in June '91 to Melissa Hammond. They live in Baltimore where Sandy is an associate for Mass. Mutual.

**Debra Rayne** married **Jim Weber** on November 9. They live in White Marsh, MD. Debra is a provider representative at Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

**Karen Snyder** and **Jason Plumer** were married in September. Karen works at the National Institutes of Health and is starting a small craft business.

**Keith and Becky Britton Swain** were married on June 16, 1990. After honeymooning in Barbados, they moved to Winston-Salem, NC. Keith is in his 2nd year of his MBA program at Wake Forest University, while Becky teaches 8th-grade English. They hope to see everyone at Homecoming this year!

**Erica Velleggia** and **Stanley "Danny" Hudson '91** were married on December 7. Phi Sig sisters **Karen Frank Swanson** and **Michelle Cirone** were part of the bridal party.

Last but not least, **Regina Woolen** married **Michael McDonald '86** on May 25, 1991. Gina is a paralegal for the Baltimore County Law Office and attends graduate school at the University of Baltimore.

Several of you are furthering your education. **Ellen Marth**, in her 2nd year at the University of Baltimore Law School, anticipates graduating in May '93. Ellen is a part-time law clerk, and in her spare time exchanges rare Brady Bunch trivia with fellow Prodigy subscribers. She also finds time to see **Margo Schultz**, **Trish Koch**, **Lori Wiedel** and roommate **Eileen O'Donnell**.

**Michele Mattison** completed a master's in social work at the University of Maryland in July '91. She has a small case load of private clients as well as a case-management job with Carroll County Mental Health helping the homeless mentally ill. She keeps in touch with **Catherine Baum Paulson**, with whom she hopes to enter private practice.

**John McDowell** attends graduate school at Towson State University for occupational therapy. She anticipates graduation in December '93.

**Rhonda Mize** has been published! Her 1st article appeared in *Frederick Magazine*. She is a WMC admissions counselor, along with **Lisa Duffenbaugh Maher** and **Julie Biddinger**. Rhonda frequently sees **Laura Brown**

and **Mike Cleveland** and sends greetings to **Patti Lappin**, **Debbie Camara** and **Mike Kunzer**.

**Jenny Otto** has turned into a Confederate—living in Charlottesville, VA, with her four cats. There she is in an underwriting and management training program with State Farm Insurance Co. She sees **Kelly Wiles** and **Kelly Sell** often and says hello to her Phi Alpha sisters.

**Robert Paul** is a member representative with Health and Tennis Corp. of America and will begin his master's next fall at the University of Colorado. Rob, though in Colorado, still sees **Jim Borra '91**, and they "party almost as much as we did in school."

Six days after graduation **Robert Patterson** left for Westchester University to study athletic training. Rob works for The Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Center of Annapolis. The Millersville, MD resident runs into fellow Bachelors **Phil Key**, **Dave Barnes**, **Pat Stokes '91**, **Pat Krain**, **Matt Donner '88** and **Joe Bakewell** while bar hopping in Fells Point. He also has been seen at WMC visiting **Jennifer Just '93**.

**Mark Pentino**, of New Hampshire, is studying law at the Franklin Pierce Law Center where he specializes in international trade.

**Second Lieutenant Katherine A. Perry** has attended Advance Camp at Ft. Bragg, NC, Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course at Ft. Huachuca, AZ; and U.S. Army Airborne School at Ft. Benning, GA. Katherine was to be stationed at the Kunia Army Field in Hawaii in July!

**Vickie Pitt** lives in Severn, MD, where she teaches physical education at Brooklyn Park Junior High. In her spare time, Vickie coaches basketball at North County High School.

**Wendy Ploger**, in sunny San Diego, is a graphic designer for National Military Publishing Co. She says hello to her fellow Omegas.

**Douglas Ripley** has his hands full with the 5th-graders at St. Katharine's School in Baltimore City. He lives in Ellicott City, MD, but finds time to visit **Sheri Friedman '93** in Westminster.

Our fearless leader, **David Ross**, is assistant manager of the Body Shop Health Club in Waldorf, MD. Dave also is a personal fitness trainer and nutritional consultant.

**Lyndburg Scott** has joined the ranks of graduate students. Pursuing a master's in social work at Temple University, he plans to graduate in May 1993.

**Beth Sullivan** lives in Baltimore and is in her 2nd year at the University of Maryland Medical School, where she is pursuing her PhD in human genetics. School and patients keep her very busy.

**Mark Susol** was to graduate from the University of Maryland Baltimore County in May with his degree in physics. He is working in biochemistry at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center.

**Debbie Renoll Taylor** teaches 5th grade in Stone Mountain, GA, where she and husband Jay live. Debbie keeps in touch with **Jenny Ferrier**,

**Nancy VanNess and Miriam Pipes Larson.**

**Clair Thevenoux** is a journalist for *Ouest-France*, a daily paper in France. After graduation Claire completed two internships and worked for Theatre on the Hill. Following that she and friends (including **Laurence Steck**) traveled to California. Claire sends her regards to the class.

**Denise Umland** lives outside Philadelphia and works for B. Dalton Bookellers.

**Josh Valentine** began the baking and pastry program at Baltimore International Culinary College in July '91. He keeps in touch with **Darolyn Milburn '89** and **Wallace Henry '91**.

**Nancy VanNess** works in personnel at the New Jersey Department of Corrections. She keeps in touch with **Debbie Renoll Taylor** and says hello to all of the Phi Sigs!

After working for a Baltimore public relations firm for a year, **Lori Wieder** is a staff writer for the National Foundation for the Improvement of Education in Washington, D.C. (Lori has found her "cause.") She lives in Silver Spring with **Margo Schultz** and **Trish Koch** and keeps in touch with **Julie Biddinger**, **Ellen Marth**, **Eileen O'Donnell** and **Shari Barnes**. She says hello to all the Omegas!

**Eleanor Wilson** landed a job with T. Rowe Price in Owings Mills, MD. Many of her coworkers are WMC's including **Dave Whelpton '91**, **Mike Rooney '91** and **Holly Parris '91**. She stays busy with work and volunteering with abused children.

**Wendy Wilson** lives in Frederick, MD with **Jessica Diller '88** and works at a 24-hour crisis house for the mentally ill. She frequently sees **Edward "Ted" Graves**, **Lori Clow** and **Roland McCahan '89**.

**Michele Yingling** lives in Westminster and is a counselor at Bowling Brook School for Boys. She frequently sees **Mary Beth Steele** and **Gina Woollean McDonald**.

**Jim Young** spent time in Mexico City following graduation and then taught Spanish at Potomac State College for one year. Jim is a law student at the Washington College of Law, American University, and lives in Cumberland, MD.

**Amy Zonay** lives in Pennsylvania and works at a residential treatment program for emotionally disturbed adolescents. Amy keeps in touch with **Jan Hannah '91**, **Kim Andrews**, **Eileen O'Donnell** and **Ellen Marth**.

That's all the news for now. Please keep the cards and letters coming; we love hearing from all of you! Take care.  
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**91** Greetings! We've certainly been busy since we were all together in May '91. Here's the

latest news.

**Drista Henry** married **Steve Bowers '89** in June 1991. She teaches 7th-grade math in Carroll County and lives in Westminster.

**Nina Baylin** writes from Westminster that she passed the certified public accounting exam and now works for a public accounting practice in Towson, MD.

**Stacy Hermann-Austensen** and husband **Bhale '88** recently returned to Maryland. She works in the corporate fitness program at Becton-Dickinson in Hunt Valley, MD.

The Monday after graduation **John Giofallo** was hired as a district executive for the Boy Scouts of America. He lives and works in York, PA and occasionally gets to see some of his classmates.

After spending six months at Ft. Still, OK for advanced officer's training for the Maryland National Guard, **Art Anderson** journeyed to Wisconsin to spend Christmas. He now lives in Westminster.

**Carolyn "Cubbie" Dahl** has been working on her master's degree in athletic training at Indiana State University and planned to finish in June. She says hello to **Brett Gonye '92**, **Danielle Trent**, **Jenny Dempsey '90**, and **Kim Lohmann '89**.

**Julie Balle Brown** teaches a writing workshop for sophomores at Michigan State University while working on her MA in English. She married **Bob '90** on August 24 in Baker Memorial Chapel. Other WMC alumni in the wedding included **Jon Marsh '90**, **Tamara Mahan**, and **Andrew Brown '92**.

While living in Richmond, VA, **Christine Baur** has been a resident instructor for troubled adolescents at Charter House School. Her job includes many challenges, such as leading 10 girls on a week-long canoe trip through the Okefenokee Swamp.

**Carrie Faith Anderson** lives in Haddonfield, NJ while doing an internship to become a Montessori teacher. She keeps in touch with her Phi Alpha Mu sorority sisters and misses them.

**Allison "Lamb" Coffey** spent October-April in Breckenridge, CO where she enjoyed skiing and working. She planned to spend this summer in Ocean City and attend Drexel University in the fall to obtain a master's in environmental studies.

While enrolled in Mount St. Mary's College's MBA program, **Leanne Carr** has been working at Hagerstown Junior College as the coordinator of student tutoring and as the local office manager for State Fed. John Donoghue.

**Matthew Canelmo** works for Lored Marketing Group in King of Prussia, PA. He sends a message to MR. UNHAIR "Summer '92 Europe! What do you think?" He also wishes good luck to the class of '92.

**Greg Cherundolo**, of Moscow, PA, works with the Lackawanna County District Attorney's office.

**Mary Baschoff McCarthy** works at a psychological-services practice in Chevy Chase, MD. She and **Bob '90** were married on October 26 and live

in Germantown, MD. After a semester in a master's program at Catholic University, she is transferring to a PhD program in psychology.

While working as a graduate assistant at Mount St. Mary's College, **Lisa Alwine** is earning credits toward her MBA. She misses her WMC friends. **Colleen Christmas**, of Bethesda, MD, is assistant to the president of The Jefferson Group in Washington, DC.

**Missy Cote** enjoys her one-hour drive from Westminster to Bethesda, MD where she is a production manager at a graphic-design firm, Ethel Kessler Design, Inc. After coaching football at WMC for one season, **Michael Sean Dunn** became defensive line and linebacker coach at the University of Pennsylvania. He lives in Mickleton, NJ where he has been substitute teaching and telemarketing.

**Beth Palmer**, in Greenwich Village, is doing an internship in casting at one of the top off-Broadway theatres, the Manhattan Theatre Club. She keeps in touch with **Chris Covell**, **Tom Hampton**, **Michele Patterson**, **Dave Britt**, and **Deb Thigpen**.

After completing classes for the CPA exam last fall, **Kate Covell** joined the accounting department of The Humphrey Companies. Her job includes keeping books for about 25 properties. She plans to work weekends at the beach to earn money for the CPA review. Kate and sister **Christy** live at home in Derwood, MD.

**Stephanie Cordom** has been promoted to meetings assistant at the American Academy of Facial, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Washington, D.C.

**Lt. Rich Edwards** is stationed at Ft. Belvoir "School for Boys" where he is finishing Ranger School and the Bradley Commanders' Course. In September, he'll begin a one-month tour of Germany with the 1st Infantry Division.

**Tina Fleming** is at Estimation, Inc. in Baltimore as a marketing coordinator and plans to attend graduate school.

**Paul "Gooch" Gaccione** is an account representative for Tech Data Corp. in Clearwater, FL and still keeps in touch with his Bachelor brothers.

**Mary Garner** is a bank-examiner trainee for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

**Judith Gibson** is a high-school residential supervisor at Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf in Trenton, NJ.

**Bonnie Dawson Grady** is at Maryland Public Television as coordinating producer for *MPT On Location*, her own show. She's moved into her own place in Manassas, MD with lots of horses, cows, dogs, and cats.

**Nona Green** is in a dual-degree master's program in social work and dance/movement therapy at Goucher College and the University of Maryland at Baltimore, School of Social Work.

**Brian Haight** spent a month in Australia after graduation. He's now director of Haight Funeral Home in Eldersburg, MD and is on the Board of Directors of the American Heart

Assoc.

**B. Keith Heinzmann** enjoys the quiet life in Boulder, CO.

**James Grove Jr.** attends Purdue University for a PhD in analytical chemistry. He is in the research group of Prof. Fred E. Regnier, developing an Immuno Affinity Capillary Zone Electrophoresis System for use in enzyme/substrate interactions and analyses.

**Mary "White" Hammaren** is a game-show host.

**Jan Hannah** is a supervisor of temporary employees for Kelly Services in Horsham, PA. She says "hi" to all the Omegas!

**Kristine Loveland Hartlaub** had her 2nd daughter, Heaven, in August '91. She was a student-teacher 1st- and 4th-graders.

**Cathy Hilliard** is doing research in genetics at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She's also begun to work on her master's.

**Christine "Houlie" Houlihan** coached at the Mid Atlantic Field Hockey Camp last summer and was assistant field hockey coach at Haverford College. She recently became head lacrosse coach at her old high school and substitutes there regularly. She's still in touch with her Phi Sig buddies!

**Stanley Hudson Jr.** was married to **Erica Velleggia '90** on December 7. The wedding party included **Russ Weber '93**, **Jake Jakob**, **Karen Frank Swanson '90** and **Michelle Cirono '90**.

**John S. Hummel** was married to **Lisa Cantle '90** and completed the Basic School and the Marine Corps Communications Officers' School. In April, he headed to Okinawa, Japan where he is the communications officer for the Armored Assault Battalion in the 3rd Marine Division.

**James Jakob** is finishing up his 1st year of medical school at the Medical College of Pennsylvania.

**Lia Jenkins** finished her 1st semester of law school at Boston University. This summer, she was to clerk at a law firm on Wall Street.

**Lynne Kirsche** is supervisor of the paramedical division for Equifax Services, Inc. She plans to attend graduate school in September where she will pursue an MBA in management/marketing.

**Pamela Kreiger** is with a software company in Princeton, NJ. She sends a special "hello" to Suzanne, Margo, Ellen, Debra, and Di!

**Melanie D'Amore**, am still enjoying life on "the Hill" as a graduate student in the deaf education program. I spend my days on the other side of the desk as a substitute teacher in Carroll County.

I hope everyone is doing well. Thanks for all the postcards. Please let us know what you are up to, so we can pass it on to your classmates. Take care!

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and caring about our institution as are theirs, thus there is significant opportunity at WMC for the college to invite, increasingly, the members of its constituency to make gifts to endowment through either outright means or through the planned giving program. In the short term, clearly, the most important thing that can happen [by enhancing the advancement program] is a substantial increase in the annual giving program, and our energies will be focused on that in the next couple of years.

Encouraging more gifts at higher levels of giving will be an important priority in that process. We will invite those who care about WMC to raise their giving sights.

At the same time, it's important to help our constituency learn more about the wonders of this institution and the opportunities to help build its capital resources in this decade. Surely, during the next 10 years, a major fundraising program is called for to address the capital needs of the institution, meaning endowment and physical plant, as well as the institution's current operating needs. The anticipated program will be designed to serve that end. It is, I suspect, a bit startling for all of us to recognize that the year 2000 is now less than eight years away. And I suspect that as we look to the turn of the century — a rather awesome concept — that one way of celebrating that grand occasion would be for the college to make a major incremental leap forward in providing for its own capital and current needs. And what a celebration that would be.

*We've heard you mention in a variety of forums that you'd like to begin some new activities to enhance the advancement operation. Some of them are quite unlike anything that we've had at this college before. Could you tell us about a few of these ideas?*

One of the exciting parts of the institutional advancement function is the creativity that one can bring to that particular role in serving the constituents of the college. In the alumni area, I think we have an exciting opportunity to conduct a broad range of new programs by and for alumni — involving alumni in their planning and their execution and also providing leadership as the major conductors of the programs. I think of the opportunities for Saturday seminars on campus, for having educational seminars in the field, whether it's Baltimore, Annapolis, Philadelphia, or Washington, for example, where we are able to take the excitement of our educational programs to our constituents who may not be able to get back to campus, meeting their needs in the process. There are also major opportunities for service in alumni career networking and counseling.

I'm also intrigued about establishing a Top of the Hill program which would be a program that would invite individuals to return to the campus for a more extended stay, for example, from a Thursday night through a Saturday noon. We can quite literally immerse them in the life of the institution as we experience it, give them an opportunity to meet with faculty and students, to hear student panels, to have an opportunity to attend classes, to learn about how an institution of this kind is managed, to learn about the admissions process and the role of financial aid, teaching and research, and to spend some private time with the president to have an opportunity to share with him any interests or concerns.

It's simply a way of saying, "This is who we are. This is the range of our concerns that we proudly share with you. Come know us. You're important to us—we want you to know that—and we invite your help and assistance." I see the program as being one that might be attractive not only to alumni, parents and friends of the college, but also to those who are in key volunteer roles, members of the Westminster, Carroll County and Baltimore and surrounding communities which we also serve, members of the Maryland legislature and the like. Such a program is scheduled for October 29-31 and April 29-May 1.

*What are the strongest reasons why an individual should support a private, independent liberal arts college like Western Maryland?*

As I have already noted, I have a deep commitment to what liberal arts education is all about, and I believe strongly that the private, independent liberal arts colleges are the pacesetters in providing education of top quality for our society. Having a well-educated citizenry is absolutely crucial to how our society functions in the world. What happens at a liberal arts college is that individuals learn how to learn; they learn how to think; they learn how to solve problems. Somewhere, I heard a figure that over 50 percent of the knowledge we have is outdated within a five-year period. If true, think of the implications of that for the lifetime of an individual who will be participating in the world of work, contributing to business, industry, medicine, education, the ministry, the social-service professions, whatever. If 50 percent of our knowledge is outdated in a five-year period, we need individuals who are able to adjust and adapt to that reality and who can indeed be effective problem solvers. That's what happens in strong, private, liberal arts colleges like Western Maryland.

When you go beyond the general principle of the values of a liberal arts education, then you ask, "Why Western Maryland?"

The answer is that we provide an excellent liberal arts education here; we not only provide it well, there is an underlying positive value in the way we do it. I spoke earlier about the special ambiance at Western Maryland — it happens to touch some personal values that I hold to be especially dear. I believe that, as humans, we have a responsibility to each other. I think that sense of caring, that sense of support, the whole attitude of *helping* people learn, not just instructing them — that set of values makes Western Maryland College very distinctive and very, very special. Contributions to the college help to perpetuate those values.

The third point about "why contribute to Western Maryland College" relates to the order of magnitude of the impact one's generosity can have here. Through one's gifts, not only is a donor to this college able to express support of the importance of liberal arts education and the importance of the kinds of human values that undergird higher education at Western Maryland College—such donors can also have an order of magnitude of impact on this place with their gifts. Just imagine what a gift of \$500, \$1,000, much less a million or \$5 million, means to an institution that uses those resources so effectively, does so in a well-managed way, and does so with a deep commitment to fiduciary responsibility. That provides an enormously positive and strong motivation for individuals to support their college. Every gift means so much and makes such a difference here.

*What pleases you most of the things you've accomplished here in your first several months?*

The greatest pleasure in so brief a period as six months is the opportunity to get to know a very special and deserving institution and those who care about it and want to contribute to its welfare — forming a whole new set of relationships with the faculty, with our alumni, parents, and friends, with members of the college's staff, and with the president and my vice presidential colleagues. To share with them the sense of passion that I know they feel about this institution is about as energizing as anything in life can be. It has been very heartening to me to see the level of commitment that individuals feel and give to this wonderful place. That is indeed inspiring. All of the hopes and expectations that I had when I went through the interview process and was invited to serve the college have been confirmed again and again and again by what I've found. The process of discovery is very exciting indeed. It's an enormous privilege to be here and to have an opportunity to serve. ●

Tribute

# Looking Beyond

## Globetrotting 'Dr. G.' Kept Important Issues in Focus



PHIL GRANT

'Dr. G.' with Sally Stanfield '78 and Herb Watson '76 before a trip to Africa.

BY WALT MICHAEL '68

**L**Earl Griswold, 71, professor emeritus of sociology, died in his home in Westminster on April 9. Earlier that day, Dr. Griswold was in the midst of working with his wife, Lura, at the New Windsor Service Center coordinating volunteers and gathering food and materials which would feed nearly one million people in Russia. Though retired in 1984, Dr. Griswold never missed a beat; he continued to inspire and lead in service to the world community. He was loved by countless numbers of people who were touched by his enthusiasm, vitality and kindness of spirit.

Students knew him as "Dr. G.," and he was the stuff of which legends are made. After serving as a B-17 bomber pilot in the European Theater in World War II, he received his bachelor's in history at the Johns Hopkins University and an MA in sociology and a PhD in anthropology from the University of Kentucky. He came to WMC in 1956, assuming the sociology department chair in 1968. With his vast and varied travels and accompanying personal experiences, Dr. G. made anthropological live and breathe for generations of students. His sabbatical leaves and January Term courses took family, students and faculty to Africa, South America, Hawaii,

Mexico and the U.S. Southwest. He was a white-water rafter. He piloted private airplanes. He climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Dr. G. brought Western Maryland into the computer age with the acquisition of its first computer in the early '60s. He was one of the first teachers at WMC to integrate films with lectures as a bonafide teaching method. During his tenure here, Dr. G. produced more than 40 films, reflecting a wide variety of interests and callings. His lens focused on a number of anthropological adventures, and his documentaries of many Maryland counties reflected his love for this green earth. Perhaps his most important works in the medium were his films on deafness, which won him not only a national award from PBS, but the love and respect of the deaf movement. His connection to deaf people continued into his last years, as he helped found a deaf church in Baltimore in 1990.

In the early '60s, Drs. Griswold and Ira G. Zepp '52 sponsored Student Opportunities Service and Operation Hinge. SOS was formed in response to civil unrest and turmoil that was occurring beyond the WMC campus. Inspired by standards set by the Peace Corps, teams of SOS volunteers helped establish libraries and led sanitation and youth recreation projects in impoverished communities in the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Mississippi, Bolivia, Appalachia and in Native American communities in

Oklahoma. At its height, SOS fielded eight teams of student volunteers in five separate areas of the globe.

Operation Hinge was founded on campus in 1966, its volunteers providing tutoring for minority children in the Westminster area. Eventually many Hinge tutors began to assume the role of mentors and confidants to these children—a mutually beneficial exchange which resulted in fundamental growth for everyone involved. SOS and Hinge were Dr. G.'s ultimate classroom. To honor the contributions Zepp and Griswold made to their lives, former SOS/Hinge participants created a fund in 1990 to support student volunteerism. (For more on the Griswold-Zepp Award, see Page 21.) As Ira Zepp stated in his eulogy, "Earl Griswold was the heart and soul of the SOS. Earl was one of the most loved, most popular and most effective teachers at WMC during the past 35 years. He knew an awful lot and could relate it, could make it work, could apply it, could put it into practice." In 1977, students voted Dr. G. WMC's Distinguished Teacher.

As students and volunteers, my classmates and I came to know the Griswolds and their home. Their children, Linda, David and Steven, became our friends. The Griswold farm was a wonder, complete with prize-winning Swiss dairy cattle, a beautiful vegetable garden, magnificent orchids, and always, an open door.

Dr. G. opened doors for all of us. He made seekers and travelers of us. He taught us how to teach ourselves and shape our lives. At the same time, he inspired us to look beyond ourselves and into the lives of others. During his tenure, WMC became an institution with a heart. We are incredibly lucky to have had him amongst us. His passing marks the end of an era, but also strikes me as a challenge to each of us to try to make a difference in this world. He would have wanted it that way. ●

*Walt Michael '68, of Cold Spring, NY, is a traditional string band leader who specializes in the hammered dulcimer and tours widely in the U.S. and abroad. He first encountered traditional string-band music as an SOS volunteer in Appalachia.*



Receiving an honorary doctorate in humanities surpassed "all the hopes and dreams I could ever have," said George Varga '61. Joining him in celebration were (from left): Phil Uhrig MEd '52, director of alumni affairs emeritus; wife Judy Varga, Varga; George Junior; and Ruth Uhrig. (For more on Varga, see Page 9.)

## ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

### 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.

### Fri., September 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY,  
WESTERN MARYLAND COL-  
LEGE, 125 YEARS OLD.

September 4, 1867

First day of classes.

Cake and punch served on the College Green, in front of Hoover Library at 5 p.m.

Unveiling of plaque of Old Main.

### September 13-28

Alumni Cruise from Venice to Lisbon.

### Fri and Sat., October 2 and 3

Parents' Weekend

### Saturday, October 3

125 Anniversary Celebration,  
10:45 - 12 p.m., College Green and  
Baker Memorial Chapel.  
Speaker: Louis Rukayser

### Sun., October 11

Anne Arundel Chapter Brunch.

### Sat., October 17

Homecoming. Classes celebrating reunions: 1962, '67, '72, '77, '82, '87.

### Sun., October 18

Mid-Shore Chapter Dinner, Chester-  
town, MD.

### Fri and Sat., October 23 and 24

Board of Trustees meeting.

### Sat., October 24

Board of Governors meeting, 2 p.m.,  
Forum, Decker College Center.

### Fri., November 6

Wilmington (DE) Alumni Chapter  
dinner.

### Sun., November 8

DC/Northern Virginia Alumni Chap-  
ter Sunday Brunch.

### Sat., November 14

Sports Hall of Fame Induction Cere-  
mony and Banquet.

### Sun., December 6

Baltimore Alumni Chapter Holiday  
Champagne Brunch.

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Trevor Wysong (from left), Michelle Kloss, and Keith St. Amand share the honor.

### THREE SENIORS WITH PERFECT GRADES MAKE ARGONAUT-AWARD HISTORY

Three Western Maryland College seniors — two of whom were co-valedictorians at their Fort Hill High School in Cumberland, MD shared the annual Argonaut Award for having perfect 4.0 grade point averages. The award was presented at the May 23rd Commencement and marks the first time that three students have shared this prestigious award.

The three seniors are Michelle L. Kloss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kloss of White Hall, MD; Keith B. St. Amand, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip St. Amand of Cumberland, MD; and Trevor L. Wysong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wysong, also of Cumberland.

Art history was her favorite new subject at Western Maryland which led to Kloss choosing to major in art with a dual concentration in studio art and art history. During her years at WMC, she served as an officer of the College Activities Programming Board, including a term as president in her senior year. She also was a member of the All-College Council and designed all of the promotions for the College's Gallery One exhibits. She also earned two varsity letters on the tennis team and played intramural volleyball.

Kloss will pursue graduate studies in art history at the University of

Maryland at College Park, where she has been awarded a teaching fellowship. Dr. Julie Badice, professor of art, has described Kloss as "one of the most outstanding art history majors ever. It is extremely unusual for a graduate school to fund a first-year student, and this recognizes Michelle's truly outstanding record."

At the May 3 Honors and Investiture Convocation, Kloss received the M. Louise Shipley Art Award of Excellence. It is given to the outstanding senior art major. She also was presented with the Mary Ward Lewis Prize, given to the woman of the graduating class who has made the best record during her undergraduate course. Following that ceremony, Kloss also was inducted into Western Maryland's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the national honor society for leaders in the liberal arts, and Omicron Delta Kappa, an honorary society recognizing leadership in academic and professional endeavors.

Sharing straight-A averages with Kloss were St. Amand and Wysong. Both men graduated from Fort Hill High School in Cumberland, where they were co-valedictorians, co-editors of the school newspaper, saxophonists in the band, varsity lettermen in tennis, and teammates on the

YMCA swim team. Both also held summer jobs as lifeguards for the local community center.

Majoring in biology with a minor in English, St. Amand was vice president of Omicron Delta Kappa honor society chapter, a member of Beta Beta Beta, the biology honor society, and a lab assistant for Introductory Biology. This spring he was inducted into the college's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. During his Western Maryland career he studied piano all four years and competed on both the tennis and swim teams. He also served as a teacher's aide at the local Catholic church. St. Amand has been accepted into medical school at Georgetown University.

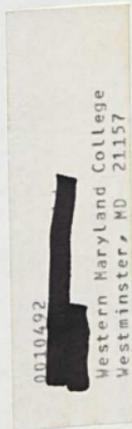
Wysong, a double major in political science and economics, received the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award at the Honors and Investiture Convocation. It is presented annually to the student who, in the judgment of the economics and business administration faculty, has exhibited the best overall academic performance in that department. Following the ceremony, Wysong also was inducted into the college's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Wysong was the leader of the local delegation to the model United Nations assembly at Harvard University in his senior year. He also assisted with political polling for a Baltimore television station and worked for the college newspaper and radio station. He also competed on the swimming team.

Wysong plans to pursue graduate studies in political science at either the University of Maryland at College Park or the University of Virginia. Both schools have offered enrollment and fellowships to him. His political science professor, Dr. Christianna Nichols, recently described Trevor as a "brilliant student" and as a gifted teaching assistant who "tutored well above the call of duty and worked especially well with foreign students."

For more on this year's Commencement see Page 8.

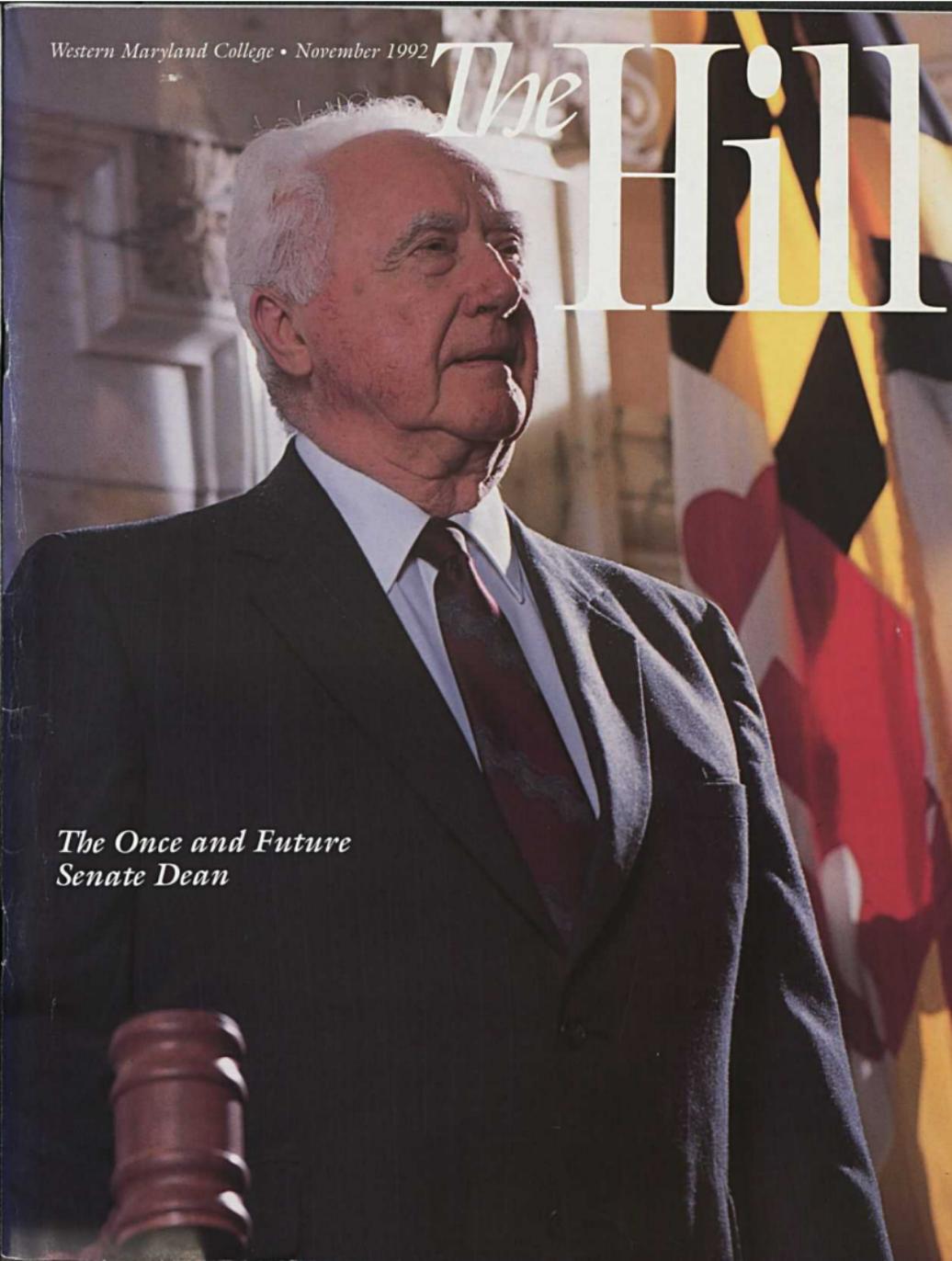
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# The Hill



*The Once and Future  
Senate Dean*

Maybe there's some bizarre affinity between "the Hill" and Capitol Hill. Maybe it's just our well-rounded curriculum. Whichever may be the case, the fact is, more Old Line legislators have bachelor's degrees from Western Maryland than from any other private college. Sure, the University of Maryland College Park has more, but what can one expect? The odds are with them when they enroll 25,000 undergraduate students compared to our 1,200.

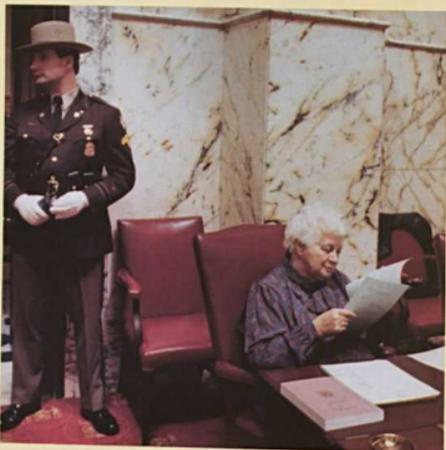
If one carefully reads the biographies of Maryland's elected officials in the encyclopedic Maryland Manual, one sees that only the University of Baltimore, Frostburg, Morgan, and Towson — all large state universities — equal Western Maryland's tally of six bachelor's degree holders who are legislators. This issue of *The Hill*, strategically planned to coincide with the presidential election, salutes our "Hill"-grown pols.

The eldest of the lot, Sen. Frederick C. Malkus '34, is the subject of our cover story. The others, in a special section, briefly outline their political triumphs and memories of Western Maryland. They are: Sen. Idamae Riley Garrott '36, Del. Peter Callas '49, Del. Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey '59, Sen. Gerald Winegrad '66, and Del. Wade Kach '70. Add in Del. C. Ronald Franks, ex-'63 and our honorary doctors of law: Sen. Clarence W. Blount and Del. Richard Dixon, featured in the same section. Then there is the affable and inimitable forever-and-a-day Maryland Comptroller, Louis Goldstein, honorary doctor of laws '73.

Professor Herb Smith provides a glimpse of the art and science of polling. And former Senate page Deandra Brice '95 and Senate Finance Committee staffer Steve Ports '83 hope to carry on the WMC legacy of preparing state legislators. Let's not forget Mike Bird '61. He's a powerful Colorado State Senator who may take a gubernatorial gamble.

See you at the polls.

The Editors



Idamae Riley Garrott '36 goes over papers before the opening of a Senate session in Annapolis. For more on Garrott, see Page 7.

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Sen. Frederick C. Malkus Jr. '34 wields the gavel as President *Pro Tem* of the Maryland Senate. Photo by E.M. Sweeney Jr.

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# News

From The Hill

## No Audition Is Required

Multiply nine by eight and you'll come up with the growth index of what has become in less than two years the second largest non-Greek student organization.

The first act of the Society for Creative and Performing Arts opened in the fall of '90 as a residence-hall suite of nine students with similar interests. By the end of the '91-'92 academic year, there were 72 musicians, artists, actors, and creative writers meeting to plan ways to showcase their talents in public performances on campus. Only the College Activities Programming Board has more members.

"After the suite broke up [in May of '91] I thought it would be a shame to dissolve the organization, because it did a lot for the campus while we were together," explained founder and current president Sierra Hurtt '93. "It's a support group for those of us in the performing arts. There are not a lot of outlets, especially for freshmen and sophomores, to showcase their talents."

The fall of '91 began the society's first year as a recognized campus organization, supported by Student Government Association funding. Professors from four arts - theatre, music, art, and creative writing - advise the students. In the beginning most members were musicians, but actors have now taken the leading role. Hurtt would like to expand the group by recruiting more writers, as well as by creating chapters at other colleges and high schools.

"Over the summer I was talking to friends who said, 'That sounds cool. I wish I had some-

LOUIS ROSENSTOCK



Theatre maven Sierra Hurtt is directing SCPA's growth.

thing like that on my campus." I said, "You could start something like this at your school." So far, a Philadelphia high school for the creative and performing arts is launching a chapter, according to Hurtt.

"By the end of the year I want to have 20 high schools and colleges on our roster so we can do some interchanges," said the theatre-arts and Spanish major and standout in WMC's spring performance of *The Importance of Being Earnest*. She's pursuing expansion by sending personal letters to local liberal-arts colleges like Hood, Mount St. Mary's and Gettysburg, as well as colleges near her native Philadelphia. She'll also contact less familiar East Coast schools. "I'll create a base first at the colleges and in the areas I know well."

She's also enlisting former classmates to make inroads in graduate schools. Said Hurtt, Tammy Lee '92, who is attending Drexel University to study arts administration, "is looking into starting a chapter there for undergraduate students." •

## Lippman's Law Predicts Bush

Walking in H.L. Mencken's footsteps or working in his shadow could intimidate the most accomplished journalist, but Theo Lippman's long tenure as editorial writer and editorial page columnist at the Sunpapers has proved that, with a bit of finesse, it can be done. Lippman's secret has been to appropriate HLM's wit and skepticism, but to soft-pedal the Sage's bile and bombast.

Speaking to an overflow audience in McDaniel Lounge on September 30 as the second annual William and Edith Ridington Lecturer, Lippman's very timely topic was "Presidential Elections: The Fine Art of Prediction." With the calm soft drawl of a Georgia-bred Southern gentleman, he began his talk with a flat-out pronouncement that George Bush would win the election. This opening shot turned some heads and elicited several gasps. Lippman immediately admitted that he personally was a Clinton supporter, thought "he was a pleasant man," but concluded that "I don't think he's going to make it."

After this provocative prelude, Lippman spent an entertaining hour supporting his prediction with historical, anecdotal, and occasional tongue-in-cheek evidence. An avid student of presidential elections, he drew heavily on historical precedent, a practice that is a hallmark of his Baltimore *Sun* political columns.

Bush will be elected, he maintained, because of the inexorable workings of "Lippman's Laws" of contemporary presidential elections, which are three in number. The first law is that candidates generally win election "the second time around," and Clinton is obviously a tenderfoot. The American people, in short, must have some time to get acquainted with the candidate. An exception, the Carter-Ford contest, matched two neophyte presidential aspirants.

The second Lippman Law working against Clinton is the current geographical imperative that no candidate from either the Northeast or the Midwest—including Arkansas—can win. California and Texas are the contemporary breeding grounds of presidential stock, even if only by adoption.

The final law leaves Clinton little hope, for it holds that no candidate from a state without a major league baseball team has a chance. This may at first seem a frivolous constriction, but Lippman explained this as merely another way of saying that candidates from small states with no great urban centers and little population diversity have weak home bases and minor-league status.

The journalist felt that his laws are a solid contribution to "the fine art of prediction" and at least an improvement over the "rising-lowering hemline indicators" or the "vintage-Bordeaux-

'LBJ asked me to be with him, and I said, No, I'm with Kennedy'

—Louis Goldstein

year coincidences" of past presidential prognosticators. But Lippman did allude to several academic crystal-gazers who, like himself, pay little attention to the pollsters and who confirm an imminent Bush victory. One was Allan J. Lichtman, a professor at American University, who has promoted his controversial "Thirteen Key" test for presidential prophecy, which has received a good deal of media attention. Amid skeptical murmurs from the McDaniel Lounge audience, Lippman applied Lichtman's test to the final days of the Bush-Clinton-Perot contest and reaffirmed his prediction: Bush has history, geography, and America's preference for Republican presidents on his side. Of course Lippman almost casually mentioned that political pundits have little or no influence on American elections.

After graduating from Emory University in his native Georgia and serving with the Navy during the Korean Conflict, Lippman's career as a daily newspaperman began in 1954. After a 10-year stint as reporter and editor with the *Atlanta Constitu-*

*tion*, he moved to the *Baltimore Sun*, where he has been writing editorials and signed editorial page columns for the 27 years.

Concurrent with his daily editorial duties, he has published four political biographies: *Muskie*, with Donald C. Hansen (1971); *Spiro Agnew's America* (1972); *Senator Ted Kennedy: The Career Behind the Image* (1976); and *The Squire of Warm Springs* (1977). Lippman has also edited H.L. Mencken, *A Gang of Pecksniffs* (1975), a volume of the Baltimore Sage's previously uncollected articles on newspapering.

His signed editorial page pieces have appeared twice weekly since 1976, and, he notes, "Theoretically, they are supposed to treat serious topics lightly and foolish topics seriously, but for several years now I've been unable to tell the difference." Lippman's work has garnered several prizes over the years, the major one being the Distinguished Writing Award for Commentary (1982) given by the American Society of Newspaper Editors. ●

—Keith N. Richwine



Forever-and-a-day Maryland Comptroller Louis Goldstein entertains Western Maryland students with anecdotes about his 50 years of presidential campaigning. For the text of a feature story about Goldstein's travels with LBJ and the like, call Sherri Kimmel Diegel at (410) 857-2293, or write her at the address on the back cover.

## Letters

### Independence Improves Hill

Having just finished reading *The Hill*, I want to tell you how much I enjoy the magazine. To my mind, it is much better since you became independent, and not one of the consortium (Johns Hopkins University, etc.). The piece you did about Esther Smith (in the November '91 issue) was particularly fine. For a retiree, it is gratifying to learn about campus activities, and I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in sending *The Hill*.

Jean Kerschner  
professor of biology emerita  
Hayesville, NC

### Another Viewpoint On Evelyn Y. Davis

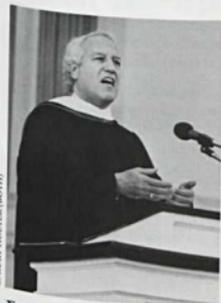
I was interested in the story on Evelyn Y. Davis '51 in the August *Hill*. Ms. Davis has certainly led an interesting career.

As a private investor and alumnus of WMC I feel it is important to express the alternate view of Ms. Davis's accomplishments.

Ms. Davis's proposals have seldom been voted for in the companies in which I invest. This is in part due to the fact that she proposes the same issues every year at every company. This serves to give Ms. Davis notoriety and cause the companies involved substantial time and effort (and expense). I should point out another side benefit to Ms. Davis, the ability to deduct all expenses for trips to board meetings wherever they may be. She can do this although she owns minor amounts of most of the stocks she invests in.

I enjoy reading *The Hill* and think it is a wonderful way to spread the good news about WMC.

Jonathan Dickey '82  
Baltimore, MD



Events at Founders Convocation on October 3 were the unveiling of the portrait of Alonzo G. Decker Sr., whose son was presented the John Smith Memorial Medallion that day, and a talk by Louis Rukeysyer, recipient of an honorary doctor of humane letters. PBS commentator Rukeysyer wows a capacity crowd in Baker Memorial Chapel at left. At right, Decker Jr., second from left, appears with President Robert Chambers; sister Jane Decker Asmis, honorary trustee; and WMC's chairman of the board M. Lee Rice '48.



# Cradle of the Reps

*Maryland's Stateswomen and Men  
Often Spent Formative Years Here*



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Minority leader Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey '59 credits WMC with instilling confidence and self-reliance.

**W**estern Maryland has long been applauded for the number of educators and ministers nurtured on "the Hill."

But the college also extends its influence to the political arena. More Maryland General Assembly members hold bachelor's degrees from WMC than from any other private college in the nation. In the following pages, eight WMC-related Maryland legislators (excluding Frederick C. Malkus '34, whose story begins on Page 8) describe, in their own words, their political careers and the role Western Maryland has played.

## **Del. Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey '59**

### *Legislative role:*

Minority Leader; Republican serving District 10, Baltimore County.

### *Terms in Office:*

1978-1994.

### *How WMC helped prepare for political career:*

I had no interest in politics when in college, but my biology courses helped me develop objectivity and to weigh all the evidence carefully before making a judgment.

### *Special WMC memory:*

Working in the dining hall – the camaraderie among the "waiters;" a senior year in the "management" house living with 12 girls who became, and still are, lifetime friends.

### *Why WMC is important to her:*

Because of the solid education, caring faculty and long friendships developed here. This was where I grew up, became independent, self-reliant and confident in myself.

### *Legislative priorities:*

- 1) Limiting government spending.
- 2) Encouraging economic growth through free enterprise.

### *Greatest triumphs as a legislator:*

- 1) Passage of the Maryland Spending Affordability Law.
- 2) Passage of a non-parolable five-year mandatory sentence for handgun crimes.

Winegrad presents an environmental proposal to the Senate. At the '88 Commencement, Dixon (center) receives an honorary degree. Blount holds forth in his office.



SHEREE DIEHL



JENNIFER BISHOP



ARETHA WHITE

**Advice to future politicians:**

Don't plan to start out your career in politics. Prepare for a world of work in the private sector. Get actively involved in your community and do volunteer work for candidates or the party you support while you are learning how the economy and the "real world" function. Too many young people want to go right into politics without taking the time to develop the experiences necessary to making good decisions.

**Sen. Gerald W. Winegrad '66**

**Legislative role:**

Democrat serving District 30, Anne Arundel County.

**Terms in office:**

1978-1983 - Maryland House of Delegates; 1983-1994 - Maryland Senate.

**Special WMC memory:**

My 1-1/2 years as social chairman of my fraternity. I booked great bands, signed leases for party facilities and ordered food and drink. Also playing football for four years and intra-fraternity softball -10-0 in 1962.

**Why WMC is important to him:**

Having spent four years growing from childhood to adulthood there, I think of friends I still have and the need for fostering a continued growing experience for students - learning and growing.

**Legislative priorities:**

- 1) The environment - *The Washington Post* called me the "environmental conscience of the Senate;" Gov. Hughes called me "Mr. Chesapeake Bay."
- 2) Child abuse - my delegation established the Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse, leading to major reforms in child abuse.
- 3) Campaign reform/open meetings.

**Greatest triumphs as a legislator:**

- 1) Gaining focus by the state on environmental issues.
- 2) Passage of the phosphate ban in detergents that I sponsored and led to passage in Washington, D.C., Pennsylvania and Virginia - took two years and was fought by 17 lobbyists who were paid over \$200,000.

- 3) Requiring environmental education in public schools through an integrated approach and gaining increased funding for this.
- 4) Reforms in child abuse and gaining legislative and public focus on this issue.

**Advice to future politicians:**

Study but grow. Become involved in college/community organizations - environmental clubs, low-income housing rehabilitation, social causes! Volunteer in political campaigns and recruit others - make things happen; that's what my political life is about. Do voter registration on campus. Get to know your legislators - federal, state and local.

**Del. Richard N. Dixon**

*honorary doctor of laws '88*

**Legislative role:**

Democrat serving District 5A, Carroll County.

**Terms in office:**

1983-94.

**Legislative priorities:**

Sponsoring and passing bills involving financial planning, pension loans, and surface mining.

**Greatest triumphs as a legislator:**

- 1) I was the lead sponsor of a bill providing protection for people living close to a limestone mine. This was the first bill passed in the United States providing that protection.
- 2) Sponsoring the \$2 million bond bill to build the new Hoover library.

**Advice to future politicians:**

Take a job in the business world. There are too many legislators who do not understand our capitalistic system. "Competition" and "profits" are good American words.

**Sen. Clarence W. Blount**

*honorary doctor of laws '81, former trustee*

**Legislative role:**

Majority Leader; Democrat representing District 41, Baltimore City.

**Terms in office:**

1971-1994.

**Legislative priorities:**

- 1) The environment.
- 2) Low-income housing.
- 3) Mandatory kindergarten.
- 4) Education.

**Greatest triumphs as a legislator:**

- 1) Getting laws passed on above issues.
- 2) Constituent services, appointments.
- 3) Democratic National Committee.
- 4) Educational institutions and bond issues.

**Advice to future politicians:**

Major in political science, history, pre-law - apply theory by working for a legislator, campaign.

*'A liberal arts education is the best preparation for anyone entering politics today'*

- Peter Callas '49

**Del. Peter G. Callas '49**

*Legislative role:*  
Democrat serving District 2B, Washington County.

*Terms in office:*  
1983-1994.

*How WMC helped prepare for political career:*

First, my career goal was to become an educator, not a politician. I succeeded in becoming a teacher, active administrator, college professor, and later, president of the elected Washington County School Board (1978-1982). In 1982, I ran for the House of Delegates seat, District 2B and was elected. I do not consider myself a politician. My political science and history courses, in addition to my education major, were most beneficial to my teaching career and my work in the Maryland General Assembly. Professors Hurt, Whitfield and Wills were faculty members whom I admired and were most helpful in my career development.

A liberal arts education, I feel, is the best preparation for anyone who desires to enter politics today. Western Maryland College's program is of high quality and has a proven record of producing not only outstanding educators, but also many effective "politicians." [A typical] liberal-arts [college's] curriculum includes courses that prepare one for the new era of "participatory" government—courses in communications, urban development, social and political studies, and others.

*Why WMC is important to him:*

My attendance at WMC made me what I am today. I feel as a legislator, WMC, a private, small college, offers our citizens an excellent choice in furthering educational and career aspirations.

*Legislative priorities:*

- Initiated and have succeeded in enacting legislation affecting:
- 1) Early childhood education.
  - 2) Senior citizens with dementia illnesses, especially Alzheimer's disease.
  - 3) Drug and alcohol abuse prevention, intervention and rehabilitation.
  - 4) Creation of the Governor's Commission



ROYANE GILBERT



ROYANE DOSTER WATTS

Callas, in his Annapolis office, ponders ways to best represent Washington County. Franks, a dentist, likes to get to the root of economic matters at the General Assembly.

*How WMC helped prepare for political career:*

The openness and willingness of the professors and administration to discuss, not only subject matters, but other issues forthrightly, with a mutual sense of respect, is the best preparation anyone could hope to have.

As a liberal-arts education provides a broad background for understanding a society and the cultural interactions around the world, it is the perfect background for a politician. On the Eastern Shore, I have to represent community colleges, liberal-arts colleges, watermen, farmers, retail merchants, chemical producers, housewives, children, retired individuals and the elderly. The diversity is enormous.

*Special WMC memory:*

I remember the long dining tables with the family-style meals and the two Hungarian soccer players [George Varga '61 and Lazzlo Zsebedics '63] who were patient with the novice American who played with them on the team. I remember the kind and considerate English professor who tried to console me when he heard I was leaving Western Maryland College (I never did well in English). He did not realize that I had done well academically in the sciences and was transferring (for financial reasons) to pursue a pre-dental program.

*Why WMC is important to him:*

Western Maryland College and other small liberal-arts colleges have a unique combination of an in-depth education with a sense of community. Not only do you learn the dates, formulas, facts and figures necessary for any education, but you have the opportunity to exchange these with your classmates as well as with your professors. It is as close to a family education as I can perceive.

*Legislative priorities:*

The single most pressing priority facing us today is the economic soundness of the State of Maryland. Without consistent dependable economic growth, Maryland, as well as the rest of the United States, will be financially unable to provide the programs and services that are essential to our society. Creating a climate here in Maryland

on AIDS and Alzheimer's disease.

- 5) Creation of the Oversight Committee in the Worker's Compensation Commission.
- 6) Co-sponsored legislation for the funding of Western Maryland's Hoover Library.

*Greatest triumph as a legislator:*

Giving 100 percent of my time to representing my constituents and all citizens of Maryland as a legislator in the Maryland General Assembly. I am a full-time legislator.

*Advice to future politicians:*

My personal philosophy in politics, and in life in general, is "do more for others than you would expect them to do for you." In addition, get involved in various community activities. I maintain a high moral, ethical and professional service record.

**Del. C. Ronald Franks, ex-'63**

*Legislative role:*

Republican serving District 36, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline and Talbot counties.

*Term in office:*  
1990-94.

**Garrott, a long-time Montgomery County resident, relishes her legislative role. Kach values WMC for the close friendships he made.**



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where the private sector is encouraged and feels comfortable creating jobs has to be near the top of the list of priorities for almost any legislator at this time.

**Greatest triumph as a legislator:**

You learn quickly that rarely does a single legislator effect tremendous triumph; it is usually a group effort. I am proud of the role I played this year in forming a bi-partisan committee which developed and presented a balanced budget which did not require any increase in taxes.

**Advice to future politicians:**

The best advice I can give is to learn everything you can learn. Be involved, do not stand on the sidelines. That does not mean you have to be the biggest talker. Good listeners who hear what people are saying, then contribute substance to the conversation, will have a future in whatever career they select.

**Sen. Idamae Riley Garrott '36**

**Legislative role:**

Democrat serving District 19, Montgomery County.

**Terms in office:**

House of Delegates - 1978-1986; State Senate - 1986-94.

**How WMC helped prepare for a political career:**

WMC provides an excellent preparation. I was an English major; my English courses best prepared me for a political career. In my work as a member of the Montgomery County Council (1966-1974) and in the State legislature, I have found the breadth of vision which I developed at Western Maryland invaluable in my development of a political philosophy. Speaking and writing skills I honed at WMC have been helpful.

**Special WMC memory:**

Working on the *Gold Bug*, among other things; writing a regular political column.

**Legislative priorities:**

- 1) A fairer fiscal system.
- 2) Better land-use planning.
- 3) Environmental issues.
- 4) Education.
- 5) Health.

**Greatest triumph as a legislator:**

Making a difference on environmental legislation; for example, getting enforcement measures added to the 1992 Maryland Growth Management Bill and suggesting important provisions to be added to the wetlands bill.

**Advice to future politicians:**

Participate actively in political and, especially, civic affairs. Women, like men, need to start early in civic and political affairs, if they are to become committee chairs, Speaker, etc.

**Del. A. Wade Kach '70**

**Legislative role:**

Republican serving District 10, Baltimore County.

**Terms in office:**

1975-1994.

**How WMC helped prepare for a political career:**

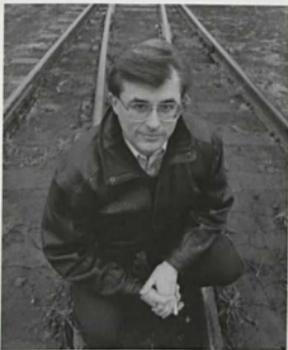
Psychology courses gave me a better understanding of human behavior. After all... politics is people. In addition, a liberal-arts education acquaints one to different ways of thinking, and how mankind has dealt with problems and achieved its goals throughout history.

**Special WMC memory:**

The close friendships I developed.

**Why WMC is important to him:**

WMC must remain healthy so that future generations will have the same opportunity I had.



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**Legislative priorities:**

- 1) Child-support enforcement.
- 2) The environment.
- 3) The criminal-justice system.
- 4) Consumer protection.

**Greatest triumph as a legislator:**

Legislation I have sponsored has become law to increase protection for home buyers and owners and improve child-support enforcement.

**Advice to future politicians:**

Get involved in your community. Politics is involvement with people. ●

*Eastern Shore's Ultimate Advocate  
Holds the Floor in Maryland's Senate*

# The Once and Future Dean

BY LAWRENCE FREENY '39

**I**rederick C. Malkus Jr. '34, an attorney in Cambridge, MD, has acquired a state-wide reputation for spirited speechmaking – not before judges and jurors, but among peers in the Maryland General Assembly throughout his 46 years' uninterrupted service and counting.

Well known as dean of the State Senate, and as its president *pro tem* since 1975, Malkus is also notable because his legislative tenure, beginning as a Dorchester County member of the House of Delegates, 1947-1951, directly followed by election to the Senate, exceeds that of any other member of Maryland's legislative body.

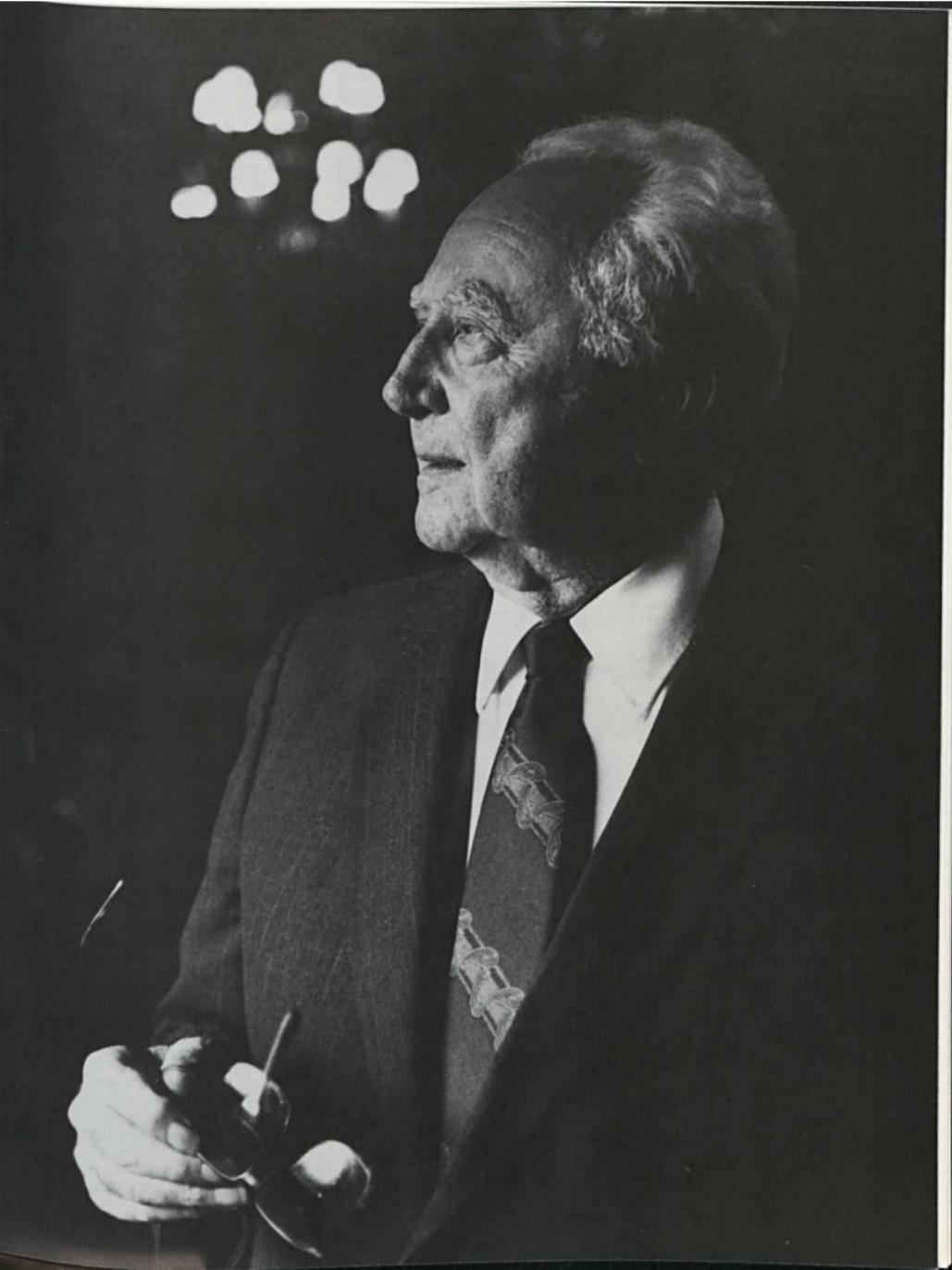
Further, come January when the General Assembly again convenes, he is due to become the nation's senior state legislator, according to the journal *State Legislatures*, published by the National Conference of State Legislatures. It has reported that State Sen. Max Howell of Arkansas, present holder of the longevity title, has decided to retire this year.

Looking ahead, the Democratic Eastern Shore senator is midway in the present four-year term that will expire January 1, 1995. Is he planning to file as a candidate for re-election in the September 1994 primary election?

"Well, right now I'm thinking about next year's General Assembly session, and the one in 1994. I'm not ready yet to make any public comment about the '94 primary."

Malkus is a lively, aggressive figure. His wealth of first-hand knowledge of State House operations, including marathon committee hearings, House and Senate wrangles, and the proposals and proddings of several governors, may well be unmatched. Always the practical practitioner of politics, he uses that knowledge as guidance for shrewdly estimating the views and goals of colleagues while seeking to muster their support of his own legislative proposals.

"There's nothing I like better than a good floor fight in the Maryland Senate," said the white-haired, lanky Malkus, in his Cambridge office, where he specializes in land transac-



# *'I'd call Sen. Malkus a friendly curmudgeon. He's a resourceful, forceful individual'*

— Senate President Thomas V. "Mike" Miller Jr.

tions and estate law, shortly before he was to observe his 79th birthday anniversary.

## *A Very Senior Senator*

His forthcoming national seniority was the basis of a headline in *The Eastern Star Democrat*, accompanying a front-page profile that appeared on his birthday, July 1.

Senate President Thomas V. "Mike" Miller Jr. of Prince Georges County, asked later for his portrayal of the dean, said:

"I'd call Senator Malkus a friendly curmudgeon. He's a resourceful, forceful individual whose associates know they'll have to deal with him — either the easy way, or getting along peaceably, or the hard way. Most of them go for the easy way."

The key to his political longevity is apparently the long-standing intimate knowledge of his constituency's feelings and vital concerns. Sometimes they approach him directly, individuals or groups; but often he seeks them out by attending community meetings in town offices, fire department headquarters and elsewhere in his region.

Having invited a recent visitor to lunch at the Cambridge Yacht Club, he was greeted at the entrance by several well-dressed women who had apparently taken over the club for the day.

"Fred, you don't have luncheon reservations, do you? Sorry, all the places are spoken for. But you're welcome to stay and see our flower show," a woman said.

"Oh, Fred," another said, "don't you have a birthday sometime soon?"

"Yes, you know perfectly well it's July the 1st. And thanks for the invitation to see the flowers, but if we can't eat here, we're moving along right now."

Having made clear his earnest receptivity to his people's views and needs, he has become widely known as their hard-working, aggressive advocate.

## *Opposition Often Is His Position*

As for those Senate floor fights Malkus says he relishes, he has joined in many battles including these: limiting the extent of environmental regulations, particularly those affecting watermen and farmers on the East-

ern Shore, with its extensive wetlands and lowlands; pushing for the replacement of several major bridges on the Shore (see the sidebar on Page 12); upholding individual property rights; and seeking legalization of slot machines in the Shore's service clubs.

Also, his voice of opposition has savaged such proposals as these: higher state taxes, particularly those that would enlarge the size and complexity of state government, including a rising tide of regulations; the use of state funds to help build the Baltimore subway, a fight that was lost in 1976; use of state funding to assist private projects; and permitting divers to gather oysters in the Chesapeake Bay.

Since Malkus eschews middle-of-the-road stances, his peers of present and past have freely affixed to him labels of their devising such as: a strong if not inflexible conservative, politically and/or fiscally; the faithful representative of a solidly conservative region; a strong protector of the environment, some say, while others fault his objections to some federal environmental standards; too stern a skeptic of urban areas' requests for state financial aid; and an eager seeker of all legislative benefits available for the Eastern Shore.

The senator, having repeatedly heard or read such descriptions, regards none as surprising or perplexing. But, like political figures at any governmental level, he's readily prepared to provide self-characterization:

"I'm indeed basically conservative, as are the people I represent. Knowing them well and fully understanding their feelings and wishes, and agreeing with them, it's my duty to faithfully represent them in Annapolis."

This is how he summarizes his view of fiscal matters:

"The State of Maryland should not provide the money for all areas that seek it as cure-alls. They've not succeeded in curing the patient that way; the patient will just need more surgery. In last spring's General Assembly I voted against all tax increases.

"I firmly believe that those places in Maryland that seek to spend the public's money should have to raise it."

Those tenets were spoken in his office across from the Dorchester County Court-house with such conviction that a listener

would feel certain that they've often been used in one context or another on the Senate floor, or privately to his peers with full persuasion.

He can speak with lawyer-like precision when necessary, but he can also stir a mix of political philosophy and down-home expressions to sharpen the thrust of his messages.

## *A Sound Bite Savorer's Dream*

For instance, he was ready in July when a Baltimore television station's political commentator phoned him during a telecast from Madison Square Garden during the final night of the Democratic National Convention:

"Senator, how do you think the party's ticket, Bill Clinton and Al Gore, is likely to be received?"

"Looks to me like that pair of ducks is going to fly!"

This model of sound bites drew a smile from the questioner, while the candidates were shown waving to the crowd.

Many people from Maryland's urban areas seem to view Malkus as an exemplar of what they regard as Eastern Shore residents' insularity — and possibly one of those Shoremen who appear smug when slyly speaking of outlanders residing "on the other side of the Bay."

But he actually was born in Baltimore's Highlandtown neighborhood and moved to Dorchester County in early childhood.

Graduating from Western Maryland in 1934, Malkus enrolled in the University of Maryland Law School in September, then received his law degree in 1938.

"But I had to drop out for an entire year and work as hard as I could to earn money to continue. The Depression was awful, I was broke.

"During that year off, 1935-1936, I trapped muskrats in the winter and sold the pelts, making \$1,800; half of that went to my aunt who owned the farm where I lived.

"Earlier that year I was a steelworker earning \$13 a week helping build the Choptank River bridge, until it was finished in the fall." That two-lane span was dedicated in October 1935.

## Making a Way with the FSA

"Still broke in 1938, after law school graduation, I was lucky to be contacted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and to be made supervisor of the Farm Security Administration (now called the Farm Home Administration) for Talbot, Dorchester, Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester counties.

"The salary was \$1,800 – which was twice the \$900 then being paid to school teachers. Later the farm agency increased the salary to \$2,400. Two offices were provided, in the Salisbury Post Office and in the Dorchester County Court House in Cambridge."

On April 30, 1941, he recalled, he was drafted into the Army; then, after attending Officers Candidate School at Fort Lee, VA, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant about a year later.

"What was really memorable, though, was December 8 of '41, the day after Pearl Harbor, when my group's military convoy

– we had been on maneuvers at the A.P. Hill Military Reservation in Virginia – ran through Washington, D.C.

"We were uniformed and wearing old World War I helmets. Throngs of people cheered us from the sidewalks, evidently thinking that we were on our way to the front. I'll never forget the raw emotion we saw then on the streets of Washington."

Malkus said he was "a second lieutenant for three months, a first lieutenant for six months and a captain almost forever," but he was elevated to major upon release from

the service in 1945. His captain's pay of \$2,400 equalled his civilian FSA salary.

During his military service he was involved in some monumental events. "We sailed from Boston in 1944, in time for the invasion of Normandy. I took command of a graves registration company, 208 men; we landed on Utah Beach, though not in the first wave, and our job was to retrieve and identify bodies. Burial services were held at sundown, with ceremonies conducted by a Jewish rabbi, Catholic priest and Protestant minister, with the time

was the construction of Daniel MacLea Hall in 1966.

Bishop J.H. Straughan of the Methodist Church was then on the WMC board of trustees and, soon after the funding, recommended naming Malkus to the board.

"I stayed on the board until my 70th birthday, some eight years ago; now there's apparently some sort of trustee emeritus title," the senator said.

During his legislative career, including his early years in the House of Delegates, Malkus has sponsored or co-sponsored bills that provided matching bonds benefiting Western Maryland totaling \$6,025,000.

In March 1958, he was co-sponsor of a Senate bill directing the state Board of Public Works "to release the mortgage made to the State of Maryland by The Board of Trustees of Western Maryland College on July 16, 1928." This action eliminated the college's debt of \$58,524.37, "because it has impaired the growth and improvement" of the college.

There have been several bills over the years authorizing issuance of general

obligation bonds totaling, say, \$2.5 million, contingent upon WMC's provision of a matching amount. For example, Senate Bill 450 in 1987 was meant to grant that amount to assist "in the planning, design, renovation, alteration, addition, and equipping of Hoover Library." This bill was introduced by and co-sponsored by Malkus and six others, including delegates Peter Callas '49 and Richard Dixon, honorary doctor of laws '88.

Photo copies of the bills Malkus has sponsored on Western Maryland's behalf, the most recent one in 1991, were collected by the General Assembly's Department of Legislative Reference, at the senator's request. The packet was mailed to his Cambridge office.

In an accompanying letter, F. Carvel Payne, director of the department noted "his long and faithful support of Western Maryland College," then added:

"If I may be permitted a comment, I would suggest that [WMC] should name a building after you out of gratitude for your attentiveness to their needs."

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E.M. SWENNEY JR.

## A Bricks and Mortar Benefactor to WMC

In 1953 Sen. Louis L. Goldstein of Calvert County, Malkus recalled, offered an amendment to the capital improvements bill, providing substantial state aid to Washington College in its construction of a gymnasium. Goldstein, a long-time Malkus friend, is an alumnus of the college at Chestertown.

"I immediately phoned [WMC President] Dr. Lowell Ensor from the Senate floor and asked 'What could the college use \$250,000 for?'

"He was probably roused out of a sound sleep at 2 a.m.," Malkus continued.

"I assured him that no, I'd not been drinking, and what was needed was an immediate answer. He replied that WMC needed a new dormitory. So I then put in my amendment, matching Goldstein's."

Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin vetoed both amendments, but in February 1953 the General Assembly overrode the veto and the funds were provided. The result



His name is indeed visible at the approaches to the four-lane Frederick C. Malkus Jr. Bridge that directs U.S. Route 50 traffic across the Choptank River at Cambridge. This bridge replaces the original two-lane span that had been dedicated October 26, 1935.

The new bridge had been sought by the senator for five years until a bill of authorization was introduced in the Senate in 1981, and passed by both houses. The bill mandated that financing would come from sharing toll receipts from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, the Maryland 301 bridge over the Potomac River, and the Memorial Bridge, Maryland 95, over the Susquehanna River.

While the Department of Transportation worked out details of the financing, an amendment to the authorization bill was offered by Senator Joseph Bonvegna of Baltimore City and Senator James C. Simpson of Charles County. It provided that the bridge be named for Malkus.

"This was done without my knowledge. They surprised me, they really got me on that one," he said in his office.

But when the amended bill was passed by both Senate and House, it was vetoed by Gov. Harry C. Hughes, in part because heirs of the late Gov. Emerson C. Harrington, for whom the old bridge had been named, expressed their strong dissent. The family's feeling was that the name memorialized on the original bridge should not be abandoned.

The veto was overridden by the General Assembly, however. Malkus, recalling the sensitivity of the matter and Hughes's veto message, said: "Well, I succeeded in getting the bridge built, but certainly didn't ask for the name. Anyway, the bridge will last longer than I will." It was dedicated on May 2, 1987.

This is but one of the four bridges in which the senator has been directly involved.

"I've been very much interested in seeing the rebuilding of three other bridges — the new one at Vienna, moving Route 50 over the Nanticoke River, the one at Sharpstown that was really outmoded, and the other at Denton. Luckily I've lived long enough to see all four of them finished."

— LF

equally apportioned. Our men received five battle stars through involvement in five major battles."

While on bivouac later, in Stolberg, Germany, he said, he thought suddenly occurred that he would like to get involved in politics.

"It was raining like the devil in that apple orchard, and I just decided to try it. I'd cast my absentee vote for Franklin D. Roosevelt, in fact voted for him three times, and he was a hero to the servicemen."

*Riding Out Choppy Waters*

There have been ebbs and flows in Malkus's political career, but neither good nor bad times have diminished his relish for political combat. For example, he served as chairman of the powerful Judicial Proceedings Committee of the Senate for 12 years, losing it in 1963, the memorable year of reapportionment that broke the Eastern Shore's long-standing political power. Joseph Curran, now attorney general, took over the committee chairmanship.

Also in early 1963 he had hoped to become president of the Senate, but that assignment went to Sen. William S. James of Harford County. It was reported at the time that James was the person preferred by Gov. J. Millard Tawes.

That was a turbulent year of racial turmoil in Cambridge, when blacks, led by their spokesman Gloria Richardson, staged demonstrations pressing their demands for desegregation.

When violence erupted, Gov. Tawes dispatched units of the Maryland National Guard. A peace agreement appeared to have been reached in July, with Cambridge officials having agreed to pass a charter amendment on desegregation and also to establish a bi-racial committee. However, the protesters withdrew their tentative acceptance, demanding that a city ordinance be enacted, not just a charter amendment.

The rioting resumed, forcing Tawes, who had withdrawn the troops in a brief period of calm, to again order the Guard to take over. Finally, under heavy pressure

from the Kennedy administration, an agreement was reached in Attorney General Robert Kennedy's office, with Mrs. Richardson and other leaders finally accepting a plan little different from the one they had rejected.

At the time in January of that year when James became Senate president, Malkus apparently felt the racial controversy, which received national coverage, was a principal reason that he was not selected.

"That terrible period has left a permanent scar on Cambridge and has adversely affected its growth, I really believe," Malkus said recently in his office.

In 1982 Malkus lent support to Senate President James Clark Jr. when Sen. Melvin A. Steinberg challenged him, but Steinberg won. Malkus was removed as vice chairman of the Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee, but remained as a committee member, and also continued as Senate president *pro tem*. In that role since 1975, he presides over the Senate when the president is absent.

Regarding the various characterizations of Malkus by observers — his volatility, aggressiveness, conservatism and the like — Lewis R. Riley, when a representative from Wicomico County in 1984, was quoted in *The Evening Sun* as saying: "Fred's been around and seen a lot of change and he's been against most of it." Riley later served in the Senate, resigning in January when appointed deputy secretary of the State Department of Agriculture.

"Well, that remark or something much like it has been said so many times that it's almost become a cliché," Malkus remarked when it was brought to his attention.

And Riley contacted later by phone, said: "Well, since I was quoted, I suppose that was said. But it was said strictly in jest. Remarks similar to that have been made by people Fred has angered. But I'll tell you this, he's respected by all."

Fred Malkus, environmentalist and outdoorsman, favors hunting, particularly deer hunting — as a means of herd management — over fishing. Some of his hunting partners have included the author James A. Michener when he was doing research for *Chesapeake*, his book about Eastern Shore history and lore. He's also been accompanied by

## Fellow Politicians Depict the Dean

Spontaneous comments about the Dean of the Senate were easy to elicit:

"I've got the greatest respect for Fred's dedication to hard, conscientious work. He's prompt, courteous and witty; and yes, he can sometimes be testy and combative."

"He's one who has a philosophy of governance: he looks into the state's future, while drawing from his storehouse of knowledge. He's top-drawer, in my opinion."  
*Sen. Walter Baker, Cecil County*

"Fred and I worked hard to win approval of a bill to allow slot machines in Eastern Shore service clubs such as the Lions. Fred did the talking on the floor of the Senate, while Sen. Walter Baker and I worked behind the scenes."

"He's always worked long and hard to represent his constituents. And while Fred has always been called a solid conservative, I sometimes managed to get him to be a little bit liberal through horse trading."  
*Former Sen. Joe Long, Wicomico County*

"Fred Malkus and I entered the House of Delegates in the same year, 1946, where I served eight years. He stayed in the House a few years, then went into the Senate. We've always been on pretty good terms."

"He's emotional in legislative debate and sometimes uses pretty tough language. Known as a conservative who speaks out for individual property rights, Fred's longevity is remarkable. He works hard to conscientiously cover a very sizable district, and still manages to keep up his law practice."  
*Former Senate President William S. James, Harford County*

"I first met Senator Malkus in 1961 when he was chairman of the Judicial Proceedings Committee, and disliked him heartily. He was pretty rough in manner and language sometimes. I felt that he had scant regard for my area, and got the impression that it was difficult for him and his Eastern Shore constituents to realize that their region is part of Maryland."



E.M. SWEENEY JR.

"But I felt differently when I returned to the Senate in 1966 or 1967, staying until I was not re-elected in 1990. This time I realized that he's really a fine gentleman. My feeling in 1961 had changed, since I understood now that he'd always been a splendid representative on the Shore – and that he was not really hostile to the rest of the state. I really think that Maryland these days is finally coming together."  
*Former Sen. Margaret Schweinhaut, Montgomery County*

"I think Malkus is a vanishing breed in America, a citizen legislator: a private law practice, an advocate of environmental causes, a family man."

"It's quite remarkable what he's accomplished. He is held in the highest regard in Annapolis by the governor and the legislators, based on his knowledge and experience. I knew him during my 17 years in the House of Delegates starting in 1973."

"He has the ability to avoid getting too wrapped up in state-wide issues, to be primarily concerned with bills affecting his own district. And I've never seen anyone who has such a keen nose for knowing what's going on in his district; he has the apparent ability to know all about a problem six months in advance of its happening."  
*Judge William S. Horns, Talbot County*

"Fred Malkus, my white-haired friend from Dorchester County, has always had a straightforward manner. He'll shake your hand, talk directly and honestly about his legislative ideas, then stay just that way. If he gives you his word, you can depend on it."  
*Former Sen. E. Homer White Jr., Wicomico County*

"He's long been one of my better friends whom I regard with admiration and respect. He's survived all these years and is now dean of the Senate; he's an endangered species, a dinosaur."

"I served in the House of Delegates for 20 years, 1958-1978, and Fred would be there every night even when the Assembly was in session as late as 2 o'clock in the morning. But he'd go home afterward to be with his family, tramp through the marsh to check his muskrat traps, then get back to Annapolis fresh and bright a few hours later. . . ."

He and I are both Shore conservatives, and he's a man whose word you can depend on."

*Judge Elroy G. Boyer, Kent County*

"Malkus's greatest asset is his intimate, long-standing knowledge of the lives of Eastern Shoremen, and of faithfully representing that constituency. He holds very strong views on individuals' property rights, especially regarding owners of farms and wetlands. He has real environmental concerns, but he sometimes opposes what he feels might become overly strict, damaging controls."

"And Fred, as the Senate's dean, has an incredible supply of memories of legislative battles and sidelights; probably no one can match him there."

*Former Sen. Louis R. Riley, Wicomico County*

"He's a damned good man. He's honest; there's nothing dirty about him."

*Former Sen. John L. Sanford Jr., Worcester County*

## Student Profile

# Page Turner

### Brice '95 Came to College With Politics In Her System

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

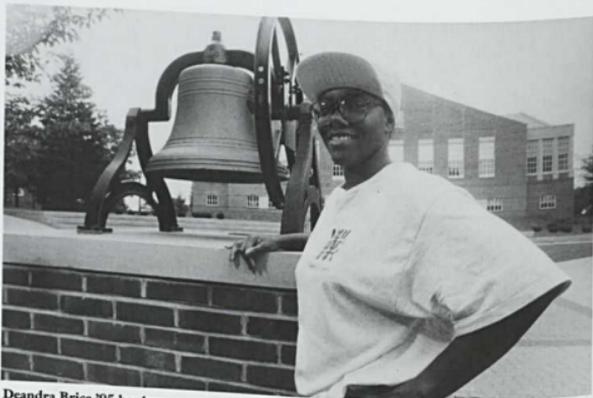
When students from Herb Smith's and Christianna Nichols Leahy's classes joined the political science professors on a tour of the Maryland statehouse last spring, they were amazed to see one of their own, and a freshman at that, wandering the halls as if they were part of her family's ranch house in Easton, MD.

Not only was she familiar with the floor layout in Annapolis, but Deandra Brice '95 was comfortable and confident enough to ask tough questions of the senators and delegates Smith had lined up as speakers. When a white male representative of a largely black district tried to avoid her query about how he expected to represent the needs of his black constituents, she insisted that he answer.

At a mere 19 she'd already served time as a page, for Sen. Frederick Malkus '34, and as an intern for Del. Kenneth Schisler, himself only 21. Malkus, a family friend she's known all her life, had helped her mother obtain loans and aid while she was in college. And he led Deandra toward Western Maryland when it came time for her to move on to higher education. During a prospective-student orientation, Brice met progressive political scientist Leahy, and decided WMC definitely was the place for her to learn more about politics.

During her senior year of high school, when her government teacher recommended her for the page position, Brice had discovered, "I love politics." She's already lined up an internship next summer with Schisler, and in January '94 she'll return to the statehouse as his aide. "That way, I'll get more of a feel for politics. I'm leaning toward [a career] in politics because everything that's going on [in this country] is a total mess," she says.

The practices of some members of the



Deandra Brice '95 has her cap set on a career in politics.

Maryland General Assembly disillusioned her, but Malkus and Schisler, both of whom represent her native Eastern Shore, won her respect.

"Some of the politicians in the state of Maryland operate on the system 'If I like you, I'll pass your bill through.' Schisler, though, reads all the bills and returns all his own phone calls. He doesn't see who has the most money before he decides who to call back. Malkus, in his office, also is down to earth. [When a constituent walks in,] he'll say, 'Sit down; have a drink; let's talk.' I loved to hear Malkus's little anecdotes about politics. He knows what's going on, and tries to change things as much as possible. He tries to work around the system, but he works in it as well."

Brice, who plans to apply to law school at Harvard, Georgetown and American universities after earning her BA in economics with a minor in political science, says, "I would love to run for office. But I don't feel I would be elected in my home district, because I'm female and I'm a minority." Besides racial issues in Maryland, her main political concerns are the homeless and housing.

While she's already set to work for Schisler again, she's also hoping to gain some experience in the national political

sphere her junior year. She's applying for an American government program which would bring her in touch with Cabinet members, international trade, banking and policy representatives, as well as senators and congressional representatives. An internship at the White House also is among her aspirations. Meanwhile, she's gaining leadership experience as a resident assistant in Albert Norman Ward Hall.

Starting off in the statehouse, as she did, is a recommendation she makes not just for future politicians. "I think every student should think about being a page. You have fun in the sessions - you joke and laugh - and you have serious sessions, too. It gives you a personal look at what goes on inside the statehouse in Maryland." ●

# Rock-N-Pol

Steve Ports '83 Floats Between  
The Senate and the Club Scene

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Y outhful with his collar-grazing wavy hair but dark-suit dignified, Steve Ports '83 sits at the head of a long Senate table in Annapolis. As he looks the length of the polished surface he sees attentive student faces and smilingly acknowledges that these WMC juniors and seniors are in the same position he was in 10 years ago. Ports' influential former political-science professor Herb Smith had brought his state and local government students to the state capital in the spring, the same field trip which partially inspired Ports' drive for a career in the Maryland legislature.

Now in his fifth year with the Senate Finance Committee, Ports drafts legislation and advises senators on health-care reform, horse racing, banking, insurance, economic development and workers' compensation. "At Western Maryland," he notes, "I learned a lot about the political process, especially in state and local government class. Coming down here with Herb, I got to see the process, and it helped to pique my interest."

A political science major, he earned a master's in public administration at the University of Baltimore after leaving "the Hill." Ports helped pen speeches and issues papers for William Donald Schaefer's first run for governor in '86, and nailed a job as a fiscal note writer with the Department of Fiscal Services of the Maryland General Assembly. In '87, he joined the Senate Finance Committee.

All the while he has been playing with a band, as he did at WMC. With The Klassix he sings and plays bass on classic rock, Top 40, and jazz standards. "I was doing music full time while working full time for the legislature. Now I'm doing music part time [at clubs and private functions in the Mid Atlantic]. I take time off from here [the Senate] from time to time to work on music. I'm trying to put together a CD, initially doing all the instruments myself." The songs, some of which he composed at WMC, are a cross between the music of Van Morrison and the Indigo Girls, according to Ports. Of his musical ambitions he says, "I'm not trying to make it



Steve Ports ponders Maryland budget issues in the Joint Hearing Room.

big. I just want to do something I'm happy with. If people like it, that's all the better."

Rock-n-roll animal by night, steady Senate worker by day, Ports makes the shift smoothly. During [legislative] sessions [January to April] I work seven days a week. I tell the band I can't play Friday nights, and they're really cool about it." Playing keeps him in touch with popular culture, and surprisingly, so does his Senate work.

While investigating the issue of off-track betting, he checked out betting parlors in New York. He prefers to call the issue "satellite simulcast wagering" to eliminate the bookie image. The bill, which passed this spring, "has been a big issue with the General Assembly for upwards of eight years."

Controversial as the issue was, he says he supported its passage, because "it's a way to get purses up. Our good horses were going out of state. When you start losing good horses, people quit going to the track, and purses go down. If you get more to the track and more handle [the total amount bet], the purses increase and you draw in and maintain good horses."

While betting was a racier issue, the one he's most submerged in is health care. "It's the biggest non-budget issue. We're looking at all kinds of health-care reform concepts." Ports explains his role in helping

legislators cement health-care stances.

"During the interim [before and after the 90-day session] we have hearings and establish reports. Legislators may ask to know more about the single-payer system, for example, and how it works in Canada. I'll study the issue and give them a report. At the end of the report I provide recommendations on behalf of the Department of Fiscal Services. One recommendation might be to sponsor legislation. I would then draft the legislation. At the session I would explain the bill to the legislature. Sometimes they ask for personal opinions on things, but I try to stay away from that because we're non-partisan, apolitical staff."

One opinion he doesn't mind sharing is that staying in the Maryland legislature is right for him. While mulling over the prospect of beginning a PhD in public policy, he's also gearing up for a run for office, a move he's considered for years.

"I came close a few times, but I'm waiting for an opportunity in my district. Now I live in Anne Arundel County, but I still vote in Baltimore County where I grew up, the district Ellen [Richmond] Sauerbrey [159] and Wade Kach [170] represent." Says the Democrat, "I don't think the next election [in '94] is the right time, but following that, I'll consider it." ●

Political Profile

# Risky Business

No Potion Can Predict Motion  
of Public Opinion, Says Smith

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

*"Its name is Public Opinion.  
It is held in reverence. It settles everything.  
Some think it is the voice of God."*

— Mark Twain

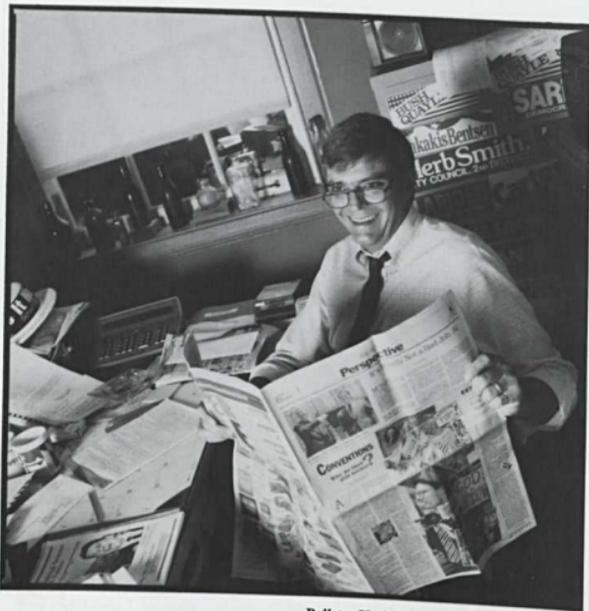
The once high-riding Ross Perot might be among those "some" for whom public opinion is an oracle, for the Texarkana upstart's downfall was the belief that he was as unshakingly beloved as the polls indicated, according to pollster Herb Smith. "Surprisingly, he didn't see the political marketplace as being as fluid as the economic marketplace."

How a candidate's popularity is portrayed in the polls does not influence a voter's decision, says the professor of political science. Whether or not Bill Clinton had his Gennifer and George Bush his Jennifer, may be a factor, but the main vote determinant is how much change jingles in Joe and Josie Taxpayer's pockets as he or she steps into the voting booth.

"People don't vote on polls. People use more substantial reasons to vote for or against a presidential candidate. Number one is the state of the economy. Two is character issues. And three is party affiliation," says Smith, who conducts public-opinion polls for Survey Associates, an affiliate of the William Donald Schaefer Center for Public Policy at the University of Baltimore.

Smith, who has conducted polls for WBAL-TV since 1983, including for the Bush-Dukakis race, claims the direction of unemployment and inflation at election time is the primary influence on voter choice.

"Carter in '80 and Reagan in '84 had virtually identical unemployment percentages. The difference was it was rising 1-1/2 percent from January to October in 1980, and from January to October in '84, it was going down 1-1/2 percent. It tremendously influences public perception. The American electorate rewards a president who presides over economic growth, and punishes a president who presides over an economic downturn. That's been well-established since John Adams took office [in 1796]."



Pollster Herb Smith, in his Memorial Hall office, keeps a keen eye on the ebbs and flows of voting habits.

MARK TWISHER

# 'The Dan Rather Rule is, if you can't explain it in 10 seconds, it doesn't exist'

—Herb Smith

Unemployment's increase from 7.3 to 7.8 percent this June severely bruised Bush, Smith says. But by November 3 that bruise may have faded into nothingness. "Anything can happen in politics," he asserts. "The most common misinterpretation is that polls of the present mean something to the future. They provide a suggestion of the future but don't represent an ironclad reality. Opinion is dynamic. One of my favorite political observations was by Prime Minister Harold Wilson: 'A week is a long time in politics.' Three months is an age."

Desirable qualifications for a politician:

*"... The ability to foretell what is going to happen tomorrow, next week, next month, and next year. And to have the ability afterwards to explain why it didn't happen."*

—Winston Churchill

If polls aren't an accurate predictor of election outcomes weeks in advance, then why bother with them? "Well, it's better than dead reckoning," says Smith in his smoke-cured voice. "Polls provide guidance for professionals [politicians] and the public. To attack polls is to attack information."

The information gatherers, though, benefit most from polling. Smith cites research which indicates more column inches and air time are devoted to campaign horse-race stories, than say, analyzing the budget deficit.

Brief, clear-cut headlines proclaiming "Clinton 59 percent, Bush 35," fit the Dan Rather Rule to a T — if you can't explain it in 10 seconds, it doesn't exist." Polling stories suit the "compressed attention span we've been seeing in the last 20 years. The average sound bite decreased from 20 seconds in '72 to eight seconds in '88."

Smith, a keen observer of the political pageant who frequently provides analysis on Baltimore TV and radio stations, has written many newspaper columns about politics, and is often quoted in the Baltimore *Sun*.

Evidence of his long-time affinity for all things political abounds in his office. A straw boater with a Gov. Schaefer reelection slogan on its band peeks above

waves of political journals. Though a few more Democratic than Republican artifacts may decorate his Memorial Hall office, his decor is basically non-partisan, as befits a pollster. Bush-Quayle stickers are as prominent as Carter-Mondale, and even Herb Smith for Baltimore City Council, ones. (Smith took an unsuccessful stab at the political game in the mid-'70s.)

As one of "Rodricks' Rangers," he enjoys fielding questions from WBAL-AM listeners, along with other members of the political roundtable — including WMC adjunct professor John Willis — assembled by *Sun* columnist Dan Rodricks. Says Smith, the audience's "unfiltered opinions have a high vitality. They demand that I think on my feet."

*"Public opinion in its raw state gushes out in the immemorial form of the mob's fears. It is piped to central factories, and there it is flavored and colored, and put into cans."*

—H.L. Mencken

While his radio comments may be spontaneous, when he's preparing questions to gauge public opinion, Smith moves with great deliberation. Two main factors determine the accuracy of a poll: 1) sampling, which like most pollsters he often does by randomly selecting phone numbers through computerized digital dialing; and 2) the wording of questions. "Polling is a combination, like political science, of the arts and the sciences. Writing questions is the artful part."

As an example of how question phrasing can influence outcome, he mentions the 1988 Maryland referendum question regarding handgun control. Three polls were conducted: by the University of Maryland's Survey Research Center; by the *Sun*, via a research firm in North Carolina; and by WBAL-TV, through Survey Research Associates, which is run by Smith and Don Haynes, an assistant professor of political science at the University of Baltimore.

"I wrote the question close to what the voters thought the issue was all about, controlling Saturday Night Specials." The other two polling groups focused their questions on the state board evaluating handguns. Both Survey Research Center's

and the *Sun*'s polls concluded that the referendum would fail, whereas the WBAL-TV survey had as its outcome 57 percent for control, 34 percent against. The actual election results were 58 percent for, 42 percent against.

The reliability of his question, says Smith, was "an example of being lucky and being good at writing questions. Whenever you have a complex question like the abortion referendum, you have to use intuitive judgment and your knowledge of past opinion."

*"When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become president. I'm beginning to believe it."*

—Clarence Darrow

One puzzling question for pollsters and politicians alike is, How does one attract the youngest class of voters, those aged 18-24? "They're the worst voting age cohort in the population; over 60 is the best [for voter turnout]." The only issues Smith has seen draw young voters in his lifetime have been the Vietnam War and the draft.

Political proclivities among the young are a little easier to ascertain. "They tend to be socially liberal and fiscally conservative, which means they're independents or swing voters," concludes Smith. In his 19 years here, the only presidential candidate that Western Maryland students have strongly supported has been the Republican-turned-Independent, John Anderson, in 1980.

How the Nineties students will vote this month is as unpredictable as ever. "The only presidents they've known have been Carter, Reagan and Bush. They're more Republican in orientation, but that could change."

The inability to foresee the future in politics, either through polling or conventional wisdom, is one reason Smith relishes his role as public-opinion analyst and political-science professor. "The great thing about teaching American politics is it's a field where no professor dare walk into class with old dusty, yellow research notes. You can reliably expect the unexpected." ●

# Of Bucks and Books

*Bird '61 Soars Between Colorado's Classrooms and Senate Chamber*



Washington, D.C. native Bird, a dual-career success story, spends part of his time at the state capital in Denver (above), and the rest in Colorado Springs, where he teaches economics.

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

**T**hat California's Jerry Brown ever had a stab at the Democratic nomination may be attributed to Mike Bird '61, a strange position for a Republican member of the Colorado State Senate. But if it had not been for Bird, there would not have been a Colorado Democratic primary for Brown to win, and from which to muster delegates.

Passing a bill to set the state's first presidential primary demanded a lot of the politician/economics professor's energy during the last two years. He introduced the bill, hustled it to a referendum, watched it pass by a large majority, then sat back in March and watched as George and Bill and Ross and Jerry and those other fellows canvassed the state.

Bird plans to extend his primary influence nationally, and made a successful leap toward that goal in July when he and a fellow Colorado College professor proposed a model nationwide presidential primary system at the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures in Cincinnati.

Bird and political scientist Robert Loevy called for "reducing the length of primaries to eight weeks, starting on a Tuesday. Every second Tuesday there will be a primary," Bird explains. "It would start with the smallest states, then work up to end with the largest states, such as California, Florida and New York. The suspense would build, and everyone would get to participate. Candidates would have maximum incentive to stay in until the end — they wouldn't drop out so early. Primaries would have more participants, and would be shorter."

Adopting his plan nationwide would salvage a presidential primary system on the verge of obsolescence. "Now the big states are threatening to move up and go early. California, if it goes at the same time or right after New Hampshire, will end the whole ball game." The proposal last summer was met with "great interest. We're hoping the NCSL will agree to establish a task force."

Presidential primaries aren't the only issues Bird has influenced during his nearly

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—Mike Bird '61

25 years in Colorado politics. "Once I put down roots in Colorado Springs [in 1968] I got involved in community activities. There was a major growth problem in Colorado Springs back in the early '70s. I got involved in those issues and ended up running for city council."

After six years on city council he moved on to become vice mayor of Colorado Springs in 1979, then a member of the Colorado House of Representatives, elected in 1982 and 1984. Twice, in 1986 and 1990, he's been selected for the Senate and now chairs the powerful Joint Budget Committee.

"Almost every issue of significance comes through the budget committee. It's the most interesting job in the legislature. I get the chance to impact policy in many different areas, and that has been fascinating."

As one of three senators and three representatives who comprise the committee, Bird has enormous clout. "We have almost total control over the budget. In most states the governor dominates the budget process; in Colorado, the budget committee does. It's given me a great opportunity and a great education in state government. As an economist, it's a nice mesh for me."

Leave it to a practical economist to devise a *workable* two-career schedule. In the fall, he teaches full time for Colorado College, which has an unusual educational system. "Students take one course at a time — total immersion for a month. Nobody else does it quite like that." Bird early in his career focused on less developed economies such as those of Mexico and Peru, where he studied and taught as a Fulbright Scholar. Now, in addition to principles of economics, his courses center more on state and local economic issues.

During the January-May legislative session, Bird takes a leave of absence from teaching. Serving on the Joint Budget Committee in Denver requires him to work an additional two months, November and December. "When the budget committee meets in the fall, I'm involved in team teaching [to cover his absences]." Of his dual commitments, he says, "It's been a great blending of the political life and the academic life."

One of a few college professors elected to the Colorado legislature, Bird's main interests are taxation and fiscal issues. He frequently contributes his two cents worth on these subjects to newspapers such as the *Rocky Mountain News* and the *Denver Post*.

Most recently, Bird has been outspoken about Medicaid. He rues the fact that the U.S. Congress "has passed a lot of the costs onto the states. One-sixth of our budget [is Medicaid costs]. I've proposed a controversial bill, that Colorado drop out of the federal Medicaid program, which would allow the state to devise its own program in order to control the cost." The drawback is "We'd possibly have to give up some federal money." The legislation passed, but the governor vetoed it.

"Medicaid is destroying our budget," Bird says in a voice of conviction. He repeats the slogan for which he's become known around the state: "The fires of Medicaid are being stoked with the desks of Colorado's school children." With a tone of regret he adds, "There's not a state in the country which has escaped the pain."

On the subject of how the federal government affects the states, does the Republican/legislator/economist feel the Bush Administration could do more to clean up the economic mess?

"Some things can be done, regardless of who wins in November. We need infrastructure improvement and better training programs. On the spending side, we can only be rescued by reducing entitlement spending. On the tax side, we need to remove disincentives in the capital-gains tax, which should be indexed to inflation."

Commerce between nations is another pursuit of the senator. In late August he and the head of Colorado's international trade office met in Mexico with officials to prepare a trade office in Mexico City. "Like many states, Colorado is trying to pursue the international trade avenue. We're having some success, and Mexico is a natural area for us to expand in."

The frugal economist is a natural for cautiously paving the path to international trade. The Colorado Union of Taxpayers presented him the Guardian of the Treasury Award in honor of his budgetary discretion in 1989 and 1991.

While politics and education are his main rackets, Bird also keeps on the ball with a mean game of tennis. He's been a competitive singles player for 15 years in senior tournaments and is ranked in the state and in the Intermountain District (Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, and Montana).

Doubling up with his son and daughter has brought him "quite a bit of success" also. "My daughter [Andrea] and I were ranked number one in Colorado in father/daughter two years ago, the same year I ranked number two in singles for age 50 and over. [Another year] my son [Christopher] and I were number one in the state open for father/son. Tennis has been a great family thing." Wife Ursula, not a tennis enthusiast, has volunteered her energies to community organizations such as the Colorado Opera Festival, of which she is president.

Bird, who played but wasn't a tennis team member at Western Maryland, was a four-year varsity basketball player and WMC's table-tennis champ. But the most important move he made on "the Hill," he says, was "majoring in economics and having Ralph Price for many courses and as my adviser. He's a wonderful teacher and guy. He sent many people into economics graduate school, and I'll never forget the impact he had. He introduced me to the field and cultivated my interest. I got a solid, undergraduate liberal-arts education, but economics was the outstanding thing for me." Bird's experience at Western Maryland also influenced his choice of work setting.

"Having gone to a small college, I knew this was the type of atmosphere I wanted to teach in, so I decided on a good small college of 1,900 students."

Due in two years for his final re-election as senator because of term limitations, Bird has his eyes on a different political prize. "I've given some thought to running for governor in '94. I'm in the thinking stages now, but I'll have to decide by early next year." The dollar-wise senator pauses and sighs. "It's a huge undertaking — a lot of bucks." ●

# News

## From Alumni

### Six Greats Are Inducted

A Norwegian native, a former college president and one of WMC's most outstanding wrestlers are among the six greats to be inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame on November 14 in the Forum, Decker College Center.

Odd Haugen '73; Sherry Fischer Manning '65, honorary doctor of letters '79; and Gary Scholl '71, MLA '77, will join Arthur "Ots" Broll '28, Donald Hone-man '41, and C. Harry Bush '50 in the Hall's Class of 1992.

Norwegian-born Haugen was a three-sport student-athlete at WMC, and he excelled in both track and football. The *cum laude* physical education graduate won Mason-Dixon and Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) titles in the shot put and discus, and still holds the MAC shot put record at 55 feet, 1 1/4 inches. In football, he was a three-year starter at defensive end, and also was the place kicker. He earned tryouts with the Washington Redskins in 1973 and the San Francisco '49ers the following year, and was the California team's final pre-season cut. Odd also competed with the wrestling team for two seasons in the heavyweight class. He is now the owner and operator of a chain of West Coast health clubs.

Manning was an outstanding basketball and field hockey student-athlete. The *cum laude* mathematics graduate earned an MS in math at the College of William and Mary, and doctorate in management science from the University of Colorado.

The wife of Dr. Charles W. Manning '65, and the mother of



Future WMC graduates and their alumni parents gathered on campus September 3 for the orientation program for new students. Front row (l-r): Garland Lewis '69, Demian Lewis '96, Ridge Knauff '96, Antonia Whitehead '96, Michah Humbert '96, Ginny Thomas '96, Amy Grayson '95, Sarah Belt '96, Todd Hubbard '96, Kim Haker '96, Rachel Green '96. Second row (l-r): Bruce Knauff '65, Yyetta Brehm Whitehead '68, Beverly Humbert, Ken Humbert '70, Ruth Long Thomas '87, Deanna Grayson MLA '85, Sharon Spangler Belt '69, Lorna Rumpf Hubbard '70, John Haker '69, Sterling Green '63. Not pictured: Virginia Hoffman Hillen '66 and daughters Jennifer Lloyd '95 and Jessica Myers '96.

three children became the first female salesman for IBM, and then taught at universities. From 1978-83 she was the 10th president of Colorado Women's College. Now she is CEO of a firm which buys telecommunications products and services for colleges, universities and independent schools.

Scholl garnered four Mason-Dixon Conference titles while competing in the 130- and 134-pound weight classes, and was honored as the conference's Outstanding Wrestler in 1970. He still holds the WMC career records for most falls (40) and team points (216), and his string of 32 consecutive dual-meet wins also stands. Also a two-year tennis team member, Scholl was a WMC assistant wrestling coach for the 1973-74 season and became the head coach at the John Carroll School in Bel Air, MD in 1974. The father of two remains the head coach there and is the dean of students.

Broll was a standout on the Green Terror basketball and tennis teams of the late '20s. He twice led the state in basketball

scoring, and earned All-Maryland recognition at forward three times. He was the tennis team captain as a senior, and lost just two matches during his three years on the squad. A long-time member of the college's Board of Trustees and the 1979 Alumnus of the Year, Broll also was a past president of the Miss America Pageant, and the Atlantic City (NJ) Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce. He is a retired chairman of the board with Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company.

Hone-man earned his recognition as a four-year member of the basketball and baseball squads. He was captain of the 1940-41 Mason-Dixon Conference team and an All-Maryland selection. He also was a career .300 hitter.

The Baltimore native has served WMC as chairman and consultant to the Sports Hall of Fame Committee, has been active in the Alumni Association, and received the Meritorious Service Award in 1985. In the Armed Services, he was named a lieutenant commander in 1957, and was the inspector general of

Army troops in Italy from 1956 to 1960. He is married to Martha Hodgson '43 and is the father of three sons, including Gary '77.

Bush stood out on the gridiron at WMC, and his love for the sport has been reflected in his professional career. "Bulldog" started all but one game in his four years, playing both offense and defense.

His post-graduate coaching duties took him to high schools in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, in addition to Dickinson College and Lehigh and Hofstra universities. Bush was at Ridge (NJ) High School, as head football coach and a history and English teacher for 23 years, winning six conference and one state title. Now at Princeton University, he is head freshman coach and is head lacrosse coach at Summit (NJ) High School. Bush, who also has coached Little League and Babe Ruth League youth baseball teams, has four children.

This year's class, the 14th to be inducted, brings the Sports Hall of Fame's membership to 94 former Green Terror standouts. •

## Awards Go To Two Alumni

Two leading Western Maryland graduates, Vernon R. Simpson '36, MED '59 and Robin N. Garland '84, were honored at Homecoming, October 17, as recipients of the Alumnus of the Year and Young Alumnus Service awards.

Simpson, a retired education administrator and U.S. Army Reserve colonel, began service to the college in 1964 as vice president of the Carroll County Alumni Chapter. The Mr. Airy resident and husband of Helen Baker Simpson '38 received the Meritorious Service Award in 1978. Three years later, he began a five-year stint as an Annual Fund volunteer. He has been Class of '36 chair, phonathon caller, member of the National Fund committee, and 50th class reunion fund committee chair.



Garland, Simpson are honored.

Class president since 1984, he became a class news reporter for *The Hill* this year.

Garland joined the Young Alumni Affairs Committee soon after graduation. She has done special-event planning for young alumni and headed up the Class of '84's reunion committee. While finishing out a two-year term as Young Alumni Affairs Committee chair, she has begun a two-year term as chair of the Young Alumni Special Gifts Committee.

The former WMC director of annual fund is director of development for the University of Maryland at Baltimore. She lives in Ellicott City, MD with husband Todd Bair. •



WMC's 125th birthday was celebrated on September 4 with the unveiling of a plaque of Old Main by Sue Maseth Lucy '83. Among those present were, from left: William Dulany '50, Carolyn Seaman Scott '67, President Robert Chambers, Helen Smith Humbert, Prof. James Lightner '59 and Donna DuVal Sellman '45.

## Five Merit Service Awards

Five Western Marylanders were honored for their outstanding participation in alumni and college affairs at a banquet on Saturday, May 30, during Alumni Weekend. The Meritorious Service Award recipients were:

Clara Arther Huffington '42, of Churchville, MD; Ira G. Zepp Jr. '52, of Westminster; Joan Luckabaugh Chiarenza '57, of Columbia, MD; Richard F. Kline '57, of Thurmont, MD; and Frederick S. Nicoll '62, of Ocean City, MD.

Huffington has provided the college long and loyal service as an active member of her class reunion committee and through her other efforts to keep her class active in Alumni Association events. She also has served for 23 years as a class news reporter, writing a column for *The Hill*.

For 25 years Zepp has been an active member of his class reunion committee and has, as an alumnus and WMC professor of religious studies, served as featured faculty speaker for regional meetings since 1980. In 1988, he organized the 25-year reunion of two former student voluntarism groups, Student Opportunities Service and Hinge. To show their appreciation for his leadership and that of the late L. Earl Griswold,

alumni of these groups established the Griswold-Zepp award to reward student volunteer projects.

During the 35 years since her graduation, Chiarenza has served her alma mater in myriad ways: as class reunion committee member since 1967; as a volunteer phonathon caller for the Annual Fund Office in 1984, '85, and '92; and as class news reporter since 1988. She currently is serving a three-year term as a director for the Board of Governors for the Alumni Association.

Another member of the Class of '57, Kline, served as a member of the Board of Trustees for 15 years. In addition, he was National Alumni Fund Committee chairman in 1981-82 and was a member of that committee in 1986-87. He worked for the campaign to build the Gill Physical Education Learning Center and was a phonathon caller for the Annual Fund.

Nicoll, who for six years was a trustee of the college, contributed his business expertise to the board committee which oversaw the planning and construction of the College Conference Center and Comfort Inn. He was chapter coordinator for the lower Eastern Shore from 1978-89 and originated the Alumni at the Seashore program, hosting the first one at his Spanish Main Motel. •

## Emeritus Trustee A.L. Mathias Dies

Trustee Emeritus Alfred L. Mathias died on June 22 at age 89 in Baltimore after a brief illness. The retired food service contractor had been a member of Western Maryland's board since 1974.

A graduate of Gettysburg College, an institution he also served as a trustee, Mr. Mathias was co-founder of M&M Restaurants, Inc., whose contracts included General Motors, General Electric and Bethlehem Steel, among other companies. In 1955, he founded the A.L. Mathias Co., which merged in 1963 with Servomation Corp. He remained as president and chairman of the board until his retirement in 1967.

Mr. Mathias is survived by his wife of 58 years, Margaret; a son, George; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. •

## Former Librarian Dies At Age 88

Elizabeth Simkins, former head librarian and professor emerita, died in her native Goldsboro, NC on July 13 at age 88. She served at Western Maryland from 1946 to 1970.

Ms. Simkins earned a library science degree from Columbia University and a master's in library science from the University of Michigan. Before coming to WMC, she taught library science at Eastern Kentucky University, Ohio University and Georgia Institute of Technology.

She is survived by a sister, Anne Mixon; brothers Edgar A. and Robert I. Simkins; and nieces and nephews. •

## In Memoriam

**Dr. Edward D. Stone Jr.** '22, of Baltimore, MD, on May 23.  
**Mrs. Mary Richards Edwards** '23, of St. Petersburg, FL, on May 24.  
**Dr. Weaver E. Clayton** '24, of Flushing, NY, on April 6.  
**Miss Elizabeth R. Leizer** '26, of Bethesda, MD, on April 6.  
**Mr. Ezra B. Williams** '26, of Bradenton, FL, on June 5.  
**Rev. William Owings Stone** '28, of Barrington, RI, on April 2.  
**Mr. Roy C. Chambers** '29, of Melbourne, FL, on June 3.  
**Mrs. Roberta Rowe Sherwood** '29, of Wilmington, DE, on July 6.  
**Mrs. Dorothy Kephart Hines** '32, of Philadelphia, PA, on March 24.  
**Mr. George E. Yingling** '32, of Westminster, MD, on July 27.  
**Col. William George Skinner Jr.** '37, of Tucson, AZ, on March 16.  
**Mrs. Anne Melvin Burkhard** '39, of Newark, DE, on April 13.  
**Mrs. Louise Brown Myers** '40, of Hugo, MN, on December 13.  
**Mrs. Elizabeth Handy Schmick** '41, of Federalsburg, MD, on June 4.  
**Mr. Robert F. Podlich** '42, of Orono, WA, on June 12.  
**Mr. Robert E. Shockley** '42, of Salisbury, MD, on June 6.  
**Mrs. Lillian Sondergill Brannatt** '43, of Frederick, MD, on March 29.  
**Mrs. Doris Faulkner** '48, of Tilghman, MD, on August 24, 1991.  
**Mr. William Edward Cline** '50, of Salt Lake City, UT, on June 17.  
**Mr. Joseph R. Kitter** '50, of Baltimore, MD, on August 5.  
**Mr. Roger S. White** '52, of New Port Richey, FL, on March 29.  
**Mr. Roger C. Eyer** '53, of Frederick, MD, on June 30.  
**Mr. Wesley K. Pang** '60, of Arlington, VA, on November 5, 1991.  
**Dr. Carl Edward Rettam** MEd'66, of Baltimore, MD, on April 19.  
**Dr. Thomas E. Yingling** '74 and MEd'79, of Syracuse, NY, on July 27.  
**Mr. John E. Stonebraker IV** '86, of Hagerstown, MD, on May 22.  
**Miss Elizabeth Simkins**, former librarian and business emera, of Goldsboro, NC, on July 13.  
**Mr. J. Neil Stahley**, former WMC football and basketball coach, of Beaverton, OR, on June 27.  
**Mr. A.L. Mathias**, trustee emeritus, of Cockeysville, MD, on June 22.

## Marriages

**Walton R. Burke** '80 to Carroll Linda Fields, on February 14. They live in Laurel, DE.  
**Janet Butts** '80 to Brian Anderson, on October 19, 1991. They live in Arlington, VA.  
**Cynthia Werner MEd**'87 to Richard Richmond, on March 28. They live in Birmingham, AL.  
**Ferren DeMore** '87 to Robert Boleska, on April 25. They live in Frederick, MD.

**Wendy Haug** '87 to Donald Ensz, on July 27, 1991. They live in Grand Forks, ND.  
**Cindy Boyer** '87 to Les Thompson, on June 6. They live in Silver Spring, MD.  
**Patricia Yingling** '88 to Brian Keane, on January 18. They live in Cranford, NJ.  
**Mark Buckley** '88 to Rose Mary Silveira, on August 8. They live in Panama.  
**Bob Ballinger** '88 to Theresa Bernhardt '89, in December. They live in Westminster, MD.  
**Gina Graham** '88 to Carl Moltz III, on June 20. They live in Baltimore, MD.  
**Debra Weber** '88 to Jeff Kiley '84, on July 27, 1991. They live in Finksburg, MD.  
**Suzanne Davie** '88 to Jim Peters, in December. They live in Westminster, MD.  
**John Hummel** '91 to Lisa Cantlie '90, on May 25, 1991. They live in Okinawa, Japan.  
**Karen Albright** '91 to Matthew Pipkin '91, on May 4. They live in Baltimore, MD.

## Births

**Katherine Anne Gottlieb**, in December, to Dan '68 and Terry Gottlieb.  
**Erin Kranz**, on March 4, to Tom and Linda Chenoweth '73 Kranz.  
**Gabrielle Elizabeth Obusek**, adopted on August 1, by Denise Giangiola '78 and Gary Obusek.  
**Katherine Fry Streit**, on June 16, to Stuart '81 and Karen Streit.  
**Emmett Cahill**, in October 1991, to Robert and Elizabeth Mathias '82 Cahill.  
**Blair Royston Davis**, on March 8, to Michael and Ann Royston '82 Davis.  
**Eric Bruce Fridell**, in October 1991, to Rusty and Jane Burch '82 Fridell.  
**Christina Jane Peterson**, on April 29, to Greg '82 and Tara Peterson.  
**Matthew Schultz**, on April 8, to Robert and Jill Abbott Schultz '82, MEd'87.  
**Andrew Michael Walker**, in November 1991, to Eric '82 and Karen Hock '82 Walker.  
**Bethany Marie Durst**, on May 26, to Bradley '83 and Robin Durst.  
**Joseph Bert Walter**, on December 21, to Joseph '83 and Gretchen Fesche '85 Walter.  
**Katherine Elizabeth Werrell**, on July 4, to John and Beth White '83 Werrell.  
**Richard Chandler Conner**, on March 2, to Richard '84 and Liz Goodnow '87 Conner.  
**James Francis Horn**, on May 21, to James and Ann Hilton '84 Horn.  
**Christopher Montoya**, on April 20, to William and Louise Nemshick '85 Montoya.  
**Tyler Allen Brennan**, on June 20, to Jay and Stephanie Golski '88 Brennan.  
**Trey Patrick Nagl**, on September 26, 1991, to Kurt '91 and Wendy Nagl.

## Class Notes

**33** "Work without hope draws nectar in a sieve and hope without an object cannot live."

S. T. Coleridge

After reading my return cards, it seems as though every one of us reports an ache or pain. As most of us are in our 80s, I guess some measure of ill health is to be expected.

Like many of us, **Gertrude Sherman Francis** and **Barton**, after many years of traveling, stay close to home. Received a card from **Polly Phillips Best**. Her great great-niece, a recent Penn State graduate, was married. Polly keeps in touch with **Miriam Fogle West**, **Mary Hobbs Phillips** and **Cleo Brinsfield Reed**. **Kitty Merritt Bell** has a new great-granddaughter, her 4th. **Kitty** traveled to Charlotte, NC and Williamsburg, VA this last year. Enroute she visited **Caroline von Eiff Reed** and **Jane Kriner**.

**Virginia Helmstetter Goodman** keeps busy with her grandchildren, and is especially proud of Alex, 9, who shows great athletic ability.

Lie goes on as usual with **Elizabeth Andrews Herbst**. She is near her daughter and grandchildren.

**Lloyd Elderdice** feels more secure since a heart attack. He's hoping to see some of us at our 60th in May.

**Mary El Senat Dixon** had a great trip through the Canadian Rockies in July. She traveled with **Troy Hamsch McGrath**. September brought a visit to Nuremberg, Germany to Mimi, Mary El's daughter. In April, Mimi flew to Alabama for a surprise 80th birthday for **Mary El**.

**Sue Cockey Kiefer** and **Dick** '34 spent a few weeks in Wisconsin and Minnesota in June, then visited California in August to see their Western family. Their big plus is GOOD HEALTH!

From **Elmer Hassel** comes this observation, "Aches and pains, creaks, groans, hospitalizations, surgeries, nursing homes, old age, medications, implants, artificial joints, diets, pills, walkers, chair lifts, also — leisure to appreciate old friends, grandchildren, memories, experiences, God's wonderful world and all the little extras He hands out and just maybe a little wisdom." **Elmer** helped son **Henry** build a house, had a successful cataract surgery, and otherwise is hale and hearty.

**Miriam Luckenbach Beard** reports good health; she and her husband still help out on the family farm.

**Joe Kleinman** has called several times. **Joe** and **Betty** love their grandchildren's visits. One budding astronaut attended the Space Camp in Huntsville, AL.

**Les Werner** subdued in a New Windsor, MD church last winter. Les's wife's back surgery has curtailed their traveling. Les remarked that "Granny" Bixler (spouse of the late

**Libby Buckley Bixler**) anticipates being a host at the "Farm" in '93.

**Caroline Reed Von Eiff** mentioned **Kitty Merritt Bell's** visit. **Caroline** visited **Dot Holliday Graham** '30 on the Eastern Shore, and the crab cakes were yummy! **Caroline** enjoyed the Totem Pole Playhouse last summer.

It was nice, at long last, to hear from **Dot Rankin**. Long-range traveling is out for a time, but day trips are in vogue, and **Dot** gets around. Like me, **Serena Robinson's** world is composed of visits to the doctors, etc. This is all new to me and goes against the grain.

**Troy Hamsch McGrath** enjoyed a trip through the Canadian Rockies in July, Christmas in Chicago with his family, and frequent trips to New York to see plays. **Troy** celebrated her 80th birthday in April at her club. Classmates attending were **Kathy Moore Raver** and **Sue Cockey Kiefer**. **Kathy** and **Troy** were guests at a luncheon given by Sue at her club in June — a day to remember where memories and escapades were renewed.

Some of you might note that the **Gene** editor of the **New York Times** is **Ann Raver**, **Kathy Moore Raver's** daughter. **Kathy's** daughter, **Martha**, and her husband founded a private school in New Hampshire, and **Kathy** attended the school's first graduation. **Kathy** recently underwent successful cataract surgery. I was scheduled for that operation in the fall. Everyone says it's a breeze, but I was still wary. From Westemport, MD, a note came from **Bill Roberts** assuring me that **Barton** is still there and that **Garrrett County** is still Maryland's playground.

**Lillian Myers** is in a nursing home after suffering a broken hip and wrist. Having a hip replacement myself, I can feel for Lil.

**Dr. Ed Baker** spent February in the Florida Keys, returning to Maryland in a snowstorm. Stay put, Ed.

**Elsie Bowers Tydings** still summers in Maryland and winters in Florida.

**Miriam Fogle West's** mother passed away after a long, happy life. The Wests spent Christmas in Williamsburg, VA. While there, they met **George** '37 and **Jan Harlow Bare**. Miriam keeps in touch with several classmates.

**Ezra Edmondson** had cataract surgery plus other surgery. Says Ezra, "I'm hanging in there."

**Ann Johnson Ertler** and family had a reunion of sorts at son **Will's** new home in Alabama. **Bob** '32 had his 60th WMC reunion in May.

**Cleo Brinsfield Reed** is now in a nursing home in Cumberland, MD. This is near her brother **Dr. Carlton Brinsfield** '35.

**Wilson "Pete" Campbell's** wife of 51 years, **Millie**, passed away in April.

We extend our sympathy to you, Pete.

**John Musselman** is recovering (with therapy) from a serious auto accident. He has been working hard to rehabilitate himself.

**Gladyes Somers Tomasello** and husband visited Hardware Ranch for R&R. They also visited Robert Redford's spread, Sundance, and the ski place, Snowbird.

**Margaret "Squeak" Herb Mann** and **Jim '31** have had their ups and downs this year. Jim feels much better — maybe the 60th '31 reunion was too much. I hear from Squeak now and then.

**Toivo "Whites" Puro** uses a pace-maker now, but his activity is not impaired. He and Mae spent Christmas in the Southeastern U.S. traveling by car. Whites is still active in the software business and plans to come to Maryland for our 60th.

**Dot Billingsley Linzey** has moved to a retirement community in Catonsville, MD. She also spends time at Blacksburg, VA and the Eastern Shore.

As for us, I mentioned my broken hip and that I was to have cataract surgery in the fall. This hip business curtailed my activities, but things are looking better. **Harold "Koppe"** is still catching part time at the University of Rhode Island. He hopes to surpass the longevity record of A. A. Stagg in the NCAA. Already Hal is the oldest active coach in the NCAA. I was given a great surprise party on my 80th birthday. Our son, Karl, flew in from Denver for it. The "book" is not quite ready for publication yet.

Thanks to all who returned cards and special checks to Mary El, Kathy, Squeak, Miriam and Elmer.

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**38** Start now to get in shape. It is reunion time again. Our 55th anniversary of graduation will be celebrated Alumni Weekend, May 28-30. Reserve that date now. Plans are being made.

**Helen Armstrong** of Kennett Square, PA, enjoys living in a Quaker-affiliated retirement community within walking distance of Longwood Gardens. An annual pass allows her to visit at any time. Helen also spends weeks at Elderhostels in various states.

**Dr. Kenneth Baumgardner**, of Gainesville, GA, has two children who have received their doctorates; son, Darrell, a PhD in atmospheric science, and daughter, Vivian, a PhD in psychology. Ken has a leadership position in Georgia American Assoc. of Retired Persons (AARP), sings in chorals groups, and plays violin in the Gainesville Symphony. He is already planning to attend our 55th.

**Lt. Col. Samuel Baxter**, of Sparks, MD, had an Alaskan cruise planned for June and possibly a trip to the West Coast by car for next year. Winter and fall are spent at Hilton Head Island, SC.

**Julia Connell Blough**, of Cumberland, MD, enjoyed the September '90 WMC Canadian Cruise. She had two catamaran operations at Johns Hopkins in 1991.

**Elizabeth Lintz Burkhardt**, of Largo, FL, and husband Bill celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1990 by flying to London and taking a train to Harrogate, North Yorkshire, England. Here, they were guests of Bill's former Royal Air Force navigation student. In November '90, son Bill Junior and wife took them on a chartered 10-day bareboat sailboat cruise along Florida's west coast. In the spring of '91 they visited English friends again who had now moved to Wales. They enjoyed numerous sites and pubs. Also in 1991, they purchased a trailer to leave on a campground near Cherokee, NC. Libby's sister as well as her son used to live close by. However, Bill Junior, with Nabisco Food Group Inc., has been transferred to Wilkes Barre, PA, now an overnight visit. Grandson Paul has enlisted in the navy.

**Allie May Moxley Buxton**, of Damascus, MD, was told in spring of '91 that she had a brain tumor. On May 8 and eight-hour surgery was performed at Johns Hopkins Hospital to remove a large, approximately 25-year-old, benign growth. For months following, Allie May was incapacitated in numerous ways, such as having to learn to walk again. She is most grateful for prayers, friends, and family. I have been with her, and she is an inspiration to us who have taken our good health so casually.

**Alden F. Church**, of Ocean Ridge, FL, is thankful every day for all of the wonderful and happy events that he has been fortunate to experience through the years since WMC.

**Marlowe Cline**, of Frederick, MD, still enjoys golf, duplicate bridge, and grandchildren and anticipates our 55th.

**Virginia Smith Colburn**, of Havre de Grace, MD, writes that within the last three years both her wonderful husband and older son have died. Though her husband's health deteriorated, they still enjoyed cruises. They had earlier shared 12 trips to Europe. She continued to take cruises and enjoyed one to South America with **Virginia Cooper Credit**. Recently, she has written the devotional book for women of the Reformed Episcopal Church for 1992-'93. Also she is one of three who have planned Christmas home tours for the Susquehanna Museum of Havre de Grace.

**Dr. L. Eugene Cronin**, of Annapolis, MD, was one of five honored in 1991 at the 5th annual Chesapeake Bay Conservation awards dinner. He was cited for nearly 50 years of research on the bay. Retired University of Maryland professor and former director of the school's Chesapeake Biological Laboratory he remains active on boards. I have a "Save the Bay" sticker on my door. Do you?

**Caroline Smith Dudley**, of Hanover, PA, and husband Allen '36 are settled into retirement at Home-

wood. Last spring Allen worked with AARP helping people prepare their income tax. He also served as president of the Resident's Association. Caroline plays piano for Sunday services in the assisted living complex. Sister **Janet Smith Wampler '37** has also moved to Homewood. Another sister, Mary Baile, and husband Gene, live six miles north. Family gatherings are enjoyed in the children's homes. Daughter Janet has been appointed Dean of the School of Liberal Studies at Potsdam College in New York.

**Dr. Charles R. Ehrhardt**, of Sun City West, AZ, is retiring from several activities. First, the General Council of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA); second, as a trustee of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Foundation. Having reached the age most of us recognize, 75, and concluding 51 years in the ministry, he doesn't expect to be called upon for more. Last year he completed 63 years of active service in scouting. He says with gusto, "It has been good!" In May he performed the marriage ceremony for his eldest granddaughter, then flew with wife Mitzi to Italy for a holiday, then back to Arizona to pack and drive a northern tour to their cottage in Laporte, PA.

**Kirk and Henrietta Wolfe Fallin**, of Sykesville, MD, are glad they left Florida and returned to Maryland where they see more of the family. Their plans were to go to Belgium in May for the high-school graduation of their youngest grandson. Seven of the other grandchildren are out of college, and one will be a college senior next year. Kirk had a bout with cancer and is now considered cured.

**Martha Wilmer Fordman**, of Sykesville, MD, for the last 12 years has enjoyed wintering in Florida and returning to Maryland in the spring. In August '91 she cruised to Alaska, flying over the Mendhall Glacier in a little two-engine Cessna. She says, "Looks like the Grand Canyon in ice. Scenery was spectacular!" A Caribbean cruise this October was planned. Her 1st grandson was married in June.

**Ruth Pyle Gallion**, of Anderson, SC, says "I attended WMC just one year and am probably not remembered, but I enjoy reading about my classmates." The biggest event for them was a long-awaited grandson, born in June. Since then, son and family have moved to Texas where he has become corporate council for Dixie Carriers. Ruth and husband spend the winter in Florida, summer in Maryland, spring and fall in South Carolina. She enjoys golfing, swimming and boating.

**Leonard C. Graham**, of Ellicott City, MD, and wife Jane are well. She works in the Literacy Program in Howard County assisting natives of Taiwan and Korea. They plan to visit Guam next winter where daughter, husband, and two children live. He is a navy captain assigned as chief of staff to the Commanding Admiral of all naval forces there. "Bill" is also pleased that his sister, who has Parkinson's disease, has moved close by.

**Ann Dill Hamel**, of Arnold, MD, chatted with Ray and me at the Frank Hurt memorial service. She writes of our dear professor, "A wonderful gentleman and teacher." Ann enjoys the excellent programs presented at the WMC Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheons and planned to take the Mediterranean Cruise in September.

**Allice Schneider Larson**, of Eugene, OR, lives now with son Jay and family and says life would be ideal if it weren't for Parkinson's disease. "It is not painful but is restrictive and medically expensive. Otherwise, all is well."

**Temple Morris Madjeski**, of St. Ingoes, MD, and husband Henry are not traveling as much, after traversing our land by motor home in 1987 and 1990. She spends much time with seven grandchildren who live in St. Mary's and became a great-grandmother in 1991. She flew to the Full Gospel Businessmen's convention, June 29, in San Francisco.

**C. Richard Main**, of Chambersburg, PA, celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in April '91. At St. Luke Lutheran Church in Silver Spring, their home church for 25 years, wedding vows were renewed and dinner enjoyed. The following day they left for a Caribbean cruise. Ten days later they moved into a retirement home at Luther Ridge, Chambersburg. In August, they enjoyed a tour of the Western national parks.

**Col. Frank Malone**, of Salisbury, MD, having traveled extensively in Asia over the years, finally got to mainland China in October 1991. "Now that I have been on a Yangtze River cruise, the Chinese can go ahead and build the dam that will ruin it!" he says. This fall, Frank planned to return to a favorite place for a leisurely car trip through eastern and northern France. "I included a few days in Paris where I spent three of the best years of my life."

**Edward McPherson**, of Manhattan Beach, CA, since our 50th reunion, has contacted James Brennan, William Rieth, Charles Rinchimer, Charles Millard, Clarence Slayman, Anthony Ortenzi, and Charles Havens '30. He and Helen celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July in Flagstaff, AZ, in the house where his grandparents and parents had celebrated their 50th. Then Ed's and Helen's five children sponsored a red Western barbecue provided by Old Western Sheepherders.

**Brig. Gen. Alvan Moore**, of Falls Church, VA, and wife **Veronica Komanek '40** are in good health. They play golf, swim, and visit offspring in Connecticut and relatives on the Eastern Shore. A highlight was the graduation of their grandson from the Naval Academy in May.

**Dolly Taylor Moore**, of Denton, MD, and **Charles '35** are in good health and enjoy three grandchildren, ages 2, 6, and 9, "all characters," who live close by. Another grandson, 20, is a sophomore at the University of Virginia. They enjoy family gatherings and planned another trip on the Delta

Queen this fall with a group of eight.

**Paul Nelson**, of Dallas, TX, this year has been to three coasts: California, Florida, and the Texas Gulf. While in Florida he visited with roommate **Roland Watkins** and wife at Fort Myers Beach. He was attending the American Mosquito Control Assoc. as a "joy" his daughter was recently married. Under "trouble" his elder son cranked up his airplane. "More trouble" he can't wait to get into the air again. "Still more trouble" — his doctor wants to take flying lessons from him.

**Col. Anthony Orzeleny**, of Maitland, FL, according to wife Esther's wonderful annual Christmas letter, is "still steady." Daily exercise, much reading, teaching (he enjoys contact with young adults), town committee meetings, household duties, and naps keep him so. He is happy generally until he tackles a new challenge — the computer. Daughters Lisa (M.D.) and Regina (director of design) work long hours and are doing well. Tony and Esther are working to get into a senior center.

**Violet Gibson Pratt**, of Eastham, MA, says 1991 was a very special year. They 50th wedding anniversary. June 15, began with their renewal of vows at church followed by a dinner dance elsewhere. A highlight was the videotape of their wedding on the Eastern Shore in 1941. Last spring they continued celebrating by traveling to Florida to visit family and friends. In June, they attended the dedication of a dormitory at Clarke School for the Deaf in Northampton, MA, which will be named the Violet and George Pratt Cottage. This honors their 31 years there with George as president and Violet a classroom teacher for 22 years. "Our lives have been enriched by these challenging and rewarding years," they say.

**Eloise Chipman Payne**, of Towson, MD, and husband Bill enjoy each Christmas at The Cloister, Sea Island, GA. In February, they flew to Los Angeles and took a ship to the Panama Canal, then over to Barbados, where they flew back to Miami and home. "Chip" attends many WMC functions. She and Bill were pleased that a scholarship they established was to be presented for the 1st time in September to a junior or senior needing financial aid.

**Henry Reckord**, of Towson, MD, is active with the Baltimore Alumni Chapter which meets monthly at the Towson Sheraton. The programs feature WMC personnel. The Christmas brunch in a Hunt Valley hotel draws about 100. Henry visited his son Brad and family in Battleground, WA, last Christmas. He is active at Towson Presbyterian Church and has served 35 years in the Rotary. He planned to take the WMC Mediterranean Cruise in September.

**Kathleen Messenger Sherman**, of Sebastian, FL, says they are building a new United Church of Christ and welcomed last spring a minister from Westminster, MD. Rev. Thomas Golladay was very surprised to find a member from WMC. Lois Sparklin, a

friend since 2nd grade, visited last November.

**Col. Wesley Jarrell Simmons** and **Anne Brinsfield**, of Morgantown, WV, continue to enjoy two formal dance clubs, stays at the Greenbrier, attending a grandson's ice hockey and soccer games, and their annual sojourn at Long Beach Island, NJ, where their daughter and family have adjoining condos. They enjoy fashion shows where their daughter is a model. Anne also is active with the Monongalia Arts Center.

**Betty Seht Sperry**, of Sun City Center, FL, enjoys retirement with husband Charles. In the summer they return to Baltimore, which is "home" to them. They have three children: Charles Markline in California, Wayne in Baltimore, and their daughter, Betty and my Ray attended Eatzow Methodist as young people in Baltimore. You will remember **Simone Markline '36**, Betty's 1st husband, who was killed in WWII.

**Ludean Bankard Weisser**, of Columbia, PA, now lives at St. Anne's Home where she moved after husband Joe's death in January '90. Her full address is St. Anne's Home, 3952 Columbia Ave., Columbia, PA 17512.

**Charlotte Coppage Young**, of Drayden, MD, in April, returned from a trip on the Mississippi Queen. She enjoyed comparing the two rivers, Mississippi and St. Mary's, where she lives. She and Charles love the "land of pleasant living" where they are still red Cross volunteers and have served 15 years at the Patuxent River Naval Hospital.

**Ray '36** and I still enjoy good health but at a slower pace. We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on June 15, 1991. We had dinner with family and friends, sharing slides of our life together with music of the times. The bride's and bridesmaid's dresses were modeled by our two granddaughters. One of our seven granddaughters is a sophomore at Frostburg State University, while the youngest is learning to walk. I directed a community mystery drama last November. Then I wrote and directed a church drama in March. Ray took 53 people to six European countries in September on a trip he had planned. Among these were **Robert '48** and **Jane Conway Wagner '49**, **Joshua '43** and **Jeanne '46**, **Pat' Patterson Emser '49**, **Howard '50** and **Jean Daughtrey Emser '49**, and **Lucille Grimm Berry '42**.

I have written the families of those who have died: Professor Frank Hurt, February 16; **Oscar Moritz Jr.**, February 8; **James Allyn Leah**, April 24. (Allyn's wife is **Parvis Robinson Leah '37**).

Thanks for writing. Remember to come to our 55th reunion weekend, May 28-30. A fun time is being planned.

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**43** I don't know where to start. I sent 115 cards and heard from more than half — not bad, except for putting the column together.

I received all kinds of news — some just reported to me they are hoping and planning to come to our reunion May 28-30. Among those are: **Harriet Smith Wyman**, now in Westminster; **Al Levin** (the invitation still holds); **Marie Steele Ocean** (great to see you and Don at Ocean City); **Don Bunce**, who wrote "WMC is the place to be in May of '93," **John Yost**, a '43'er accelerated from '44; **Emma Jane Martin McAuley**, who says she will be glad to help; **Debby Bowers O'Keefe**, who already has her ticket for the reunion; and **Bert Belt Fallows**, who also plans to come North for the reunion.

Other prospective attendees follow: **Bette Crawford Ramsey**, just returned from her 22nd trip abroad, Portugal and Spain this time. **Sara Belle Veale Walker** says she's not in hiding, just in retirement. **Winnie Wareheim Conner** anticipates the reunion and had a trip to Yellowstone and the West last Spring. **Frazier Scott** sent a "pep" letter for our big weekend (thanks for Weavings, Scott retired in May). He and **Jeanne "Dieffle" Diefenbach '44** planned to travel in the fall (so nice to have had that long talk in Ocean City, Bud). Only a few definite "yes's" came. **Louise Penn Gaver's** niece wrote that Louise is in Northampton Nursing Home. Hope things improve. **Louise**. The 1st answer ever came from **Milly Hoke Renshaw** in Naples, FL. She has had nagging health problems these last 10 years and will not be able to attend. Thanks for writing, **Milly**. **Tony Fleming** will not attend. **Clyde Bolter** isn't well and won't be present. **Clara Stramer Freyman** got her degree over a period of time and so is older than most '43'ers are. Give us a try, **Clara**. **Harold Phillips** has been having health problems and does not expect to attend the reunion, but says he will be there in spirit. Continue to improve, **Hal**, and make it in person. **Robert "Doggy" Friedel** hopes to come, if it doesn't conflict with a grandson's graduation from the University of Texas.

**Sally Ann Cox McCann** also is in the "we'll see" category. In September she planned to travel to Juneau, AL, to visit her son, Mickey, with her sister, **Jean Cox Flagg '40**. **Earl Schubert** is doing some serious freelance writing, covering Navy football for 13 weeks, is judging Olympic boxing trials, and is vice-commander and program chairman of The Military Order of the World Wars. He has nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**Milt Huber** wrote a long letter (Milt, I also look back as a student, alumna and professor's wife — great perspective isn't it?) Milt is writing a financial planning column. It doesn't sound as if your bones are too stiff

with all the traveling you've been doing. By the way, Milt has requested a level parking spot for his 20-foot rig, preferably with a plug-in within 100 feet when they come to WMC and some Big Band music somewhere in the proceedings. I 2nd that — at lunch time maybe.

**Marie Crawford Lowery** and **Harry '40** split their time between Seattle and Gaithersburg, MD. They were at WMC in May for the graduation of her grandniece, **Kimberly Crawford '92**, and in June for a church conference. It was great to see them at Ocean City.

**Yvonne Earle Link** says she's busier than ever since she retired. Her biggest joys are her two great-grandchildren, 1.

**Eleanor Healy Taylor** and husband nadal write for newspapers, part time now. Eleanor, a columnist for a weekly, in winter teaches history classes for Catonsville Community College, and plays tennis.

**Mary Frances Hawkins Galbreath** recently visited Oregon. Their granddaughter, 14, sings with the Symphonic Girl Choir. The other granddaughter, 11, is working hard at gymnastics. Mary Frances swims and runs a gift wrap and mailing service for the Village. She and Sam '40 sing with Village Voices. They anticipate the 50th reunion, and their 50th anniversary in June.

**Alice "Ginny" Kiefer Stone** is involved with Court Appointed Special Advocates (for abused children). She and Jack have eight grandchildren. She hopes to see everyone on our special day.

**Ginny "Pip" Phillips** spent two weeks in Germany. **Sara Belle Veale Walker** visited her in Austin, TX last spring, and she saw **Maude Le Wilson Shirey** when she was in Maryland at Christmas. She will try to make reunion.

**Ginny Walker Metzger** and Bob hope to make the reunion. This last year they have been in New England, Death Valley, Las Vegas, back by way of Texas, then later to Florida. In August they were to visit the Holy Land and Greek islands. **Betty Neider Smith** and **Shirley Bradley McGlaughlin** had a trip to England in the spring. They loved the London theatre, especially Miss Saigon. Betty hoped to see me soon.

**Anne Watkins Sanders** will try to make the reunion. She has had surgery a number of times. They visited their daughter in California recently. (Ann, I'll put your number in my book.)

**Louise Fox Dubin** had few changes to report. Her sister, **Marie Fox Deppich '40**, is a patient in Meridian Nursing Home.

**Vernon Wiesand's wife, Shirley Jones '47**, wrote that Vern is committing Julia Child's best to memory. They split their time between Ocean City and Florida.

**Warren Ledford** and Betty toured California in June, attended four Eldherostels this year (21 during the last five years). They must have the record. Warren closed with, "See you

at the reunion."

**Bob and Edna "Perk" Haller '46** began were in Stone Harbor with the whole family in July. They had a full month in England in May — spent a week in London. Their eldest granddaughter graduated from the University of Delaware this year. Bob anticipates hosting the 50th luncheon. Their near neighbor in Westminster, **Marty Hodgson** **Homenan**, says they are traveling senior citizens with Continental. They try to go a different place each month — January, Palm Desert, CA with **Margaret "Mickey" Reynolds '42** and **Bill '41 Adolph**; they saw **Irv '42** and **Nelda Kalar '41 Biasi**. In February, they were with **Bob '40** and **Betty Brown '41 Stropp** in Clearwater, FL, spent five days in Warsaw, Poland, then went on to London for five days to do theatre. Perk and Bob called them from Wales while they were in London. Marty and Don are planning trips to Vermont, Vail, CO, and Southern California. Then they were to attend military remembrances at Ft. Leavenworth in October. (I'm tired already). But they will be home for the 50th. Don was proud to be inducted this month to WMC's Sports Hall of Fame.

**Albert "Bert" Jones** spent a month in Australia and New Zealand last year. They recently had the "last" grandchild and "1st" great-grandchild. Their 50th anniversary will be in January. They're planning a trip to England, Scandinavia and Russia this spring but will return for the reunion.

**Dorrie Jones Earll** and **Warren '44**, while in Florida, saw **Lois Guba Shortwell**. Lois hasn't made any of our reunions, but Dorrie hopes she'll make the BIG one. As usual, Dorrie's planning has nearly all reported in and is clanning on the reunion.

**Elizabeth "Ibby" Ebaugh Featherer** enjoys Cardinal Retirement Village, near Columbus, OH. She and her oldest daughter were going to California in July to visit her youngest daughter and two grandsons.

**Francis "Bud" Blair** and **Gerry** are active in golf, tennis and bridge. Son Kevin, an air force major, is being transferred to Georgia, so Bud and Gerry will be closer to their new granddaughter, Elizabeth. It was good to see them in Ocean City and know they are anticipating our 50th.

**June and John "Rock" Rawlins** visited four sons and 10 grandchildren now that Rock is retired, and they are enjoying life.

**M. Louise Grove Sheffield** now also is retired. They were in Florida, then back to Vermont in early May. They plan a trip to the West Coast in September and, hopefully, France in April, then WMC in May.

**Bob Moore** is semi-retired, and **Franny Ogden** is active in genealogical societies, many more than I can mention (Frank, I was on a close schedule in July, thanks anyway).

**Margaret Moss Venzke** plans to be at the reunion and is willing to help. They just had a trip to United Kingdom.

**Mary Miller Engesser** anticipates

the reunion. Son Bob is being married for the 1st time this spring. Mary and Bill are legal guardians of their granddaughter, Kathleen, 13.

**Bill Myers** says '92 was the summer for travel — air force crew reunion in Omaha and convention at Ocean City in June. He and **Irene VanFossen '46** were to escort a group of 42, including several WMCers, to England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland in July.

**Pearl Bodmer** and **Lee Lodge** are busy organizing our reunion, May 28-30. They were on a tour of the British Isles in July, so weren't in Ocean City. They were missed, as were the Beglins.

**Jo Daniel Bair** and **Chuck** spent most of April and May in Stone Harbor. They had dinner with **Doris Harman** and **Ray Krusen** while there. "Harm" promises they won't book a cruise at reunion time. They plan to spend most of the winter in Florida.

**Josh Ensor** kept telling me that he owed me a card — guess he didn't know that "**Pat**" **Patterson '48** had written for him. Their 8th grandchild, **Joshua Nelson Ensor**, arrived this year. They are reunion bound.

**Joe Workman** said they couldn't make Ocean City but plan to attend the 50th reunion of the "The Outstanding Class of '43." They have enjoyed watching the Duke Blue Devils.

**Marv Evans** wrote a long letter from Florida. (Marv, I sent Lee a copy of your journal. Hope he can answer your questions.) I hope all goes well and you'll be able to make the reunion. Thanks to you and **Joe Workman** for the kind invitations to visit.

**Phyl Cade Gruber** did a terrific job with the Ocean City get-together. She and **Werner** survived and were a great host and hostess. We did all of the "shore" things plus the super dinner affair. They both volunteer at Salisbury Hospital.

Before I get to the Ocean City group, I have sad news to report. I tried to call **Mary Louise "Snooky" Schert Parks** Saturday after I got back from Maryland to tell her all about the group, but couldn't reach her. **Marie Steele Cameron** called that night to tell me that "Snooky" had died Thursday night, July 30. I talked to her daughter, **Janet**, on Sunday. It was a shock and not expected. On a personal note, I will miss our bi-monthly phone calls.

I became a grandmother to no. 10 in July — **Julianne**, Jeff's 5th. I was there to help, or provide moral support. My eldest granddaughter, **Tess**, spent five weeks at Governor's School at Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA. I got to visit her there. My family gave me a birthday party in April. All were there except **Tess**, who was competing in a Shakespeare recitation contest in New York City. Most of the others are into sports — always some kind of game when I go to Pennsylvania. I saw Phantom of the Opera in Toronto in February.

I saw a number of '43ers in Ocean City in July. Present from our class

were: **Dottie Cox Liebno**, **Verna Cooper Preston** (who was leaving the next night for New Zealand), **Marie Crawford Lowery**, **Paul Brooks**, **Klein Leister**, "Mac" **McWilliams**, "**Bud**" **Blair**, **Mary Steele Cameron**, **Vern Wiesand**, **Phyl Cade Gruber**, **Josh Ensor**, **Francis "Ft" Cook**, **Dorrie Jones Earll**, "**Rock Rawlins** and "**Bud**" **Smith**.

The '65 here gave us great incentive to make our 50th in May. Details for that will come from the college. Hope to see you all there.

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**48** Reports of EXCITEMENT at 65-ish came rushing in from all across the nation and overseas with **Madeline "Peg" Buhrman Smith** corresponding from Frederick, MD that retirement is "the pleasant luxury of a less scheduled, sometimes impromptu lifestyle." This is excitement, after retiring as a music teacher and media specialist. Add to that their trips to Europe and around the States.

**Doug Beakes** writes from his home in Wiesbaden, Germany that his duties with European educational institutions take him where real "excitement" prevails in this changing European environment, and it's rewarding to be involved, but memories of our class and "the Hill" will always prevail. Include **Doug**, **Phyllis Houck Smith** and **Betty Armiger Maas** in the prestigious club of new grandparents.

**Phyllis** has a son with **Mariotti** in Lakeland, FL, and **Betty's** son is a doctor doing research in a Boston hospital. **Betty** and **Lou** celebrated their 40th with an anniversary cruise to Bermuda.

Another 40th found **Jan Conaway '49** and **Bob Wagner** retracing the excitement of their honeymoon trip through the Midwest, followed by the 50th reunion of the 31st Infantry Division, "rushing back to the jungles of the Pacific." The **Wagners** were part of the trip to England with **WMCers Ray '36** and **Helen Leatherwood '38 Simpson**, **Josh '43** and **Pat Patterson Ensor** and **Howard '50** and **Jean Daugherty '49 Myers**, who sang "College Ties" at every piano in every inn and castle!

Talk about excitement — follow **Pat Brown Zello** and husband on three major trips: a 20-day land tour of South America, the Canyon lands, and five islands in Hawaii. Then they regrouped and were off on an African safari, a cruise through the Indian Ocean and Arabian Sea and finally India. Bring gifts to the Christmas luncheon, Pat!

Someday, in some exotic port, these worldly travelers will create real excitement when they recognize each other. **Lyle Johnson Willson** and husband supposedly spend six months near Scottsdale, AZ and six in Friday Harbor, WA, but here's the trick itinerary: Panama Canal cruise, then 20 days

cruising to Buenos Aires and Rio, across to Africa, north to the Canary Islands, Tangier, Morocco, Cadiz in Spain and Lisbon for a few nights.

If **Mary Frances Keiser** and **Dan '49 Bradley** had stayed home in Coronado, CA, they would have had a reunion with **Lionel '49** and **Ruth Anderson Burgess** in March, but the Bradleys were in the Virgin Islands in the spring and then headed to Lake Powell for house boating in August.

**Leon Israel** left Syracuse, NY for the excitement of "gambli'n" in Reno." He says they are really "having a BLAST!"

Not having a hang-up time was **Betty Sauter Garlock** in Roanoke, VA who tripped (over a shamrock!) on St. Pat's Day. She broke three bones in one foot and badly strained the other one, necessitating 1st a wheelchair, then a walker. We're too young for that! However, she did hobble to San Francisco and saw her sister-in-law, **Clara "Onion" Garlock MacNamee** last summer in Maryland. **Betty** also got to Reno — any other '48ers there?

**Dottie Wilder Williams** was slowed down early in the year, but is back up to pace and traveling with Florida plans for this winter. She appreciated the cards and caring from so many classmates.

Can't imagine **Mary Dom Brown** "retired," so she's teaching computer programming as a volunteer, serving as secretary for Retired Teachers, Baltimore County, playing tennis, knitting and sewing. Sister-in-law **Janet Brown Hunter** is still in Harrisburg, PA.

**Gladys Sause McLeod** still works at Grasonville Adult Day Care Center and has made several trips to Germany to visit her son. Her grandson was 1st in the National World Geography Contest locally, so went to the national competition.

**George Carr** vacationed up in the Canadian Maritime Provinces, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and the Cape. He's still on staff at the University of Massachusetts; retirement is tentative for '95.

Among the water-oriented classmates is **Jim Doherty**, who sailed his 34-footer from New Jersey to Boston and down the inland waterway to Florida and the Bahamas. He reports his recent retirement from industry as well as brother **Ernie's** from the United States Coast Guard.

**Jan Gann Greenwood** enjoys life "on the easy side of the Eastern Shore" with plans to sail down the inland waterway to winter in the Florida Keys.

Meanwhile, **Mary "Toddy" Todd Griffiths** was aboard the **Della Queen** when it won the Great Steamboat Race on the Mississippi River. She traveled that route before and highly recommends it for R.R. She and **Bill** enjoy eight grandchildren. He is president of the National Welsh-American Foundation. They enjoy the new home in Vero Beach, FL. **Toddy** has been elected Regent of Berks County, PA, Daughters of the American Revolution, so she will have a busy three-year tenure.

Also busy is **Jesse Starkey**, who retired as superintendent of schools in Charles County, and now is involved with Habitat for Humanity, chairing a committee to restore a 125-year-old schoolhouse and helping with county scholarship committee. They vacation in Cocoa Beach, FL, so maybe they'll call us!

Then there's **Rowe Moore** who writes, "I'll be working for years, God willing!" Refreshing attitude!

Excitement for **Frank Middleton** was seeing his "old roomie," **Jim Grose** after 41 years. Jim and his wife visited from their Sun City, AZ home. Frank still works in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. His daughter was an English lit. professor at Franklin and Marshall College, but now is at the State Department and is just back from three years in the Philippines. "Congratulations, Frank" — he said he was still waiting for accolades!

Reunions were **Kitty Brown Ross** in Venice, FL and **Elayne Close Peabody**, **Betsy Burtcher Biven** '49, and **Mary Jane Corbett Mason** from Englewood, FL. The Masons live in Florida in the winter and on Cape Cod during the summer.

Togetherness abounds in the next generation as **Jan Tull Radtke** reports her daughter lives near **Betty Sauter Garylock's** son and family, as well as **Mark "Binky" Dexter Tompinkin's** son and family — in the Richmond, VA area. Jan is a medical P.A. house officer in a Baltimore hospital. They summer in a Beverly Beach, DE.

Summer for **Charles Warner**, retired from the air force, is 9,000 feet up in Red Feather Lakes, CO. They winter in southern California, below sea level.

Alaska called **Jan Anzulovic Shaw** after she spent Christmas and New Year's in the Netherlands. Her daughter, **Nancy Shaw Hart '88**, married **Lloyd Hart '88** in "Little" Baker Chapel last summer. She saw **Madeleine Franklin Strader** at a Carroll County alumni luncheon.

Alaska and Mexico were destinations for **Sue Steedman Hoffman** and **Charlie** last year. The WMC Mediterranean Cruise was a highlight for '92.

The Elderhostel program has offered **Kenneth "Doc" Bouchelle** and his wife excitement since his retirement, after 50 years of classroom teaching. Their son, **Steve**, graduated from the University of North Carolina, completing his master's in mechanical engineering. They enjoyed a European tour in '90. "Retirement is great! We're busy doing what we want, when we want!" Doc says.

**Betty Jean Ferris Morgan** retired after 21 years as a librarian in the Montgomery County Schools and has found this to be a "great time of life," enjoying sons and grandchildren.

"A little greyer, little slower, but blessed with good health as I stay busy working at Anne Arundel Health Department and running my accounting business" is **Dot Scott Atkinson's** summary. She speaks for a lot of us at 65-ish.

Let's talk golf — **Joe Thompson**

includes that sport as "one of the good things in life" as they stay on the move, staying young and find that 65 is great! They were in Florida, California and Europe last year. Daughters are **Marsha Thompson '75** and **Cynthia Thompson Vutinas '80**.

**Eleanor "Bobbie" Le Kunkel** built their home "on the 4th" at The Woods in Hedgeville, WV, though hubby still works and their address remains Bel Air, MD.

Chairing the Hospice Golf Tournament has **Bette Mason Fissel** on the links and playing her best golf ever. She invites you to give a call when in Gettysburg, and she'll tour you around the historic sites. She can't believe we're all on Medicare, but says, "I don't feel like it, so I'm one step ahead of the game."

Tennis and golf take up **Jan Seilox Cahill's** time since she retired after 30 years of office nursing. She has a new condo and plans to come to our 45th. It will be great to see you again!

We also may meet **Marica Koblegard Gaines** next year. She still has "wonderful memories" of "the Hill." She visits roommate **Helen Wymer Youmans**, who lives and teaches near Westminster. To her, Blanche Ward looks just the same! Marica has a son and daughter, plus the "apple of my eye, Jennifer, 4." She still works and loves it — at AAA in Clarksburg, Marica? We anticipate the '93 reunion and you.

Many of us are moving to smaller quarters now that the kids are grown and have finally stopped getting "recycled" back home. In Camp Hill, PA,

**Peggy Shinhann Beard** and **Miller** have moved into a smaller place and find "serenity" more appealing than excitement as they get settled at their new location. We will never forget that heavy snowfall on your February '47 wedding day that prevented so many of us from getting to the ceremony.

"Where's **Martha "Marty" Witter Hawkins**" — one week in Virginia visiting a daughter; then in Florida greeting newborn Benjamin Hawkins. She has lunch with **Dottie Cathel Carstensen**, **Betty Armerger Maas** and **Ruth Anderson Burgess**. **Martha** plans to return to the Western Shore; she doesn't require a large, waterfront home and boat since Ed's passing last year. She played golf for the 1st time since doing so on the WMC course in '48 and is ready to get back in the swing.

Our golfers in Clifton, VA, **Betty Little Morey** and **Earl '45**, purchased a home in Pinchurst, NC on the lake. She and "Marty" and **Jan Anzulovic Shaw** remind us not EVERYBODY is 65!

Note that our class agent is **Chris Royer**, Riverside Drive, New York, so expect a communication.

**Wayne Cowan** anticipates seeing classmates in '93. He is director, **Interpretive Services** for the Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church, and was honored for his contribution in the field of religious journalism.

**Phil Schaeffer** enjoys his retirement viewing "the Hill" from his home. He also is an avid golfer. It sounds like a '48 Reunion Tournament would be appropriate — Joe is chairman!

There was a mini-reunion for **Clarebelle Blaine Price** and roommate **Mary Ruth Woodfield** and **Tom Tereshinski '44**, plus a call to **Fern Ray Grumbine** when the Prices visited Maryland last year from their 132-acre farm in Ohio — her husband's birthplace where they planted hundreds of evergreens. Clarebelle says it is beautiful and she will stay even though Lester died suddenly in October '91. She feels this scenic location is a living memorial to him.

I share with you the "void in our lives," as Marica expressed it. Several devoted husbands died in the last year. Clarebelle and Marica, Mary and Jan Cahill wrote of their memories, the support of their children, their difficult adjustments and their challenges.

**Naomi "Nomy" Harper Morgan** speaks of "seeing an epoch through a grandson's eye . . . sitting at the head of a candle-lighted table for her 65th birthday . . . being surrounded by children and grandchildren . . . the glow of joy and pride in each of them . . . seeing old friends, **Mac Langrall Mealy**, **Jan Ganz Greenwood**, **Betty O'Kelly Chlad** and making new friends . . . being active in community activities . . . thinking you are needed keeps you young." Nomy speaks for so many of us. Thank you, Nomy.

*A Baltimore Sun* editorial stated, "Dubel Cared About Kids," in a June tribute to **Bob Dubel**, retiring superintendent, Baltimore County Schools. He will become a University of Maryland faculty member. Congratulations on a job well done and best wishes.

Following 17 years as pastor of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Westminster, the **Rev. Dr. Fred Eckhardt** was honored on the 40th anniversary of his ordination by his parishioners. A surprise guest preacher was the **Rev. Fred Eckhardt '78**, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Bronx, NY and daughter of Nancy and Fred. We must remind Fred and Nancy that they offered to host us for our 45th at their beautiful New Windsor farm if you weren't there for our 40th — you really missed a memorial day. Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 29.

Now you're "in touch" with 62 friends from your days on "the Hill." I thank you for your responses. Any late cards may not have been forwarded from Florida after we came to Delaware in early May. Together we have 101 grandchildren (reported) with **Jesse Starkey** leading at 13!

**Joel '43** and I see dear friends as they winter in Florida and summer near us in Bethany Beach, DE. We are blessed with good health and celebrated our 44th anniversary, May 31, that we all graduated from WMC. We spent a 2nd tour with the same group that visited England. In September, we were to travel through Germany, Italy, Switzerland, France and Belgium and Austria. We have three children

and six grandchildren in Maryland (or here at the beach) and an air force son with wife and two daughters near Yosemite in California. **Josh** and I proudly announce the arrival and I personally baptized the baby as he had sister Danielle. He also officiated at the marriage of the parents five years ago at "Little" Baker Chapel.

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**54** Editor's Note: This column was inadvertently delayed in its publication. The

**Hill** regrets any inconvenience. Just because WMC is referred to as "the Hill" doesn't mean that **Tom Douglas** is over the hill. Alexander Thomas was born on March 7, 1991, and Tom's comment was "How about that?"

Wedding bells have rung for two of our classmates: **Barbara "Bobbie" Summers** married **Edward Hamilton** in Sun City, AZ on September 25, 1991. After a honeymoon cruise, they toured Australia and New Zealand in November '91. Bobbie is unable to be as active in her Sun City activities since having triple by-pass surgery in '90.

**Weldon Reed** married **Louise Sullivan**, mother of **Elizabeth Sullivan Hoffman '70**, in August 1991 in Westminster. Weldon retired from Cook Composites and Polymers of Kansas City, MO and plans to reside in Port Washington, WI.

**Jan Hutchinson's** latest book, **Albrecht Durer: A Biography**, was published in October 1990 and got rave reviews in the *New York Times Book Review*, *Washington Times* and *Montreal Gazette*. The fourth volume of **Early German Artists** was to be out in the fall of 1991. Jane recently signed contracts for three new books and has lectured in France at the museum in Colmar at an international colloquium honoring the late 15th-century Alsatian artist, Martin Schongauer. Her talk was on the copypits and forgers of Schongauer's engravings.

**William Pfeifer** received in July 1991 as principal of Overlea High School, Baltimore County. Daughter **Stacey '84** lives in Norfolk, VA. Trey is a Towson State University (TSU) graduate studying to be a CPA. Tim graduated from the Naval Academy in 1988 and is a navy pilot at Norfolk Air Station. Leslie is at Catawba College. Bill and Mary Lou enjoy their grandson, Caleb.

**Patricia Herman Douglas** still does what she loves best, teaching 4-year-olds and singing in church choir. Old-elds and **James '79** has two small girls, Stephanie, 3, and Taylor Marie, 1. She also has three grandsons. **John '85** married **Kathy Cole** in June 1991. He is still at Widener College. **David '87** lives near in Rockville, MD.

**Michael Pezzella** is a cost analyst for chemical weapons at Edgewood, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD, after

leaving the Baltimore City school system. He anticipated retiring from this 2nd career in '92 and finding a part-time job. Mike also is active in several U.S. Marine Corps and Korean War veterans groups.

**Richard and Tove Titlow** still work for the Department of Transportation. He is a management official with the U.S. Coast Guard, and she is a planner for FAA. Son Christian hoped to graduate from Harvard by the end of 1991. Dick and Tove celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with a trip to China.

**Shirley Woodruff Hicks** is a secretary and enjoys music in her spare time. She had a piano recital in October 1991 at Florida A&M University. She also is organist and choirmaster at an Episcopal church.

**Charles "Chuck" Taylor** retired in August 1991 and is catching up on his golf game. **Jean Willis Taylor** is a programmer/analyst with the American Red Cross. Chuck and Jean enjoy teaching Bible class. Daughter Elaine lives in Cypress, TX and is a lawyer in Houston. Chip, who has a master's in civil engineering, is head of transportation planning for the 5th VA district in Roanoke.

Though retired, **Kenneth Ruehl** still has an avid interest in tennis, football, hiking and reading. Ken lives on a small farm in Connecticut.

After 30 years as a funeral director, **David Horton** is now a counselor at the alcoholism rehabilitation unit of a hospital in Greenwood, NY. Wife Gail is a community-development director. Dan works for a newspaper; Joseph is in the Coast Guard; and Eva is at Middlebury College in Vermont.

Heading up the 2nd biannual WMC '50s Soccer Players Reunion was our own **Dave Gwynn**. He reported that a good time was had by all.

**Patricia Fethco and Walt Hart '52** are celebrating three events. Their daughter, Cindy, received her master's from Yale, started her PhD in September '91 and was married on November 11, 1991.

After four granddaughters, **Ava Ann Spears Vecchioni** finally has a grandson. She planned to retire from teaching last June and to eventually move to Outer Banks, NC on a canal-front in Colington Harbor.

**Carol Bauer Shattuck** is doing freelance writing and is singing and dabbling in art. She is busy with Mary, 12, and Chris, 15. Carol and Brian celebrated their 21st anniversary with a trip to London on the QE II. They enjoy life and late-blooming parenthood.

**Donald Erb** is director for isotopes production and distribution, U.S. Dept. of Energy, Washington, D.C. He resides in Gaithersburg, MD with wife Lois. Jason is at Virginia Tech., and Jennifer is at Montgomery College.

**Harry Grander** moved to a new home on 1 1/4 acres just south of Charlestown, WV. He retired and drove cross-country to visit his son and grandson in Austin, TX and relatives in New Mexico, Nevada and California.

The highlight of his trip was seeing the Grand Canyon.

White-water rafting was an adventure for **Nancy Bayliss Fogler and Lou '55**, who rafted for seven hours on the New River in West Virginia. She still is a part-time office manager, does freelance calligraphy and enjoys pastel portraiture. Nancy has spent time in Florida with her widowed mother.

**David and Claudia Hottenstein** celebrated their 25th anniversary with friends and neighbors and then took a cruise on the *Nordic Princess* to Bermuda. Working on the coral reefs was a new and exciting experience.

**Deborah Meyls Leonard** visits occasionally with **Janet Bruchie Wallace '56**. They shop while the husbands golf. Debbie lives in Ballwin, MO.

**Nancy Caskey Voss** still teaches kindergarten and is involved in numerous activities. She visited New Mexico and St. Thomas. **Lita Rollins Robinson** visited Nancy at her Bethany Beach, DE home in '91.

**Alma "Jo" McKeldin Brody** is a full-time public-health nurse for Baltimore County and is working on a 2nd degree in nursing at TSU. Her husband retired and is a park ranger for Oregon Ridge. Sally Ann lives in Youngburg with her husband and two young boys. Steven was a physical education major at TSU, and Maureen is at TSU studying voice. Jo still sings with her church choir.

**Joan Kellogg Patterson** was in a comedy, Never Too Late, at Lake-Wood Theater, the oldest active summer-stock theater in the U.S. She also is one of Maine's 16 county Republican chairpersons. Joan still drives the hay-making tractor but has given up the fire truck. Aerobics and swimming are very important to her. Joan has 15 grandchildren to brag about.

**Betty Valt Dalhoff** works in the Boulster Middle School library. She and her husband are building a retirement home on Lake Fork, about 50 miles from their home in Tyler, TX. They've traveled to 11 countries in Europe and saw the Oberammergau Passion Play in the summer of 1990. Summer of '91 took them to New Orleans, North Carolina and San Antonio, TX. The grandchildren, Brenden, Shawn, and Heather are the joy of their lives.

**Charles and Charlotte Davis '56** Wheatley visited Alaska and Hawaii last summer. This is definitely a WMC family. Son **Charles '80** and wife **Kim Reeves '82** are in engineering and software development at Westinghouse. **Craig '81** married **Elaine Lippy '83** and works at Micromotion, Inc. **Cheryl '86** married **Dean Jackson** and is an attorney in El Paso, TX. Charles and Charlotte visited in '91 with **Robert "Spikie" Dennis**, who has since moved from Massachusetts to Brandon, FL. Spike and Sandy love their new home. He is seeking part-time work as counselor or educator, and Sandy is a part-time nurse with Manatee County Health Clinic.

**Frances Paul Farnham's** nest is emptying. Mac attends the University

of St. Thomas where his dad, **Paul Farnham '53**, is geology department chairman. Logan joined the navy in November 1991 and started basic training in San Diego. Fran has been a long-time volunteer at the Minnesota Zoo and, as a special treat for her accumulated 3,000 hours, she got to be in a dolphin show. She says a dolphin's skin feels like an inflated wet inner tube.

Our son, David, and daughter-in-law, Keltie, made us proud again with the arrival of Lindsay Marie on January 28, 1991. She joins her brothers Evan and Scott. **Ernie '50** and I were in Orange County, CA in October '91 and I had a long, pleasant telephone conversation with **Shirley Jeffreys Strong**. She sends her best to all of you.

I can't tell you how surprised and pleased I was to hear from so many of you. It is my strong belief that the class of '54 is alive and still kicking. Keep those messages coming.

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**58** May 28-30 is the time for our 35th class reunion, and I certainly was pleased to hear from so many of you.

**Nick Spinnato** was appointed senior executive assistant to Baltimore County Executive Roger Hayden in 1991. He was principal at Sparrows Point High School, retiring from the Baltimore County Public School system after 32 years as a teacher and administrator. He is the proud father of six — four grown children and twin boys, age 2.

**Shirley Stevick Howell Bacon** recently married her high-school sweetheart, Bert Bacon. Between them, they have seven children and nine grandchildren. She works for Columbia 1st Bank, and Bert works with emotionally handicapped children and is a chaplain's assistant and counselor in the Air Force Reserves, having been called to active duty during Desert Storm. Shirley and Bert would enjoy hearing from the '58 alumni who gave Shirley's phone number to him about 10 years ago.

**Tony Sarbanes** retired as a Major General, United States Army Reserve in September 1991. He is also retired from Wicomico County Board of Education and is a vice president at 2nd National Bank in Salisbury, MD. Daughter Beth was married recently and will live in Warrenton, VA, where she is a 2nd grade teacher. Son Jimmy attends Salisbury State University in the business program and is on the baseball team. Billy and Tony are active in the community.

**Marsha Reifsmnyder '59** and **Bob McCormick** still live in Sante Fe, NM. They work a team doing family-practice medicine. Jonathan, 36, recently graduated from law school. Marsha and Bob still love the South-

west and the wine country of California, particularly the Santa Inez Valley and Paso Robles, north of San Luis Obispo, on the central coast of California.

**Ethel Vonderheide Thomas** is a part-time CPA and is trying to play golf. She and her husband have bought a "retirement" home in Lakeland, FL, where they plan to spend a few weeks during the winter before retirement. They enjoy their grandchildren, Zach, 7, and Samantha, who was born in February. Daughter Judy is an anesthesiologist, and son Doug and his wife, Ann, just received their PhDs in speech communications and will teach college next year.

**Ron Welland** retired April 1, after working for IBM Corp. for 33 1/2 years. He is looking for administrative work, part or full time.

**Anne Acee** and **Casey Day** still teach in Westminster and anticipate retirement soon! Anne expects to move south, as all their children live there and love it.

**Harry "Buz" Lambert** has been with Carroll County Public Schools for 35 years, and is principal of West Middle School near WMC. There are many WMC graduates on the faculty, among them **Tom Miller '59**, the assistant principal.

**Barb Lawrence Meadors**, of Leavenworth, KS, is retired and enjoying golfing year-round — trying to get her handicap under control. This year she planned vacation in the Southwest, playing new golf courses, and on the East coast during the fall foliage display. She'd love to hear from anyone in the area.

**Roger Schelm** retired from CIGNA Corp. as vice president, applied research, of the Systems Division, in February. He consults in information technology, assisting senior management in commercial centers and government. He and wife Gloria have founded Schelm International, Inc. in Cherry Hill, NJ. Their three daughters are college graduates.

**Mary Hotchkiss Miller** has been executive secretary of Episcopal Peace Fellowship for the last 20 years as a volunteer and, since '89, as a full-time employee. Ron is on the staff of the Diocese of Maryland and works part time in St. James Parish, Lafayette Square, Baltimore. Son Tim is in his senior year at Baltimore City College, so they were visiting colleges, including WMC, over the summer. In fall '91, they bought a house in south Baltimore just out of carport and parking congestion from the new stadium and are delighted to be homeowners again. She may come to the reunion.

**Claudia Payne** lives in a log cabin on a hill above a small lake in Ossipee, NH. The lake is perfect for her canoe and rowboat. Her furniture-refinishing business keeps her very busy. She also may make the reunion in '93.

**Mary Frances Willard** and **Fred '47 Brown** celebrated their 6th wedding anniversary in May at their Florida home and then returned to their home in Frederick, MD, where they summer. They have enjoyed travels to Australia,

New Zealand, Canada and Alaska. They have four children and six dear grandchildren. Mary Frances is excited about the reunion in May, as she misses seeing old friends since they moved from Towson, MD.

JoAnn and **Dick Brawley** have lived on Spick in Annapolis for the last five years. He manages Logg and Foster real estate offices in Calvert County. They recently played golf with **Andy Urquhart '59**, who came up from Raleigh, NC.

**Rob Christian** is beginning his 25th year at Methodist College in Fayetteville, NC, where he is professor of English; head, Department of English; and director, Division of Humanities. He and Kathy plan to visit the Holy Land in 1993.

**Suzanne Blair and Davey Deffingbaum** moved to their new homestead in Tucson, AZ, after 23 years on a 75-acre farm in Harford County. They will enlarge their kennel, The Citadel, and raise a rare breed of dogs, fila brasileiro. Davey recently retired after 33 years in Baltimore County as a reading specialist, and Sue's last teaching experience was at Harford Community College.

**Wray Mowbray** was promoted to assistant vice president/marketing officer for Carroll County Bank and Trust last year. This year, he was reappointed for another term to the Carroll Community College board by the county commissioners. He tries to play tennis regularly.

**Larry Hare** retired in 1990, after 30 years of service, from Bendix Field Engineering Corp., Columbia, MD. He moved to the Gainesville, FL area and established a public-relations consulting business, working with aerospace companies supporting the Kennedy Space Center program. Son Patrick is a licensed real-estate broker, and daughter Jennifer is a medical school worker.

**Gloria "Lori" Jones Gore** sold her landscape design business two years ago and took over the parks and streets department of Poolesville, MD. She started a nursery of future street trees and is redesigning and planting the public spaces in town. She's also in charge of all mowing, pruning, truck and tractor purchases and street plowing. Lori also stocks five town ponds and controls the algae, and runs fishing tournaments and summer recreation programs. She recently returned from a two-week tour of Japanese and Korean gardens and arboretums. Husband **Jerry '62** was eligible for retirement in August but is having too much fun. Daughter Gretchen is working at a bank and applying to graduate school in international finance; son Dan, who's finishing his sophomore year at the University of Maryland, worked on a fishing vessel in Alaska last summer.

**Brooks Euler** is a financial services manager with The Travelers. He and Arlyne, whom he married in 1990, moved to Portland, OR, where they enjoy the beautiful Pacific Northwest. Congratulations to **Aleatha Arbaugh** Carlson and husband, who

celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1990. Since her retirement eight years ago, she has learned to knit. Doing counted cross-stitch, leading Bible studies, and enjoying, with her husband, three children's families, including seven grandchildren and one grandson, ages 13 to 27, give her tremendous joy.

**Judy Board and Jim Hayes** still relish the Pittsburgh area. Jim retired in July after 31 years with Aetna. Son Kevin is in graduate school, and daughter Kristin is entering 9th grade.

**Carol Burton Cordes** lives near Chestertown on the Eastern Shore, on Churn Creek Still Pond. They still own Terminal Luggage in York, PA, which is managed by their daughter, Judy, who is married and made Carol a grandma. Son Bill was married in June; daughter Sue remains at home. Carol volunteers as manager of the gift shop at the local hospital, occasionally plays golf, and has enjoyed mini-reunions at Bethany with **Jean Lambertson Hort, Marie Quintana Simoes, Vi Fonner Carrick, Judy Board Hayes, Gail Mercey Getz, Flo Mehl Wolstein, Natalie Warfield Palmer, Ardella Campbell Darling, and Peg Van Dyke Campbell '59**.

**Florie Willis Binstaver** enjoys her three grandchildren by her daughter **Lori Binstaver Reinhardt '83**. She keeps busy selling real estate and has no complaints about the slow times. Florie and Bill '55 plan to build a new home in the spring, with woods, stream, wildlife and one floor, to "retire" into on the lot behind their present home.

**Vi Fonner Carrick** completed her certified paralegal certificate studies and a course in bankruptcy, and hopes to work part time. She recently attended a mini-reunion at Bethany. Daughter Caroline just completed her 2nd year of law school at American University.

**Bette Flohr and Dick Plasket**, of Columbia, SC, run their 12-year-old consulting business, Management Directions. Son Rick lives in Baltimore with his wife and their only grandson, Justin. Rick teaches at Johns Hopkins. Daughter Cary Lynne, a Clemson U. graduate, works for a bank, where she designs/manages computer base training.

**Ray Wright** is still doing the state of Maryland's budget as director of budget and fiscal planning, Maryland Department of L. His wife, **Arlene MacVicker '61**, is a pupil-personnel worker with Queen Anne's County board of education. Son Bill is a graduate of James Madison University; daughter Jennifer, a graduate of Towson State University, is married to a Naval academy graduate and lives in Hawaii; and son Andrew is a freshman at Elon College.

**Jane Rooder and Jack Anderson** just celebrated their 25th anniversary as Columbia, MD "pioneers." They visit Westminster often, as their oldest daughter, **Jack Anderson Stranathan '83**, her husband and two daughters live there. Son Jim and

youngest daughter Jennifer live in Columbia. They still enjoy traveling, especially in England, and have begun camping and hiking again with the whole family, including the granddads.

**Caryl Enser and Ron Peterson** enjoy all three members of a Chinese family who now live with them. Daughter Nancy finished her master's in May, and Ann is in France for the summer, studying for six weeks and then traveling.

**Gail Mercey and Don Getz** became proud grandparents on October 29, 1991. Gail enjoyed several symposia with the Costume Society of America and a study week at Newbury College, Boston, in June '91 for the Institute of Textile and Needlework. Don and Gail enjoy black-powder rendezvous throughout the year. Don's Getz Barrel Co. produced barrels for the rifles used in the upcoming movie *Last of the Mohicans* with Daniel Day Lewis. His barrels go all over the world. Gail offers programs and consultation services on historic American dress and still enjoys her association with the Fashion Archives of Shippensburg University. In her spare time, she does art work. She and **Ardella Campbell Darling** see each other often, and she keeps in touch with some of the "other gang."

**Margaret Whitfield Kim** is the orchestra director at Langley High School in McLean, VA, and organist at 1st Presbyterian Church in Arlington, VA. Son David is a West Point graduate; daughter Suzanne will graduate in the spring in environmental studies.

**Natalie Warfield and Dick '59 Palmer** sing in the church choir together and have the best choir director since Prof. DeLong. Natalie is manager and buyer of the Art Institute and Gallery Gift Shop, a part of their local art museum and serves on the board. She's also vice president of the local American Diabetes Assoc. Dick is director of the Eastern Shore Regional Small Business Development Center, and teaches at Salisbury State University. Natalie and Dick enjoy traveling, the theatre in Baltimore and D.C., and WMC friends.

Our condolences to **Sue Davidson Euler** whose husband, Phil Adelman, died in December following a bout with cancer. Sue is a paralegal in the trust department of a bank in Connecticut. Sue and Phil visited California and 29 Palms to surprise **Jaqi May McSparin** and see caecuses in their real environment.

Herb and I recently have bought a town house in Lompoc, CA, on the coast 30 miles north of Santa Barbara. We made renovations and moved in while your cards and letters were in the mail, so we hope none were missed. We enjoy the pool, hot tub, and moderate year-round weather. I continue as dietary director of Lompoc Hospital District's 110-bed, long-term care facility and am active as legislative chairperson for Coast Tri-Counties Dietetic Assoc. Son Mike is completing his master's in recreation management at the University of North Texas, where his wife, Chris, is a manager in

student activities. They and our granddaughter, Kellie Colleen, 2, live in Sanger, TX. Daughter Priscilla graduated from the University of Washington and lives on Prince Edward Island in Alaska.

Many thanks to **Sue Davidson Euler** for her years as class reporter. I hope that I can follow in her footsteps but need input from every one of you. May 28-30 our reunion are moving closer every day. See you there! Barbara Hunt Chestnut 1024 West Kentucky Ave. Lompoc, CA 93486

**68** Dear Classmates, Don't worry if you didn't get one of those class news posters this time around. The news response has been so good to the alumni office that they can only print columns for about half of each class. I'll send out cards for the 2nd part of our class next time.

**John "Ome" Heritage** had a substantial semester from Voorhes High School to study graduate English courses at Fard Dickinson U. **Sue Masby '69** is a systems manager with AT&T. Jill, 15, is entering the 10th grade, is in soccer, swimming and track, while Erin, 11, is into baseball and soccer.

**Will Davis** has had an interesting year teaching art, physical education and sex education at a local Catholic school. He's done a lot of reading and other research on the sex-education course and feels he's ready for a hands-on approach. Nick's a sophomore at Washington State, wife Bo, 16, and Alex, 12, are waiting in the wings. Will still makes buttons and plans some serious traveling this fall — Bali, Thailand, Nepal, etc.

Retiring from 22 years in the United States Air Force Reserve a few years back, **Tom Fowler** is now waiting until he turns 60 to begin collecting. Just to stay busy the next 15 years, Tom is manager of Corrosion Control for South Jersey Gas Co. Amy is a senior physical-training major at Iowa State U. and Jennifer, planning a career in communications, enters college this fall.

By day, **Harvey Broodno** supervises one of Philly's probation department drug units. But by night, he's the spiritual coordinator for Groundhog Day. The annual highlight is the luncheon (clover, alfalfa, sweet corn and parsley), this year attended by 59 mammotophiles. Unfortunately, Harvey's decided not to run for president this time, fearing that some ex-Gold Bug reporter would dig up the fact that Harvey inhaled in college but never exhaled. Congrats on the best postcard of the lot!

Now that all her kids have their braces off, **Ellen Reinhardt Kider's** family can come corn on the cob again. Megan is starting the college search (you can borrow my notes), and Shannon is in the 10th grade. Ellen is certified in scuba diving and proved it in the Caymans last spring. On land,

she's implementing Continuous Quality Improvement in a hospital in east Tennessee.

**Carol Weigandt Eberhart** is wondering what's the big deal about college anyway. Plumbers, computer repairmen, Nintendo counselors — none of them went to college, so why should her kids? The answer — so you can read about yourself in college alumni magazines! Next question. Meanwhile, they continue their search for a way out of the Northern Virginia traffic jams and a good dentist with plenty of parking.

**Harry Durly** left RJR Nabisco in 1989 to avoid moving to New York City from Atlanta and founded an investment banking firm. They're active in mergers, acquisitions and financing mid-sized companies in the Southeast. His four kids span two generations!

**Joel Kleger** writes for the 1st time. He is marketing a collection of action figures from the hit movie *Last Year at Marienbad*. Although sales seem sluggish, he expects them to pick up when paired with an offering of color comics based on another hit movie, *The Seventh Seal*. I plan to collect them all.

**Steve Jones** tells me he remained no. two in September '90. That's certainly a big relief to me Steve, but I really don't know what you're talking about. His son is on track to be valedictorian of his high-school class, in contrast to Pop, while his daughter is a junior at American University. Steve's team completed the roll-out of small computers to 1,700 field sales reps, but Steve didn't get a raise.

Now that the army is right-sizing (down-sizing in a positive vein), **Barry Ellenberger** is wondering what the future holds. Wife Candy, and kids Dana, 10, and Beth, 8, are happy at Ft. Belvoir, VA.

**Jim Benson**, a self-described cranky, antiquated marine colonel, is also eyeing the civilian marketplace. His Persian Gulf tan has faded with Pentagon duty. He sees former head water **Charlie Moler '67** in the same building. Jim and wife Mary (**George Slikker '71's** sister!), plus their two daughters, plan to return to their home in Hawaii next year.

**Bob Cartwright** has begun a program called Pit Balls for Preschoolers. He's showing the little ones the fun of pit ball dog fights and what delightful, cuddly pets these championship fighters really make, especially if they haven't been fed for a few days.

**Elmore Hitchner** is celebrating the completion of their bathroom in the 1896 Victorian house she and Dennis are restoring in Ridgewood, NJ. Much remains to be done.

The award for the postcard from the farthest place goes to **Sue Martin Allen**, now in sunny Seoul, Korea. Jay is chief of publications and records management for U.S. Forces. Rebecca, 11, and David, 7, are enrolled at Seoul American Elementary School, where Sue volunteers and works with the PTO. She also teaches English.

The Bennetts are moving from Larry Bird's home town (10 points for cor-

rect answer) to Vermilion, IL, pop. 300. The post office is inside a Coke machine. **Charlotte Hannemann** will substitute teach and is now taking classes in gifted education. She tries out various techniques she's studied on the boys, Drew and Jake. Both are planning to defect to Albania if mom doesn't stop the experiments soon.

**John Evler** has been sailing Salt Shaker between Marblehead and Welfleet, Cape Cod, with wife and son. He visited friends in Madrid and London in May and also saw **Bred Woodcock '64** and **Walt Michael**. John invited all to stop by for a lobster dinner when they're in Swampscott, MA. (You catch 'em, he'll cook 'em.)

**Peggy Howser Drenning** is in her 3rd year of teaching English as a 2nd language in Frederick, MD and is nearing completion of her 2nd master's. Their farm near Woodsboro, MD still has a pile of dogs, cats and sheep.

Another award goes, this time, to **Brodan "Pole Vault" Gottlieb** for being the oldest "new" father to, Katherine Anne, born in December. Greg, 20, and Brian, 17, feel like uncles. Dan, Terry and Katherine live in Newton, CT, where he's vice president of U.S. sales for General Data Communications, Inc. They see **Richie Eigen '66**, **Richie Matza** and **Jim '69** and **Amy Lewis '69 King** in the area.

**Larry Eisenberg** has had it with all these trendy, yuppie bars, cop bars and sports bars. He's begun a tavern that caters to nuns — yes, a nun bar. He's located his watering hole strategically in the triangle formed by four cloistered convents and is expecting shoppers made with Christian Brothers' ruby port, Irish whiskey, and Blue Nun Liebfraumilch to be the big hits.

**Ed and Gail Lentz Gratzick** live in Spotsylvania, VA, where she teaches high school math. A recent student was her son, Evan, who's now at Mercer University in Georgia. Ryan swims, runs and throws balls through hoops. The empty nest syndrome is looming.

Writing for the first time in 24 years is **Pat McNally Ellis** — but then I did threaten her with a fictional biography. Since graduation she's sung with the Tanglewood Festival Chorus, gotten an MBA, became a lawyer, sat next to Elvis in a bingo parlor in Dundalk, MD and married a landscaper, inheriting four children and two grandchildren. Pat's an assistant professor at Villa Julie College (where my wife, **Barbara Payne '70**, works), teaching several business courses and banking law to juniors and seniors. She invites all to her pool in the Cedarcroft section of Baltimore.

I know you are all dying to hear what I'm doing, but my name's in the 2nd half of the alphabet, so you're just going to have to wait. Thanks for the cards. Don't forget our 25th reunion May 28-30.

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**73** Thanks to all who wrote. If I have inadvertently overlooked anyone's news, I apologize — it must be semi-premature dementia!

**Libby Eife-Johnson** writes, "I miss the visits with college friends of the pre-children era." Libby is a part-time home-health physical therapist. Husband Bruce rides his bike from home in Alexandria to work, and sons Nat, 10, and Bryce, 8, play sports year-round and are in Scouts, church choir, and music lessons. Christy, 5, really "wants to be a brother." Libby still swims whenever she can, enjoys vacationing each summer on the North Carolina shore, and goes to as many Duke (hers and Bruce's 2nd alma mater) basketball games as they can.

**Sharley Lee Chen** is now a data analyst with National Health Service Corps "like in Northern Exposure." Ken is still with the Center for Naval Analyses. Brandon, 4, and Kathleen, 7, are heading for a return trip to Disney World in December with mom and dad.

**Lenny Swift Doves** anticipates Homecoming this year as it's **Dave '72's** 20th reunion. Nathan, 12, and Joshua, 8, play baseball, with Dave coaching Nathan's team. Lenny and Joshua take concurrent piano lessons. Lenny volunteers at the boys' school in Salisbury, MD on the three days she doesn't work at Dave's engineering firm in Salisbury, MD.

**Pam Norton Bennett** writes from Severna Park, MD that she and **Tom '70** enjoy Leia, 10; Matthew, 8; David, 4; and Mark, 2; the eldest two of whom are being home schooled. Tom is chief of physical therapy at Home-wood Hospital. The Bennetts visited Peter and Cathy Campbell Whitehouse and daughters Erin, 10; Meghan, 9; and Kirsten, 7; this summer.

In Moorestown, NJ, **Midge Wright Ingersoll** still freelances, mostly architectural renderings, although her first love remains watercolors, and she does enough for several junior shows a year. In 1990, she and Jon bought a circa 1840 Tidewater farmhouse on Hudson Creek outside Cambridge, MD. After a year of steady work, the place looks pretty good. She invites anyone to look them up and stop by — they're in the phone book.

From Annandale, VA **Dinah Sunday** writes, "My job continues to test me and thrill me. My latest project is the company's biennial report. Before that, I taught a course in copyediting to 40 secretaries."

**Patty Swindell Kuzmak** home schooled her daughters Sarah, 14, and Judy, 9. Next year they will go to school like their brother Steve, 12, while Joe, 5, stays home. Peter designs the computer data base for medical images at the Veterans Admin. in Silver Spring, MD, taking the train to work from their home in Catonsville. The Kuzmaks became specialized foster parents last year and have had Cathy, 3, since January.

**Debbie Buck Berk** moved to Sarasota, FL in August with Audrey, 11, who takes ballet, sings and plays the clarinet. Debbie's beau, Joseph Thiel, teaches at the Ringling School of Art and Design.

**Jeanne Bischoff Day** is with Bloomsburg University as director of cooperative education and internships, working on a U.S. Department of Education demonstration grant for cooperative education. Her 1st attempt at proposal writing earned BU an award of \$300,000. She is still "happily married to Michael." Jessica is 15; Benjamin, 10; and Ashley, 7.

A clinical nursing manager in the surgical intensive-care unit at the University of Michigan Medical Center is **Wilson Bowers**. He and wife Janette, a teacher in the Jackson Public Schools, keep busy with Rush, 14; Nelson, 11; and Linsky, 7. "Family life is great!" writes Wilson, who enjoys cruising Lake Erie and scuba diving.

From Kensington, CA, a mile north of the University of California-Berkeley, **John Crooms** writes that Jeanne is making the transition from classical to jazz musician and expects to play in clubs shortly. John is managing director for group marketing for the Prudential and came East to Columbia University this summer for a class, after which he visited his family in Baltimore. He visited with Dr. Bob Weber during the summer of 1990 on an East Coast journey.

**Odd Haugen** lives about 10 minutes from him and owns several health clubs in the San Francisco Bay area as well as "a huge one in Hawaii."

Down the coast, in Los Angeles, lives **Fory "Buck" Buckingham** who, with wife Beth and son Matthew, 2, were visiting in Santa Barbara during the April unrest. Matty "hugged all the little kids who came down to the beach and petted all the dogs." Buck shot a commercial for Pacific Bell which aired in Los Angeles and San Francisco. All three came East for family reunions and Beth's Holy Cross reunion in Massachusetts.

A podiatrist, **Paul Resignato** resides in El Paso, TX, and is still a competitive runner and bicyclist.

**Joan Rudrow Kaplan and Steve '71** opened their 4th Subway store, this one in Chikasha; their others are in Norman, OK. Sara and Beth both get A's, play baseball, and go to Sunday school at the Hill B'Nai B'rith Center on the University of Oklahoma campus. Sara also takes painting lessons.

**Carol Whitmer Empie** spends most of her "non-mothering" time working out, playing tennis, substitute teaching and giving private tennis lessons. She had major reconstructive surgery on her right knee in May, a repeat of what she had on the left knee in 1985. She and Steve had a vacation in San Francisco last year without daughters Lauren, 11, and Meredith, 9. The girls take piano lessons and are in choir and Girl Scouts as well as a summer swim team. Carol keeps in touch with **Marshall '71** and **Leslie Hoban Adams** in Connecticut, usually visiting annually,

and lunches with **Fran McCabe '72**.

After graduating from law school and working for MCA Universal Pictures, **Ed Hogan** left New York eight years ago and opened his own law practice in Medford, NJ. He is considering a class action suit against Hallmark for all those "over the hill" 40th birthday cards that most of us got which caused us undue emotional distress.

**Michael Mocks**, "All is well with my wife, Yuppie, and me. We were inadvertently yuppie nif-ralf recently escaped to the cultural mecca of Haymarket, VA. Here we enjoy the simple life — tennis, polo, fox hunts, etc., on our 700-acre estate."

**Allen Cadwallader** is thriving in Oberlin, OH as associate, tenured, professor of music theory and director of the division of music theory at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music.

From Silver Spring, MD, **Dolores Peters** writes that she presented research results on development of premature infants recovering from respiratory disease at the National Association of Neonatal Nurses Conference in Phoenix, AZ. She is a clinical nurse specialist at Washington Hospital Center, involved in teaching, research, policy making, and administrative supervision.

After teaching English for 17 years, **Fran Hiltner Holstein** became the resource teacher for all the average and at-risk students in her school. Kendall is 9, and Courtney is 5. Her husband, Ron, and she enjoyed a private tour of the Monet exhibit given by **Anita Jones**, textiles curator at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

**Kathy Walter Hobart** and **Jim '71** live in Columbia, where she teaches physical education, K-8, at Trinity School in Howard County. "Hobie and I are coaching and following our kids around as they play sports all year long." Sarah Jane, 9, and Kathy were planning to complete a 150-mile bike ride for multiple sclerosis in June. Addie, 4, "marches to the beat of a different drummer." The Hobarts frequently see **Philip '71** and **Gail Canace Entiste**, Gene '71 and **Debra Dunphy '72** Grosh and **Robbie Parsons Eckert**.

**Frederica "Rickie" Banning** is continuing her psychological counseling business, buying a waterfront town house in Pasadena, MD, learning more about sailing, and continuing her schooling at the College of Notre Dame's pre-veterinary program. Last fall, a car accident caused by a drinking driver caused her to drop her classes. Rickie took her 1st vacation to the "Wisconsin part of the country" this year.

In Vienna, VA, Tom and **Linda Chenoweth Kranz** are busy with Merrick, 5; Ally, 3; and Erin, born March 4. Linda is still managing principal of LCK Communications.

**Peggy Jones Demedis** closed her law office in August after six years of private practice and is the library media specialist at the new Plum Point Elementary School where Katie is in 2nd grade and Steve is in 1st. **Emanuel**

'72 still practices law in Prince Frederick, MD.

**Diane Smith Cikanovich** is active in the Junior League of Annapolis and chaired the '91-'92 recycling project after spending four years giving "disabled" puppet shows, which characterize those with differing abilities, at Anne Arundel County schools. Chris is with GE after having been recalled to the Pentagon to work with the joint chiefs of staff during Desert Storm. Ken, a lacrosse player, is 9, and Marilyn is ready for high school. She cheered for the local youth sports association while Diane coached a dozen 13-14 year-old girls.

**Carol Ennor DuLaney** was named Volunteer of the Year at her children's elementary school, and her son, Kevin, was named Little Volunteer. She implemented a math superstar program, mad buttons for the kids, and took classes to the computer lab.

**Steve Kettles** formed his own business, an advertising/marketing agency targeted to the shoe industry. Daughters Amy, 16, and Betsy, 13, continue to ice skate. He's planning a Maryland trip in 1993 from his home in Glendale, WI.

**Barb Vose '76 Armstrong** writes that **John "Slug"** spent his 40th birthday with **Betsy Bowth '72**, **Greg Getty '69**, **Ron Athey '72** and their families at a surprise get-together at the Inner Harbor. Still a math teacher at Beall High in Frostburg, MD, "Slug" also is assistant basketball coach at Bishop Walsh High in Cumberland. He and Barb spend lots of time with J.C., 9, and Rachel, 5.

**Wayne Backes**, associate professor of pharmacology at Louisiana State University Medical Center, lives near New Orleans with wife Cheryl and sons Greg, 3, and Nathan, 2.

**Lionie Hammett Frank** is a judge of the Orphan's Court for Calvert County and helps **Jon '72** with his insurance business. Jon coaches lacrosse, the sport of sons Chas, 16, and Ben, 12. Lionie is "the enthusiastic fan and taxi service." They planned a family summer trip to the Grand Canyon and were anticipating Jon's reunion.

**Steve Garrison** and **Linda Moore** are living "inexpensively in Catonsville, MD in a good house we bought with 1976 dollars." Lauren is 5, and Julia, 2. "Our 1st child was killed on his bike in 1985, aged 7 1/2. We are glad we had Geoff," Linda takes care of the children, and Steve teaches 4th- and 5th-graders at a pleasant neighborhood school in Baltimore City. I extend our collective concern to the Garrisons for their loss.

**Joe Carter** really enjoys teaching at WMC, as "the students generate many memories." **Mary Connor '74** earned her master's in counseling in May. Both coached their girls' softball teams. Kate is 15; Erin, 12; and Meredith, 9.

Another of my Westminster neighbors, **Steve Kelly**, is a pupil personnel worker for Carroll County and covered five schools for the '91-'92 school year. **Barbara Shipley Guthrie '71**

and **Beth McWilliams Tressler '75** work in the same office. **Carol MacDonald '74** and **Steve** took a summer cruise.

In January, **Greg Hare** returned to private law practice, concentrating on business, real estate and estate planning, after 10 years as in-house counsel for Peterson, Howell, and Heather in Hunt Valley. He is serving his 2nd term as congregational council president of Grace Lutheran Church, which is celebrating its 125th anniversary. Greg and Doris have two daughters, Lauren, 10, and Lenis, 7.

I changed congregations in April and joined the aforementioned Grace. **Wayne '72** and **Suzanne Germuth '72** Butler served as my sponsors.

Only gradually am I realizing the significant number of alumni attending Grace. I recently "found" **Stu Schull '71 Anderson**. She and **Roger '72** have three children — Billy, Christy and Joshua. Sue and I enjoyed a brief but amusing reminiscence in the lobby of our bank, and we plan to continue our anecdotal exchange. The Andersons enjoy frequent visits with **John Landon** and his family. Our Peter, who turned 6 in July, is a constant source of joy and amazement, to us. His cerebral palsy is mild, yet the residuals of his prematurity are manifested in different ways. His expressive vocabulary exceeds that of many of my students, and his sense of humor of my wisest classmates. For any identifiable deficit, he has 10 assets. Christi, 18, is a student at Carroll Community College, where I work. She plans to major in interior design. We were reminded of our own mortality on May 31 when Chris, my husband, suffered a heart attack, primarily the result of bad genes. At this writing, he is to re-enter the hospital for a 3rd catheterization. As a result of this, I am rethinking my goals and realizing that what we call progress is often achieved simply by maintaining a holding pattern; some "important" things are not as important as we might believe.

I wish you a happy holiday season and anticipate seeing many of you at our 20th reunion, May 28-30. Your cards and letters are a source of great pleasure, and I will try to write back when possible.

Joann Donnelly Pilachowski  
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Westminster, MD 21158

**78** Glad to hear from you! **Sue Barham Aldridge** returned to the U.S. from the United Kingdom in January 1991 to become chief financial officer of the Macmillan and OAG Group. She enjoys being near family and friends and she and David are now able to take advantage of their lake-side cottage in Maine more frequently in the summers, but Sue still misses her English garden.

I received a long letter from **Thomas "Tim" Lewis**, who is an intelligence-operations specialist for U.S. Special Operations Command in Tampa, FL. The Command has responsibility for special-operations forces of the Army, Navy SEALs, and Air Force. He also is busy as a major in the Army Reserve, Special Forces Command, Fort Bragg, NC. Tim was called to active duty during Operation Desert Shield/Storm and was awarded the Bronze Star, the Combat Medal Badge, and a number of other unit awards and campaign ribbons. After eight months on active duty, Tim returned to Florida and bought a house. He and wife Kim keep busy with house repairs and swimming in their pool.

Tim has seen Maj. (Dr.) **David Dickerhoff** several times during the last three years, as Dave is an Army dentist doing a general-dentistry residency at Ft. Bragg, NC. Tim and Dave were as close as 1/4 mile from each other at four different bases in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Dave set up the 1st U.S. military dental clinic in Kuwait after the ground war and was his chief dentist. He graduates from his residency program next year.

**Jim and Karen Simons Van Duzer** now live in Calvert County, MD, on the Chesapeake Bay. Jim is in the electrical-contracting business, and Karen is kept hopping with Laura, 7, and Melissa, 5. The highlight of their year was a two-week missions' trip to Juneau, AL.

**Judith Byrd Fox** and **Christopher**, of Skyesville, MD, are the proud parents of James, 6, and Catherine, Elaine, 1. Judith is the itinerant teacher for the hearing impaired in Howard County.

**Kathy Chandler** and **Tom '80 Arnbruster** moved to Havana, Cuba in August 1991. Tom works with the State Department on his consular tour. Bryan, 10, and Kalia, 7, attend the International School of Havana.

**Rev. Fred Eckhardt** is pastor of the Berthelheim Lutheran Church, the Bronx, NY. She surprised her parents as guest preacher during the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the ordination of her father, the **Rev. Dr. Frederick Eckhardt '48**, on May 24.

I've lived in France since June 1991 and am enjoying it, personally and professionally. It's been a challenge relearning French and conducting business in a different corporate culture. I'm trying to take advantage of my European location and have visited eight countries on business as well as on long weekends. Please keep in touch!

Don't forget our 15-year reunion, May 28-30.  
Georgann Morekas  
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Welcome back, Class of '83. Here's the latest news.

**Matt and Theresa Gertner MED'86** Kormann live in Olney, MD with daughter Jacqueline Theresa. After finishing her master's at WMC, Theresa began teaching at Fields Road Elementary School in Montgomery County. At home, she teaches music to more than 20 private students. Matt is a senior terrorism analyst at the Federal Aviation Admin., on a watch that was established by Congress following the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

**Tim '84 and Rebecca Poynter Kirkner's** children are Jenny and Jacob. Becky stays home full time and has various part-time jobs. Tim still is a counselor.

**Suzanne Seger** travels up and down the East Coast as a manufacturers' rep. for several men's and women's clothing companies.

**Doug and Wendy Pinto** live in central Maine where they built a home on a lake. Doug practices internal medicine.

In another odd spot is **Peg Houghton Nunn** near Seattle, WA. Peg and husband Ted have a son, Jared Robert, and two greyhounds. Peg has set up a support group for new mothers. Ted is a supervisor for Physio Control Corp., a company that makes the heart defibrillators you see on Rescue 911.

Down South is **Wayne Keen** in Marietta, GA. He works for Penzoil/Jiffy Lube. Wayne saw **Dan Fielder** and **Jack '84 and Gillian Davies Springer** in Monte Rey and would like to hear from **Kent and Lisa Lohr '84 Galvin** and **Bob DeBeer**.

**Mollie King Crouch** and husband live in Alexandria, VA, where Mollie is an assignments editor in the newsroom for Voice of America.

**Michelle "Shelley" Haydak Sweeney** and husband Neil live in Sikesville, MD with new daughter Molly Jane. Shelley still is a psychiatric social worker at Howard County General Hospital in Columbia. Shelley and Molly enjoy seeing **Kathleen "Kaki" Brusca Wynn** and daughter Colleen. Kaki and her husband, Patrick, are building a new home in Woodstock, VA. Kaki, vice president of Disc, Inc., travels frequently and recently went to Paris with her husband.

**Steve Sturiale** and wife Kristin live in Laurel, MD, where Steve is a manager for Bell Atlantic.

**Eileen Riley Richardot** lives in New Jersey with husband Bill and sons Billy and Timmy. Eileen is a part-time personnel generalist for a direct marketing firm specializing in medical marketing. She says hello to all her Delt sisters.

**John O'Connell** and wife Rose live in Columbia, MD, where he works for Ameritas Financial Services.

**Kathie Harrison Offutt** is a stay-home mom for Craig and Bryan. She keeps in touch with **Kelly Ferguson Sweets** whose children are Sarah and the twins, Michael and James. She also

corresponds with **Kristan Altimus '84**, who lives in Los Angeles.

**Alicia Leftridge Rumberg** lives in a new home in Delta, PA with husband Bill. She is a secretary for Baltimore County Board of Education at Perry Hall Elementary.

**Betsy Mayer Kleger** and Scott have a son, Maxwell, and live in D.C. Betsy graduated from the University of Maryland Law School and is a defense litigator for Geico Insurance Co. She sent news about **Jennifer Gill Guy**, who has a son, Daniel.

**Karen Messick Street** and husband **Ward '82** have a daughter, Natalie. Karen works part time in a group private practice in Annapolis doing family and child therapy. She also consults for a halfway house for women in recovery from addiction. Karen gets together once a month with **Ellen Schaefer-Salins**, **Cathy Hosley**, **Nina Blecher**, **Meredith Zimmerman** and **Alison Warner**.

**Patrick Rogan** and wife Sue have a baby girl, Kelly. He is working "again" with **Matt Fabian** at Augmentation, Inc. in Silver Spring, MD.

**Liz MacSherry Moag** and husband Tony have two children, Jenna and Christopher. They have lived in Vermont for one year, and Liz hopes to return to work soon. She keeps in touch with **Cyndi Swezey Heck**, **Nancy Reid Caspari**, **Kathy Harrison Offutt**, **Cyndy Brault** and **Jennifer Gill Guy**.

**Sherrie Snyder-Sentf** lives in Texas with sons Shane Michael and Samuel Benjamin and husband Steven. Sherrie is a CPA.

Among our alumni who live in Westminster is **Stacy Proctor Shaffer**, who has two girls, Kelly and Katie. She practices law on a limited basis at the Circuit Court. She sees **Erin Bell Danz**, who has two children. Stacy would love to hear from **Mary "Mimi" Duncan**.

**M. Lynn Rill** and wife Joanne have three children: Allison, Andy and Abby. He is a vice president at Carroll County Bank and Trust, the manager of residential real estate lending.

**Jody Walter** and **Gretchen Fesche '85** received an early Christmas present, son Bennett. Jody teaches physical education in the Carroll County schools.

**She Lucy Maseth** and **Rob** celebrated their 8th anniversary this year. Rob is a sales manager for Quality 1st Greetings — a division of American Greeting Cards. Sue is in her 10th year of teaching at Frederick High School. She also received her master's of fine arts and art education from Maryland Institute.

**Jackie Anderson Stranathan** returned to Westminster after five years in England. They have two girls, Britany and Bethy. She and Malcolm are your coordinators for their church.

Our last Westminsterite is **Beth White Werrell**. She and husband John live on three acres of wooded land where families of deer run through their yard. Beth is product manager of the model train division of Life-Like Products, which means she

builds model trains! She says to look in your Sears' and Penneys' catalogs this winter for her handwork.

Alumni living in Pennsylvania include **Beth Smith Miller**. She and husband Sharran live in Hanover with daughter Sarah Nicole. Beth teaches in the Carroll County schools.

**Joann Krout Luckenbaugh** also lives in Hanover, where she is the director of music at St. David's Lutheran Church, teaches general music K-8, and is a private vocal and instrumental teacher.

**Lynne Sanders Vidmar** has two children, Christine and Joseph. Even though she stays at home, she feels "over volunteered" as vice president of a preschool and treasurer of a non-profit charitable women's foundation. She and David have traveled a lot with his work. Trips have included Paris, Rome, the Caribbean and Maui, with many more trips in the future.

**Ellen Nash Martin** and Sam live in Manchester, MD. She manages an emissions station, tunes pianos and directs a church choir. She says hello to the "Levine Hair" crowd.

**Laura Lee Cook Wilson** is campus pastor/executive director of the Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry at the University of Delaware. She traveled to Brazil to study the devastation of the ecological system and reflected on the international economic and social justice issues.

**Stacie Matzorkis Dashiell** and husband Dave just finished four years of house renovation. She stays in touch with **Stu Lapidus Spencer**, **Lisa Stahl Gastelle**, **Kathy Norris** and **Chrysanthi Tegeris Hironas '84**. **Bob Wassmann** works with the MITRE Corp. evaluating the environmental compliance of the Johnston Atoll in the Pacific Ocean. This summer he met up with Matt Baker and Margaret Powell in Indonesia.

**Lisa Lippy Wheatley** and **Craig '81** live in Glen Burnie, MD with sons Tyler and Travis. Elaine teaches French at Marley Middle.

**Patsy Moyles** has a new home in Eldersburg, MD — if she's not playing softball she's doing yard work. Patsy just finished her 8th year with BG&E and was promoted to interconnection cost analyst.

**Michele Neuman Seburn** and husband John live on a multi-acre plot in Greencastle, PA with their dog, Molly. Michele still keeps track of credit-card accounts at Citicorp in Hagerstown, MD.

**Liz Warner** lives in Arlington, VA and is director of human resources at Warner Plumbing Heating and Air Conditioning. In her free time she is president of the Arlington Jayces.

**Ellen Schaefer-Salins** is a part-time clinical supervisor at the Maryland Mental Health Center for the Deaf. Her children are Mickey and Lena. Ellen keeps in contact with **Cathy Hosley**, **Karen Messick Street**, **Nina Blecher** and **Alison Warner**.

**Susan King Wandishin** is one of the doctors practicing at Valley Pediatrics, and loves it! She and husband **John '82** just built a new home in

Randallstown, MD.

**Lynn Goldstein Phillips** still loves living in Washington state. She is a manager of marketing at Electric Lightwave, a company that builds and operates fiber-optic telecommunications. She and husband Kirt have just moved further into the country into a home they built.

**Lori Bimesteyer Reinhardt** and husband **Charles '84** live on a farm in New Windsor, MD, which they share with Katie, Meagan and Charlie Junior, and many animals. Lori would like to find an in-home job that uses her English degree.

**Paul Parlette** and wife **Nancy Turner '82** are on the move to Hawaii. They and their son, Wesley, will be on "hardship" tour of duty for his job with the Department of Defense.

**Rick Kopolowitz** is a software analyst with the National Assoc. of Securities Dealers in Rockville, MD. He and his wife, Kathie, and daughter Betsy live in Germantown. He keeps in contact with **Pete Weller**, who has a band, Artizan, that plays out of Orlando.

**Jay Krause** still works and lives at "the same old place (Throver, NJ)."

**Steve Ports** lives down the street from me in Arnold, MD. He is back with the band, The Klaxix, and is going into his 6th year as counsel to the Senate Finance Committee of the Maryland General Assembly, as assigned by the Department of Fiscal Services. He and the "Techs" still get together for various parties, golf, and other sports-related endeavors. (See the story on Steve on Page 15.)

**Lisa Kulick Pence** and **Bill** live in Baltimore, where Bill teaches English as a 2nd language and regular composition at WMC. He's still working on his PhD in education at University of Maryland College Park. Lisa works part time on a public health study area and cares for daughter Hanna.

**Bob Thomas** married Lata Mahubani in 1989, and they honeymooned in Hong Kong and Bangkok. Since then, he has started his own business, The Thomas Organization, selling commercial real estate in New Jersey.

**Mike** and **Beth DeVries Meister** live in Columbia, MD. Mike still is an attorney for the Department of Health and Human Services. He is a scout leader and baseball coach and enjoys spending that time with his kids.

**Scott Kohr** teaches 6th grade at Sikesville Middle School. He and **Jack Knies** share an apartment in Sikesville, MD. Scott attended **Mark Jordan's** wedding and sees **Bob Butler '86** and his family often.

**Stan Murray** has been with the same company since graduation, moving up to manager. He, wife Chris and son Adam Robertson live in Westminster.

Thanks everyone for returning the cards and passing along information on other classmates — it makes my job much easier. Brad and I keep busy chasing our three kids. I can't believe they are all out of diapers! I still tutor

in the evenings and specialize in preparing students for the Maryland functional tests. Any spare time I spend volunteering for Habitat for the Humanities, Christmas in April, and the Grassroots Coalition that deals with environmental issues. Brad is once again playing trombone with Bobby and the Believers. We enjoyed attending **Lauree Brown's** and Scott Holman's wedding in August. Several alumni were in there. I also went to a bon voyage party for **Melissa Pruitt Cockerill**. She and Mark are finishing his army obligation in Hawaii. They have a son, Daniel, and expect to be in the islands for about three years.

See you at Homecoming, and don't forget to volunteer to help with our 10-year reunion! It's May 28-30. Traci "Breeze" Holland-Anderson 372 Volley Court Arnold, MD 21012

**88** It's so much fun to see what everyone has been up to. As **Stephanie Golski Brennan** said in her note, "It's hard to believe that we have been out of school as long as most of us were in."

**Dawn Deffenbaugh Anderson** and husband Tim are finally settled down. They recently bought a colonial house in Missouri. They have a new addition, puppy Chessie. They miss all of their friends in Maryland. Dawn reminds everyone that their place in Missouri has a vacant guest room.

**Rolf and Lisa Brown Arnesen '90** had a home built in southern Anne Arundel County. Rolf teaches at Southern Middle in Calvert County, and Lisa works for BG&E. They say hi to **Andy, Malcolm, and Timmy**.

**Debbie Hauser** they took the May 1989 CPA exam and passed the it the 1st time! She is now a CPA for the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. She married Mark on June 29. They honeymooned in Maui, Hawaii, and bought a new house in Clarksville, MD on three acres. They spend their weekends cutting the grass with their John Deere tractors and working in the yard. She enjoys riding and showing her new horse, Taylor Made. Debbie keeps in touch with **Kristen Mowery '90** and **Daral Vanlistendal '89**.

**Kim Baker** has recently moved back from New York, where she was an assistant athletic trainer at the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), to become head athletic trainer at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

**Bob Ballinger** married **Theresa Bernhard '89** in December. They recently purchased a town house in Westminster. Bob sees **Denny Snyder**, **Colin Fraser '92** and **Bill Jenne '85**.

**Nancy Boore** is still stationed in Germany, now in Heidelberg, as a watch officer in the U.S. Army European Headquarters. She may go state-side for her Advance Course in early January. She will be promoted to captain in the fall. She's going skiing in

Austria again this winter and planned a scuba trip to this summer. She says "What's up?" to **Chris Gither '87**, **Julie Younger**, **Renee Allen Combs**, **Sandy Lawrenson Rhoten** and her sister, **Carol Boore O'Neil**.

**Melinda Shatzer Bowersox** and husband Gordon are still fixing up their house in Pikesville, MD. She is in her 5th year of teaching 1st grade in Baltimore and enjoys working with special children. She is nearing the end of her graduate program in counseling.

**Stephanie Golski Brennan** is still at Johns Hopkins — should have her PhD next spring. She was awarded a fellowship to teach a course this fall on Cognitive Enhancers — different aspects of our environment such as drugs and diet that can influence the brain and cognition. Tyler Allen Brennan, born June 20, 1991, is a very active toddler who keeps Steph and husband Jay entertained with his great sense of humor. He adores his godmother and very dotting aunt, **Helen Brennan Jones '87**.

**Joe Broadhurst** lives in Atlanta and enjoys the hot Georgia weather. He still manages accounts in the deep South for The Upjohn Co. Joe says hello to everyone.

**Mark Buckley** was married in Panama on August 7 to Rose Mary Silveira of Panama City, a law student at the University of Panama. They are thinking about taking a Caribbean cruise or a trip to Europe and plan to return to the states in June, hoping to live in Arizona or Alabama.

**John Eiker** still works at Graves Insurance Agency in Frederickburg, VA. He and wife Michele have a son Paul, 1. John stays in touch with **Mike '87** and **Tammy Graf Angell '88**.

**Dawn East-Farquharson** and **Pete** bought a house in May 1991 in Hampstead, MD. Dawn teaches 2nd grade, and Pete has been promoted to senior claims representative at Allstate Insurance Co. They see **Grant Keimig** and **Lauren Ziegler '90** a lot. They recently saw the entire Phi Delta Theta crew at **Frankie Kratovil '90's** wedding.

**Gary Goldberg** has enjoyed the last 3 1/2 years in Alaska so much that he plans to leave active duty to remain there permanently. This fall he'll go into the National Guard and start at the University of Alaska to work on his master's degree in teaching. His gold-en retriever, Ike, is doing fine. They have been busy salmon fishing.

**Richard Gruber** is director of operations at American Pool Management. He and wife **Stacy Pucci '87** had a son, **Nicholas**, in January.

**Alice Schwarzkopf Gwinn** and **Neil '87** bought a house just outside Catonsville, MD, and live next to her parent's house where she grew up. She still works for General Physics Corp. in Columbia and enjoys traveling throughout the East Coast and the Midwest. She still awaits a trip to the West Coast and overseas. She plays basketball with alumni in the Carroll County Women's League and coed

soccer with Neil in Montgomery County. She had a blast last year as a bridesmaid in **Stacey Bradley DeCollis** and **Val Butta Shinsky's** weddings. Alice is excited to have **Lisa Buscemi Berlin** as a new neighbor. She spends a lot of time with the Thirsty Thursday Gang.

**Diane Hale** is an organic farmer raising lambs, fruit and herbs. She started the Hampstead, MD, farmers' market on June 27. She collects local wildflowers for propagation.

**Tracy Harris** has just finished her 3rd year of teaching preschool at a private learning center in Annapolis, MD. She plans to attend the University of Maryland Baltimore County graduate school this fall to become certified to teach early childhood education in the public schools.

**Stacie Hemphill**, of Severna Park, MD, works for Duty Free International. She sees **Pam VonEiff '90** regularly.

**Kelly Rembold Hoke** has worked for four years at Adams Sandler Advertising Agency in Fells Point, MD. She and husband John are building their "dream house" in Fallston.

**Heather Murtagh Hopkins** works part time at Snyder, Crompton and Associates in the accounting department and raises her son, Joshua, 2.

**Cheryl Jones** works for Marriott Corp. at the headquarters in Bethesda, MD as an internal auditor. Her job keeps her on the road across the U.S. her most recent trip was to Puerto Vallarta. She anticipates seeing everyone at Homecoming.

**Guy Kangas Jr.** loves living in Midletown, MD because it is close to Baltimore and D.C., yet far enough out to enjoy a true country setting. He still works for General Electric, Aerospace Division in Rux, VA doing management and data systems operations for business development and marketing. He finally got his band reassembled. They are recording in the studio. Guy says hi to Schmitz and Co., The Rock Man, The Swooze, Jacober, and Freddy.

**Debra Weber Kiley** was married July 27, 1991 to **Jeffrey Kiley '84**. Following the wedding, they enjoyed a week at Disney. During Christmas and New Year's they traveled to Key West to play golf. They recently bought a house in Finksburg, MD. Debra still teaches 5th grade at Sandymount Elementary School in Carroll County.

**Tom Keach** lives in Timonium, MD with wife **Kathy Eskut '90** waiting for her new house in Greenspring to be completed. Tom is a district sales manager for Pepsi-Cola. He sees **John McDonnell** and **Kevin O'Connor**.

**Laurie Levin** still with the IRS, received a promotion in October 1991. In January, she bought a town house in Owings Mills, MD.

**Kathy Little MS'91** teaches elementary physical education for Carroll County Public Schools and coaches for Francis Scott Key High School. She frequently visits WMC to see the coaches and professors she worked with as a graduate student.

**Kelley Bocham Lorenz** finished her master's in social work during the summer of '89. She took a year off to do some missionary work, then started working at Hannah More Center School with emotionally disturbed adolescents. She married Dennis in August 1991.

**Gina Graham Moltz** was married on June 20 to "Big" Baker Chmet to Carl Moltz III whom she met in pharmacy school. They spent 10 days in Hawaii and three days in San Francisco for their honeymoon. She still works at Washington Heights Pharmacy in Westminster; Carl is a pharmacist for Giant in Baltimore. **Suzanne Davis Peters** was bridesmaid extraordinaire in their wedding.

Suzanne herself was married in December and honeymooned on Grand Caymen Island. She finished her 4th year of teaching 2nd grade in Westminster and coaching the Westminster High girls' lacrosse team with **Amanda Wanamaker Borden**.

Suzanne's summer was busy — fixing up her house, working on her master's at WMC, spending time with husband Jim and chocolate lab, Chester. She also hangs out with the Thirsty Thursday Gang.

**Valerie Butta Shinsky** was married in November '91 and teaches middle school science at Maryvale Preparatory School for Girls.

**Steve Picardi** is a 3rd-year student at Dickinson School of Law. He represented Dickinson at the regional rounds of the Association of Trial Lawyers Moot Trial Court Competition, held March 7-10 in Philadelphia. Moot court competition involves preparing and arguing a fictitious case before a panel of judges.

**Donald Shantz** is a Navy A-6 Intruder bomber/navigator.

What have the class secretaries been up to?

**Tracy Buckman Dunne** and **Matt '87** live in Ellicott City, MD with their newly adopted German shepherd puppy, Zack. Tracy still works for the American Red Cross. She was promoted in October 1991 and is now at Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D.C. Matt is the theatre manager at Merriweather Post and still spends his spare time refereeing hockey games.

**Susan Scalley Heffner** works for Olsten Temporary Services placing temporary workers. Class president **Kevin** was promoted to assistant vice president of development for the National Capital Area of the National Kidney Foundation. Susan and Kevin spend their free time fixing up their house and enjoying daughter Holly.

For those of you who did not hear from us this time, we'll catch you next time. Feel free to drop us a note any time you hear that news is happening. Don't forget our five-year reunion May 28-30.

**Tracy Buckman Dunne** 4616 Learned Sage Ellicott City, MD 21042 and **Susan Scalley Heffner** 954 Cedar Grove Ave. Edgewater, MD 21037-4015

# Development

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## GIFTS CHART FISCAL YEAR HIGH

The 1991-92 fiscal year once again witnessed the setting of new gift records by the college's alumni, parents and friends.

Setting the pace were gifts to the 1991-92 Western Maryland College Annual Fund which reached a record-setting \$933,013. To the Annual Fund each year are credited gifts to support the core programs of the college.

Total outright gifts to WMC reached \$2.17 million, an increase of 5.9 percent. However, there was a drop in realized bequests from \$2.7 million in 1990-91 (a year that witnessed record-setting total gift support) to just \$141,000 in 1991-92.

"The Annual Fund is the college's top fundraising priority," declared Richard F. Seaman, vice president for institutional advancement. "Last year's record gifts represent the equivalent income from some \$20 million of endowment the college doesn't have. Gifts to the Annual Fund," he emphasized, "support financial aid for students, faculty salaries, library acquisitions and a host of other worthy needs that define the character and quality of this wonderful college. We are profoundly grateful to those who are supporting the college through the Annual Fund each and every year."

Contributing critically to the success of the Annual Fund were nine reunion classes, seven of which set new reunion giving records. "We particularly appreciate the members of Reunion Classes who are setting the pace for the Annual Fund by making gifts three to five times over the customary level of their annual support to celebrate their reunions and their relationship with the college on such a special occasion," said Seaman.

Participation in giving to the Annual Fund by alumni was 40 percent, well above the national average of 29 percent, according to one study. "What a tribute to the caring that WMC alumni have for their college," Seaman observed.

Another major factor in the Annual Fund's success was the \$55,000 in gifts donated by approximately 100 businesses in Carroll County through the Carroll County Student Grant Program. The college also received \$87,013 in corporate matching gifts for the Fund from nearly 150



C. Kurt Heiber

**After Convocation, Mrs. Malcolm L. Meltzer meets Professor Howard Orenstein and top psychology graduate Charles Cruise '90, recipient of the endowed annual award which pays tribute to her late husband.**

companies, including matching gifts of \$28,750 from IBM for computer equipment purchases. Nearly \$61,000 was received from the State of Maryland and national businesses through the Independent College Fund of Maryland.

"Gifts to the Annual Fund are the lifeblood of this college," Seaman noted. "Annual Fund gifts are a line item in the college's budget each year. They provide that critical margin of excellence not otherwise available to WMC."

Also among the highlights of the fiscal year were gifts for capital purposes of nearly \$1.1 million, including \$558,000 for additions to the teaching and learning facilities of the college—most notably pledge payments on gifts for the magnificent Hoover Library, dedicated a year ago. More than \$400,000 was added to the college's endowment. Gift annuities and gifts in trusts totaled \$135,000, bringing to over \$2.5 million the present value of such gifts now outstanding and available for the future benefit of the college.

"The long-term welfare of Western Maryland College is deeply dependent upon its capital assets," Seaman said. "Gifts for teaching and learning facilities like the library strike at the very heart of what we are doing educationally here."

"Gifts for endowment," he continued, "are especially valued, for they provide the financial underpinning upon which the future quality of this institution is so dependent. It is gratifying that increasing numbers of the WMC family are choosing to provide for the college in their estate plans and are making gifts to the endowment during their lifetimes, particularly for financial aid. Western Maryland College is seriously underendowed relative to our peers, and we need to catch up to remain competitive and sustain our quality." ●



Mark Swisher

**French instructor Colette Henriette is one of several faculty receiving new computers funded by alumni and parents gifts to the Annual Fund which are matched by IBM.**

**1991-92 Gifts To Western Maryland College From Private Sources of Support**

**Gifts Were Received From**

	<i>Donors</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Alumni	4,718	\$1,028,834
Parents	655	107,763
Faculty/Staff	104	88,878
Friends	107	438,354
Subtotal	5,584	\$1,663,829
Foundations	11	\$ 195,500
Businesses	288	313,840
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>5,883</b>	<b>\$2,173,169</b>

**Gifts Were Used For**

**Current Operations:**

Annual Fund	\$ 933,013
Other	142,180
Subtotal	\$1,075,193

**Capital Purposes:**

Buildings	\$ 557,925
Endowment	405,051
Annuities/Trusts	135,000
Subtotal	\$1,097,976
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$2,173,169</b>

**Kevin Richardson '92 helps catalog librarian Jane Sharpe apply anniversary bookplates into new volumes.**



Mark Swisher

**Annual fund gifts climbed significantly during faculty phonathons when led by economics professor Sue Singer.**



Janna Kelmartin

**CHALLENGE GRANT SPURS \$1 MILLION GOAL FOR FUND**

To sustain the momentum and achievement which surged during the 1991-92 Annual Fund campaign, while keeping in mind the resources needed to foster quality teaching and learning, Western Maryland College has established its most ambitious goal ever for the 1992-93 Annual Fund.

After careful, thorough planning and assessment, the Annual Fund goal for this year has been set at \$1 million. Suitably, this year's Annual Fund theme is "One in a Million"—representing and underscoring the difference that a WMC education can make in someone's life. More alumni, parents, and friends are recognizing the special nature of "the Hill" through participation in the Annual Fund.

It provides unrestricted gift support to balance a budget that tuition and endowment income simply cannot sustain. The Annual Fund undergirds the unique WMC experience by providing inquisitive students and caring professors with the resources necessary for quality teaching and learning.

To enable the college to reach this goal, a small group of trustees and special friends have pledged \$126,000 as a Challenge Fund to match on a dollar-for-dollar basis all new gifts and the amount of increase over last year's gift to the Annual Fund. The Challenge Donors also will provide a special bonus for any alumnus, parent or friend answering the Challenge by joining a new or higher gift club:

**A \$250 bonus honors your new membership in The Founders Society:**

The President's Circle	\$5,000 and over
The President's Associates	\$2,500 - 4,999
The Ward Associates	\$1,000 - 2,499

**A \$100 bonus honors your new membership in one of the following clubs:**

The Cornerstone Club	\$500 - 999
The Charter Club	\$250 - 499
The Anniversary Club	\$126 - 249

The following examples illustrate the power of "One in a Million" gifts:

Bill Brown has never made a gift to the college before. To meet the Challenge, he decides to make a gift of \$126 - qualifying him for the Anniversary Club through the student phonathon program. The result:

1992-93 Annual Fund Gift:	\$ 126
Challenge Dollars Earned:	126
<b>Gift Club Bonus Earned:</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Total Gift to WMC:</b>	<b>\$ 352</b>

Charlotte Jones contributed \$100 last year, and her company, Lewis, Inc., added to that another \$100 through its corporate matching gifts program. This year, in honor of her reunion, Charlotte makes a gift of \$250 which her company also will match. The result:

1992-93 Annual Fund Gift:	\$ 250
Challenge Dollars Earned:	150
Corporate Matching Gift:	250
Gift Club Bonus Earned:	100
<b>Total Gift to WMC:</b>	<b>\$ 750</b>

Bob Ward has been a long-time supporter of the college at the \$500 level. When asked by his class agent to join the ranks of the Founders Society, Bob agrees to make a gift of \$1,000. The result:

1992-93 Annual Fund Gift:	\$ 1,000
Challenge Dollars Earned:	500
Gift Club Bonus Earned:	250
<b>Total Gift to WMC:</b>	<b>\$ 1,750</b>



Sherril Dingsel

**Doris and Phil Jenkins, parents of Cathy Jenkins MacFawn '74, significantly support current students through an endowed scholarship.**

## REUNION CLASSES

Reunion Classes continue to provide an extraordinarily large share of alumni support each year. This past year eight classes set new records.

### Reunion Class Giving 1991-92

	% Participation	\$ Amount
*1942	83.96**	\$18,570**
*1947	48.60	11,840
*1952	52.63	12,695
*1957	47.45	10,816**
*1966	46.46	10,011
*1971	64.41**	12,796
*1976	52.04**	13,190**
*1981	53.00	12,050**
1986	30.28	4,092
<b>Total</b>	<b>53.2%</b>	<b>\$106,060</b>

\* Met & Surpassed Goal.

\*\* Established new College record for that reunion.



**Proud reunion phonathoners of the class of '42 set a new college record of nearly 84 percent for their 50th. From left are Esther Roop Hough, Clara Arther Huffington, Dorothy Schwartz Leftwich, Frank Tarbutton, Micki Reynolds Adolph, Emily Linton Carnochan and Elizabeth Tyson Koether.**



Rebecca Ormstein '74

**Fern Hitchcock '47 (left), assistant professor of physical education emeritus, hands over his classmates' reunion check to Richard Seaman, vice president of institutional advancement, at the Alumni Banquet last spring.**

# NEWS BRIEFS

## STUDENT SUPPORT IS HOME-GROWN

In 1983, Western Maryland College and the Carroll County business community joined to form the Carroll County Student Grant Program. The partnership's aim is to provide college-bound students from Carroll with a \$1,500 scholarship in order to keep the best and brightest county students in the area. The businesses and service organizations help to offset these costs through contributions to Western Maryland.

In eight years, more than 1,000 students have benefited from this program. Last year, the college realized its second-best

ever year for contributions from Carroll businesses with contributions of \$55,000 from almost 100 companies. M. Lynn Kill '83, who chairs the volunteer-led effort, is vice-president at Carroll County Bank and Trust. ●



Roberta Oremstein '74

**Lynn Kill '83 aims to attract Carroll County's brightest high school grads with business-supported student grants.**

## KEY COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

The Board of Trustees has appointed a new Select Committee to enhance and strengthen fundraising for Western Maryland College, according to M. Lee Rice '48, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Laurence J. Adams, former president and chief operating officer of Martin Marietta Corp. and a college trustee from 1989-92, has been appointed chairman.

"Western Maryland College has great opportunities and challenges in the years ahead," Rice commented. "Our task is to turn opportunity into advantage. The college has urgent needs which can only be met by the increased generosity of larger numbers of alumni, parents, and friends who care deeply about its future. The Select Committee," he added, "will address ways in which the college's fundraising can be strengthened so that its urgent need for support of current operations through gifts to the Annual Fund and its need for gifts to increase its endowment and to provide new and renovated teaching facilities can be satisfied."

The Select Committee has been given three charges: (1) to provide advice, counsel, and recommendations to the Board regarding the organization, planning and conduct of the institutional advancement function as the college begins planning for a major, comprehensive fundraising campaign later in the decade; (2) to coordinate and conduct fundraising among the college's top prospects with special emphasis in 1992-93 and 1993-94 on the Annual Fund and the college's need for a new Science Center; and (3) to recommend to

### Trustee Select Committee Members

*Chairman* Laurence J. Adams

*Ex Officio* M. Lee Rice '48, *Chairman of the Board*  
Robert H. Chambers, *President*  
Jerome P. Baroch '64, *Chairman, Institutional Advancement Committee*  
William B. Dulany '50, *Chairman, Budget and Finance Committee*  
Stanley E. Harrison, *Chairman, Long Range Planning Committee*  
William S. Keigler, *Chairman, Membership and Nominations Committee*  
Charles E. Moore Jr. '71, *National Chairman, Annual Fund*

*At Large* Lawrence Blumberg '67  
Mrs. Thomas H. Eaton (Catharine)  
Martin K.P. Hill  
Wilbur D. Preston Jr. '44  
Alleck A. Resnick '47  
Dolores J. Snyder MEd '63

*Staff* Richard F. Seaman,  
*Vice President for Institutional Advancement*

Stevenson W. Close Jr.,  
*Associate Vice President and Director of Development*

the Board's Membership and Nominations Committee ways in which the fundraising capability of the board can be strengthened.

"The generosity of alumni, parents, and friends of Western Maryland College has been a critical factor in the rapid rise in the college's quality and reputation," Rice concluded. "I know of few enterprises so deserving as WMC, where our generosity can have such substantial impact. The Select Committee will play a crucial role in helping to assure the college's advancement and future." ●

## EXERCISE-MINDFUL ALUM GIVES SHAPE TO FITNESS CENTER

Western Maryland will become the home of the fit and physically conditioned with the help of alumnus Larry Blumberg's recent challenge pledge of \$33,000 toward the completion of the proposed Life Fitness and Aerobic Center. The Center is targeted to open for students by Fall 1993.

Location of the new exercise center will be in Gold Rooms A and B in the lower level of Decker College Center adjacent to the Harlow Natatorium. This project will include complete outfitting of the center with various self-operating exercise machines to allow a total aerobic workout.

Blumberg '67 has pledged one dollar for each two dollars donated in cash or equipment by other alumni and friends, up to a maximum of \$100,000.

"Fitness has played an important role in my life," says Blumberg whose own exercise regimen includes running and weight-training. As an orthopedic surgeon, he finds that "exercise mellows me out especially after a long day in surgery.

"We all require high energy [in today's world] and the time to start a fitness program is in college—a habit that will continue throughout life."

The fit and trim Blumberg has a keen understanding of life outside the classroom through his active role as a WMC trustee. He's served on two vital trustee task force committees, one on student life and in 1990-91, on the commission which focused on athletics. That commission's findings, completed last fall, indicated that while the college's athletic facilities compare quite favorably with those of intercollegiate competitors, enhancements to the life-fitness, aerobic and weight-training equipment are still needed to serve more students. He has recently been appointed to the new Trustee Select Committee (see story on Page 36).

Over 60 percent of WMC students participate in intramural sports; and 35 percent in intercollegiate athletics.

"The fitness center will allow students to take advantage of an additional opportunity to experiment with different kinds of exercise," hopes Blumberg. After all, he concludes, "it may be the most important thing



Sharrt Dugel

a student learns. It's a proven fact that people who are fit spend less money on health care. They suffer less from major illnesses and stress."

Persons interested in supporting this project are asked to contact the college's development office at 410/857-2251. ●

**Trustee Larry Blumberg '67 gets healthy update on the shaping of campus fitness center from Steve Close, development director.**

## PARENTS FUND SETS RECORD

The 1991-92 Parents Fund set an all-time record for unrestricted contributions with gifts totaling more than \$75,000. The success of last year's effort was made possible through the support of parents of current students, parents of graduates, and grandparents. At the helm of the Parents Fund is Martin K.P. Hill, president of Masonry Contractors of Manchester, MD and father of Jennifer Hill '93.

One significant reason that gifts to the Parents Fund have grown by 70 percent in the last five years is that those gifts are put to use immediately for tangible items—more library resources, more classroom equipment, and more computer terminals. ●



Mark Swisher

**Area businessman Martin Hill learns firsthand from daughter Jennifer '93 how students benefit from the Parents Fund.**

# A NEW SOCIETY FORMS TO RECOGNIZE LEADERSHIP DONORS

In response to the increasing generosity of our donors, a new society, known as The Founders Society, has been formed to recognize those who provide leadership support for Western Maryland College.

This society comprises three distinguished levels of giving. The Ward Associates, named in honor of WMC's first President, will honor those individuals who contribute \$1,000-\$2,499. The President's Associates will honor those who contribute \$2,500-\$4,999, and our largest donors will be honored with membership in the President's Circle for their gifts of \$5,000 or more.

Corporate matching gifts will be combined with an individual's personal contribution to determine the level of recognition.

Society members stay in close communication with the President, executive members of the Board of Trustees, faculty and other senior administrators. Additionally, they receive periodic updates and special invitations to campus lectures and concerts.

## THE FOUNDERS

President Chambers, the Board of Trustees, and the entire college community gratefully acknowledge the leadership and generosity of The Founders for fiscal year 1991-92. Membership in The Founders is extended to those individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more and is renewable annually. Through their participation, the members of this special group demonstrate their commitment to the college and embrace the quality of education that has come to be associated with Western Maryland College.

Listed below are members of the Founders for the year which ended June 30. In future publications, generous donors such as these will be recognized at the various levels within The Founders Society.

## Individuals

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 Martha Manahan '23  
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# ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN LEADER PROFILE

## MOORE LEADS VISION QUEST

Vitality is inherent in the personality of Charlie Moore '71, and one can see that spark nearly combust when he talks about the future of Western Maryland College, and the role he has assumed to ensure the college's destiny in its next 125 years.

As the new National Chair of the Annual Fund, the 20-year veteran volunteer fundraiser for WMC is the leading spokesperson, rallying alumni, parents and friends in support of the college and its programs.

"I believe the college has a strong vision for its future, has planned wisely for it, and now is in the process of defining strategies to implement that vision. That has made

me enthusiastic and want to participate," explains the chief financial officer of Bell Atlantic International, Inc.

"I'm seeing strong evidence that [President] Bob Chambers and the administration are committed to having Western Maryland maintain a strong, positive stature as one of the leading liberal-arts institutions in the country.

This vision is evidenced in the college's creative educational program, strong faculty, and the expansion of the library and the construction of Gill Physical Education Learning Center. The college also is getting ready to embark on a long-term quest for endowment. It's an exciting time to be around here."

It also is a time, though, when "strong support by alumni is more critical than ever before," says Moore, recipient of a 1991 Alumni Meritorious Service Award. "There is truly a need for support due to rising costs that a school like this faces. In order for Western Maryland to remain competitive, its tuition cannot be allowed to rise in direct relation to the rising costs [of society at large]."

Efforts to control costs have been herculean at Western Maryland in a time when most college budgets are embattled, in part, because of the loss of state supporting dollars. Moore cites the college's current two-year faculty/staff hiring freeze and halt in wage increases as prudent steps the administration has taken.

At the helm of an Annual Fund record quest for \$1 million, the Class of '71 president emphasizes the impact the attainment of such a goal would have on the college. A million dollars represents the equivalent in income of \$20 million of endowment that the college does not have. In contrast, it has taken Western Maryland 125 years to amass \$16,971,000 in endowment.

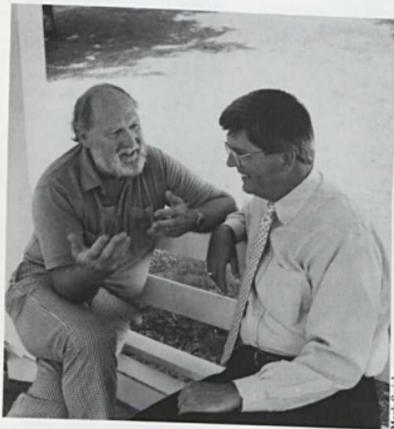
He pleads the importance of contributing to the Annual Fund, since these gifts are applied directly to the operating costs of the college. "Unrestricted giving to the annual operating budget is more critical now than ever before."

As he interacts with many alumni during his two years as Annual Fund chair, Moore hopes to communicate "a sense of understanding as to the value of alumni participation and support, on the dollar and the time levels. It's crucial to keeping a campus like Western Maryland on top."

His role is a coveted one, for, says Moore, "I wanted to contribute something back, not just in financial support, but with the skills I developed while I was here on campus. I do this out of a sense of appreciation for what my wife, Carol [Hoerichs '70] and I gained. I met Carol here, and both of us had very positive experiences with Western Maryland.

"The small-campus atmosphere provided a person like myself an opportunity to identify and realize some of my leadership potential. The educational and social experiences I gained and the leadership opportunities provided created a foundation which has been a springboard in my professional and business life.

"This is precisely why I feel such a strong commitment towards helping Western Maryland move into this very important stage of its institutional life. I encourage all alumni, parents, faculty, staff and friends to join me in this continued quest for excellence." ●



Mark Swisher

**Annual Fund  
Chairman Charlie  
Moore '71 (right)  
visits with former  
teacher and mentor,  
Professor Ira  
Zepp '52.**



STEPHEN MCDANIEL

An aerial view of the campus reveals old and new landmarks.

## ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

### 1992/93

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.

### Fri., November 6

Wilmington (DE) Alumni Chapter dinner.

### Sun., November 8

DC/Northern Virginia Alumni Chapter Sunday Brunch.

### Sat., November 14

Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Banquet.

### Sun., November 15

Young Alumni Affairs Committee meeting, 2 p.m.

### Mon., November 23

Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheon, Towson Sheraton.

### Sun., December 6

Baltimore Alumni Chapter Annual Holiday Champagne Brunch, Hunt Valley Inn.

### Sat., February 20

Board of Trustees budget meeting.

### Sun., February 28

Evening with the President for Young Alumni Campus Leaders, McDaniel Lounge, 4:30 p.m.

### Fri./Sat., April 16, 17

Board of Trustees meetings.

### Sat., April 17

Alumni Assoc. Board of Governors meeting, The Forum, 2 p.m.

### Sun., May 2

Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation.

### Sat., May 22

Commencement.

### May 28-30

Alumni Weekend. Reunion classes: 1913, '18, '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '48, '53, '58, '63.

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Maryland's Gov. Schaefer meets with WMC students and professors.

## ON THE BUS TO ANNAPOLIS

Chatting with Gov. William Donald Schaefer and viewing one of his press conferences were unexpected pleasures for 19 Western Maryland students and their political science professors, Herb Smith and Christiana Nichols Leahy. For 17 years Smith has guided budding politicians on a spring tour of the Statehouse in Annapolis, the oldest capital in continuous use in the nation. When he caught wind of a press conference during the latest trip he maneuvered his charges into the select seats.

Through the years, Smith has become acquainted with the leaders of the General Assembly, and lines them up as speakers. He also gains entry to hearings held in the historic Senate chamber.

This year's talks were led by Lt. Gov. Melvin "Mickey" Steinberg; Controller Louis Goldstein, honorary doctor of laws '73 (see Goldstein on Page 3); Sue Kopen Katcef and Lou Davis, broadcast journalists; Bal-

timore City senators Julian Lapidés and George Della Jr.; Anne Arundel County Sen. Gerald Winegrad '66 (see Winegrad on Page 5); Senate Historian Peter Kumpa; and Steve Ports '83, Senate Finance Committee analyst (see Ports on Page 15). Topics most often centered this year on the embattled Maryland budget.

Most of the students along for the bus ride were political science majors, but the group included sociology and education majors, as well as four international students delighted with a glimpse of local American government.

A student from China observed that the legislators they met were "very different from Chinese politicians. I am also amazed at the accessibility, warmth and openness of the governor."

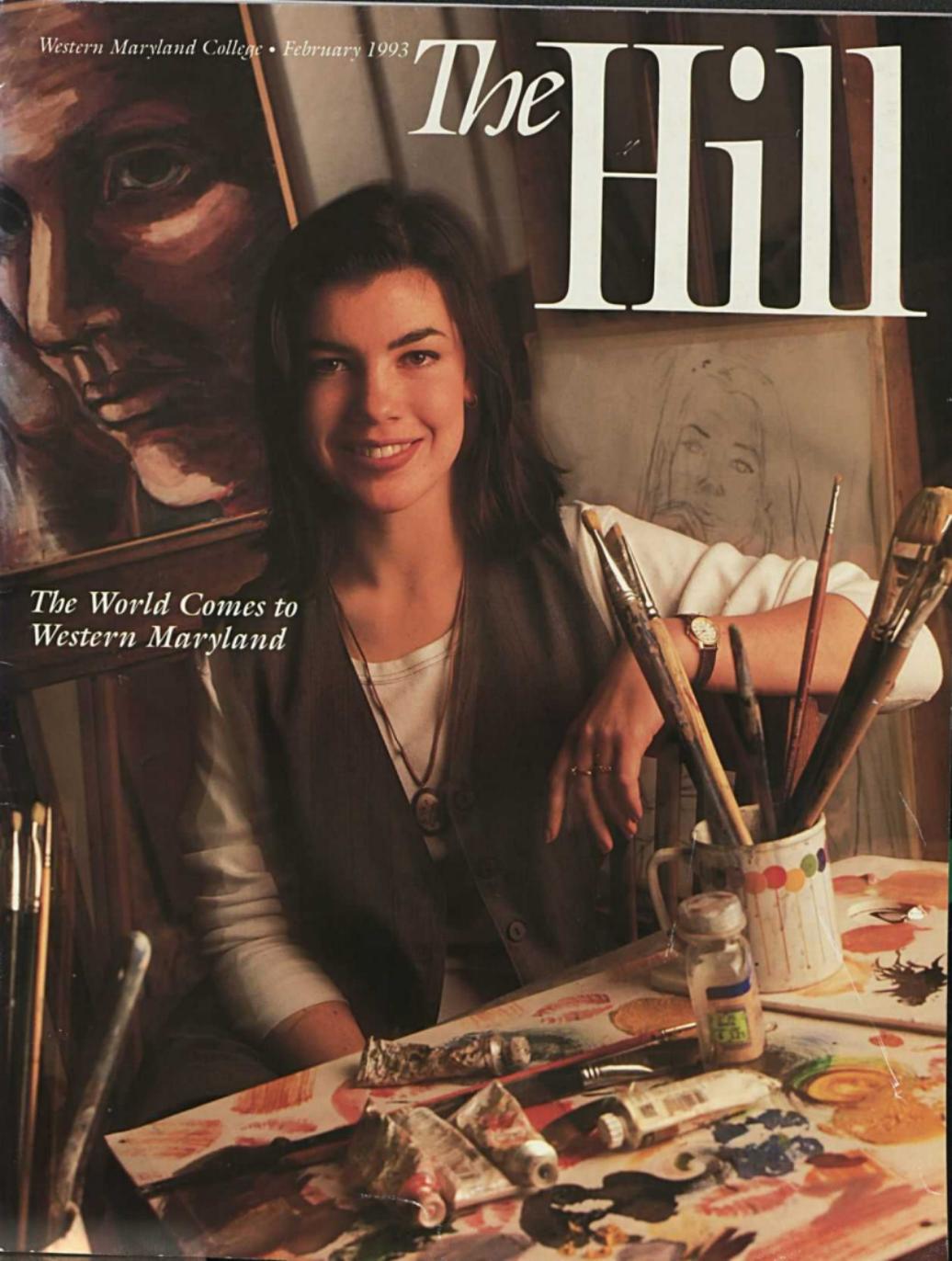
In contrast, a Bahamian said, "There is even more access in the Bahamas. Politicians almost go door to door." Of course, there are only 250,000 people in the islands, whereas Maryland has nearly 5 million residents.

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*The World Comes to  
Western Maryland*



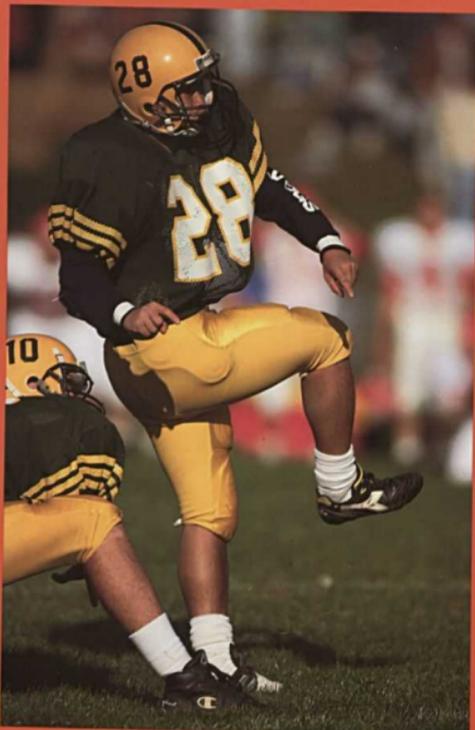
## From Desert Island to Football Paradise

Perhaps the fanciest footwork in the '92 football season was finessed by Dung Dinh '95. Shown here booting the winning field goal in the Terrores' 17-14 Homecoming victory over Dickinson College, the place kicker was selected as a Centennial Football Conference All-Star. During the season, he scored extra points for 24 of 25 attempts and completed three of four field goals for a total of 33 points.

Born during the Vietnam War in South Vietnam, Dinh is an unlikely football stand-out. In 1980, he and his maternal uncle escaped their homeland on a very small boat. Of his experience, Dinh says, "After 18 days at sea, with very little water or food, we landed on a deserted island." Rescued by members of the government of Thailand, he spent three months in a Thai refugee camp before moving to a camp in the Philippines. Six months later, he arrived in America and was reunited with his three older brothers.

Foster parents George and Patricia Stuber of North Catasauqua, PA took in all four boys. Dinh enjoyed playing soccer, basketball and ice hockey and excelled in football, earning all-league place kicker honors his sophomore, junior and senior years.

Although Dinh's natural parents eventually escaped Vietnam and moved to Illinois, he remains with his foster family. Of his American father, the sports medicine major says, "He broadened my athletic horizons, encouraged me to play football, then by practice and constant discussion, motivated me to do my very best. He really Americanized me!" Dung Dinh, who is active in the International Student Club, represents the college's outstanding students from overseas, to whom this issue of *The Hill* is devoted.



PHOTOGRAPH BY

Dung Dinh boots the winning goal at Homecoming.

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Sara Lundberg '94 follows the light in the Fine Arts Building painting studio. See Page 11 for a profile of Sara.

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From The Hill

## Chemistry Nets Substantial Grants

A prestigious award from the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Scholar/Fellow Program—one of only eight presented annually to colleges and universities across the nation—has been made to Western Maryland and Rick Smith, professor of chemistry. Smith, who will act as Dreyfus Scholar in administering the \$60,000 grant program, will oversee a search for a recent PhD in chemical science or engineering to begin a teaching and research career in an undergraduate setting, namely WMC. The Dreyfus Fellow recruited for this position will be selected by next spring, with the appointment to begin in September.

This marks the first time Western Maryland has received such an award. Other recipients in '92 were California State University-Fullerton, Grinnell College, Occidental College, and four others. WMC was the smallest institution in '92 to receive an award from the four-year-old Dreyfus Scholar/Fellow program.

"I'm very excited to have the opportunity to teach a teacher," Smith said. "This is the greatest life anyone could have—to be a teacher and researcher—and to share what I know with somebody else is just fantastic."

Sylvia Ware, director of education at the American Chemical Society in Washington, D.C., said awards such as the Dreyfus are significant because they confirm the value of good science teaching.



BILL DUNSON

Chemistry's Rouzer delights in the boost grants have given program.

According to nationwide statistics compiled by the National Center for Education, of the approximately 2,700 students who sought jobs after receiving their bachelor's degrees in chemistry in 1990, only three percent became high-school chemistry teachers. In the U.S. that year 8,126 students received their bachelor's in chemistry. Four percent of the 1,696 students who earned master's degrees in 1990 began teaching high-school chemistry, while 22 percent of the 2,183 who received doctorates in chemistry that year went on to teach chemistry at the college level.

The Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation was established in 1946 by inventor,

chemist and businessman Camille Dreyfus as a memorial to his brother, Henry, then became a memorial to both men when Camille died in 1956. In establishing the foundation, Camille Dreyfus directed that it "advance the science of chemistry, chemical engineering and related studies as a means of improving human relations and circumstances around the world."

Smith, at WMC since 1973, has been a visiting scientist at the National Cancer Institute's Frederick Cancer Research and Development Center (NCIFCRDC) since 1980. His work on substances that could contribute to the fight against cancer has endeared his national reputation as an

organic chemist, and has led to two substantial National Science Foundation (NSF) grants, with a third under consideration.

Another benefit he's recently claimed for WMC chemistry students is an educational account to use the Cray YMP-8 Supercomputer. Smith's research students have accessed the computer located at NCIFCRDC since 1986. However, the new account will eventually enable students in introductory through the most advanced chemistry courses to use the high-powered computer for computations.

Smith and his research students used the Cray extensively last summer while working on the design of anti-cancer drugs. He then applied for and received in November an account which his regular chemistry students can use via a modem in Lewis Hall at the rate of 40 hours for three months. One hour of use has an estimated cost of \$750.

In addition, the chemistry department gained a \$30,000 grant from the NSF Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement Program. The funds will provide two pieces of laboratory equipment for innovative experiments developed by the department to encourage collaboration between organic chemistry and biochemistry students. By working together, students will learn how actual scientists from different disciplines do joint research in a laboratory setting.

The grant also provides science students opportunities to conduct research with their professors which may be published in respected science journals. For instance, two undergraduates are involved in

a two-year research project with Carol Rouzer '76, assistant professor of chemistry. She and her assistants are studying potential anti-cancer compounds with the support of a prestigious Cottrell College Science Award from Research Corp. of Tucson, AZ.

"We are very pleased about receiving this grant in support of the program," Rouzer said. "The new equipment will enable us to provide students with an important collaborative experience in organic chemistry and biochemistry. In addition, it will be used in other courses and in student research to provide students with the opportunity to become familiar with these excellent research-quality instruments."

The two pieces of lab equipment to be acquired with the NSF grant — an ultracentrifuge and a high-performance liquid chromatograph — represent state-of-the-art technology and provide research-quality results. The ultracentrifuge can spin solids or liquids up to 60,000 turns a minute, separating lighter from heavier materials. Researchers use the device in the study of viruses, intracellular structures, proteins, and DNA. The liquid chromatograph is a powerful tool for purification and analysis of a wide variety of substances ranging from drugs to enzymes.

Development of the organic chemistry/biochemistry collaboration is already underway, with students in biochemistry conducting pilot experiments as part of their regular course work and using an ultracentrifuge purchased earlier by the college. The full program will begin next fall. ●

## Lacrosse Gains New Coach

Western Maryland gained its first full-time men's lacrosse coach with the October hiring of Keith Reitenbach. The former assistant men's lacrosse coach for Cornell University is now WMC's director of intramural sports as well as head lacrosse coach.

"Western Maryland is just thrilled to have a coach of Keith's experience and background to take over our program," said Carol Fritz, associate director of athletics. "It is exciting to envision the future of men's lacrosse and an already healthy intramural system at the college with him at the helm."

Reitenbach spent 14 seasons as an assistant at the high-school and collegiate levels and was a successful player for Cornell from 1975 to 1978. He replaces Mike Williams, who resigned after 11 seasons at WMC. The Green Terrors finished 7-5 overall in 1992, but Reitenbach loses three of the four top scorers plus two key defensive starters from the team.

"He [Reitenbach] has a certain amount of rebuilding to do, but a person of his abilities can handle the challenge," Fritz said.

The intramural functions of his job are an outgrowth of the 1991 recommendations by the Trustee Commission on Athletics. Because in any given year up to 80 percent of students participate in intramural sports, the commission decided the program should be strengthened. ●

*The new equipment will provide students an important experience'*

—Carol Rouzer '76



SHERI DUGEL

Help for the homeless came from members of a new affinity suite in Daniel MacLea Residence Hall. The Sisters of Diversity, led by president Renee Bartley '95, chose as a fall service project donating food to Baltimore's Bea Gaddy, a national advocate for hunger and homelessness. Children and women in need are a primary concern for the WMC group, according to Bartley, a political science major. After collecting food from students on campus, five of the six suite members loaded adviser Donna Cooper's car and delivered the canned and dried goods to the center. Pictured from the left are: Rhoda Repousis '95, Ellen Gross '95, Kristina Johnson '93, Renee Bartley '95, LaKeisha Rivers '95, and Donna Cooper, residence life coordinator.

## Peacher Named New Trustee

The board of trustees elected a new member at the October meeting. Rev. Eric G. Peacher, former assistant minister of Grace United Methodist Church, the largest in the denomination in Baltimore, became the 32nd voting member of the board.

Rev. Peacher, who is retired from the ministry, still assists at Idelwyde United Methodist Church in Towson, MD. He served as chief chaplain Boumi

(Shriners) Temple from 1976-91, has been treasurer of the Preachers' Fund Society and Chairman of the District Board of Ministry. Among other activities, he has been president of the Interfaith Clergy Brotherhood of Baltimore and on the Governor's Committee on the Handicapped. He is familiar with the WMC campus, since he graduated from Wesley Theological Seminary in 1954, when the seminary was located in the college's Elderidge Hall.

The Timonium, MD resident is married and has two children and three grandchildren. ●

## Alumni Profile

*Deaf Advocate's Dark Journey  
From Iran Was Full of Drama*

# The Great Escape

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

**I**f ever "the stuff of which movies are made" described a life, it would be that of Maryam Rostami Sallami '79. From teen prodigy of the deaf community in Iran, to TV celebrity in her native land, to a dramatic escape over the mountains into Turkey during the dark days of the Ayatollah Khomeini regime, and eventual settlement in Canada, hers has been a life of high drama. And Western Maryland College and its people have been players in much of her script.

Scene one depicts the child Maryam in Tehran where she lived with her deaf parents and three sisters, who like Maryam, can hear. Julia Samii, a Marylander married to an Iranian man, took note of the bright girl who she saw as a kindred spirit helping deaf people. Samii was familiar with the work of a Western Maryland professor and authority in the psychology of deafness. Enter McCay Vernon.

"Samii was in a position in Iran to have a profound influence—she was very close to Farah, the queen of Iran," recalls Vernon, who retired from teaching in 1991. "She'd seen a tremendous potential in Maryam at the age of 13 or so and arranged for Maryam to come here to get a feeling for what was going on in deafness in this country." With her transportation provided by Farah's funds, Maryam headed for Western Maryland.

Unschooling in English, the high-school junior began auditing Vernon's courses. "Her communication was better with deaf people here," he says. "Sign languages [in America and Iran] have a similarity that one doesn't have between Farsi and English."

Despite the language barrier, Maryam today recalls, "I learned most of my English in the three months I was at Western Maryland." But not all of her education occurred in the classroom. "Dr. Vernon arranged for me to visit schools for the deaf in Maryland. I was at Gallaudet for three weeks. People thought I was someone from the royal family because I was getting so much attention, and I was only 16."



Taken a year after leaving WMC, Maryam's passport photo shows the garb women were required to wear for the sake of modesty. Coming from the freedom of the West, Maryam found the rules stifling.

After surviving their own midnight escape on horseback, Maryam and her Iranian-born daughter, Saba, 11, are happily settled in Canada.



MARK CLAPTON

When Maryam returned to Iran in September 1974, she felt almost royal, working full time as an interpreter, studying alone for her high-school diploma, and starring on a TV public-service show for deaf people.

"My parents were all excited. They'd show off with their friends—my daughter is signing on TV! It also made me very popular in my high school." On the show, Maryam taught sign language, signed and read the news, and answered letters sent to her program.

While hosting the show, she also began creating a sign-language dictionary. She'd already developed the first one-handed Iranian manual alphabet with a Gallaudet professor. Continuing her TV program and interpreting part time, she entered Tehran's Damavand College in September 1975.

Two years later, Western Maryland re-entered her script. With a scholarship from National Iranian Television and transportation provided by the royal family, she arrived at WMC as a junior psychology major. In those days before the

college provided institutional support for international students, she felt overwhelmed.

"It was very difficult. I had a GPA of 4.0 in Iran, and my first semester here I got a 2.2 [due to her unfamiliarity with the language]. I had difficulty with abnormal psychology and took it again. I was able to bring my GPA above 3.0."

Back then, the four or five international students on campus gained support informally from caring faculty and staff. "Most of my support came from Dr. Vernon and the Rideours. All my holidays I spent with them. And there were two others, Dr. [L. Earl] Griswold—I was in one of his movies for deaf people—and Dr. [Ira] Zepp. I took religion with him."

"Maryam was an international liberal-arts student we were glad to have here," says Zepp '52. "She combined a sense of being a student of the humanities with an expansive international outlook—she made a lot of friends here. Her courage, internal fortitude and determination made her a survivor."

*'They didn't think that  
in a religious land it  
was appropriate for a  
woman to sign on TV'*

—Maryam Rostami Sallami '79

Doris Ridenour, whose husband, James, was vice president for development from 1973 to 1980, has fond recollections, too, of Maryam. "We found her to be very sensitive, introspective, and highly intelligent. Maryam was very aware of other people, very gentle and very careful not to intrude.

"At the same time, there was a real strength there. I was always equating in my mind what she had gone through—she came from another culture and language and came over here and had gone through the psychology program. She was devoted to people like Mac Vernon who had helped her, so appreciative."

It was to her campus supporters that Maryam turned when the shah of Iran fell during her senior year and threw a new wrinkle into her script. Not only was she unable to communicate with her family, but she didn't receive the scholarship money for her final semester.

"I went to Dr. Vernon, as usual. I said, 'I don't know what to do. I don't have any money.' I assume again it was him or Mr. Ridenour who got assistance for me [including a part-time job with the campus post office]. Somehow all the tuition, room and board were paid. Western Maryland came to rescue me. Everyone said, 'Don't worry. We'll take care of everything.' And they did. They were wonderful people, and I will always remember."

Two new friends who provided a connection to her homeland during Maryam's final semester were Professor of Art History Julie Badice, and her husband Heshmat, the campus audio-visual coordinator who is from Iran.

"Maryam was at our house a lot. We had Persian food and talked Persian. We were able to provide that kind of support, which she didn't have before," Julie Badice recalls. There, Maryam also became close to Heshmat's sister who had recently escaped from Iran.

With her WMC degree in hand, Maryam was set for graduate study at Gallaudet University, the world's only liberal-arts institution for deaf people. Then a letter from the Revolutionary Board of Directors of Iranian National TV arrived.

"It said, 'You had school paid for by the government. Even though we don't like American education, you have to come back and serve your country. If you don't, you'll be considered anti-revolutionary.' Then they said something about harassing my family. That made my choice."

With the scene shift to Iran, Maryam returned to her old job but under very different management. "I was asked to start my TV program again, but I had to wear a scarf over my head. The hair of a woman was supposed to be a come on to a man. I had to sign this way, but only the news for the deaf. After 13 sessions, they stopped it, said they didn't think that in a religious land it was appropriate for a woman to be signing on television—signing was suggestive."

She was then asked to train a man who had no knowledge of deafness or sign language to take over her program. "I sort of cooperated, and I didn't. They said, 'If you object, you're anti-revolutionary, you belong to the old regime.' They made minor threats. After the revolution, in every office there was an Islamic committee whose role was to investigate people to see who had the old ideology. They had lots of power."

Soon after the downfall of her show, Maryam entered the University of Tehran to study school psychology. There she met David Sallami, and quickly married him. "In Iran you can't be girlfriend and boyfriend and get to know each other. We liked each other but were forced to get married. If we wanted to be together the only way was to make it legal."

Fortunately they were married in March 1980, one month before a new law requiring women to wear scarves and long dresses for modesty's sake and requiring weddings to be held in separate halls, one for women and one for men.

Not long after the wedding, the regime closed the universities to "reform" education. Maryam and David were ordered to move to Gazvin, 300 km northwest of Tehran, where she was told to work with every variety of disabled persons, all lumped together.

"In the eyes of the Koran all disabled people are the same. But you can't treat them the same," she implores. "This time I got

into trouble [for her opinions]. The Islam committee in Gazvin was stronger than I thought. It came out that 'This person is really anti-revolutionary, or *tajghoti*—you belong to the ideology of the time of the shah.'"

At the same time, David was protesting his orders to spy on his co-workers at a carpet company, and the Sallamis were having trouble with day care for their daughter, Saba, born April 6, 1981.

"I decided I couldn't take it anymore," says Maryam. "There was only one day care, far from work. The intention of the government was to put women back in the home. This is where you belong, they felt. A man can work but women cannot."

The Sallamis, feeling the noose tightening, decided to escape to another country as David's brother had done by going from Iran to Turkey to France. Leaving behind all their possessions, David and Maryam bundled up 18-month-old Saba and headed for Tehran.

They made arrangements to pay a Kurdish man \$40,000 to help them pass safely over the border of Iran into Turkey. "My husband's family put up the money, because he was their oldest son, and they were very fond of him. They'd do anything to take him out to be saved."

Here, Maryam's life took a cinematic shift into fast-forward. "It was the month of Ramadan [a Muslim observance], when everyone was fasting. There were guards checking the roads, questioning where you were going. We left with two of my sisters-in-law and their family to show we were going on a trip all together."

The trick was to safely meet near the border the guide they had paid. "Getting to his car was like a movie. We were in my sister-in-law's car, and he was driving in front of us. We had to get into his car and put our heads down. Our little daughter thought it was a game."

Saba proved an innocent impeding in the next scene of the drama—riding horses over the mountains and into Iran, a journey of four days and nights. One of the guides said, "We have to go really fast, and some-

one else will have to carry the baby.' I gave her a sedative, and it worked one night.

"We had to ride the horses during the night, and in daylight hide in caves in the mountains. The border was in the hands of the Kurdish people at night, and the guards of the Iranian government during the day. We had to travel at night, because the guards were afraid of the Kurds [and wouldn't interfere]." Clad only in light clothing they'd worn to leave Gazvin, the Sallamis trembled in the below-zero weather.

The second night, the crucial one when they would actually pass over the border, found not only Maryam but her guides in tears. This time Saba's sedative "worked the opposite. She was too hyper, walking around and wouldn't go to sleep." Finally, Saba slept, and the group set out on horseback. Maintaining silence was a life-or-death matter for the guides as well as the Sallamis.

To everyone's horror, a half-hour into the journey, Saba "woke up screaming and crying. She wanted me, so they wrapped the three of us together [Saba wedged between Maryam and the guide]. I was holding her so she wouldn't slip down between us. The guy told me to put my hand on her mouth. We were all worried and upset and crying because we were at the point of no return. Those couple of hours took like a million years. Finally, we passed the border."

After some trouble with the Turkish police, the Sallamis made it to Istanbul where they discovered just how blessed they'd been in their journey. "We heard about people who'd been raped, who'd lost kids on the way, fallen down mountains, people who'd been robbed and left in the middle of a mountain." Not to mention shot at the border or sent back into Iran to prison and eventual execution.

In Turkey, Maryam was amazed by the maneuverings of the black market, flourishing like a modern-day *Casablanca*. "You could get a PhD in Turkey if you had the money. People would walk behind you offering to exchange money, or to sell you a Czech passport."

But gaining refuge in another country



MARK CLAPTON

was not so easy. "We went to almost all the embassies in Istanbul, but we couldn't even get in the door of some countries." With money to last three months, Maryam and family settled into a tiny motel room.

With their attempts to immigrate floundering they watched time stretch on and their cash dwindle. "I wrote to Dr. Vernon, Heshmat's sister, the Ridenours, and asked if any of them could apply for us to immigrate."

"We tried everything to get them into this country," recalls Doris Ridenour. "But we were not blood relatives and could not bring them in."

Likewise, says Julie Badiee, "We would have been happy to put a petition in for Maryam, since we were becoming experts in this. But we had spent years getting Heshmat's brothers out, and these were our direct blood relatives."

However, the Ridenours, Vernons and Badiees came through with money which allowed the Sallamis to survive, says Maryam. Meanwhile, the Iranian foreign affairs minister made a deal with the Turkish government to return all Iranian refugees. "The Turkish government took busloads of Iranians found in the streets of Ankara and Istanbul and left them at the border. Some were able to pass the borders and into villages, and some were shot at the border."

Thankfully, the Sallamis soon got a call from the French embassy to claim the visas David's brother in France had arranged. They spent 1983-1987 in Besançon, France, studying at a university on scholarship, before Canada beckoned.

In London, Ontario, Maryam soon began plying her English and sign language skills honed at Western Maryland. Then the language which she'd rapidly mastered in France won her work as a supply teacher of French while working as a counselor for

**In her Hamilton, Ontario office, Maryam helps disabled people find vocations. The photographer for this article is one of her clients.**

the Canadian Hearing Society in Hamilton in 1988.

Since January of '89 she's been a vocational rehabilitation counselor with the ministry of Community and Social Services there. In French, Farsi and English she works with people with any disabilities who need training in order to be employable.

As Maryam's life script unfurls toward the present day, one notes a happy turn, successfully sponsoring her parents' and sister's immigration to Canada. Maryam has now separated from her husband and lives with her parents, sister and daughter. A Canadian citizen, she also strives to help people who are refugees as she once was. She is adviser to the Hamilton Iran Association and is on the board of a new agency, Settlement and Integration Services of Hamilton. The agency, which will help assess the needs of Hamilton's immigrants, was to open on January 5, much to Maryam's delight.

Her mentor, Mac Vernon, who describes her as being "very bright with a genuine commitment for doing something for deaf people," says he's always hoped Maryam "would go on for doctoral work."

Maryam shares his vision. "I enjoy my job, but it's not enough. I want to get my PhD. It's been my dream all the time to teach in a university—teach psychology, do research in deafness and rehabilitation too." You can bet that scene will be in the Maryam Rostami Sallami sequel. ●

Cover Story

Growth in International Enrollment  
Expands Horizons for Everyone

# The World Comes to WMC

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

*"We have learned that we cannot live alone, at peace; that our own well-being is dependent on the well-being of other nations, far away. We have learned that we must live as men, and not as ostriches . . . We have learned to be citizens of the world, members of the human community."*  
—Franklin Delano Roosevelt

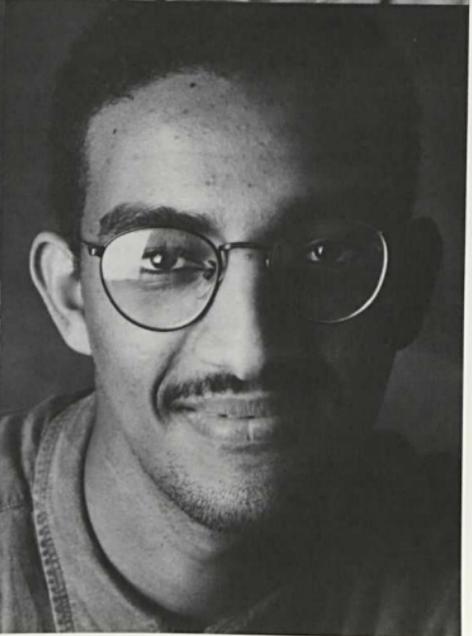
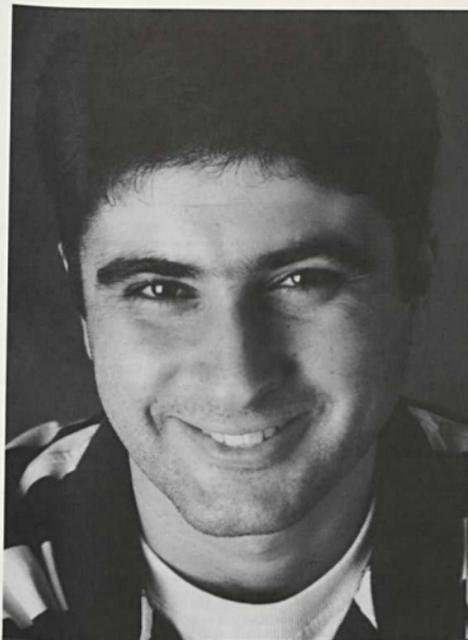
Roosevelt's declaration is more true now than it was in January of 1945, when he gave his Fourth Inaugural Address. With the European Community uniting, the Soviet Union fragmenting, and East Asia ascending, we must learn to be good neighbors to all nations. In recognition of this reality, Western Maryland College is assuming a more global appearance—the usual WASP complexion of the campus brightening with faces from Yugoslavia, Ghana, Malaysia, Japan, Peru, and 22 other countries.

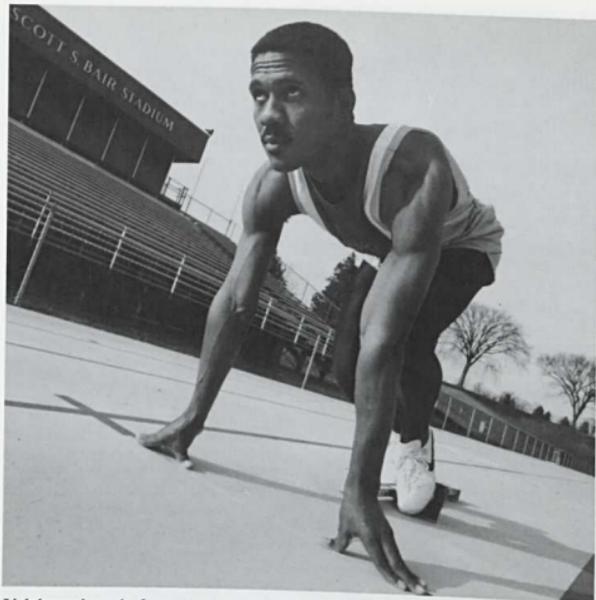
This issue of the *The Hill* explores the recent influx of international students—the reasons behind the increase, support services the college provides, and student and faculty opinions on having international students in class. Woven throughout the cover story are short profiles on several outstanding international students. On Page 4, Maryam Rostami Sallami '79, a former student from Iran, tells of the harrowing twists her life took after the Ayatollah Khomeini gained power, and on Page 19, Leona Sevick '92 writes of her year abroad in England.

Bringing the world to WMC has been a goal of President Robert Chambers since his inauguration in 1984. When 31 new international students arrived in fall of '91, the largest number ever, he was elated. "As you keep multiplying the number of countries these people come from, the whole campus becomes more sophisticated, and without a doubt, interesting for all of us."

Chambers's senior staff backs him fully in his quest to diversify the student body. "We have an obligation to ensure that the students we graduate from Western Maryland College are citizens of the world as well as citizens of this

Faces of WMC's world, clockwise, from top left are: Hilme Konde '96 (Cyprus), Xiao Fan Zhu '94 (China), Sofnias Nega '95 (Ethiopia), and Malin Jonsson '93 (Sweden).





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### Lightbourn is on the fast track.

country," explains David Seligman, vice president of academic affairs and dean of the faculty. "Our students will be operating in the world of the 21st century that will be more integrated than we can imagine. Our goal is to enrich their social, intellectual, cultural and aesthetic lives."

Traditionally, Western Maryland students "have not traveled abroad, and do not come from large metropolitan areas where there are substantial populations of folks from other countries," Seligman adds. "We have an obligation to offset this."

When being interviewed for an admissions position three years ago, Martha O'Connell says she got the message loud and clear from the president that WMC wanted to recruit more international students. "The philosophy was not only to bring in more international students but to internationalize the curriculum," says the director of admissions.

"We have had a task force working since early 1991 on globalizing the college," Seligman confirms. "I'm to have recommendations by the end of the current [school] year. "Part of the task force's mission statement is to get departments to rec-

ognize an international dimension."

While that facet of internationalizing the campus is still percolating, the other aspect, increasing the numbers of international students, is forging full-speed ahead.

"What happened with bringing so many to campus last year [91-'92] was that we now have a certain number of students available to provide a comfort level," O'Connell notes. "We can say to prospective international enrollees], 'Here's the size of our campus, and here's the number of international students we have.' Soon we can promote what we're doing with the curriculum as well as with the number of international students we have."

One thing O'Connell is diligent about in her recruiting is bringing in students from a variety of countries, not one area of the world. Recruiting too heavily from a region promotes cluster groups. "We have to be mindful not to tip the balance. We want to make sure students integrate with others and give them a chance for educational opportunity."

Since 1986, when just eight new international students came to campus, the numbers have mushroomed, especially when you compare their enrollment to the '70s when the total number, freshman through senior years, never exceeded six. After the bumper crop of 31 new international students arrived in the fall of '91, the head

### Lightbourn '93 Lends Terrors His Fleet Feet

Could a future Olympic champion be kicking up dust on the WMC track? Kent Lightbourn '93, from the island of Nassau in the Bahamas, shines on the Terrors track team. He has been inducted into WMC's Fellowship of Champions, and earned All America honors after placing third in the 400-meter dash in the NCAA Division III meet last year. He hopes to top off his success by representing the Bahamas in the men's 400-meter relay in the 1996 Olympics.

"I started running when I was 17 at a big competitive level in the Bahamas," Lightbourn said. He ran in the Junior World Championships in 1990. Then at a track club meet sponsored by the Athletic Association, the group that organizes the national teams, Lightbourn was chosen for the Bahamian team.

The team did not qualify to compete for medals, but was invited to participate in the '92 Olympics. "They wanted us to go for the experience," Lightbourn said. "We were happy we made it. Unfortunately, they didn't have space in Barcelona, so all the [competing countries'] teams had to restrict their numbers, and we couldn't go."

This summer, Lightbourn will run with his relay team at the World Championships, a large competition like the Olympics, except "not the same intensity."

Lightbourn looks forward to the 1996 Olympics. Thanks to the WMC track team, he may compete in fine form. "The training is better here than in the Bahamas," he revealed. "It's hard to beat America. You need to be incredibly gifted."

Besides Olympic victories, Lightbourn is hoping to win over the government in the Bahamas. Majoring in political science and history, he plans to study law in his home country after graduating. "I'd like to work with the government."

The president of WMC's International Student Club already has a plan for making the Bahamas a self-sufficient country. "I want to develop agriculture, manufacturing, and the industry sectors. We need to improve the educational system since students come to the U.S. to study, and stay for the jobs and career advancement. It drains the country of its brain resources. I just want to be there doing something to help the country be a little better."

- Amy Peltinsky '94

*"We try not to look at any fixed number of scholarships—we look at who we want"*

—Martha O'Connell

count dropped to 11 last fall, for a total of 47 current international students. The decrease this year apparently was due to a fluke.

"We have an agreement with the Institute for International Education, which identifies students and offers scholarships," says O'Connell. "In recent years we would get 20 applicants to review and end up with nine students through IIE.

"This year we ended up with one. All the other participating institutions [including American University, George Washington University, and the University of Maryland College Park] ended up with the same amount and complained. I'm hoping now that everyone has gotten so upset, IIE will do more next year. They're very, very able students, and we hope to be on track again next year."

Students recruited through IIE often need only partial scholarships, with their parents picking up the other half. Or they have Fulbright grants, as do Tolga Oktay '94 and Hilme Konde '96, both of Cyprus.

Increasing the amount of scholarships awarded to international students has been a prime factor in the increased enrollment. "In the past we hadn't put the resources" toward international scholarships, claims O'Connell. "Now we try not to look at any fixed number of scholarships to give—we look at who we want." While many students receive full tuition scholarships, all "must have the ability to pay room and board and living expenses," she adds.

One thing O'Connell makes clear, though, is that awarding scholarships to international students does not deprive American students. "We offer aid to American students who turn down the scholarships. It's not that by expanding international scholarships we are taking away [aid] from Americans."

Ethan Seidel, who is on the enrollment management committee, echoes O'Connell. "There are no resources that could have gone to U.S. citizens that are being diverted in any way. Our institution came to realize that there was a pool of really good students who would benefit from a Western Maryland education and who would attend if we would provide financial



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#### Sara Lundberg shows her parents WMC.

aid. We have the opportunity to do that at really no cost to the college, because with the domestic demographic shortage of students, most colleges have the capacity to add more [international] students.

"It's a no-lose proposition," adds the professor of economics and business administration. "There are tremendous benefits because of the interactions with the student body. All faculty enjoy having a variety of students in class, and to interact with out of class too. It's gives us a chance to see a lot of other viewpoints and perspectives."

Professor of Chemistry Richard Smith agrees with Seidel's assessment. "I have a woman from Bulgaria in organic chemistry class now. She has the general perception of one who has studied under a different system and approaches problems differently. It adds flavor to the course. It's an enriching experience for me and my students."

Having more international students "opens our minds as scientists as well as people," Smith continues. "It gives you a perspective that science is going on in other places than America, and that's healthy. It's an international scientific community we work in. I'm well aware of that, but it helps [American] students to see that."

Having an international mix enhances Christianna Nichols Leahy's teaching of political science. "Sofnias [Nega '95 of Ethiopia] or Kent Lightbourn [ '93 of the Bahamas] will say in class, 'I can tell you a story that elucidates that concept.'"

The excellence of international students also benefits her classes. "American students realize that the generalities about [the inferiority] of American education may

#### Carving a Place for Art and Acting

Little did Sara Lundberg '94 know that when she came to America she'd end up with a piece of the rock. Soon Sara, who'd only sculpted in clay and soapstone in Sweden, found herself with a diamond saw in hand helping to carve an eight-ton boulder. Professor Wasył Palijczuk was shaping the rock into a fountain sculpture for the Hoover Library garden.

"I never expected a teacher to ask me to help work on a piece of his own," says the art and graphic design major. "If I was a teacher I don't know if I'd ask a student, because everyone has a personal style."

Until she met Palijczuk she wasn't sure if Western Maryland's liberal-arts program was the right preparation for a fine artist. "Then I met Wasył and he said, 'Even if you don't go to art school, you can challenge yourself! Now I think it's much better to go here rather than an art school. Here I also can do theatre and acting.'"

Lundberg, who'd once wanted to be a professional dancer, has become known on campus for her acting as well as her art. At the student-directed play, *Forget Him*, last fall, an adjudicator noted her performance and that of two other students and selected them and 200 other East Coast thespians for the Irene Ryan Competition. In Ithaca, NY last month Sara presented a two-minute monologue and two-minute dialogue before judges.

She's also gained exposure in the Mid-Atlantic region for her art. In June, she exhibited water colors, mixed media and pen-and-ink images at Top of the World in Baltimore's Inner Harbor, then in September, had a show at Towson Art Supply Gallery. "It was great for me to show my work, and this was also thanks to Wasył."

Around Hallowe'en Lundberg had the chance to combine art and theatre craft by fashioning a St. Lucia costume which she wore on the campus late-night cable *Grant and Reid Show*. With a nightgown borrowed from Dean Barbara Schaefer's Disharmon '68, MEd '84, a red ribbon and halo of lights, she portrayed Sweden's traditional saint.

Sara brought another Swedish tradition to the campus that night, enlisting her parents, Bo and Gun, who were visiting that week. "We sang a small Swedish song about frogs," Mrs. Lundberg, a nurse anesthetist, says.

"It was my first time in front of a camera, and I enjoyed it very much," adds her husband, a dentist.

What Sara's parents also enjoy is knowing that their daughter "is among such nice people," says Mrs. Lundberg. "The thing we will remember most from our week in Westminster is everyone around Sara. We'll be happy when we leave because we see she's having such a good time here."

"And doing well," Dr. Lundberg concludes.

—SKD

## International students set a tone of respect in class that is always present

—Harry Rosenzweig

### Keeping an Eye On the Rain Forest

Each day, experts proclaim the value of the Brazilian rain forest and the immediate need for its preservation. Gui Valladares '95, a native of Brazil, has the fortune of seeing the complexity of rain-forest politics firsthand.

"The fact that they are cutting down the forest is bad. But Brazil is a developing country," explained Valladares. "Its economy is based on selling and exporting natural resources, like agricultural products and minerals. For example, there are a lot of places in the Amazon that are a resource for oil.

"There is no international incentive for Brazil and other countries to develop in a way that is not necessary to export the forests. The problem is they take out everything they can and give back nothing. The forest is destroyed. For example," Valladares continued, "the rivers are rich with gold, but in order to take the gold out, they need to add mercury to separate the gold from the sand. Then the mercury pollutes the river. We can't allow them to do that. Other ways need to be found to separate the gold.

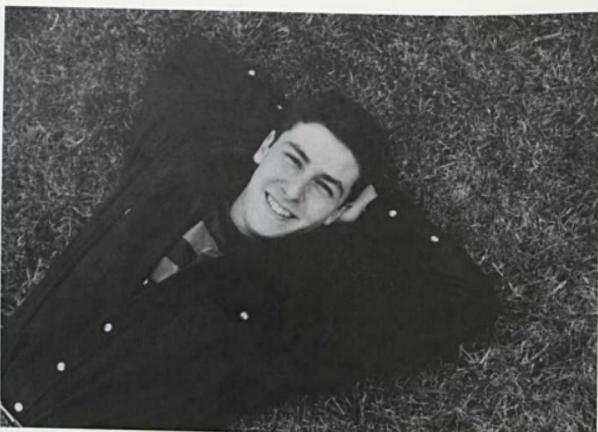
"These are regions that nobody has explored before," Valladares said. "The riverside Indian territories are invaded and Indians, as well as the explorers, get killed. The Indians are dying of disease as a result of contact with white people and the foreign diseases. We need intervention to keep others from going in."

Things may change now that the government is increasingly in the hands of the people, after 25 years of military dictatorship in Brazil. The first president directly elected by the people, Fernando Collor de Mello, took office in 1989. He has recently been impeached, "by the people," under the indictment of corruption. "My mom and dad and siblings demonstrated against him in the streets," Valladares said. "They painted themselves black, symbolizing death, since people were dying because of the president." Collor's vice president, Itamar Franco, has succeeded him.

Valladares sees the U.S. government as "easier to deal with than the Brazilian government. It seems like they work for the people and really want to make it a better country." However, Valladares is often miffed by American politics. "Everyone in the government accuses each other, but their goals are the same. They are not really different."

When he graduates with a business administration major and a minor in accounting, the forward on WMC's soccer team will return to Brazil for graduate school to pursue a career in international business or international relations.

—Amy Pelainsky '94



Gui Valladares respects the natural world in the U.S. as well as in Brazil.



Professor Richard Smith and Fei Zhou analyze molecular structure on screen.

have some validity." International students "have better study skills and are more interested—it's cool to be in school. They're more informed about politics, and this makes American students more interested in other countries."

Many international students have gravitated towards mathematics, so Harry Rosenzweig is blessed with a number of them. "They're generally very good students, and so one way they affect the class is that people expect them to do well, and the class generally performs better. People have a more serious attitude toward the material in class, because they already have it in mind that there are others there who

take it seriously.

"Not only are they good students, but they're also people who've had the initiative to leave their country and go to school far away," the professor of mathematics continues. "They serve as role models—people who are willing to put themselves in strange environments."

International students are not only excellent educational partners for American students but also for professors. "For me, having good students helps my morale considerably, particularly in the way it affects class in general," Rosenzweig says. "The students set a tone of respect in class that is always present. It's not that

## Urging Study Abroad Is Professor's Aim

While more students from abroad have been romanced by Western Maryland's rolling green hills in the last few years, not as many American students here have launched themselves from the East Coast into the unknown.

Traditionally, 10-20 state-side students spend a semester or year abroad each year, according to Martine Motard-Noar, coordinator of study abroad since late last summer. The French teacher has delved enthusiastically into her new role, holding her first study-abroad fair, advertising in the campus newspaper and other WMC publications, and informing her fellow faculty about options in the hope of encouraging more students to set out for distant sites, from Sweden to Sri Lanka.

"Over the past three years smaller numbers of students are going abroad," she asserts. "The recession may be a factor, or it may be due to a misconception of study abroad. Most students don't believe me when I say the costs will be pretty much even with what they pay at Western Maryland College."

Another factor in student reluctance to venture out, she feels, is fear of the unknown. "There's a need for more support before and after [the sojourn abroad]. People are afraid that their reinsertion will be. People do go through culture shock. Sometimes they have a hard time going back and getting used to what a small, liberal-arts college in Westminster is like. They cry on my shoulder."

Because many of her language students opt for foreign study, Motard-Noar dealt with the issues as a professor long before coordinating the college's study-abroad program. And since she once was a French student studying in America, she understands their apprehensions about leaving their homeland.

"A lot of us [in her department] are foreigners to start with, or have spent substantial amounts of time abroad, so we know the value on a personal and professional basis of study abroad. We all know of the hard parts and the easy parts of advising students. The hardest part for me has been to learn the administrative rules specific to Western Maryland College."

That includes how to transfer credits and how to maintain a student's financial aid. "But my biggest challenge is not so much to help students sign up and apply as it is getting more students to go. When they apply I get excited with them, involve myself in their choice. It's a wonderful way to get close to students."



Motard-Noar and Pelsinsky preview Paris.

One of several students she has worked with lately is Amy Pelsinsky '94, who is to study this spring semester at the Sorbonne in Paris through Central College of Iowa, one of many programs with which Western Maryland is affiliated. WMC also is part of the American Institute for Foreign Study, a consortium of Maryland colleges which enables students to study abroad at a reasonable rate.

Another program which has been popular with WMC'ers for the last four years is at Harlaxton College in Grantham, England. The program administered by the University of Evansville has drawn 10-12 WMC students most years. Part of the appeal is that a professor often accompanies the students to teach and serve as chaperone. Louise Paquin, professor of biology, was at Harlaxton fall semester. Others sent before have been Ira Zapp '52, professor of religious studies, and Julie Badie, professor of art history.

While some students prefer the comfort of studying with students from home, others are gung-ho to set out alone. Since high school Pelsinsky, an English and French Honors Student, has anticipated study abroad. "I've been taking French for seven years, and I felt it was a good idea to go over and solidify my skills, be in the culture."

Pelsinsky's hope is that her French fluency will parlay into a job as a foreign correspondent or writer for a travel magazine. She has gotten a jump on magazine writing by writing several stories in this issue of *The Hill*. Despite her long-time desire to study abroad, she admits, "It's gonna be scary. Martine gave me an article about adjusting and some tips, because she studied abroad here. And she met her husband here, so I have high hopes," she says with a laugh.

"Still, it'll be hard, but it will be worth it. I chose Paris because I'm a romantic. To be in Paris in the springtime and to study there . . . ah." ●

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## Food and Physics Keep Fei Fueled

When Fei Zhou '93 arrived at Western Maryland in the fall of '91, the ever-precise physics and mathematics major was armed with two crucial books. "I brought two [Chinese] recipe books, because I anticipated a problem with the food. I had seen about America in books and films and TV shows like *Growing Pains*, so I knew some [of the habits] of ordinary people."

With local vegetables, rice and eggs, Fei has been able to concoct the food of his homeland, a necessary skill since American dishes, especially those containing dairy products, were unappetizing. "The first time I had cheese it was hard to eat. One bite and I discarded it."

Easier to adjust to has been the classroom scene. Fei, who attended a large Chinese engineering school for two years, quickly immersed himself in study and research. For January Term 1992 he worked with Bill Pagonis, associate professor of physics, on his thermoluminescence research. A paper they co-authored on their work was presented in April at the 1992 Joint Meeting of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers.

Last summer Fei assisted Richard Smith, professor of chemistry, with his research at the National Cancer Institutes' Frederick Cancer Research and Development Center of the National Institutes of Health.

"I do mostly work on the computer calculating the molecular structure related to cancer drugs. I improved several programs that Dr. Smith uses to analyze data." While his work in Lewis Hall of Science is central to his career goal of becoming a physicist, he also values his liberal-arts studies. By taking courses covering the history of science, art, philosophy and religion he has "broadened my interests."

Currently Fei is applying to graduate schools, such as the California Institute of Technology and the University of Pennsylvania. After graduate study in physics in this country, Fei will be one Chinese intellectual who returns home. He is anxious to see his father, an editor at a university publishing house, and his mother, who works at a textile company. He also has a younger sister. Says Fei, "My whole family is in the country. I want to go back and work for our country."

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*'The whole point of coming here is to broaden your horizons, to meet people you otherwise wouldn't'*

—Julie Badice

### Safety is 'Awesome' As Argi Sees It

If you ask Argi Garefalaki '95 what she likes best about America she's likely to respond, Western Maryland's campus safety office. Say what?

Unlike American students who often see safety officers as party-spoilers, Argi, who has mastered the Yankee idiom, says, "They're awesome. It's not like they're strict, official types, yet they're doing their jobs. Security is the best here. If I have nothing to do on a Saturday night, I go into their office to see them." As a Decker Center Information Desk attendant, the native of Macedonia sees the officers often while on the job. Argi's brother Dimitrios '93 also is a safety office fan.

In fact, Argi and Dimitrios agree on a lot of things. They are biology majors, he headed toward dental school and she toward medical school—both in the U.S. Though Argi had dreamed of studying in America since she was 6, it was her brother's presence at Western Maryland that led her to Westminster.

Here she quickly became a sparkling presence on stage, acting in last fall's freshman orientation play, *Choices*, and in the musical, *Damn Yankees*. Having sung in Greek choirs since she was 7 and danced with a Greek troupe for 10 years, she had plenty of stage experience. But it was at Western Maryland that she began to hone her acting skills, and she quickly adopted theatre as her minor.

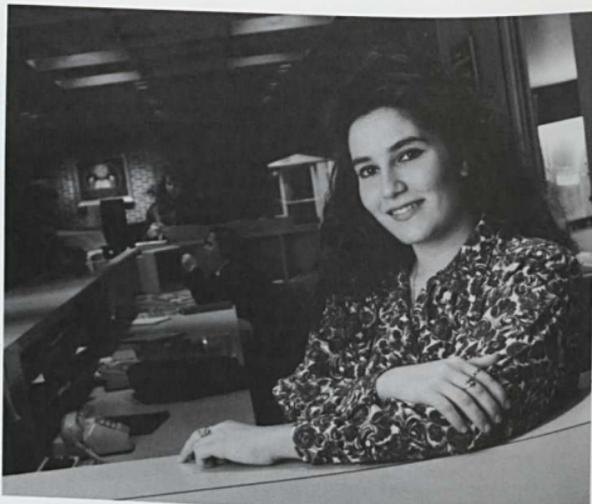
While she loves the green hills of summer and fall hues on "the Hill," so different from the mountains and sea near Macedonia, she's found the food less palatable. "For two months I was eating all salads. There is too much meat, salt and sauce" in American food.

Another thing she dislikes is the average college student's casual attitude toward dating. "The relationship between guys and girls here is so weird to us [international students].

"They're very superficial and get involved without considering [the consequences]. With us, you're devoted to the relationship and think before you get into it. My friends from Ethiopia, China and Japan and France are like me. I prefer to be by myself rather than give up my values."

Whereas some social customs can be perplexing, she finds the close relationship between students and faculty rewarding. Argi also relishes people saying hi as they pass on campus, even if they don't know each other. "In my country, if you're strangers, you go your way, and they go theirs. Here I love the friendly environment."

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Working at the Decker Center Information Desk is a job Argi Garefalaki enjoys.

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they respect me in particular, but they respect the position of professor generally. They start out assuming that professors know what they're talking about. A long-term effect of the Sixties is that American students hear a lot of criticism of teachers while they're growing up. Teachers are not respected automatically."

Julie Badice, who teaches many international students in art history, relishes the increasing cultural mix of the campus. "The whole point of coming here is to broaden your horizons, to meet people you otherwise wouldn't. That's critically important. What good is it to go to college when the students are like everyone at your high school?"

International students "enrich on a lot of different levels," Badice adds. "They challenge people. American students are pretty embarrassed when they [international students] do better, and English is their second language."

However, not all international students are fluent in English, which gives American students a chance to help. Says the chair of the department of art and art history, "I'll ask someone to be a tutor. It's made Americans [who tutor] have to study things more. And they wouldn't have gotten to know the international students otherwise."

Joshua Foster '96, of Long Island, is one who's enjoyed assisting an international

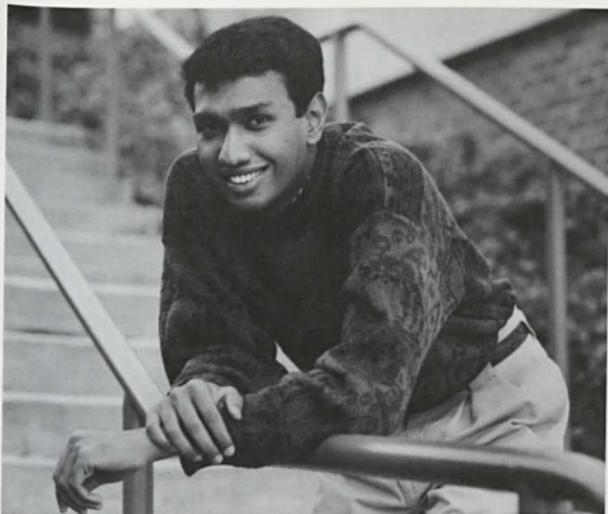
student in his religion and culture class. "I've helped him study for tests. He has problems with certain words and concepts that he hasn't encountered before. He didn't pick them up in class, or he wasn't clear on them. I can help him."

The benefits are reciprocal, for international students can help Joshua understand unfamiliar concepts too. "Suren [Ratnayake '96 from Sri Lanka] will say how things are in his country. We were going over Buddhism, and he knows a lot about that.

"It's good that we can see kids our own age from different places," he continues. "It opens our eyes to the fact that there are other places, not just America. Often it seems like we only think of America."

Such comments are significant coming from Joshua, since he probably is one of the most internationally experienced American students. From ages 9-12, his family was with Operation Mobilization, a Christian organization. He spent 18 months on a boat with people from 45 different countries sailing to a different port every few weeks. Joshua also logged 18 months in Germany. Such an experience "helps when I have to come up with a topic for a paper," says the communications major.

Amie Chilcoat '96, from Baltimore, is growing more aware of the world, too, because most of the women on the third floor of Whiteford where she lives are international students. She's also becoming more enlightened in classes, because inter-



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Dias, one of the best-known students, helped with international student orientation.

national students bring a new perspective. "There's a guy in my sociology class from Sri Lanka who makes good comments about racism; he understands racism."

Chemistry and mathematics major Jay Taylor '93 appreciates the serious approach international students bring to education. "A lot of international students have gone through difficulties to get here. They generally place learning at a higher priority than Americans do."

They also tend to have more extensive preparation in math and science, he says. "It is stressed much more early on for them. They have a deeper appreciation and concern for the subject. The math department is a good place for international students to be, because of the rigor and concern." International students who graduated even five years ago would be amazed at the concern the administration now feels for their adjustment to their new surroundings. Among the key support people is Bill Spence '83, who has assisted them with English and writing since 1989.

"I'm here for every one of them," says Spence. "I do special sections of English 101 and 102 which are tailor-made for them. In general, I'm an active peer for their writing. Occasionally they come to me for other things as well."

Teaching classes entirely composed of non-Americans, he says "is always more enjoyable because of the diversity of viewpoints. The basic population at Western

Maryland is pretty homogeneous, so it's refreshing to get into a classroom where I can't predict what everyone is going to say. Also, they're pretty highly motivated, and I don't feel like I have to entertain them. If I have an idea, they'll go with it. Usually there's no problem keeping a discussion going."

However, first the international students have to adjust to the more informal brand of teaching in America. "East Asians are used to a professor at a social distance and just lecturing. They talk about it with me right away. They appreciate the accessibility that is not as readily available in their own country."

And Spence appreciates their fluid minds. "I've always been impressed with the academic ability of the international students. I may get papers with more grammatical errors than native speakers, but they often exhibit more sophisticated thinking. I've been reading papers where I'm fascinated, especially when they critique American education."

Those critiques should serve him well, since he intends to "go overseas for a couple of years for research and experience." Currently Spence is in the midst of a PhD in language education at the University of Maryland College Park.

Support in the area of student life comes in a couple of varieties. One of the homes owned by the college on Pennsylvania Avenue has been designated as the International House. A mix of American and international students live there, for the college

## Leaving Conflicts Behind, Gaining Independence

"Three weeks into the first semester, someone came up to me and said, 'Did anyone tell anything to you about your color?'" recounted Dan Dias '93, a business administration and economics major from Sri Lanka. "I was shocked. I had no idea there was something going around about color. Racism was a new thing to me and every step that I learned [about it], I felt it was something stupid."

After venting his feelings about the topic in speech class, Dias thinks he broke down some barriers amongst his classmates about racism. He is happy to report that he has never experienced racial discrimination on campus. His experiences at Western Maryland have been nothing but "amazing."

Dias decided to attend school in the United States as a result of troubles in Sri Lanka, such as ethnic violence, wars, and student coalitions fighting to overthrow the government. "All students over 18 and not married had to join the fight against the government," Dias explained. "The government killed 70 students each day. I had friends who were missing."

In addition to student confrontations, the Majority and Minority War between the Sinhalese and the Tamils and other minority groups, who are fighting for possession of half the country, added to the troubles and violence in Sri Lanka. Not wishing to fight in the wars and desiring an education that was not available in his home country, Dias came to Western Maryland College. He said that he enjoys it here and it has been a great experience.

In addition to gaining valued friends and teachers, his experience has helped him learn to be independent. "I have learned the value of money and how hard it is to make it. In America, when young people want something, they work to get it. In Sri Lanka, we ask our parents for money—everything is from our parents. Until we get married we are under our father and mother's orders. When they said, I did."

However, when Dias returns home after graduation, he does not foresee trouble readjusting to Sri Lankan culture, despite his newly found independence. "Going home [for Christmas '91] after three years, my parents expected me to change a lot. My father expects me to be responsible. I do things a little differently now, but they accept it. I think they talked among themselves and gave me the green light."

After completing his last year at WMC this spring, Dias hopes to pursue one year of practical training and take the CPA accounting exam before returning to Sri Lanka.

— Amy Pelinsky '94

does not foster segregating any types of students. The advantage to the International House is it's a place for students from foreign countries to stay during holidays and breaks when the rest of the living areas are closed.

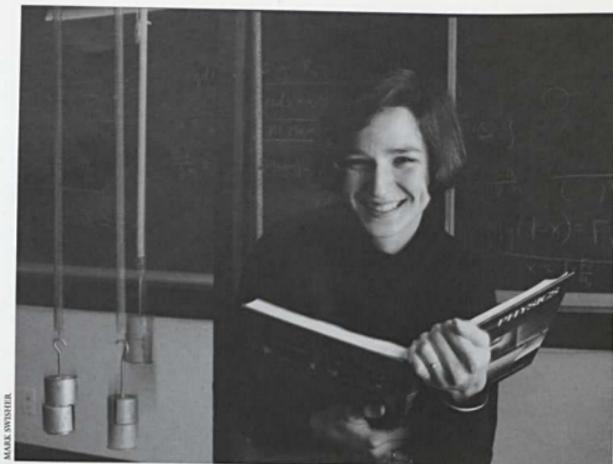
The real mainstay for the international students is Cathy Nosel, the career development director who doubles as their adviser. Cathy's role is depicted in detail on Page 17, but her major duties are: advising the International Student Club; directing the Host Families Program, which matches international students with local families; and leading orientation for new international students in the fall. She's a resource for international students anytime for any problem, whether it concerns visa redtape or driving them to the doctor.

Another supporter of international students (as well as Americans) is Barbara Schaeffer Disharoon '68, MEd '84. The assistant dean of academic affairs serves as their first academic adviser when they arrive. Long before Western Maryland had built a formal support system, she'd been a friend and advocate for international students.

Years ago she'd pile a bunch into her car and take them to Baltimore. And she's long invited students for a down-home Thanksgiving dinner. Disharoon still maintains close friendships with former students from Malaysia and the Bahamas. "The kids who come here have been a joy to work with and to know. The friendships last beyond what is comprehensible."

Disharoon applauds Western Maryland's policy of enrolling students from a wide range of nations. "We have not targeted a particular population or ethnic group, nor culture. We've targeted many different ones, and that has made the population very diverse—and better for our students.

"I give Bob Chambers a lot of the credit. He's the one who encouraged diversity to begin with. Bob made the remark when he first set foot on this campus that the students all looked like the admissions staff—they had a preppy look. Every room, every class repeated this preppy look. At his encouragement, Western Maryland has opened up to a more diverse population." •



MARK SWINDELL

### Science, not Politics, Dominates Her Life

Not many 20-year-olds can claim medical publications in America and Germany, but for biochemistry major Mira Moutafchieva '96, such an achievement is just following a familial pattern.

Mira co-authored articles on research into ways to prevent blindness with her mother, Petja, an ophthalmologist in Bulgaria who does surgery and research, teaches at a medical school, is an MD, a PhD, and holder of a master's in public health from the Johns Hopkins University. Mira's maternal grandfather also was a physician who specialized in treatment of eye disorders. After earning a BA at WMC and a medical degree in the U.S., she intends to be the third generation in the field.

"Like my grandfather and my mother I am continuing in the family tradition," she explains. "I was always in this field. My grandfather took me to the hospital with him, and I always loved how his patients adored him for how he helped them. I also was my mom's secretary." By typing the bibliography for her mother's dissertation, Mira says, "I think I know all of the leading ophthalmologists by name."

It was while her mother was at JHU and Mira was in her first year of medical school in Bulgaria, that she decided studying in America sounded appealing, especially when her school was closed due to student strikes. Thanks to a WMC international-student scholarship, she was able to sign on at a

Scientific know-how is an inherited fact of life for Mira Moutafchieva.

school which is strong in the sciences.

Not only did she bring with her to Maryland a medical legacy, but a husband. In Bulgaria last summer Mira married Kamen Kitchev, an engineer whom she had dated for five years. An automobile lover, he is delighted to be selling Toyotas and Mazdas at Koons in Westminster.

From their new home near campus, they view the continuing conflict in Bulgaria quite differently. Mira, whose family is communist, had more privileged treatment in school, according to Kamen, who is from an opposition-party family. Now the opposition party is in power in Bulgaria, and the couple's opinions on policy often diverge.

One reason Mira prefers study in America is that here politics do not invade every aspect of life as they do in Bulgaria. "I never liked politics, so I'm glad I'm out of that mess," she affirms.

At Western Maryland she also likes the quality and accessibility of her professors. "They are very well prepared and willing to discuss subjects different from what we are studying. In Bulgaria, I always felt very distant from the teachers; classes have up to 40 people, and the teachers didn't have much time to spend with us. I never felt they were someone you could tell problems to. They were like some higness sitting there and lecturing." Not so here.

—SKD

*'Cathy is their surrogate mother. They meet her first and develop a sense of trust'*

—Barbara Schaeffer Disharoon

## Providing a Warm Link for Students

Call her Mom. Which she is to Amanda, 3. But also to Rasika and Tolga and Ming and Juan and Renata and Mariko and Preetam and Chotika and Sacha and a couple dozen other Twentysomethings from around the world.

Since summer of 1991, Western Maryland has solidified its support of foreign students through the efforts of international student adviser Cathy Nosal. The college's director of career development since 1987 volunteered for the added responsibility when Philip Sayre, dean of student affairs, decided to beef up international student support, at the urging of a WMC committee and an outside consultant.

When Sayre requested a volunteer, three of his staff stepped forward. He chose Nosal because, as a graduate student, she had been assistant to the international student adviser at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

"Support is more focused now," Sayre says. "The biggest gain has been students now know who to turn to for help. Cathy can't solve every problem, but she can hook them up with someone on campus who can. The second gain has been that orientation of international students is so improved. Now they get treated the way they should."

Nosal organized the first orientation just for international students two summers ago. Her warm interpersonal skills have been welcoming to students far, far from home.

"Bringing Cathy in as the adviser was a very positive move," says Barbara Schaeffer Disharoon '68, MEd '84, assistant dean of academic affairs. Disharoon, the international students' first academic adviser when they arrive, adds, "Cathy is their surrogate mother. They get to meet her first and develop a sense of trust."

Among Nosal's initial tasks is to either meet the students at the airport herself or arrange for an upper-level international student to greet and drive them to WMC.



MARK SPINER

She then directs a four-day orientation geared at easing them into the American college scene. Pizza parties and a local trip, such as to Baltimore's Inner Harbor, are popular features.

Last summer's trip to the National Aquarium was a big hit with the students. "They saw displays of fish from a lot of their countries and took pleasure in seeing things familiar to them," she notes.

Nosal, who also advises the International Student Club, encourages students to keep in touch with their homelands in other ways, too. The club-sponsored annual International Student Dinner allows them to showcase their native cuisine for grateful faculty, staff and students. One of the highlights of the fall semester, it has grown from less than 50 diners in 1989 to 150 this past November.

Along with helping to plan the dinner and other club functions, Nosal serves as a liaison between the campus and the community. She's arranged for international students to speak at Westminster elementary schools, day-care centers, civic dinners and WMC alumni meetings. An even broader outreach is the Host Family Program which she began in 1991. Since then, most international students have asked to be linked with a local family to help them adjust to life in America and provide a place to spend holidays and vacation days.

Some students even live with their host families over long breaks, as Ivan Stoikoff '95 did last summer when he decided to

work in the states leading a crew of student painters. The Bulgarian first met his hosts, Charles and Lynne McCarty, in the fall of '91. The couple had signed up for the program after receiving a letter Nosal had sent to Westminster Bible Church, which they attend.

That first year, Ivan often accompanied the family to church services and Sunday dinner. But this year he has stepped up his involvement in computer and scientific projects at WMC, a reason they see less of him. Nonetheless, the McCartys have enjoyed the relationship and anticipate two more years as Ivan's hosts.

Disharoon, who has been an unofficial host parent of international students for many years, lauds Nosal's Host Family initiative, among other endeavors. With Cathy's coordination of orientation, advising, and other duties, Disharoon says, "We now have a much more organized program to support international students."

Though a demanding role at times, especially when she guides students through Immigration and Naturalization Service regulations and the red-tape stickiness of off-campus employment, Nosal delights in being Mom to so many.

"It's so different from Career Services," Nosal avows. "I'm still helping students, but they're so much fun and so appreciative. They're very open and happy to be here. It makes me want to learn more about them. I learn a lot, because I'm not a world traveler." ●

Cathy Nosal chats with Suren Ratnayake '96 of Sri Lanka. Suren is matched with Nosal and her husband and daughter through the college's Host Family program, one of the many initiatives Nosal has begun as international student adviser.

—SKD

## International Briefs

### Needy Folks in Other Lands Benefit from Buttner's Efforts

**M**ultinational flags wafting in front of the white building housing the SERRV International Gift Shop represent impoverished people in 40 developing nations who benefit whenever a customer buys one of the 6,034 handicrafts sold in the New Windsor, MD store. Thanks in part to the efforts of Sheila Buttner, MEd '71, more of these individuals each year are less needy and more self-sufficient.

During two decades of buying carved Kenyan giraffes for wedding gifts and colorful woven Guatemalan sweaters for herself, Buttner never envisioned that one day she'd be leading the promotional and publications efforts of SERRV Self-Help Handicrafts.

Buttner, who taught English and German at WMC as an adjunct instructor for 15 years, joined the staff of the Church of the Brethren program two years ago. She had spent the previous 14 years as an associate in ministry at Grace Lutheran Church in Westminster.

Although no longer employed by the Lutheran church, she's maintained her certification at the national level "because of the broad ministry of SERRV across the U.S. and the world. That [continuing certification] has meant a lot to me," says the wife of Peter Buttner, assistant professor of foreign languages.

One of the two largest alternative trade organizations in the United States, SERRV was begun by the Church of the Brethren in the wake of World War II. The program then helped European refugees support themselves; it is now threading throughout Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Even our own country's neediest are included in the self-help program, as the prevalence of Zuni jewelry in a showcase can attest.



Sheila Buttner relishes promoting the handicrafts that she has long loved to buy for friends and relatives.

SERRV's ministry of marketing the handicrafts of the world's poor accounts for \$5 million per year, while the Mennonite Central Committee's SELFHELP program weighs in for an equal portion of the \$15 million total accrued by the alternative trade business. According to Thomas Boogaart of Western Theological Seminary in Holland, MI, alternative trade organizations "seek to empower the exploited and economically vulnerable."

And SERRV does just that. One group of Mayan Indian women in Guatemala which contributes weaving to the program consists of widows of men "killed in violence," says Buttner. "Guatemala and Bolivia are the two Latin American countries where the majority of the population is indigenous. We tend to work with indigenous people because they are often the most oppressed people in developing countries."

The three SERRV gift shops—the others are in New York City and in Elgin, IL—are not the program's only marketing outlets. A yearly catalogue depicting 1,400 crafts accounts for sales to 3,500 social-justice groups, church book stores, private gift shops and other wholesale and consignment customers, which order items to sell. Retail customers also can order gifts through the catalogue.

Whatever you purchase, "It's a wonderful way of connecting with people in developing countries and helping them to become independent," Buttner explains. SERRV products are "a gift not only to the person you love but to the person who made the craft." •

—SKD

### Prestigious Award Applicants May Find Success Overseas

**W**hile French Professor Martine Motard-Noar is leading an aggressive effort to encourage any undergraduates to study abroad, Del Palmer, professor of comparative literature, is leading a focused quest to identify top students for awards to study outside the U.S. If his game plan is successful, Rhodes, Fulbright and Marshall scholars may someday be among the WMC alumni body.

"This is the first time Western Maryland is going at it in a unified way," says the former dean of academic affairs. "Before, it was decentralized. Now we're bringing it all together into one office which has information on all awards. I'm also trying to identify students early. After the first semester I plan to draw a magnet through the freshman class. I'll identify [likely candidates] and announce two or three meetings."

Many awards are for study in the states; the six international ones are prestigious but selective. For instance, the Saint Andrew's Society of New York seeks a New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania or New Jersey resident who is of Scottish descent. "I'm looking for a good student with red hair," Palmer says with a chuckle.

Not only would landing a prestigious award benefit a student's future career or admission into a top-flight graduate school, but the institution. "It would help the reputation of Western Maryland, as well as with recruitment and retention of students." •

# Looking Beyond

## *Studious Sojourn in England Strengthened Self-understanding*

BY LEONA SEVICK '92

In May of 1990 I applied for the Rotary Foundation scholarship—an award that gives students the opportunity to study abroad for one year. The Rotarians in Hanover, PA who interviewed me wanted to be sure that I was able to cope with moving to a culture different from my own. I was convinced myself, and managed to convince the district committee, that I was ready for a change.

The Rotary Foundation gave me the opportunity to complete my undergraduate degree at any university in the world. A literature major, I wanted to study in England. With the recommendation of President Robert Chambers, I chose the University of Buckingham, the only private university in England and one that offered an innovative and challenging curriculum. I was not apprehensive in the least about leaving my Taneytown, MD home. I thought, how different could England be from the U.S.?

The first student I met at Buckingham (who became one of my closest friends) was Sherman Ho, a business student from Singapore. I knew that 88 countries were represented at Buckingham and that many of the students were there to polish their English skills, and so I approached this young man and said, articulating carefully and probably too slowly, "Hello, my name is Leona." With a grin and in a California accent he responded, "Hey, I'm Sherm. What's up?" I learned, much to my embarrassment, that his sister lived in California and that he had spent much time in the U.S. This was only the first of many surprises that I experienced during my first few weeks at Buckingham.

I was sent to England as an ambassador of good will and to help foster international understanding. However, clinging to what is familiar is safe, and I was guilty of that for my first few weeks abroad. I brought with me American music, wore my American sneakers with my jeans (a definite no in England), continued to refer to the pavement as the sidewalk and to the cinema as the movies, and wrote dozens of letters home to friends and family. For some time, I was known by most students at Buckingham as "That American."



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Fostering good will between the USA and Great Britain was an aim for Sevick.

Eventually I stopped clinging to what was safe and familiar. Conversations with people who lived in my residence hall turned from one-minute hellos and good-byes to hours of discussions about my home and theirs. It's true that some people believe in American stereotypes: that we are loud, brassy, live in huge cities, drive big cars that burn too much gas (or petrol), are greedy capitalists, don't care about our homeless, gorge ourselves with food, and that we all own guns to protect ourselves.

I answered many questions the best way I could—from my own experiences and with my conscience. I explained that not all Americans live in cities as big as Los Angeles and that my own town is smaller than Buckingham. I did admit that I drive a pickup truck, but I explained that my truck does not have running boards, mud flaps, and does not sport a name like "Big Red." Crime, I said, is a serious problem in the U.S., but I added that we haven't all resorted to carrying handguns.

Not all of my conversations with people during my year in England were of a light and friendly nature. The purpose of the Rotary scholarship is to promote understanding and friendly relations among people of different nations; therefore, I was not to stir up controversy or to promote heated debate. I understood this when I

accepted the scholarship, and I agreed to these terms.

Once at Buckingham, however, I was faced with several trying situations. When a young Pakistani man announced to me that women are not admitted into that particular club because "men and women socialize differently," I was able to maintain restraint. Another time, when a young Pakistani man announced to me that interracial marriage and "interbreeding" was "the cancer of this world," I argued with him. The child of an interracial marriage (my mother is Korean and my father is American), this hurt me very deeply, and I felt compelled to tell him how I felt. I learned a great deal about myself and what I am capable of through these informal discussions.

I would never have had these opportunities if not for the Rotary Foundation Scholarship and the support that Western Maryland College gave to me. I grew and changed through my study-abroad experience and formed several close friendships. I learned to look beyond myself and my small town, and, in looking beyond, I found within me a strength of will that I did not know I possessed. ●

*Leona Sevick '92 works as an editorial and production assistant while awaiting graduate study in English next fall.*

# Joining The Fight

## Production Director Wilberger Kept Portrayal of Gettysburg Rolling

BY SHERRI KIMMEL DIEGEL

Obscuring the familiar smooth cheeks of acclaimed actor Martin Sheen or hiding hearthrob Tom Berenger under a bush of beard are not the usual tactics of main-line film makers. After all, if you're able to land a major star for your movie, the last thing you'd want to do is hide his face from fans.

But when *The Killer Angels*, filmed in Gettysburg, PA last summer by Turner Network Television, debuts this spring as a four-hour, two-night mini-series, see how long it takes you to identify Union officers John Buford/Sam Elliot and Joshua Chamberlain/Jeff Daniels and Confederate generals Robert E. Lee/Martin Sheen and James Longstreet/Tom Berenger.

Making the characters historically hirsute was one of many aims of the creators of *The Killer Angels*, based on the 1974 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by the late Michael Sharra. "Historical accuracy was our number one requirement," says Jim Wilberger '72, director of production for TNT. Having left Gettysburg a few days before the September 30 end of filming to await the imminent birth of his and wife Manena's first child, he is speaking by phone from Los Angeles.

Long before filming began on July 20, Wilberger and company were painstakingly matching the past and the present. To help embody the Civil War soldiers, actors were asked to grow the often unusual facial hair of the 1860s, or bulk up with artificial hair. "Jeff Daniels has a huge handlebar mustache past his chin. Tom Berenger has a big bushy beard. Martin Sheen we had to give a full beard and wig. He looked so much like Robert E. Lee it was chilling. To the other actors, it was like seeing Lee for the first time."

Major feature film stars commonly command \$1 million or more per picture. TNT, having just \$12 million total to spend, depended on the meatiness of the roles to entice the big names. "They get to play a character that's well written, and they get few opportunities of this nature," Wilberger explains.

The desire of 6,000 re-enactors to work

on a historically accurate account of the battle of Gettysburg was another main factor in the affordability of the movie. "We needed massive numbers to portray the battle accurately. We didn't have the money to pay them the way we would a normal extra [\$50 per day if non-union], so I made several trips back East to negotiate with various re-enactor groups and committees."

Wilberger agreed to two requirements in order to get the *pro bono* work of a cast of thousands. After finishing the filming of Pickett's Charge, in which 3,800 re-enactors appeared, the Friends of the National Park at Gettysburg and the Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites, based in Fredericksburg, VA, were rewarded by Ted Turner, president of Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. He presented each group a check for \$50,000 on August 22.

The re-enactors' other request was that one of their number review the shooting script. "Even through we'd taken it to six historians already, he ended up giving us 40 pages of minute details about the insignia on uniforms, which flag to fly, [his opinion that] this or that word was not used in 1860," says Wilberger. "We were so impressed that we hired him as our on-set historian. The re-enactors loved it, because they respected him so much."

The soldier portrayals were kind enough to assist Wilberger in the rare instance when he was in a scene, not behind one. "I became a Confederate lieutenant and went on the charge with them. The re-enactors showed me how to charge without impaling myself on my own sword and without killing any of them," he says with a laugh. He was accompanied by Ted Turner.

"I was Ted's guide and his lieutenant. Ted wanted to be in a cameo role in the picture. He wanted to be in Pickett's Charge, so we researched one of [Pickett's 13] colonels. Ted played the role of Colonel Patton, whose descendant was General Patton. Colonel Patton was mortally wounded in Pickett's Charge."

But not so Turner. "Ted really enjoyed himself." Wilberger also guided his boss

around the battlefield grounds and to the Cyclorama. "He's seen nearly every Cyclorama in the world, but hadn't seen Gettysburg's."

But Wilberger has viewed the tourist mecca plenty of times. The native of Silver Spring, MD, visited while a dramatic art major at Western Maryland. Active in many plays, he first learned about movie-making at WMC. "I took the only film course offered at the time and got the bug." Through the late L. Earl Griswold, sociology professor and film producer, Wilberger began work on professional productions as a senior, continuing a few months after graduation.

Even though a film series he helped Griswold craft on the lives of deaf people won a national award from public broadcasting, conditions were not state-of-the-art. "He had converted half of his milking barn into a film studio. We had to stop filming at 4:15 in the afternoon because the milking machines went on in the other part of the barn!"

Twenty years later, Wilberger is out of the stable and into the big time. In LA since 1980, where he first worked for Landsburg Productions, creator of *That's Incredible*, among other shows, he's been with TNT for three years.

As a director of production he often works on multiple movies, but because of the immensity of *The Killer Angels* project, he's spent most of the last two years focused on just one. He also put time in last year on *Railway Station Man*, filmed in County Donegal and Northern Ireland and starring Donald Sutherland and Julie Christie. It aired in October, while another of his movies, *T-Bone and Wensel*, with Gregory Hines and Christopher Lee, was to debut in November.

Among his duties for *The Killer Angels* were scouting out the locations, most of which were on private land near the battlefield, negotiating with the National Park Service for use of the battlefield, and coordinating promotional needs.

"I make sure PR people have access to the stars, keep an eye on the production to make sure it's keeping on schedule, and do what I can to fix that. I watch all the dailies of every film I work on. If I see [a shot]

not in focus I make sure we have other coverage of it, and see if it needs to be reshot. I continue to follow all through the editing process, selection of music, and making of the final prints, until it goes on the air."

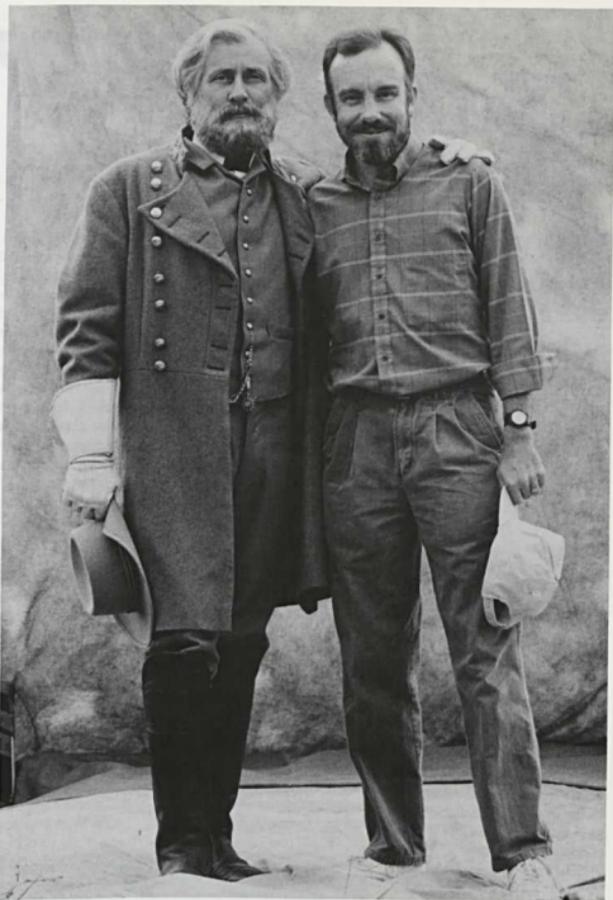
The airing of TNT's most expensive production to date is set for April, instead of the originally scheduled June or July, a strategy for Emmy consideration. Among *The Killer Angels*'s hallmarks is its dedication to accuracy. "Many of the people who worked on the picture were hired for others, like *Glory*. They told us it was the most accurate Civil War picture they've worked on." Rather than a money-maker the network views the film as "a prestige project that will attract more people to watching TNT," says Wilberger.

The movie also may be an item for the *Guinness Book of Records*. "The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences called while we were on the battlefield filming Pickett's Charge and said it's the largest staged scene ever shot in North America. I'm not entirely convinced that that's true, but I do believe that it's bigger than anything *Gone With the Wind* did. One of the stories going around is it's the biggest thing since the Civil War scene in *Birth of a Nation* [a 1915 classic]."

While Wilberger's career success may be impressive to fellow Western Maryland graduates, Hollywood hasn't gone to his head. In unruffled manner he'll take an hour out of his busy LA day to chat about his current work and his past, citing two dramas professors as prime influences.

"I was in Esther Smith's last class [before her retirement]. She brought humanity and peace to the theatre that I hadn't seen before. She always counseled us to keep something in reserve—one of her bywords when on the stage, but it works in life too. It's become a subconscious thing for me at this point.

"Bill Tribby was a warm and loving person too, but had the great quality to be open to exploring new ideas in the theatre. During that era at Western Maryland, we'd gotten away from using the proscenium



Guess who's posing with Jim Wilberger (Jim's on the right)? Hint: This actor's son recently married Paula Abdul.

arch, were using environmental sets. I was in *Man of La Mancha*, played Sancho, and we staged it so the whole audience was in prison with you. Bill Tribby was a big promoter of trying to change the boundaries of what theatre was."

Which is something Wilberger tries to carry out in movies. "But in films you always have to answer to budget. Films, in general, get made because someone putting up the money is going to make money. Money ends up being something you always have to work with, but what I've always tried to promote is that the most successful films can also be historically accurate. . . . There's a better atmosphere at TNT, far more understanding of that, than at any place I've worked." •

# Development

## NEWS

### Nearly \$1 Million in Fall Gifts Strengthen WMC

Western Maryland College received three magnificent gifts last fall totaling nearly \$1 million to enhance the endowment and benefit future students.

Alonzo G. Decker Jr., whose family has long devoted substantial time, concern and resources to higher education and Western Maryland (see adjacent story), has established a charitable remainder annuity trust through a gift of \$500,000. The fund will provide lifetime income for him and his wife, Virginia Gent Decker. Upon their deaths, the assets of the trust will be available to Western Maryland to be used in a manner to be decided by the trustees of the college. In the interim, the trust will be invested with the college's endowment assets.

"The college is deeply grateful to the Decker family for their signal role in the growth and development of this college, and we are deeply honored to have the Decker name be such a prominent part of this campus," observed President Robert H. Chambers. "This splendid, most recent gift from Al Decker extends that family heritage, and we are most appreciative. It is among the largest the college has received and sets a wonderful standard for others."

Unlike Mr. Decker's unrestricted gift, the other two new

gifts will be applied in specific ways, namely to benefit Western Maryland undergraduates. At the Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony in November, the three sons of Arthur G. "Otts" Broll '29 announced their gift of \$150,000 to create an endowed scholarship fund in their father's honor. The senior Broll was elected to the Hall of Fame in recognition of his prowess in basketball, lacrosse and tennis, plus a distinguished lifetime of community service.

Charles, William, and Arthur Broll Jr. established The Arthur G. "Otts" Broll Endowed Scholarship to honor the trustee emeritus's lifetime service and loyalty to Western Maryland. The scholarship will be awarded annually, beginning in 1993, to deserving students who have achieved or shown potential in academics and extracurricular activities and who have demonstrated financial need.

"Otts" Broll, now of Greenville, DE, was a history major and captain of the basketball and tennis teams. He

attended WMC on a full athletic scholarship. In 1928 he scored 259 points in basketball, leading the state. He lost but one match in tennis during the 1929 season. Broll served in the U.S. Army from 1929-39 and was a lieutenant in the Navy during World War II, from 1943-46. He was a WMC trustee from 1965-80 and Alumnus of the Year in 1979. He is a past president and chairman of the board of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Wilmington, DE and South Jersey.

The other major gift to the college this fall came from the bequest of another WMC history major, Gladys Bean Weech '27. Mrs. Weech, who died December 9, 1991, designated over \$300,000 of her estate to establish The William A. and Gladys B. Weech Scholarship Fund to provide financial aid to assist needy persons in pursuing their education. The first scholarship will be awarded this year. Before her death, Mrs. Weech had worked as a secretary for Leroy Mark Insurance Co. and

St. John's Episcopal Church, both in Washington, D.C. Her late husband, William Weech '26 had been a manager with New Amsterdam Casualty Co. The Weeches, who had no children, had an abiding affection for their alma mater, as evidenced by their generosity.

The Decker, Broll and Weech gifts to the college are excellent examples of the types of gifts the college's newest development professional will be managing. Gary Owens joined the staff in December as the director of planned giving.

Owens, who was executive director of the capital campaign and university development for Towson State University, brings to the institution substantial expertise in financial and estate planning and the creation and administration of gifts in which donors retain a life income interest, such as gift annuities and charitable trusts.

"Gary has a deep commitment to the values of a liberal arts education in a private college setting," said Richard F. Seaman, WMC's vice president for institutional advancement. "He has enormous talents, energy, human sensitivity, community concern and planned giving expertise that will serve us well as we create new programs to meet the needs of our alumni, parents and friends."

Of his appointment, Owens said, "I am quite enthusiastic about joining one of the best small-college development teams in the country. I'm excited about the support that Western Maryland's alumni and friends are showing the institution, and I look forward to serving them." •



The Founders Dinner, held on October 2 at the Walters Pavilion in Baltimore, was memorable for guests, including, from left: Sally Keck Gold '78, Robert '66 and Carolyn Seaman Scott '67.

## Decker Legacy Still Growing

For nearly a third of Western Maryland's 126 years, individuals with the surname Decker have played a fundamental role in the growth and development of the college. While most American households have a dust buster, electric drill or workmate emblazoned with the Black and Decker logo, WMC has a building and a lecture hall bearing the second name in that trademark of quality. Most recently, the son of the co-founder of Black and Decker Manufacturing Co. has funded a \$500,000 trust for the eventual benefit of the college.

That son, Alonzo G. Decker Jr., in October became only the second recipient of the college's John Smith Medallion. The award is named for John Smith, a founder of the college, champion of education, and railroad innovator. An interesting connection between the two men is that Mr. Decker served on the board of the Western Maryland Railroad, which Mr. Smith founded and for which the college is named. Thanks to Mr. Decker, a caboose from the railroad graces the area above the football field.

Another similarity between the two men was delineated by the WMC board of trustees. Both are "the archetype of the person who, outside of the field of higher education itself, serves it with distinction and contributes in a major way to its

strength as a primary part of the American experience."

Nurturing of the college by the Deckers began with the late Alonzo G. Decker Sr., co-founder with S. Duncan Black of the company which has a facility in nearby Hampstead. He served as a trustee from 1953 until his death in 1956. During his involvement, Mr. Decker funded the construction of the Alonzo G. Decker Lecture Hall in Lewis Hall of Science.

His wife, Fanny Fox Decker, was a personal friend of WMC presidents and their wives, particularly Lowell and Eloise Ensor. Mrs. Decker was an honorary trustee from 1974 until her death in 1981. In her will, she generously left a gift to the college which provided the lead funding for the construction of the Decker College Center, dedicated in 1978.

With the death of Mrs. Decker, her children, Alonzo Junior and Jane Decker Asmis, took over their parents' commitment. Mrs. Asmis, who raises Arabian Horses on her Never Die Farm in Sykesville, MD, was elected to the board of trustees in 1976. She has been an honorary trustee since 1982.



Alonzo G. Decker Jr. (right) with President Robert Chambers on October 3, when Mr. Decker received the John Smith Medallion.

The Decker family's most recent gift, from the former chairman of Black and Decker Manufacturing Co., came in December. Mr. Decker, a 1981 laureate of the Baltimore Business Hall of Fame, established a charitable remainder annuity trust of a half-million dollars, retaining a life income interest for himself and his wife. The board of trustees will decide how the funds will be utilized when they become available to the college. ●

### 1992-93 Annual Fund Challenge Grant Status Report

(as of December 15, 1992)

<b>1992-93 Annual Fund Goal:</b>		\$1,000,000
Gifts/Pledges Received:	\$461,607	
Cash Received:	\$259,943	
<b>Challenge Funds Earned:</b>		
Matching 389 new gifts totaling .....		\$32,544
Matching 498 gifts increases totaling .....		\$28,388
Bonuses for 153 new or higher gift club members.....		\$16,650
Total Challenge Funds Earned.....		\$77,582
Remaining Challenge Funds to be earned by 6/30/93 .....		\$48,418

# News

From Alumni

## Islam Explored This Month

"The West and Islam: Prospects for the 21st Century," is the first in a series of educational half-day sessions held under the auspices of the rejuvenated Academic Homecoming program. On Saturday, February 27, the Alumni Office will host the first Academic Homecoming since March 1982. Featured presenters are Imam Mohamad Bashir Arafat, director of the Islamic Society of Baltimore; WMC's Ira Zepp '52, professor of religious studies; Professor of Art History Julie Badiee; and James Hudson, professor of geography and international studies at Morgan State University.

The program will begin with registration at 12:30 p.m. by the College Book Store, Decker College Center. At 1 p.m. Imam Bashir will deliver the keynote address. A native of Damascus, Syria, he holds degrees in Islamic Studies and the Arabic Language and Islamic Law.

First an Imam in Damascus, he was invited to be Imam—or leader—of the Muslim community of Baltimore in 1989. Now he teaches courses on Islam at St. Mary's Seminary and University and the Johns Hopkins University and lectures in public schools and colleges, promoting better understanding between Muslims and non-Muslims.

Zepp, the author of *A Muslim Primer: A Beginner's Guide to Islam* (165 pp., Wakefield Editions, 1992), will present ideas from his book and remark on the five pillars of dialogue. He writes frequently on topics in religious studies, including Muslim-Christian relations.



SHERAH INOUE

Imam Bashir will speak Feb. 27.

Islamic art and its history will be Badiee's topic, a subject she specialized in at the University of Michigan. She is currently working on an introductory-level textbook on the art and culture of Islam.

An expert in Middle Eastern geography and a Fulbright scholar, Hudson taught for nearly a decade in Beirut. He will speak on the politics of this area.

A discussion period will follow the presentations. A Middle Eastern dinner will be served also. For reservations or ticket information, contact Beth Harlow, assistant director of alumni affairs, at (410) 857-2264.

## Carousel Goers Gather for 20th

To be or not to be—that is the question. With apologies to William Shakespeare—the answer for us is still: YES, it is to be. That was the theme of WMC's 20th anniversary dinner at Ocean City's Carousel Hotel on July 25. We were, once; now we are to be; and looking forward to 1993 for we will be. We are not just one person but one person out of 70. We met to have fun and laughter with no really serious thoughts. Some of us had not seen each other for 40-50 years. This was a good tonic to carry over for another year.

Those present were: Sara Lee Lamoser '50 and Don '48 Brohawn, Marie Steele '43 and Don Cameron, Kay Kaiser '45 and Ted Frantum, Jack '43 and June Rawlins, Vernon '43 and Shirley Jones '47 Wiesand, Mary Turnley '44 and Paul Gipe, Eloise Wright '42 and Bob Morison, Jeanne Dieffenbach '44 and Benjamin "Bud" '43 Smith, Phyllis Green '44 and Carroll "C.R." '49 Schaeffer, Virginia Willing '40 and Charles Elliott, Josh '43 and Pat Patterson '48 Ensor, Francis '43 and Betty Cook, Warren '44 and Dorry Jones '43 Earle, Rachel Green Marsey '41, Alice Vollmer '41 and Bill Applegarth, Dottie Cox Liebno '43, Verna Cooper Preston '43, Marie Crawford '43 and Harry '40 Lowery, Paul '43 and Ginger Brooks, Nelson '47 and Anne Wolfsheimer, Neil '41 and Eileen Echenrode, Klein '41 and Mary Lee Leister, Mac '43 and Jeannie Eckhardt '44 McWilliams, Bill '39 and Gertrude McWilliams, Emily Billingslea Wirth '44, Donna DuVall '45 and Russell '44 Sell-

man, Bob '41 and Betty Faw, Bill Robinson '41, Margaret Ann Smith Cassell '44, Jean Bentley Thompson '43, Thomas "Tim" '41 and Jean Lewis, Francis "Bud" '43 and Gerry Blair, Phyllis Cade '43 and Werner Gruber.

We all were required to wear something green or gold (yellow), had on our picture name pins and walked around flourishing their Hawaiian leis.

We had a delicious dinner, then a huge 20th anniversary cake. After the cake eating guess what we did? You're right — we sang "Happy Birthday" to Neil Eckenrode '41.

We were having so much fun and laughter that guests of the hotel passed by our private party and wanted to know who we were . . . and I told them!

For those faithful ones who came in the past but could not come this time, please know that you missed a great time . . . and we all missed you.

So once again, after 20 years, the college ties are as close as ever. Times change and campuses are reconstructed, but "our to be" WMC'ers are the same. The group thanks Western Maryland College for giving us this opportunity to be together, just as the college did in the '40's and '50's. So — "College ties can ne'er be broken;" and that to us is a "to be forever."

— Phyl Cade Gruber '43

## 'Connexions' Are Your Passport

Dear Fellow Alumni:

It is the focal point of our association to encourage alumni connections or "connexions." Are you enriching your life by making connections with alumni in your daily activities? Changing jobs, moving to a new home, searching out relationships in a new community, building business connections, guiding local school athletic programs, local politics, the zoning board, the PTA . . . Chances are that you will find dedicated WMC alumni in the forefront of activities all around you. Are you reaching out and connecting?

You should be. The rewards are exciting. While you were on "the Hill," relationships were generally limited to class year, Greek affiliation, major, sports, or extracurricular activity. Now relationships have no barriers. WMC CONNEXIONS can cross age groups by 10, 20 or 30 years or more. Pick up an alumni directory and discover who is living near you, check out who is the WMC doctor, lawyer, teacher, businessperson in your community. It has been my experience that meeting fellow alumni adds extraordinary richness to life. Try it!

While you are practicing "WMC Connecting," how about making it a habit to promote the benefits of a WMC education to your friends and acquaintances, especially those who can influence high-schoolers in their selection of a college? The greatest gift you can give to our alma mater is to encourage qualified potential students to apply here. Currently there are about 150 empty dorm beds awaiting students. Just filling the residence halls could add more than \$2 million to the operating budget. What a gift you can give and what a difference you can make in a student's life by guiding him or her to the rewards of a liberal-arts education.

If you are a Marylander, have

you applied for your personalized WMC license plates? It is an easy and effective way of putting the college name before the public. Western Maryland is unknown to many Baltimoreans and Marylanders. Rectify the situation by putting WMC tags on your vehicle. Call the Alumni Office for an application form.

Regional meetings of the Alumni Association offer a place for WMC'ers to meet. In Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and D.C./Virginia, meetings are available and reasonably convenient to more than 7,900 alumni! Attend and meet another alumni, gain a new friend. Your only loss is the friend you never met.

Do you have some ideas for alumni programs? Volunteer your time and talent to the alumni program. Call the Alumni Office and "connect."

When were you last on campus? You will find that our campus is the most beautiful in its 126-year history. So much has changed over the past five years that you should visit campus, or at least attend your next reunion. It will be worth the trip - that's a promise!

I also want each of you to know that over the last few years there have been significant changes in the administration that will affect WMC positively for years to come. Jennie Mingoletti, vice president of administration and finance, has put systems in place that efficiently manage our facilities. Martha O'Connell, director of admissions, has the most effective program EVER for attracting new students. Give "Marty" a well-deserved hand by recommending students to her. Demographics for the next few years are not favorable, with many fewer 18-year-olds in the college admissions pool.

A recent addition is Dick Seaman, vice president of institutional advancement. It is Dick's challenge to build the development process and personnel so that a major capital campaign can occur during the mid-'90s. The last challenge, as I see it, is for Western Maryland College to obtain an endowment benefiting its contribution to society

and community. Yes, all the pieces are in place to bring WMC into the 21st century - continuing in its traditional excellence, but outshining its competition.

Help WMC stand out - use your influence whenever and wherever to promote WMC. THE WMC CONNEXION is a passport to a rich life!

With every good wish to you and yours,  
*Raymond E. Albert Jr. '62*  
President, WMC Alumni Association

## Trustee Hall Passes On

Albert Carruthers Hall, honorary doctor of laws '87 and member of the board of trustees, died in Arlington, VA on September 14 at age 78. Regarded as an engineering genius, Hall was a pioneer in the field of modern automatic control theory and one of America's premier scientists in aeronautical design and missile control systems.

His engineering of the TITAN I and design of the TITAN II missiles led to his appointment in 1962 as vice president and general manager of Martin Marietta's Space Systems Divisions, where he launched the company's development and production of the Gemini Launch Vehicle.

He joined WMC's board of trustees in 1975 and supported the college with generosity, time and insight until his death. Mr. Hall is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Boynton, and son, Gregory, and their families.

## In Memoriam

**Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell Gorsuch '24**, of Towson, MD, on September 6, 1991.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Somerville Dinkler '26**, of Glen Ellyn, IL, on May 17.  
**Mrs. Pearl Benedict Coe '29**, of New Windsor, MD, on September 29.  
**Mrs. Dorothy Sapp Weidenhan '29**, of Baltimore, MD, on August 22.  
**Lt. Col. (Ret.) N. Ames Pennewell '31**, of Snow Hill, MD, on September 29.

**Mr. T. William Mather III '32**, of Easton, MD, on September 11.  
**Mr. Edward W. Hurley '34**, of Woodbridge, CT, on June 17.  
**Miss Beth Bryson '35**, of Baltimore, MD, on August 19.

**Lt. Comdr. Bernard Karlan '35**, of Delray Beach, FL, on June 14.  
**Mr. Christopher W. Doenges Jr. '38**, of Richmond, VA, on November 14, 1986.

**Mrs. Louella Mead Coale '39**, of Silver Spring, MD, on October 26.  
**Mr. Richard W. Dawson '39**, of Mayo, MD, on March 19.

**Mr. Lenney E. Bee Jr. '40**, of Saratoga, FL, on September 12.  
**Mrs. Marie Fox Deppisch '40**, of Baltimore, MD, on September 14.

**Mrs. Mary Louise Schirt Parks '43**, of Columbus, OH, on July 30.  
**Mrs. Helen Cox Bikle '46**, of Smithsburg, MD, on January 22, 1992.

**Mrs. Madeline Cordery Bankert '47**, of Salisbury, MD, on September 2.  
**Mrs. Martha Adams Crockett '48**, of Maysville, KY, on August 19.

**Mr. Floyd O. Thomas '49**, of Timonium, MD, on October 7.  
**Mr. William J. Gilmartin '50**, of Camp Springs, MD, on September 9.

**Mrs. Phyllis Smith Crawford '52**, of Baltimore, MD, on September 30.  
**Mrs. Josephine Smith Coleman MEd'56**, of Kensington, MD, on August 11.

**Mrs. Dorothy Snider Butler '57**, of Lampe, MO, on October 26.  
**Mrs. Judith Saltzman Josiah MEd'75**, of Ellicott City, MD, on April 6.

**Mr. Lawrence C. Smith '87**, of Atlanta, GA, on August 18.  
**Mrs. Angela J. Hoffman MS '90**, of Westminster, MD, on October 30.

## Marriages

**Carol Hoyle '74** to Steve Gillis, on November 6. They reside in Baltimore.

**Elizabeth Mitchell '84** to Eric Henning '83, on July 27, 1991. They reside in Laurel, MD.

**Jim Cardea '89** to Frances Fato '89, on August 8. They reside in Columbia, MD.

**Michelle Giangrandi '89** to John Rooney '88, on September 19. They reside in Medford, NJ.

**Chris Kelly '89** to Greg Cherundolo '91, on August 22. They reside in Peckville, PA.

**Vicki Holtry '89** to David Flaharty, on September 15, 1990. They reside in Fairfield, OH.

**Tom Reich '89** to Elisabeth Robart, on August 8. They reside in Levittown, PA.

**Kathryn Shilling MLA'89** to Carl Freundel, on June 27. They reside in Westminister.

**Jude Yearwood '89** to Michelle Moses, on May 30. They reside in Westminister.

**Mark Jozwiak '90** and **Jonelle Leith '92**, on July 6. They reside in San Antonio, TX.

**James Kaye Jr. '91** to Angela Harwood, on August 22. They reside in Falling Waters, WV.

**Kelly Schoen '92** to **James Kilduff '93**, on August 8. They reside in Westminister, MD.

**Correction:** **Karen Albright '91** is not married to **Matt Pipkin '91** as printed in the November '92 issue of *The Hill*.

**Editor's Note:** Due to misinformation received recently via a telephone message, all marriages must be submitted in writing. When reporting a marriage to the Alumni Office, please send details in the form of a letter, a newspaper clipping or a wedding invitation.

## Births

**Savannah James-Bayly**, on August 25, to Steve '64 and Linda James Bayly.

**Odd Haugen Jr.**, on October 22, to Odd '73 and Angela Haugen.

**Matthew James Bochese**, on June 20, to Larry '74 and Bev Bochese.

**Colin Patrick McCloskey**, on August 15, to William '74 and Karen Lyhus '81 McCloskey.

**John Lachlan Dowd**, on September 13, to Robert '75 and Lynn Rothacker '81 Dowd.

**Christian Nitske Kaitern**, on May 26, to Robert and Hannah Nitske '75 Kaitern.

**Lauren Amber Avery**, on June 1, to Eden and Carol James '79 Avery.

**Dustin Jenkinson**, on August 28, to Rick and Marylou Girasac MED'79 Jenkinson.

**Laura Kathleen Gambino**, on July 10, to Rick '80 and Kathy Smith '80 Gambino.

**John Michael Pitzer**, on April 30, to Maurice '81 and Beverly Packard '84 Pitzer.

**Joshua Isaac Halpren**, on February 29, to Howard and Risa Bush '82 Halpren.

**Zachary Boyd Heckle**, on June 2, to Robert '83 and Sherod Bair '84 Heckle.

**Grace Abigail O'Brien**, on July 17, 1991, to James and Catherine Ling MED'83 O'Brien.

**Kevin Lederer**, in August, to Don '84 and Dana Lederer.

**Maria Adrienne Medved**, on September 3, to Joe and Maria Maranto '84 Medved.

**Heather Lynn and Sean Michael Morris**, on July 26, 1991, to Kurt and Lynn Birkmeyer '84 Morris.

**Alexandra Lee Phillips**, on March 3, to Stephen and Kathy Nebel '84 Phillips.

**Jessica Michele Rubin**, on September 24, to Ron and Elisabeth Siegenthaler '84 Rubin.

**Marissa Danielle Uhrig**, on August 27, to Larry '84 and Lori Wheatley '84 Uhrig.

**Andrew William Hallman**, on December 10, 1991, to Scott and Mary Alice Eckenrode '85 Hallman.

**Colleen Margaret Berlin**, on July 4, to Keith '86 and Lisa Buscemi '88 Berlin.

**Nicalla Elise Thompson**, on June 27, to Jerry and Nicole Gaines '87, MS'88 Thompson.

**Paul Eiker**, on July 28, 1991 to John '88 and Michele Eiker.

**Mackenzie Humes**, on May 2, to Darryl and Mel Falcich '89 Humes.

## Master's News

**Mike Williams MLA'76** became the athletics director at Glenelg High School for the 2nd time in his career there.

**Bruce Cowan MED'79** was selected by the Carroll County Board of Education to become supervisor of physical education and athletics, effective July 1. Bruce has been assistant football coach at South Carroll High; head coach, teacher and athletic director at Liberty; and most recently assistant principal at Francis Scott Key High School.

**Richard Skyer Jr. MED'80**, a laboratory technician and chromatographer at Eastman Kodak Co., started the Rochester, NY, chapter of the Association of Late-Deafened Adults after he lost his hearing to a brain tumor.

**Patricia Spence Dorsey MED'83**, principal of William Winchester Elementary School in Westminister, has become a member of the Board of Directors for Mason-Dixon Bancshares, Inc.

**Louise Herrera Scalzi '81**, MS'88 was honored at the Carroll County Sun Sports Profile of the Week for creating and implementing an instructional tennis program for juniors for the Carroll County Tennis Assoc.

**Caron Cook Horsey MS'91** has been appointed assistant director of career services at Franklin & Marshall College. She is in charge of the student internship program and business recruitment for the department.

## Corrections

Due to an editorial oversight, in the November *Hill*, the wrong date was listed for some of the reunions in 1993. The classes of '68, '73, '78, '83, and '88 will reunite on Saturday, October 9. The classes of '13, '18, '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '48, and '63 will meet on Alumni Weekend, May 28-30.

A typographical error in the August *Hill* transformed Mark "White" Hammaren '91 into Mary. He really is still Mark.

**34** **John McNally** and **Arlene Guyton Runkles** once again were the 1st to return

their cards. However, the next day cards came from **Roland Sliker**, **Helen Pyles Darby**, **Helen Whitcraft Dixon**, **Maurice Fleming**, **Henry Kimmey**, and **Sarah Fadelé Stevens**. **John McNally**, of Harrisburg, PA, began with: "We octogenarians keep going on from year to year, and I hope we all are still here for a few more." John is on the Strelton Coalition (restoration of business) and his county advisory board. John sees very few Western Marylanders, but thinks about college "good old" days more and more.

**Arlene Guyton Runkles** enjoys good health, her family, and lots of activities in Mt. Airy, MD, where she lives.

Some of you probably will appreciate **Roland Sliker's** philosophical reply. "A knowing aphorism has it that "Time is Nature's way of keeping everything from happening at once." So, my time on "the Hill" kept me from mixing study with reality."

**Helen Pyles Darby** of Silver Spring, MD is "satisfied."

**Helen Whitcraft Dixon** of Westminister returned her card so I would know she was "alive."

**Maurice Fleming** of Salisbury, MD took two trips last summer. The 1st was to Alaska's Yukon, then to British Columbia. His 2nd trip was to Germany, England, and Spain. He says, "I am taking a new lease on life."

**Henry Kimmey** of Towson, MD spends summer at Cape May and fall at Palm Beach.

**Sally Fadelé Stevens** is busy keeping up with her many grandchildren. In May and early June, Sally left Venice, FL and attended her grandson's graduation from the University of Maryland and a granddaughter's high-school graduation. Then she went to WMC with another granddaughter, **Carol White '93**. While there, she had a wonderful tour of the new Hoover Library. Sally plans to be on hand for the 1993 graduation.

After that, she expects to go to Auburn, AL for a grandson's June graduation from the veterinary school. And in 1994, she plans to attend our 60th Reunion. While not running to graduation exercises, Sally keeps busy transporting friends who cannot drive, helping with Bible school (more than 200 children this year), and being active in the District United Methodist Women.

**Elizabeth Mellor Johnson** has moved to a military retirement community at Fort Belvoir, VA, where she and Ed have a cottage and many benefits. "Now I am mainly painting in water colors to make up for lost time," she said.

How wonderful it was to hear from

**Blanche Nichols Stephany** who lives in Seaford, DE. This is the 1st time I have received word from Blanche for our class column, and I hope she will still keep in touch. Unfortunately, Blanche lost her husband in December 1991 after 54 years of marriage. Her son, daughter, granddaughter and a great-granddaughter live nearby. Blanche would like to hear from old friends, so let's all drop her a note (Box 569, Seaford, DE 19973).

**Mary Parks Sprague** keeps busy with community and church work in Parkleys, VA. But when spring comes, weeds and wire grass leave her no time at all — "only aches." However, she is "healthy, happy and counting her blessings."

**Charles Whittington** typed a two-page reply. A summary follows. In February 1992 he and Carolyn traveled to Egypt and Israel, where Cairo and Luxor made an indelible impression. Charles was impressed later with the temple Abu Simbel, which was moved when the Aswan Dam was built.

In late spring the Whittingtons went to Reno. In July they left for Holland and Belgium taking with them their granddaughter, 11. The trip was planned by a travel agency which specializes in excursions for grandparents and grandchildren. They spent six days on a canal where they ate and slept on a boat. Whenever the barge docked, a bus would meet them and take them to interesting towns and cities. Charles and Carolyn returned their granddaughter to New Hampshire, and on their trip back to Baltimore, stopped in Hartford, CT to visit friends and tour the Mark Twain home.

**Margaret Sharrer Ritter** and **Luther** enjoyed a summer week seeing the arches in Utah. Later they visited Ladew Topiary Garden with the Carroll County Alumni Association.

**Mildred Burkins Connelly**, of Conroe, TX, said "Everything for me is on hold." Her husband is in very poor physical and mental health and is legally blind. You may want to write her (280 Rolling Hills Drive, W. Conroe, TX 77304).

**Ken Rhodes** had a rough year in 1992 with operations in February and April, but by June he felt well enough to visit Gatlinburg, TN for a week's time-share exchange. In July he took a week's cruise with his brother and his wife, and 17 members of the Rhodes family to the eastern Caribbean. Ken wrote, "This was one of my most pleasant life-time experiences. After the cruise, Ken survived Hurricane Andrew in Florida, and was the only person on his street not to lose a tree. Then, he heard another time-share exchange on Sugar Mount, NC.

As for me, Ed and I bought a condominium in English Towers, Ocean City, MD, where we now vacation off

and on, since it is only a three-hour drive from Baltimore.

It seems tennis days are over because I have a "worn-out knee." The doctor said it came from "being too active," and since the cartilage is completely gone, I face a total right knee replacement. I am hoping to delay this operation as long as I am able to get around. In November, Ed and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary. This year I was the guest of honor at the 50th Reunion of the Glen Burnie High School Class of 1942, a group I had taught and to whom I was very close. It was wonderful to renew so many friendships. That night the class made me feel like the Queen of England.

**Lilian Boughton** of La Vale, MD in late summer visited her sister's family in Laguna Beach, CA. Her fall activities involved many church organizations, American Assoc. of University Women, and Allegany County Retired Teachers Assoc. meetings. She also enjoys doing yard work. For two months, Lilian substituted for Meals-on-Wheels workers.

**Dorothy Hull Norris** **Schuchardt**, of Fort Myers Beach, FL had a two-month summer trek covering 10 states seeing children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many friends.

**Kathlyn "Taffy" Mellor Leahy** now lives with daughter Ellen in Westminster. Son Brooks also lives in Westminster. Taffy has three grandchildren, ages 8-24.

**Katherine Timmons Leitch** of Winston-Salem, NC, enjoys hearing from me and reading about everyone. "Timmie" had an enjoyable year seeing all the student productions and several professional ones at the North Carolina School of the Arts.

A long reply came from **Al Sadusky**, who couldn't attend the Preckness this year with his WMC classmates who always make a special group there. Al and Irene have attended class reunions: Poolesville's and Potsville's, plus the Potsville Area High School Sports Hall of Fame where Al's former players were inducted.

The Saduskys also attended a family get-together in Harrisburg, PA, made several trips to Virginia, and Fort Wayne, IN. Al has been inducted into the Maryland Scholastic Football Coaches Hall of Fame. He and Irene attended two games on "the Hill" and saw WMC defeat Gettysburg and Muhlenberg. He thinks WMC is playing "very good football."

Unfortunately Irene broke her wrist this year and Al is still having knee trouble. Both have been excellently treated by orthopedic surgeon, **Eugene "Pebble" Willis '64**, son of **Jane Twigg '35** and **Eugene "Stoney" Willis**.

Al has been in contact with former roommate **Tony Diksa**, of Nanticoke, PA. Al and Irene enjoy get-togethers with **Harry '35** and **Bernice Murphy**. The Saduskys plan to leave early from Columbia, MD this year for Florida, where they anticipate a warm winter

and listening to Ken Rhodes's horse stories.

**Charlotte Williams Davis** and "Lefty" of Surfside Beach, SC, had a Caribbean cruise in October '91. Last summer they visited their daughter and family in Chicago. In June Charlotte and Lefty celebrated their 55th anniversary.

**Eugene "Stoney" Willis** had a big 80th birthday bash. Family members met at Piney Branch Golf and Country club, near Westminster, where they teamed up and had a play-off. After golf, they had dinner, and Stoney was presented an American flag that was flown over the U.S. Capitol on his birthday, June 17. Then Stoney received an album of birthday cards and letters from classmates and friends. The cards were "most heartwarming," he said.

**Elizabeth "Hump" Humphreys Mahoney** is having a fine time helping son Tim attend a consignment store, Stoff, at Rehoboth Beach, DE on the Avenue. Hump is discovering she is "a merchant at heart!"

**Eise Kalb Chapin** volunteers weekly at the library, and works with the fair, which was very time-consuming this year. Her big project is joining a group making altar kneelers for church of fine mesh canvas. She also plays bridge and enjoys gardening, specializing in herbs.

**Estelle Williams Norris** of Knoxville, TN is proud of her five children, and her 15 grandchildren. "Now the great grandchildren are beginning to come."

**Harmeline vonElff "Bootsie" Kenney** was rarely at home in Baltimore last year. Here are some of the many things she did: a fun Mystery Weekend at the Allenberry Playhouse, PA; a trip to Europe, where she visited Holland, Switzerland, Germany, Liechtenstein, and had a four-night cruise on the Rhine River.

In May she made her regular sojourn to Cape May, NJ and in June attended a convention in Toledo, OH. June also found her off to Mackinac Island. Myrtle Beach was her September visit followed by a convention in Fairfax, VA. "Bootsie" also attends luncheons, fashion shows, races, weddings, etc. Before the end of '92 she planned to go to New York and Wheeling, WV.

**Esther Righter Hoffman** returned to her home in Stratford, CT from a summer in Vermont. Last spring "Es" had a cruise to Acapulco, Costa Rica and through the Panama Canal. Her greatest hope is that all of the Class of '34 who read our column will be on hand for our 60th reunion in 1994.

In closing, let me BEG those of you who haven't returned your cards to write me a newsy note and I shall use it in our next column. Keep our reunion date open, Saturday, May 28, 1994. Lillian Frey Dexter 3726 Locham Drive Baltimore, MD 21207

**39** I write this column during the World Series (Toronto won) and you're reading it during the NCAA Tournament as the teams compete on the Road to the Final Four. That's why I try to keep you in the game, on the road to our 55th!

The word "Elder" often signifies "old," but there is nothing old about the Elderhostel programs we enjoy. For instance, **Jim and Martha "Mots" Yocum Ferris** had just returned from an Elderhostel trip to Colorado where Mots took a class in Ragtime Music at 8:30 a.m. That'll wake anybody up. Besides that program, Mots also was involved with the 2nd annual Dixieland Jazz Festival over Labor Day Weekend — five bands at two locations, sponsored by the GODJS (not God Jesus) but The Greater Olympia Dixieland Jazz Society. She is a super fun, buff, too.

**Julia Berwager** enjoyed an Elderhostel in the summer at Russell Sage College in Troy, NY and planned to attend one in Ocean City, MD in the fall. **Dot Cohee Harris** was combining a visit to her daughter's home in Santa Fe with a week at Santa Fe College and planned to go to Albuquerque for the Hot Air Balloon Festival, having just returned from Italy.

**Larry and Mary Strow** attended an Elderhostel on St. Simon Island, GA and maintain a healthy life on the crops they harvest. Larry is an elder in his Presbyterian church.

**Jay and Sheila Mowbray** in more than 2,500 miles spending three weeks in England exploring the "Vale of Mowbray" and the area of Yorkshire where James Herriot had his vet surgery clinic and the TV series was filmed. They also visited Lichfield and Winchester, bringing back memories of 50 years ago and World War II. They were still happy to return to their home in Hawaii.

**Harold and Kitty Foltz Bookbinder** spent New Year's Day '92 at the Rose Bowl parade. Last summer they visited Montana, South Dakota, Yellowstone and St. Louis. In October they were off to Cape Cod. All this included their French toy poodle, Pepia (the shortest kind of France) and Kitty's trusted Minolta whose automatic focus makes her a photographer.

**Betty Shunk Rhoeten** and husband spent two weeks touring the national parks, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, Grand Tetons, Bryce Canyon, Salt Lake City and Las Vegas. **Sheriff '36** and I took our trip except for Las Vegas and loved it.

**Bill and Gertrude McWilliams** took the cruise and tour of Alaska, enjoyed their summer home at Fenwick Island, DE, and the WMC week-end party in Ocean City. His cousin, **Louis Jameson Higby** and husband Bill, visited Los Angeles (not during the riots), then toured the coast, but their trip was curtailed because of rain. "Jamie" had lunch with **Glady's Coppage Hendrickson** at Glady's lovely home on the St.

Mary's River. **Alene Williams Hutchins** drove down, too.

We saw Glady's, Jamie, and Bill at Alene's annual crab party. The crabs were great, the day beautiful and the party, as usual, delightful. Others attending were: **Rosa Barrow Barkdoll Turner**, **Helen Frey Hobart**, **Margaret Reindollar Taylor** and **Bob**, **Jeanne Lang Myers LeDoux** and a surprise guest, **Norma Keyser Strobel**, from South Carolina.

You are such good grandparents, too. I use the pronoun, "you" because one pleasure **Sheriff '36** and I never had was children and grandchildren. What is interesting, too, is the range in ages from 3 to college graduates.

After surviving six days of grandchildren ages 7, 5, and 3, **Rosa Barrow Barkdoll Turner** anticipated a trip to Tennessee and North Carolina, then a trip to Wheeling, WV to the Festival of Lights. **Wendy Frey Hobart** is getting reacquainted with Maryland, having returned after living in New York for many years. She finds the Inner Harbor fascinating. She and her granddaughter, Heather, visited Helen's sister who lives near Calvert Cliffs on the Chesapeake. They searched the beach for shark's teeth and fossils and explored the Museum and Lighthouse.

Then there is **Louise Leister Hainley** who saw her twin granddaughters with their father off to Amsterdam to join their mother who was a cultural ambassador to the Netherlands last summer.

**Becky Keith Smith** says, "Life is good" filled with travel, community and church activities and family.

Daughter Susan is supervisor of education in the Indian River District, and Annette is treasurer of Dickinson College. Susan's one daughter is in her 2nd year of internship at Brigham's Women's Hospital in Boston, and the other is a junior at the University of Richmond. Annette's boys, 13 and 14, are All-Star baseball players.

**Thelma Yoon Lockard** is glad to be healthy (me, too) and able to enjoy reading, tennis and grandchildren. One granddaughter teaches 3rd grade at Hampstead Elementary, and her brother is in his 3rd year at Virginia Tech. Two other grandchildren work for the state roads commission. Her great-grandchild, Deidre, lives in Georgia.

**Frank Sherrard** enjoys his nine "glamorous" grandchildren and — flying, his law business, his roses (decorates the local banks and public offices) his social life (his annual Christmas office dance party is the social event in Cecil County) and his WWII Air Corps (he went to the reunion of the USS Ranger and Air Group Four in St. Louis.) Frank was named Honorary Fighter Pilot for his radar and fighter director work in WWII. His is really a WMC family: **Coe '71**, **Jamie '74** and **Holly Sherrard Carmack '74**. Wife Fava travels through the continental USA as an international postcard dealer. Frank, you are truly an active septuagenarian.

Although some of you have had physical problems, you still exercise —

tennis, aerobics, walking (I do two miles a day or three miles on my exercise), but golf is still the favorite. Ask **Emil Edmond** out in Tucson where the weather makes it possible for him to play every day. **Miles Lefterts**, recovering from a clogged artery, has to confine his traveling to the USA, but it hasn't interfered with his golf game.

**George Griec**, after heart and valve surgery in October '91, is playing golf again (high 80's) and enjoying his grandson, 10, who plays with him. George is still active in the county government, lobbying at Annapolis, and consulting at WMC. His two daughters are early childhood education teachers, and his son lives on the farm in Harford County and is in the green-house business.

**Bob and Mary Brown Sherman** '41 spend most of the summer in the mountains and visit children, and play golf.

Congratulations to **Woody and Kay Rudolph Reedy and Beulah King South** and her husband, on their 50th wedding anniversaries. Kay and Woody celebrated at their daughter's in Virginia with her family and their son's family who came up from Texas for the fete. Daughter Carol Ann and Ray have two children, Ray Junior, 11, and a daughter, Kay, 4, the younger grandchild, and Grandma Kay's pride and joy. Son Woody Junior and wife Bonnie have two children, Scott, 14, and Meredith, 12. Beulah's daughter Betty Beulah and her husband with a dinner party at the Fontaine Bleu in Glen Burnie, MD.

**Clarence "Peck" '38 and Marge McKenny Slaysman** celebrated their 54th. Time has slowed them down, but Marge is still active in volunteer work, exercise class, day trips and with her grandchildren.

A bright interlude for **Woodrow Peeling and Nancy Getty Hailley** were the weddings of their granddaughters. Nancy was glad to see the end of '92 because of personal and family health problems involving long hospital stays for son and husband and two eye operations of her own. Woodrow has had to stay near home due to family health problems, but things are looking brighter for him.

So good to hear from **Wyn Howard Howell** who is well and happy, Grace Mac Vean, still living in Frederick, MD and **Emeline "Stevie" Newman** who is basking in Tucson sunshine.

**Carroll Cook** says no one asks him and it's his wife if they are senior citizens. "It is quite evident." Their home is in a wooded area, and he is busy for at least 1-1/2 months raking leaves.

**Edgar '40 and Mary Jane Honemann Rinchimer** can sympathize with him. Their home is in a wooded setting (two acres) with a pool. Their four children and nine grandchildren visit often. The Rinchimers love having them. However, the yard work is becoming a bit much. What they need is **Bill and Anne Stevenson Klare's** solution — grandson Andy, who lives close to them and does their yard work. Anne still enjoys reading and

practices on her piano an hour each day.

I received cards from **Bill Bryson, Roland Stonerick, Steve Radzotovich, Frank Lesinski and Mary Oleari Stark** with no news, but we all know "no news is good news."

**Joe Parker's** card said "Bee Nowhere! Done Nothing!" which I know is not true because no member of the class of '39 sits still for long. He is in a retirement area like **Luther and Ruth Phillips** where activity abounds. The Phillips moved from Hagerstown to The Homewood in Williamsport, MD where they have a cottage. They spend January-March in Ft. Myers, FL. He is still involved in western Maryland Health Systems, an area he is familiar with, having been district manager for Blue Cross/Shield in Hagerstown, from which he retired nine years ago.

Like **Anne Stevenson Klare, Mary Robb** is still into music as church organist, and choir leader. She has been honored often for her church work and community service. She was a speaker at the Convention of the Maryland Retired Teachers Assoc. in Ocean City, MD.

Another church and community worker is **Mary Snider Claggett** and husband Roy. After having traveled to Hawaii, Europe, Canadian Rockies, Alaska and Scandinavia, they stay within the "good old USA." May is a board member of the Maryland Synodical Women of the ELLCA. One daughter is a teacher, and the other a registrar at York College of Pennsylvania.

**Joe Drugash** feels good again but a little older now that **Isabelle McWilliams '37** is recovering after being ill for nine months.

One who never seems to look any older is **Jeanne Lang Myers LeDoux**, a member of our Lunch Bunch that meets for brunch monthly. She had planned a trip to Santa Fe, but it was cut short due to the illness of her companion. Of course, there is always the theatre and the symphony.

I'm sure all of us were proud of our ambassadors to the good will of WMC football team and the good will of their trip to Russia last March. Coach Dale Sprague, the players and all the parents and friends who accompanied them paid their own way. They not only showed the Russians how to play the game of football but the friendliness of Americans. Can you imagine our team going to Russia in '39?

Sadly, I have to report the deaths of classmates, **Richard Dawson, Anne Melvin Burkhard, Louella Meade Coale, and Catherine Stull Myers**. Cards from our class were sent to Burkhard and to the Myers and Coale families. I saw Catherine at the Carroll County Oldtimers Baseball Dinner in Taneytown in November 1991. It was also the last one Sheriff **Myers** and Anne always will be remembered, for their contributions to the campus, and we are so proud they and the others were our classmates.

Thank you for the cards, prayers, thoughts and kindness you have given me during this most difficult year of

my life. I am doing fine due to all the support I received from friends like you. I love you all. I received a beautiful thought from **Gene Ackerman**: "Every sunrise is a promise and every sunset a benediction."

You know we are coming to the end of our road to our 55th, and I am glad we are all still "in the game." Thank you again for all your support. **Ginny Karow Fowlbe**  
123 S. East Ave.  
Baltimore, MD 21224

## 50-YEAR REUNION CLASS

**43** How many of you remember our Class Song, written by **Peggy Reeves?**

"We sing to thee, dear Alma Mater, Our song of love and praise— For countless mercies 'ere bestowed Throughout our College Days. For each new friendship we have formed

Our thanks we raise to thee — And vivid memories we retain— The class of Forty Three. In loyalty, dear Western Maryland, Our hearts we gladly give In fond remembrance 'er hold thee— So long as we shall live."

The last weekend May 28, 29, 30, 1993, our 50th Reunion, will be our big chance to refresh memories, renew friendships—yes and to make new friends of former acquaintances.

I hope all of you, who are able, will make the effort to get back to the "Hill" for our big weekend. There are lots of activities planned. Please don't miss any of them, after all we were, and still are, "The best class 'on the Hill."

Mr. Robert I. Thompson  
(Jean Bentley)  
22 Woodside Road  
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022

**44** **Grace Dryden Venable** was welcomed home by an irresistible kiddy cat

as she returned from a three-week trip to Scotland and England. It was a wonderful trip and a refresher course in English history with impressive castles and Roman walls. The other highlight of the year was a family reunion at Bethany Beach in June. They rented three cottages plus their own to accommodate 38 family members.

**Virginia Salerno Olsen** still manages a busy real-estate office in Medfield, MA, and husband Neal also still works full time at GTE, which leaves them little time to spend at their Cape Cod house. They have two sons, a granddaughter, 3, and four cats. Ginny introduced their oldest son to a local real-estate broker and he married her last fall. **Ginny** looked up **Phoebe Johnson Rutherford '44**, who lives on Cape Cod, and made an announced visit.

**Bertha Hall Maloney's** oldest grandson is a senior in high school, has

his driver's license, and a second-hand car. She has 11 other grandchildren.

**Russell Selman** is basically retired, but is still quite active. He continues his real-estate work, is chairman of the Carroll County Industrial Development Authority, an active Rotarian, and an officer on three Ocean City time-share owners' associations. He is a cruise addict and is a trustee director for Rohrbrough's Travel Service. In October, Russ and **Donna DuVall '45** went on a two-week Mediterranean cruise with the Alumni Assoc.

**Paul and Phyllis Hess Mannino** spent the fall in the midst of their 16th apple harvest. They had 10 pickers and two tractor drivers working 10-12 hour days harvesting golden delicious and red delicious apples. Washington's Okanogan Valley is a favorable spot to raise apples. Phyllis is an elementary school speech teacher.

**Anita Rue White** had no problems from Hurricane Andrew, but **Lois Corbett Higman and Jim '43** had much yard damage; they lost just a few roof shingles.

**Jeanne Dieffenbach Smith** and **Bud '43** play as much golf as possible since Bud's retirement. They planned on a trip to Maine last fall. Their oldest granddaughter got married in October. This summer they had a wonderful visit from **Mary Turnley Gipe** and Paul. "Dieffie" and Bud were at the WMC get-together in Ocean City.

We're happy to learn that **Mary Turnley Gipe** is about 98.4 percent normal after two surgeries in October '91, one for heart by-pass, one for blockage in vein and artery of the right leg. They enjoy being semi-retired; Paul won't quit. "Life is full, with kids, grandchildren, and golf," they say.

**William Keefe** and **Elsie** were to celebrate their 45th anniversary in November. In July, they visited Ohio and Pennsylvania, stopping at Pocono Manor where they honeymooned. Youngest daughter **Kathy** was married in June. All four children are now married. August was spent in Nova Scotia, and **Elsie** checked out the Canadian health system which she found to be excellent.

**James Griffin** is now into his 5th year of retirement. The Griffins now have 10 grandchildren, scattered from coast to coast. Jim and his wife are busier than ever as court-appointed advocates for abused/neglected/delinquent children and with tutoring, bridge, and bowling. Trips to South America and California are on their vacation calendar.

"A very humbling experience to know that I escaped no property damage from Hurricane Andrew when, just north, the storm was so devastating," writes **William Pennington**. He reports the best growing season in years. I am certain that many of us echo Bill's observation, "As time goes by, WMC relationships become even more meaningful, and I am happy to see Western Marylanders of my vintage."

**Ann Meeth Klingaman's** older son Mike's gardening column "The Real Dirt" is now a regular feature in the Sunday Sun magazine. Younger son Will's 5th book, *Turning Forty*, is now in bookstores.

Our lunch bunch keeps in close touch with **Lucille Gischel Norman**, a real inspiration for all of us.

**Floza Hankins Wiley** still is busily retired. She works with husband Ross compiling and recording the history of Upper Harford County, making dolls and quilts, being intrigued by son Jim's venture into aquaculture, and trying to keep abreast of the amazing things in which we live.

**Paul Henry** in Oregon enjoys retirement - traveling, reading, gardening, and coffee breaks. Paul and wife Dorothy often visit her cousin, **Harry Lowery '40**, and wife **Marie Crawford Lowery '43** in Seattle.

**Jean Eckhardt McWilliams's** news is the birth of grandchild no. 18, in September, Ella Louise to **Beth McWilliams Tressler '75** and **Sam Tressler '75**. The grand count now is 10 boys and 8 girls! "Jem" and "Doc" (to all their grandchildren) have fun visiting and keeping in touch. Their children are scattered from Maryland to St. Louis, Phoenix to Pennsylvania.

**Cordelia Price Turk** in her 24th year at the same church with two children's choirs, ages 3-5 and grades 1 and 2, about 51 little ones. Corky and husband Al enjoy their long-time navy friends who reside in the area. Son Matthew does research in robotics at the University of Grenoble and will return home soon. Their granddaughter, "2", comes often to "play."

This year has brought sadness to **Marjorie Strickland Green** with the deaths of her only brother and only sister within a two-month period. There was also a much joy with a two-week stay with children and grandchildren in California. Marjorie still helps with choirs and music in three country churches, is staff organist at a local funeral home, and has another literacy student to teach. She anticipates our 50th reunion in '94.

**Olive Cook** still volunteers with several activities at her church, and is on the board of directors of the Delaware Chapter, Alzheimer's Assoc. In June, Olive attended the International Diakonia Convocation of Deaconesses and Sistershoods at Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia. About 500 people, from 19 countries attended. The next week Olive toured the four Maritime Provinces.

**Margaret Myers Briscoe** and Jim moved across the causeway to a "Lifetime Care Community" in September '91. On July 12, they celebrated their 50th anniversary at a party given by their children. In March, Jim had new aeries inserted in both legs; he's back playing golf and was able to dance at their 50th anniversary party. They are active and enjoying life to the fullest.

**Margaret Smith Cassell** is fine after a serious illness. She took a 16-day vacation, visiting Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Hungary. Daughter Nancy is in New York and

Gary is in Salisbury. "Smitty" has two grandchildren. Like everyone else she anticipates our 50th reunion.

**Phyllis Green Schaeffer and Carroll '49** enjoyed a June trip to California to see their only grandson graduate from high school. While there, they visited with Phyllis's roommate, **Thelma Young Friedl '45**, and husband **Ridge '43**. They enjoyed seeing so many college friends in Ocean City at the Carousel and feel that **Phyl Cade Gruber '43** deserves a big hand for handling that job every year.

**Genevieve Spry McGee** has had much sickness among family members and has been busy caretaking. Her husband died in January '91. "Gen" helps with her mother, 95, who is in a nursing home close by. A new grandson has added to her life. She spent two weeks in Colorado accompanying "my kids" on a ski trip.

**Kathryn Voss Getz** and husband attended classes on ancient Egypt at the University of Utah in preparation for a trip to Egypt and Israel in the fall. Plans called for snorkeling off the Sinai Peninsula and for sleeping a few nights in a Bedouin tent.

**Edgar Lee "Peck" Bond's** only major activity this year was a tour of New England with four grandchildren, ages 11 to 13.

**DeWane Bills** is well and in Maine and still spends most of his time on the golf course.

**Arlie Mansberger** is now semi-retired. He works a half day every day either at the VA in surgery or in the research lab at the Medical College of Georgia. Arlie and wife **Ellen Piel '46** visited Scandinavia and Russia. Lynn is a special-education teacher in Houston; **Jack '75** is a surgeon in Thomasville, GA; and Leigh Ann is a surgeon in Boston.

**Beverly Slacum Agnoli** and Art are spending a pleasant retirement, busy with children, grandchildren, and friends. Bev, like so many of our classmates, salutes the gallant **Lucille Gischel Norman**, an inspiration to all.

In May, **Phoebe Johnson Rutherford** visited Holland to see the Florida-ade (a flower show held every 10 years), took a four-day cruise down the Rhine to Strasbourg, and spent three nights in Paris. Perfect weather made for a memorable 12 days. Phoebe now has three great-nieces plus one granddaughter.

In July, **Margaret Daughton** and **Josephine Branford** spent two weeks in Sweden, Denmark, and Norway traveling by plane, train, boat, and bus. They especially enjoyed cruising the beautiful fjords of Norway.

**Irving "Bud" Russell** is retired and busy with many senior-citizen activities with wife Rae. Bud is local AARP chapter vice-president; senior-citizen center volunteer; mature driving course instructor; driver for Meals on Wheels; and member of a senior theatre group. They enjoy bowling, swimming, golf, and travel. Bud plays the organ, electric keyboard, autoharp, and recorder. The Russells have six children; three in Massachusetts, two in Colorado, and one in Lima, Peru.

**Frances Hall Judd** enjoyed my pleas for information, but had no news.

**Ann Carter Price** keeps busy with church, community activities, and six grandchildren. Last March she vacationed in Acapulco, Mexico.

**Mary Lee Crawford Yingling's** grandson, **Christopher Yingling**, graduated from WMC in May. Her granddaughter is **Michele '90**. Husband **Chips** still plays golf at Wakefield, and "I'm still doing what housewives do."

**Doris Himler Markley's** daughter, **Paula '80**, and husband, Brent Burger, had Kristina, on May 23, the 1st grandchild. In April '91, son Kieffer married Michelle McCoy. Since January Brad Ray retired in June 1991, they have visited Greece and Italy. Doris still works several days each week at the Baltimore Museum of Art. In her spare time, she walks, swims, and plays bridge. She anticipates the big one in 1994.

**Emily Billingslea Wirth** keeps busy at WMC functions, plays luncheons, and concerts. She attends travel talks, helps deliver Meals on Wheels, and is active in a Garden and a Women's Club. The best and most rewarding thing she does is to baby-sit her granddaughter, 2.

**Charles DeMans** retired from teaching and coaching after 37 years at Catonsville High School, then he and wife Pat retired to Kent Island on the Eastern Shore. Charlie likes fishing, crabbing, painting, and traveling. Their four children have flown the nest: Mike and Steve attended the United States Naval Academy; Marcia is associate director at Lewisville, PA Hospital; and Karen is manager at a ladies' fashion store near Washington, D.C. They have eight grandchildren.

Last year was busy for **Warren and Dorry Jones Earl '43**. They wintered in Florida and visited with **Bob '40** and **Betty Brown Stropp '41**, **Bertha Bell '43** and **Butch Fallows**, and **Lois Guba '43** and **Clark Shotwell**. In July, the Earls attended the get-together in Ocean City, and in August, had a visit from **Bill '41** and **Ginny Bell Hauff '43**. Warren completed a two-year term as president of the Baltimore Alumni Chapter, and a term as Alumni Visitor to the Board of Governors (Nominating Committee). Barbershop quartet shows and competitions in Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland have kept them on the road. In November, the Earls returned to Florida for their daughter's wedding and a Caribbean cruise.

**Charlotte Wilkins Hausler '45** wrote to me for her husband **Richard**. "Dick has made a fantastic recovery from a stroke suffered in September 1990. He is unable to write to you, but his reading and hearing comprehension remain intact. Dick's speech and walking are impaired, but his interest in people, politics (Democratic), and world affairs is strong as ever." Charlotte writes, "We are able to entertain, travel, visit friends, and offspring. Both of us love to have old friends drop by." Son Rick lives next

door in Fairfax, VA and has a place on Kent Island, MD, where Dick drives the golf cart and instructs Charlotte when she plays golf there. Charlotte says "He's still the same wonderful guy."

Remember, we have a big date May 27-29, 1994 - don't stand me up! Thomas G. Bush 2608 Erdman Ave. Baltimore, MD 21213

**49** Congratulations to the class of '49 for exceeding its goal both in participation and dollar amount for giving to the WMC Alumni Fund for the year ending June 30.

It is with regret that I report the death of **Floyd O. Thomas** on October 7. He was self-employed as a plastics-manufacturing consultant, retiring recently. The class of 1949 expresses sympathy to his widow, **Deloris Hartke Thomas '45**.

In April a group of alumni met at the Comfort Inn in Westminster for an afternoon of reminiscing and catching up on news, a walk around the campus, and dinner. Included were **Louray Wagner '50**, Mary Ann Hollander Wilson, Mary Jane Price Hager and husband **Bob**, **Phyl Alexander Ganyu** and husband **Al**, **Fletcher Ward**, **Bill** and **Doris Ritter Essminger**, **Niki Volk Gilliam** and daughter.

**George Piferdeort** celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in June and is doing well. George had a total knee replacement in March and anticipates visits to "the Hill" to play golf. He continues as chaplain at Bonnie Blink, the Masonic Home in Cockeysville, MD.

A clipping from the *Fredrick Post* June 28 notes that **Lloyd Hoover**, president-elect for Maryland State Retired Teachers, "kinds his wife that he may be looking for a 3rd career." Lloyd retired from Prince George's County School System in 1980, has kept active with the community and church and travel to Morocco, Alaska and most of the U.S. He has had a 2nd career in real estate. Next year's travel plans include trips to the former Soviet Union and western Canada. September '92 was to find **Lloyd and Charlotte Goodrich Hoover**, a professional artist, studying water-color painting in West Virginia through Elderhostel.

I had a note from **Joyce Gorsuch** in May reporting that she, **Betsy Buderer Bivin**, **Shirley Brooks Powell** and **Elayne Close Peabody '50** met for a 2nd annual reunion in February '92 at Shirley's in Englewood, FL.

**Jan Silcox Baldwin** wonders if it could possibly have been 47 years since we carried our suitcases and trunks up the stairs at McDaniel. Jean and Allen moved to Chestertown, MD in the spring and are redoing Mother Baldwin's farmhouse and property. Jean planned to attend the Mid-Shore Alumni Dinner with **Sally Moffett**

**Dwyer '46.** **Mottic Rupert Leap** directs the music at Jean's church. She makes numerous visits to children and their families in Colorado, Ohio, Maine and Pennsylvania.

**Jim Leonard** and Dot anticipate Elderhostel with trip no. 12. Jim has a leading role in an audiotope drama being marketed nationally, *Pickett's Charge: Voices of Gettysburg*. He's still playing tennis, skiing and playing drums. Son Jamie works in technical theatre in Manhattan. Son Mark has produced a presidential lecture series at the White House for PBS. Jim intends to look up the class plaque of his father, **Norman Leonard '06**, when on campus next. It will be on the lower level of Alumni Hall.

**Jack Ammon** had successful open heart surgery in November '91. He continues to divide his time between DeLand, FL, where he is minister of visitation during the winter and his summer cottage in Natrona Heights, PA. Jack started at WMC in January 1946, living in Old Miami until Betty joined him in an apartment near campus.

**Barbara Sowers Clark** of Hagerstown, MD still enjoys teaching special education middle-school students.

**Virginia Wott Gable** retired from teaching in June, after teaching for 30 years in Connecticut and then in Nashville, TN where she had K-6th grades as a teacher and music specialist. Ginny is a Level III teacher and was a teacher evaluator for the State of Tennessee for one year.

**Betsy Taylor Griffith** has retired for the 2nd time after 38-1/2 years in the Caroline County Maryland School System. Betsy keeps busy with two grandchildren, remodeling her home, bird watching, reading, and traveling with husband Leon (also retired).

**Doris Vansant Blades, Jack**, family and grandchildren are in good health. Recent trips include the magnificent antiquity of Egypt, an Amtrak trip across North Dakota to complete the trek of all 50 states, and an Elderhostel in Chicago. She "highly recommends this pursuit of knowledge, no exams and many interesting people."

**Ober S. Herr Jr.** joined the retiree class in March after 28 years with Carroll County Bank and Trust in Westminster. He and Jean joined the Carroll County Historical Society (where Ober is treasurer) for the heritage tour of southern Germany and Switzerland. Ober remains active in church and Westminster Rotary Club. He enjoys visiting daughter and son-in-law

**Karen Herr '76** and **William Maloney '76** and two grandchildren in Owensboro, KY. Son Stephen and Nancy and three children live at Lake Tahoe, CA and son James and Katie live in Miami.

**George Davis** loves retirement and visits to nine grandchildren in six states. He volunteers for the American Assoc. of Retired People (AARP) in tax counseling, in financial counseling for Harford County Maryland Extension Service and running a seven-week financial information program for middle and older women at Harford Com-

munity College. George's fun projects include restoring his 20th violin, and producing a presidential homes slide show for his grandchildren. He also is gathering material for the "Little Red School House" that he and his father attended which is now at the St. Mary's County Museum. George recently took an educational tour to Alaska.

**Dr. Iris Amos** planned to retire from the faculty at Texas Women's University at the end of 1992 but still do part-time consulting. Betty's new address: 1533 Forest Park Circle, #130, Bedford, TX 76021.

After retirement from the Baltimore Conference of the United Methodist Church and one year of service at Center United Methodist Church,

**William W. Ehlers** is now traveling in his new motor home. Trips include Florida, California and the Canadian Maritime Provinces. Next summer he plans to tour Alaska. His new home address is 1928 Grafton Shop Road, Forest Hill, MD.

**Jim Cotter** returned to college part time at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, VA, counseling undergraduate students in traditional enrollment and adult students in their bachelor of liberal studies program.

**Don Egner** still teaches at Essex Community College and for Baltimore County Adult Literacy. Wife Leona is a church organist. Son Chris and wife have returned from Russia after having adopted a boy, 1, and a girl, 2, from an orphanage in Kirov.

**Howard Hall's** 1st grandchild is a boy. He's still involved with issues and concerns affecting retirees, especially retired educators and is on the National Commission for Volunteerism, an AARP board. Howard and Janelle enjoy a trip to Australia and New Zealand in August.

**Kathy Manlove Jester** has retired from the Delaware state legislature and husband Nelson from farming. Their new address is 3061 Old Telegraph Road, Chesapeake City, MD 21915. They have a grandson Richie and granddaughter Kelly.

**Allen Jacobson** of Livingston, NJ had a 1st granddaughter born January 1992. Son Raymond is on a teaching fellowship in astrophysics at Cornell University. Jack enclosed an article from *The Star Ledger*, mentioning a 200th career football victory in his 34th season of coaching at Livingston High School. His motto: "It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog."

**Shermer Garrison, MD** of Newport News, VA retired from radiology private practice in 1986, went to the VA Hospital to help for three or four months, and stayed five years, finally retiring in 1991. She has five sons and five grandchildren from Florida to California. He usually spends a few winter months near Tampa, FL. He keeps busy with stained glass, computers and grandkids.

**Stan Abrams, MD** still practices general medicine and is a school district physician in Philadelphia. Wife Shirley is a dental hygienist. They have

two granddaughters. Son Steven is a city councilman in Boca Raton, FL. Daughter Rebecca lives in Mamaroneck, NY, and daughter Elise is a graduate of Syracuse University living in San Francisco. Stan's parents celebrated their 60th anniversary in October. He sends regards to all the "guys and gals I knew in the 1940s."

**Margaret Ann Simpkins Larsen** wrote from Princess Anne, MD to say Tommy is now an emergency medical technician as well as a volunteer fire fighter.

**Helen Lavin Bell** writes of the stained-glass window, Logic, in the new Hoover Library donated by Margaret Lavin Signore, Virginia C. Lavin and Helen in memory of her father (Thomas J. "Sarge" Lavin Sr. and brothers Thomas J. Lavin Jr. '43 and John J. Lavin '38. Helen would like to contact the gentlemen from the '89 reunion who remembered the song dedicated to her father that was sung on the radio. She lives in California with her husband, a retired air force officer, four children and three grandchildren. She is an artist whose work is in the corporate rental program of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art as well as in independent museums.

**Lionel Burgess** enjoys retirement. He and Ruth Anderson Burgess '48 cherish four children and 11 grandchildren, travel and hobbies.

**James Ward Jump** is still a year or two away from retiring from the computer systems faculty at Howard Community College in Columbia, MD. He enjoys four grandchildren and an occasional golf game while at his summer cabin near Lake Raystown, PA.

In October, **Betsy Buderer Bivin** had just returned from a month in Panama and the birth of her 5th grandchild, a boy. She enjoyed the family and a few old friends who still live there. She says, "The economy is terrible. It's noisy and jumbled in the city, but it's still a beautiful country."

On October 31, four WMC graduates gathered to celebrate the wedding of Curt Weaver and Mary Ellen Vieira. Curt is the son of **Doug and Janet Raubenheimer Weaver**. **Wally Raubenheimer '47** and his wife Kris, **Phyllis Weaver Dahl** and husband Don and their children were witnesses.

The highlight of this past year for **Jackie Blick Fuss** and husband Harold was a 7,500 mile self-guided tour of the Pacific Northwest, parts of Canada, Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons.

**Doris Ritter Ensminger** retired in June as principal of Timber Grove Elementary School, one of the largest in Baltimore County. Now she and Bill can devote more time to their favorite hobby—travel. Doris and Bill met **Fletcher** and me in Bermuda in February '92 for one of the few clear warm weeks of the winter. Then I spoke with **Pat Outerbridge Corrado** by phone. She sent regards to all.

I had a good chat with **Louise Sapp Hawkins**, husband Bill '48 and mother **Louise Owens Sapp '23** at a WMC dinner in October.

Speaking of WMC ties that can't be

broken, **Rev. William G. Cook '48** performed the wedding ceremony for our son George in September, for our daughter Stacy in 1975 and assisted with the wedding ceremony for Fletcher and me in 1949. His wife, **Mary Sands Cook**, and I were college roommates, wedding attendants for each other, and have maintained close ties through the years.

It's been great to hear about the various activities, jobs, hobbies, families and travel of the class members. I hope to hear more next time. Maraded Clayton Ward 203 Starpointe Court, 3C Abingdon, MD 21009

63 Don't forget your reunion May 28-30.

64 My postcard mailing yielded a fruitful return, as I received 20 replies from classmates scattered around the world. I remember when our column listed marriages and births; now the marriages and births are our children's, in addition to their graduations and our retirements. This is the year most of us began our second half century. A sobering thought!

**Trudy Jo Hahn Snader** still lives near campus, at Hahn Snader. She's busy as vice president of Women's Club of Westminster, with church work, and running a small dried-flower business from an acre of gardens. She still hears from her Hahn House roomies several times a year. Husband Richard is with the U.S. Department of Agriculture; son P.H. is married and runs a business. Son Joe graduated from Bridgewater College and works for T. Rowe Price.

**David Taylor**, of Bordenstown, NJ, has finished his PhD (in philosophy). He will begin teaching full time in the fall of '93. Now, he teaches two courses per semester, is a minister on weekends at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton, and is a supervising field representative for the New Jersey Division of Taxation. He planned to spend February in Bavaria and Rome, a combination business and pleasure trip.

**Kathy Frese Kesterson** four years ago became a systems analyst/programmer at Meredith College in Raleigh, NC. Daughter Erin is a junior at Duke University, and Matt is a senior in high school. She and husband David still work on their old house.

**Ron Roth** (never one to miss a party) is still having a great time. He and wife Carol have been traveling the last few years, managing to be away 10-12 weeks each year. They have visited Nepal, India, New Zealand, Bali, Tahiti, Hawaii (three sailings), England, Hawaii (three times), Hong Kong, China, Thailand, Mexico, California and the Rockies. Ron's son, Ryan, is following his lead and will graduate this year from the University of Mary-

land after five years of intense partying. Ron and Carol's house in Sparks, MD is for sale, as they hope to build a small cottage on 35 very secluded acres in Monkton. They spend a lot of time in a two-room cottage in Chincoteague. They plan to keep traveling at least one week each month. Ron didn't mention whether or not he is retired or is independently wealthy. Sounds like a great life!

**Diane Simpson Krell**, of Mt. Airy, MD, still enjoys being a biological lab technician in Frederick, singing in the church choir, and ringing handbells. Daughter Chris is a sophomore at Frostburg State University.

**Kay Goehner Rudolph** retired in June 1989 after 25 years of teaching high-school English. She and husband Don moved to Conway, SC (12 miles from Myrtle Beach). We are all invited to visit! She is teaching four classes a semester of freshman comp. and sophomore lit. surveys at Coastal Carolina College and loves it. No more meetings, no lunch duty, just pure teaching. She and Don try to golf three-four times a week. She's also back on stage at the college, having been in several plays.

In Benbrook, TX, **Michael Janney**, is trying to survive the bad economy. Daughter Melissa, 18, is a sophomore at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and daughter Amanda, 15, is a sophomore in high school and very active in sports. Mike retired from the air force in 1984 and started his own technical writing and desktop publishing business.

**Howard Mooney** is an assistant principal in the Baltimore County school system. He was promoted to brigadier general in the U.S. Army and directed civil-affairs operations and reconstruction of Kuwait during Desert Shield/Desert Storm. He is deputy commanding general for Mobilization — Military Traffic Management Command. Daughter Lauren is a freshman at James Madison University, and wife Jane received her master's in guidance from Loyola College.

A true renaissance man is **Barry Lazarus**. He still practices urology in Hartford, CT. He says, "The long tortuous road towards my PhD in history is closer to completion with my papers in March." In 1991 he had a comp published in *The Journal of American Ethnicity*. He hopes to make a career switch and teach history (perhaps at WMC?). Son Jeff, 23, received a graduate degree in Latin American studies from Georgetown University and lives in Denmark. Daughter Kate, 20, is a junior at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Wife Fran is a freelance accountant with her own firm.

**Tony Hill** retired from the army in 1984 and from Daughters of Charity National Health System in 1989. He is a broker with Coldwell Banker and just became a grandfather. Wife **Sherry Lupino** '66 works in the facilities division of the local school district and loves it.

Can you imagine that **Steve Bayl** became a father for the 1st time in

August? Savannah James-Bayl was born then in London. In Steve's words, "Father is a late starter at 50, but Linda's father started at that age and has five in a row." Better get busy, Steve! Steve and Linda's successful film and television company, Red Rooster Films, celebrates its 10th anniversary in '92.

Steve's college buddy, **Nelson Sheeley**, is also in the theater business, but based in New York City. Nelson did *La Boheme* with Sorg Opera in Middletown, OH. He directs three operas a year for them and usually two for the National Opera in Raleigh, NC. When he's not directing, Nelson does playing, alone and in collaboration.

**Hill Penn** is a professor of economics and business at Belhaven College, where he's been for 11 years. He and Marcia have two children, Emily, 7, and Joshua, 5.

**Peggy Hirsch Goodman**, Esq., sent a card with her address and phone number: 5646 Mt. Gilead Road, Serenity Farm, Reisterstown, MD 21136, (410) 833-0636.

**Rosemary Hopkins Jones** is in Irvine, CA, divorced, and with Zenographics as a software developer, and manager of technical services. Daughter Rosanne, 24, is in her 3rd year of her doctoral program in clinical psychology. Paul, 22, graduated with an accounting/computer science degree.

**Shirley Stauffer** teaches social work at Nazareth College of Rochester, NY, where she also consults with area social-service agencies regarding employee conflicts, supervision, and programming. She is director of the sexuality education program for parents in her area. Her daughter, 21, is an English major at the University of Rochester.

An empty house in Baldwin, MD is what **Joe Wenderoth** and wife Cassie live in, as all three children are away at college. Joe sees **Larry Denton '65** occasionally.

Writing from Timonium, MD is **Dennis Quinby**, who is math department chair at Catonsville High School. He also is the head women's basketball coach and has taken them to the state semifinals the last two years. Wife **Mary Ellen Coleman '65** is assistant registrar at Towson State U. Daughter Michelle graduated in May from Penn State, Laura is a junior at Virginia Tech., and Andrea is a sophomore at Dulany High School.

Busy with a young family are **Doris Miller Nickoles** and **Ken '60**, who retired from D.C. public schools in December '91. Doris still teaches 8th-graders in Montgomery County and is active with Beta Sigma Phi. Sara, 7, is in dance, soccer, swimming, and Brownies, while Kenny, 12, is into collecting comic books, basketball, and Boy Scouts. The family's pet population includes a Labrador, a Siamese cat, a rabbit, a guinea pig, a turtle, five toads, and four frogs.

**Carol Wilkinson Coffeen**, of Parkton, MD, retired from teaching in June 1991, as did Tom. Their daughters were married in September 1988

and May. She and Tom have been busy with family celebrations, square dancing, crafts, hunting, and travel. They did a two-week tour of Alaska in June and spent October in Oregon and Montana. They are often at their vacation home in the Poconos.

**Janet Brozik Biles** and husband Roy enjoy gardening and landscaping in Upperco, MD. Son Kenneth will graduate from Juniata College in May with a degree in geology, and daughter Jennifer will graduate from Widener U. with a degree in mechanical engineering. Janet is a programmer/analyst with Baltimore Gas & Electric, working on employee systems. Last February she and Roy visited Aruba. They often see **Lynda Robson Arle** and family and **Lois Schurman Donaldson** and family.

**Helen Holmes Terry** and **Roy '63** are still with the school system in Naples, FL. Roy is an administrator, and Helen is a secretary and teacher of the home bound. Son Roy is a senior student at Duke U., has a church in Roxboro, NC, and is the father of a daughter. Daughter Kathy is a math teacher in Naples.

**JoAnn Carscaden Nicoll** and husband **Fred '62** celebrated their 30th anniversary in June. I was a member of that wedding! Fred is still selling and buying property while JoAnn manages a hotel they own. The work is seasonal (May-December), which gives her time to pursue yoga, aerobics, travel (just got back from Wyoming and Montana), reading, etc. Daughter Tracey, 26, is an attorney in Baltimore and is blonde, beautiful, smart, and not married! Son Jamie, 23, is a 1st-year law student at University of Baltimore School of Law. He's blond, handsome, and unattached. JoAnn hopes they hold on to the single life for awhile.

**Dwight**, from Fairfax, VA, is **Stu Dearing**, a full professor of biology at Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale. He and Emilie have traveled during the last few years (Israel, California, Philippines). In the Philippines, they had just finished conducting a workshop on alcohol-abuse prevention when Mt. Pinatubo erupted. When the winds shifted (because of a typhoon passing by), the ash fall in Manila looked like dirty snow and caused the airport to close for a week. Luckily, they were on the 1st flight out when it reopened. In spite of it all, they plan to return to the Philippines in December.

**Jerry Walls** in Montoursville, PA, still continues to be executive director of the Locomoting County Planning Commission with lots of new environmental projects and controversies. He also has developed a successful part-time consulting practice in municipal planning, land-use controls, solid waste and environmental/land-use mediation. Wife Joy teaches gifted students and is coordinator of the gifted program in the Loyalsock School District, coordinator of the Odyssey of the Mind teams for creative problem solving (Jerry helps), and manager of the middle-school computer lab. They

have won state OM championships with five teams for the last two years. Daughter Denise is married and working for the College of Podiatric Medicine; Christi graduated *magna cum laude* from American University and works for Marriott Corp. Heidi is a sophomore at Swarthmore College.

**Helen Goebel Marriner** is a home-economics teacher of 6th-8th-graders at Old Mill South in Anne Arundel County, MD. Husband Stephen gained a degree in 1990 in computer information management. He works for Alban Tractor as a hardware specialist. Helen enjoys her two horses, which she keeps on her in-laws' farm near Ellcott City. The Marriners celebrated their 25th anniversary on October 4.

Our sincere condolences go to **Barbara Owens Penn Adams**, whose husband, Ron, passed away last February 17 of a heart attack. Barbara is an assistant professor of math at Harford Community College, teaching transitional students. Daughter Jennifer is at Oregon State University; Meg is a junior at John Carroll School in Bel Air. She writes that life goes on through sadness and grief.

While most classmates wrote on the postcards, the next three sent letters. While I enjoyed reading the letters, I have attempted to condense their information below.

**Ann Calderhead Hammersla** is a travel agent at Severna Park Travel Centre so she and **Carter '59** travel a lot. Carter was with me in January after 27 years in public-school teaching. He will keep teaching on the junior college and college levels. The Hammerslads added a large room to their existing living room. Ann had such fun at their 25th and 30th reunions that she anticipates the 30th and 35th!

**Stan Sunderland**, a lawyer, and wife Nancy, live in Buford, GA, near Atlanta. Son Trey is in his 2nd year at Georgia Tech., studying computer science. As a senior in high school, he finished 1st in Georgia in a computer-assisted drafting competition. Daughter Katie is in the National Honor Society, plays basketball and soccer, and is a member of the marching and concert bands. Sailing is a large part of the family's life. Stan, Nancy, and Trey sailed their Hobie 33 from Ft. Lauderdale to the Abacos, and won the grand trophy for the Abaco Race Week. Stan celebrated his 50th with 60 of his closest friends, including **Linda Truitt** and **Will Wrighton** (a fraternity brother), at the Lake Lanier Sailing Club.

A letter came from **Will Wrighton** with a note from **Linda Truitt**, (who shared my life for four years at WMC). Linda and Will live in Tucker, GA, near Atlanta, where Will is president of Packaging and Design Co. He teaches Sunday school and coaches a high-school girls' softball team. He also plays on and coaches a men's softball team. Will learned to play tennis in 1988 and, in 1990, his team won the United States Tennis Association Men's 2.5 National Championships in



## Cherbonnier's Life Translates Into a Liberal Artist's Dream

By Amy Pelsinsky '94

In a sun-drenched corner of the Western Maryland library, Alice Cherbonnier '67 sought refuge in her favorite place, the periodicals room, where she had "the world at my fingertips." Perhaps this is where the dream of being a newspaper editor first danced through her head. This curious and unrelenting scholar would one day find herself editor of the *Baltimore Chronicle* as well as head of a graphic-arts firm and a freelance translator.

The thrill of writing for a newspaper stole her heart at WMC where she was co-editor of *The Gold Bug*. Her head cooks in fond memory of "a small, dedicated bunch of students working on a different kind of newspaper."

Cherbonnier dove into the same newspaper spirit when she began writing freelance articles for the *Baltimore Chronicle*, a progressive community paper established by Larry Krause. In 1976, she bought into the endeavor and now is the editor.

"I always wanted to be a newspaper editor, because I had things to say. Writing is my first love. You see, I have this strange affliction," Cherbonnier said, her dry wit surfacing. "I want people to read what I write and to read what other people write."

She and Krause distribute the monthly paper throughout Baltimore City and mail it to subscribers as far away as Hawaii. They are dedicated defenders of telling the public the whole truth, even if it means stepping on people's toes.

The old pine-paneled row

house where the *Chronicle* is cranked out, also holds an all-female staff that comprises Allegro Communications, Inc. Cherbonnier created the graphic-arts firm to utilize the expensive equipment purchased for the newspaper. Doing work for many local businesses, she often encounters fellow Western Marylanders.

Besides graphic-arts expertise, Cherbonnier provides translation services. Having gained a law degree at the University of Maryland, she combines her legal know-how with fluency in French to translate insurance claims, legal disputes and documents. She also can translate into English material written in Spanish and Italian.

Cherbonnier has learned a great deal as she juggles her many hats. "Being in business for yourself teaches you human nature. Assume nothing, and question everything. What I've learned, I've learned at firing range when guns were pointed at me." Such is the life of a rabble-rousing reporter.

Before her success as a self-made businesswoman, Cherbonnier taught French in the Baltimore County Public Schools to fulfill the conditions of the scholarship that allowed her to attend WMC. After growing up in a small Eastern Shore town, she says, "I was grateful I had a chance to go to WMC. I was happy not to sling hash at a diner."

Now, when this major-league do-gooder isn't trying to reform the world through the printed word, she's involved with groups such as the Belvedere (Neighborhood) Improvement Association, the Friends School of Baltimore and the Stony Run Friends Meeting. Then there's her role in bringing up "a beautiful son" to whom she has bequeathed her fluent French and recently sent off to college.

Cherbonnier shows no signs of stopping while there is still a story to tell. Fueled by her accomplishments—raising a son, keeping a newspaper alive, and having "a good marriage to a good man," Larry Krause, she also has more power to uncover the truth and shake up the world.

*Amy Pelsinsky '94 was an editorial intern last summer for Cherbonnier. In '92, Amy was named a Baltimore Sun Scholar, under the auspices of the Independent College Fund of Maryland, and received the Jean Alphonse Award for Interdisciplinary Study. That award will help fund her studies in Paris during the spring semester.*

Palm Springs, CA. Will is a colonel in the Army Reserves and will retire soon.

Linda is director of music, art and drama at 1st United Methodist Church of Tucker. She directs five handbell choirs, and is the organist. Linda is past president of the Atlanta chapter of The Choristers Guild and coordinates their mid-winter workshop, which is nationally known and attracts coral directors from across the country. Older daughter Kara graduated from Berry College in Rome, GA, majoring in business. She has started her own company, KB Enterprises, in Tucker. Daughter Kristi is a junior biology major at the College of Charleston in Charleston, SC. Take note of these Atlanta residents if you plan to attend the 1996 Olympics.

I am still in Lansing, MI. I have been single again for three years and am enjoying life. I am executive director of Child Abuse Prevention Services, a small, non-profit agency and vice president of the Lansing Board of Education, of which I have been a member for 11 years. Among other things, including graduate work at Michigan State University, I've traveled these last few years. In 1989 I finished our reunion column in 1989 I flew off to Paris, where I spent a wonderful 2-1/2 weeks touring the city and visiting a friend. I have been to the East Coast, to Cape Cod, to Phoenix, to San Francisco, Chicago, and last summer to Santa Fe and Taos, NM. I also enjoy touring Michigan. The highlight of the year, of course, was sharing my 50th birthday with 60 of my closest friends. My oldest son Ted, 25, is working in D.C. on *Washingtonian* magazine. Son Andrew, 22, graduated this year from Washington University in St. Louis (where he was student government president) and is in his 1st year of graduate school at the University of Michigan, studying public policy. Daughter Amy, 18, is in her freshman year at Kalamazoo College, a small liberal-arts college similar in size to WMC. I am kept company by my dog and cat and a friend who shares my home.

It was wonderful to hear from the 31 classmates who responded to my mailing, sharing activities at this midpoint in our lives. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our 30th reunion. If any of you are in Michigan, be sure to give me a call. Gail Allen Klein  
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**Ginny Brace** responded too late for the last column. She's teaching in Frederick City, MD and enjoys gardening and golfing. Ginny visits England as much as she can.

**Bill Hill** lives in Harford County, MD. Wife Barbara works at Harford Memorial Hospital. Daughter Kimberly is a high-school senior planning to pursue physical therapy. Son Benjamin plays soccer and baseball. Bill is a systems analyst for Chessie Computer Services in Baltimore.

Now living in Oakland, CA, **Richard Kidd** also missed last year's deadline. He's a senior research and development scientist in chemical vapor deposition applications for Kaiser Aereotech.

**Ira Klemons'** Adam is 2! Daughter Stephanie is 10. His wife Janet's clinic for head and facial pain in Sayreville, NJ has grown to a staff of 30. What Ira didn't mention was his help in organizing shipments of food and medicine to churches and synagogues in the Moscow and Staritsky regions of Russia as part of Staritsky Renaissance Corp. The first plane load of food left Hartford, CT in April. In Moscow the project is called Intellect and has the full cooperation of the Russian government. Ira was invited to join this venture by Dr. Elvin Kalinin, former head of higher education of the former Soviet Union and director of Intellect.

**Pat Wilkinson Vandrey** in Kaiserslautern, Germany has two sons active in boy scouts and various sports. With husband **Hanns '68**, she had a "wonderful trip to Athens and several Greek islands." They stopped at Ephesus, Turkey which had been excavated. She also went to Prague, restored before the filming of *Amadeus*; it's truly "a jewel to rival Paris or Rome."

**Mike and Ellen Jillett '70 Baker's** daughter, Amanda, is a freshman at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, while Alison is a freshman at the University of Delaware. Jessica, an 8th-grader, rules the roost. Mike can't wait for "life after tuition." Mike received the Anne Arundel County Coaches Association's highest honor, the Steve Carroll Award. It's been awarded since 1979 to the person who's given the most to interscholastic athletics. For the last two years, Mike's been athletic director at North County High. I believe that's the school **Ed Coursey, Robert Outman** and I graduated from when it was called Andover.

**Sharon Ahrensbrack Black** teaches in a small rural middle school where she's the at-risk coordinator, student support team chairperson and instructional supervision teacher. Her husband is a design specialist for Siemens. Son Aaron is a sophomore at Georgia Southern University, while daughter Jessica is a high-school sophomore. Since they live in Shellville, GA, they can't wait for the '96 Olympics — only 10 months away at Stone Mountain.

**Crenton Bare Carrasco** is a parent-infant psychotherapist in Boulder, CO working to prevent child abuse. Her experiences keep her young, yet aware of her new gray hairs.

**69** It's time for the 1st half of the alphabet. **Bill Dudley** sent me my 1st card. He's completed 20 years in the New Jersey Air National Guard as a lieutenant colonel and continues his dental practice in Vineland, NJ. Scott, 15; Robyn, 13; and Keith, 10, are active in soccer and basketball. Last March, Bill and Lisa vacationed on a ranch in Tucson.

In Scaford, DE, **Cindy Treherne Borga** teaches oceanography and physical science at Seaford High. **Jerry** runs a rehabilitation program. This is his 13th year of coaching high-school football. Daughter Adrienne attends Salisbury State U. and has scored for the team. Devon was named to be the all-state softball team last year. Both daughters are following in their parents' footsteps.

Still in love with Pittsburgh, **Carol Armacost Carter** will try to help any of our children get into Carnegie-Mellon University where she runs the development/fundraising division. Husband Bob is now president of Ketchum, Inc. Stepson Travis graduated from the University of Delaware, and stepson Trent is a junior at Hobart College.

Bussey must be **Ron Clawson's** middle name. He's still working on an 1870s home. Last year he attended the national bridge tournament. Ron also made it from Frederick, MD to New Mexico and Colorado for skiing. He fishes with **Frank Sullivan '90**. Ron's also into 18th-century English and American contrabanding.

**Carol Jesatko Ferritta** has opened a small antique and gift shop in Baltimore on Belair Road at Hamilton Avenue. Son Jared is a 7th-grader.

Big news from **Vince Festa** was the wedding of daughter Kara in May. She's a dean's list student in civil engineering at the University of Arizona. **Jeanne Black '68** is active in the local Methodist church. Their two sons started high school and middle school. Vince is starting his 9th year with the Cochine County Attorney's office in Bisbee, AZ.

**Kimberly Haker '96**, daughter of Lt. Col **John W. Haker**, has a four-year ROTC scholarship. Kim is a former homecoming queen who received accolades for her academic and athletic achievements. Son Stephen started high school, and Kelly is now an 8th-grader. Last summer in New England, the family went whale watching and saw Elton John's yacht "with two speed boats and two helicopters attached." In January, to retire from the army in John.

**Stacey Evans** and **David Hilder** have stayed in the Annapolis, MD area since Dave's retirement from the navy. He's still at American Cyanamid as a senior project engineer. Stacey has a successful garden/landscape business. Son Andy, 18, attends Anne Arundel Community College, and Matt, 16, is at Severna Park High.

**Al Kempske** was promoted to vice president and senior assistant counsel at 1st National Bank of Maryland. He got married last summer to Michelle Wood, a real-estate agent. They went to Bermuda this fall and plan to visit Switzerland in the spring. He sees **Bill Schwandt '70** and family regularly. Al keeps in touch with other classmates.

**Ken Nibali, Fred Wagner** and two other classmates "Avoiding the yuppie life in Connecticut is hard for **Amy Lewis** and **Jim King**. Jim's a director at Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuti-

cal. Amy's now a regional director for the American Heart Assoc. Son Andy, 18, and his rock group, "The Nevertheless," have played in some local clubs. Amy had to write a permission slip for him to perform at some night spots! Russell, 10, has been to college (a summer course) and loves to fish with his dad. Russell is completing his Naturalist badge with Jim's help.

The Sun TV critic wrote a feature article on a TV series, *Another Kind of Hero*, hosted by **Joe Smothers**. The six hours of programs explored the types of African-American heroes mainstream TV tends to celebrate and then compared them to hometown heroes in Baltimore. It aired on Essex Community College's Channel 17 in Baltimore County, MD.

Thanks for all the birthday cards. Last Easter, the Futures Program at Northern High in Baltimore sent me to New Orleans for a conference concerning at-risk youth in high school. Summer at York Bill and I visiting my old boyfriend and his family in Texas. He introduced Bill to me when I was 16. While in New York City last September, we almost ran over Donald Trump and his bodyguard. In November, son Mike, 14, a high-school freshman, spent a long weekend with his dad at Disney World. Robert, 18, decided not to leave home and started Catonsville Community College last summer. Thanks for writing. I hope to hear more from the rest of the alphabet next time.

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**74** I hope that 1993 is finding all of you healthy and happy. Here is your latest news!

**Dennis Kirkwood** reminded me that most of us have now passed the big 40! He still is teacher-in-charge of Environmental Education for Harford County Public Schools. At Harford Glen he has an excellent lab for environmental studies. His wife, Jean, returned to teaching last year; their daughters are 9 and 6.

**Nellie Arrington** had a great year in real estate, and Bob is still at Westinghouse. Elise started 2nd grade, and Meredith returned to preschool. Nellie is active in her parish's planning and building committee and committees for Howard County Chamber of Commerce and a realtors association.

**Mary Connor Carter MS '92** is now certified as a member of the Academy of Family Mediators, enabling her to handle divorce and custody issues. **Joe '73** and Mary have been married for 21 years, and Mary says that Katey, 16, Erin, 13, and Meredith, 10, run their lives!

**Doug Paulsen** of Atlanta has been on an ad hoc study section in human embryology and development for the National Institute of Health in Bethesda for the last few years. His book, *Basic Histology: Examination and*

*Board Review*, is getting excellent reviews from medical students and faculty in the U.S. and abroad (and is in its 2nd edition). His wife, Annamarie, is launching a private practice in child and adolescent psychiatry.

**Mary Kay Neivus Maurer** was named Carroll County Teacher of the Year for 1992! She's taught English at Westminster High School for the last 18 years and now is chairperson of the 19-member English faculty—the largest department in the county school system.

**Dwayne Oland** is chief of technical services for the U.S. Army's Occupational Health Management Information System. Jenny is a substitute teacher and volunteer in the school. Ian, 7, was on an undefeated championship baseball team. Dad's the coach! Brandon played soccer and was runner-up in the Frederick County "Maryland, You are Beautiful" essay contest. Dwayne will be the director, producer, and writer of the Faganville Players' latest theatrical presentation.

**Mary 'Chip' Rouse** and son Bryan spent 12 days in England and Scotland last June and a month on the Jersey shore. Chip is getting closer to her Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Maryland.

**Kathy Rigger Angstadt** returned to school to learn American Sign Language. She is a preschool assistant teacher in the winter and a food-service manager in the summer. She enjoys her children ages 6 and 8. **Bill Corley** of Ponte Verda, FL, still practices law in Jacksonville. All is well with daughters, Lauren, Lindsay, and Kristin.

Another Floridian is **Glenn Fell!** For the North Broward Hospital district he manages the patient care computer system. Julie, 7, and Brian, 5, are fine.

**Melinda Jackson Brock** went to an island with her family last summer and spent several weekends at Wayne's family's mountain house. Melinda and Wayne still work for AT&T. Lance and Katherine enjoy school.

**Jackie Deakney Cowan** is a guidance counselor. **Hubby Bruce ME4'79** has a new job as supervisor of Physical Education, Athletics and Outdoor Education in Carroll County. Brett, 13, enjoys football, baseball and church and school programs. **Jameison, 10**, relishes softball, basketball, their new black lab, and life in general! (Sounds like her Mom to me!!)

Life has been busy for **Jane Moment Jordan**, Larry, and their kids, Paul, 10, and Julia, 7. Larry is a vice president for sales and marketing for AIQ, a software firm in North Lake Tahoe. Jane is now a freelance medical writer working mostly at home. In July, Jane went to Seattle for a few days to cover a cancer pain conference for a number of medical magazines.

**Carol Hoyle** married architect Steve Gillis on November 6. They were seeking a house in the country for their family which includes two dogs and two cats and any other homeless animals that come along. Carol is a member of the senior staff of the

Greater Baltimore Committee.

Vinnie and **Lynne Hulse Javier** and Melissa, 7, Lauren, 4, and Jeffrey, 3, had a fun summer with day trips to Bethany Beach and Seaside Park and a weeklong stay in Belingham, WA. Vinnie and Lynne helped Don "Kraah" **Dulaney** enjoy in 40 years of "clean living" at a party hosted by **John "Chip" '73** and **Norma Hamilton Graber** in May. In August, Lynne enjoyed a spa weekend in West Virginia with **Kathy Hamilton Trezise '76**, **"Chip" Rouse**, **Norma Hamilton Graber**, **Linda Looock Schmidt '75**, and **Debi "D.L." Lanus Cameron**.

Matthew James was born on June 20 to Bev and **Larry Bocchese**. Other son Steven enjoys helping. "Cheese" is still an assistant principal at an intermediate school.

Bill Thomas is still pastor at Church of Christ United Methodist in Ward in Randallstown, MD. **Linda McHale '75** still is an expert in home management. Their oldest son plays high-school football. Their two daughters and two younger sons are growing. The Thomases are very active in a renewal movement called "Walk to Emmaus" and have seen many lives touched by God's love. At the Annual Conference held in June, Bill saw a handful of WMC grads who are serving their local churches, both lay and clergy. Since it was held at WMC, it seemed like homecoming!

**Tom Rafter**, wife Barb, and Tom, 13, moved to Elkhart, IN from California in '91. Tom accepted a promotion and transfer to the corporate office of Skyline Corp. They build, manufactured housing and recreational vehicles. Tom recently spoke to **Alan Rabinowitz**, who has been in Thailand and will now go to Borneo for eight months. He was recently married.

**Scott Krieger** and family are finally starting to settle in after one year in their new home in Bel Air, MD. Scott is still at Mercantile Safe Deposit, and Becky works part time at Franklin Square. Scott coached Jonathan's baseball team last summer. The Kriegers vacationed in Nagshead, NC and New York and New England.

**Jan and Ed Humphreys** purchased a house in Lansing, Kc. Ed plans to retire from the army in June 1994. He has been teaching part time at Park College and teaches management courses at the Ft. Leavenworth Extension Office. Jenny and Katie are in 2nd and 1st grades, respectively. Matthew is 3. Jan's Pampered Chef home-based business is doing OK.

**Diane Munkel** bought her 1st house in Rockville, MD. Decorating the house has taken much of her time and soul, but she still has time for her 9.5 lawyering job and her teen-age son!

**Cathy Nelson Price** directs a new job market research company, Career Consulting and Research, Inc., while husband Paul continues at Jones-Risk, Caroline, a 7th-grader, loves musicals, and Scott, a 4th-grader, loves baseball. The Prices love Maine!

**Vivian Crouse McCarthy** is still

pastor at Rodgers Forge United Methodist Church. Unfortunately, Rick was one of the thousands who lost their jobs at USF&G and has been out of his field for two years. Erin is a senior in high school, so the McCarthys are seriously looking at colleges!

**Louise Mattocks and Gary McCorrie** decided to sell their house and build a new house. As of September, they were two months past closing date with no house! Louise has worked a lot of overtime at SAS, as competition in the computer industry has increased. Gary moved from testing to technical writing at IBM.

**Jody Barker Gillespie** is a real-estate investment analyst with Boston Financial Group. She hates the commute but loves the job. Her stepdaughter, Erin, goes to University of Maine-Orono. In the last year, the Gillespies have traveled to Europe, two and California once. They got their vacations in before tuition payments starting year!

The coming year will be busy for the **Salzman** family. Jessica, 12, is in 7th grade, Rebecca is a 4th grader, and Matt is in pre-1st grade. **Leon** still works hard for Caterair at Sky Harbor Airport, and **Judy Gardner** is PTA president at Zuni Elementary School. She plans to return to full-time teaching.

**Gary Hanna** got married again, this time to Melinda Clinendist on September 26, two days before his 40th birthday!

**Maria Petrucci** enjoys her chiropractic practice in Columbia, MD. Maria also has started teaching homeopathy and weight-loss classes. She enjoys her time with her husband and stepdaughter, 12, and her get-togethers with her family.

**Mary Ellen Miller Beechner** is a part-time environmental health consultant at Bethlehem Steel, and Roger is in his 22nd year of teaching. Megan is in 4th grade, and Brian is in 2nd. The kids keep their parents busy with Scouts and athletics.

**Paul '51 and Bernice Talbott Beard** send best wishes to all their friends. Bernice is in her 4th year of retirement and enjoys many volunteer and growing opportunities.

**Rick Spink** wrote from Dartmouth Outing Club cabin in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, where he was vacationing with **Bob Nolan**! Rick enjoyed playing fast-pitch softball all last summer and was anticipating a season of coed volleyball. Rick still works at Springfield Hospital. Bob still works for Japanese-owned Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co. in Rockville, MD. Bob's wife, **Lucinda Newby '73**, is a day-care licensing specialist for Maryland. Derek is 11, and Lauren is 7. The Nolans live near Frederick, MD.

**Tim Meredith** was recently named president-elect of the Anne Arundel Co. Bar Assoc. Wife Kathy is an attorney, too. Ben and Patricia are 7 and 5. Tim coached Patricia's Green Hornets soccer team this past fall, and a teammate was the son of **Fred and Jean Campbell DiBlasio '76**.

**Dennis Keen** is recovering well from sudden cardiac death experienced on June 1, 1991. He is looking for new employment. Wife Joette still works for Merck and Co. Son Brett, 20, is taking a break from studies. Daughter Nicole is 16 and a junior at North Penn High School and, according to dad, completely gorgeous, which keeps him busy!

**Wayne and Nancy Fishpugh Cassell** still loves living in Colorado. Wayne is now supervisor of the graphics department at Technology Training Systems. Nancy is still with American Management Systems and is now a principal (similar to a partner). They work a lot of hours but took a week off to celebrate the "big 40" by rafting on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon and sleeping under the stars.

**Sam Bricker** is in his 14th year at Aetna Life and Casualty Insurance Co., now in the Baltimore office. In June 1991 he purchased a 1953 American LaFrance fire truck which Carol, Kelly, 7, Kevin, 2, and he enjoy taking to parades and antique fire apparatus museums.

Like most of you I celebrated the BIG 40 this year. It's sooooo scary to think how quickly the past 18 years have slipped by! Our time at WMC seems like just a few years ago. Everything is going well for me. Drew, who turned 2 in August, still is the light of my life. My life outside of work is devoted to him.

Thank you to all for writing. It is always wonderful to hear from you. Thank you also for your words of appreciation and encouragement. Have a wonderful 1993!

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**79** I'm always glad to hear from all of you. A special thanks goes to those who take the time to write whenever you have news. **John Cochran** and Ann-Marie welcomed Brittany Nicole in November 1991. Son David is active in sports and school. John still works at the Naval Supply Center in Norfolk and is busy with softball, basketball, civic and church activities. He anticipates our 15th reunion.

**Carol James Avery** and husband introduced daughter Lauren on June 1. Carol still practices law in Columbia, MD but lives in Annapolis now. She is active in the Oriole Advocates. **Austin Gieriel** and **Martha Pratt '78** are thrilled to announce Sarah Elizabeth's arrival on April 17. Sister Rebecca is in kindergarten. Austin is in his 8th year of teaching at North Hagerstown High School.

**Nancy Goehner** and **Ryder Houston** of Scottsdale, AZ were married on April 14, 1991. Nancy works for Southwest Conference Planners, a destination management company. She and Ryder played tour guides for **Mary Gately** and **Dennis Bodley** last summer.

**Beth Lengyel** and **Paul Hewett '77** are now civilians. Beth works at Aberdeen Proving Ground. She plans to begin her PhD in adult education. Son Russell is a 4th grader.

**Bill Jenkins** won the 1992 Richmond Critic's Award for Best Set Design for a Musical, for his work on *Sunday in the Park with George*. He teaches full time for Virginia Union University's speech and drama department.

**Dianne Jenkins's** 35th birthday caught her by surprise, but husband Denis Collins and son Seth weathered the storm.

**Sue Quinn** and **Bob Hale '81** traveled to London in June. They took children Debby and Matthew camping in the Adirondacks with **Dave** and **Marcia Polk Meyer '78** and their daughter, Beth. Sue received her MBA from Hood College last spring.

**Roger Ensminger** still travels a lot to Key West, Dallas, Maui, San Francisco, Stuttgart and Ocean City, all within six months!

**Jennifer Delp** and **David Imhoff** are busy with their four children. They took a five-week car trip to Florida last summer. Their small farm is growing, and the children love sharing in the chores.

**Jack and Sue Hinton Kendall** sold their home in Tuscaloosa, AL and have moved to Ft. Leavenworth, KS. Jack is now a major and attending Command and General Staff College for a year. They probably will go overseas next. Kelly, Kevin, and Kyle, love their new neighborhood.

**Tracy Tuttle Gauthier** enjoys country life as a stay-at-home mom. She and Peter, Ryan and Connie, love their new home.

**Tom '80 and Patrice John Baugher** have moved to Fort Wayne, IN. Tom resigned from the service and works for Magnavox. Patrice teaches preschool at a private school. They stay busy with sons Christopher, Bryan, and Andrew.

**Linda Lamb Hahn** of Carmel, IN is a family therapist at a psychiatric hospital. She says the Indy 500 is worth seeing!

**Pat Clarke** is living in Allen, TX. Maybe he'll be back to Maryland someday!

**Jeff Jackson** is a product manager at Dymacraft Golf, in charge of club design. He represents Dymacraft on the Senior PGA Tour.

**Jay Gardiner** is athletic director at St. Mary's College. He and Mary have three boys, Matthew, Andy and Daniel.

**Mary Louise Jones** and **Art Blodeau** are in their last year at West Point. "ML" has become a golfing fanatic, while working as an office manager for H&R Block, teaching for St. Thomas Aquinas College and caring for the girls.

**James '71.D.' Douglas MS '91** spent the last year as project manager for the building of the new Walt Whitman High School. His daughters are Stephanie and Taylor.

**Glen Barlow** has opened two general dentistry offices, one in his home

and one in Wrightstown, PA. He has become so busy he has hired another dentist. He and **Deborah Wooden '81** and Sarah to the family on June 6, 1991. They have enjoyed a trip to Hawaii and a cruise to the Bahamas.

**Linda Sorrentino** and **Kurt Glaeser '78** have begun another remodeling job, their bathroom. Linda works half time as an elementary guidance counselor, and cares for Matt and Suzannah.

**Julie Vaughan** and **Ken Donovan** reside in York, PA with Annie and Molly. Julie is a part-time health education instructor at York Hospital, traveling to public schools and teaching second-graders. She also began a master's of education in health at Penn State, Harrisburg.

**Katherine "Licia" Hedjan-Jenkins** is pursuing a master's in nursing, nurse midwifery. She will work for the National Public Health Service when she graduates since they are paying for her schooling.

**Chris Holmes** is in his 4th year as pastor at Community United Methodist in Crofton, MD. Children Lindsey, Jenny and Taylor keep Chris and Margaret busy. One nice surprise is that their new next-door neighbors are **Sally McCarl** and **Brian Moore** and Colleen, Kelly, and Alex. Sally hadn't been there a week when she organized a party for the neighborhood children.

**Beth Dunn Fulton** is busy with aerobics and volunteering at school for Ryan, Colleen, and Killian.

**Gary Bowen** and Cheryl live in Williamsport, MD. Roger commutes to work in Rockville for Computer Sciences Corporation. He works on the software for FAA's new air traffic control system and recently became the technical lead for his department. Cheryl is a full-time mom for their three children.

**Wayne Birely** wants to contact any lacrosse teammates in the Baltimore area. He works for Federal Armored Express, covering the Boston, Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore areas. In his spare time he coaches lacrosse and his daughters' soccer team.

**Dave Bond** and **Cindy** live in Gamber, MD with their two children. Dave is a senior consulting actuary in health-care issues for Ernest & Young. In his spare time he is busy with church and local community issues.

**Jan Hamilton Jewell** and family have moved to a new home in Ft. Worth, TX. She is president of Down's Syndrome Partnership of Tarrant County (DSPTC), race director for Heat Rash Dash, a four-mile race benefiting DSPTC and Cook-Fort Worth Children's Medical Center. She is active with the American Cancer Society Parent Teaching Conference and Children's Medical Center Hematology/Oncology Parent Group. Jean has three children, Bradley, Kristin and Lauren. Kristin has Down's syndrome and leukemia, but is doing great.

**Robin Oroian** and **Jonathan Davis** have two sons, Kyle and Bryce. Robin is teaching 3rd grade in a brand-new school in Damascus, MD, which she

will like once the dust settles.

**Gail Bowman** and **Tom Mathes** were married in April 1991 and moved to Illinois where they own a Jiffy Lub franchise. They have a home on a lake and love to have friends out on their pontoon boat. Gail and Tom do fundraising and food drives through the business and are involved with Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

**Leslie Renshaw Kemp** now has eight cats and six dogs. She works for a doctor now, pushing insurance forms. Leslie still quilts and would love to do it full time, but bills need to be paid!

Look for the profile on **Marjory Rostami Sallami** on Page 4.

As for the Chapman family, Matthew Thomas will be 1 on February 9, and Sarah Elizabeth is nearly 3. I'm a stay-at-home mom, but it seems like we're never there because of all of Sarah's activities and my tutoring and community-service volunteering. We still travel as much as we can and stay sane, with two small children in tow. Patricia Blades Chapman 312 Sycamore Ave. Easton, MD 21601

**84 Linda Lang** had a busy summer directing a horseback riding camp for able-bodied and disabled children. Linda teaches Intensity 4 special education at an elementary school in Harford County, MD. She has a puppy, Camp, found at the day camp, which is lots of fun.

**Don Lederer** and wife Dana enjoy life with children Amanda and Kevin.

While continuing to teach nursery school and taking courses towards a master's, **Anne McDonough Lepezyk** is also busy with the WMC Young Alumni Assoc. Anne also keeps in touch with **Kathy Marvel '85, Tricia Troy, Missy Mules Herbert, Missy Wagner Keyser, and Kathie Harrison Offutt '83**. Anne anticipates seeing everyone at future Young Alumni events.

**Carl and Barb Hess McAlouse '85** have moved into a new home, which they built, on Pawley's Island, SC. Carl is now assistant commissioner of the Big South Athletic Conference. Carl and Barb invite everyone down to enjoy golf and the beach, since Pawley's Island is near Myrtle Beach.

**Bill McGoey** is an account executive for Greentree Mortgage Corp. Bill and Susan spent the summer boating at the Jersey Shore with son Billy. However, they did manage a "shaky" vacation in San Diego and Los Angeles — they were there during some earthquakes.

**Patty McLaughlin**, in January '92, joined the division of Water and Sewer of Prince George's County, MD Health Department. She witnesses percolation tests, installation of private wells and septic systems, and investigation of complaints concerning such systems. Patty spent two weeks in Arizona and New Mexico visiting the

Grand Canyon, Petrified Forest, and Sedona. Patty keeps in touch with **Deb Hildebrand Hoover, Wendy Gage Carver, Linda Lang, and Mimi Nave**.

While trying to manage a freelance cosmetics business **Debbie Federico May** is busy with son Brandon. Brandon, it seems, entertains Debbie's clients who are brides-to-be or possibly brides-not-to-be after meeting him.

**Maria Maranto Medved** and husband Joe have been busy with daughters Katie and Maria Adrienne. Maria and Joe enjoy the company of **Darcy Smith Austin, Beth Gray, Heather Rembert Fahmy, and Debbie Federico May**.

**Blanche Meister MLA '85** works for the Howard County, MD Department of Social Services where she is involved with child protection services, investigating cases of child sexual and physical abuse. She has worked often with **Ann Hallendorff Bailey '86**, who is with the Howard County Police Department. Blanche is renovating her recently purchased condominium, and serves on the Howard County Mental Health Advisory Board.

**Lee Meyers** is busy with his dental practice in Bowie, MD. Lee also can be found at the golf course where, with his 20-year plan, Lee hopes to qualify for the Senior PGA Tour.

**Amy Morgan** soon hopes to receive her PhD in exercise physiology from Kent State University.

Kept busy with her twins, Heather Lynne and Sean Michael, **Lynne Birkmeyer Morris** is a part-time computer analyst for the Department of Defense. **Jody Morrison** is working toward a doctorate in rhetoric and communications at Temple University as well as teaching there part time.

**Linda Saylor Myers '91** teaches 6th-grade math and language arts at Thurmont, MD Middle School, where she also is the student government adviser.

**John Nist** is still an environmental engineer for Roy F. Weston, Inc., living in West Chester, PA, and seeking property upon which to build a house.

After her marriage and move to a new home in Berkeley Heights, NJ, **Lea Ruggiero O'Shea** has been working for a consulting firm that specializes in moving financial trading floors. Last spring, Lea visited **Gail Leck Klakring**, and is the godmother to **Pam Yurcinis Donahower '85's** son Scott.

**Dennis J. Oltman**, wife Colette and daughter Kathy live in Pasadena, MD. Dennis works for Alex. Brown and Sons as supervisor of network control.

**Kathy Nebel Phillips** lives in Tabernacle, NJ with her husband and Alexandra Lee, Alyssa, and Kaitlen. Kathy has a new job working with K-1 hearing-impaired children in Moorestown, NJ. She interpreted the play *Anything Goes*, in which her husband was involved.

**Bev Packard and Maurice Pitzer '81** still live in Hanover, PA, where they home school Jennifer, Annie, and John Michael. Bev and Maurice

recently celebrated their 10th anniversary and anticipate at least 50 more.

While working on a doctoral dissertation in theater, teaching part time at Catonsville Community College, and working at Towson State U., **Robin Quick** finds time to work on her 90-year-old house in Baltimore. Robyn will direct a production back on "the Hill" this winter.

**Cindy Tanner Jawlins** is busy with sons Jacob and Joshua. Cindy and husband Larry spent the summer and most of autumn doing "pig roasts" for parties. They're now adding another floor to their home.

Back from Bonn, Germany is **Jacqueline Smith Runner**, husband **Rick '82** and sons Greg and Matt. Rick now works at the Pentagon. Jackie is now a registered nurse looking for work.

**Valerie Jewett Sanko** is home with her children while husband **Mark** is the office manager for Tri-State Gypsum. Mark still hunts, fishes, and plays basketball while Valerie is active in church and Girl Scouts. They keep in touch with **Mike '82 and Michele Hutchenreuter Conner and Tim and Becky Poynter Kirkner '83**.

In **May Ken Schaefer** was transferred from the Los Angeles office of Australia and New Zealand Bank to the New York office. He is a corporate banking officer in the problem loans department. Ken is still adjusting to the New York lifestyle.

**Ed Shropshire** still works for the Montgomery County Police Department in Rockville, MD.

**Jeanette M. Summers Smith** now lives in Pennsylvania with **Tom "Moon" '82 and Tommy**. Jeanette is still a mortgage underwriter, while Tom is now with AT&T as a senior technician for Easy Link.

While still with the National Wildlife Federation in Washington, D.C., **Chris Sto** keeps in touch with **Debbie Dale Seidel, Jessica Friedman, and Maryclare Denion Long**.

**Jack and Gillian Davies Springer '82** and their two children have moved to Exton, PA. Jack is now a sales trainer with Abbott Laboratories. Jack sends news that **Scott Serogay** and wife Amanda, and daughter Rachel have moved to Texarkana, TX where Scott practices law for the government.

**Helen Stallings** has a new job with Kaiser Permanente directing a research program on smoking cessation education. Helen enjoys helping a wide variety of people. Last autumn she vacationed in Tokyo where she loved the culture and bullet trains, but avoided the sushi.

Working part time for Federal Express in Princeton, NJ and running after her two daughters, Jennifer and Allison, is **Beth Coughlin Turley**. She and Tom work on their home in Eastampton, NJ.

**Cindy Wilcox** recently moved to Virginia Beach where she has a great apartment near the beach. She's starting her own business doing creative wall finishes.

**Larry and Lori Wheatley Uhrig's** son Jarrod is thrilled to be a big broth-

er to Marissa Danielle. Lori keeps busy with the children and the book-keeping for Larry's busy medical practice. Larry also works one day a week in the emergency room at the local hospital, and is vice-president of the hospital staff.

**Heidi Snyder Wethered** still is with Service Coordination Systems, Towson, MD. Heidi is busy with daughter Hannah and church activities.

In **June Patty Jones Wooten** has been in sales and marketing for Life Technologies, Inc. in Gaithersburg, MD. She and her husband live in Owings Mills but hope to find a home in Howard or Carroll County.

On the Eastern Shore **Tom Zimmer** still teaches elementary physical education at Ocean City Elementary School while wife Beth plugs away at the family business. Children Sarah and Kate must love being so close to the beach.

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**89** Hi, everyone! I hope that the last year was great for everyone and that all is well with the class of 1989. There have been a lot of weddings and births since we have graduated, and plenty more to come! Please drop me a line anytime when exciting news happens so we can stay current. Here is what we have been up to.

**Lauren Williams Greenwald** graduated from University of Maryland at Baltimore School of Social Work in May, with her master's. She immediately started working in North Arundel Hospital's Psychiatric Unit. Husband **Larry '88** is manager at 1st American Bank in Owings Mills. Lauren and Larry keep in touch with **Dan O'Connor '88 and Betsy Nichols '91**.

**Lee Higginbotham** of Jacksonville, FL works for Community 1st Bank.

**Tammy Kile** will graduate from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June. Tammy will then begin her internship.

**Craig Cecil** received his MBA from Loyola College in January. He is an analyst for Bell Atlantic Information Systems. Craig spends a lot of time "bulking up" for the Maryland State Bodybuilding Title.

**Mel Falhtech Humes** married Darryl in March 1991. On their daughter, Mackenzie, was born. Mel resigned from her social work job and is now doing day care.

**Carole Cruise** teaches 1st grade at Sandymount Elementary School in Finksburg, MD. She says hi to **Miriam Pipes Larson '90, Linda Roden Kulp, and Debbie Renoll Taylor '90**.

**Elizabeth Jones** married Jerry Hochmuth in July 1990. She teaches English to 9th- and 11th-graders in Salisbury, MD.

**Patrick Dai** was promoted to assistant director of the Eastern Baltimore

Area Chamber of Commerce. He is working on his master's in finance at night at the University of Baltimore. He spent the last summer traveling out West. Pat runs into Nancy Shaw '88 and Lloyd Hart '88, Carin Michel '88, Margaret Miller '87, often.

**Harry Cohen** married Piper Luce MS '90. Piper's master's is in deaf education. Harry will graduate from the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in May. He plans to specialize in ophthalmology.

**Chin Choo** Hwe is WMC's assistant director of financial aid. She lives in Germantown, MD with her husband. Chin Choo sends her regards, especially to Marianne Subleski '88, Zina Johnson '88, Heidi Nytrai and the members of the International Student Club.

**Michele Cruikshank** spends most of her free time with Craig Hayward '90. She keeps in touch with Louise Murdoch, Valerie Wilbur, and Carol Gover '88.

**Bob Hutchinson**, for the last two years, has been a technician at the Kleber Co. on the night shift. During the day he is working on his MBA. Wife Paula Plutschak has her master's in flute performance and is working on her doctorate. Bob keeps in touch with Laura Balakir '91 and Chuck Currey '90.

**Michele Meehan** is planning to be a physician's assistant working in orthopedic surgery. She still spends time with Jon McDonnell '88.

**Garrett Going** is a retail stock broker at Gruntal and Co. in New York City.

**Chris Jarkowicz Fechan** and husband Pat '90 celebrated son Justin's 1st birthday. They still live in Germany and have traveled throughout Europe and Britain. They can't wait to come home and visit WMC in April. Chris and Pat see Guy Goddard '90 a lot, and Aimee Bollinger '88 visited in July. Chris says hi to everyone in the communications group.

**Jessica Doner** is a sign-language interpreter for Lancaster/Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13. She also does free-lance interpreting and plans to return to school next fall to become a certified interpreter. **Debbie Reynolds** still lives in Towson, MD, on her own since roommate Chris Kelly wed Greg Cherundolo '91 in August. They reside in Pennsylvania.

**Debbie** is the admissions director at a Baltimore-area nursing home and is attending nursing school at night.

**Julie Katef** and **Mike Maseritz** have bought a home in Annapolis. They spend a lot of time with Sandy Metz, Sandi Stevens, Cort Sandstrom, and Billy Hallett.

**Roxanne Benjovsky** tries to stay in touch with all of the Thirsty Thursdays to keep up the good times.

**Doug Hitchcock** of Baltimore bought a house with girlfriend Annelisa Jones. **Billy Hallett, Cort Sandstrom, and Kevin O'Connor** '88 still live in Towson, MD, together. Billy is district manager for I-Flow Corp. which sells medical equipment. Cort has succeeded in building a pros-

perous business as founder and president of National Telecommunications Consortium, Inc.

**Bryan Lynch** spent last year playing basketball in Europe. He is WMC's assistant basketball coach and is taking classes towards his master's. Brian hopes to see some classmates there.

**Barbara Pierantozzi** plans to graduate from the University of Maryland Dental School in May. She hopes to be a general dentist, possibly in South Jersey or Philadelphia. Believe it or not, Barb still finds time to see **Rich McCaughey** '90. She was able to see a lot of alumni at Michelle Giangrandi and John Rooney '88's wedding in September. The Phi Alphas and Betas were there in full force. Michelle and John live in New Jersey.

**Theresa Bernhardt Ballinger** and husband Bob '88 bought a house in Westminster. Theresa plans to begin an MBA program at Mount St. Mary's this summer.

**Maria Filshie Douglas** and Dave '87 moved to Ocean City last spring. Dave is in a variety of businesses, and Maria works for South Moon Under. Maria hopes when anyone is "down the ocean" they will give her a call.

**Michelle LaVina** lives in Canton, MD with Amy Farr. Michelle is in her last year of nursing school and will continue working at Shock Trauma Center after she graduates in May.

Any works for Citicorp in Baltimore. **Debbie Ridpath** still lives in the Big Apple. She says hi to Dina Soliman.

**Terry Dripps** is a hard-working unpaid social worker at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore. Terry spends much of her free time seeing WMC friends.

**Elizabeth Burkitt** is back in the mainland. She spent seven months last year in Hawaii spending a lot of time with **Shawn Chatfield Ott** '88. After Hawaii, she drove cross-country and moved to Manhattan in June. She sells ads for *Field and Stream* and *Outdoor Life* magazines.

**Katherine Ertz** works for Creative Parties in Bethesda, MD. She has moved to Rockville, MD with friends.

**Steven Hegna's** message was short and to the point—"Where is L.O.?" **Joe Iovino** is currently MIA. Joe, write me and I'll let the whole class know how you are!

**Eric "Scrappy" Fairfield** works in North Carolina. His work takes him from Delaware to Florida. **John Fitzsimmons** and **Bill Butz** spent a weekend with Eric golfing and drinking. Both agreed that Eric and friend Vivian showed them a great time!

**Kim Hoben** started in April with The Washington Speakers Bureau, a booking agency for celebrity speakers around the world. She has kept in touch with her Phi Mu sisters.

**Heather Wilcever** received her master's in history from The American University in May 1991. She is working on a history research project at the National Library of Medicine and is applying for PhD programs in history for next fall.

**Vickie Holtry Fluharty** and David

were married in September, 1990. They reside in Fairfield, OH with their three children. Vickie is a trust administrator for the Bank of Ohio Trust Co. She says hello to her Phi Mu sisters.

**Jill Alt Manning** will complete her master's at the Johns Hopkins University in May. She will teach English at the secondary level in Anne Arundel County next fall.

**Tom Reich** married Elizabeth Robart in August. He works for Johnson and Johnson Co. in Pennsylvania and is working on a master's in education at Temple University. Tom became a member of the Baha'i faith two years.

**Jim Cardea** married Frances Fato in August at Big Back Chapel. There was a variety of friends there including many Preachers and Omegas. Jim is in his 1st year of law school, and Frances bought a townhouse in Columbia, MD. She passed the CPA exam and is still working for Bond Beche.

**Beth Trust** is finishing her PhD research in marine isotope geochemistry at the University of Texas Marine Science Institute in Port Aransas, TX. She hopes to graduate in August.

**Leslie Brooks Rink** and husband Jeff '88 bought a townhouse in Bel Air, MD. Leslie is working on her master's in psychology, and Jeff works for Great American Insurance. They see Steve '87 and Lucy Purrell Latche '86, Mike '88 and Barb Raynor O'Connor and Richie '87 and Martha Werka Heasley. Leslie says hi to Heather Berka and Eileen O'Donnell '90.

**Kim Lohmann** was promoted to district hospital representative at Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, Inc. She says Lori Day lives in Philadelphia, and that Tammy Fewster returned to school to become a nurse. **Debbie Leopold-Stern** lives in London with her husband.

**Kathy Cornwell** graduated from Towson State University with an MS. She finds time to see Beth Harlow, Debbie Reynolds and Kim Lohmann.

**Beth Harlow** and **Barry Bucklelew** '88 traveled last summer to Washington state, Cape May and upper state New York. Beth is WMC's assistant director of Alumni Affairs. She will work a lot with the Young Alumni as well as developing regional alumni committees. If anyone is interested in getting more involved, call her at (410) 857-2264.

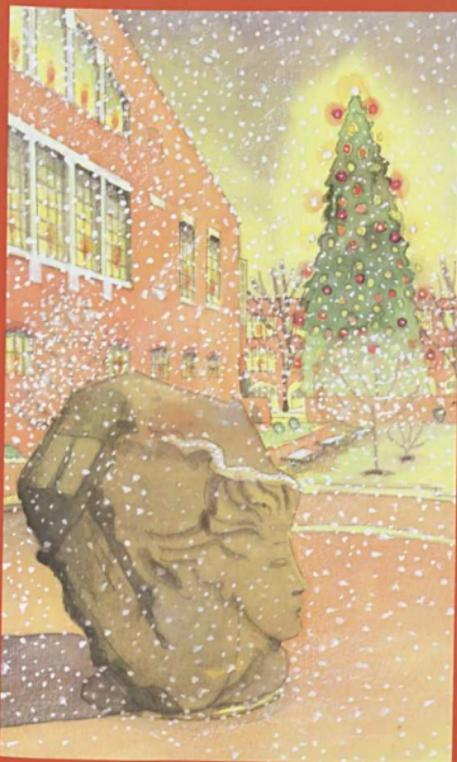
I also am doing well. For the last year, I have attended the College of Notre Dame to receive my teaching certification for elementary school. I completed my student teaching last fall. By the time you receive this copy of *The Hill* I hope to be hired. If not, I will be trying to find a teaching position.

Please keep the news coming. The only way this column gets done is with your help. Write or call anytime there is some juicy class news! Take care, everyone. I anticipate seeing many of you this year and hearing from the others.

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DEB STEINBERG '88



Artist Susan Davis portrays a quiet winter day on campus. In the foreground is the eight-ton granite sculpture by Art Professor Wasył Paljczuk, located in the garden of Hoover Library.

## ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

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., February 20**  
Board of Trustees, 8:30 a.m.

**Sat., February 20**  
\*Chamber Music on the Hill presents a Tchaikovsky Commemorative Concert, Baker Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

**Sun., February 21**  
†Yale Gordon Sundays of Note presents Hesperus performing the music of American and European folk roots, McDaniel Lounge, 2 p.m.

**Mon., February 22**  
Baltimore Alumni Chapter luncheon, Towson Sheraton

**February 26-28**  
*Heldi Chronica*, a funny and touching tour de force of the trials and tribulations of growing up in the '60s-'80s. Pulitzer Prize plus many other awards. Alumni Hall, Main Stage, 8 p.m.

**Sat., February 27**  
Academic Homecoming: "The West and Islam: Prospects for the 21st Century," 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

**Sun., February 28**  
Evening with the President for Young Alumni Campus Leaders

**March 4-6**  
*Heldi Chronica*, Alumni Hall, Main Stage, 8 p.m.

**Mon., March 29**  
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**Fri., April 2**  
\*Chamber Music on the Hill presents music of the baroque period, Baker Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m.

**Fri./Sat., April 16-17**  
Board of Trustees meetings.

**Sat., April 17**  
Alumni Assoc. Board of Governors meeting, The Forum, 2 p.m.

**Sun., April 18**

†Yale Gordon Sundays of Note presents Harpist Sonja Inglefield, Little Baker Chapel, 2 p.m.

**Sun., April 25**  
College Choir in concert, Baker Memorial Chapel, 3 p.m. No admission charge.

**Mon., April 26**  
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**Tues., April 27**  
An Evening of Madrigals, WMC Madrigal Singers, Little Baker Chapel, 7 p.m. No admission charge.

**April 29**  
An Evening of Chamber Ensembles by student and faculty artists, Levine Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

**Sun., May 2**  
Honors Convocation.

**Sun., May 2**  
College Concert Band, Baker Memorial Chapel, 7 p.m. No admission charge.

**Fri., May 21**  
Baccalaureate.

**Sat., May 22**  
Commencement.

**May 28-30**  
Alumni Weekend, Reunion classes: 1913, '18, '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '48, '58, '63.

**July 11-25**  
North Cape and the Majestic Fjords Cruise aboard the *Crown Odyssey*.

**Sat., October 9**  
Homecoming. Reunion classes: 1968, '73, '83, '88

**Sat., November 13**  
Sports Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremonies.

Adult Admission:  
\*Chamber on the Hill — \$7.  
†Sundays of Note — \$5.  
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#### AN ACTIVE COLLECTION

Collectors of every type of gew-gaw abound, but no one—at least on the East Coast—scouts about for bloomers and middies and other aged athletic attire for women as avidly as Carol Fritz MEEd'69 does.

The assistant athletic director and associate professor of physical education first printed a request for women's athletic uniforms in *The Hill* five years ago. Now she has a fairly extensive collection dating from the 1880s to the 1970s on permanent display in Gill Center. Many of the WMC uniforms were rolled out of their preservative mothballs—or in one case, pepper—and were donated to Dr. Fritz by alumnae. When she couldn't find an original, she had a replica made by a talented seamstress.

Among her collectibles are a 1920s-era pink-and-white tennis skirt and middie; an 1888 gym costume; bloomers, middies, gym suits and awards blazers from the 1930s. She also has some Indian clubs, used in calisthenic exercises more than a century ago, and athletic shoes. Had she been collecting men's athletic artifacts she wouldn't have been so fortunate. Coeds had to buy their own uniforms, while the college furnished clothing for its male team members. Those remnants have long since disappeared, she says. That is just one instance of bias she has uncovered through her collecting.

The Western Maryland collection is one of the few of its kind, she says. The only other schools with such extensive collections that she knows about are Ivy League women's colleges in the Northeast.

