Members of the Class of 2015 began a new tradition with a candlelit walk through Ward Memorial Arch to Baker Memorial Chapel.
where they were symbolically welcomed into the McDaniel community.
Your Homework for 2012:

Meet Road Scholars Roger Casey & Robyn Allers in your neighborhood. All alumni, parents and friends are welcome.

January 6 — Naples, Fla.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

January 7 — Sarasota, Fla.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

January 8 — Boca Raton, Fla.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

January 9 — Orlando, Fla.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

January 10 — Jacksonville, Fla.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

March 9 — San Francisco, Calif.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

March 10 — Los Angeles, Calif.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

March 14 — Palm Springs, Calif.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

March 15 — San Diego, Calif.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

March 18 — Austin, Tex.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

April 17 — Philadelphia, Penn.
6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

Road Scholar on McSwagger Tour

Thirteen weeks, eight states, 23 stops: President Roger Casey — a.k.a. McDaniel's own Road Scholar — and his wife, Robyn Allers, are crisscrossing the country to share the latest news from the Hill and Casey's vision for the College's future with alumni, parents and friends near and far.

The complimentary events held during the fall semester throughout Maryland and in D.C., Northern Virginia, New York City and Boston have attracted many alumni who haven't been able to travel back to campus for years, some not since they graduated.

"This is a wonderful initiative to engage our busy alumni who love the College from a distance, and would like to be closer," says trustee Christine Royer '48, who attended the Sunday brunch at the Landmarc in Manhattan. "Both Roger and Robyn are so enthusiastic, and have so many good stories to share about the College's recent successes. The opportunity is not to be missed."

Register for an event near you at mcdaniel.edu/roadtrip.

From left: Bill O'Hara, Claudia Rojas O'Hara '93, President Roger Casey, Robyn Allers and Kent Pearce '91, proprietor of the Greene Turtle, where the event was held.
Delicious Research Opportunity

Assistant Professor of Biology Molly Jacobs and her student collaborator Meredith Meyers '12 spent eight weeks at the prestigious Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution researching the swimming behavior of the young Homarus americanus. While the lobster fishery is extremely important in New England, both culturally and economically, little is known about the distribution and behavior of larval (baby) lobsters, explains Jacobs.

Female lobsters carry eggs on their abdomens in winter and early spring, then release swimming larvae in June and July. Those larvae develop in the plankton, or water column, for several weeks before settling back to the bottom. "In that time, where they go and what they do is critically important to adult populations, but these tiny animals in the vast ocean are very difficult to study," Jacobs says.

The research involved long hours, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and then back for nighttime experiments from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., and could be wet and dirty work. "Meredith was a real trouper," Jacobs says. "She has ended up with a truly impressive senior thesis project."

The Weather Channel Shines a Light on Tailgating

When The Weather Channel treated its 132 million viewers to a feature program ranking the nation's top seven schools for tailgating, guess who was the only non-Division I school on the list? That's right. McDaniel's unique drive-in experience was featured as No. 6 alongside much larger football schools like Ole Miss (No. 1) and Tennessee (No. 2) in the program, which premiered Oct. 18 but will air many more times. The segment about McDaniel captured the scene on the Hill on Sept. 10, when the Green Terror defeated Moravian 35-14. Chris Counts, a field producer for The Weather Channel, told the Sun that he was a convert.

"I prefer the scene at McDaniel," he said. "You're so close. Everybody loves everybody. I would go there again on my own time. I just thought it was a very, very refreshing experience."

Stamp of Approval

Owney, the stray pup who garnered global attention for riding the rails with the mail in the 1890s, finally has a postage stamp of his own. And professor and award-winning children's author Mona Kerby couldn't be happier.

Kerby, who oversees the College's new online graduate certificate program in writing for children and young adults, has long been a fan of the legendary mutt whose real-life adventure story she told in Owney, the Mail-Pouch Pooch, winner of the 2008 Parents' Choice Silver Honor and top state awards coast to coast. The book was recently translated into Korean.
Newsmakers

- Anouar Boukhars, assistant professor of political science and international studies, was in Qatar in May to participate in the Doha Debates; former participants have included Bill Clinton and Shimon Peres. He also published several articles this summer, including “Mauritania Confronts Structural Problems as It Steps Up Counterterrorism Efforts,” Terrorism Monitor, and gave several invited talks: “Prospects for Political Change in Morocco,” at the U.S. Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, Va., in June; “The Dignity Revolutions in the Arab World,” at The World Affairs Council in Pittsburgh in June; “The Way Forward: The Moroccan Model,” Atlantic Council, Washington, D.C., in June.

- Lecturer David Martin was named Teacher of the Year by the American Sign Language Teacher’s Association (ASLTA) at its June conference in Seattle, making him the second 1996 graduate of the College’s master’s program in Deaf Education to garner a prestigious top teacher award (Michelle Shearer was recently named National Teacher of the Year).

- Debora Johnson-Ross (Political Science and International Studies) has been selected as a COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) Institute Fellow as part of a two-year program at the COIL Institute for Globally Networked Learning in the Humanities. She will be working in association with Fellows from Africa University in Mutare, Zimbabwe.

- Jon Seligman, drummer and adjunct music lecturer, received a $6,000 Individual Artist Award in World Music Performance from the Maryland State Arts Council to fund a music research trip to Turkey and do further recording for a project that grew out of an informal jam session at a Common Ground on the Hill festival with musicians playing the oud (Arab lute), the nay (Arab reed flute) and a didgeridoo, an Australian aboriginal wind instrument.

- Jim Kunz, associate professor of Social Work and program director, was named 2011 Educator of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers’ Maryland Chapter.

Ask the Expert

You’ve recently taken up beekeeping. How does your expertise as a behavioral psychologist help you with this hobby and vice versa?

Margaret McDevitt, associate professor of psychology:

Last spring I took the beekeeping course through the Baltimore County Beekeepers’ Association. Being a student again was a lot of fun. It’s so complicated and what’s fascinating to me as a researcher is that there’s so much disagreement in the field about how best to take care of them. That ambiguity is part of what makes it fascinating; it’s the challenge of sorting it all out for yourself and observing the effects of your actions.

Beekeeping has really informed some of my lectures in class regarding the applications of training animals to do jobs for us. Bees are being used in some really wonderful research now where they can easily be trained through Pavlovian conditioning very quickly to detect chemical explosives or the manufacturing of particular chemical weapons. You can take a bee colony and train them very quickly by putting a specific scent in their sugar water. When you let them out, they’ll be drawn to that scent and show you where the explosives are. Now I can much more effectively talk about the research with honey bees and aspects of their biology and behavior, so it kind of all comes together in a richer way.

I had never gotten stung in my life by a bee, so I had no fear of them. I could never understand why people freak when a bee is around. It’s a good example for my Psychology of Learning class because that reaction is a conditioned fear response and it’s based on Pavlovian conditioning. So I...
started getting kind of careless. Each colony has its own personality and disposition and my second colony of bees was a lot more aggressive. I immediately got stung in the process of setting them up in their hive. It didn't take me long until I developed a fear response. I started putting my gear on at that point, but even if I'm wearing my veil and my overalls I still can feel that fear. I have to just kind of work through it.

If you're calm and make slow movements and don't do anything jarring, then they just go about their business and leave you alone. I could sit and watch them all day.

In the future I'm hoping to do some learning experiments with the bees. At this point my goal is to learn how to be an effective beekeeper so they can survive and thrive.

I'm focusing on their biology and the diseases that affect them and getting an interdisciplinary understanding of them.

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A ‘Venti’ Welcome for Campus Coffeehouse

In his inaugural address, President Roger Casey articulated a grand vision for the future of the College as a global leader of liberal arts education. He also set his sights on an immediate “venti” campus improvement: a cozy coffeehouse with extended hours located right inside Hoover Library where students, faculty and staff could relax and refuel.

Casey and his wife, Robyn Allers, supported the project with a personal gift and, just six months after the speech, a new café is serving up Starbucks macchiatos, frothy chais, luscious pastries and more at Caseys' Corner, named in honor of first-parents Ruskin and Barbara Casey. Open for extended hours, it is staffed almost entirely by McDaniel students. Coffeehouse treats may be brought into the library.

“We've been anticipating this for a very long while,” said Allison Spencer ’13, who showed up for a pumpkin spice latte 15 minutes after the doors opened for the first time. English professors Kathy Mangan and Suzanne Nida weren't far behind. “This has been my dream,” said Mangan. Agreed Nida, “I can’t wait to get over here to settle in and grade papers.”

[OPENING LINE]

“Good morning. I’m Professor Herb Smith. Over this semester, I will work very hard for each and every one of you. I don’t have any students to waste, and if you experience difficulty in any assignment, reading or lecture, I need to know. I’m here for you and I expect you to be here — not for me, but for yourself.”

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Percent of Whiteford Hall that was fully renovated by the time first-year women moved in. “It’s a happier place to live,” said Jessica Hague ’13, an RA who has lived in the building for three years.

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Years since the inception of the Honors Program. Members are recruited from the top 10% of the incoming class and can live in Honors housing, be offered unique research opportunities and take Honors seminars. All accepted students are awarded academic scholarships.

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Number of programs across the nation, including McDaniel’s minor in gerontology, that have earned the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education’s (AGHE) seal of approval, Program of Merit, the highest award that an academic program in the field can receive.

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Price, in dollars, of a ticket for students to see The Lion King production at Baltimore’s Hippodrome Theatre on Dec. 7. Sponsored by the newly established Office of Student Engagement, the cost includes transportation.
Glad Scientist
Michael Grusby ’83

A recent recipient of McDaniel’s Professional Achievement Award, Grusby is a professor of molecular immunology in the Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, and senior associate dean for academic affairs and diversity at the Harvard School of Public Health. His research interests have included studies of factors that can change the outcome of asthma and other inflammatory diseases as well as the critical role certain protein molecules play in the development of diabetes. In his administrative role, he oversees efforts to recruit junior faculty and provide them with resources to ensure their success. With a son currently in high school and a daughter in middle school, he and his second wife live in Weston, Mass.

My questions were my guide
Even in grade school, I was always interested in science. My parents used to say I would always ask: “How high is the sky? How deep is the ocean?”

Why I left UCLA
Born and raised in Los Angeles, it seemed only natural that I started college at UCLA. But all it took was one semester and one class of 500 in my beginning psychology class to realize that I made a mistake going there. I did not want to be watching a professor on a TV hanging from the ceiling because we couldn’t see from the back of the room to the front.
“You just could not keep me out of the laboratory. I was there from 7 in the morning until well into the next morning. I absolutely loved it.”

How I found WMC
I realized I wanted to go to a small liberal arts school that also had a well-regarded chemistry and biology program. So I took the second semester off and went to live with my dad in Boston to begin my search. This second time around, I think there were only four schools that I applied to and it was an easy decision to choose Western Maryland.

My professors made an impression
I remember all of my professors as being exceedingly helpful. My real mentor at the college was Dr. Paquin, who was recruited as an assistant professor during my time there. She’s the one who originally gave me my first introduction to immunology.

Late nights in the lab
One of the very first Jan Term courses offered was a histology course that Dr. Brown taught. All we did day in and day out was make sections of various tissues. Some were frozen, some were paraffin-embedded. And then we stained those sections and we took pictures of them and prepared notebooks. You just could not keep me out of the laboratory. I was there from 7:00 in the morning until well into the next morning. I absolutely loved it.

A light-bulb moment
From the day that I was born I had been told that I was going to medical school. That’s all I ever considered doing. One night at the beginning of my senior year, members of the Tri Beta Honor Society had the opportunity to go out to dinner with a guest speaker. I remember sitting at dinner and hearing him talk about graduate school. I remember thinking, “What is this graduate school all about?” I had no idea. He explained that in graduate school, you take classes and you do research. And research means that you spend 100 percent of your life in the lab, toiling away doing experiments that hardly ever work and you get paid miserably for it. I thought, this sounds great!

The point of the liberal arts
I was somewhat distressed that there was a requirement for not just one but no less than three physical education courses at Western Maryland. Never very physically inclined, I was more intimidated by this requirement than any course in the social sciences or humanities. The one that was really a stretch (literally and figuratively!) was fencing. But it was an amazing experience. I distinctly remember going home to go visit my father in Boston and trying to bring this sword onto the airplane with me and getting quite a few looks.

Improving public education
I’m a product of public education and my kids go to excellent public schools. I think that all students would benefit from being in school more than the 180 days each year. And I also think there’s a genuine need to better compensate our teachers for the incredibly important job they do. There’s something to the saying, “You get what you pay for.”

My job as a parent
As I’ve always tried to model for my children that they’re going to get out of their education what they’re willing to put into it. In other words, they’re the ones who need to do the work and make the commitment, so I never did a lot of handholding for them. I think it’s important for everyone to have an opportunity to discover their own interests and passions. It’s my job, as a parent, to be supportive.

Helping Harvard be better
When I started 20 years ago as a junior faculty member at Harvard, I received no financial support in the beginning; I was entirely dependent on writing my own grants and getting my own money. I received no space of my own. That’s just the way it was. Now, I do take responsibility not just for the recruitment, but for the mentoring, of junior faculty so they can be successful.

Over his 23-year career at the Harvard School of Public Health, Michael Grusby has made great strides in the lab, in the classroom and as a mentor to junior faculty.
Photographer Jeremy Bell '00 is a member of the Coast Guard stationed at the Atlantic City airport. When he had the opportunity to fly over Baltimore this summer for a bird's-eye view of Camden Yards and the M&T Bank football stadium he cajoled his colleagues to detour north, where he got his first glimpse of the Hill in 10 years. "It was awesome seeing so many new buildings since I graduated," he said.

1. Eaton Hall of Science (1999)
2. Baker Memorial Chapel (1958)
3. Hoover Library (celebrating 20 years)
4. Football field and Warfield Tennis Courts. The new stadium project will break ground in January.
5. Academic Hall (2005)
6. Albert Norman Ward residence hall (1939)
7. Gill Center (Leroy Meritt Fitness Center and Klitzberg Pavilion, 2007)
8. Daniel McClea residence hall (1956)
9. Elderdice Hall (1959)
10. Decker College Center (1978)
13. Whiteford Hall (1968, recently renovated in 2011)
15. Peterson Fine Arts Building (1908, renovated in 1994)
16. WMC Alumni Hall (1899, renovated in 1979)
17. McDaniel Hall (1924) and Lounge (renovated in the 1980s)
A Vintage Year for Wine Research

BY PEGGY FOSDICK

Three chemistry students are learning that there's more to producing fine wine than crushing grapes and corking bottles. George Williams, Eric Liggins and Kyle Hunter are collaborating with their professor on a research project that deals with precision testing that can detect the difference between a full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon and something that's closer to kitchen vinegar.

"Today, tomorrow...yesterday, it's literally that critical," says Williams, a senior biochemistry major now in his second year of studying the fine points of viticulture. "You have to know when to harvest and when to stop the fermentation process. One must test the grapes and wine frequently for characteristics that determine the flavor."

The team's ultimate goal is to develop a program at McDaniel that allows local vintners to send in their wine samples and receive results inexpensively in one to three days, according to Liggins, a junior who's planning to apply his biochemistry major to pharmacy school. Existing commercial testing programs range from $15 to $100 per sample and can take as long as several weeks to get results.

The students are perfecting their gas chromatography and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) techniques to create a standard and begin testing for acidity, sulfites, ethanol and other compounds that influence the quality of the wine. They will test wine from local vintners as well as ferment their own two carboys of wine prepared from Chardonnay juice concentrated in New Zealand.

The summer phase of the ongoing research project was supported by the Jean and Donald Richards Student Research Fund, which covered living expenses and provided a stipend for the two upperclassmen. Local orthodontist and winemaker Bob Scott '66 gave equipment.
Today, tomorrow... yesterday, it's literally that critical. —George Williams ’12

Hunter, a sophomore chemistry major and the junior member of the team, is learning his way around wine chemistry. He keeps the group’s work statistically valid. Since Hunter is minoring in forensic science, he’s not planning to make a career in the vineyards.

Under the mentoring of lab instructor Steve Robertson, the team now talks comfortably about brix (sugar content), the hazards of too much sulfite, stopping fermentation with potassium sorbate, controlling the dreaded mildewy smell/taste that comes from trichloroanisole, or TCA, and the fine details of exactly when to harvest different varieties of grapes.

Robertson, who taught chemistry at Seneca Valley High School for 30 years and came to the College to coach track, has long been interested in wine chemistry.

“There’s a beauty to grape growing, to producing wine that is a result of the interaction of leaf, sun and soil,” he says, explaining that wine production has an agricultural relationship with science. Robertson found an eager student in Williams and the two of them spent the summer of 2010 introducing themselves to wine chemistry.

Williams plans to continue with the research, turning his interest in the chemistry of viticulture into a capstone project, or ambitiously, two projects during his senior year. The first involves detecting the flavonoids in the grapes to predict exactly when they should be harvested. Traditionally vintners look at acidity, sugar content and other values to decide when to pick the grapes, but Williams will work with Scott’s grape cultivars at his Bellendene Vineyard in Westminster to predict optimum harvest time based on the flavonoid anthocyanin.

If time allows, Williams would also like to tackle the complex TCA problem to try to determine where the odor and taste that resembles wet newspapers comes from. There seems to be some question about whether the chemical causing cork taint really comes solely from corks or there are other influences, such as whether the juice is fermented in oak barrels or not.

Detectable by humans at minute levels — one part per billion or a drop in an Olympic-size swimming pool — TCA costs the wine industry about $1 billion a year and affects 3 to 5 percent of corked wine, Robertson says. Williams, who presented a poster at UMBC in October about his summer research findings, is interested in using Nuclear Magnetic Resonance technology to develop a less expensive TCA detection alternative as compared to the typical commercial cost of $120 per sample. But for now, the chemists are concentrating on their own vintage fermenting in their Eaton Hall lab.

Stats to Sip On

- 50 wineries are licensed in Maryland.
- Boordy Vineyards in Hydes is Maryland’s oldest winery (1945).
- Orchid Cellar is the newest winery in Maryland open to the public (2010).
- The East Coast’s wine industries share similar climate and latitude of many of Europe’s historic wine-growing regions (MD is 39°N, as are Portugal, Spain, Southern Italy and Greece).
- Maryland wineries sold 309,666 gallons (approximately 1,562,917 bottles) of wine in fiscal year 2010 – an 11.3 percent increase over 2009.
- Maryland’s wineries produce over 420 different wines.
- More than 450 acres of grapevines are planted in Maryland.

Source: Maryland Wineries Association
The way Allen Wronowski sees it, the only thing better than playing a great round of golf is teaching someone else to play a great round of golf.

“When you get a junior to hit their first golf ball up in the air or you get someone to improve their game and shoot their lowest score ever, there’s nothing like it,” he says.

Perhaps it reminds him of his own experience falling in love with the game as a high schooler. Before that moment, the straight-A student had never demonstrated an ounce of athletic aptitude and had limited his extracurriculars to It's Academic and the French and chess clubs. With golf, he finally found a game he could play — and bond over — with his sports-minded dad.

He got really good, so good that he gave up his plan of becoming a math teacher and determined to build a rewarding career as a golf professional at Hillendale Country Club in Phoenix, Md., where over the past 32 years he has ascended from assistant professional to head professional to director of golf. Golf even connected him with Gail, his wife of two decades, who came to work for him and eventually married him.

Now, Wronowski ’76 is living a golf pro’s dream as president of the Professional Golfer’s Association of America, a sports organization that boasts 27,000 men and women professionals across the country. Since his election to the national board of officers, first as secretary in 2006, then vice-president in 2008 and president in 2010, he has traveled to tournaments and events from coast to coast — and all over the world — and rubbed shoulders with the likes of George W. Bush and Tiger Woods.
Best of all, in this position Wronowski can have a major impact promoting the sport that is so central to his life. He does this masterfully by articulating the benefits of the game while championing initiatives to counter the misperception that golf is only for rich, white old men. “Seventy percent of golf in this country is played with greens fees of 18 holes for $28 or less,” he points out. “We as an organization are focusing on making golf more attractive by making it more fun, more affordable and faster. And we’re emphasizing its health benefits and family friendliness.”

PGA Village in Port Saint Lucie, Fla., offers golfers a per-hole price plan so they can play as much or as little as they like within a limited time frame. Other clubs are reconfiguring their courses, or building new holes akin to the bunny slopes on ski areas, so beginners can play a short three-hole game in the middle of the course. The education program has been revamped so that instead of starting newbies off with tee shots and drivers in a long game and working toward the green, they are starting at the green with the more familiar putting and chipping strokes and working back. “It’s more enjoyable and is a lot less intimidating,” Wronowski explains.

Ensconced in his memorabilia-filled office at Hillendale one October morning during a two-day break in his travel schedule, Wronowski speaks with the special fervor of a first-generation convert, one who learned to play with used clubs on a public course, about his leadership in the PGA’s efforts to expand the sport beyond its current 26 million players to 40 million by 2020.

“Unlike football or baseball or soccer, you can play when you’re 5 or 95,” he says. “You can play to socialize or you can play for business networking. The golf course is both America’s biggest boardroom and America’s safest playground.”

After all these years, Wronowski says he’s still most passionate about teaching players, especially young people, the skills of the game — as well as the etiquette and integrity inherent in the sport.

No one can better attest to that truth than Nicole Cristy ’10. A standout on the Green Terror team and now the women’s golf coach at Stevenson University, she started in Wronowski’s junior clinic when she was just 6 years old with the encouragement of her dad, Ron Cristy ’72, who plays at Hillendale and has long admired Wronowski.

“Allen was a very patient coach who worked well with me and the other children,” she says. “He has absolutely been one of the most influential people in my life; he is a lovely, kind-hearted, great soul.”

One of her favorite memories involves a chipping contest Wronowski initiated among his
As president his various duties will take him on the road about 200 days this year. Not that he’s complaining—for a golf lover at his level, these trips are thrilling.

junior players: “We had to chip into a bucket to win a wedge. I chunked my chip, but it hit the ground funny and bounced into the bucket. Allen laughed about it, but gave me the club anyway. I proceeded to win two or three more clubs over the years I played in the clinic. Allen still laughs about all the clubs I won to this day, saying he had to stop giving out clubs because of me.”

As a new coach, Cristy says she hopes to follow in the footsteps of her two mentors, McDaniel Women’s Golf Coach Michael Diehl ’98 and Wronowski. “Allen deserves every bit of success he has earned and all of the recognition that comes with it.”

Wronowski’s business acumen, commitment to mentoring new professionals and volunteer service has long impressed his colleagues and has been recognized with several PGA awards. His impact on the Mid Atlantic PGA includes a business plan he created for the board and committees that is still a standard today; implementing a mentoring program that continues to be utilized by all chapters; and guiding an investment fund that increased section reserves to $1.9 million and led to a permanent headquarters in Stafford, Va.

Stepping up to the role of national PGA officer is demanding, to say the least. Over the past five years, Wronowski’s various leadership positions have kept him busy, but as president his various duties will take him on the road about 200 days this year. Not that he’s complaining—for a golf lover at his level, these trips are thrilling.

Just before Labor Day, Wronowski had the chance to play a round of golf with President George W. Bush in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., to kick off Patriot Day Weekend, the primary fundraiser for the Folds of Honor Foundation, a national nonprofit organization that provides educational scholarships and other assistance to the families of servicemen and women who have been injured or killed in action.

“President Bush likes to play speed golf. He doesn’t fool around. He’ll be glad to sit and talk at lunch as long as you like, but he believes when you play golf, you get ‘er done. I got to ride in the cart with him and he’s one of the most gracious individuals I ever met,” Wronowski says.

Back in May, Wronowski threw the first pitch prior to a St. Louis Cardinals game at Busch Stadium as part of the official announcement of the city’s Bellerive Country Club as host site of the 2013 Senior PGA Championship and the 2018 PGA Championship.

For the 2010 Ryder Cup at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport, Wales, he was assigned to assist Paul Goydos, co-captain for the American team. “So you’re driving a golf cart with the American flag, navigating this cart through 35,000 people, and with you are the players Jeff Overton, Bubba Watson, Phil Mickelson and Tiger — that was a golf cart ride you don’t forget.”
“The third stage of a PGA professional is you’re just happy you’re on this side of the divots, the grass side and not the root side. So you just feel blessed to be out there.”

Along the way he’s had the chance to try out hundreds of courses. Whistling Straits in Wisconsin is so far the most challenging, and the conditions and shot values at Atlanta Athletic are “phenomenal,” he says. Playing at Prestwick in Scotland, home of the first Open Championship in 1860, was awe-inspiring. “The scenery is spectacular and just thinking about the people who have walked those fairways and the history and tradition, it kind of brings a tear to your eye.”

Ironically, his many responsibilities to the PGA and to Hillendale prevent him from playing much golf these days, but he still tries to work on his game about once per week.

“I believe there are three stages of a PGA club professional,” he says. “The first is you’re young, nothing hurts, you’ve got a lot of time to play and practice, you’re playing good and life is good. The second stage gets a little harder because now all of the sudden you have a family, you’re working more, you start having physical aches and pains, you’re not getting out to play and practice as much and your game starts to go south. The third stage is you’re just happy you’re on this side of the divots, the grass side and not the root side. So you just feel blessed to be out there.”

There was a time, back in his freshman year on the Hill, when Wronowski played a little too much golf. Although he had always been a high-achieving A-student and planned to major in math with a psychology minor, Wronowski found the sense of freedom college offered — and the limitless free golf — pretty irresistible. He left after one year and graduated from Towson University, but has always felt an affinity with his first alma mater.

“It was a lot of fun to be on the Hill. Really nice people. And I always enjoyed being out on the golf course. Coming from relatively flat courses, I learned so much about sidehill lies, uphill lies, curving balls. It really improved my skills as a player a lot,” he says. “It also had some of the smallest greens in the world, so you have to be pretty accurate with your approach shots. It really made me focus on my game from 150 yards and in.”

Wronowski plans to keep his focus on the game for the foreseeable future. For him, life is a whole lot better when his eye’s on the ball.
Lessons Learned on the College Golf Course

Golf brings out the philosopher and the comedian in many who play, or attempt to play, the game. Director of Golf and men's coach Scott Moyer is no exception. Over his 26-year tenure, his players have taken to heart many “Moyerisms,” as they call them.

“You must do what you have to do before you can do what you want to do,” he often says, referring to the discipline required by the sport. “The toughest course is the seven inches between your ears” is his reminder that a good performance requires relaxation and focus. And then there's the flip, “if you were that good, you wouldn't be here,” dispensed to keep inflated egos in check and players listening to their coach.

"Golf is such an egotistical game and they all think they should be on the tour. I remind them that there are still a few things they can learn,” Moyer says with a laugh.

And they do learn. Under Moyer’s direction, McDaniel has produced more all-conference, all-district and All-America golfers than any other program in the region. In 2005, both the men's and women's teams won the Centennial Conference team championship as well as both individual titles, making it the first institution in NCAA history to accomplish this feat.

In addition, McDaniel is believed to be the first team to have four different players win the individual conference championship in four consecutive years (2005-08).

Kevin Jamieson '97, now the head women's golf coach at Bucknell, credits Moyer for his career success. “Coach helped me become a young man and it was the awesome golf experiences at WMC that led me down the road to becoming a PGA golf professional,” he says.

Michael Diehl '98, McDaniel women's golf coach, who was mentored and hired by Moyer, has racked up many victories in the program’s short history. His team won five consecutive Centennial Conference Championships from 2002-06 and produced the conference’s individual champion in four of those years. Diehl has also sent a golfer to the NCAA Championships in 2004 and 2005, bringing home a pair of top-10 finishes. In 2009, he returned his team to the top of the conference, winning a record sixth title before once again making it back-to-back crowns with No. 7 in 2010. For the latest title, his team overcame a three-shot deficit after the first round to win by one stroke — the closest championship victory in conference history.

Nicole Cristy '10, now the women's golf coach at Stevenson University, credits Diehl with inspiring her to want to “pass the joys of golf onto others.”

She echoes Jamieson's sentiments when she describes the important life lesson she's learned through golf: “Golf is not a sport that you can succeed in without long hours of practice, and I have learned to apply this lesson to the rest of my life. Nothing is worth doing if you don’t give it everything you have. By the same token, golf has taught me to take the good with the bad. Golf is a game of ups and downs, where bad things can happen no matter what you do to prevent it. I try to remember this in all aspects of life when things get hard.”
The globetrotting professor of political science and international relations is a high-ranking volunteer with Amnesty International whose service spans three decades. She is affiliated with the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in San Remo, Italy, and has been a repeat guest at the Nobel Peace Prize ceremonies in Oslo, Norway.

Witnessing the events in North Africa and the Middle East over the past year as a contagious populist movement to overthrow tyranny swept the Arab world was “truly inspirational,” says Leahy, who wept tears of joy when the occupation of Tahrir Square culminated in the peaceful overthrow of Mubarak, whose regime she describes as “unequivocally one of the most repressive.”

Her fervent belief in freedom and dignity for all of humanity define her teaching, scholarship, activism — and just about every aspect of her life. Just ask her beloved labradoodle pup Gramsci, named after the founding member of the Communist Party of Italy who is widely considered one of the 20th century’s most important Marxist thinkers.

Leahy, whose personal political leanings are democratic socialism, not communism, subscribes to Gramsci’s theory that the way to influence society is not with violence but through art, literature, poetry and music. She favors consciousness-raising musicians like the rapper Immortal Technique and alternative rock band The Clash. She even plays the role of unofficial political consultant for her friend the British folk-rocker Billy Bragg and his even more famous friend Michael Stipe of R.E.M. Upon meeting Stipe, she suggested he rethink wearing T-shirts emblazoned with the giant logos of sports-gear makers.

“I asked him, ‘Why are you advertising for corporations like Nike? People look at you like you’re making a statement every time you go out in public. We’d be very happy if you wore an Amnesty International shirt.” The next MTV awards, Leahy notes, Stipe changed shirts every time he appeared on stage, and each shirt promoted a different worthy cause.

At home on property that borders an equestrian center in Upperco, a “First Amendment Zone” is in effect. This means her son, Roan, 13, is permitted to say anything — even a string of cuss words — so long as it’s not disrespectful to her or anyone else. (Outside the house, he must adhere to social convention and be more careful with his language.)

Leahy also practices natural horsemanship, a philosophy of training horses with respect and understanding rather than fear and domination, and is something of a horse whisperer.

To say that Christianna Nichols Leahy is dedicated to freedom, human rights and social justice is like calling Egypt’s ousted president Hosni Mubarak a control freak or saying Libya’s Col. Muammar el-Qaddafi had anger issues: all three are vast understatements.
“She lives, eats and breathes her beliefs,” observes former student Gerard Johnson ’93, who now teaches political sociology and social anthropology at Towson University and regards Leahy as an important mentor and friend — though he admits his politics don’t lean as far to the left. “She’s quite a partisan. But she has no rival in terms of her informed, empathetic engagement with the world.”

Johnson, an African American from Baltimore City, came to the College intending to compete on the wrestling team, major in exercise science and become a physical education teacher and coach. When he tired of the constant dieting and weigh-ins and left the team, he felt a little lost. But his first Leahy course on the Politics of the Developing Areas introduced him to a new passion.

“I began wrestling instead with ideas,” says Johnson, one of five of Leahy’s students with master’s degrees from the prestigious University of London: School of African and Oriental Studies. While teaching part time, he is working on his Ph.D. in political sociology at the New School for Social Research in New York.

As one of the first faculty to teach at McDaniel-Budapest, Leahy bonded with many of the Hungarian students who came to Westminster to finish their studies. Andrea Bedi ’02, who is tall and slender like Leahy, went off to graduate school in New York with much of her professor’s hand-me-down professional clothing. Leahy proudly displays a framed photo in her office of her mentee, dressed in a familiar outfit, standing with then-European Union Commissioner Romano Prodi. Sandor Zwack ’98 now works in the Budapest mayor’s office. “When I went back for the first time after 12 years, I e-mailed them both and told them I’d be in Budapest and we picked up right where we left off,” Leahy says.

Jennifer Leigh Disney ’93, associate professor of political science at Winthrop University, whose dedication to her own students was recognized with the 2007 Outstanding Junior Professor Award, says, “The impact Christianna had on me is immeasurable. The teacher, scholar and activist I am today I am in large part because of her mentorship.”

When Disney became advisor to Winthrop's chapter of Amnesty International, she invited Leahy. As usual, she made a big impression. Leahy has served three terms on the board and is an expert on Lusophone, or Portuguese-speaking, African countries. She spent her sabbatical in 2005 crafting Amnesty International’s policy on armed humanitarian intervention.

"Larger than life" is a great term for Christianna. She is a force of nature,” Disney says. “I think it’s easy for students to be star-struck by her and her constellation of contacts in the rock-and-roll world and the political world and the world of human rights activism. But she’s a star unto herself.”

Unapologetically strident in her political beliefs, Leahy is extremely well read and knowledgeable. Students are encouraged to reach their own conclusions and to express their dissent, but are warned they better be able to back it up with evidence.

Still, even conservatives like Park Espenscride are attracted to her lively, thought-provoking courses. A retired doctor and Westminster resident, Espenscride audited two of Leahy’s courses in 2009 and in 2010. “I’m a lifelong Republican. If you gave us a pole, we’d be on opposite ends in terms of our political and economic philosophy,” says the 75-year-old, who likes to sit symbolically to the right of Leahy in class. “I don’t try to argue with her because she’s too damn smart. But I really enjoy her classes. She’s a terrific professor — among the best I’ve had — and she’s got her facts straight.”

Leahy, 53, continues expanding her research interests. She was accepted to a three-week faculty seminar held this summer at the University of Hawaii East-West Center on researching China and Korea into the curriculum. She intends to use much of what she learned to launch a collaboration with junior Hayoung Kim on research into the future reunification of Korea.

Kim remembers being in Leahy’s class, feeling furious during a discussion about German reunification, and thinking: “Why not my mother country, South Korea? There are millions of people who are suffering from extreme government control in the north part of Korea, and why should Korea be the last country on this earth to be divided as a result of the Cold War?”

Leahy vividly recalls the conversation that day after class with Kim. Her own mentor at Georgetown University where she earned her Ph.D. had discouraged Leahy in the early 1980s from writing her dissertation about German reunification, saying, “It’s never going to happen in your lifetime and I won’t support that topic.” Leahy told Kim exactly the opposite.

“I said, ‘It is going to happen in your lifetime and you’re going to be the top scholar on it.’”

Kim is studying abroad this semester in Beijing, China, with comprehensive financial support from a Freeman-Asia Award and a Gilman Scholarship. Like so many others, Kim credits Leahy for sparking her ambition. “Because of Dr. Leahy’s encouragement I want to devote my life toward making positive changes.”

—Kim Asch
Ashanti Edwards has arrived.

Here she is, a new campus resident, at home in her room in the newly renovated Whiteford Hall. She is bold, insecure, sarcastic, intelligent — a first-year student with lots of new friends and too much homework who has already learned, "You cannot coast in college."

Despite the odds against her, Ashanti Edwards is at McDaniel taking French and College Composition and Walleyball. She is in the Honors section of Gospel Choir and also in College Choir because, she says, "Singing is my escape." She is working part time at the welcome desk in Decker Center and is among the student guests for dinner at the President's House and in the audience at Alumni Hall to see a production of The Good Soul of Szechuan.

She stays here on weekends. "I do not want to go home," she says. "I love it here too much."

Home is in the nation's capital, but not on the side of town where money and power breed every opportunity under the sun. "The forgotten part," is how Edwards describes her poverty-stricken section of southeast D.C.

Scholarship program puts disadvantaged D.C. teens on a higher path

BY KIM ASCH
Edwards is able to attend McDaniel thanks to the DC Achievers Scholarship Program, a comprehensive college prep curriculum that rewards its graduates with a $50,000 scholarship. Created by the D.C. branch of the College Success Foundation with support from a $117 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, DC Achievers was established to address the discrepancy in college graduation rates between the nation's capital and the rest of the country. It recruits capable students like Edwards who might not otherwise find a way to transcend their limiting circumstances.

For the past two years, McDaniel has partnered with the foundation to provide the site for a central feature of the program — an intensive, four-week residential summer academic enrichment experience designed and coordinated by McDaniel faculty.

Students are told that if they aspire to be DC Achievers, they must work hard at it. A thorough selection process assesses not only their financial need, but also academic aptitude and less tangible qualities like leadership potential, resiliency and a desire to succeed. Achievers don't have to be at the top of their class, but they must demonstrate an ability to overcome obstacles.

For the summer coursework, they receive two college credits. They also receive mentoring and academic support from College Success Foundation counselors their last two years of high school and throughout college.

Edwards heard about the program during her junior year at the Maya Angelou public charter high school. "We need the money," Edwards remembers being told by her grandmother, who raised her. "You need to apply for this."

**When Edwards first stepped foot on campus back in the summer of 2010, she recalls being underwhelmed.** "I'm so used to the city and this seemed like it was the middle of nowhere," she says. "But after a few days, I thought, 'This isn't as bad as I thought.' I started to really feel like a college student."

Many of the 260 teens from six of D.C.'s poorest schools who arrived on campus this summer also spoke of how the campus grew on them. They also seemed to embrace the curriculum, "Taking Care of the World House," inspired by a quote by Martin Luther King, Jr., which aimed to empower students to step beyond their confining neighborhood boundaries and realize their role in the global village.

Coordinated by Lisa Breslin, acting associate dean of student academic life, and a committee of education experts from the College and area high schools, the curriculum encompassed skill-building lessons and activities in language arts, mathematics and media studies.

For example, during the first week, the focus was on food. In language arts, there were readings about how food unites people, about food labels and their interpretation, and community-supported agriculture. In math class, students compared U.S. obesity rates with the world obesity rate and learned proportions, ratio and rate by figuring out how far they would have to walk to burn up the calories from a McDonald's meal. There was a field trip to an organic farm where fresh vegetables and herbs topped the menu and to a robotic dairy farm. The students also learned about water and air pollution, how to calculate their carbon footprint, and how all people are part of both the problem and the solution.

Several McDaniel professors, including 2010 Distinguished Teaching Awardee Robert Kachur, were hired by the Foundation to lead classes. During the first summer, it was an adjustment teaching high school students, Kachur says. "On one particularly frustrating afternoon, I said to my class, 'I'm not going to lie to you, I got the distinguished teaching award this year. This isn't going very well today and I don't think it's my fault.'" But the rewards more than made up for those moments, he says, and he was inspired to
Do it again in 2011. "It's an amazing program. It's of national significance and it's doing what a lot of other colleges only dream of doing."

Cullen Murray-Kemp '12, who was among more than a dozen McDaniel students hired as academic advisors to assist in the classroom and provide one-on-one tutoring sessions, was equally pumped up about the program and the students he got to know.

"Our backgrounds are certainly different in terms of the neighborhoods we come from, but it doesn't really matter when we're all together because our goals are the same," he said. "These kids are so far ahead of where I was when I was in their shoes. I didn't care about anything but sports. Their focus on academics is completely impressive."

The foundation also brings in 30 peer counselors who are hired from among the ranks of older Achievers already succeeding in college. These proven Achievers attend classes with the teens and help to keep them on track.

"I'm here to be a role model," said peer counselor William Walker, who attends Winston Salem State University and was selected for the first cohort of DC Achievers in 2007, when the summer residency program was at University of Maryland. "I'm the seventh of eight kids and was raised by a single mom. I went to autumn 2011
McDaniel's Lisa Breslin, who directs the summer residency program, says the experience is equally enriching for faculty and students.

what was one of the worst high schools in the nation at the time. I think living on campus that summer, being out of D.C., helped me be exposed to different things. It showed me I could make it farther than living in the ghetto."

Observed peer counselor Antonio Williams, now a senior at Elizabeth City State University in North Carolina, "Seeing them is like seeing myself, in a way. It does make me see how far I've really come."

SAT prep was a key feature of the syllabus, as well as lessons in college-life skills, from financial management to dealing with roommates to learning how to prioritize class assignments. A dress code was enforced — no bra straps showing, no bellies, no shorts — and students who slouched with their heads on their desks or who appeared inattentive for too long were quietly corrected by their peer counselors.

"The students come from an environment where a lot hasn't been expected of them. They're used to sleeping in class or mouthing off to their teachers," says Kya Dixon, the Foundation's program director, who stays on site all four weeks. "We tell them, 'If you want to be successful at college, professors will not tolerate this.'"

After dinner in the dining hall, students participated in cultural arts programming, such as storytelling, international dance and tub drumming, organized by Common Ground on the Hill, the traditional arts and music program founded by alumnus Walt Michael '68. Evenings ended with a mandatory shower and lights out at 11 p.m.

Except, of course, during the overnight campout at an adventure center where the teens hiked, kayaked and glided through the air on zip lines. Many of the urban teens didn't know how to swim and most had never slept in a tent.

The fourth week pulled together all of the concepts introduced in the first three weeks and culminated in a final video project and closing celebration. Each student received a flip camera, graphing calculator and their sleeping bag to take home.

There's no telling whether any of these students will set their sights on McDaniel as they begin applying to colleges; of course, their applications would be welcome. But Breslin points out that McDaniel's ongoing partnership with the College Success Foundation already accomplishes what its motto prescribes, by calling hundreds of disadvantaged, promising young people out of darkness and into the light.

"When I got my acceptance letter I cried and cried," says Ashanti Edwards. "I was so happy. This is the only school I actually put a lot of effort into applying to."

As the first DC Achiever to enroll at McDaniel, Edwards is adapting well socially, but she's finding that she is no longer the smartest kid in her class. "I tell everyone, 'Shhhhh, dumb down! Don't be so smart,'" she says, laughing. She loves to read and wants to major in English and become a teacher. But she didn't exactly enjoy "Freedom Writers," the summer reading selection for first-year students; it was no revelation to her. "That's basically what my school was like. We had pregnancy, drugs, a friend of mine got shot. I saw this every day at high school, so the book was nothing new."

Diversity — as in white and international students — is what's new, Edwards says: "My friends, we have this table at lunch and we call it the 'minority table.' It's me and three other black girls, a Japanese girl, a Chinese, a Vietnamese and a Mexican. And another friend we call the token white girl."

Edwards has gotten used to the quiet and safety of life on campus. The only thing to fear here are the squirrels, she says. "We've got gangsta squirrels running around here robbing people of their food. They're crazy."

But Ashanti Edwards will put up with the squirrels, and all of the homework, and the exams. She's determined to stay here at McDaniel and earn her college degree. Not only has she arrived, she's going places.
More than 170 members of the Founders Society attended the dinner held in their honor Oct. 1 on campus at the newly renovated, award-winning Englar Dining Hall. Together with President Roger Casey and his wife, Robyn Allers, they celebrated the College's mission-focused momentum and numerous advances this year.

As always, students were the focal point — literally. Fifteen current students greeted alumni, parents and friends and shared their poster exhibits on their research, community service and outreach activities. Casey gave resounding thanks to those assembled for voluntary support and reported that more than $27 million was awarded to deserving students last year with over 300 individuals making gifts to endowed scholarships.

Board chairman Martin K.P. Hill praised the extreme makeover of the dining hall that opened last spring and noted that already it's earned three design and construction awards; most notable, a gold citation from the American School and University Educational Interiors Showcase.

"Expect the Exceptional," he said, with numerous examples of accomplishments achieved during the past year.
The Class of '35 has 19 members still living. Most of us are in our late 90s. We are the “Survivors of Western Maryland College.” I received cards from five of the class.

Charlie Moore lives alone in Denton. He misses Dolly Taylor Moore '38 but his son lives near and checks on him. A daughter in Charlottesville comes bi-weekly and they live “high on the hog.” He quotes a favorite poem, “With rue my heart is laden for golden friends had I.”

Becky Smith, in Cecilton, Md., has had good health and has friends who keep an eye on her. Her motto is, “Keep Moving.” She lives alone and at 96 does not walk with a cane and she still drives.

Dorothy Gordon Vessels lives in Lewes, Del. She says she’s retired from everything and is enjoying life. He doctor declared her “fit as a fiddle” at age 97.

Ruth Jenkins Smith lives in Severna Park with her grandson and family. She still drives and is an excellent bridge player. As a soprano, she is a long-time member of the Retired Teachers’ Chorus. She was honored recently at a luncheon by that group for her 97th birthday. She and I are good friends. A family reunion held at Tripp Island, S.C., is always a highlight of Ruth’s summer. Her son, Edward ’71, and his wife, Wilma Van Hart ’70 Smith, have a beach house there. Many grandchildren and great-grands make for an exciting experience.

I have lived in Severna Park since 1957. I celebrated my 95th in December ’10. I still drive but mostly local jaunts — today’s traffic bothers me. I enjoy monthly book club gatherings, reading, playing piano duets with a friend at Retired Teachers’ programs. My extended family includes two sons, three granddaughters, and four great-grandchildren. I enjoy family gatherings and pinochle games with my sons and granddaughters — sometimes I win.

Our sympathy to Mary Brown Bryson’s family on her passing in May ’11. She led a busy life and contributed much to her community.

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Excerpted from The Aloha yearbook, 1902:
“All students, from greenie Freshman to dignified Senior, look forward with greatest pleasure to Thanksgiving Day, when they as Seniors shall prepare and serve supper. Now, for the class of 1902, the remarkable day had arrived.”
WMC now has a “home,” housing Western Maryland memorabilia! We knew it as the “golf house” on back campus, which dates back to 1830 when it was the family residence of one of the founders of the College, Fayette Buell. He opened an academy in his home which evolved into WMC in 1867. The Heritage Society has seen to the restoration of the home, which will provide WMC alumni a place to reminisce, to perpetuate the history and traditions of our college. We'll visit there at our 64th reunion!

"Just enjoying life!" is an upbeat response from Frank Middleton in Florida.

Don Brohawn, Frank Stephenson ’49. Homer Earl ’50 and their wives had a great reunion in Bethany. All are doing well as they volunteer and garden. Don reports he’s still the church organist and “life is good” in Tyaskin, Md.

Jim Grose tells us “living in Arizona is boring with year-round clear, sunny days.”

“Retired from trying to save the world” via League of Women Voters in Virginia Jean Kelbaugh Sagan and Eleanor “Carrots” Schilke Wroten stay in touch. Jean’s off to Britain!

Mary “Binky” Dexter Tompkins enjoyed England and Scotland and returned to her “dear cottage” in Lewes, Del.

Doug Beakes revisited France with World War II buddies and wrote his 20th book. He and his delightful wife now live in Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminster with many WMC alums.

Betty Sauter Garlock enjoyed a New England cruise and is still involved with master gardeners, Roanoke’s library and grandchildren — one studying in Europe and another in Afghanistan.

Jean “Jeb” Brant and wife retired in Berlin, Md., and visit daughter Sandra Brant Alvey ’87 and her husband, Alan ’85, and three grands in Forest Hill, Md.

Annabel Glockler Liebelt is involved at Asbury in Gaithersburg, Md., with many diverse activities and still active in WMC affairs. She’s currently enrolled in a writing class, challenging her to delve into old memorabilia.

Betty Keckler Nacsa is living in California with her retired Navy husband. She is an active Red Cross volunteer.

A mini-WMC reunion was held in Salisbury where Mae Langrall Mealy resides. She drives back to her home church in Ocean City. She plays lots of bridge and is actively involved.

In Westminster Jean Anzulovic Shaw is wheelchair-bound. She speaks proudly of her daughter who is a doctor. Jean is interested in art, now that she has leisure time, after teaching English at Westminster High School for 32 years.

Classmates are in contact with Dorothy Cathell Carstens in Florida and Pat Chatterton Knep in Towson.

Mary Todd Griffiths and Bill come to class luncheons from Pennsylvania, sometimes en route to their Vero Beach, Fla., home. He has ties with World War II friends and volunteers with veterans groups. Toddly recently retired from a Florida hospital gift shop, but is actively involved with several national associations.

Bob Wagner keeps busy with widower buddies in Mt. Airy, Md.

Leroy Carter’s “childhood sweetheart” passed away two years ago. He is living in New Jersey near his daughter. His great-grandson is named Carter! Nice tribute.

Also in Asbury in Gaithersburg is Betty Jean Ferris Morgan. A retired school librarian she’s active with their association and with her family.

In Virginia, topping our “greatest” are Earl ’45 and Betty Little Morey with 11 and they celebrated 63 years of marriage. (Josh ’43 and I, and Betty Roberts Hershfeld and Carl, also have enjoyed 63 years.)

Fred Eckhardt says, “Some of us are ‘getting younger’ as we reflect on our happy days at WMC.” As we reflect, thanks to Fred and Nancy for our class reunion held at their beautifully restored farm home just west of Westminster years ago.

Roommate of Jeanne Stein Benson and friend of Mary Dom Brown, Helen Casteel Watson keeps us updated. She graduated from University of Maryland, became an interior designer and married an Annapolis Academy grad before traveling the world with the Marine Corps. She retired in California.

Excited to know Mary Dom Brown will soon be a neighbor in Carroll Lutheran Village. A recent widow, she is ready to move in.

Moving to Pittsburgh to be near their daughter and married grands, Kitty Brown Ross left Venice, Fla.

Rayona Hurley Stinchcomb has had an “interesting, fulfilling life” in Westminster.

From Texas Eleanor Schilke Wroten tells of her being in touch with Jean Kelbaugh Sagan.

Going to Dixieland Jazz Festivals, Jan Ganz Greenwood “enjoys life to the fullest” with bridge, theater group acting, and a busy life at the Melbourne, Fla., Indian River Colony Club. She’s Ensor’s Florida neighbor.

Reetracing the travels of Jesus, Ed Cushen and both children toured Jordon, Israel and the Holy Land. From Chevy Chase, Md., he vacations in Kitty Hawk.
Working hard to stay healthy are Lyle Johnson Willson and husband in a retirement development in Arizona. Off to Santa Fe and later to Montreal and on to Gaspe Peninsula by train to stay in grand old hotel where her parents honeymooned.

Bob and Helen Miles ’49 Dubel are still cruising to Alaska and Hawaii. Believe they’ve traveled the rest of the world from Glen Arm, Md.

Returned from Nepal and Bhutan and white-water rafting on the Seti River and after riding an elephant in Chitwan Clara “Onion” Garlock MacNamee, from Novato, Calif., says, “My life is great!” She still teaches math and science three days a week.

Revisiting South Korea, as a part of programs for servicemen who served there during the war, Henry Stone and wife were treated royally by the South Korean government. He still works at U.S.D.A.—no pay! He shares his garden produce with local Georgia Food Bank.

Wayne Cowan reports his new next door neighbor is Jerold Mann. Small world after all!

James Doherty in New Jersey writes that he and Ruth are “doing pretty well for 80-plus.”

From Homewood in Frederick, Lucile Olson Soper and Elgar are living comfortably and she sings in the health unit and also at a local elementary school.

From Heartlands in Ellicott City, Bill Hawkins is getting used to his new home. Granddaughter Arlie Hawkins ’03 now has her Ph.D. in biochemical research.

Traveling from Coronado, Calif., to see Maryland friends and to son’s family in Minnesota, Mary Frances Keiser Bradley still finds time for quilting, bridge and meetings. She and WMC roommate Dotty Wilder Williams still keep close ties. Dotty and “Red” are in Ocean City most summers and really enjoy friends at Riderwood the rest of the year. Also there is Marion Beck Osing.

Catherine Bishop notes that she “continues doing what I’ve always done,” including church choir, overseeing the parish library, serving as secretary for Baltimore bird club and attending CenterStage programs in Baltimore.

Fond memories keep Jean Silcox Cahill interested in WMC. She sends good wishes to the Class of ’48.

Joe Ward volunteers at Danbury, Conn., Railroad Museum. He is in the church choir and last summer rode in a private car behind a steam engine from Portland, Ore., to Michigan.

On Route 270 is Phyllis Houck Smith traveling from Walkersville, Md., to McLean, Va., catching grandkids’ sporting events. She flew to Florida for graduations this year.

Endowed Fund Another High Note for Beloved Organ

All 2,310 pipes of the Baker Memorial Chapel organ trumpeted forth at the Oct. 2 dedication recital following a yearlong complete renovation and tonal regulations.

Ken Cowan, chair of the organ department at Westminster Choir College and one of the most sought-after organists in North America, performed works ranging from Wagner and Bach to Bartholdy and Liszt that earned Cowan a standing ovation from the audience.

Also earning applause was generous benefactor Louise Scott Widdup ’48, whose gift funded the needed renovation of the 50-year-old Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ. McDaniel President Roger Casey announced that she has made an additional gift to create a new endowed fund for the maintenance and care of this organ and also the organ in Little Baker Chapel.

“Such generosity deserves our deepest thanks and our appreciation for the sweeter sound that will be heard for years to come,” said Casey.

Music Professor and department chair Margaret Boudreaux recognized guests from the Di Gennaro-Hart Organ Company who rebuilt the historic organ. She also recalled the legacy of music faculty who have taught and performed in Baker Memorial, including Maude Gesner, Gerald Cole, Evelyn Hering Winfrey and Arleen Heggemeier.
Clarabelle Blaney Price plays piano for devotions and hopes to get back to her Ohio farm soon. She was in the hospital for nine weeks with a twisted knee and broken bone. She still communicates with Mary Ruth Woodfield Tereshinski. She and her decorated golf cart won a prize in the local Fourth of July parade entitled “Freedom is not Free.” As a docent in Galesville Museum of History she’s always busy. She escorted Dot Scott Atkinson to luncheon since Dot had a serious fall in a local mall and is in therapy.

Marian Meredith Bellamy is living at Masonic Village in Pennsylvania, according to her son.

Gratitudes to Betty Armiger Maas for uniting 10 gals twice a year for luncheons at Snyder’s. Betty summers in her Maine home where she entertains friends and family. A granddaughter is studying in Australia. Being a church deacon, playing bridge, attending symphony and opera functions keeps this Severna Park lady busy.

Jean Tull Radtke and Norb reside in Timonium where he “plays in the dirt” (gardens) and they live a full life in retirement.

Attending grandchildren’s weddings and graduations keep Ruth Anderson Burgess and Lionel on the go! After nine great-granddaughters, they recently welcomed their first boy! Active in church and senior group, they also look forward to the Snyder lunches which proves that “college ties can never be broken…”

Mary Ruth O’Kelly Elseroad remains “unchanged,” as she visits Homer ’40 and takes him on drives around Frederick. They still like to ballroom dance. With many friends in Buckingham’s Choice and a trip to Niagara Falls, she’s very involved. Monthly Mary Ruth, Bette Mason Fissel and Helen Wymrer Youmans visit Naomi Harper Morgan in a Pasadena assisted living facility since Naomi suffered from a stroke. Imagine all that WMC chatter!

Bette Mason Fissel still mows her two-and-a-half acres in Gettysburg and plays 18 holes of golf twice a week, as well as playing in two bridge clubs — all that after open-heart surgery last year which was “very successful.” From Annapolis Martha Witter Hawkins keeps in phone contact with a lot of our classmates. Still “on the go!” I appreciated her personal note to me, “Thanks for all your caring years for our Class of ’48.” (Many of you added similar comments and I do thank you!)

Helen Wymrer Youmans lives on acreage south of Westminster and is still great company. She and Mason look so good you’d recognize them passing by! Helen enjoys reading and like most of us she is “on the move.” Josh ’43 and I are “blessed and grateful” at 84 and 90. He walks two miles every morning and tends his plot in “Victory Garden” setting at Carroll Luther Village with squash and tomatoes for the neighbors and our three children and grands who live nearby.

How very proud our classmates are of all our families. Impossible to list all their accomplishments here, but they range from summa and cum laude in global affairs, culinary school, many overseas studies and even their retirements. Moving on to our greats — when we were growing up we were fortunate to have two or three grandparents and never heard of “greats.” Now many of us are enjoying that experience…as is said, they may be grand, but remember we are great! You are all “great” to return the WMC cards.

If you care to be a part of the WMC Heritage undertaking simply send your memora-

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Mary Ruth O’Kelly Elseroad remains “unchanged,” as she visits Homer ’40 and takes him on drives around Frederick. They still like to ballroom dance. With many friends in Buckingham’s Choice and a trip to Niagara Falls, she’s very involved. Monthly Mary Ruth, Bette Mason Fissel and Helen Wymrer Youmans visit Naomi Harper Morgan in a Pasadena assisted living facility since Naomi suffered from a stroke. Imagine all that WMC chatter!

Bette Mason Fissel still mows her two-and-a-half acres in Gettysburg and plays 18 holes of golf twice a week, as well as playing in two bridge clubs — all that after open-heart surgery last year which was “very successful.” From Annapolis Martha Witter Hawkins keeps in phone contact with a lot of our classmates. Still “on the go!” I appreciated her personal note to me, “Thanks for all your caring years for our Class of ’48.” (Many of you added similar comments and I do thank you!)

Helen Wymrer Youmans lives on acreage south of Westminster and is still great company. She and Mason look so good you’d recognize them passing by! Helen enjoys reading and like most of us she is “on the move.” Josh ’43 and I are “blessed and grateful” at 84 and 90. He walks two miles every morning and tends his plot in “Victory Garden” setting at Carroll Luther Village with squash and tomatoes for the neighbors and our three children and grands who live nearby.

How very proud our classmates are of all our families. Impossible to list all their accomplishments here, but they range from summa and cum laude in global affairs, culinary school, many overseas studies and even their retirements. Moving on to our greats — when we were growing up we were fortunate to have two or three grandparents and never heard of “greats.” Now many of us are enjoying that experience…as is said, they may be grand, but remember we are great! You are all “great” to return the WMC cards.

If you care to be a part of the WMC Heritage undertaking simply send your memora-

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1954

Patricia “Pasty” Herman Douglas reports that her life is filled with three sons, their wives and six granddaughters. The oldest granddaughter is a senior majoring in astrophysics at Franklin and Marshall. Another granddaughter is at the University of Maryland studying Spanish and biochemistry. Pasty says that after raising three sons the six girls are a treat. Pasty worked for many years as a preschool teacher. Now she occasionally substitutes when they are desperate for help. She misses the kids but doesn’t miss scraping ice off of the windshield early in the morning.

George Antonas has been thinking a lot lately about the good old days at WMC. For him it was a great school with outstanding teachers, coaches and students. He considered WMC his family.

Bob Wilson has retired and handed over his dental practice to his son. His daughter has moved back to Maryland from Florida where her husband serves us a Coast Guard officer. Bob and wife Anne live in Gaithersburg, Md., and spend summers in Sherwood Forest near Annapolis. A large surprise party celebrated Bob’s 80th birthday this past spring.

From Frederick, Md., Shirley Cramer Stull says everything is much the same with her. There are a few more aches and pains but nothing serious.

Carolyn “Carly” Brenner Bobilin has been in a dementia center on the campus of Wesley Commons in Greenwood, S.C., for the past six years. However after 56 years of marriage she still knows her husband, Ted ’52. Carly sends best wishes to her classmates.

Joan Kellogg Patterson had another great year at the Iditarod in Alaska. She was there for two months doing medical boxes for the check points. Joan says if you have never been to Alaska you have missed one of the most majestic and beautiful places on earth. Living in Alaska has been an incredible experience for her. Currently she is an assistant bakery cook with a friend. They are selling their wares at a farmer’s market. Joan’s comment is, “Isn’t life grand?”

Sylvia Hillman Alsipauh wrote about one of her many happy memories while at WMC. She remembers that at night the men with beautiful voices would stand outside McDaniel Hall and serenade their girls. She wished that she had been one of their girls. Lucky for her she married a man with a beautiful singing voice. Her sad memory is that she wishes she had gone on to graduate with her class. Sylvia lives in Punta Gorda, Fla.

Nancy Caskey Voss and Jim ’53 moved from Denton, Md., to the Methodist Manor
family

First “Thing” First

First-year student Erica Burzio of Jefferson, Md., arrived on campus for an emotional move-in day buoyed by her family’s very visible — and whimsical — showing of support and solidarity. Despite her parents’ bitter divorce and rocky relationship over the past decade, they agreed to her idea of wearing matching T-shirts referencing the Dr. Seuss “Thing” characters.

“It was wonderful to have my parents come together like that, for me as well as for my siblings, because they do not get along on a regular basis,” said Burzio (Thing 3). “We got to see our parents co-existing and getting along together on my first day of college.”

Learning how to let go is a difficult lesson for many parents of college students, especially when it’s their first-born leaving the nest, and they receive coaching from college administrators about how to do this during move-in day. But both Paula and Kevin Burzio said their day together on the Westminster campus was also a chance to practice putting aside their differences in order to give their eldest a happy send-off.

“I’m sure everybody who stopped to compliment our T-shirts and take our pictures assumed we are an extremely close family,” said Kevin Burzio, who won custody of Erica when she was 12 and gets together regularly with the other three children.

“We can’t always pull that off, being together cohesively and peacefully like that,” said Paula Burzio, who lives with the couple’s youngest three children in Annandale, Va. “We absolutely did it for Erica and it really was a remarkable day. Wearing the T-shirts united us, identified us as a group and kept us emotionally together.”

Throughout the day, the “Thing” family moved as a tight-knit group, even sharing a picnic at lunchtime, practicing for tailgating season while watching football drills from the hill overlooking the stadium. Kevin relished his first taste in a long while of Paula’s famous shrimp-pasta salad: “I always tell her I miss her cooking,” he said.

When it was time for families to take their leave, Kevin had it the hardest, Paula said, because it’s his nest Erica is actually leaving: “I told her, ‘Goodbye sweetheart. Have the time of your life,’” Kevin said. He kept his T-shirt on for the rest of the evening.

Erica changed her T-shirt before meeting with her professor and classmates for her First Year seminar, Journalism in the 21st Century. “But I put it back on a while later, because I missed my family and I wanted to feel close to them,” she said.
Rembert House Dedicated

The newly renovated property at 205 Pennsylvania Avenue, formerly the Buell House, was renamed Rembert House in celebration of Don '61 and Judy Ellis Rembert '60 and their generosity and tireless efforts to honor the college's history and founding as Western Maryland College.

The Remberts initiated the WMC Heritage Society in 2004 as a way for alumni to teach and promote our history. They engaged other alumni to join them in making gifts to this society. To date, those gifts have underwritten the publication of Fearless and Bold; established an annual scholarship; and renovated the "old house" as a permanent home for the WMC Heritage Society. It will house historical displays, host small alumni meetings and provide a campus apartment for visiting scholars and lecturers.

home she cherished in Watkinsville, Ga. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Jackie's husband, Sam, and extended family.

Tom Douglass and the late Dottie Phillips Bailey's grandson, Benjamin, graduated summa cum laude from the University of Central Florida. He was recently sought out and hired by Google and has moved to Google headquarters in California. Tom and Dottie's son, David, is a teacher in central Florida. Their oldest son, Matt, is head of the department of mathematics at North Texas University in Denton. Daughter Susanne works for the V.A. Tom keeps in contact with John Becker '53 and keeps updated with news from alumni. Tom is also keeping up bringing up a second family of five — Alex, 20, Forrest, 16, and triplets Monica, Gabriel and Eric, 13. He plays racquetball three times a week and hopes to get back to the Hill for a visit very soon.

Dot Krug Bond moved from the house she had lived in for 38 years to a small apartment in Catonsville, Md. Dot's advice is if you haven't gotten rid of your lifelong accumulation of stuff, do it now! Dot and Bob are still stepping around cartons but they are happy with the move.

Jim and Carolyn Redden '57 Levay are living in St. Augustine, Fla. Despite some minor setbacks their health remains good. Jim is entering his fourth year as a chaplain at Flagler Hospital and finds it a blessing. His grandson, Dr. Matthew Levay, teaches at Harvard and his granddaughter is at Georgetown University. Jim and Carolyn have been traveling on cruises since 2004 and have decided to turn their travel now to land. Jim continues to fondly remember his days at WMC.

Faye Corkran Deering will not remember 2010 fondly since she had a serious fall which left her with a broken back. She is much better now and looks forward to a good year to come in her new home in Cherry Hill, N.J. She is located very close to her children and grandchildren.

Joan Barkelew Coffman and husband Ed '53 enjoyed being at Baughers with the "lunch bunch" in June. Joan has resigned after 20 years on the Girl's Junior Committee of the U.S.G.A. and looks forward to having some extra free time. Joan and Ed reside in McLean, Va., and also have a home in Williamsburg, Va. After graduation from WMC, Donald Erb attended Johns Hopkins University and received a BES degree in mechanical engineering. He was sponsored by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission to attend the International School of Nuclear Science and Engineering (1956-57) at Penn State University and Argonne National Laboratory. From 1957-70 he worked as a nuclear engineer at the AEC and the Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, Ohio. While there he focused on the development, construction and operation of light water nuclear reactors for civilian nuclear power. He designed, constructed and started the Gas Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Plant at Portsmouth, Ohio. Until his retirement in 2000 he was responsible for the production and distribution of stable and radioactive isotopes widely used in research, industrial applications, medical diagnosis and therapy. He now devotes his time to hunting, fishing, crabbing and historical vehicles.

David and Claudia Hottenstein continue to travel and do volunteer work. In the summer of 2010 they cruised the British Isles and visited the Normandy beaches in France. This year they have traveled to Hawaii, Duck, N.C., and enjoyed a Caribbean cruise.

Bob Steelman remembers 1954 as a great class. He thoroughly enjoyed his four years at WMC. Playing on the golf team was an amazing experience for him. He is way too modest describing himself as a "duffer" since he ended up with a winning record for four years. Bob remembers special professors who were also friends: Holthouse, Crane, Rid-dington, Huber, and Makosky especially come to his mind. He wishes everyone God's blessings.

I happened to see an obituary in the paper for Gilda Himann who attended WMC in our freshman year. She passed away May 16. Gilda taught physical education for 29 years at Milford Hills High School in Baltimore County.

Janet Snape is now settled into her new digs in a retirement home in Kensington, Md. She particularly enjoys not having to cook. Janet also enjoyed the "lunch bunch" get-together in June.

Dick Linton is busy playing tennis, duplicate bridge and traveling. He and Doris Tuckwood '55 enjoy visiting their four children and eight grandchildren. Their son, Richard, was recently appointed department chairman of the Food Service Department at Ohio State University in Columbus.

David "Nick" Gwynn says that thanks to Johns Hopkins Medical Center he's still alive. He is in his 51st year of marriage and law practice in Upper Marlboro, Md. He comments, "It's the same woman and same office." All of their children live close by. Nick and Lucille own Bushwood Lodge of Key family fame.

Bob and Nancy Ricker have four daughters, seven grandchildren and one great-grandson. Bob is now retired after 56 years of practicing as a veterinarian. After WMC he attended the University of Pennsylvania and graduated from the School of Veterinarian Medicine. He worked for a short time for the state of Delaware and then some 30 years in predominantly large animal practice. He was appointed State Veterinarian of Delaware until age 75. Bob lives on a small farm outside of Harrington, Del.

In October '10 Harry and Barbara Grander moved into a smaller house in a rental community in Foley, Ala. The advantages are many: no more yard work; a great office and maintenance staff and closer to shopping.
and restaurants. Harry continues to volunteer at the National Museum of Naval Aviation on the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla. He also spends a lot of time with his two dogs rescued via the internet. He sends greetings to all his classmates. Harry says time marches on and things change but never his fond memories of those wonderful days at WMC. The first thing he turns to in The Hill is the class notes.

After graduation Betty Brown Colella became an analyst at the NSA. She wound up staying at home with four children while her husband traveled the world. She has six smart and delightful grandchildren. They keep her happy along with traveling, gardening, playing piano, reading and watching too much TV. Betty resides in Kensington, Md.

Barbara "Bobbie" Plasket Toman lives in an over-60 village in West Grove, Pa., where someone else mows the lawn and shovels snow. She has five children and nine grandchildren and is fortunate to be within visiting distance to all. Bobbie is busy with church choir, volunteering at a middle school and attending classes at the Academy of Lifelong Learning at the University of Delaware. She enjoyed a wonderful trip to Alaska in 2010. Her most cherished memory of WMC was the night that Ed ’52 came home from Korea. As they embraced the entire McDaniel Hall dorm cheered. Mrs. Jef ferson, the house mother, stood at the door smiling and said, “I’m not going to wait up for you.” Bobbie says she always looks forward to The Hill.

Jane Hutchinson plans to retire from the University of Madison Department of Art History in December. She has seen the last of her Ph.D. students through commencement. Jane has decided that 49 years is enough. She will be able to get out of town more often and resume her research which has been on the back burner for some time.

Charles and Charlotte Davis ’56 Wheatley enjoy the get-togethers at Baughers and appreciate Pasty Herman Douglas’ efforts in getting the gang together. He has resumed his 10th year teaching American Government at Carroll Community College in Westminster. He also serves on the Board of Zoning Appeals, Commission on Aging and Career Tech School Advisory Board. Charles and Charlotte plan to open their new program for assessing and improving learning abilities as well as adding new programs for career assessment and non-medical assessment for dementia and Alzheimer’s disease. They enjoy visiting their children Charles ’80 and Kim Reeves ’82, Craig ’83 and Elaine Lippy ’83, and Cheryl Wheatley ’86 and Jeff Wilhelm and six grandchildren.

Adeline Allen Parker has been living in Es tero, Fla., for eight years. She went to the West Coast once a year to visit her daughter and two granddaughters in Northridge, Calif., and her son and his daughter in Tacoma, Wash. She is happy she made the move to Florida and is loving the sunshine. Adeline stays active doing Pilates and water aerobics. Bill and Doris Joiner ’51 Hancock are enjoying good health. They love living in Sedona, Ariz., which was voted America’s Most Beautiful City. After attending Doris’ reunion in the spring, they also traveled to North Carolina, Colorado, and California and enjoyed a cruise out of Baltimore. Bill sends his best wishes to classmates.

2010 brought another blessing to our lives. Ernie ’50 and I became great-grandparents to Tyler Burch, a beautiful, happy, healthy baby boy who lights up our lives.

Dramatic Art teacher Esther Smith so wisely wrote in Thoughts About Old Age that we are given the gift of time and the mystery of memory — the sweet, sweet mystery of memory. This time around some of your shared memories of WMC. Thank you for sharing.

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1960

Doug and Sandy Eastwood Smith report the past year has been pretty eventful. Their three daughters planned and hosted a celebration of their 50th anniversary last Thanksgiving weekend. In January their middle daughter, Kathy, got re-married to an engineer from Georgia Tech. The wedding and reception was held at Belmont Country Club, a home of historical significance dating to the Revolutionary period. After their honeymoon, the newlyweds joined Doug and Sandy on a long-planned trip with their youngest daughter, Kim, and her family, (including two young grandchildren), to Disney World.

Doug and Sandy traveled to Columbia, S.C., in May for the graduation of their oldest grandson from the University of South Carolina. On the way to the graduation they stopped in Waynestown, N.C., to help Ed and Barbara Long Cross celebrate their 50th anniversary at the Biltmore Estate. Also in May, they got together with other WMC friends at Don and Judy Hester’s home on Fire Island, (Long Island) N.Y. Other class of ’60 classmates who were there included Pat Blair Richardson, Tom Ward, Rick and Glenda Luttrel Rickabag. Doug and Sandy have lived in Vienna, Va., for 48 years. They square dance regularly and remain active in their church and volunteer for local senior and homeless support activities. Sandy continues her quilting and Doug grills and bowls regularly. "Retired life is good."

Jim Thomas would like to thank all who served on the reunion committee for “our wonderful 50th reunion.” He and Milt Dickey ’62 Thomas made their second mission trip to Meru, Kenya, in July ’10 where they worked at a primary school building a greenhouse, hand-washing stations, a library and a water-purification system. They also participated in a medical clinic for the students and their families, most of whom had not seen a doctor in over six years. After the mission trip, they spent a week in Switzerland with friends. They have also visited Armenia, Slovakia, and Cody, Wyo., Palm Springs, and Aspen. New Year’s Eve ’10 found Jim and Milt cruising the Caribbean and then in May they went to Italy with some other WMC graduates. Their four grandchildren bring them much joy and excitement. Jim and Milt recently celebrated their 45th anniversary.

Ruth Weer Hutchins and Larry are now living in Messiah Village, a three-tier retirement village in Mechanicsburg, Pa. Ruth still plays in several music groups. She plays bridge, swims, exercises and goes to classes in lifelong learning. She is an equal distance from her three children and eight grandchildren.

Phyllis Cassetta Karre, Jackie Sapp Skarbek, Jill Brown Hurlbrink and Sharon Board Chilcote took a cruise to Bermuda in May. They had a good time but encountered rough seas, rain, and seasickness (Phyllis) on the return sailing. She still likes monthly college bridge games when all can attend. She saw Beag Hammon and Judy Ellis Rembert recently. Phyllis states, "Sorry to learn of Jessie Bazzechin Traband’s death. I enjoyed seeing her at recent reunions. She will be missed."

Glenda Luttrel Rickabag sends greetings from Staunton, Va. She is still remembering the fantastic WMC 50th Reunion Weekend last year! She and Rick ’58 celebrated their 50th anniversary with a “surprise” anniversary weekend celebration (dinner and breakfast) hosted by their children, June Daley (Fla.), Pamela Rickabaugh (Va.), and Randall (Scotland) with lots of family, and friends (including WMC classmates). This was followed by a Mediterranean Cruise with stops in Athens, Istanbul, Greek Islands, Jerusalem and Cairo and a finale in Scotland — many wonderful memories! Glenda has had numerous fun visits with Sue Schomer and Pat Blair Richardson while they were in Florida for most of the winter near their grandchildren. Rick and Glenda just spent a fabulous and "scrumptious" weekend on Fire Island, N.Y., hosted by Don Hester and wife Judy that included Doug and Sandy Eastwood Smith, Tom Ward and Pat Blair Richardson. "We were all college kids again!"

Jim and Peg Herring ’61 Goldring are very saddened to hear of the passing of Jessie Bazzechin Traband, “our faithful class reporter through many of the past 50 years. She will be missed.” The 50th was a fun reunion for them last year. They have also many good memories, though it was a real challenge trying to put faces with names. Jim didn’t even recognize his freshman year roommate Karl Sileski! (However, Karl also admitted that he would not have recognized Jim if they had passed on the street.) They missed Peg’s 50th this year because of the distance and caring for their two beautiful granddaughters, 6 and 8.

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who live a block away. They've enjoyed the many pictures Carolyn Powell Walking sent. They really hated to miss George Varga's jazz piano playing, which must have been a real treat. They love walking in the Columbia River Gorge in southwestern Washington. They're enjoying good health, son Dave and his family, and their upcoming 50th anniversary in August with a family get-together. "Time truly does fly!"

Ed and Barbara Long Gross celebrated their 50th anniversary at the Deerpark on the Baltimore Estate in Asheville, N.C. in April. Lunch was followed by a carriage ride on the estate grounds. Present to help them celebrate were wedding party members including Sandy Eastwood Smith and husband Doug, Jim '62 and Sue Hogan '62 Lomax and Dot Gross '59 and husband Ed. "They had a great time and ask, "Where have the years gone?"

Lloyd Musselman is still enjoying retirement and has added a few volunteer activities to his schedule. One day a week, he reads for broadcast news articles at the Oklahoma Library for the Blind. He reads things from the Enid, Okla., News and Eagle (it is not exactly the New York Times, but it has some interesting stories). Visually impaired Oklahomans can tune in to these broadcasts and get their news. Other volunteers read news from Lawton, Muskogee, Duncan and other towns. Lloyd says, "It is fun; though some of the letters to the editor can be pretty scary." He has also been helping out with one of Nancy's special activities. It is a reading/tutoring program for elementary school students, called "Whiz Kids." He still rides his bike and works out several days a week. "As long as I can climb those hills and stay up with most of those half my age, I will be satisfied. No competitive rides any more, however. But when I am doing a 30-mile or so 'non-competitive' ride and see someone a couple hundred yards ahead of me, well, I simply have to try to catch him or her. I mean, what else is there to do? And it is so much fun to wave at them as I go by, (I hope Coach Dick Clover '59 is reading this!)

Since the 50th reunion, Don Lowe has gotten together with Doug and Sandy Eastwood Smith for dinner, attended Rick and Glenda Luttrell Rickabaugh's 50th anniversary, and recently had to miss a mini-reunion with Don and Judy Hester because of his annual horse race venture to the Preakness. He took a 17-day trip to India last November, a cruise along the Mexican coast with his daughter and family during spring break this year, and is looking forward to a nine-day cruise in early July to the Caribbean. He is still working two part-time jobs teaching care-giving (just finished his 28th year) and as director of volunteers for at-risk youth with Safe Passages, which has just been upgraded to a new position as resource specialist, a new challenge. Don recently went to his 55th high school reunion at Baltimore City College and met up with Lloyd Musselman as they shared their second reunion in two years. Don states, "Last year really was a great reunion. Sorry we have lost one of our classmates with Jessie Bazzeghin Traband's death. But I hope that all is well with everyone who is enjoying life as I am."

Jim "Capt'n Jim" McMahan won re-election to the Hartford County (Md.) Council. But that is not the big news. He also got married on Dec. 6, 2010. (Rumor has it he had to!) Wonders never cease! Jim keeps up with roommate Vern Johnson who is doing well and living in Georgia.

Barbara Bell Woodray says, "I wish to express my deep sadness at the passing of Jessie Bazzeghin Traband! I received a phone call just after it happened but before I knew of it from a lady who seemed to know me, but whose voice I couldn't identify. At last, out of desperation, I asked, It was Mary Jo Smith Bostic, who had been Jessie's roommate freshman year on fourth floor McDaniel. She said that I was the only one of us whom she knew how to reach because I still send her Christmas cards. Anyway, she asked me to call the rest of us with the sad news, which I surely did. Then I realized I needed to call the alumni office, especially since Jessie has been such a fantastic class reporter. Everybody was shocked and saddened, and so I wish to speak for all of us." The Fourth Floor Gang, especially Mary Jo, Mina, Norma, Bev, Nancy, Linda, Pat, Judy, Toni, Joyce, Mary Lou, JoAnn and my roommate, Caroline, who is already in heaven and, undoubtedly, welcomed Jessie with open arms. My profound apologies to anyone whom I might have left out." This is a big summer, indeed, a big month for Barbara and her husband, Joel! They were to celebrate their 50th anniversary on Aug. 12, and Joel's 75th birthday on the 29th! "I know it's a cliché, but where did the time go? It seems only yesterday... Thanks, Phyllis, for stepping up to the plate! I'm sure you'll bat 1000!"

Like many WMC '60s alumni Carol Westfield Rabush and Don '62 are celebrating their 50th this year. They are about to go on a seven-day cruise from Passau Germany to Budapest with Jim and Mil Dickey '62 Thomas. Then Carol and Don will tour Budapest for a few days before heading to Venice for a 10-day Greek islands cruise. They had a great anniversary party with their two sons, their wives, and five grandchildren. This summer they have been having a great time in their RV. Don helped with the Mary Dodd Zepf '49 memorial and they saw many WMC friends during that week.

Class President Jim Thomas says, "I know that all class members were saddened to learn that our class reporter for the past 25 years, Jessie Bazzeghin Traband, passed away on May 12, 2011. Jessie 'took care of us all these years and will be sorely missed. Who can forget her performance of her belly dance at our 40th reunion? Something most do not know is that the Class of '61 recently used her rendering of Carpe Diem which appeared on the Memorial Program for our 50th reunion for their own memorial program. Her dedication to our class and to the College will long be remembered. A sympathy card was sent to Jessie's family on behalf of our class. 'In peace, I shall sleep and take my rest. If I close my eyes in my dwelling I shall sleep and rest,' Rene Clausen."

Phyllis Cassetta Karner has agreed to take over the position of class news reporter beginning with the fall '13 issue of The Hill.

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Jo Ann Henkel McCann writes that she continues to work at the U.S. Department of Education where she oversees the National Consortium on Deaf-Blindness as well as several state-related projects. She is also involved with video research creating technologies to make the Internet accessible for blind individuals. Her daughter and three of her grandchildren are living with her. She is helping them with home-schooling, creative projects, science experiments and going on field trips. Staying busy, but loving it!

Danny Myers has sold his business and become a "gym rat." He is now lifting 54 tons in one-and-one-half hours with weights of 60 to 350 pounds. He also has been remembering a lot with memories of Pi Alpha Alpha, playing football and seeing the Baltimore Colts.

Charles "Chuck" Kable continues to work as a government contractor. His daughter just took an assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad and his son Max '98 is scheduled to go to Baghdad in October. His wife recently published a story about their 30 years as a CIA family entitled "There's a Spy in My Soup" available on Amazon.

Carolyn Koerber is doing puppet performances, workshops and residencies at schools in Maryland and central Pennsylvania. She has two exciting pieces of news: 1) she has Medicare after no health insurance for over 20 years and 2) she has a great nephew who is now finding his feet and learning how to turn over!

Lynne Marck McDonough is still living in Bradenton, Fla, volunteering at a doctor's office to hours a week, shopping and playing golf when the weather is cool enough. Her husband, Jack, volunteers with the Red Cross and the AARP Tax Aid Program. She and her husband went on their 53rd cruise last month. Last year Lynne, Linda Mahaffy Spear, Mary Lee Warren Fisher and Barbara Smith Law went on a cruise to the Western Caribbean. Lynne's children, some who attended McDaniel, their spouses, and grandchildren live in Westminster and her four stepdaughters and their families are scattered between Florida, Virginia and New Jersey. She travels a lot to see them all.

Tom Bagant writes that he and his wife, Nancy, were to celebrate their 45th anniversary in August. They have two daughters and three grandchildren who are the light of his...
life. Both he and his wife have been retired for several years and he enjoys woodworking. Ed Holland is still practicing dentistry in Inverness, Fla., where he has just moved into a new state-of-the-art office. He and his wife, Vickery, do a lot of reading and a lot of world travel. They were married 44 years in June. One of their sons is a captain for Conair and his other son is a writer/producer for "The Big Bang Theory." Their sons have given them four grandchildren.

Richard Eigen writes that he is still retired, but getting bored and looking into some part-time work. He spent the winter in Florida where he had lunch with Mike Sherwood '64, Ozzi Stewart '61, Stan Makeover '65 and Howie Wagner '63. He has a granddaughter, 2, and he has her shooting baskets!

Bill Spangler is semi-retired, but still loves his work and goes to the office most days. At the moment he helps older folks sell their life insurance policies. He has three daughters and a son, all who live in California. Eldest daughter has a Ph.D. and works with military veterans; second daughter is a physical therapist and runs marathons all over the U.S.; third daughter is a school teacher after graduating getting a master's from Pepperdine and his son has a pool company. Bill and his wife travel as much as possible in the U.S. and internationally and keep in touch with Tom Bagant and Dave Fisher '67.

Karen Adamour Iglehart is having a one-person show of paintings in New York City on Sept. 8 at the New Art Center; also "Open Studios" this past May. Her family is well with a son who is an EMT, a daughter in graduate school in Washington, D.C., and a husband doing research in room acoustics.

Dave Hoffman has been digging out from another Wisconsin winter — snow on the ground until April 19! He has been retired for over a year now and is reading, hiking and cooking. He and his wife traveled to Italy in February and he had a fabulous weekend at the '60s reunion in Westminster last October. With a new puppy they will have three cats and two dogs.

King Hill was elected to the Maryland Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame recognizing him for a lifetime of service.

Ray Edwards went to Korea for his stepson's wedding, did some bird watching there, and recorded his first Asian birds. Mary Lee Warren Fisher hopes that everyone enjoyed the reunion at McDaniel and she is still living in Florida.

Bob Davis has been retired from the railroad business since 1999 and has been enjoying his life in the far western part of Wyoming. He keeps busy with church, fly fishing and model railroad. He and his wife, Judy, who is a gardener, are finally seeing the end of 200 inches-plus of snow this year.

Pat Thompson McGoldrick Soderman, whose husband of 40 years passed away over six years ago, recently married Arne Soderman, a retired Southwest airline pilot. They honeymooned in Paris. Pat is still working in investigation, but has cut down on her schedule and is enjoying her grandchildren.

Karen Myers Schutz still lives in Albuquerque, but is building a new home in Oregon to be near her son and granddaughter. She and her husband travel a lot and have returned from a transatlantic cruise.

Beth Pratt Pirrie has lived in Seattle, Wash., for the past 44 years. She has been very involved with the Association of Information Technology Professionals being National President after holding several other offices with that organization and was elected to lifetime membership in 2004. Beth has also directed the food bank for 17 years at her Presbyterian church and also owns a leisure travel business for 17 years. Her business has enabled her to travel to many countries and African travel is her passion. Her sons live nearby; one son teaches math and sciences and her other son is a network engineer. She keeps in touch with Elaine Mignisky.

Bill and Mary Lynn Engelbrecht Deckert live in Salisbury, Md. Bill is fully retired and is active in the Masons. Mary Lynn is substitute teaching and active in church groups including 30-plus years in the hand bell choir. They, along with Mary Lynn's first college roommate and husband, Bill and Kit Reeves Stiley, went on a cruise to Bermuda recently. Bill and Mary Lynn have four grandchildren.

Joyce Neff is still teaching at Old Dominion University and directing the English Ph.D. program there. She will have a sabbatical next year and possible retirement in 2013. She and her husband travel as much as they can with a trip to France and Hawaii this spring and summer. They enjoy yoga classes, walking and spending time with their grandchildren.

Pat Stahl Reuse writes that the highlight of their year was an Alaskan Cruise last summer. Her husband works part-time and both of them volunteer. They enjoy walking, exercising at the Y and the American Music Theater and McDaniel's gospel choir.

Irene Megill Finnegan lost her husband of 38 years recently, but is so thankful for friends, family and her eight grandchildren ranging in age from two months to nine years. She spends four months of the year in Marco Island, Fla., and enjoys birding, gardening, knitting and needlework.

Gerry Winograd and his wife, Carol, make their home in Annapolis on the water. Gerry has retired after 16 years in the Maryland Senate and House, but is still very busy with environmental issues: teaching, writing and appearing in various forums. He and Carol love eco-touring and have visited Brazil, Argentina, Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

They hosted McDaniel President Roger and his wife Robyn on an all-day trip to Delaware Bay looking for horseshoe crabs and shorebirds, a trip which Gerald has led for five years for his local bird club. Eighteen folks spotted 92 bird species and President Casey and Gerald led efforts to rescue more than 100 spawning horseshoe crabs caught in rocks on the beach in Delaware.

Gerald assembled and leads a 58-member group of senior Bay scientists and leaders including two former Governors, a former U.S. Senator and a former Congressman. Check out their website: http://www.bayactionplan.com. Gerald has been teaching graduate courses that he designed in Chesapeake Bay restoration and in wildlife management at the University of Maryland School of Public Policy. He also does presentations around the region on Bay Restoration and frequently writes articles in newspapers and other publications including the Washington Post and appears on Public Radio shows, TV, and at Universities and other forums. Gerald taught a class and gave the keynote address on Chesapeake Bay Restoration at the Common Ground on the Hill event run by Walt Michaels '68 in July at the College.

My husband and I will celebrate 45 years of marriage this August. He retired in January this year, but now has some small independent clients and both of us volunteer. We live in Rehoboth, Del., most of the summer and travel to see our children as well as on other trips. Our son lives in England where he works for Rolls Royce motorcars, and his daughter has lived in New York City for 11 years and is with a branding agency, and our other daughter and husband live in Hilton Head and they have our two grandchildren, 2, and 4 months.

Thanks to those who have written. It's a pleasure for me to hear from all of you. I wish each of you good health and happiness until our next columns.

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Two groveling emails, a whining postcard, a mild threat to make stuff up, one reunion gathering, and some serious sleuthing later, I have the latest that publishing lags will allow. And for those of you who didn't respond, I warned you! Only kidding...sort of....

Chris Spencer won the "I replied first" sweepstakes this time around, sending the latest from the wilds of Whidbey Island out in the Pacific Northwest. He doesn't seem to spend much time at home though, having been in Holland, the Czech Republic and France in the winter of 2010-11 during the worst snow Europe had seen in decades. His advice? Try another time of year for your trip! Alas Chris' timing was dictated by having to finish up some courses at the Cordon Bleu in Paris. (Inquiring minds want to know more.) Highlights of his winter adventures included gorgeous views of snow on the ancient walled cities and Normandy landscape, and insane drivers trying to nego-
Winegrad Rocks

Gerald Winegrad '66 is getting back to the Hill in a big way. On Nov. 16, he planned to share the stage with President Roger Casey as the featured guest for the SmartTALK series and discuss his extensive work on Chesapeake Bay restoration and wildlife management. And he's deep into planning another "Rock, Roll and Remember Reunion" of the 1960s classes to be held Sept. 14 to 16, 2012. Dennis Amico '65 and Doug MacEwan '65 are co-chairing the event. Check www.mcdaniel.edu for SmartTALK coverage. For more information about the reunion, e-mail gwwabc@comcast.net or call him at 410/280-8956.

Exhausted from navigating the European tundra, Chris recuperated in Maui for two weeks to "thaw out the old bones." This past summer he stayed on this side of the ocean, heading to Alaska via the ferryboats to see how big mosquitoes can really be. In between Chris made it East for our Reunion, which, he delighted in whining, involved boating off the island, hitchhiking to the airport, getting on a plane across the country, renting (or pilfering—he didn’t confirm which) a car and figuring out how to get to Westminster with all the roads changed and housing developments blocking the way. He brought along some old, incriminating pictures of various classmates “doing things they no longer can do without ibuprofen.”

Lynn Gallant-Blume and Randy ’70 are retired, but had a busy year with their daughter, Kirstin Gallant-Blume, marrying Steven Schell on July 19, 2011 by the Captain of the Celebrity Summit en route to Bermuda. On board were 33 friends and family joining them for the seven-day cruise to celebrate the wedding. Planning for a wedding and a cruise at the same time (and advising several couples who had never cruised before) was quite an experience and sounds like a Love Boat episode waiting to happen. They are contemplating another (alone this time) cruise just to recover.

Speaking of weddings, Keith Muller and his partner Stephen, Plascia took a nine-night cruise from NYC to Canada and the New England Coast and then enjoyed three days in NYC with friends and, thankfully, cooperative weather. Working with the school board as an itinerant deaf and hard-of-hearing family counselor, Keith also serves as vice president of the condo board, and as governor of his church’s Sunshine Community Foundation. He enjoys interpreting church services, Gay Men’s Chorus concerts, and children’s theater performances with the Playgound Theater in Miami Shores, Fla. Stephen continues as a social worker for Gold Coast Hospice where he loves the people — administration and Medicare, not so much. Keith says it’s a … um… pain, yeah, that’s the word, a pain getting older but he’s “grateful that the two of us are healthy — for today.” Life is good, he adds, noting that he and Stephen find themselves discussing the “R” word — retirement — and are making plans.

While our class has made the transition into cyberspace fairly well, only Steve Kaplan sent me a web-link for his update. The link took me to NewsOK, a web component of The Oklahoman and featured a story on Steve’s New Roots Market featuring Oklahoma-based foods and products. Seems Steve started the business a few years back in Norman and has now opened a second store bringing his “pride in being a neighborhood grocery” to Deep Deuce with few brand names, but lots of great stuff.

Bob Merrey said, “I sure wish I could fill your columns with newsworthy events but it’s been life as usual — OK, boring stuff.” Not really. The part about the trip to Italy doesn’t really sound boring at all and when you add in that Bob was hoping the locals there would take “pity on the poor American fool” who speaks “not a word of Italian, it seems like things really got interesting. Bob and Karen still live in Parkville and have been empty-nesters for two years now. One didn’t fly too far, landing in a house on the water in Essex, close enough for Bob’s boats (and Bob, of course) to spend a lot of time there. Bob’s daughter in Chicago left her engineering job and is in a master’s program to pursue teaching math and science in high school. Bob and Karen have a granddog. Bob is still working for Baltimore County Schools and will be for the foreseeable future — at least someone else isn’t retiring anytime soon. Bob claimed that adding any more would be "getting into outright lies.”

Unlike his roommate, Jack Hartshorn is retired and he and Kitty left the New Jersey rat race behind for "Delaware — lower, slower, Delaware." They are "sloooowly adjusting to the new life style and making new friends" in Millsboro. Those soon-to-be arriving social security checks will be used in part for the HOA fees! Oh, and if you are interested in a nice house in New Jersey, Jack’s your guy.

Joe Powell retired too, after teaching music for 38½ years. It’s that last half year that gets you, I hear. He took his wife, Linda, his pension and social security and, like Jack, moved from New Jersey further south. Wanting to be sure he never had to shovel snow again, though, Joe moved all the way to central Florida. He reports they have a nice house complete with a couple of resident alligators in the retention pond behind them. Judging from the photo he sent along, I’d say that critic is fairly sizable, but s/he did, somehow, at least appear to be smiling. All three boys are married, and the oldest lives close by in Orlando. He and Linda fish or play tennis nearly every day, all year. They did have to spend last winter living in a Daytona Beach campground waiting for the New Jersey house to sell. Next up for the Powells — exploring the Keys and the Everglades.

Phyllis Holland Oldham is… wait for it… retired. She and Bruce both said goodbye to being in their classrooms at 7 a.m. two years ago and they’re not looking back. Phyllis directs the sanctuary choir at Trinity church in Salisbury and she is also the director of the Salisbury Chamber Singers. Daughter Katie is in Seattle, so trips to the west coast are part of the retirement plan.

Eight years into retirement from teaching, Viveca Mumment Michaels is back to, well, teaching. She is, however, glad to say that she “finally finished high school,” and is now an adjunct math professor at Carroll Community College in Westminster. Working the gardens, doing needlework, and having great fun being Grammy to a grandson, 3, keep her busy.

Bob and Dawn Campaigne ‘72 Miller just celebrated their 40th anniversary and now that Bob has retired from 33 years of teaching science, “they are footloose and fancy free.” The kids are on their own (Ryan is engaged and Raina has been married for three years), so Bob and Dawn travel and do photography. They have won some awards for their photographic work, and Dawn has had some of her poetry published. Home base is Millington, Md., on the Eastern Shore.

Nancy Decker Wagner wrote, “Dorn and I received your post card and are knuckling under to the incredible pressure to write news! You are one tough cookie.” I’m so proud! But back to Nancy and Dorn. Dorn retired from work as a mechanical designer and now concentrates on vegetable gardening, home repair, Dachshund care, and building museum-quality balsa-wood model airplanes. Nancy, meanwhile, hasn’t made the retirement leap and works as director of Canonsville Presbyterian Church Family Child Care Center (aka CPCFCCC and “the Presby”) and was surprised one morning this winter to discover that the late Chris “Hiroshima” Bothe’s ’72 grandchild was enrolled at the center. “Every time I saw Chase Bothe af-
ter that I saw Hiro!" she says. "What fun that was!" Nancy's job duties range from extracting pebbles lodged in tiny nostrils to resolving conflicts between 40 staff. She is learning WordPress and is managing the center website (www.cptccc.org).

Daughter Amber works for Johns Hopkins as a program manager for the Center for Talented Youth and owns a house in the shadow of the old Memorial Stadium. Audrey is a preschool teacher and an athlete.

I saw Cathy McCullough and Mike Shultz at McDaniel this year at the annual Boote Lecture. Cathy is an attorney and works as principal counsel—Maryland Higher Education System in the Office of the Attorney General. After a long career as a journalist, Mike is now president of his own consulting firm, Market Street Communications.

Visions of my knees "bruised and bleeding from gaveling news from our class" moved Corinne Klein Vinopo to put fingers to keyboard. Corinne's company, the Institute for Disabilities Research and Training, Inc. (IDRT), celebrated its 25th anniversary this year, having produced over 60 American Sign Language (ASL) and TTY software products. The best news for 2011 was winning a large grant from the Institute for Educational Sciences of the U.S. Department of Education to develop an online quizmaker that provides automatic (ASL) supports for inputted text. The company has also been recommended for a large follow-up grant from the National Science Foundation to increase the translation capabilities of one of their products, the Sign Generator, and have it translate from ASL-to-English as well as the reverse. Corinne and Ron shuttle back and forth between their Silver Spring house during the week and the Kent Island house on the weekends. This year was mostly about repairing things that were already fixed (e.g., the pier fell in twice), but so goes the job of the happy homeowner. Ron got a new job as sales director at Aegismobile in Columbia and seems to be enjoying the learning a new technology and the opportunity of dazzling new customers and coworkers with his charisma. This is the first time in over 15 years that he has had an out-of-the-house office, so Corinne is enjoying watching him cope with getting dressed up every day and commuting. Daughter Ma·

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Alumnus of the Year

Richard "Dick" Morgan '69, whose service to his alma mater spans more than three decades, was the honorary football team captain on Oct. 29 and honored at this year’s Homecoming as Alumnus of the Year.

As an Annapolis high schooler and bass guitarist, Morgan played for a band that booked fraternity gigs at then-WMC, and before long he realized he needed look no further for a college. His own years on the Hill provided all the education and friends he could imagine: lasting lessons by such professors as Drs. Price, Law and Lightner (Morgan majored in economics); fraternity brothers who nicknamed him “Moag” (Delta Pi Alpha, aka The Preachers); and leadership roles in numerous student organizations that earned him the Bates Prize for best all-around senior male as well as a listing in Who’s Who in American Colleges.

He even met his lifelong mate, Nancy Higdon '69, who he married just a month after graduation. Together, they raised a family of three and enjoy four grandchildren.

Morgan played football two years, then decided his skills would be better off-field as the sports publicist. His ROTC training led him to join the Navy with assignments out of South Carolina, three years of active duty, followed by service in the Navy Reserves for 22 years, retiring at the rank of Captain.

After completing his active duty, he joined his father-in-law’s typewriter sales and repair business, and later as its president managed its technological evolution, now a vital computer systems and support enterprise.

Morgan has served as class president, volunteered to organize reunions, elicited gifts of support for innumerable College initiatives and led several alumni committees including the Nominations and Governance committee and two terms as member-at-large on the Alumni Council.

was also at the reunion and as we all got to talking, the story was finally told. Evidently, Coke and Barb were supposed to be going out one night and for some reason Barb couldn’t go and Jeannie stepped in (or something like that!) Anyway, the rest is history, and on their anniversary Coke and Jeannie always drink a toast to Barb.

As for Barb Shipley Guthrie, in addition to having a blast at the reunion, she is teaching at Stevenson University in the human services program and loving it. She and Steve MS’84 (who recently became superintendent of Carroll County Schools) are very involved in son Sam’s school activities at Westminster High, and they get to see daughters Laura and husband Matt and Jessica and husband Andrew on a regular basis. They all go to Chin- coteague for a week, along with the grandchildren each year. This year Barb is chair of the Historical Society of Carroll and is excited to help the Society host school tours of 3rd grade students at local sites. More than 2,000 students came on the tours the past few years. Barb also serves on the Board for the Department of Social Services in Carroll County. And did I mention she runs? Not just to meetings and classes, but the actual shoes on the pavement stuff. We get to catch up often at local charity events around the county.

Melissa Marten and Tom ‘70 Pecora made their way east from Akron, Ohio, for the reunion and it was great to spend some time together. Lisa and Tom spent lots of time with each other since they work together as managers of a large estate there, and they’re enjoying life. Their five kids are all doing well and keep Lisa and Tom on the move visiting everyone. Work involves some travel as well, so there’s no moss gathering on the Pecoras nor is there any sign of retirement on the horizon.

Johnson Bowie made the trek from Philadelphia for the reunion. He is still at Drexel University as senior associate athletic director and almost always makes it back to campus for the Green and Gold Sports Hall of Fame celebration on Homecoming weekend.

"Oprah and I have both celebrated 25 years at our current jobs," says Darlene Richardson Robison. "However, I am not retiring and I am not a billionaire." Work as the director of music for her church keeps Darlene busy while Steve ’72 still has a passion for parish ministry. Afinicando of musical theater, the Robisons head for a show as often as possible. Darlene and Steve celebrated their 39th anniversary this year and are looking forward to next year when their house turns 100 and they reach anniversary number 40.

"It is heartwarming to have a history together," Darlene added "especially since it started at McDaniel.” She’s looking forward to lots of new adventures.

"I thought ‘they’ said no news is good news? And at our age that sounds about right!” wrote Warren “Joedy” Waters, noting that he went to Roy Skiles ’72 funeral this spring. "Old ‘Skillies’ had quite a distinguished career in local education circles. One of the ‘good guys’," he added. Joe had a chance to toast old friends with Ron Cristy ’72, Tom Brown ’72, and Eugene "UE" Lindsey ’72 and he occasionally bumps into Hartzell "Buck" Jones ’70 who is now a semi-retired homebuilder, Joedy and Ruth enjoy Jesse ‘72 and Bonnie Kimmel ‘72 Houston’s company fairly regularly for "grub and suds." Last summer they spent a week in Quebec province. Joe was so excited that Dr Hildebrand would have been proud of him as he actually enjoyed trying to speak French (Il joue au football)! Who knew? Grandson, Jackson Waters Hurley ("sounds like a law firm, eh?" he asks), is now 5. Yikes!

Sue Shermer Seegers and husband Eric both retired from the Department of Defense at Fort Meade, Md. in September ’05. This was right after they returned from a 3½ year tour in Alice Springs, Australia. ("Yes," says Sue, "Oz was terrific!") Timing is everything! Shortly after retiring Sue and Eric moved to a newly built home in an active adult community in Lancaster, Pa. They took the next year to get settled into their new community and then headed back for a visit to Australia to check out the parts they missed the first time around. The Seegers celebrated their 35th anniversary in Williamsburg a few years back, but Sue jetted off to Ireland to visit her sister. Now firmly ensconced in Lancaster, Sue and Eric are enjoying their daughters and grandchildren and keeping tabs on Sue’s folks who have moved into the same community. Meanwhile Sue, despite some rheumatoid arthritis, documents their adventures through hardcopy and digital scrapbooking.

Fast becoming our class archivist extraordinaire, Bob Gagnon once again put together an amazing booklet for our — gulp — 40th reunion. There, I said it. I said 40th. It sure doesn’t seem possible. Bob received the Professional Achievement Award from the Alumni Association at McDaniel last year and I’m not sure which he was more excited about: the award, having his wife and his mentor, Dr. Jim Lightner ’59 there to hear his acceptance speech, or riding in the Homecoming Parade — his first ever parade participation experience! Gagnon Engineering is doing very well. Among his more interesting projects are expert witness cases, where he gathers engineering evidence in cases involving system failures that contributed to the severity of an explosion or fire. Bob is also nearing his 20th year as a lecturer at the A. James Clark School of Engineering at the University of Maryland College Park. "The students are brilliant," he says, "and it’s quite humbling to teach them. It also helps to have a good graduate teaching assistant." His four engineering text/reference books continue to sell very well, which is a good retirement supplement, if he ever retires. There are no such plans in the offing as Bob plans to work..."
works even as Dottie is excited about her new digs in Elizabeth City, N.C., just an hour away from the Outer Banks. Retirement is in the air, but she misses her life at sea. Gloria wrote this note before heading out to the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu and back. She wasn't sure how this was going to work out and told the group to keep their breath, but it's a nice thought anyway.

Glenn Hopkins is "sure we're all rolling along with the punches as best we can" and he's had some to roll with. He's recovering from two strokes and is grateful to all those friends who helped him out. His health and several losses over the past couple of years have inspired him to re-mount WHITE BREAD, his play about the casual acquisition of drug habits by the baby-boom generation—not the least of which include coffee and cigarettes. Glenn couldn't make the reunion, but wished he could have had everyone together. "It's like from our Junior Follies days when we went out to buy a show that makes money, the women want light, clean topics, and the teens want sex, drugs, and rock and roll." You can catch up with 35 years. Still living only four miles from the Pacific Ocean, Glenn welcomes all visitors.

After 37 years, Nina Knapner Grove is still teaching but no longer coaching at York College, in Pennsylvania. "Time flies," she says, "when you have a good job and colleagues to match." Her R&R revolves around the family farm, raising and marketing Black Angus Beef. Nina is the farmer, but her husband, Les, also works away and is a "great and patient helper." Besides their farm, they have twins and three grandkids. Nina has no plans to make money. She has a great job and colleagues to match.

The project just received some additional funding from the ASMP and an Australian photo trade organization, The AIPP, where she gave a dpBestflow presentation last fall. Another book may be in the cards. Richard had a great time teaching "how to organize your digital photography and make it look nice" at Common Ground on the Hill last summer and hanging out with old friends Linda Berry Van Hart '68, Don '69 and Ellen Von Dohlen '69 Elmes, Walt Michael '68, Cary Wolfson '68, and, of course, mo. We had a great time looking back. Richard says commercial photography has been a great career choice for an Econ Major. It definitely has helped to understand and appreciate business and how the economy works while engaged in what is mostly an "art" business. Since photography also remains one of his hobbies, he doesn't really have any desire to retire from it any time soon. Nor is he giving up his other long term hobby—bicycling. He's not racing any more, but regularly rides three to four times a week.

Son Nicholas, now a 6th grader, keeps Richard busy and says that life is good despite the economic and political ups and downs. He's looking forward to the next chapter.

Evelyn Margorie Groff on Sept. 12, 2011, to Amanda Lofstrom '02 Groff and Jeff Groff '01.

Isaac Jackson Reigel, on July 1, 2011, to James '00 and Heidi Snyder '97 Reigel.

Tanner Lee Wineke, on August 2, 2011, to Christopher '03 and Dana Gardner '02 Wineke.

Brooke Nicole Huber, on July 31, 2011, to Deb and Todd Huber '05.

Emma Sherley, on May 19, 2011, to Jeremy '06 and Suzy Sherley.

Adalynn Elizabeth DeFrehn, on May 11, 2012, to Sean and Brittany Parrish '06 DeFrehn.

Reese Eliza Hatton, on May 1, 2012, to Matthew M'S08 and Carol Schmoller '06 Hatton.

Liam Patrick O'Steen, on June 16, 2011, to Tim and Alyse Holloman '08 O'Steen.
day to its fullest.

Susan Seney eschewed electronic communication in favor of a wonderful handwritten note. She and her partner, Dorothy, live in Seattle where Susan gardens in raised urban beds growing raspberries, blueberries, currants and even four fruit trees. She and Dorothy have their grandchildren, Nova and Max, overnight weekly and take part in a song circle and monthly book club. Susan has been battling an autoimmune condition for quite some time — MS/Lupus/no name yet — that keeps her moving a bit slowly, but this year she has been doing better and avoiding hospitalizations. Dorothy is on her 3rd novel and has just retired from the University of Washington, so their schedule has become a lot more flexible. Life is simple, Susan says, and good.

A long time member of the McDaniel Board of Trustees, Mike Weinblatt says he’s doing well and greatly enjoying his time on the Board with Bill Westervelt, Phil Enstice, Charlie Moore, Barbie Payne Shetlon ’70, Kevin Hanley ’72 and all the other members of the board from our era. Mike stays busy at work. He is the John R. and Eileen K. Riedman professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. “Health care has become more complex, he says, but the research is exciting and we have made real advances in the therapy of rheumatoid arthritis.” He sees patients about half the time and does research and teaching the rest of the week and he’s not thinking of retiring any time soon. Mike is also quite a cyclist, having completed the ride across the USA — Oregon to Boston and then Yorktown, Va., to Oregon. Whoa... that’s a lot of miles!

Mike has also locked out in the home cuisine department: his wife, Barbara, has graduated from the Cambridge Institute of Culinary Art! Both daughters are doing well. Hillary is married and is a lawyer in a mid-size Boston office doing litigation while her husband, Jason, is at Bain Consulting. Courtney is the fashion editor at Marie Claire in New York, covering the U.S. and English fashion markets. “We remain healthy and happy which is the most important thing,” Mike concluded.

In addition to her work on the McDaniel board, Barbie Payne Shetlon ’70 had just finished her founding stint as co-chair with Barbara Thomas ’70 of the McDaniel Women’s Leadership Network. Her company, Early Childhood Educational Consultants, LLC produces conferences and trainings for early childhood educators. She teaches part time at Towson University as well. Barb and Gordon ’68 joined up with a McDaniel alumni trip to Ireland last summer and explored the west coast of the Emerald Isle with fellow alumni, Walt Michael ’69, Steve Davis ’69, Dottie Varvaris Henry MS ’89 and MS ’96, Lydia Bandy ’04, Laurie Mathias Daughtery ’79, Suzanne Nida ’83, and Joan Schaefer Weyrich ’59. Charlie and I went along, too, as did English professor Kathy Mangan and assorted spouses, partners, old and new friends. We discovered the wonders of Irish whiskey among other things, and Gordon was always willing to buy a round. Gotta love that guy.

I got an email from Ed Smith that included nothing about Ed, except that he was “at a bar in Figmore, S.C., wearing a National Bob tee shirt. A lady walks up to me and asks if I was from B-more. I said a long time ago I was. Turns out she is a new principal at John Carroll High School. I asked if she knew Gary Scholl. She said of course. I gave her a few stories from the past to use at staff meetings. Like the time he stuffed towels under the door of the 4th floor bathroom, filled the room with water, then body-surfed down the stairs. No problem, Gary was always tight with Dean Mowbray. Have a good year Gary. From the beach, Fripp Island, S.C.

Even if you don’t write, I have my ways. I was able to glean all sorts of info from hanging out on Facebook: Tom Beam likes to have his morning coffee on the porch; Carol Graves Koffinke has done hospice work; Joan Collier Fogg feeds finches; Dave Clark plays the saxophone; Gary Wachtler has a very cute grandson; Darryl Burns has a French bulldog; Joe Slet likes Ruby Tuesday and the Oriole Bird; Susan Schull and Roger ’72 Anderson just celebrated their 40th anniversary. Then I headed over to Linked-In where I connected with John Skinner who is a senior security consultant at ITT Systems in D.C. I stop at nothing to get news....

My roommate, Pat Calbeck Harper, has spent the last few years literally criss-crossing the country, splitting her time between work in Washington, D.C., and home in Helena, Mont. She has been project manager for the United Methodist Council of Bishops’ “In Defense of Creation” document that addresses pandemic poverty, environmental degradation and the arms trade. Husband Rusty has been keeping the home fires burning back in Helena where he works in the Montana Secretary of State’s Office. Pat and Rusty have two daughters: Robin and husband Zac Cowie live in Colorado with their two sons, Caleb and Grayson, while Molly and husband Mark Haines are in Seattle. The Harper clan gets together as often as they can, and Pat and I stay in touch any way which we can. There have been a few Baughers’ lunches recently when Pat has been on this coast. A couple of those a few years back were with Ira Zapp ’52. So many in our class were close to Ira. He was mentor, teacher, and friend and we will miss him dearly. Thanks and godspeed, Ira.

As for me, I’m enjoying the adventure... and it’s a wild ride. My organizational consulting firm, PlanWorks, keeps me facilitating meetings and retreats, providing trainings and helping organizations accomplish their goals. I’m the arts columnist for the Carroll County Times and I’ve been showing my own work — photography and abstract oils — at a number of galleries. I teach in the
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As I write this column, it is amazing to see how many people are actually retiring after all these years, while some of us are starting new ventures. Kevin Hanley still works on a somewhat reduced schedule. He no longer does surgery, but consults orthopaedically in Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and California. He mostly evaluates injured workers and offers opinions as to causation, degree of disability, work restrictions, and treatment. When the schedule takes Kevin to California, Alice Boyer travels along as they no longer have children at home. Their younger, Ryan, finished his junior year at Harvard and is currently in Australia doing a semester abroad. They were able to visit him last summer (2010) in Sweden but won’t make it to Sydney.

In 2010, two of their sons tied the knot with their long-time girlfriends. The younger of the two, Colin (F&M ’05) now lives in Walkersville about five minutes from Charlie Bowers, Kevin and Alice’s best man 38 years ago. The older, Chris (William & Mary ’01, Dartmouth MBA’07) just moved from NYC to Columbus, Ga., to take charge of a real estate development company. There, little sister, Elizabeth (University of Chicago ’08, completing master’s program in December ’11, Westminster College, SLC, Utah) beat them to the punch by getting married in August ’08 right after her graduation. Oldest daughter Erin (Tulane ’03, NYU MSW’10) spent seven years in NYC and just moved to New Orleans to work with hard-core homeless and suicidal teens (she has two jobs). She left a boyfriend in NYC but the relationship remains strong. Alice and Kevin have begun to make a habit of traveling, especially to warm places and more especially to Hawaii. It’s become a bit of a home away from home. Kevin continues to enjoy his place at the McDaniels Board where he sees other contemporaries from our era, including Bill Westervelt ’71, Mike Weinblatt ’71, Bill Elliott ’70, Charlie Moore ’71, Phil Entzce ’71 and Mary Lynn Durham ’70 among others. The school is thriving and there is a new level of excitement generated by our new president, Roger Casey.” They completed their third Disney one-half Marathon in January and are training for number four. Their time this year was a “best time” and they’re hoping to improve again next year. “There are not many things you do as a 60-year-old that are getting better so—we’re excited.”

Roger Young wrote that he has two children, 30 and 33, from his first marriage to Kathe Rourke and one, 10, from his second marriage. His oldest, Kristen Hopkins, lives two miles from him in Burlington, VT, with his two grandkids. His second, Kerrie Urban, is bi-coastal with apartments in Los Angeles and NYC. She’s a hair dresser of the stars (literally). His 10-year-old is heavy into baseball, and they’re making custom bats from bamboo on a lathe.

Roger’s wife, Kathy Schwarzenberger, is a player in the dermatology field. She was just elected to the governing board of the national society. Roger is in his fifth year at the University of Vermont, School of Medicine as professor of obstetrics and gynecology, and director of the generalist’s division. He was featured in a major article in The Hill two years ago for his work in the medical field. He has a 25-year-career in research on contractility of smooth muscle, and is only now starting his first real clinical trial on improving patient care. He has been on the National Board of the March of Dimes for three years now, and has helped with the transition from the traditionally pediatric organization towards an accent on maternal-child health. Roger asked that “If anyone has, or even cares about, a 1972 to 1976 Bricklin car, give me a call. Too cold in Vermont to scramble around on motorcycles like roommate Wally Parce and I use to do in 1972 at WMC. Wally had a 250 Suzuki and I had a 175 Yamaha, so he could clock me anytime he wanted. I still watch for ‘Strongest Man’ competitions to try to catch a glimpse of another of my old roommates, Odd Haugen ’73, who was competing at the world level at age 50. Thanks to Kathy Bryant for hanging in there with the newsletter all these years.”

Ruth Howell wrote that she likes the semi-retired life, although she still teaches part-time at Goucher College in the graduate school of education and supervises a few student teachers each semester. She also does some sign language interpreting in the Frederick area. “This allows me to do what I really like to do which is travel! I’ve been really fortunate this past year. I celebrated my 60th birthday in London with a friend. In August ’10, I went to Poland and Germany with Debbie Clark ’70 for the 200th anniversary of Chopin’s birthday; this musical tour was sponsored by the Polish Cultural Society.”

She continued, “It was a mini-reunion with Nancy Lee Porter, Cathy Petzold Cott and Dru Tresselt ’72 for a four-day get away to the Greenbrier in West Virginia. We had a wonderful time and a great visit together! The most recent trip was Sue Bloom’s Jan Term 2011 trip to Greece and Turkey for 12 days. The WMC students were delightful, and we had a wonderful time touring all of the classical sights. I’m looking forward to our 40th reunion next year and hope to see lots of us there!”

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Professor Emeritus of Biology George Samuel Alspach Jr. died June 30 at Carroll Hospital Center surrounded by family members. His 38 years of service to the College were marked by distinction, commitment to students and a rich collegiality from which the entire campus community has benefited.

Born in New England, Sam remained tied to its historic and tidal pull to the sea. He received his B.A. degree in Biology at Antioch College, then his master’s and Ph.D. from Oregon State. When he headed back to the East Coast, it was to then Western Maryland College in 1969.

During his years at the College, he taught numerous courses, invented or re-invented by him: in Marine Biology and Oceanography, in Physiology and Nutrition, in Invertebrate Zoology.

Sam served as department chair for several years from 1992-97, and advisor and mentor of the Biology Honor Society, Beta Beta Beta, from 1980-2001. He served as the pre-medical advisor in the late 1980s until his retirement in 2006. Sam often took students on Jan Term trips to Belize and the Bahamas. He pursued his own research interests, spending summers on the Chesapeake Bay. Indeed his work with oysters in the Bay has contributed to the entire region. An avid runner, he pushed himself physically in events like Alaska’s 80-mile Iditarod race.

Sam’s wishes were that he be cremated and his ashes spread on his beloved Chesapeake Bay. On July 10, his wife Maggie and other family members went out on his boat and spread his ashes near the Chesapeake Bay Bridge.

happy and they continue to have the best retirement ever!

“Well, not much has changed,” wrote Ken Kester from Dublin, Ohio. “What we have here is a failure to launch. Both of my sons, 26, are still living under my roof. Dan just finished his ‘seven-year’ undergraduate program and is now working at Enterprise. Stephen, having had his flying career squelched just three hours short of his commercial pilot rating, is now trying to get into the Army. As for me, I’m still selling infusion pumps for Smiths Medical trying to feverously figure out when I should retire. I guess we’re all getting to that point in our lives.”

Rebecca Jones is still working full time as a therapist at a methadone clinic in New Bedford, and at a private practice in Westport, Mass. “I got my second book out Methadone BAD BOY of Drug Treatment, What Works and What Doesn’t. It is on Amazon and doing well. I’m getting a little art work done, trying to finish a children’s book I started 20 years ago. Love it. We’ve been putting in lots of windows and French doors in my little house and enjoying the view of the Westport River. It would take a lot to get me away from this place. Happy to hear from old friends on Facebook.”

“I guess I can say that life is good,” said Susanne A. Denham, Ph.D. “My daughters are grown. The oldest is an assistant city attorney in Richmond, Va. She and her husband have my heart’s delight, my grandchildren, Maddie, 4, and Andrew, 1. My work is good but consuming.” Susanne is a university professor and director of the applied developmental program in the department of psychology for George Mason University. “I have large grants from Institute of Education Sciences and NICHD to study little kids’ emotional development, I run a graduate program and edit a journal … sometimes I look to about six years from now with such longing to retire even though I love what I do! My personal life is also very fulfilling. I have a wonderful kind and loving significant other, Elbert Morris, with whom I have a very happy life.”

“Believe it or not, I have not retired yet as most of my Baby Boomer friends have,” wrote Georgine Stephenson Bradbury. “(Our N.J. governor is putting on the pressure though.) I still love teaching art to my sixth-graders and also teaching an after school program to the gifted kids. My oldest son is still working for Bloomberg and has a significant other but not married yet and my youngest is finishing up grad school at North Carolina State this August for architecture.” Georgine recently purchased her own shore house in Sea Isle City, N.J., so she spends most of her spare time there just to get away. “I plan on having a mini-Blanche Ward Phil Alph third floor reunion there this fall. We actually had one two years ago at my mom’s beach house after she passed away: Sue Head, Chris Reinert Tofani, Carolyn Racey O’Brian ’80.

Linda Mac, Dawk, and Jody Mac and I had a great time catching up. This time I expect around 15 of us!”

Jay McCabe, John Bennett, Bill Eberhart, Chuck Sullivan, Gary Will and Tom Resau met in Richmond, along with their spouses, last May (2010) in a mass celebration of their 50th birthdays. Chuck and Kathy Sullivan hosted the event and they all had a blast. Jay is proud to announce that they welcomed a second granddaughter to their family in February. Paige Elizabeth Diller, daughter of my daughter, Jennifer McCabe ’99, and her husband, Frank Diller. Jay says, “Otherwise, life is moving quickly these days and Wendy and I are just trying to keep up!”

Marty Bosley Miller wrote from Donnellson, Iowa, that she retired in June ’10 after 16 years as an elementary school librarian and an additional 20-plus years in the library profession. “It was a great career, and my best introduction to library work came from classes with Eleanor Richwine at WMC. She was a kind and patient teacher and made library classes interesting — which can sometimes be a challenge! I have wonderful memories of my years on the Hill and it was the foundation of my life and career. In retirement my husband and I moved to my hometown in southeast Iowa, to the house I grew up in. Our plan is to travel south in the winter, although we have not settled on a particular place. If any classmates have suggestions, I would love to hear about them!”

Robert Read turned 61 in March and retired July 1 from Swiss Re Life and Health, where he has been senior vice president and appointed actuary for all of the U.S. legal entities. He lives in Ellicott City with his wife, Clare, who is an actuary with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. They did a Mediterranean cruise in 2011 and hit Rome, Athens, Sicily and other points of interest. His son, Bryan, is a certified athletic trainer and lives in Parkville. Bryan works at Towson Sports Medicine and works with Dunlap High also.

Jeff Bell has been living in the Twin Cities for 25 years. “I have been singing Sacred Harp since 1989 and with the Metropolitan Male Chorus of Minnesota since about 1993. I am now retired (disabled as of Feb. 18, 2011) from 30 years of being an accountant for a credit union. In 2010 I have been in my house for 15 years, paid off my mortgage, achieved 20 years of employment, went over 100,000 miles in my car, and attained my 60th birthday. I figured that with such a significant year I would have a better chance of winning the lottery, but it didn’t happen. I have learned that life is a journey, not a destination.”

Win Barber is an auxiliary officer at Civista Hospital in LaPlata, Md., where he and wife Helen live and do various other volunteer work. Their daughter, Abby, studies theater at Shenandoah University and Ashley is in community college. In 2005 the four of
them toured Italy. Win attends Rev. Bruce Jones's '76 church.

Mark Vidor wrote "The basics are basically the same — social work administration, folk music, friends, son in NYC as an aspiring actor. Charlotte (no WMC connection) and I got together a couple of months ago with Bruce '73 and Marc Bredsky Lippy, Fred Rudman '73 and his wife, and Milford Sprecher '73. Lots of laughs for everyone. My best to all!"

Michelle "Chelle" Catining Porter and Keith '90 are still enjoying being residents of the lovely city of Raleigh, N.C. They both retired, after 30 years of teaching in the Cecil County, Md., public schools, and moved south to be near family and for the beautiful, warmer weather. Keith taught physical education and coached at Rising Sun Middle School, and Chelle taught art and photography at Rising Sun High School. "I'm so enjoying being able to spend time pursuing my own interests and I stay active with a wide variety of community, church, and arts-related organizations. Keith is teaching Healthful Living at Holly Ridge Middle School in Holly Springs, N.C., which is a 45-minute drive from our home. He also still loves coaching football and softball and has been very successful with his teams the past six years. Our daughter, Kerrie, is a patrol officer with the New Castle County (Del.) Police Department, and greatly enjoys her job. Craig, our son, lives in Raleigh, and is a builder with Orleans Homes. Life is good! We look forward to the upcoming reunions at WMC/McDaniel!"

Not much has changed for Jim Yates, who lives in Cockeysville and is still president of N.H. Yates and Co., Inc. "The girls are getting out of college (the youngest Mary '95 starts McDaniel in the fall), and Nancy and I are looking forward to becoming empty-nesters (OK she's not, I am). After all the cold weather and snow of the last two winters in B-more we're looking for a warmer winter retreat maybe in Florida. Anyone in the class who hasn't seen the Hill in the last couple of years should visit; it's amazing."

"The biggest surprise so far this year was receiving a notice in the mail about our 40th reunion April '12," wrote Barb Schull Chilton. "I was shocked to see that number '40' actually in print...I mean, how the heck old are we, anyway? My life is not particularly newsworthy, but I will bring you up to date on what's happening here in northern Illinois and with my family," continued Barbara.

"My husband has been the program manager for the O'Hare Modernization project for five years and we have lived here in Chicago land for almost seven years. I think he is losing interest in the challenge, and I certainly am ready to head back to the East Coast. Hopefully we will be able to effect a move in the next 12 months, although we will surely have trouble selling our house." Their son, Jimmy, continues to live in northern Virginia and works for Indus Corp as a software analyst. He has been married three years and is half way through an IT masters program at Virginia Tech. Barb's daughter, Rachel, graduated May 22 from Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Fl., with degrees in international relations and global affairs and East Asian studies, as well as a concentration in Mandarin Chinese, and a minor in political science. During her four-year college career she had the opportunity to study a semester in China and a semester in Amsterdam. "She will greatly miss going to school 'at the beach,' but I believe is ready to move onto life's next challenge (hopefully, teaching English somewhere in China). I am insanely jealous of all of my friends who now have two, three, four and more grandchildren! I am missing seeing my children more regularly and hope to not only see them more in the future but also have the opportunity to 'grandparent' before I am six feet under! I am definitely going to make the effort to get to next year's reunion. Hope to see you, Kathy, and a big turnout of our fellow classmates!"

"All is well in Cincinnati," wrote Bonnie Green Camden. She is still working as a partner in the Family Wealth Planning Group of Dinsmore and Shohl LLP. Bonnie was named a super lawyer and also one of the top-25 women attorneys in Cincinnati. "My kids are all great," continued Bonnie. "Jennifer is an English professor at the University of Indianapolis. She was awarded tenure this year, and her dissertation was published as a book, Secondary Women Heroines in 18th and 19th Century British American Literature. (It took me two years to remember the title and another four to figure out what she was talking about.) Libby is a family practice physician here in Cincinnati and has two little boys, Allen, 5, and Cooper, 1. They live five miles away, so I see them quite a bit. Jim is an attorney with McDermott Will and Emery in their D.C. office. Since I practice trust law, of course Jim would focus on anti-trust! As you can tell, I am very proud of my kids and their achievements. I get to Maryland occasionally to visit my brother and sister but haven't made it back to WMC since they changed the name. Oh well."

Vivian Higdon Seaman wrote that she and husband John '70 greatly enjoy their 1929 home in Westminster. "(I received this information in June '09 after I submitted the last column, so I hope it is still accurate.) At that time, John was principal at Francis Scott Key High School, where he began teaching 39 years ago. He planned to retire in 2010 after 40 years with Carroll County Public Schools. He hikes the Appalachian Trail in segments and began a hiking club in their church. Vivian enjoys her small craft business at local farmers' markets and festivals, when their teenager's schedule allows her. "Having a teenager (17) at our age is a challenge." Their two adult children, Holly and Jeff, and spouses, have given them four grandchildren. "They are our special delight, and we

Jacques Theophile Derasse, who taught French at the College from 1963 to 1976, died Oct. 4 at the age of 90. A native of France, Derasse earned degrees from the universities of Lille and Paris and taught at several high schools before he and his wife of 68 years, Mme Jacqueline Langinier Derasse, immigrated to the United States in 1962.

During his tenure at the College he was known for his love of French folk songs and for his talented guitar playing. He also enjoyed painting.

His January Term study tour of the French Alps, Paris and Nice was popular with students for the direct contact with the French people, ranging from the cosmopolitan cities to life in the small Alpine village of Chatel. His advocacy for all things French extended to service as president of the Cumberland Valley Chapter of Alliance Francaise and as faculty advisor of the College's international relations club.

After his retirement, he and his wife moved back to France and later returned to the United States, to Westminster in 2003, and later to Hanover, Pa. He was honored with emeritus status as an assistant professor of Modern Languages in 1987. Sons Alain, who predeceased his father, and Francois, graduated from the College.
And the Homecoming Honors go to...

**Sports Hall of Fame inductees:**
- Above, left to right: Ira “Will” Marshall '98, M.S. '05, Jamie Falcone '01, Rodney Joyner '88, Carol Pettersen Willen '59, Jerry Rish '59, M.S. '66 and Greg Davis '96 join more than 200 McDaniel College champions in the Hall of Fame.

**Alumni Professional Achievement awardees:**
- Alva “Iuzz” Baker '66, who retired in 2009 after a distinguished career as a family practice physician, a certified geriatrician, staff member of Carroll Hospital Center and medical director for EMA, which provides senior care at various locations in the Maryland region. He is director of McDaniel's Center for the Study of Aging and continues to teach in the college's gerontology programs.

- Michael Grusby '83, professor of Molecular Immunology in the Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases and senior associate dean for Academic Affairs and Diversity at Harvard School of Public Health. (see First Person, page 8).

- Chloe Watson '07 is an accomplished artist and adjunct faculty member at McDaniel, Anne Arundel Community College and Maryland Institute College of Art, where she earned her M.F.A. Watson's work is currently on exhibit at the Arlington Arts Center (AAC) in Fall Solos 2011 through Dec. 30.

**Alumni College Service awardees:**
- Carrie Miller Parker '85, Randall “Randy” Ryther '97, M.S. '01 and Kimberly “Kim” Zehner Ryther '97.

**Alumni Community Service awardees include:**
- Charles “Chuck” Hammaker '52, Anthony “Tony” Sarbanes '58, M.Ed. '68 and Rachel Spencer '00, M.S. '03.

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**John and Sally Seitzer Kantzes**

John and Sally Seitzer Kantzes celebrated 32 years of marriage in August. John has the East Coast, the Southeast and parts of the Midwest as his territory. To say he's busy is an understatement. Sally continues to work (part time) at their church as the divisional leader for women's small groups. It's a challenge — Sally oversees 40 women's groups, but loves it. She teaches, trains, leads, organizes and encourages. Sally and John often visit the Winterthur Museum. Their daughter, Katie, graduated (cum laude) from University of Delaware with a double major in American history and economics in 2009. She lives in Austin, Texas, and loves her position in marketing and the ability to bike, dotting some long rides (100 miles was her longest). Their daughter, Kim, graduated (cum laude) this year from Clemson with a degree in accounting. She is living in Charleston, S.C., working a job that is part of the graduate assistantship that she was given. She is studying to earn her masters in taxation and sit for the CPA.

**Gary '75 and Debbie Tull Paulsgrove**

Reside in Sykesville, Md., where they have lived for more than 30 years. Debbie recently completed her 12th year as a general music/chorus teacher at Sykesville Middle School. Four years ago she started studying classical guitar. Through those lessons, she became involved in the music programs at Carroll Community College; including taking a rock and roll ensemble class last fall — probably reverting to her teen years. Gary retired in December '10 after 33½ years at the Social Security Administration, and, while he absolutely loves retirement, it's required some adjusting. He recently completed an extensive landscaping project in their yard.

**Trudy Walton Schwartz**

Is having a great time connecting with alumni and friends on Facebook. This past winter she enjoyed watching Linda Frailey Ross '77 play high school basketball and visited Florida to look at schools for her son, Michael, who is a high school senior. Son Alan is studying at University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Sam completed his fellowship in neuroradiology and is returning from Arizona to Pittsburgh to work for University of Pittsburgh medical system. Trudy continues to enjoy getting away to Raystown Lake when possible. She is trying to get in shape to ride the C&O canal in four days. Anybody want to go? Trudy and Dave work for Gaithersburg and BF Saul Insurance. The Schwartz's were looking forward to going to the wedding of Kip '77 and Ellen Scroggs '79 Walton's youngest daughter this fall. Trudy spends every Sunday with her dad in Frederick where he lives in a skilled nursing facility.

**Lisa Hellstrom**

Lives in Charleston, S.C., and works at a Catholic High School where she teaches biology and serves as the chair of the science department. She is also the director of the Charleston Renaissance Ensemble.

**Dottie Cannon Johnson**

Is a supply chain consultant in northern Virginia since retiring from a 30-year Army career as a colonel. She traveled for 3½ weeks last year with Korean War Veterans to South Korea and China.
for the 60th anniversary of the Korean War and was there for the reenactment of the Incheon Landing, complete with MacArthur coming ashore. Veterans of all the serving countries went wild. Also exceptionally rewarding, she was the keynote speaker last year for the Memorial Day activities at Natick, Mass., reconnecting with the community where she once served in uniform; Dottie loves New England and their patriotic spirit. She is looking forward to coastal living.

Linda Rickett Ziegler sends greetings from Texas. Carl '75 is still retired and she is starting her 20th year as band director at Welch Middle School. Their cat, Snowflake, is 15 years old and still runs the house with an iron paw. Linda ice skates every morning before school and competes in a few adult competitions each year. Teachers are required to have a "my college corner" in their classrooms and this has made her students aware that there are colleges outside the state of Texas!

Ed Ginsberg sends his greetings. His daughter, Laura, has joined the Baltimore law firm of Brown, Goldstein, and Levy. Her husband is presently clerking for a federal judge in Baltimore. Ed and Jeanie attended their son, Stephen's, wedding in Boulder, Colo., this summer. He will be completing his doctorate in psychology at the University of Denver. His wife is also in the same program. Jeanie is happily in her 23rd year as director of guidance at Beth Tfiloh High School in Pikesville, Md. Ed's pediatric dental practice continues to grow. There are three partners and one associate in the practice (smiles4children.net), with locations in Baltimore and Howard Counties. They are in the planning stages of opening a third office in Carroll County. No plans for retirement in the near future!

Nancy Hess Fritzschke and Mark live in Monument, Colo. She works part time at their church as the director of Christian education. In addition, Nancy has been coaching girls' lacrosse at the local high school for the last seven years. Mark is retired from the air force. Their eldest son, Chad, is in his junior year at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., where he is majoring in business specializing in non-profits. Beck is in his junior year at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash. He is majoring in mechanical engineering. Their youngest, Garrett, is in his senior year in high school. He plays soccer and basketball. Nancy and Mark had dinner with Sherry Wessel Bowers in June when she was in town to facilitate a teachers' conference at the Air Force Academy. Each August the Fritzschke's vacation for a week in Canada with Nancy's brother Rusty Hess '77, sister Barb Hess Mcaloon '85 and Sherry and her husband, Matt Bowers '77. Sherry, Barb and Nancy go out canoeing on the lake every week—it's heaven!

Robin Max Townsend is in her 17th year of teaching Spanish at Atholton High School in Columbia. This summer she and Jay traveled to Orlando for their annual trek to Disney World. She also traveled to Dallas for a Mary Kay Seminar. Robin has been a Mary Kay beauty consultant for a little over two years and loves it. Jay teaches science at Franklin High School in Columbia. Their daughter, Stacey, 28, is engaged and planning an October wedding. She works at Tesco in Cockeysville. Sam, 28, owns a valet company, Valet LLC, in downtown Baltimore. Ben, 27, is an auto mechanic at Brooks-Huff in Hunt Valley. Michael, 26, works at Pinkerton Investigative Services in Hunt Valley and is in a master's program at the University of Baltimore. Jamie and Chris Dryden Mosberg report that Jamie's GRN business (Global Recruiters Network of Wilmington) is five years old. Activity picked up recently, and their oldest son, Jake, joined the business and is working remotely from Asheville, N.C., where he and his wife are living. Jake and Lee Anna were married in April of 2010, and Chris reports that it is great to have another female in the family! Their other sons, Jason and Josh, are in Los Angeles doing some coaching, writing, and enjoying sunny California. Jason also does some research for Jamie's business. Chris is at Sanford High in Hockessin, Del., where she is the mathematics department chair.

Karen Keenan Good and Keith are still living in Westover on the Eastern Shore on the farm that Karen grew up on. She has been a social worker at the Somerset County Department of Social Services for 33 years. Many of her co-workers were not even born when she went to work there in 1978! Keith retired from teaching several years ago after completing 30 years. He is a spray tech at the Great Hope Golf Course. Their daughter, Katie, and her husband have three children. Their daughter, Kristen, lives at home. Keith, Kristen and Karen enjoy spending their time spoiling Katie's children.

Charlie Dell is busy enjoying his two grandchildren, Wyatt, 2, and Morgan who was born March 23, 2011. They are the children of his son, Daniel, and his wife, Tammi. His daughter, Katie, is a senior at Towson University and plans on becoming a high school biology teacher. Charlie is still working in the utility contracting field. He enjoys his large vegetable garden and antique tractors. Since becoming empty-nesters, he and wife Kathy enjoy going on a cruise every year.

Ed '77 and Sue Windsor Becraft are fantastic and have been married 32 plus glorious years. They have two sons. Ben, 24, is lead guitarist with a progressive metal band Bailer's Eye; they were recently signed to an independent recording label. Sam, 15, is a sophomore at Calvert Hall in the McMullen Scholars program and plays in the Calvert Hall band, which performed at Ravens Stadium for Turkey Bowl and at Disney World. Sue traveled to Florida to be with Delt sisters Dell Wogslcan Elias '76, Joceyn Reynolds Gal-

David Taylor '78 continues to enjoy family medicine, teaching medical and nurse practitioner students, community theater, reading, medical mission work in Nicaragua, and teaching Sunday school.
Editor's Career Takes Off

Christine Boynton '84 is writing for Air Transport World and SpeedNews in Silver Spring, Md., and was promoted this year to editor, new media. A self-described "bubbling-avgeek," she covers aviation news for the daily news website and traveled to Paris in June to cover the Paris Air Show and was off to Dubai in November to cover the Dubai Air Show. Her first bylined magazine article was to appear this fall.

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Richard Norris sends greetings from Iowa. He is busy in his job as "homemaker," although "re-modeler" might be more accurate. He designed and installed a brick patio at the end of last summer, put the finishing touches on the new deck this spring, and redecorated the living room and dining room. While he manages things at home, his wife, Peg, heads up Shared Services for Assuran.

Mark Katz sent a note to say he is doing fine in Arnold. He is happily married to Vivian. They have a cat, Obie (or more formally, Officer Obi-Wan Kenobi).

Helen Ann Kiefer lives in Loch Hill, volunteering for the zoo, the American Visionary Art Museum, the Towson precinct police and community relations council, and the theater project. She enjoys swing dancing and going on singles' cruises.

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Barbara Meister Kroberger and husband are enjoying Bucks County, Pa. She received a promotion last year and is now the director of residential living services for a Mennonite retirement community in Lansdale, Pa. Her husband continues to be busy with his law practice and playing as much golf as possible. Her son is still enjoying life in New York City, working for a publishing house and her daughter graduated from New York University with a master’s in art education. They took a cruise with three other couples in July and a week at the Jersey shore in August. All in all, life is good.

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CENT! Jane is an occupational therapist in a temporary position, working three days a week in various settings.

Carl FrankJe and wife Debbie are semi-retired. They still own two businesses in the Dallas area, but last year they sold their Dallas home and moved to the Phoenix area where their two daughters live. They have a manager running the businesses and Carl tries to spend only a few hours a day working. Their goal is to totally retire by the end of the year. They also purchased a second home in Cabo San Lucas, and they try to split their time between there and Phoenix. No grand-kids yet, but they do have two grand-puppies.

Thanks so much for taking the time to share your news with other alumni. By the time this submittal goes to press, I hope to have returned from a holiday in France and Greece. I am looking forward to a busy autumn with my work as an environmental professional, volunteer activities and whatever time is left for other adventures.

Keep your news coming!
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1984
Hello all and thanks to everyone who sent an update for our column. It truly is great to hear of everyone’s adventures. Many of us are sharing the same experiences of sending our children to college and getting a taste of the empty nest while still shuttling younger ones to various activities. Some have even entered the world of becoming in-laws. So here’s how the class of 1984 is shaping up in 2011.

Debbie Neely Kennedy writes that she is still in the classroom homeschooling one of her children — the rest have all graduated. Daniel is engaged, so in October, Mark and Debbie get a new daughter! Their daughter, Rachel, is a teacher’s assistant at a local school, while Josh is a sophomore at Geneva College. His brother, Chris, is also a sophomore there after spending last year becoming a combat medic for the Army National Guard. Matthew will be joining them in the fall. That leaves Ben as the lone high-schooler in the Kennedy home.

Debbie spends what free time she has fostering service puppies for Paws With A Cause. Her current charge, Luna, is her fourth pup. The family fosters for a year, training and socializing the puppies by taking them to church, restaurants, movies, stores, etc. Debbie’s husband, Mark, is still working for Widmer Engineering. To make sure the Kennedy nest stays full, Debbie and Mark are in the process of adopting a sibling group from Colombia, South America. Debbie has confessed that she is on a mission to make sure the Kennedy household is never quiet!

Heidi Snyder Wethered’s daughter is also attending Geneva College, which is just down the road from Debbie, so Debbie and Heidi get to visit often. Debbie is also able to sneak in visits with Audrey Adams Bigelow and Denise Humphrey.

Laney Fisher Howard sends greetings from the Eastern Shore where she is still working for the Somerset County State’s Attorney’s Office as a victim/witness coordinator. Laney’s husband, Ronnie, is now the chief deputy of Somerset County’s Sheriff’s Department after retiring from the Maryland State Police. Alexis, 22, graduated from Salisbury University on May 19 and Cole, 16, has finished 10th grade. Both kids love baseball and work at the Delmarva Shorebirds stadium through the summer. Cole is a batboy and Alexis works in their inside sales department. (My children would truly be jealous of those summer jobs!) Laney and Ronnie keep busy with their church, First Baptist in Princess Anne, and family activities, but Laney confesses that looking at her children sometimes makes her feel old.

Scott Blackburn writes with that same theme. His comment: Time passes on quickly and it’s satisfying. He sends his hello from the mushroom capital of the world, West Grove, Pa. It’s hard to believe in today’s world, but he’s been working for the same company for 26 years; essentially, the first job he got after graduating from WMC. Now that his son has completed his pitching career at Temple University, Scott has a lot more time on his hands. He’s no longer running all over the U.S. following college baseball games. To make up for this, he took an awesome vacation to Key West and Fort Port St. Lucie. Something tells me the accommodations are better on his new travel circuit.

With Robin Garland Bair’s daughters, Kendall, 17, and Caroline, 15, entering the “college search, SAT prep, driving license, first boyfriend” season of life parenting has definitely become more challenging but it’s still wonderful according to Robin who is a stay-at-home mom. Her days are full with volunteer work at both her church as well as the girls’ school. While driving the carpool to school in the mornings, she often sees Ludley Howard out taking his daily run, and according to Robin, he still looks 20 (no kidding).

Life continues to be great in Ocean City for the Zimmer family! Tom is principal of Berlin Intermediate School and loving every day of it. Beth Chapman ’85 is working in the Ocean City, Md., hotel industry as an accounting manager. Sarah, 24, is teaching high-school English. Kate ’81, 22, graduated in May from McDaniel. She played four years on the women’s basketball team. Needless to say, Tom and Beth were back on campus a lot during the last four years. Corey, 18, is a freshman at Old Dominion University.

Becky Bankert Cook will soon be leaving the Indianapolis area and returning to Maryland due to her husband, Tom’s, recent job relocation to Baltimore. The Cook family will be moving to Severna Park — a major sticker shock after 10 years of living in the low-cost Midwest! It will, however, be nice being closer to family and friends again. Robin and Tom’s oldest son, Ben, attends Wabash College in Indiana, their youngest son, Kevin, will be a senior and Jenny will be a freshman at Severna Park High School.

Life is good for Kathy King Steinwedel. She has been teaching for 27 years, currently at Franklin Middle School in Baltimore County where she teaches eighth-grade language arts and is the grade-level manager. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, she is the site coordinator for the Loyola Professional Development School, which means she helps mentor new teachers. Kathy finds it interesting to be on the “other” end of teacher training, and really enjoys helping young interns get a start in their chosen career. Though her career has taken her to Baltimore County, Kathy and her family still live in Westminster, just a little north of the airport. Her children, 15, 13, and 10, keep her life filled with laughter, smiles and a bit of hustle.

Jane Maplesden Weaver got married in August ’08 to Andy Weaver, a man she describes as “wonderful.” However, due to renovations on her house and a move to West Virginia, it took them a year-and-a-half to actually live together full time! Jane’s daughter, Heather, 20, is attending The School of Art and Design at Montgomery College in Takoma Park, Md. Her son, Justin, 24, lives in Seattle where he works for an airline. Jane writes that he also plays keyboard and drums and composes music for a band called “Fields Without Fences.” As for Mr. and Mrs. Weaver, there is never a dull moment as they have again moved, now residing in Albuquerque, N.M., where Andy has taken a new job in construction equipment. Jane is hoping to find work as a legal secretary which seems to be her niche. In her spare time, Jane is a rabid knitter, praise singer and grandma of a curly-tailed little dog named Pasta Roney. When Jane lived in Maryland, she attended church with Eric ’83 and Betsy Mitchell-Henning. Her daughter babysat their son, Ian. Jane invites classmates to reconnect with her on Facebook.

Audrey Adams Bigelow and husband Mike celebrated 24 years of marriage on May 22, 2011. They are still in Springfield, Va., where Mike is command historian for the Intelligence and Security Command at Ft. Belvoir, Va., a great post-active duty Army job. Audrey works at a local library part time and fills in the extra hours in her week by giving tons of time and energy to an international Christian women’s ministry for military women where she serves as both a trainer/teacher and on the international board. Mike and Audrey have two sons, Buster (Michael Jr.), 21, who is in his senior year majoring in music education at Christopher Newport University, and Drew, 19, who is an art major at Virginia Commonwealth University. Speaking of colleges, McDaniel College’s InterVarsity Chris-
class notes

Amy Morgan '84 just completed her ninth year at Bowling Green State University in Ohio where she teaches exercise physiology and is the chair of kinesiology.

Amelia Bennett '85 has joined the faculty of the School of Public, Environmental and Regional Affairs of The Ohio State University. She is chair of the Program in Environmental Health and Safety and is teaching courses in public health administration and environmental law.


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Brenda has accepted a position as a research assistant at the University of Kentucky, where she will be working with Dr. Paul Slattery on a project examining the role of stress in chronic illness.

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was hot, but historic, Amalfi and Positano were beautiful, and Paris and Monet’s home are on her “must return to” list and Rome was exciting, but she says, even with all the excitement, it still felt good to come home. Closer to home, she enjoys the peace and quiet of spending a week of summer in Chincoteague. When not enjoying the peace and quiet of Maryland’s Eastern Shore or the history of Europe, Deborah finds herself caring for her aging parents. She’s hoping to keep them from ending up on the “Housewives” TV show! At the same time, she’s avoiding the camera’s filming an episode of Extreme Home Makeovers on her street. However, she is getting free landscaping out of the deal, so putting up with the cameras is worth it! On a more serious note, she’s been using her political science skills to lobby the Pennsylvania legislature to preserve school libraries and librarian positions. Our alma mater comes to the rescue again! She still keeps in touch with Patty McAuliff and Wendy Gage Carver.

Gail Leek Klarink’s update comes with both good and not-so-good news. The good news is she’s grateful to have a job she enjoys as the senior legal editor with the Maryland Secretary of State’s Office. Her 11- and 8-year-old boys keep her busy in Davidsonville, Md., with baseball, soccer, music and scouts. The not-so-good news is that Gail was diagnosed with breast cancer and spent the summer undergoing treatment. The end result should be good, but she is not looking forward to the process of getting to that result.

As you may have seen in the McDaniel online newsletter, Robyn Quick has been busy. She has become a full professor in the department of theatre arts at Towson University. She was with the Elliott Hayes Award for Excellence in Dramaturgy from the Literary Managers and Dramaturgs of the Americas. She was involved in a rather large undertaking, that of bringing new Russian drama to the U.S. Her connections with Russia continue as she is currently on a Fulbright Fellowship teaching at the Russian State University of the humanities in Moscow. When the Fellowship ends, she will return to Towson University and chair the theatre department. Congratulations Robyn! When not gallivanting through Russia, Robyn lives with her husband in Baltimore where they are slowly but surely renovating their 100-year-old row home.

This September, Heidi Snyder Wethered began her third year of teaching first grade at a Christian school in Virginia. Her husband, Bennett, continues to be the pastor for Dayspring Orthodox Presbyterian Church, which means that in the Wethered household, there is never a dull moment. Their daughter, Hannah, has finished her second year at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pa., which is about five minutes from where Debby Neely Kennedy lives. So, Heidi has the perfect excuse to visit Debby and is very thankful for the Kennedy Family “Bed and Breakfast!” Bennett and Heidi continue to home school their other daughter, Becca, who will be a senior this year. Becca is also hoping to attend Geneva College, so Heidi and Debby will be able to make excuses for a few more years of visits! Closer to home, Heidi has enjoyed a couple of relaxing weekends with Audrey Adams Bigelow. For Heidi, life has been busy, but God has been good.

Chris and Jeanne White ’85 Kane live in Charlotte, N.C., with their two boys. Their son, Christopher, attends University of North Carolina-Asheville and son, Dylan, is a senior in high school hoping to play lacrosse in college. Chris is a manager/training director for W.L. Gore Medical Division which manufactures and sells cardiovascular implants such as stents/stent grafts, and Jeanne is pursuing a second career in the legal profession.

Tracy Woodard Gregory sends greetings from Myrtle Beach, S.C. where her family has been for eight years. Her husband, Bruce, is working in the athletic department at Coastal Carolina University as senior associate athletic director of internal operations. He continues to run at least four marathons a year, just completing his sixth Boston Marathon. Tracy works at Books A Million which allows her to spend as much time as possible traveling with Bruce to watch the CCU sports teams. Both of the Gregory kids are in college; Megan, 22, graduating from CCU; Brian, 20, at Clemson. Tracy says she and Bruce have adjusted quite well and are enjoying their freedom. Though not always able to see them personally, Tracy keeps in contact through Facebook and email with Susie Matthews Harris, Becky Bankert Cook, Courtney Quinn Jones, Colleen Cohegan Rosberry and Barb Hess McAloose ’85.

In October ’09, Richard King retired from the U.S. Army as a lieutenant colonel after serving 25 years. He and his wife, Lisa, built a house on their land in Holman, Texas, where they have a small cattle business and grow their own vegetables. Richard went back to school and earned a Texas teacher certificate for grades early childhood to sixth grade, so for the past year and a half, he has been the fourth-grade teacher at St. Rose of Lima School in Schulenburg, Texas. Richard says he is thoroughly enjoying his second career and having time off during the summer.

Beth Coughlin Turley wonders where the time has gone. It seems like yesterday that she was writing about her kids starting kindergarten and now they are all graduating and moving out. Her oldest daughter, Jennifer, just graduated from Rutgers with her master’s in education. Her daughter, Allison, is a sophomore at Towson University and son Kyle is a senior in high school trying to figure out where mom and dad will be able to afford to send him to college. The baby (Gabrielle) is starting high school and worried that mom and dad will have no money left to send her to school. Beth is still work-
Lori Clow ’90 remains busy as a patent examiner in biotechnology for the United States Patent and Trademark Office. She LOVES working from home every day!

Gina Breuer Booy says she loves life in the great Pacific Northwest. Her family is part of a network of home-schooling families and a Christian home school organization, which gives her lots of support as she home schools her four children, ages 3 to 16. Gina loves the enrichment her children and home schooling them brings whether she’s teaching preschool to her youngest or helping her oldest who is enrolled in an online college preparatory program in conjunction with his high school home studies. Gina is thankful to have been home with her children all these years guiding their hearts and pursuits like entrepreneurial businesses, piano lessons and ways of serving others. Gina and her husband, Tim, have been married 18 years and Gina is very proud of her husband, who, in a precious selfless act, donated his kidney last November.

Speaking of joy, Victor Culatta is thrilled to be back on the West Coast. He feels at home again in California working within the California State University at SJSU. San José is now northern California’s largest city. Today the prosperity of Silicon Valley has transformed what was once an agricultural area into a thriving network of restaurants, shops, a state-of-the-art light-rail system, a sports arena (go Sharks!), and a reputable art scene complete with a symphony, ballet and opera company. Yet, despite all the growth, San José is one of the safest and sunniest cities in the nation. I think Vic is a walking billboard for northern California tourism! Living in the south bay area, affords Victor opportunities to enjoy weekend get-aways in Tahoe, Napa, Santa Cruz, Monterey and Carmel.

As for me, much of my life mirrors my classmates. We are starting the empty-nest process (one down, two to go), worrying about parents (my mom had bypass surgery last year), and wondering where the time has gone. I’m still a professional volunteer, teaching at church and speaking for the Bucks County (Pa.) Historical Society. I like it this way as it affords me time with my children who are still at home and time to be involved in their interests. Mike ’82 is still with Patrys Ltd. working on novel cures for cancer. He works primarily from home, which took some adjustment on both our parts, but we have found that there are lots of benefits in that arrangement and rather enjoy the flexibility it affords. Our oldest son graduated from Millersville University and moved to Boston for graduate school. Our daughter is a junior in high school and involved in the Marching Band—one of those interests I get to spend time volunteering for! Our youngest is in eighth grade and, in addition to drumming, has fallen in love with Parkour. Don’t worry, I didn’t know what that was either.

I’m learning a lot from my children. I didn’t know ultimate Frisbee existed until my oldest went to college, and I had no idea how much time and effort went into the marching band! I’m under the delusion that at some point in my life I will find time to read. My reading list is long and getting longer as I pulled some of my son’s college books to add to the pile. For excitement, I did get the opportunity to travel with my husband to Germany last fall and really loved Europe. That is definitely on my “must go back” list. We still spend every New Year’s Eve with Paul ’83 and Nancy Turner ’82 Parlette, though the party is getting smaller as our kids get older.

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1990
Greetings, Class of ’90, and thanks for your great electronic response to our request for news! It has been quite a year for our classmates—exciting travel and military moves, sad passings, happy birthday and recoveries, and careers and hobbies in everything from football to food photography. Facebook continues to connect us worldwide, but plenty of alums are getting together the old-fashioned way in locations from Maryland to Paris.

Bob Brown asks, “Did I really graduate from WMC half my life ago?” His family continues to grow, with newly born Matthias joining Silas, Caleb, 5, and Joshua, 6. He’s hoping they haven’t yet filled up their new home in Bel Air, Md. Bob is in his 16th year teaching math at the Community College of Baltimore County. With the diverse student body he teaches (Nigerian nationals to Baltimore residents) he says why travel, when, at the community college, the world comes to you? Bob continues as president of Harford County Right to Life and a member of the board of directors of Maryland Right to Life, where he chairs the church outreach efforts. Moron, the one-man Christian band he’s been plugging away at for almost 15 years, is about ready to put out its ninth CD, reportedly the best yet by far.

Lori Clow remains busy as a patent examiner in biotechnology for the United States Patent and Trademark Office. She LOVES working from home every day! She recently traveled to Sorrento and the Amalfi Coast with her partner in October ’10 and had another incredible adventure with best friend Wendy Ploeger to Paris in May ’11. Lori and Wendy had an amazing time in the City of Lights and toasted to their best friend, Deb Thigpen Bailey ’91, who passed away in April ’10 and who they miss so very much. Lori sends hello’s to Ted and Jessica Diller ’88 Graves, Roland McCahan ’89, Wendy Wilson Leatherman, Jennifer Lee ’92, Missy Ridgely Covolesky and all her other great friends from WMC.

Becky Britton Conrad is still thoroughly enjoying teaching after 22 years. She teaches sixth-grade ELA in Hagerstown, Md. Her daughter, Lauren, 5, loves to read, and son Aaron, 2, is on the tail end of recovery from a broken femur. Becky does not recommend a full-body cast for your children in the middle of summer. She enjoys her Facebook friends, including Scott Aaron, Amanda Lauzau, Lisa Brown Arnesen and others.

Melissa Ridgely Covolesky recently arrived at the Army’s Law School in Charlottesville, Va., to get her JLLM in military operational law. She’ll be there until May ’12. Her husband, LTC David Covolesky, is currently in Stuttgart, Germany, on a six-month assignment. Missy was able to visit him in July. Missy’s previous assignment in the Army’s Trial Counsel Assistance Program allowed her to travel frequently, training the 40 trial counsels in the field in places such as Atlanta, Nashville, New Orleans, Hawaii, Ft. Bragg, Ft. Sill, Ft. Hood, Orlando... and that was just in the last six months! She is enjoying the slower pace while back in school, and will likely deploy after graduation in 2012. Missy has her four rescue labs with her until Dave gets back home and she keeps in close touch with Rhonda Mize Sullivan and her old roommate, Linda Needle Plummer ’92. She runs into Jim Weber at nearly every major event in Baltimore and enjoyed our class’ 20-year reunion last year.

Stephanie Embrey recently earned her Ed.D. from Walden University and teaches fifth grade at the local elementary school. She and husband Joe ’92 celebrated 22 years of “wonderful” married life this year. They have three children and spend a lot of time with Amanda Lauzau. Stephanie keeps in touch with McDaniel track and cross country coach Doug ’80 and Linda Marriott ’87 Renner. Joe works with fellow alum Lynn Bordner Beahn ’91.

Dr. John Grimes is still practicing dentistry in Hanoover, Pa. He enjoys playing soccer and traveling to Aruba as much as possible.

Annie Jansen is still married to her wife of 26 years, Laura. He is employed by First Data Corporation as chief operations officer supporting North America Sales where he enjoys what he calls the “dynamic and unique” payments industry. In his spare time, he enjoys cooking: anything from a classic standing rib roast with Yorkshire pudding, to killer smoked BBQ Memphis style. Annie sends his thanks to John Oshl ‘67 for steering him toward banking.

Julie Biddinger Jones says her daughter, Angie, 6, started kindergarten and her son, Derek, 4, will start pre-school. The kids keep Julie and husband Bill busy and smiling. Julie’s step-daughter, Maddie, has begun the college search. After spending many years in college admissions, Julie finds it very differ-
ent being on the parent's side of the search! She continues to see many college friends several times a year, including Shari Barnes Serafin, Debra Rayne Weber, Kim Andrews O'Connor, Ellen Martha McCarthy, Lori Wieder, Trish Koch Ryan, Kathy Murphy Yingling '88, Kathy Eskut Krach and Bev Meganhart Flowers '89.

Julie and former roommate Carol Benzt Boggs have daughters the same age and see each other frequently, heading to Pennsylvania to see Heather Tull Post. Julie sees Diana Little Ross less frequently thanks to the busy schedules of Diana's four daughters. Sandy Metz Bohn '89 and Julie enjoy yearly get-togethers to the zoo, Christmas train garden and meeting up at the beach with their kids. Her mom, Diane Gardner Biddinger '62, will celebrate her 50th reunion next year and also still gets together with her friends from the Hill, and Julie hopes that holds true for her friends as well. Julie stays involved in the college community through the alumni association awards committee. She encourages you to check the program out on the College website and think about nominating someone you know to receive an award.

Mark and Jonelle Leith '92 Jozwiak celebrated their 10th anniversary in June. They live in Baytown, Texas, with their children Wes, 8, and Emily, 5. Jonelle works part time as a physical therapist and Mark teaches health/physical education. He also coaches football, track, and the kids' teams in upward soccer, flag football and basketball. The Jozwiaks spend as many days as possible fishing in Trinity Bay or Galveston Bay. While football season makes it tough to make it back to the Hill in the fall, they did visit the Hill in June while back on the East Coast to visit Jonelle's family and play in Mark's brother's annual golf tournament in West Virginia.

Jeff Little and his wife, Melissa, welcomed their third child, Marilyn, into the world in September '10. Big brother Kanden, 2, and big sister Georgia, 6, are excited about their new sibling as well. Jeff still owns and operates Invisible Fence of Baltimore, now in its 17th year (that's 119 in dog years!)

Mike Mahoney and his wife, Jackie, welcomed a baby girl, Brielle Claire, to their family in January. Quinn, 4, has done a great job of adjusting to the role of big brother.

Things remain busy for Dan '89 and Karen Baldrige Moskowitz, who are living near the 'Sandbar' on Lake Anna, Va. Karen is their church's full-time minister of music, planning worship services and directing choir and praise band. Their children are in the 12th, 9th and third grades, and they wonder how they can already be in the preparing-for-college process! Karen sends love and hugs to her Alpha Nu Omega sisters and alumni, and to her friends from the WMC choir and the class of '89.

Rob Patterson and his sons Robbie, 11, and Owen, 9, remain extremely active, participating in camping, mountain biking, BMX racing, soccer, rock climbing, motorcycling, football, karate, fishing and basketball. He's particularly proud of Robbie, who was the quarterback on the Oregon state runner-up football team with 2,400 rushing yards, 650 passing yards, and 21 touchdowns. Rob has left the hectic life of orthopedic surgery and 80-hour weeks, and is now down to 50-hour weeks in the emergency department and urgent care. It's not as glamorous, but there's a lot less anxiety in the job as well. Rob is the president of his local Pop Warner Football organization, writes grants for a local food distribution facility, provides medical coverage for high school and semi-pro football clubs in the Pacific Football League. He stays in touch with suite mate John Ethman, catching up on how much they've changed and how cool it is to be a parent to fantastic children. Rob invites any classmate who ventures to southern Oregon to reach out to him at orthop444@gmail.com and let him be their host.

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As for me, I continue to enjoy a very busy but very fun life with my husband, Chip, and children Ben, 10, and Liv, 8, in Davidsonville, Md. I am in my 16th year with Booz Allen Hamilton near Ft. Meade, Md. Life is full of football, soccer, wrestling, lacrosse, art, theater, swimming, etc., but we love it. Recent travels have taken us to Dewey Beach, Del.; Ocean Isle, N.C.; San Antonio; Orlando; and Alaska.

For all you Facebook fanatics...I am seeking a partner to help me author future class columns. If you are looking for a way to connect with old classmates and get involved with only a small time commitment, let me know — I could use your help! Feel free to forward updates any time to Robertson_becky@bah.com or to my home address.

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Franko on new HBO show

Watch for Dan Franko ’97 in the role of chief of staff for a senator in a new HBO show titled Veep, in production now and expected to premiere sometime in early 2012.

Veep follows Vice President Selina Meyer, played by comedy actress Julia Louis-Dreyfus of Seinfeld fame. According to Franko, the Armando Iannucci and Simon Blackwell-penned “is hilar- premed. sometime in early lovely Molly — which just premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival. Franko shot his Veep scenes over a couple of days, in a sound stage in Columbia, Md., where they’ve built a replica of the entire wing of the vice president’s offices, and in Baltimore where a hotel doubled as a Senate meeting room.

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The last two years have been big ones for Susan Foreman White’s family. After three years, they finally got the good news in 2010 that she was expecting. Four months of bed rest contributed to a physically challenging pregnancy, but they made it through and welcomed twins on February 10, 2011. George Charles IV (Charlie) and Caroline Grace have been keeping them busy ever since. The family is excited about the upcoming summer and taking the kids cruising on their sailboat around the Chesapeake Bay. Susan has been keeping in touch with Shannon Wyble, Larissa Beaven-Andrighetti, Michelle Zapp Hicks and Stephen Golby Sersen via Facebook.

Amy Sheriff Wiggins and her husband, Darin, moved to a small hobby farm in northern Baltimore County, where they are enjoying growing food and raising animals. They initially lived in a 200-year-old log cabin for eight months while they renovated the main house, though they were fortunate enough to have electricity and running water during that time. Their children Heidi, 10, Sebastian, 8, Hailey, 4, and Nina, 1, love exploring outside and learning a lot in the process. Amy and Darin celebrated their 15th anniversary this year with a trip to Jamaica. She continues to manage customer service for PayPal Credit Operations after her company Bill Me Later was acquired by eBay.

Cara Ditto continues to work as a part-time therapist with victims of domestic and sexual violence as she raises her children, ages 4 and 6. She is thrilled that Jen Light Dotelli ’97 is back in Maryland and that the original S.T.A.Y. group has been getting together more often. It’s great fun to see each other and to watch their kids play together too.

Teaette Louderback-Smith is now the medical director for the new urgent care center, Doctors Express, in Timonium, Md.

Still swimming after all these years, Paul Mativkovic helped his team, AGUA Masters, win the New York State Championship in March. He also won the 200 IM at the 2011 Colonies Zone SCY Championships for the 35-39 age group. Paul is doing private practice in psychoanalytic psychotherapy, and he resides with his wife, Charis, and dog, Charlie, on the upper east side of Manhattan.

Elaine Spiegel Valora and her husband, Michael, welcomed their son, Christopher Eugene Valora, into the world in Nov. 1, 2009.

Josh Foster continues to work with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, ministering to students at McDaniel. This fall will mark the start of his 13th year. He is also responsible for training new Inter-Varsity staff in the region on the subject of fundraising. The group at McDaniel has about 60 students who are a part of the ministry. He loves sending out prayer updates to alumni so they can pray for the ministry. Shoot him an email at joshuahfoster@gmail.com if you want to pray for them! He and his wife Jodie Miller Foster ’99 were blessed last June with their second child, Ella Madeline Foster.

July 2, 2010 was the date that Amy Eggers Smith (finally!) became a mother. She and her husband, Scott Smith ’02 gave their Cairn terrier, Coco, a baby brother, Colton Henri Smith. A “boo-boo” during the C-section resulted in an abdominal wall separation that put her back into the hospital in October ’10 for a complete reconstructive surgery. She couldn’t even lift baby Colton for eight weeks! Amy would like to give special thanks to all of her WMC friends and family who sent numerous care packages during her grueling recovery, including Carolyn Buzanski Heiger ’97, Tasha Berry Christie ’98, Catherine Coakley Bess, Karen Alexander, Thea Balyu ’02 and many others. Amy accepted a new position within the federal government and the family moved into their first single family home in Westminster in the first two months of 2011. In March, they went to Florida to attend the wedding of Danielle Miller. Scott is still a teacher and coach and runs his own landscaping business, “so things are always hopping in Smith Valley!” says Amy.

Karen Beamer Willoughby continues to work as a tax manager at a large health care corporation in Mechanicsburg, Pa. She is active in a local no-kill animal shelter helping stray, abandoned and abused animals. She and her husband, Brian, welcomed a daughter, Kira Dylan Willoughby, on July 23, 2010. Kira joins big brother Logan, 3.

Holly Roback Plank, husband Steve, and big brothers, Jackson and Caleb, were happy to add Gracyn Elizabeth to their family on February 9, 2011. Gracyn made a surprise entrance 10 weeks early, but after six weeks in the NICU, she is healthy and growing. Everyone is adjusting to being a family of five. After 10 years of defense consulting, Holly is enjoying being a stay-at-home mom for a while. She loves catching up with her Phi Mu sisters when their crazy lives allow, and she spent a fun girls’ weekend in NYC last summer with several of them.

Abby Grace Shermeyer was born on Jan. 20, 2011, to Anthony and Amy Laughman Shermeyer.

Chad Albertson lives in Monkton, Md., with his wife, two boys, and daughter Jane, born on Aug. 1, 2010. He was promoted to division manager at Reliable Churchill, a liquor and wine distributor, where he covers a sales team that handles restaurants and bars. Sig Eps Jeremy “Pugs” Osteen, Jeff Masterson ’95 and Aaron Rosen ’95 got together with Chad in April ’11 in Frederick, Md., for some drinks and lots of stories. He also got to hang out with Sandra Ellman Hoyle and fellow Sig Ep Eric Reeves ’95 in southern California when Aaron Rosen got married on the Top Chef Masters reality show in 2009.

2011 marked 17 years of marriage for Cynthia Spack Lourido and husband Alex ’98. They tied the knot in the middle of her junior year, and they are blessed with sons, Alex, 16, and Gabriel, 10. Alex just invented his 16th magic illusion. These illusions are sold online, and David Blaine has performed them on his show! Cynthia keeps in touch with many Phi Alphas, and she recently became the godmother to twins Nathan and Madeleine at the request of Laura John Wroblewski ’94.

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working at Volvo Powertrain in human resources as a labor relations specialist and is responsible for managing their four union contracts. She received her BS in human resources development from McDaniel in December ’10 and walked with the class of 2011. Marcie and Pete stay in touch with her Omega sisters and his Phi Delta brothers as much as possible. She looks forward to seeing her girls at their semi-annual Omega lunch and catching up with everyone!

Cindy Slaughter Neuberger and her husband, Thomas, welcomed their son on June 15, 2011. Big brother Theo is happy to have a new playmate! Cindy has regular play days with her girls at their monthly wine night.

I'm currently a development manager with a telecommunications company in Reston, Va. My wife, Amy Rice Mirra ’97, and I reside in Sterling, Va., with our children Kyle, 6, and Abby, 3.

That’s all for this year’s report. Best wishes to everyone, and make sure that you keep in touch!

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Alyse Hollomon O’Steen is still an Army wife stationed with her husband in Fort Irwin, Calif. She just gave birth to their first child, Liam Patrick O’Steen, on June 16, 2011. They love California and their growing family.

Kristen Leigh Warfield has been continuing her education and is due to graduate from a two-year physician’s assistant program at Touro College, Long Island, N.Y., in September. She expects to work and reside in Maryland with her husband, Kevin M. Jubb ’09. They were married in Tannertown at the Antrim 1844 Inn on April 16, 2011.

Bill Druckenmiller and Rachel Bryant ’06 are getting married August 7, 2011. Bill is teaching in elementary physical education in the Baltimore County Public School System.

1st Lieutenant Gavin Lutz graduated from the prestigious USMC Infantry Officer Course located in Quantico, Va., on June 23 and will be attending the USMC Ground Intelligence Officer Course in Camp Neck, Va., until November. From there he will be stationed with the 4th Marine Regiment in Okinawa, Japan, as a ground intelligence officer and will assume command of a Scout Sniper Platoon likely deploying overseas within the following year. He asks for your continued support of America’s veterans.

2010 has been a busy year for Kayla Wiles Kroon. She started a new job with Graham Capital Company in York, Pa., on Feb. 8; moved into a new house in Hanover, Pa., on June 11; and got married on August 14.

Ceri Miller is an assistant women’s lacrosse coach at Dickinson College right now. “I know, it’s like a sin to be there from McDaniel...at least it’s not F&M!” She is also a personal trainer at the East Shore YMCA in downtown Harrisburg, Pa.

Timothy M. Snyder returned to graduate school just days after his undergraduate years. In December ’10 he graduated from McDaniel’s BEST program with a master’s in art education. During school, he was a graduate assistant for McDaniel’s athletic department, including the cross country and track and field programs. He ran as an underclassman so it was a privilege to work under his former coach. Once he finished graduate school, he was fortunate to land a long-term substitute position at Eldersburg Elementary School in Carroll County. His experiences at this school boosted his ability and confidence as a pending first-year teacher for the upcoming school years. As of a week ago, Timothy was officially hired by Frederick County Public Schools. It’s a split, but full-time position between two elementary schools, one of which happens to be the elementary school he went to. Timothy says, “It will truly be an honor to return to my home town to teach, not to mention step foot in my very own elementary school, this time around as the teacher.” He also plans to continue coaching in the near future. He has experience at both the high school and college levels, and plans to pursue either of these possibilities.

Beth Moran and John Floyd ’06 were married July 9 in Baltimore.

Sarah Coppersmith is teaching first grade at Winfield Elementary in Carroll County. She recently got engaged to Bradley Crawford.

Elissa Well and Christian Miesel got engaged over Easter of this year right before he deployed to Egypt for a year tour. Elissa is currently teaching English for ninth and 11th grades at Glenelg High School in Howard County, Md.

Alexandra “Alex” Neiman is getting married to Gary Marle ’06 on September 1! They are getting married in the outer banks on the beach.

After graduation Kendall M. Bieschke attended Arcadia University for graduate school. In May ’10 she graduated with a master of science in forensic science. She is now working as a biologist for the Department of Defense.

Brenden Hodge recently graduated from the University of Baltimore School of Law in December and passed the Maryland State Bar Exam in February.

Dan Pretz and Kathryn Griepentrog got married this past November.

Christine Friedman Krieger got married on June 12, 2010 to Daniel Krieger ’07. She finished her master’s in women’s history at Sarah Lawrence College last year, and is currently working as the coordinator for student engagement at Goucher College.

Since graduation Chanan Deluvik has really focused her attention on furthering her education and career. Chanan says, “It is great to have a social media site like Facebook because you are able to see what many fellow alums are doing post-graduation. Some are going to school, others are getting married and having children. We all have our own paths to follow, and art is mine.” She attended and graduated from a master of fine arts in new media program at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. She enjoys teaching, all ages in fact, and teaches college-level and Pre-K in the same day sometimes. She has been an adjunct professorial lecturer at GWU and artistic director for a non-profit for a year now, and has continued to teach at two non-profits since moving to D.C. with a third hopefully in the works. She had a solo show, a “porch project,” on May 21 in D.C. alongside a Baltimore-based artist, Shannon Young. “Things are really moving quickly and, I suppose, that is the great thing about graduating and figuring things out!”

Samantha Geller, a member of Phi Sigma Sigma, married Thomas Krieger ‘07, a member of Phi Delta Theta, at a lovely ceremony at The Four Season Hotel in Philadelphia on May 21, 2011. Samantha’s maid of honor was her sister Rebecca Geller ’06 and her two bridesmaids were Alison Kwong and Georgena Kafes, all three of them are members of Phi Sigma Sigma. Also in attendance were Chelsi Ferruzzi ’09, Brittany King, Karyn Curlew, Samantha Nucci ’10, Meredith Orr, Adam Pelta ’07, Tara McKinney ’09, Bill Ross ’07, Tyler Graham ’06, Thomas Drechsler, RJ ’07 and Heather Simon ’06 Seaback. Currently Samantha and Stephen reside in Newtown, Pa. Samantha works in Philadelphia at her family scrap metal recycling company, Morris Iron and Steel, while Stephen commutes to New York City where he is a commodity trader.

Paul Boyd is living in Dallas, Texas. He just completed his first year teaching sixth-grade science, and is playing rugby for the city of Dallas.

Christine Boynton is still writing for Air Transport World and SpeedNews in Silver Spring, Md., was promoted this year to editor, new media. A self-described “burgeoning avgeek,” she covers aviation news for the daily news website, publishes two weekly e-newsletters sent to a combined 66,000-plus subscribers, conducts video interviews with industry leaders, and manages social media outreach on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube. She will travel to Paris in June to cover the Paris Air Show and to Dubai in November to cover the Dubai Air Show. Her first bylined magazine article will appear this fall.

I am living in Rockville, Md., and working as a substance abuse/mental health therapist at a Residential Treatment Center in Virginia.

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Rising Star

Jessica Watson ’05, owner of JW Watson Creative, a graphic design and marketing firm, is getting lots of buzz around Charm City for her high-energy approach to networking. She is a manager for B’More Creative, a networking group for women in the creative profession, and is involved with the Marketing Director’s Support Group. Her most recognized accomplishment has been her role as the driving force behind the “A Day in the Life” Baltimore Design Conference, which welcomes nationally renowned speakers and artists to Baltimore. The first of its kind in Baltimore, this event continues to foster opportunities for growth and collaboration, as well as rejuvenate the creative spirit that thrives in Baltimore. This summer, she co-founded a co-working space in Federal Hill to offer affordable office solutions to other entrepreneurs. Also this summer, she was recognized with the Spirited Women Rising award by Morton’s The Steakhouse and MyCity4Her.com.
First-years Jenn Panek, Annie Krueger, Carly Hamann, Kelsey Madison, Emma Hankins and Jenn Simpson are the ultimate fans.

Green Terror spirit. It was family weekend and I suggested to my friends that we go all out to support McDaniel at the game. I come from a huge high school with 4,000 students near Atlanta, Ga. Football is really big there and we won the state championship my senior year. Doing this kind of thing was a common tradition there.

Of course, it was a lot colder here. That day, it was cold and rainy and gross. We went down near the field and cheered really loud and acted all crazy, running laps around the stadium. It made it a lot more fun than just standing around watching the game. I think the alumni and parents really like us. The upperclass students didn’t seem to know what to make of us but I think they thought we were cool.

We all just met this semester and have become really close friends. Jenn Panek and I run cross-country together and three of us do track. We all go to the gym and work out together, we eat together and we do homework together quite a bit. We have a lot of fun. Maybe we’ll try this during basketball season; it’ll definitely be a lot warmer inside.

— Carly Hamann
Homecoming on Oct. 29 was a most memorable day – and not just because the Green Terror beat Juniata 23-19. Correctly answer the question to the right and be entered into a drawing for a free McDaniel sweatshirt (which came in pretty handy at this year's big game).

Submit answer to Snowtober Trivia, The Hill magazine, 2 College Hill, Westminster, MD 21157. Or e-mail kasch@mcdaniel.edu.

Homecoming 2011 marked:
1. The first time a regular season football game was played under the lights.
2. The first time Tim Keating coached a game in the snow.
3. The semester's first significant snowfall of more than 3 inches.
4. All of the above.
Faculty and students alike are enjoying the ambience, extended hours and Starbucks treats served up at the new café in Hoover Library, thanks to a gift from President Roger Casey and his wife, Robyn Allers, in honor of Casey's parents. Read more campus news starting on page 4.
A professor attempts to keep comic strips relevant

WHAT IS PEANUTS?
A type of legume
Small amounts of cash
Styrofoam Packing

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"Forget about red states and blue states... What is the correct path to take?"

— Jim Cole ’59

The Right Stuff

Regarding your cover story about Frank Kratovil ’90, it sounds like he really has the right stuff to get us out of the polarized diatribe we seem to hear so much today. Let’s talk about the issue(s), not the party. Let’s talk about human rights, the economy, the problems with health care! Forget about red states and blue states, left versus right! What is the correct path to take?

I certainly hope Frank finds the time, resources, and requisite will to run again. We really need more representatives in Congress who take a stand on the issues!

Jim Cole ’59
Derwood, Md.

Keep Politics Out of Magazine

Over the many years since my graduation, I have been impressed with the quality of the writing for The Hill. That changed, however, with the article on Frank Kratovil in the Spring 2011 issue. Kim Asch apparently was upset that Frank lost the race, as apparently was Herb Smith, who called Andy Harris “the Darth Vader of the Republican Party.” Additionally, as a complete insult to the voters of Maryland’s first District, Smith also opines that “Craziness reigned on Nov. 2, at least in that district.” While I agree that Smith has a right to his opinion, and I acknowledge that academia is liberal in its views, I disagree that the alumni magazine is the proper platform for political statements. Those statements belong in a political arena (which, by the way, is not the classroom either).

Additionally, Ms. Asch casts Andy Harris as an extremist in several instances along with insisting that Frank is a middle-of-the-road politician. Apparently, the voters of the district disagreed, and voted Mr. Harris in. They do not think he and his record represent “moderate, common-sense public officials.” Her writing and Smith’s opinions insult anyone in the district who was not a Kratovil supporter. They imply that there simply could not be another valid opinion.

We could have extensive political debates on the issues and Frank’s record, but let’s not do that in the alumni publication. Let’s keep The Hill as news for and from alumni and leave partisan speech and writing out of it.

David Fisher ’67, Nottingham, Md.

Conservative and Proud

We do not know Frank Kratovil. We are sure he is an honorable man, but thank goodness for the Tea Party. His voting against Obama’s healthcare is a plus, but we have to cut all government spending, period! This great country of ours is collapsing before our eyes.

How dare the writer imply that the Right had anything to do with the shooting! It’s strange that she doesn’t mention the angry union mob scenes, which lean to the hard left.

Corporation taxes must be lowered, so that our business climate will improve. This will increase pri-
vate sector jobs, not government jobs. What we don't need are more regulations that restrict the free enterprise system...We would gladly move to Maryland's first congressional district if we thought our vote would keep our conservatives in office!

John T. McKenna '62, Pittsgrove, N.J., and
Don Leneski '61, Virginia Beach, Va.

Remembering Lionel

Congratulations on the superb story about Lionel Lee '52 in the spring issue. I didn't know him very well when we were at WMC. He was busy chasing germs and I was chasing footballs and partying. I got to know him a lot better after he phoned me about 35 years ago to join him in attending homecoming. I told him that I would catch the next one five years later. Using his inscrutable Chinese accent, he said, "Ah so, maybe too late." I chuckled and agreed to join him. And join him I did — to almost every homecoming and lunches and visits at least twice a month for over 35 years.

On one of these trips, we made a visit to George Van Nostrand '53 near Ocean City. George recalled how Lionel used his calligraphy talent when he handed him his Gamma Beta Chi certificate. It drooped off the page in a long, broken column.

As George looked up with a bewildered look on his face, Lionel looked him straight in the eyes and told him: "Name too long." Before George could react further, Lionel gave him a certificate with beautiful calligraphy and everyone had a good laugh. Lionel and I enjoyed many good laughs and deep conversations for many more years. He was more than a good friend; he was more like a soul mate. I miss him very, very much.

Jim Sullivan '52, Cameron Park, Calif.

Samba Says a Lot

It was a pleasure to see the Spring 2011 Hill, with its luminous photo and First Person profile of samba aficionado English professor Becky Carpenter. Many important but often overlooked points were deftly made by Carpenter about lifetime learning, and devoting time for joys, passions and social issues, as well as academics. A great message well presented in support of education for the "whole person." Keep up the good work.

Jeff Whittaker '78, Gambrills, Maryland

Winner of the Pop Quiz

In the Spring 2011 issue, we challenged you to correctly answer seven questions, whose answers could be found within the pages of the magazine. Duane Miller '79 found them all and won the drawing for a McDaniel Sweatshirt.
Hail to the Teach

At the White House ceremony honoring Michelle Meredith Shearer M.S.'96 as 2011 National Teacher of the Year, President Barack Obama praised the AP chemistry teacher, saying, "At a time when our success as a nation depends on our ability to out-educate other countries, we desperately need more Michelles out there."

Shearer, a teacher for 14 years, clearly relishes her role inspiring students from all backgrounds and abilities to embrace the sciences. "Her specialty is taking students who are normally underrepresented in science, such as minorities, women, students with disabilities — even students who say equations and formulas are just not their thing — and helping them discover the scientist within," Obama said.

Fluent in American Sign Language, Shearer earned a master's in deaf education at McDaniel and taught science and math for four years at the Maryland School for the Deaf, where she introduced AP chemistry for the first time. When she arrived at Urbana High School, 11 students were enrolled in AP chemistry; this past year there were 92.

A cum laude graduate of Princeton University, Shearer has many ties to teaching and science. Her husband is an AP physics teacher. Her dad, Philip Meredith '66, earned his Ph.D. in chemistry at Duke and was a DuPont chemist until his retirement several years ago. Shearer's mother, Beverly Meredith, was a music teacher.

After accepting her glass apple, Shearer addressed the audience assembled in the Rose Garden. Her speech prompted much applause, especially from Obama.

"I think I'm going to send her up to Congress to give a pep talk," the president said.
VISIONARIES ARE OUR SOCIETY’S EVOLUTIONARIES. WITHOUT THEIR WILLINGNESS TO BE FOOLS, TO MAKE MISTAKES, TO BE WRONG, FEW NEW ‘RIGHT’ THINGS WOULD EVER BE BIRTHED.

— Honorary degree recipient Rebecca Hoffberger, founder and director of the American Visionary Art Museum (AVAM) in Baltimore

Going to the Mat for Excellence

Brock Glotfelty ’11 has emerged from his four years at McDaniel as a top scholar and athlete who plans to mentor the next generation of high achievers as an elementary school teacher and wrestling coach.

Not only is this heavyweight the winner of the prestigious Bates Prize, given to the most outstanding male graduating senior, but on June 7 he was named to the Capital One Academic All-America College Division At-Large first team — among the highest honors a student-athlete can receive.

The Grantsville, Md., native was named the Centennial Conference Wrestler of the Year as a junior. He was a two-time individual champion at heavyweight and a three-time NCAA championship qualifier, where he earned All-America accolades twice. In 2011, he finished third at heavyweight — the highest finish by a Green Terror wrestler.

Glotfelty is the program’s career wins leader with 126 and he won 14 tournament titles in his four years on the Hill. He was awarded the athletic department’s John Alexander Medal, given annually to the male senior athlete with the best record.

The Green Terror’s 31st Academic All-American is the first athlete to be named to a first team since Tom Lapato earned a first-time honor on the 1998 football team. Glotfelty is the department’s first men’s at-large selection since swimmer Trevor Wysong in 1992.

Graduating with Whit

Nearly four years have passed since Abigail Vickers ’11 as a freshman had the idea to start the Canine Companions for Independence Puppy Club on campus. Since that time, Abigail and five other seniors living together in one of McDaniel’s affinity houses helped raise Kaya and Whit for a nonprofit organization that trains service dogs for people with disabilities.

Kaya, a yellow Lab-golden retriever cross, now lives in Virginia as a Hearing Dog. Kaya helps with simple tasks, such as alerting her person when the phone rings or if someone calls her name. Whit, a black Lab-golden cross, is graduating, too, to go to advanced training.

Raising a service puppy at college can be challenging, but Vickers kept everyone organized and on task. A check-off board was placed in a central location showing Whit’s feeding schedule to ensure that the dog was eating regularly — but not too often.

Training happened constantly. For example, dropped food presented a teachable moment because Whit was not allowed to eat it. He also learned to behave himself by attending several classes, including Organic Chemistry I and Literature by Women II.

Saying goodbye is not easy, Vickers admitted. “It’s tough, but not terrible. I think the best way that I cope is that I continuously think about how much the puppy is helping the person who receives him.”
Newsmakers

• Associate Professor of Psychology Stephanie Madsen received the Ira G. Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award for inspired classroom work and dedication to students. The award provides a $5,000 honorarium for the faculty recipient and a matching fund for ongoing professional and scholarly development. This year’s presentation marks the 50th anniversary of the annual recognition for excellence in teaching.

(Read about Madsen’s innovative teaching on page 12.)

• Professor of Biology Louise Paquin is retiring after 30 years on the Hill. An outstanding teacher with expertise in genetics, human genetics and virus mutations, Paquin has dedicated her career to the personal and professional development of McDaniel students, three of whom received Trustee Alummi Awards in May. After receiving her Ph.D. in Genetics of Higher Organisms from Georgetown University, Paquin completed a postgraduate fellowship at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center and taught at several educational institutions. Paquin joined the faculty as Assistant Professor of Biology in 1980. She was awarded the Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award in 2002 and served as chair of the biology department for more than a decade.

• Paul Moyer will become McDaniel’s new athletic director July 11. He has served as athletic director at Moravian College since 2000 after nearly six years as director of athletics and recreation at St. Mary’s of Maryland, where he earned his B.A. in social sciences and economics. He also formerly worked for the University of Chicago and the Washington Bullets.

• Associate Professor of English Julia Jasken’s efforts to include community-supported education in her students’ learning opportunities earned her the inaugural Faculty Award for Outstanding Service-Learning in the State of Maryland. Sponsored by Maryland Campus Compact, Jasken received a $400 award to be given to the community partner of McDaniel’s choice.

Ask the Expert

Should public broadcasting continue to receive federal funding?

Deb Vance, Associate Professor of Communication, whose blog, “Media Fingers,” explores and critiques news and popular culture.

Absolutely yes.

When people worry about public broadcasting say, “Oh no! the government’s going to tell us what to think,” they generally don’t consider the kind of censorship and bias in corporate-sponsored media. The business of television is to sell eyeballs to advertisers; its primary agenda is to appeal to viewers, which is why it’s dominated by sexy or violent high-impact visuals. The idea that news has to be entertaining is not in the best interest of citizens who need information in order to self-govern; it’s in the interest of people who are trying to sell their product to you as a consumer.

When citizen broadcasters began crowding the airwaves in the 1920s, Congress was compelled to regulate, and their regulations were written to the specifications of the fledgling commercial interests. By the end of the decade the networks had moved in and figured out how they could make money by consolidating ownership and selling advertising across all of their stations, guaranteeing high levels of viewership.

There was a lot of opposition and anger by the public, who resisted corporatizing the airwaves. The Communications Act of 1934 established that every radio and TV licensee would be required to operate its station in the “public interest, convenience and necessity.” News used to be regarded as public-service programming that would fulfill this need.

But in 1980, under President Ronald Reagan, the FCC quit enforcing the regulations. Since then, commercial broadcasting has perverted the idea of public interest. What they say is, “Well, this is what the public is interested in.” It’s kind of like saying, “Oh, you number of books inmates at Carroll County Detention Center will have to choose from to read on video to their children, thanks to the book drive organized by social work students. The collection includes beloved titles like Curious George, Green Eggs and Ham and professor Mona Kerby’s Owney the Mail Pouch Pooch.
like chocolate cake and ice cream and so that's what we'll have. I won't give you what I know is good for you."

I think a lot of the network content is increasingly useless information, like Oprah goes to Australia or it's Bob Dylan's birthday. News about movie stars and other celebrities is just not relevant and it's distracting us from grappling with the problems we have to solve. All kinds of important stories just don't make it onto the networks because they're deemed too boring. In my classes, I talk about when Orange County, Calif., formerly one of the wealthiest counties in the nation, went bankrupt in 1994 because no one knew anything about the finances of the county.

Public broadcasting is like any public resource, like a library or a school or a fire department — it's not answerable to corporations. So the news can be presented in a deeper, more thoughtful way without regard to whether it will capture the attention of a large slice of 18- to 24-year-olds, the demographic most coveted by advertisers. If we truly believe in governing ourselves, then we need information — and knowing about Lindsay Lohan isn't going to do it.

Our taxpayer dollars, which contribute just 15 percent of public broadcasting's operating budget, are well spent on this effort. It's the same amount the government gives to marching bands.

Jennifer Garnett is the first recipient of the Law Award, named in honor of Professor of Economics Emeritus Alton Law, to be given annually to the top senior economics student. Law taught economics for 34 years until his retirement in 2000.

$5,000
Freeman-Asia Award won by junior Hayoung Kim, a political science and international studies major, to study in China with the IES Abroad "Contemporary Issues in China" program. Senior Julia Pitt, a philosophy major, received a $2,000 scholarship from College Year in Athens to study with its program there.

4,000
Miles history major Chris Bolesla will cover over a two-month-long cross-country bike ride from Baltimore to San Francisco to raise money for cancer. Afterward, he plans to go to grad school and eventually teach.

2001
Class year of Dan D'Agostino who visited Don Lavin's marketing class this spring to get ideas from students about marketing his Go Ape adventure course in Rockville, Md., which caters to the inner Tarzan in all of us.
Billy Collins
Poet of the People

U.S. Poet Laureate from 2001-2003, Billy Collins' work has been praised for the way it lures readers in with humor before leading them to deeper, serious, often profound places. He is the author of eight collections of poetry and his last three published collections broke sales records. A Distinguished Professor of English at Lehman College of the City University of New York and a Senior Distinguished Fellow of the Winter Park Institute at Rollins College, Collins visited with students and gave a reading May 4 in Alumni Hall in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the annual B. Christopher Bothe Poetry Lecture.

McDaniel's warm impression
It's hard to think of a more enthusiastic welcome I've ever gotten from a group of college students. They had signs up all over campus welcoming me and a bunch of them were standing up in the middle of the reading and cheering. They were bubbling over with enthusiasm for poetry.

Please laugh at my readings
I'll try to read a poem early on that is more humorous than most, that's palpably designed to amuse. And once the audience busts into laughter, that sense of being in church is broken, and it's OK to laugh, OK to applaud and OK to enjoy yourself.

Why humor is serious
I really take exception when people say I'm a stand-up comic. I consider poetry to be more ancient and superior to stand-up comedy. Getting someone to laugh is quite a power in a way because anyone can pretend to be serious, but you can't pretend to be funny. I think the kind of disparaging view that people still hold toward humor in poetry as being a sign of intellectual lightness or lack of depth can be challenged by pointing out that humor has an undeniably authentic quality.

The sound of silence
When I'm composing a poem, the last thing on my mind is delivering it in front of an audience. I really write silently for the page. I can hear the poem in my head, and I write with my ear as well, but I don't have to say it out loud to myself to hear it. The head is an acoustic space.

I was weaned on verse
My late mother, who was born in 1901, memorized as a schoolgirl hundreds and hundreds of lines of poetry and so all during my growing up I heard poetry; poetry was part of our conversation.

Try memorizing a line or two
I always have my students memorize poetry. They groan they don't want to do it because it takes concentration and time. But once you carry a poem around with you or keep one in your car and memorize a sonnet, you can't wait to get up and say it. It becomes a pleasure only after one gets over the idea of it being a task.

Fame surprised me
I had very low hopes, as I think most poets do, and for good reason. Most books of poems sell about 1,000 copies. Before I had a book published, I thought, if only I could sell 1,000 copies of a book, imagine that, a thousand people out there would read me — hundreds and hundreds. Just to get a book published would be an end in itself. So, all this has been a kind of lucky accident.
I owe a lot to NPR

If I'm enjoying some popularity, it's essentially NPR that caused it. Most of us, when we give a poetry reading, we read to a dozen people. I gave a reading in Ireland where four people showed up — and one of them was my wife. But with NPR you read to 2 to 4 million people, and these people are book-buying, college-educated, literate people who will go onto Amazon and buy your book and talk to other people about it.

First lines don't come easy

The first line of a poem is the serious point of insertion; it establishes the tone. It's like pushing off from a dock in a canoe. Once you have that first push, you're off. I don't know any techniques for getting that first line. If I knew some I'd probably write more.

From bad writing to good

Often I'll work on a poem for hours and hours and it's a total failure and it's going to end up in the wastebasket. But out of it, that same day, this other poem will occur to me that comes out quite quickly, in like 20 minutes. It has nothing to do with the first poem, but I know if that first poem hadn't put me in the mood of writing, that good poem wouldn't have emerged.

Don't follow in my footsteps

I've been walking backwards all my life erasing my footsteps with a large branch. I wouldn't advise a career in poetry. Wallace Stevens was an insurance executive, T.S. Eliot worked at a bank, William Carlos Williams was a pediatrician.

My persona, myself

I've been working on my persona for many years. You can read all my poems and you wouldn't know too much about me — you wouldn't know what my religion was, where I went to school, if I was married, if I had children, how I vote. That's because I'm not interested in talking about those things; I'm really interested in presenting a certain sensibility, which is embodied in this persona. He's a refinement of who I am. He's a better person. He's a very speculative fellow who tends to look out the window a lot.

The Lanyard

The other day I was ricocheting slowly off the blue walls of this room, moving as if underwater from typewriter to piano from bookshelf to an envelope lying on the floor, when I found myself in the L section of the dictionary where my eyes fell upon the word lanyard.

No cookie nibbled by a French novelist could send one into the past more suddenly—a past where I sat at a workbench at a camp by a deep Adirondack lake learning how to braid long thin plastic strips into a lanyard, a gift for my mother.

I had never seen anyone use a lanyard or wear one, if that's what you did with them, but that did not keep me from crossing strand over strand again and again until I had made a boxy red and white lanyard for my mother.

She gave me life and milk from her breasts, and I gave her a lanyard.

She nursed me in many a sick room, lifted spoons of medicine to my lips, laid cold face-cloths on my forehead, and then led me out into the airy light and taught me to walk and swim, and I, in turn, presented her with a lanyard.

Here are thousands of meals, she said, and here is clothing and a good education. And here is your lanyard, I replied, which I made with a little help from a counselor.

Here is a breathing body and a beating heart, strong legs, bones and teeth, and two clear eyes to read the world, she whispered and here, I said, is the lanyard I made at camp.

And here, I wish to say to her now, is a smaller gift—not the worn truth that you can never repay your mother, but the rueful admission that when she took the two-tone lanyard from my hand, I was as sure as a boy could be that this useless, worthless thing I wove out of boredom would be enough to make us even.
Colorful Characters
Chameleons-in-residence are a popular draw for student caretakers like Amanda Burke ’11 and a research focus for Associate Professor of Biology Randy Morrison, who points out that lizards change color not as camouflage but as a means of communication.
Students Learn to “Give Psychology Away”

BY KIM ASCH

Associate Professor of Psychology Stephanie Madsen has graded a lot of research papers over the course of her career. She is usually impressed with the level of analysis her students demonstrate, and is confident that conducting a literature review and synthesizing their findings in writing is a valuable learning experience.

“But I also have found it a bit frustrating to write my comments, hand back the paper and then know that that is as far as that information is likely to go,” said Madsen, who was recognized this year with the prestigious Ira G. Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award. “I know my students take pride in their work and their learning, and it seems a shame to limit it to an audience of one.”

Madsen, who is the author of 25 scholarly publications and whose work has been covered by the popular press, including The Wall Street Journal and NPR, takes inspiration from former American Psychological Association President George Miller. Way back in 1969, he shocked colleagues when he told them it was time to stop talking only to other psychologists and keeping research findings to themselves. “He said it was time to start ‘giving psychology away,’” Madsen explained. “I love this idea.”

And so, for the spring section of her upper-level Adolescent Development course, Madsen decided to make her students’ learning experience more meaningful by asking them to “give psychology away.” For their semester-long project, they would take what they learned during regular classroom meetings and share it with members of the community who could benefit from it most. She also knew from research findings that students’ participation in experiential education would deepen their own understanding of the material.

The first order of business was to identify service-learning opportunities in the community. McDaniel’s Center for Community Outreach and Service helped Madsen connect with organizations whose missions impact youth, including the Boys and Girls Club of Westminster, Voices for Children of Carroll County and Higher Learning, Inc., a program dedicated to providing active educational enrichment for underserved youth founded by former sociology professor Roxanna Harlow.

Each was eager to sign on. “With students to help, we can accomplish tasks that we otherwise wouldn’t be able to do or would have had to do on our own,” Harlow said.

Madsen was wary of requiring all her students to work directly with adolescents, knowing that some might not be comfortable or that they might have scheduling conflicts with other classes, sports or jobs. So she chose a variety of projects, some that directly...
serve adolescents and some that support community organizations that serve youth.

"I was really struck by how much these organizations were trying to accomplish with so little," Madsen recalled. "In order to get grants to support their good work, they need people to gather the current literature for them; they need assessment plans for their programs to demonstrate they're making a real contribution; they need programming created and updated that would be appropriate for teenagers."

Over the course of the semester, 20 students contributed more than 650 hours to six local nonprofits.

At the Boys & Girls Club, located on the edge of campus on Union Street, five students reported every Tuesday afternoon to present the "Goals for Graduation" program while updating the material to make it more interesting. By one afternoon at the end of April, the group had developed an easy rapport with the half-dozen 11- and 12-year-olds and made many connections between their classroom readings and real-life situations.

Liesl Parrish '11 said, "We just started talking about the dating thing. They've already started pairing up." Britany Miley '12 noticed cliques forming, "something I read about all the time." Mike Mandel '11 observed, "They're starting with the attitude."

Tim Connors '12 agreed, "They sass to anybody."

Still, Connors continued, "I really like working with the kids and interacting. It's so hard to truly understand what we're talking about in class just based on personal memories of adolescence. It's much easier if we can observe it first-hand."

When Connors gave the youngsters an assignment to make a list of all the changes they would make if they were class president, one declared, "I don't want to do this. I don't want to be class president. That's stupid — no offense."

Connors stayed calm. "That hurts me," he joked. "I said, 'No offense,'" the girl replied.

"All right," Connors said, "if you don't want to be class president, then be principal of the whole school."

What would you change?"

That struck a chord, and the other kids decided to be the principal too. Their reforms ran the gamut from increasing the recess period to banning kissing and Pittsburgh Steelers jerseys.

One boy named Kyle proposed a field trip to Disney World so he could learn about the engineering behind all of the rides. "There actually is a tour like that," Parrish told him. "At McDaniel?" he asked. "Yes, it's a Jan Term trip," Parrish said.

Sean Davis, Boys & Girls Club program director, says McDaniel's involvement with his kids is invaluable and helps them envision themselves at college in the future. In November, the College formed an official partnership with the club, which brings increased volunteer opportunities and access to college facilities and events. A newly opened fence and stairway along the border between the two properties signals this collaboration.

"The Adolescent Development students have done a great job building relationships and have made an immediate impact on our members," Davis said, noting that another of Madsen's students researched and developed a new financial literacy program that will be used by the club in the future and another has made a year-long commitment to mentor a teen at the club.

While all of Madsen's students expressed their enthusiasm for their service-learning experiences, Heather Yale's final reflection about her research work for Higher Learning was especially profound. Coming from a disadvantaged background, she said she already understood the power of education as "my only way out of being poor or working a million times harder than the average person just to get by."

For that reason, she said, the project meant more than a final grade. "This one was partly for me, and mostly for the disadvantaged youth out there who can possibly benefit from what I've done. I don't think there is anything cooler or more amazing than that."
Inauguration

On April 16, with banners flying and in the proudest traditions of the academy, the McDaniel family and its extended community came together to formally install Dr. Roger Casey as the College’s ninth president.

It was the culmination of an exciting week of panel discussions, plays, concerts and feasts celebrating the themes and traditions that define who we are: the liberal arts and sciences, diversity, global citizenship, commitment to service, and especially the accomplishments of our students.

Despite a pouring rain that doused plans for a colorful cross-campus procession of regalia-clad representatives from colleges and universities around the nation, the day was full of joy, hope and, of course, McSwagger, Casey’s newly coined and quickly catching term for our own brand of institutional pride.

Trustees, alumni, faculty, staff and student leaders brought official greetings to the president, who has already distinguished himself since taking the helm July 1, 2010.
The McDaniel College Choir got everybody clapping.

"We proudly launch the official opening of the 'Casey Years.' We delight in the investment of President Casey in a role that seems to have been made for him. And most of all, today, we celebrate outstanding leadership, and the promise of future distinctions for our College," trustee Mary Lynn Durham '70 told the crowd who gathered in Gill and the hundreds of others who watched via live streaming on their computers.

Kwei Maduot-Perek '12 said: "This family is joined together today with one voice, calling from as far as Sudan to Maryland, Zimbabwe to Texas, Belgium to New Mexico. We come together in the diverse richness of our voices in different languages to proudly say: President Casey, we the students of McDaniel College welcome you."

"Lead on, Dr. Rog — we're ready to go!" said Alumni Association president Sally Stanfield on behalf of approximately 30,000 alumni whose lives have been changed on the Hill since 1867.

Casey, freshly adorned with the presidential medallion, applauded President Emerita Joan Develin Coley for building "a superb foundation upon which to build our bright future" and "for making us McDaniel College" during her tenure. He thanked distinguished visitors and all college constituents, most especially students.

"I stand before you as a prime example illustrating how colleges such as ours enable a first-generation college student from a rural Southern town to become a global citizen and leader of one of America's top-ranked liberal arts colleges. College can change your life. I will testify," he said.

Casey explained that wisdom from the Akan people of West Africa and the Dalai Lama inspired him to seek guidance from the College's past as he set out to define his vision for McDaniel's future: "Se wo were fi na wasan kofa a yenki. "It is not forbidden to go back and fetch what you forgot." Or, as the Dalai Lama has said: "A tree does not grow apart from its own roots."

In the spirit of san kofa, Casey recalled an image from McDaniel's roots: September 6, 1866, a few months after a war that devastated families north and south of a nearby imaginary line called the Mason-Dixon. That afternoon, also at 2:30, a crowd of over 1,000 processes from the Western Maryland Railroad terminal in Westminster up Main Street to a promontory named College Hill. After standing through four long speeches punctuated by four hymns, a new college president, James Thomas Ward, addresses the outdoor gathering.

"Today, I stand here on the Hill 145 years later to charge us never to be content until we realize the vision our founders imagined. As is our college's motto, e tenebris in lucem voco, we have been called out of darkness into light. That is the mission of education, the mission of the liberal arts, the mission of Western Maryland College, the mission of McDaniel."

Casey evoked the metaphorical image of destiny, the shining city upon a hill, first articulated in 1630 by Puritan minister John Winthrop, who after months at sea cramped onboard the Arbella, preached to his fellow Massachusetts Bay colonists from the Sermon on the Mount: "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden." In 1961, President-Elect John F. Kennedy cited the metaphor to inspire Americans, as did President Ronald Reagan two decades later.

A community clean-up day during Inauguration Week celebrated President Casey's commitment to service.
"As a first-generation student, I’ve tried to take courses in everything my family never had the opportunity to learn. I call this: embracing my brand of crazy.”  —Sarah Miller ’12, speaking at a panel discussion on the meaning of a liberal arts education

“Today, I fearlessly and boldly claim that McDaniel is, as Rev. James Reese observed on our founding, a Shining College Upon a Hill,” Casey said. “Thus, as educational pilgrims, sojourners on the voyage of learning and carried by a ship named Artes Liberalis, we must progress. Spirited by the charge of Kennedy and Reagan, I call on us to renew our determination, our courage, and our strength. E tenebris in lucem voco. As the gospel choir might translate: ‘This little light of mine; I’m gonna let it shine.’”

It is time, Casey said, for McDaniel “to shine in all its brilliance above the plain of American higher education.”

Casey said this will be accomplished not by championing the liberal arts of the past, but rather by modeling a liberal arts for the future. “I want McDaniel to be synonymous with educational imagination that reinvents rather than merely preserves the liberal arts,” he said. “Keeping one foot firmly planted in the continuity of our liberal-arts heritage, I challenge us to throw away the shoe on the other foot with great regularity, constantly renewing ourselves in recognition of the only constant of which we can be certain: change.”

McDaniel will build on its strengths, but not rely on them, Casey said, pointing out that he is following sage advice issued by Middle States accreditors in 1973: “Our strongest foundation for this building is that we are a community of imaginative and diverse liberal artists and scientists personally involved in the lives of our students, not just for four years, but for 40,” he added. “We can build an exemplary future on this personal commitment to students as our prime directive.”

Here are highlights of his top priorities:

• The McDaniel Guarantee: To help distinguish the McDaniel Advantage, I have condensed the most prevalent words and concepts of our First Principles, strategic plan, McDaniel Plan and admissions literature into a single powerful sentence that proffers a simple vision.

To wit: “McDaniel College, a personally involved community of imaginative and diverse liberal artists and scientists, connects flexibly designed learning plans to global opportunities for engagement so graduates can successfully lead socially responsible lives and build a sustainable world.”

I want us to guarantee that every single student who enrolls at McDaniel can effectively state this sentence as a promise. I see these critical elements interplaying in a well-articulated, strategic union that will make the McDaniel Experience truly distinctive.

Our faculty’s visionary McDaniel Plan is a flexible, personalizable curriculum, not a typical choose-one-from-the-following general-education approach. Too often, college students describe requirements as things they “get out of the way.” “I got my foreign language out of the way.” “I am getting my math out of the way.” The only thing I want McDaniel students getting out of the way are hurdles preventing them from attaining their educational goals.

• More intensive mentoring: I want us to expand the inherent possibilities in the structure of The Plan to the level of a guaranteed promise for all students. First, we must ensure that all advising is more than a signatory process for course registration. Perhaps we can even supplant the nomenclature of advising with that of mentoring. Students should have an academic advisor but also need an entire team of mentors with whom they consult to design their plan. This team might include the traditional academic advisor, other mentors from one’s majors and minors, student affairs personnel, a senior, perhaps a coach: an entire network supporting a student to design a plan for his
"We know the importance of hard work and pride for our hard work — or as you so often say, ‘McDaniel Swagger.’ Today is a day to swagger.” — Kwei Maduo-Parek ’12, speaking on behalf of students

or her future success. I see every graduate student also being made this same promise. Every student should walk out of a meeting with mentors carrying a road map of possible pathways, not just for the term, but for their degree. This road map would not be an intractable checklist, but rather a flexibly designed learning plan combining courses and extracurricular experiences designed to achieve a personal educational goal.

* Personally designed degrees: To really be bold: can’t we promise every student an individually designed major and minor? In truth, isn’t every McDaniel degree already a personally designed degree? But we don’t now conceptualize it that way; we don’t explain it to students that way; and perhaps most importantly, we don’t market it that way. Such a promise does not mean that a student can avoid courses deemed necessary requirements; rather, it means embedding those courses within a context of curricular choices uniquely tailored to the articulated requirements of the student — not the articulated requirements of the department. Make the student the center. This is our first First Principle, after all. This reconceived plan — let’s now call it My McDaniel Plan, not The McDaniel Plan — could then be mapped in a student-designed electronic portfolio, a digital academic fingerprint.

* Global opportunities for engagement: "My McDaniel Plan" would anchor The McDaniel Experience but would be enhanced by a second powerful ingredient: global opportunities for engagement. Already, McDaniel has numerous offices and centers providing myriad out-of-class experiential opportunities, for example: community outreach, service learning, career services, internships, international programs, undergraduate research, post-graduate fellowships, pre-professional studies. These individual areas each add significant value to the curriculum, yet they operate largely in isolation without comprehensive interconnected relationships to academic departments and programs.

Why not pool these individual units into a single commons that engages in-class learning with significant real-world experiences? Geometry, one of the original liberal arts, tells us that a circle has only one center; therefore, I call for the dissolution of these many offices into the creation of one: a McDaniel Center for Experience and Opportunity, titled The CEO.

* The CEO Defined: The Center for Experience and Opportunity would become a one-stop shop staffed with mentors cross-trained in the various experiential opportunities available for students seeking to connect — the operative word — the classroom with the world outside. The CEO would serve the needs of every student and academic department, not just those who walk in the door.

Imagine a student visiting The CEO with the goal of becoming a veterinarian. Her CEO mentor might connect her to an internship at a local clinic, service learning with the Humane Society, work/study in the psychology rat lab, study abroad in a Namibia project for the big cats or a biology professor doing undergraduate research on bird diseases. In sum: the combination of a flexibly designed My McDaniel Plan connected to opportunities for engagement housed in The CEO would offer students a McDaniel Experience distinctive in American higher education. To my knowledge, no other college has conceptualized and publicized its co-curricular components in such an integrated way, because very few colleges have a flexible curriculum like that of The McDaniel Plan on which to build the academic base. If successful, our answer to the important question: "What is distinctive about a McDaniel education?" would be clear: The McDaniel Experience connects a flexibly designed learning plan with global opportunities for engagement guaranteed for every student through strategically integrated mentoring and real-world involvement.

President Casey
**Campus improvements:** We will continue significant renovations to our residence halls and our campus center. McDaniel students should be made uncomfortable because of challenging academic material, not uncomfortable because of their living and social conditions. I include here access to the latest technology. Anything that can be automated, placed online, or accessed through a hand-held device should be. While never abandoning the importance of personal relationships in our service model, we must realize for this generation and the one soon arriving, personalized means hand-held, not handholding.

We must also recognize the paramount importance of first impressions for recruiting students and thus continue to beautify the campus, create more inviting indoor and outdoor common areas, enact sustainable and eco-friendly practices throughout, upgrade our roadways and parking, increase the visibility of signage and way-finding, and in our virtual world, completely overhaul our presence on the Web, with an eye toward hand-held devices as the instruments for access, not computers. We will also continue to strengthen and highlight our athletic program, recognizing that winning traditions build institutional support, strengthen brand identity and attract scholar-athletes.

**Global Studies:** Within the curriculum, I call for new or renewed focus in several areas: first among them, global studies, a commitment reaching back to our beginnings. Did you know that this year marks the 110th anniversary of a trip taken around the world by our second president, Thomas Hamilton Lewis, or that a Japanese student, Misao Tsune Hirata, graduated here in 1890? Earlier this year, Provost Tom Falkner and I shared a model for a repurposed McDaniel Europe, which is being launched as we speak. If McDaniel Europe prospers, why not McDaniel Asia, McDaniel Africa, McDaniel Latin America? At McDaniel Westminster, we must infuse the curriculum with global issues. We already possess a remarkably international faculty suited for this task. Can we launch an umbrella Global Studies major, for example, with possible concentrations in areas such as the Middle East, Asia, global media or global business?

**MC in D.C.:** An ideal laboratory for global and domestic issues lies nearby: Washington. I call on faculty to develop new academic programs in D.C. A so-called MC in DC could be designed as a study-abroad site for a semester-long program or as a learning community of students sharing common courses in Westminster who travel to D.C. together each week or as a January Term, our minisemester dramatically underutilized at present.

**Resident learning communities:** McDaniel should develop more learning communities in our refurbished residence halls, particularly in tandem with our first-year and sophomore interdisciplinary seminars. Perhaps faculty could be enticed to lead such residential communities were we to rededicate some of our housing stock on Pennsylvania Avenue and offer faculty housing in exchange for an expanded role as a master learner of the community. As a 24/7 resident of The Hill, I can attest how easy it is to become engaged in the life of students when the commute is two minutes on foot.

**Celebrate scholarship:** To highlight faculty and student-collaborative research and teaching, I announce today the creation of the President and Provost's Day of Scholarship, an annual symposium to celebrate the best research at McDaniel.

To facilitate implementation of the initiatives I have outlined, I am pleased today to announce that the Mellon Foundation has awarded McDaniel a $100,000 presidential initiative grant. I intend to raise and match this gift with an additional $150,000 for a total of at least a quarter-million dollars to seed our entrepreneurial imaginations as liberal artists and scientists so we can implement these distinctive elements of the McDaniel Experience and achieve the aspirational and perspirational vision of being a global leader of The Liberal Arts College Movement.
BUT SERIOUSLY, FOLKS...

Professor Robert Lemieux mounts an exhibition that goes way beyond laughs

By Kim Asch

Professor Robert Lemieux's quest to educate students and the wider public about the cultural and historical relevance of newspaper comic strips was inspired by a Charlie Brown-style moment he experienced in 2004 while teaching his Relational Communication course.

Attempting to be creative with a question on the final exam, he included five panels of a Sunday Peanuts strip, with the last panel left blank. The undergraduates were instructed to complete the strip, using what they knew about the idiosyncratic personalities and relational history of the two characters depicted. Lemieux expected his students to draw upon their insights into Lucy's
tenacity and tendency toward violence and Linus’ soft-spoken intelligence to figure out a good punch line.

But there was just one problem. “About halfway through the exam, a hand goes up and the student says to me: ‘I don’t really know these two people,’” Lemieux recalls, still incredulous. “At first, my ‘b.s. meter’ went to the far right, because I thought my student was just trying to get out of this exam question.”

Then, another student across the aisle chimed in: “I don’t really know them either.”

Oh, good grief! Lemieux realized that, when it came to the Millennial Generation, Peanuts was no longer a common cultural touchstone. This was no laughing matter: “Charlie Brown, Snoopy and the whole cast of characters are an internationally famous American icon that every liberally educated person should know about,” he contends.

Lemieux, associate professor of communication and cinema, was a lifelong fan of comic strips but had never undertaken a serious academic study of them. He started researching the history of newspaper comics and their role in American life dating all the way back to the 1890s. This research resulted in a popular First Year Seminar called Comic Strips and the Communication of Culture, which debuted in 2006.

More recently, Lemieux’s passion has evolved into a major exhibition to be held in Peterson Hall’s Rice Gallery this fall. “Kings of the Pages: Comic strips & Culture 1895-1950,” runs Wednesday, Oct. 19 through Saturday, Nov. 19 and represents the culmination of two years of serious work by Lemieux. He assembled the show with pieces on loan from the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and Museum at Ohio State University. He helped secure a portion of the funding for the show through grants totaling $9,000 from the Carroll County Arts Council, the Abbe Family Trust and the National Communication Association. (He’s still waiting for word about a couple of others.) And, he realized a high-impact exhibition design by collaborating with graduate students at the Corcoran College of Art + Design in Washington, D.C.

“Even though these works will tickle your funny bone, the exhibition isn’t just about showing up and reading comics — you can do that in your living room,” says Lemieux. “This show will elucidate their social, cultural and historical significance, which over the past half-century has been pushed into the shadows.”

Like many baby boomers, Lemieux grew up reading the funny pages every week. He remembers sitting in his rural Oklahoma home, poring over Andy Capp and The Wizard of Id. Lemieux, 50, still loves to look at comic strips. Guests at his downtown Westminster home on a Sunday usually find themselves participating in a weekly ritual he shares with his wife, Debbie.

“We all sit around reading the newspaper and then, later in the afternoon, you have to name your top three comics of the day and why. It creates a lot of discussion and sometimes a good amount of ribbing,” he says, grinning.
Lemieux decided to visit the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and Museum in Columbus, Ohio, while developing his First Year Seminar. Named for the self-taught cartoonist whose editorial cartoons and Sunday feature The Passing Show enjoyed a national readership in the early 1900s, the library boasts what may be the nation's largest special collection of original comic-strip art. Lemieux says you don't have to be a fanatic to experience a certain rush when you don the white gloves and are given permission to hold the actual drawings in your hand.

"When you look at them in the newspaper, they're the size of a strip of bacon. But when they come off the artist's desk, they're the size of a small poster," he explains. "And then, you see Charles Schultz's signature, or the really old stuff that's just fabulous in terms of its complex artistry, and it's so impressive."

Enthralled, Lemieux studied a couple dozen comic strips. There was Hogan's Alley featuring the Yellow Kid, the first character to appear in color in 1896. The cartoon, created by Richard Outcault, was set in an immigrant slum and used humor to illuminate the harsh realities of urban life. But the squalor it depicted appalled many middle-class readers. They favored Outcault's subsequent strip, Buster Brown, with characters that were more affluent and later became the symbols for the Buster Brown shoe company.

There was Little Nemo in Sumberland, among the most beautifully illustrated comics; it lasted less than a decade but is still highly regarded for its Art Nouveau style and use of dream psychology, considered sophisticated for its time.
**Comic Strips Up Close**


A speaker series featuring show-and-tell conversations with current cartoonists in McDaniel Lounge will complement the show:

- **Oct. 19:** Brian Walker, creator of Beetle Bailey and Hi & Lois.
- **Oct. 26:** Harry Bliss, New Yorker cartoonist and creator of the self-titled, syndicated cartoon Bliss.
- **Nov. 8:** Kevin Kallaugher, internationally known political cartoonist.

For gallery hours and event information, call 410/857-2290 or go to mcdaniel.edu/comicsart

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**Krazy Kat,** probably the most universally revered strip among cartoonists and critics and selected to adorn a U.S. postage stamp, ran from 1913 to 1944 but was never a huge commercial success. The storyline is absurdly tragic: Krazy is completely in love with Ignatz the Mouse, however Ignatz's sole passion is to crease Krazy's skull with a brick. Krazy accepts this as a token of affection. Meanwhile Offissa Pup, in love with Krazy, prepares to jail the mouse at the slightest provocation.

Early 1930 incarnations of Blondie, originally a glamorous, ditzy flapper, look nothing like the strips still in publication today. "Blondie was really sort of Paris Hilton without the drug arrests and the Chihuahua," says Lemieux.

Once the Depression was underway, readers got fed up with her antics and the strip was cancelled by William Randolph Hearst's New York American. To revive the strip, creator Murat "Chic" Young decided to have Blondie fall in love and marry one of her boyfriends. Dagwood would come from a billionaire family and get disinherited for marrying Blondie, condemning the couple to the drudgery of middle-class life. "Their wedding of 1933 is one of the biggest events of the year, played out in the newspaper," Lemieux says. "Here you have a flapper marrying into extreme wealth — it's a commentary on social class. Even though they're not real people, they're just characters, they were extremely popular."

Time stood still and then rewound for Lemieux in that special collections room. There was Thimble Theatre, the strip in which Popeye the Sailor first appeared as an incidental character but quickly won over readers with his crude compassion and became a Depression-era hero. There were World War II-era comics, like Sad Sack (the military term for a loser) and Male Call. There were the first adventure strips, Buck Rogers and Flash Gordon. And, of course, there was Peanuts, with its minimalist artwork and highly articulated emotional presentation.

Narrowing the choices for the exhibition down to a manageable 28 was taxing; each and every artifact had so much to teach about the era it reflected. Lemieux attempted to pick the pieces that were the most visually appealing and entertaining and that offered the best cultural commentary. He's pretty sure he was successful.

"The quality of this exhibition certainly has gotten our attention," says Sandy Oxx, executive director of the Carroll County Arts Council. "Comics are a wonderful art form. These creators not only have to be excellent artists, they have to be storytellers. And their pictures make their point more quickly than words alone."
Reflecting praise for his efforts with the self-deprecat ing explanation that “the idea sells itself,” Lemieux says that just about everybody he has approached for help with the show has responded with enthusiasm — none more so than the Exhibition Design Studio II class at the Corcoran. Last summer, Lemieux drove to Washington to pitch the collaboration to the instructors, who are both heavy hitters in the world of exhibition design on staff at the National Gallery of Art: Mark Leirhauser is chief of design and Donna Kirk is senior architect. In December, the pair visited campus to check out Rice Gallery; they liked what they saw and agreed to add design of Lemieux’s comic-strip exhibition to the syllabus for the spring semester.

In February, a dozen graduate students came to the Hill to conduct a site visit, photographing and measuring every inch of the exhibition space. Lemieux, meanwhile, was a frequent visitor to their Georgetown classroom, providing a DVD of artwork, blueprints of Rice Gallery and, for context, a PowerPoint presentation that condensed material covered in his First Year Seminar. In March, students presented digital mock-ups depicting their vision for the exhibition, complete with color schemes, type and graphic treatments.

Finally, on a Tuesday evening in May, Lemieux arrived for the last class meeting to reveal which design he’d chosen.

“So, professor, what do you think?” asked Leithauser, an avid Pogo fan (Lemieux selected one Pogo strip for the show in deference to him).

The students, sipping Champagne and nibbling hors d’oeuvres to celebrate the semester’s end, waited wide-eyed. Lemieux thanked them for their excellent work and explained that in this case he didn’t have to choose just one design — he’d figured out a way to incorporate something from each into the final plan. Frame by frame on the digital projector, he showed how he adapted their individual ideas to create a lively, compelling visual context for the artwork and narrative. More creative brainstorming ensued, as students chimed in, building on ideas and suggesting solutions to practical problems, such as the easiest way to make 3-D word balloons.

At one point, the class groaned when Lemieux suggested he might scale back “for the sake of economy” on a treatment that called for a giant print of an archival Pearl Harbor news photograph to set off the World War II-era comics.

“Robert, don’t cheap out on this class, for God’s sakes!” Leithauser teased.

Student Ariel Wilchek explained why she and her classmates are so enthusiastic about the “Kings of the Pages” show. “Most of the projects we do for our design classes are fictional. So it’s a real treat to work with clients with a real space and real artifacts and a project that we can see come to fruition,” she said.

“Robert’s passion has impressed us,” said student Anna Martin.

“I will certainly be there for the opening,” said student Dallas Sheldahl.

The show has also struck a chord with contemporary cartoonists, who have accepted invitations to participate in a lecture series during the exhibition’s run. On the schedule so far are Brian Walker, comic-strip historian and cartoonist for Beetle Bailey and Hi & Lois; Harry Bliss, New Yorker cartoonist and children’s book illustrator; and Kevin Kallaugher, internationally known political cartoonist.

Meanwhile, Lemieux’s not so sure his quest to illuminate the lasting relevance of newspaper comic strips will be complete once the exhibition opens Oct. 19. Next, he’s thinking about creating a documentary. After all, it was Charlie Brown who said this about the secret to life: “Replace one worry with another.”

Buck Rogers (left) was among the first adventure comic strips when it debuted in 1929 and ushered in the Golden Age of comic strips. The strip is characterized by melodrama, fantasy and sci-fi technology. Although the characters flirt with death, none die.
eating up THE new dining hall

Extreme makeover doesn’t begin to describe the new look and feel of the revamped Englar Dining Hall — known as Glar to generations of students who have taken most of their meals there since its construction in 1968.

Upon his arrival on campus last July, President Roger Casey put a priority on upgrading the lackluster 440-seat space, which was last updated 15 years ago, into an energizing and flexible gathering spot for the entire campus community. The extensive renovation was achieved in just 93 days, or
An assortment of seating options gives the space the feeling of a **hip urban restaurant** rather than a traditional dining hall.

“Daze,” as the design and construction crews refer to the whirlwind project. It began during winter break and was ready for the big reveal when students returned from spring break in March.

“Even when we have informed students that this project will extend into second semester a few weeks, and cause some inconvenience in providing them the usual food service, every student has cheered us on,” said Casey, who made sure students were included in every phase, from reviewing architectural plans and color palette to helping to choose furniture.

“It was well worth the wait,” said Kristine Harjes '14, during a ribbon-cutting celebration March 22. Classmate Kyle Hunter '14 agreed, adding that he likes the new “more urban” look.

Designed by architectural firm Marshall Craft Associates, whose most recent projects at McDaniel include the Merritt Fitness Center and Klitzberg Pavilion in Gill Center, the dramatic transformation was achieved by opening up the ceiling and adding glass walls to maximize natural light.

An assortment of seating options, including café-style, bench seating, high tops, and comfy contemporary lounge chairs with tablet arms gives the space the feeling of a hip urban restaurant rather than a traditional dining hall.

New food stations and bars provide easy access to a variety of cuisines and improve traffic flow between the serving area and dining room. The tray slides have been removed, since earth-friendly trayless dining is now the norm.
Lively blues, purples and greens and dynamic shapes pump up the energy level.

Textural accents include natural wood, stainless steel, ceramic and glass tiles. Playful uplit ceilings and dramatic lighting complete the look.

Somehow, even the food tastes better, though Executive Chef Kevin Werner said no significant changes were made to the menu.

"It's the idea that you also 'eat with your eyes,'" he said, adding that the new configuration in the prep and serving areas, especially at the grill and custom-salad stations, seems to have encouraged diners to spread out and choose a larger variety of items.

Of course, the same familiar faces are still on the staff, including beloved old-timers like hostess Cecelia "Cel" Bowens, breakfast cook Johnny Frisby and catering services supervisor Joan Rugemer.

Reflecting on his time as a student, Jim Lightner '59, a trustee, professor emeritus of mathematics and author of the College history book Fearless and Bold, said he was mightily impressed with the most recent improvements to campus dining.

During his day, the dining room was located in Science Hall, now Hill Hall, and meals were served family-style by student waiters. "Since the waiters were paid by the meal, not by the hour, they worked to get us out as soon as possible. Nobody lingered at all," he said. "That's the opposite of the new dining hall. I suspect this will be a place where students, faculty and staff will come together and stay awhile."
Scholarship Donors Learn About the Lives They Enrich

If there was ever any doubt about the true impact of their generosity, donors have the chance to learn at the annual scholarship luncheon just how much their gifts enrich the lives of current students.

Senior Cindy Sordo told the group about her study-abroad experience in Budapest, Hungary, extolling the diverse leadership opportunities she has enjoyed. Senior Andrew Rauch described his journey of personal and academic growth, starting with his first day on campus after he and his father drove over 1,000 miles from his home in western Colorado. Two immediate thoughts Rauch said he had at the time were, “It’s really humid here” and “I don’t know anybody.” But, he quickly added, since that first day he has never felt alone again.

Alumnus Aaron Slaughter ’10, who came to McDaniel from west Baltimore, said he stands tall for his alma mater, a place where he accomplished much to make his single mother proud. He thanked his faculty advisor, Susan Milstein, for her mentoring as he is working for an area accounting firm, preparing to sit for the CPA test and seeks success so that he can repay all that has been done for him.

“I bleed green and gold,” he said. Slaughter made his first annual fund gift as an alumnus this year, and the $25 he contributed will certainly help support student scholarships. He said that in 20 or 30 years from now, “I will be sitting here as a major-gift donor to support a student like me.”

In his remarks, President Casey added, “We are a large college from the point of view of our hearts… when you leave here today, wear an ‘I Am McDaniel’ button and tell your friends, classmates and colleagues about the power of scholarships. At McDaniel we are educating the leaders of our future.”

In a serendipitous exchange, donors Alice (Boyer ’72) and Kevin Hanley ’72 learned just how literally students sometimes follow in the footsteps of the alumni who came before them. The couple was seated at lunch with Allison Schmitz ’13. Their conversation ranged from academic study to hometowns and they discovered that Schmitz not only hailed from Lothian, Md., but actually lived on the same lane and in the same house the Hanleys first rented 20 years ago while Kevin was in medical school.

Newly endowed scholarships:
- The Roger N. Casey and Robyn Allers Scholarship Fund established by Dr. Tom Zirpoli and his leadership at Target Community and Educational Services, Inc.,
to benefit graduate students in the Human Services Management Program affiliated with Target, Inc.

- The Carolyn Sapp Shortess Scholarship Fund established by her family in honor of Carolyn Sapp '49 to annually support a junior or senior who is minoring in Education and who has demonstrated financial need.

- The Maynard L. Fones '52 Memorial Scholarship Fund established by his friend, Ms. Dorothy Bliss '53, to annually support a deserving student from Baltimore City.

- The Sarah Townsend Thompson '82 Endowed Memorial Scholarship Fund established by Dale '51 and Millie '58 Townsend in memory of their daughter, Sally, to annually support a Mathematics and/or Computer Science major.

- The Marcia K. Swanson '69 Scholarship Fund established by Ms. Swanson to annually support a hearing-impaired student or a student focusing on studies in Deaf Education.

- The B. Jill Brooks Hodge Professional Development Award, dedicated to the memory of Ms. Hodge '79, M '81, by family, friends and Delta Sigma Kappa sisters to annually support an award to a graduate student with a strong compassion for individuals with special needs and an interest in serving the deaf or disabled.

Next year's luncheon will be held Sunday, April 15, 2012. To learn more about funding scholarships, contact Institutional Advancement at 410/857-2250.

$500,000 Challenge Raises Bar for Stadium Project

Teamwork is at hand to raise awareness and funding for the proposed Stadium Project and move ahead with a groundbreaking by 2012. Briefings of alumni — many former Green Terror athletes — were held this spring in Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York and, thanks to Ken Gill '61, the bar is raised with his additional gift of $500,000. Gill challenges his fellow college trustees and alumni to match his most recent $500,000 gift to raise another $1.5 million for the project.

Gill's personal experience as a member of the Green Terror football team forged friendships that have lasted 50 years. "I've been blessed to be successful in business because of my educational experience and contacts made with others. This is a way to say 'thank you.'"

"Our current facility is dated and doesn't represent the college well in our conference," he added. "I'm excited about the appointment of new Athletic Director Paul Moyer, who will bring new energy to our athletic program."

Planning calls for a state-of-the-art brick and concrete stadium to be built on the site of the current grandstand and will feature concessions, restrooms, coaches, observation boxes, a large press box, filming areas, additional seating, locker rooms, training areas, and full stadium lighting (already completed). The estimated cost of the Stadium Project is $9.5 million dollars. McDaniel will not break ground on the project until all the funds necessary for its completion have been acquired. Currently, approximately $8.2 million dollars has been raised.

To learn more, contact Lee Primm at 410/857-2224.

Nora Roberts Foundation Gives McDaniel $100,000

The Nora Roberts Foundation has awarded the College a $100,000 grant to help advance the research and study of romance literature, establish an academic minor in genre fiction and launch an online creative writing course in romance fiction.

"This gift will allow the college to reinforce Ms. Roberts' reputation in the academic and literary arenas as a master of and dedicated advocate for the romance genre," said Roger N. Casey, president of the College. "It will also raise the profile of the romance novel among scholars and the academic community."

The College also plans to use the funds toward building a core American romance collection at Hoover Library, including the complete works of Roberts, and to establish an endowed fund to support the collection. The collection's titles will be available online.

"This collection will constitute a partial canon of American romance, from its Colonial beginnings to its explosive growth in the 20th century and beyond," Casey added. "The collection will establish McDaniel College as one of the few centers for the study of the romance genre."

McDaniel English professor Pam Regis, a nationally recognized expert on romance novels and author of A Natural History of the Romance Novel, said "it has always been an honor and a privilege to further the study of romance, and the generous gift from the Roberts Foundation adds considerable resources to this effort."

Roberts is the best-selling author of more than 200 romance novels. Her first, Irish Thoroughbred, was published in 1981. More than 280 million copies of her books are in print, including 12 million copies sold in 2005 alone. McDaniel College awarded her an honorary Doctor of Letters degree in 2006.

An international conference, "Popular Romance in the New Millennium," will be held on campus Nov. 10-11 with keynote speaker Dr. Mary Bly, Shakespearean scholar at Fordham University, and, as Eloisa James, best-selling author of historical romance novels.

"The conference will gather presenters who can put the romance in fresh perspective," said Regis.
class notes

News and views about life since college
As I put this column together, I reflect on our first meeting in September 1937: 74 years ago. We were all green high school grads beginning a new journey. How those years influenced our lives and taught us to cope in an ever-changing world. It is so good to keep in touch with the many who helped shape our lives. Thank you for your contribution.

From Falls Church, Va., Elinor Culligan Skelton writes, “I still live in my 50-year-old house. I drive locally, no long trips or vacations. My son and daughter live nearby. I don't walk easily or often. Only class member I hear from is Rachael Green Marsey.”

Rachael Green Marsey's daughter writes that she is well and moving around. She is a great-grandmother of five with two more on the way. She keeps in touch with Elinor Culligan Skelton — her roommate.

From Dunedin, Fla., Phyllis Dietsch Farris reports, “Jim and I are in our condo leading a quiet life. My traveling days are over due to health problems. I did make it to my 70th high school reunion a few years ago. Bill Wiley was there.”

Jeanne Shank Kelley checks in from Oak Ridge, Tenn. “I live alone with all the aches and pains. I have three grown children, four grands and three great-grands. Still drive locally.”

Bill Wiley reports in from Timonium. He lives with his older son, Douglas, having lost his wife in 2007. His daughter lives in Arlington, Va., and a son in Severn, Md. Another son is a missionary.

From Gaithersburg, Isabelle Zimmerman Martin states that she is happy in her retirement home. She took the Panama Canal cruise last year. She keeps in touch with Tane Takahashi Matsumura in Japan — who is 92 and still uses public transit in Japan.

Fran Dillaway Tompkins resides at Oak Crest Village, Parkville, Md. Her days are filled with many fun activities, stimulating classes and visits from friends, daughters, grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Joe Rouse lives in Randallstown. He reports, “Come June 2, I'll be in the Army 70 years. Still work 10 hours a day and visit two foreign countries a year. My family is six kids, 13 grands and 12 great-grands.”

Frances Royer Copeland reports from Goshen, Ind. She lives in a Mennonite retirement home, is in-

Flashback Fun

For their 50th reunion, Jon Myers directed his 1961 classmates in a flashback photo shoot and video inspired by their senior Aloha yearbook.

1. SGA reps Bea Ackerman Sherrill (standing in for Dee Bell) and Don Rembert.
2. Albert “Terp” Norman Ward III.
3. Geraldine “Jerry” DeFlora
4. (from left) Bobbi Hastings Jung, Brenda Stevens Cornwell, Pat Krebs Snowberger (standing in for Jean Jeffrey Carter) with Terp Ward as the bookstore clerk.
5. Head majorette Peggy Stakem Lowry
7. Flashback Fun director Jon Myers

See story on pg. 40
Carolyn Grant DeArteaga '53 manages a counseling center and in her spare time she has taken up writing. Her first book is a suspense novel entitled *Wake the Sleeping Lady*.

Bill and Mickey Reynolds '42 Adolph hosted a family get-together in Maine last summer. They also celebrated their 65th anniversary in November '10. They still enjoy frequent gatherings at Baugher's with other alums.

From Milwaukee, Wisc., Mildred Gebhardt Rainen reports she and husband Arnold are in good health and play lots of bridge. Leigh Venzke still lives in McLean, Va. He sold his house and is now living in a retirement home. Enjoys his “new digs” and is glad he made the move.

Marguerite Hatch Little moved into an assisted living facility in Woburn, Mass., just before Thanksgiving. Her daughter and son-in-law had the job of cleaning out her house. Her granddaughter, Kristine, 16, is a sophomore and a cheerleader at Shawshen Tech.

After 60 years in Atlanta, Alice Vollmer Apple-garth moved to Nashville and loves it there. She has two more great-grandchildren.

Elinore “Zeke” Jameson Deakyne is living at Diven House, Carroll Lutheran Village, near her youngest daughter, Jackie Deakyne Cowan '74. Her oldest daughter, Sue, lives in Newark, Del., but visits often. Zeke enjoys life at Diven House, the exercise classes, the residents and the staff and especially seeing her family which includes two great-granddaughters, Ava and Delaney, and a great-grandson and another great-granddaughter on the way.

I am ending my sixth year in a very comfortable retirement home. Lots to do here and I still drive. I’m close to Washington and get there several times a year.

Thanks to those of you who sent information for the column.

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Raymond Faby announced his retirement as a member of the Maryland Bar, as well as his retirement as a federal judge after 50 years with the state bar and 30 years with the federal bar. He and his wife Norma are looking forward to having more time with their six children and to attend athletic events for their 13 grandchildren. Also, he recently achieved the title of great-granddad! Raymond and Norma reside in Timonium.

Ashby Collins sent an email saying that he and his wife, Doris, are enjoying the beauty of creation as they watch the changing seasons from their home in southern Pennsylvania. They recently returned from the pleasure of an autumn cruise of the Mediterranean Sea. Their children and grandchildren are relatively close by and continue to be a most important part of their lives.

Carolyn Grant DeArteaga writes from Atlanta, Ga., where she lives with her husband, Bill. She wishes she could get back to the Hill more often but Bill is a pastor as well as an author and fully engaged so to speak. He has published three books to date. Two of their children are married and live close by with their families. Carolyn manages a counseling center in her spare time — and as encouraged by Pastor DeArteaga — she has taken up writing. Her first book is a suspense novel entitled *Wake the Sleeping Lady*, and was published last December. Congratulations! Carolyn is looking forward to the time when they can travel more and McDaniel College will be one of their destinations.

Harold McTeer from Seaford, Del., says that his family surprised him on his 80th birthday day with a huge party. Mac and his wife have a large family consisting of five children, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Add some extra spouses and that makes for a large group. As Mac said about the party, “We filled the place!” Mac is still active with his college baseball team although he doesn’t say which college. He looks forward to traveling to Myrtle Beach for spring training with the team. Mac also mentions other alumni he knows on Delmarva such as Ernie Makowski ’52 and Shirley Jarvis Butler. John Isaac ’52 gets together with Mac when vacationing at the beach in Delaware.

Liz Adams sent a short message from Gainesville, Fla., where she lives with her husband, David, who, at 83, is still teaching theater full time at the University of Florida as well as directing plays. Liz teaches piano lessons, sings in a church choir, directs a children’s choir and studies the cello. Her oldest granddaughter, 20, is attending the University of Florida at Gainesville. This gives Liz much joy I am sure. She says, "I’m thankful that I am in excellent health and really loving my live."

Betty Herbert Saltmarsh says, “Florida was a great place to live this winter. We get the left over cold fronts from all the storms — in the 30’s and 40’s at night and back to 70’s and 80’s during the days.” That weather report about says it all! She is still very active in world travel and has a trip planned in May. She will be going to Ireland with Out of the World Tours. She plans to visit the town of her ancestors. She says her Morrow family came from Ballymena, Antrim, in Northern Ireland. She speaks of her 13 grandchildren in Maryland, Delaware, Colorado and Arizona. She...
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New Zepp Book Addresses Christianity and Patriotism

Published this spring, One Nation, Many Gods: Confronting the Idols of American Empire, is co-authored by ordained ministers and social justice advocates Harry C. Kiely with Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies Ira G. Zepp, three-time winner of the Distinguished Teaching Award. The book invites readers to explore how to love America and how to be a patriotic Christian.

Dedicated to the memory of Zepp, this book was nearing completion as the beloved professor passed away in 2009. Its authors wove together their theological and social passions to evoke an unsettling but bracing lovers' quarrel with the nation and the church, one that ultimately points toward a just, peaceful, sustainable (and faithful) praxis — and a world to match.

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Association, we stay busy raising funds for our Freedom is Not Free scholarships. These scholarships are for local students whose parents have served in the military." Paul's wife, Norma, a Texas Tech graduate, stays busy as chapter regent of the Waco DAR, chaplain of the UDC (United Daughters of the Confederacy), member of the McLennan County Veterans Association and the McLennan County Cemetery Association. Their son, Scott, is a helicopter technician with the Army Aviation Support Center in Austin. Their daughter, Carole, is head of the science department at Stoval Middle School in Aldine, Texas.

Ann Trice Moore reports that her days are very active with volunteer work. Ann works with Food Link, a food-recycling group. There are 30 volunteers who pick up outdated food from Food Lion and a local bakery every day. The food is then delivered to non-profit agencies for distribution to the needy in Dorchester County. Ann does the scheduling for this group. In addition, she gives her time to support her church, AARP, and the Dorchester Retired Educators.
Ann says she sees Lucille Hall Malone and occasionally they go on trips together. Elizabeth Kuhn Clarke lives at 8,000 feet in the mountains of Santa Fe, N.M., with her "rescue cat." She says she keeps busy with her volunteer work which includes all the things she loves. She volunteers at the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA); the Santa Fe Opera; El Rancho de los Golindrinas, a living history museum, and the visitors information booth on the Santa Fe Plaza. She visits with old WMC friends as well as her four sons, all of whom are on the East Coast. Her son, Patrick ’79, graduated from WMC. Liz, as known on campus, enjoys hearing from alumni.

John "Kaiser" Wilhelm writes to say "hello" and to say that there is absolutely nothing to report since last year. He still works three days a week for his son, Eric, who now owns his dentistry practice. Kaiser and I worked at the Rideau Hotel in Ocean City during summer break in 1952. We sometimes talk about those good old days when Ocean City was only 21 blocks long!

My wife, Mitie, and I were on campus for Homecoming last November. We arrived at the football stadium to find some of our family already there. They had parked on the hill overlooking the field at the east end. The Green Terrors were playing and beating our arch rival Gettysburg. Final score in overtime was something like 35 to 28. This is the team that snatched WMC's 16-game winning streak in 1952. With us were three of our four sons along with their wives and children — Kirk ’83 was among them. After the game we walked the campus and thoroughly enjoyed its beauty. We also bought a WMC baseball hat in the bookstore. Makes sense!

We send our condolences to the families of Carl Franklin Snyder, who passed away Thursday, Feb. 20, 2011, at the Carlisle Regional Medical Center, Pa., and Lois Oehler Wantz, who passed away Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011.

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Thanks to everyone who responded to my request for your news! Our 50th celebration was a great success and we had quite the turnout. Our medals were given to us by President Joan Develin Coley at the special 50th year luncheon which was held in McDaniel Lounge on Friday. Our class dinner was held there also on Saturday evening. Our class won four of the awards given that day! First was the Whimsy Award as we were the class with the most returnees, 78 including guests. Next was an award given for the most number of reunion volunteers, 11 for our class; we shared that with the class of ’49. We also had the Carpe Diem Award as we achieved the largest increase in the number of donors to the annual fund. Finally, we received the Old Main Award as the class with the highest dollar amount of total commitment to the annual fund. Everyone wore their medals and it was fun to talk with so many old friends and to relive college memories. The wait staff in McDaniel seemed amazed when we gathered around the piano as Karen Helbig Whiteside played and we all sang "We Are the Class of ’59.

Let’s plan to do it again at our 55th!

Manfred Iperes writes that he and his wife have bought a summer home in Peoria, Ariz., and have been enjoying the sunny weather there. They plan to have two granddaughters visit them from Snohomish, Wash. Manfred is fully retired and spends time walking, reading and studying Spanish. They returned to Olympia in late April.

Still continuing to "keep the body together," Kay Mitchell Kantorowski is bicycling, cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, snowshoeing, paddling and hiking. They have a son who continues to live in New York, and another who is in Pinehurst, N.C. One granddaughter is a gymnast on a competitive team and one does events with her retired racehorse. I’m including Kay’s description of their travels. We take a major trip each fall for about four weeks, ending in Pinehurst where we put our RV to bed for the winter months. Then we return the first week of March to get it uncovered and ready for a longer trip to Florida for about five weeks. Then bring it home to New York State for the summer and travel throughout New York and the East." In December they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and received a new computer with Skype so they can keep track of everyone better.

Luther Martin has "finally retired" as he put it, from his position as professor of religion at the University of Vermont. However, he served as program chair for the XXth Quinquennial Congress of the International Association for the Study of Religion (IAHR) in Toronto, where he also received a Festschrift, which is a lifetime membership in the IAHR from his international colleagues.

He spent the fall semester as visiting professor in the department for the study of religions at Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic, and returned in time to go off again to the University of South Africa to a workshop in the cognitive science of religion sponsored by the University of South Africa.

Should conditions allow, he was scheduled to deliver a paper at the Institute of Hellenic Studies at the new Library of Alexandria in Egypt. He wrote this at the end of January and, due to the situation in Egypt, he wasn’t sure if that would happen. Further travel includes a conference in Budapest and a visit to the University of Macau.

Sonja deBev Alcon writes from south central Pennsylvania that she and David are well. She has cut back on some of the responsibilities in the five Masonic affiliated orders to which she belongs. She will assume the presiding position of royal matron in her subordinate Amaranth Court in mid-March and David will be her royal patron. Her oldest grandson, a gifted student, is a freshman in college and their oldest granddaughter will graduate near the top of her class and will be in college the fall. Their three children and six grandchildren live afar and they don’t get to see them often. Their youngest son, Colonel Kurt Ryan, is a brigade commander at Fort Drum, N.Y., and they are very supportive of, and thankful for, all active military as well as veterans.

Kitty Bond Allen is still working as administrative assistant in spiritual support services at Greater Baltimore Medical Center coordinating the efforts of more than 70 volunteers. At GBMC she has the opportunity to see Joan Schaefer Weyrich, Rev. Allen Spicer and, most recently, Caryl Ensor Peterson ’58.

The late Audrey Braecklein Merryman ’57 was her mentor and one of the volunteers. She is also active in church as newsletter and email newsletter editor, and choir committee. Jill Brown Hurlbrick ’60 now lives in her complex, so WMC days continue to be a part of their "memory lane" chats.

Much of Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey’s past

"The true meaning of life is to plant trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit."
—pioneer Nelson Henderson

Your gifts to the Annual Fund this year have helped to grow a new generation of scholars here on the Hill. As the Class of 2011 goes out into the world, know that their good works will be rooted in your generosity.

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Mission Most Possible

Jennifer Shriver '11 is about to leave her family on what you might call an academic deployment. The California native spent four years as an MP in the Marine Corps assigned to the squadron of Marine One helicopters that transport the President of the United States. During the first month of training at Quantico, Va., she met her husband, Ron, now a junior Exercise Science major.

Jennifer just graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa with a double major in Economics and Political Science and International Studies. She has been awarded a teaching assistantship at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks, where she will pursue a master's degree in resource economics in the oil- and mineral-rich state. She’s got her sights set on a Ph.D. in perhaps natural resource sustainability, but wants first to see how she and her family do with 50-below temperatures before deciding where she’ll continue for her doctorate. Meanwhile, Ron will stay behind with their children, 6-year-old Rory and 4-year-old Miles, to complete his degree.

first- or second-grade students. We also sold our home of 45 years in Columbia, Md., and moved to Carroll Lutheran Retirement Village overlooking the Wakefield Valley near Westminster in Carroll County where we both grew up. We are about four miles from the Hill and can actually see the steeples of both the Little and Big Baker Chapels from our living room. Thus we have returned home and are now settling into a new “lifestyle” complete with a variety of different experiences and many new (and old) friendships. Additionally, our two daughters, son, and grandson are all within two-hour drives. While this might sound very orderly, in fact, for an old married couple with our lifestyle (50th wedding anniversary in June ’10), it was a bit unsettling.”

Jim Lightner writes of his many activities which included being chairman of the Inauguration of Roger Casey as McDaniel’s ninth president which began on April 10 and concluded with the formal installation ceremony on April 16. He’s also enjoying his new relationship with the College as a trustee which began in July ’10. He serves on the academic affairs, building and grounds, and audit committees which is giving him an interesting inside look at the workings of the College. He is still involved with the Westminster Rotary Club as secretary, serves on the Board of the Boys and Girls Club of Westminster, and sings with the Masterworks Chorale and the Lutheran church choir. He writes an occasional article for the local historical society and does some development work for the College. He is a senator of Phi Beta Kappa and chairs a couple of committees for the national society which gets him to Washington regularly. In June he and Dick ’58 and Fran Layton ’62 Gardiner and Erich ’38 and Carol Pettersen Willen took a cruise of the Baltic (London to St. Petersburg and return) celebrating the Gardiners’ 50th anniversary. He adds that he’s been retired for 13 years but that it doesn’t seem so, “time flies when you’re having fun!”

Gail Armstrong Petersen says that she has entered the tech world as she now has a Kindle. Even though she likes the feel of the ac-
Pre-house-warming party gathers

Proud members of the WMC Class of 1961 check out renovations of the Fayette Buell House along Pennsylvania Ave. during Reunion Weekend. Below from left: Barbara Horst Fringer and husband Jack Fringer '60; Fred Dilkes, Judy Ellis Rembert '60 and husband Don Rembert, who’s leading the charge to complete fundraising for the $300,000 project. Dedication of the Buell House is slated for this year’s Homecoming and, once completed, will provide an ideal setting for alumni gatherings and historical displays of Western Maryland College, as well as house a much-needed conference room and guest apartment for visiting scholars. To learn more or make a gift toward this WMC Heritage Society project, contact Chip Junkin at 410/857-2256.
Ginni Pott Braunwarth and her husband enjoy their grandchildren, who range in age from 7 to 18. Five of them live nearby; the other two live in Ohio. She and Warren will celebrate their 50th anniversary in October with a family get-together. They planned to take a cruise from New York City to the Bahamas in June and will continue their tradition of a week in Ocean City, N.J., in September. They both continue to be active in church activities, yard work, and short (five to seven days) auto trips to do fun things with friends and family.

Marsha Reifnyder McCormick and husband Bob ’58 are enjoying the quiet life in Santa Fe, N.M., with their pets. They volunteer weekly at a local hospital and Marsha is doing a great deal of knitting for one of the churches in addition to taking a watercolor class each week. They celebrated their 50th anniversary with a gift from their son, Jon, of a trip to Sonoma, Calif., where they visited lots of vineyards and loved being pampered at a beautiful hotel and spa. She says they had a brutal winter with the temperature at one point being 17-below. Needless to say, they were looking forward to spring and better weather.

Patricia Garcia Wortz and her husband made a major move in March by moving back to Appleton, Wis., after living in Sun City Hilton Head for the past 10 years. They had lived in Appleton for 31 years many years ago, and their children and grandchildren all live there. Even though they will miss a lot of friends and other great things such as their home, they are, as she puts it, "Looking ahead to new adventures, making new friends, reuniting with old friends and most of all having more chances to enjoy what we love most, our family." She adds that they are planning to attend our next reunion.

Marlaune Shears Poston, who lives in Tuscum Ariz., writes that even though life there has been updatated recently due to the hootings, the recovery is going pretty well. She says that Tuscum is really a rather small town and there has been a lot of "teaching out" to help those that need support, even though some losses cannot be comforted away. She is still practicing law and has been busy. Some of her clients sound interesting, including one who received an income for life as a result of her court appearance, and another who received a first-class ticket anywhere in the world along with five days in a first-class hotel. She continues doing watercolor painting and recently entered some paintings in shows. She is working with a very successful painter and is learning a great deal.

Rebecca House Pullig and her husband, Jack, enjoyed seeing the July 14 preparations at the Luxembourg Gardens in Paris before cruising through Burgundy and Provence with host Burt Wolf. Traveling the Grand Corniche and relaxing along the Cote d’Azur in Nice and Monaco highlighted a great way to celebrate an anniversary. They are looking forward to our next reunion.

Teresa Mancuso Albright and her husband, Bill, happily celebrated their 50th anniversary in October. Being with their two daughters and their husbands, and their three grandchildren brings them a lot of joy. They were delighted to have Ann Palmer Ricker and her husband, Walter, for an overnight visit and a chance to personally catch up with what has been going on in their lives. Teresa coordinates the deacon-sponsored wellness ministry at their church, and is secretary of the Maryland State School Health Council; she was recently elected to the Mid-Atlantic District Leadership Team for their denomination, Church of the Brethren.

Carmela “Butch” DeFlora Veit is still supervising a cadre of secondary teachers in the master of arts in teaching program for Johns Hopkins University. They are part of the Teach for America program, work towards their master’s degree, and teach in Baltimore City high schools. She enjoys being part of the classroom scene and helping young teachers succeed. She also is active in community activities: the Gunpowder Garden Club, the Baltimore County Superintendent’s Staff, Diversity and Achievement Steering committee, and Northern Central Railroad Volunteers. She keeps in touch with Ann Hisley Soliman, who lives in Cairo, Egypt, and is safe and well.

Life continues to be good for George Schaefier who still serves an an elder in his church as well as chaplain for one Shrine club. He marked 55 years last year with the Disciples of Christ as well as receiving a 50-year pin from the Masons. He serves as secretary for the Shrine clubs in Union Bridge and Westminster as well as an advisor to the new Potentate. He feels blessed with good health and says that God has been good to him and his son.

The best news that Dot Gross Grim shares is that their first great-grandchild, Will, was born in November ’10. She says it’s hard to realize that their son is now a grandfather. She and husband Ed continue to participate in their church’s music program, gospel groups, Grace Alone Singers, and also the Good News Clubs. They are loving life and wish the best for all of us.

Carter Hammersil is still working at Horry-Georgetown Technical College in Conway, S.C., where he is coordinator of freshmen orientation in addition to teaching four sections of the course he developed dealing with life skills for college and careers. This year will mark his 32nd year of activity in the field of education. He and his wife have five grandchildren and they make certain that he stays busy. Golf and travel are his favorite hobbies.

After Virginia Dreyer Stenley retired from teaching high school social studies, she writes that they had both good times and bad. They have each gone through cancer treatments and he has had both knees replaced. They recently lost their annuities. Through the years they have restored and lived in several old historical homes and five years ago they built their first new home, near Detroit, Ml., to accommodate, as she puts it “our aging bodies and family gatherings which include three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren, not to mention spouses and friends.” Don works on gardening and his collection and layouts of pre- and post-war Lionel and American Flyer trains, and she builds miniature room boxes, does watercolor, and researches family genealogy. They have traveled abroad several times, including a visit to the home of her great-great-grandparents in England. They welcome visitors and invite us to come sit on the deck with them and watch the cows graze and the corn grow.

Juanita Sellman is enjoying retirement but misses the teaching and the students and so she is pursuing a return to teaching in a private school, hoping for a half-time position. She has had fun this past year renewing contacts with childhood friends and classmates from her young life in Westminster. Her high school class had its 50th reunion and a number of those classmates were also classmates a WMC. She has had fun visiting friends from Maine to Florida to California and she planned to return to Maryland for a family wedding and reunion is May. She feels blessed with good health, good friends, great family, and a real zest for life.

Marti Williams and her husband, Jim Augustine, are living in Florida but hoping to sell their home and relocate out West. He is still working and she remains quite busy.

Patricia Smyth Price writes that she and her husband, Carl, who retired as senior partner of Midland, Mich., United Methodist Church in 1998, are now finishing their “13th year of his two-year commitment” at Birmingham, Mich., First United Methodist Church, teaching, leading missions, and leading church members hiking in our national parks. This summer they have two groups meeting in Alaska to hike in Seward, Denali and Fairbanks. She says that since the 25 years they have been doing this has been a fantastic experience for them. They have a condo in Michigan and a trailer for their time in Florida. She adds that they have 14 grandchildren.

Retirement seems to have taken a comfortably pace for Eve Lallas. She spends some vacation time in New England with family and friends during the summer and the cold months in south Florida. Gardening and church volunteer activities keep her busy. As many of you know, I finally retired from Montgomery County Schools after 30 years of teaching English as a Second Lan-
'61 Flashback Fun

Alumnus Jonathan Myers believes that 1961 was the best of years. He completed his biology major at the College, was captain of the tennis team, proud member of Delta Pi Alpha fraternity, drum major of the college band and married to his college sweetheart, Beverly Schott '60 (shown below with President Roger Casey).

His success as a corporate CEO (London Fog Industries owned by his father, Israel Myers, and famous for its raincoats) and as director of Tripp Lake girls’ camp in Poland, Maine, taught him the value of relationships. Now retired, he volunteers on local boards, often serving as both historian and secretary. After mastering a video memory of his classmates from Forest Park High School, he envisioned doing the same for WMC’s Class of 1961.

In a countdown to Reunion Weekend, Myers, aka Steven Spielberg, called his classmates to gather on campus on several Saturdays and directed them to recreate various scenes from the Aloha yearbook. With props from attics and archives and staging on location, Myers fed his “cast” their lines, whether it was Albert “Terp” Norman Ward III shining his shoes on the steps of DMC or Margaret “Peggy” Stakem Lowry twirling her baton (see page 32).

Editing sessions with a professional videographer and choosing mood-setting music from Nat King Cole to Ricky Nelson, Myers oversaw every detail. The results were worthy of an Academy Award trophy presented to Myers by class president Don Rembert at the 50th class dinner held April 30. “Every comment from class members has been outstanding,” he said, adding that Myers’ enthusiasm and tenacity were exceptional.

Classmates underwrote the production and duplication costs as part of their reunion registration. To see an excerpt, go online to www.mcDaniel.edu/alumni.
Nancy spends a lot of time visiting with them as they live in New York City, Greenwich, Conn., and Chicago. Her summers are filled with visiting family at their cottage on the Severn River in Annapolis, which is a great gathering place. At the moment Nancy is dealing with taking care of the real estate, financial affairs, etc., that come with the loss of a spouse. She does enjoy traveling and has spent the last year visiting their old friends across the country.

Five years of retirement have been like high school summer days for Jim Hackett and Em. They spend time between their “Barn Calm House” vacation rental home (search for it on Facebook) on Emerald Isle, N.C., and their home in White Hall, Md. December brought the birth of another grandson.

While I was writing this column, Tom Bloom was in a production of Shakespeare’s Timon of Athens, starring Richard Thomas at New York’s Public Theatre. This past year he acted in D.C., Oregon and Maine, directed in New York and Florida, had a couple of movie roles, got killed twice more on Criminal Intent, and is very excited to be in touch with Meredith Fordham, Joyce Russell Miller and many others.

Stan Makover writes that he just completed his 10th year of retirement and loves it. He and Judy enjoy their eight grandchildren and spend their winters in Boynton Beach Fla. While in Florida this year, Stan got together with his fraternity brothers for lunch. Attending were Howard “Hovie” Wagner ’63, Richard “Richie” Klitzberg ’63, Richard “Richie” Eigen ’66, Mike Sherwood ’64 and Ozzie Stewart ’65. Stan is still the athletic director at Pierce Day Camp on Long Island and coaches the high school girls’ varsity tennis team in Port Washington, N.Y.

Ron Liebman retired from the practice of law over two years ago. These days he spends his time writing, but not from 5:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., as he did when he was lawyering. His new novel, the sequel to Death By Rodrigo (Simon & Schuster, 2007), entitled Jersey Law will be out this summer. It’s got the same two main characters, a couple of night law school, ex-cop, first generation Italian American best friends, who practice criminal law out of Camden, N.J. His wife, Simma, continues with her successful painting career. They spend their time mostly between their Washington, D.C., home and their wonderful place on Maryland’s Eastern Shore, and visiting their two daughters who live in New York. Their oldest daughter, a writer, is married to a lawyer and they have a son, 17 months (their first grandchild), and their younger daughter, an educator, is unmarried but living with her terrific boyfriend, a private equity analyst. Simma and Ron recently returned to the Hill over homecoming weekend to attend the Bachelor reunion. It was so great to see so many brothers and their significant others and brought back such wonderful memories.

Bo Knepp writes that his daughter, Tanya, and son-in-law, Dylan Mader, had their third little boy in 2010: Octavio Mader Knepp arrived on Dec. 3, joining big brothers Santiago and Joaquin. Bo says he loves those retro Spanish names. Step-daughter Clarina and hubby Will Pfla have their first baby, adorable Annalise Pfaff, who just turned 1. Between them, they now have three grandsons (on Bo’s side) and four granddaughters (on Cheryl’s side). Daughter Veronica, who got her doctor of physical therapy degree from the University of St. Augustine for health sciences a while ago, is now back in Hawaii, where she took her premed classes at the state university. Cheryl continues nursing away in orthopedics and urology (quite a combo!) at Fletcher Allen Health Care, Vermont’s biggest employer, up in Burlington. Bo had a lot of fun working as a census recruiter and then crew leader in beautiful Addison County last year, and is now looking to get back into internet writing, something he did a while back then abandoned in the dot-com crash to spend eight years editing medical journals. His real estate properties are having a very tough time — nothing unusual there, he fears. Cheryl and Bo had a great time at the Rock, Roll, and Remember Reunion of ’60s grads at MDel College. (Let’s all get used to the great new name, eh? “Western Maryland College” sounded like a state teacher’s school in Frostburg.) It was great to see Mike Schleif and Cheryl; Billy Falkler ’66 and Triah; old roommate Frank Kidd and his new wife; Joe Brock ’66 and his son, the doctor; the lovely Sylvia Winterling White, who mysteriously looks even better than she did in college; Hans Himler ’66 and his spouse; the irreplaceable Senator Gerry Winegrad ’66, who is as fun-loving as ever, and his wife. First time Bo had been back in 20 years, and he was actually able to recognize about half of his old schoolmates.

Barbara Nolan Haras is employed as a senior researcher in the office of development/alumni relations at Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. Her son, Carim, works as a counselor with people with disabilities in the Cambridge, Mass., area. She spends her spare time pursuing interests in interior decorating, cooking with local farm food, and visiting New England towns and Cape Cod.

Ron and Joan Smith Garvin continue to thrive in rural Vermont, enjoying its natural beauty year-round via snowmobile and motorcycle. Ron’s part-time consulting business enables him to arrange lots of play time, and he and their sons rode their Harleys across the U.S. and back last July. As a couple they’ve ridden to Nova Scotia and all over New England. Church activities keep them busy and grandchildren keep them laughing and grounded. Joan says, “It was such fun to reconnect with classmates at the ’60s Reunion at the Hill in October — what a terrific weekend! A special thanks to Dennis Amico and Gerald Winegrad ’66 for organizing the event.” Joan and Ron love having houseguests and had a delightful time when Jim and Joyce Russell Miller spent the night in February. Their door is always open.

It has been many years since Dennis Amico corresponded with The Hill. Dennis and his wife, Gerry, celebrated their 42nd anniversary in March. Their two daughters both live in New York City, one of whom is married, but they are still waiting for their first grandchild. Dennis has been totally uninvolved with the College since the name change and, like many other alumni, divorced himself from the College. However his good friend, Gerry Winegrad ’66, asked him to help them with the reunion of October ’10 and he now realizes how much better it is to be involved rather than not involved. Going back to school last October and seeing all the physical changes on campus, the variety of interesting courses, and meeting the new president was like a breath of fresh air. Dennis says the best part of being back was being “on the Hill.” It stirred a lot of fond memories and that great feeling was intensified by seeing some of his friends whom he had not seen in far too many years. Dennis still thinks the best group of people he has ever known are the ones that he spent four years with at college. Dennis is working for himself. The hours, benefits, and vacation schedules are very attractive but most of all he enjoys the mental stimulation of being involved with his clients. His passion for sports is now directed towards golf and fortunately he hits the golf ball much better than he ever hit a baseball. He and Gerry have had some great golf vacations all over the world.

Mike Schleif writes that retired life is good — got both the T-shirt and the hat. He is still splitting his time between Sussex County, Del., beaches and Old Town Alexandria, Va. His daughter, Lauren, and family moved back from Florida last summer to Frederick County, Md., where their twin brother, Chris, and family live. That puts all five grandchildren in the area. Mike does a lot of sporting events and some child care. He is also doing some volunteer consulting work for his long-time employer which affords him some travel and some D.C. interaction — but no $!! Mike enjoyed the Bachelor reunion in the fall, except he thought some of those guys were looking old (just kidding).

Charles and Sherry Fischer Manning are embarking on a new life together, as he retired Jan. 1 as chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents. After a wonderful fall of celebrations anticipating his retirement, including an Eye of the Tiger Award at the University of Memphis/University of Tennessee football game, they have settled at the Hampton Inn, a wonderful bed and breakfast inn in St. Michaels, Md. They are right on the water and right in town. All alums are invited to stay with them and receive a 10-percent discount. They would love to see you.
Their family is growing. In February, their son and daughter-in-law, in Sandpoint, Idaho, adopted three children from Ethiopia: Alex, Melkam, and Elana, 9 months. They join their two grandsons in Boulder, Colo., and a great-grandson.

Jerry and Pam Gebhard ’68 Wicklein continue to live in Timonium, Md. Jerry has been retired from full-time ministry for five years, but continues to serve a small rural church in northern Baltimore County part time. Pam continues with her psychotherapy practice. They have four grandchildren, two in Maryland and two in Connecticut. They travel to New England often. Jerry still enjoys his ’77 MGB roadster. It was good to see classmates at the 45-year reunion on the Hill.

It has been a busy year in Frederick for Connie Bue Schlee. She is still working part time at McGuire Fine Arts and this past spring was preparing for a one-person show. Connie is a plein air painter and loves the challenge of painting outside. The main body of work in the show was paintings done in France in the village of Auvet-Sur-Oise where Van Gogh completed his works before his death. It was an amazing experience. Her daughter, Lauren, and her family returned from Florida and are now living near Frederick. Son Chris and family have been living near Frederick for many years. Their boys have been busy with sports and doing quite well. Connie is able to see all five grandchildren almost any time. Al and Connie spend their summers in Bethany Beach and headed to Florida on the Gulf Coast this past winter where they enjoyed January in Siesta Key and February on Anna Maria Island. They enjoyed seeing Jerry ’64 and Fran Sybert Barroch. Connie also went to homeownering and liked seeing so many friends from WMC last fall. Susan Snodgrass Case had arranged a wonderful lunch for some friends.

Carolyn Dowell Mohler has been retired from the Calvert County Office on Aging for three years. She and her husband, Philip, especially enjoy spending time with their four grandchildren.

Pat Mullinex Peed thinks retirement is great, but does miss the daily contact with her former wonderful co-workers. But she and Bud are enjoying lots of travel time. They have a vacation home on the Isle of Man and try to make the trip across the Atlantic twice a year. The island is quite quaint and the people are extremely friendly. They have made some fun trips off the island as well, most recently to the Scottish Highlands and the Channel Islands. When in the U.S. they continue to enjoy their home in Garrett County, Md. Pat writes any classmates visiting Deep Creek Lake to look her up.

Marilyn Hahnefeld Wockley retired in June ’08 and enjoys the freedom of a work-free schedule that allows her to keep busy at her own pace. Ray ’65 and Marilyn have four charming grandchildren ages 4, 3, 3 and 1. Marilyn’s hobby is photography and her favorite subjects are butterflies, birds and flowers, and of course, her grandchildren. Retirement allows them to spend more time at their beach house in Delaware from April to October. Marilyn and Ray would love to hear from anyone who happens to be in the Bethany Beach area.

Barb Petchke Broadbent is continuing a nice retirement. During the year she traveled to Florida, California, Michigan, Indianapolis, the Grand Canyon along with Bryce, Zion and Lake Powell, and Niagara Falls. In February it was magnificent with the ice and snow. She enjoys her time with friends and family doing outings, weekend trips, playing cards, and meals out. Barb especially likes spending as much time as possible with her children, their spouses and the four grandchildren, Ben 10, Lexie, 7, Everett, 5, and Katerina, 2. Last summer a picnic/pool party with classmates Mary Ellen Coleman Quinby and Marilyn Hahnefeld Wockley, and other WMC alumni, their families and friends was a great way to continue college friendships.

Lucinda “Cindy” Long has lived in Carroll County since 1976. She has been divorced since 1979. She says the house is too big with too much land, but she can’t seem to start cleaning out the basement and the sewing room. Cindy retired in 2006 after working for the local Anheuser-Busch distributor for 25 years as the finance officer and human resource manager. She says her French degree did not help much so she went to Notre Dame for weekends and took accounting classes. When the company was sold and operations moved out of the area, she worked for a short time at a property management company in Pikesville, Md., but did not like the drive or the work, so she retired. She keeps busy with grandchildren. Her son, who is in Connecticut, has four girls, and her daughter in Virginia has three boys. Keeping up with the boys and their teams is almost a full-time job. Cindy continues to enjoy traveling and gardening, as well as crafts, especially needlework. Still an avid reader, she is in a book club. Cindy joined a prayer shawl group at church and has knit quite a few. She also teaches an adult class at church. This year has been one of health difficulties, including a broken foot and a bad back. She had a trip to the Holy Land planned for the spring of 2010 so was hoping to feel better by then. Cindy has spent time with Lyn Smith Miiaszek ’66 in Florida the past several winters and Lyn spent a weekend in Maryland last summer where they enjoyed driving around the state and checking out the many changes.

Jim “Country” Shaw has been retired from Frederick County, Md., planning and zoning for about 10 years now. He and Marti Terlizzi Shaw ’68 have been enjoying retirement with trips to Florida, the Carolinas, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and other parts of this great country, as well as Italy. They are now officially “snowbirds,” spending much of the winter and some summer time at their second home of three years near Hilton Head, S.C. They are enjoying the slow, low-country lifestyle, while still cooling off some in the summers in Frederick and Deep Creek Lake, Md. Their “grown-up” kids are all doing well with Michael at Rolls Royce in Indianapolis; Jeanne with the district court and surfing in Cocoa Beach, Fla.; Angela and her pilot husband in Guam; and David working pharmaceuticaRs in Philadelphia. So the Shaws have lots of travel opportunities to keep them busy. Jim and Marti had a southern visit from Dan and Judy Hobart Pearson and would welcome other “WMC, or should I say McDaniel,” friends to visit them down south.

John Trainor is 68 and still enjoying retirement with family and friends. In 2006 they sold their interest in their four Lenny’s Sub Shops, paid off the house and just relaxed. John puts a lot of miles on his Harley every year. He belongs to the Rolling Thunder Chapter which is still concerned with POW/MIA issues left from every conflict we have ever been in. He is also the membership officer for the local Harley owners group. John is still a sports fan rooting for the Steelers, Skins and the University of Memphis basketball team. Every now and again Margret will say, “ John, don’t you have somewhere to go on your Harley? And John says “Sure, bye Love!” John rode up to WMC in the fall on his bike. It was a great ride and he said the campus was beautiful. He drove back a month later for the Reunion of the ’60s and really enjoyed seeing a lot of people from our class. The weather was great, the football team won and the band was terrific. He keeps in touch with Art Renkwitz, Frank Kidd, Gerald Winograd ’66 and Bill Fallar ’66. He used to see David Selkowitz ’63 in Paris when he was still flying for FedEx. His son, John, and his family live in Adamstown, Md., where he works for the department of energy in Germantown, Md. John’s daughter, Angie, and her family live in Frederick, Md., and she teaches school at the elementary school she attended as a child in Walkersville, Md. John invites anyone passing through Memphis or visiting Elvis to stop by.

Retirement life is great for Bill Carter. Actually he is busier now that when he was working. He is on the board of directors of the PenMar Development Corporation, a Maryland state organization overseeing the redevelopment of the former Fort Ritchie Army base. As part of the redevelopment, he is on the board creating a non-profit Mountain Heritage Historical Society to eventually build and oversee a museum focused on the history of the region of western Maryland and south-central Pennsylvania. He is now the chairman of the board of directors of the One Mountain Foundation, a non-profit organization that actively promotes and supports community improvement projects, cultural activities, and historical preservation in this same area of Maryland and Pennsylvania. He still has time to enjoy his
Ronald Oliver Shirley of Hagerstown, Md., passed away Nov. 15, 2010. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, Sandra Reed ‘62, and their family.

I am the deputy director at WiLicom Public Library in Salisbury, Md., not too far from my son, Ben, who is in Ocean City, Md. He and his fiancée are both in business for themselves, Ben making custom pool cues and repairing pool tables and Tammy running a restaurant in Snow Hill, Md. My daughter, Julie, is a reporter for the Herald-Mail in Hagerstown, Md., and I visit there as often as I can. Going to multiple quilting retreats is the most traveling I have done this year, though Julie and I spend time each summer in Ocean City, Md., which gives us a chance to visit my New Jersey relatives and friends. Like many other classmates, I am planning to go to my 50th high school reunion this summer.

Thank you for all your prompt responses to my request for news. It was especially nice hearing from some of you who have not written in the past.

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Family additions this season:

Daniel Reid Hutchinson, on October 10, 2010, to Bob ’89 and Angela Hutchinson.

Jersi Blundell, on August 30, 2010, to Scott and Diana Conuzzi ’92 Blundell.

Vera Eve Mansperger, on April 20, 2010, to Sean ’92 and Willie Mansperger.

Kason Bernhardt, on May 6, 2010, to Kevin ’97 and Kristin Bernhardt.


Dylan Lennox Freed, on November 8, 2010, to Mason and Kamali Welch ’97 Freed.

Aaron Christopher Long, on February 3, 2010, to David ’97 and Joy Long.

Emma Marie and Carson Edward Veilleux, on October 4, 2010, to Jean and Meredith Wissel ’97 Veilleux.


Paige Elizabeth Diller, on February 8, 2011, to Frank Diller and Jennifer McCabe ’99.

Zoe Bridges, on February 8, 2011, to Keith and Tara Matushiski ’00 Bridges.


Ronan James O’Reilly, on February 18, 2011, to Bart and Meaghan Kelly ’00 O’Reilly.

Meg Bittinger, in January 2010, to Amy Bittinger ’01.

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Sara Waldron '77 recently became the dean of campus life and student affairs at Drew University in Madison, N.J.

Sara graduated with a master of divinity from Drew in '85.

class notes

Lucy Covian and her family live in Laguna Niguel, Calif. Lynn is in her 23rd year at Uni-

subs, currently as a scrum master coaching software teams developing private clouds us-

ing the Agile framework. Her husband, Dave Keen, is a programmer with IBM, and their

children, Noah, 16, and Leah, 14, stay busy with honors classes and play on their high

school lacrosse teams. Lynn just finished a two-year project relocating her church where she is a soloist with the choir, and is

guiding Leah’s Girl Scout troop through sil-

ver and gold award projects. After traveling to Europe, Alaska, Hawaii, and over 20

states through the years, they now mostly

take college tours, but still visit Maryland
each year to see family. Last year they walked through McDaniel and Lynn was surprised to see how much had changed.

Dave Dolch returned to Carroll County in the past year as director of athletics at the

new high school, Manchester Valley High

School, in Manchester, Md. Dave has been a

career coach, athletic administrator, execu-

tive at the college and high school levels. He

earned a doctor of education degree follow-

ing bachelor's and master's degrees at our

 alma mater. His wife, Kim Nichols ’79 Dolch,

continues as the principal at North Carroll

High School in Carroll County. Kim is the current president of the Maryland State

Principal's Association. Dave and Kim reside in Hanover, Pa. Their daughter, Sally, works for MS Medical and resides in Parkville, Md.

Their son, Scott, works as the media and

marketing director for the Traveler's Cham-

pionship Golf Tournament through the PGA

tour. Scott, his wife, Erin, who is an elemen-

tary education teacher, and Mason reside in

West Hartford, Conn. Dave and Kim are proud grandparents of Mason, 10.

Schuyler and Margi Voelkel Grant are still living in San Diego near the beach. Schuyler

still works for Science Applications Interna-

tional Corp (SAIC) as a physicist. Margi still

volunteers with La Leche League and is look-

ing for work using her IBCLC (International

Board Certified Lactation Consultant) certi-

fication. They travel a lot now that their

three daughters are grown and out of the

house (their youngest graduated from San

Diego State University this past year). In

2009, they went to Spain for two weeks be-

fore going to Morocco for a destination wed-

ding. They went to Vietnam, Cambodia and

Borneo in 2010 and were to cruise South

America in February '11, ending in Rio for

Carnival.

Cathy Clayton and Jeff '76 Heinbaugh have been living in Damascus, Md., for almost 10 years. Their daughter, Allison, is a second-

year grad student at University of Maryland

in the library science department and their

son, Daniel, is in the athletic training pro-

gram at West Virginia University. They are

truly enjoying their empty nest and the fact

that most of their immediate and extended

family is local. Cathy keeps busy with volun-
teer work and Jeff is still enjoying work in IT.

Gary and Mary Frank Honeman have be-

come “lifers” in downtown Westminster since graduating from WMC. Mary contin-

ues to enjoy working part time at the West-

minster library on Main Street and Gary at the beautiful new Carroll County Youth Ser-

vice Bureau located near Westminster High

School. Their son Justin, 27, is currently in

Westminster but hoping to move to Denver

in coming months. Chris, 25, is to graduate

from Towson State this May. Both boys work and live in Westminster. Gary and Mary are

traveling more often, with recent trips to

Hilton Head, Florida Keys and upcoming plans for St. Thomas. They love the water and

beaches. Chris has lived with Andrew Drechsler (son of Vic ‘78 and Anne Stewart ‘79 Drechsler) in recent years. They share a

townhouse in Westminster and have worked together for years at Paradise Restaurant.

Bill Johnson moved back to Centerville, Ohio, where he and his wife, Ruth, bought a

new home. Bill took a promotion with Hu-

mana MarketPOINT (the sales arm for Hu-

mana) and is now the traditional insurance

products sales manager. He works with 40 to

50 sales agents throughout the southern part of Ohio. Last fall and winter, he was the

southern Ohio project manager for the new

Wal-Mart/Humana Prescription Drug Plan.

Bill stays busy teaching as an adjunct profes-
sor at the local community college, teaching small and large business management

classes, small business finance and business

plans courses. He is also in his second two-

year term as the treasurer for the Warren

County United Way. He misses having time

for golf trips with Pete Blauvelt, Bob Crosby

and Pete Clark. He still does a little hunting as he and Ruth like the meat and Ruth is a

very good cook.

Cynthia Longley Keir left her job at EDS/HP Enterprise Services after 11 years and

began working for Booz Allen Hamilton last

October. Her husband, Alan, retired in June

after 32 years with Montgomery County

Government. Since Booz Allen is very em-

ployee-friendly, Cynthia decided to ease into retirement also by going part time. Working

three days a week, she can keep her tech-

nical skills current (Java developer) while hav-

ing a little more free time. Unfortunately,

her mother is ill so a lot of Cynthia's time is

spent taking care of her affairs. Her daugh-
ters are doing well, working full time and go-
ing to school — Emily for her master's degree

and Liane for her doctorate. Liane was

married June '09. She and Chris are expect-
ing Cynthia and Alan's first grandchild in

September.

Dave Lacquement continues to serve in the Army (will be 34 years this May) and is

now stationed at Fort Meade where he is assigned as the director of operations for the

Defense Department’s new CYBER Command. From time to time he sees Tony

Sager, his cross-country teammate. Last

fall, Dave saw Tony perform with three

others playing great contemporary rock.

Dave’s twin girls, 22, are to graduate from

college in Florida this summer. Dave took

one of his daughters up to McDaniel this past

summer and showed her where he.

Charlie Walter, Harry Malone and John

Wheatley pulled some of their best college pranks — she was not impressed. Dave's wife of 29 years, Katie, continues to battle
breast cancer. She has had a recurrence, her eighth in 19 years, but continues to fight on while teaching high school Eng-

lish in Farifax County.

Jerry and Cathy Dannenfeldt Landsman are both still working, although the time for re-
tirement is looming closer. Jerry is director of fraud operations at the Injured Workers

Insurance Fund (IWF), still making the long trek to Towson from Bedford every day. Cathy is registrar at the Washington County Historical Society, working with the museum's collections and running the gene-

alogy library. They both still enjoy gardening, but Jerry has taken up a new pastime, refin-

ishing antique trunks. He has gotten quite

good at it and enjoys spending every spare

minute in his workshop. Their son, Andrew,

25, was married in June and is now a park

ranger for the National Park Service. He is a

biological technician at Antietam Battlefield and loves his job. He and his wife are moving into their newly built home, which is close to Cathy and Jerry. Daughter, Amy, 22, is in her senior year at Lynchburg College in Vir-

ginia. She is enjoying teaching an elementary school and would love to stay in that area and teach after graduation.

Denise Fowlke Lownther is still a member of Toastmasters International, and just won her Area International Speech Contest. She is married to Douglas Lownther and they are both employed by the State of Maryland. De-

nis is an asset manager for the Maryland State Department of Housing and Commu-

nity Development and hopes to retire soon.

She started a business as a professional

speaker, using her maiden name: Denise

Fowlke, LLC. She enjoys public speaking and

plans to make it her focus in retirement.

In February, Harry Malone retired from

Lockheed, after 11 years, and started his own

consulting firm, Malone & Associates. He

outfitted the “apartment” above the new ga-

rage at his home in Clifton, Va., to serve as

an office, complete with conference room,

kitchen, bath, etc. Harry will still have to

make the trek into D.C. occasionally. He’s

still riding his Harley, he did Rolling Thun-

der again last year, and has numerous trip

ideas for this year. Deb is completing her

time in the Army as a software development

program manager. She is to retire next June
with 30 years. Harry and Deb attended 20 rock/comedy concerts last year. Son Greg, 23, is working on getting a degree in global affairs from George Mason University, with a concentration in global governance and plans to graduate in fall '11. Brian, 20, is going to college part time and working at the Redskin Store in a local mall. The Malones took a fantastic family vacation to Ireland, England, and Scotland (with a VIP tour of Edinburgh Castle) last August.

Karen Miller is in her third year "back" at Oldfields School where she is director of academic support services and standardized testing. She means "back" because she started teaching at Oldfields in 1977 right after college. She moved on to other ventures in 1982, and is thrilled to be back at such a wonderful school. An added benefit for her is the proximity of the school to her home, so she no longer has the lengthy commute into Baltimore! Karen and Todd continue to love living in the peaceful countryside of northern Baltimore County with their assorted cats and dogs.

Hollyday "Holly" Obrecht retired in July '10, from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a senior wildlife biologist after 32 years of service. The Obrechts built a custom home and airplane hanger and in August moved from Maryland to the Lake Norman residential airport in Mooresville, N.C. They now have a 32,000-acre lake across from their front yard and a paved runway for the plane just off the backyard. Their son, Wolfie, 12, swims on the SwimMac team and goes to Davidson Day School near Davidson College. Wife Shelly (also known as Shotzie) enjoys long kayak paddles on the lake. They all enjoy living in North Carolina and are glad to leave Maryland winters behind. Holly continues to work as a contractor to the service and recently completed a seagull aerial survey from Cape Hatteras, N.C., to St. Augustine, Fla.

John Robinson is going strong in his 33rd year at Zurich Insurance. He is living in Cockeysville as a near empty-nester with his wife, Mary. They have enjoyed trips to Bermuda and Aruba the last couple years. Daughter Laura is in her final semester at University of Maryland. Son Johnny is a Terps alumnus ('09). John recently "came out of retirement" to join Johnny's adult basketball league.

Karen Sunderhaft is still singing in another Octave/CT Women's Chorus, running a full-time retail access job and running her own part-time business doing intuitive healing. She represents the consumer health care division of GlaxoSmithKline (a third party vendor and servicing various retail chains in Connecticut and New York in distribution compliance as well as merchandising and marketing. She lives in Northford, Conn. She hasn't been back to Maryland in a long time, as she usually goes north to coastal Maine for vacations. She now has only one cat that she says is enough for her at the moment.

Robyn Kramer Talbott writes that she is doing great! She has been with Mary Kay for 25 years and just started working at Snow Hill Middle School, going back to teaching after almost 30 years. She had a funny thing happen when she started at the school: her freshman roommate Linda Ackley Ricks '76 works there! Robyn and her husband, Guy, have been enjoying their grandson Quinn, 3. They volunteer to babysit any time they are free. Their son Guy, 26, is married to Vicki and Quint is their son. Their other son Ryan, 23, is still at home.

Kathy McLaughlin Verdi is a teacher for the New Jersey Department of Corrections, where 19 of her inmate students earned their GEDs last year. She and her husband, Frank, live on an acre, which is surrounded by 400 acres of protected land, so it's very much like having their own wilderness spread. They enjoy spending time in their "yard" and even added seven chickens last summer. Kathy, Ann Jones '76, and Teresa Small Salzano visited with Anne Duley Small in October at Anne's home in Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Sara Waldron moved from Maryland, where she lived for the last 20 years, to become the dean of campus life and student affairs at Drew University in Madison, N.J. Sara graduated with a master's of divinity in Drew in '85. She is involved in university planning as well as supervising major departments in the division such as counseling, student health, student activities and residence life. Drew is a four-year, private liberal arts similar to McDaniel. She says that the liberal arts education she received at WMC prepared her well for the diverse responsibilities...from crisis management and intervention with students with mental health and substance abuse issues to administrative responsibilities such as strategic planning and policy review. Sara is living in and remodeling the family home she grew up in and inherited last year. This past summer, she saw Kathy McLaughlin Verdi and Ann Jones '76 in Atlantic City, N.J.

Michael Warthen writes that his daughter, Kelsey '13, is a sophomore at McDaniel and has been doing well academically. He said she asked him if he ever received letters from the dean and he told her yes, but the content was a little different! Son Ryan wanted the Division One experience, so will be off to the University of Buffalo in the fall, leaving MaryFran and Mike with a master's of divinity-"empty-nesters" in balmig Syracuse. Mike thinks this would be a good time to spend the kids' inheritance, while they're away at school. Mike hopes to see more classmates and Phi's showing up in Facebook, which has been great for re-connecting. Mike is vice president, corporate strategy, for Merge Healthcare and is commuting between Syracuse and Chicago, "so if anyone's up for a pop in ChiTown," look him up.

It is with sadness that I report that Charles "Charlie" Howard Wagner Jr., of Timonium, passed away Thursday, Dec. 16, 2010, leaving behind his wife, Pam, daughter Amber Georgiief and son Zachary. He had retired from the Carroll County Public School system after a 30 year career teaching social studies at East Middle School in Westminster. More recently, he had been employed by Connor Institute.

In 1990, Gary Walters moved back to Kent Island, where he was born and raised, taking a job with Environmental Resources Management (ERM) in their Annapolis, Md. office. His entire family now lives within a mile of each other. In August '10, he celebrated his 20th year with ERM and really enjoys his job (however, it tends to get in the way of the things he would rather be doing like fishing, boating, and playing golf). He met his wife, Joann, "after exchanging meaningless garbles through a drive-up bank teller's window" when he worked for an engineering firm in Bethesda. They have been married for 26 years and have two wonderful kids. Jennifer is a freshman at the University of Delaware, and Mitch, who is a sophomore at Kent Island High School, plays football and baseball. The Walters family is rounded out by a Chesapeake Bay retriever named "Buddy."

Gary says he has been very fortunate to reconnect with many WMCers, including many fraternity brothers from Gamma Beta Chi. Gary, Mike Cottingham '78, Mike Modica '79 and Bob Irvin began traveling to Myrtle Beach a few years ago under the guise of playing some rounds of golf, i.e., each spring the guys spend several days playing a little golf, throwing footballs on the beach, reminiscing, etc. To their pleasant surprise, they found that Mark Rosenberg '79 and Eric Rosenberg have a golf packages business in North Myrtle Beach; so now they have been their trip organizers each year. Gary says they do a great job and hopefully will continue organizing the yearly trips. Following the initial year, the golfing group expanded to include Mike Spath '78, Chuck Boelhke '78, Judd Miller '78, Ray Via '79, Jay Cooke '78, Jim Lamont '80, Chris Parr '79 and Keith Lawson '79.

More recently, Gary connected with even more Gamma Betes through some summertime boating get-togethers on the Shore and/ or dinners in the area. Those former WMCers have included: Terry Koenig '78, Scott Schneider '78, Ron Bowen '79, Dale Sillyman '80, Scott Wheeler '80, Tom Wiedersheim '79, Bob LeSueur '79, Jere Lynch '79, Frank Dooley '78, Kevin Carpenter '78, Randy Cole '79, Jamie Mosberg '78, John Patrick '80, Wayne Birely '79 and Rick Morani '81. Gary says he really enjoys seeing folks and gives a standing invitation for any folks headed to the Beach this summer; the Walters only live a mile off of Route 50 on Kent Island.

Jeff and Wona Vanadit Silbert are planning their 30th anniversary. They plan to take the

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whole family to Cozumu in August, boyfriends and fiancé included. At the home front, Dara is getting her master’s for speech pathology at Loyola, living at home to save money. Taryn is a speech therapist at a Howard County public school. Wona is proud they’re in this field especially after watching The King’s Speech. Jo is back at home and will be off on another adventure soon. Jarren is still playing hockey and is attending Anne Arundel Community College.

The Gicker household has been as busy as ever. Ken commutes three hours to Springfield and back each day and really wishes gas prices would go down. Anna plans to be married in April in Lynchburg. Katie is going to college part time and works in the book-selling business. Betsy is trying to get us ready for getting her driver’s license. She is very busy being homeschooled, babysitting, attending the Patrick Henry College Youth Music Academy and working part time in the book business. Joel is very active in Boy Scouts and is trying to get a summer lawn mowing business started to fund his Scout activities. I try to keep up with everyone’s activities, the homeschool work, make wedding cakes, do bulk mailings for a missionary group to the Persecuted Church, work as a precinct chief for the Loudoun County Electoral Board, run a food co-op for about 20 families, as well as host an organic milk/dairy delivery site for local families. In addition, we had to move my mother closer and place her in a home for Alzheimer’s patients. It has been a physical and emotional strain on the whole family.

Thanks to all who have written. It has been good to hear from you. Hope to see a lot of you at our next reunion, which is coming up soon. Keep in touch.

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Great hearing from everyone, but enough of us all turning 50. I don’t know about you but I still feel like a 19-year-old college coed. Here’s the latest:

Beth White Werrell is a freelance writer doing mostly advertising and marketing copywriting. She is a member of Maryland Romance Writers and is working on some fiction, a “hairy vampire novel!” Her daughter graduated from high school with the sons of Bob and Sheri Bair ’84 Heckle and Steve and Ivy Silverman ’84 Alleiger.

Peg Houghton Kelly is an elementary school counselor in Howard County and is enjoying it very much when she is not being frustrated to death by the kids’ parents. She is in the process of buying her first house on her own, which is both terrifying and exciting. Kiki Brusca Wynn, Lynn Goldstein Phillips and Peg all vacationed at the beach at the same time. What a hoot it was.

Steve Sturiale and wife Kristin live in Relay, Md. They have three sons. Steve has been trying his hand at coaching basketball.

Rick Koplowitz is a government contractor at Fort Detrick, with a company called CACI. He sees music most weekends with a small group of friends. He is still playing guitar when he can and has reconnected with many old friends over the past couple of years including Steve Ports, Greg Peterson ’82, George Kieb ’82 and Charlie Brown ’82, all of whom he’s had a chance to jam with for the first time since school. Unbelievable! He says to search his name in YouTube to see samples of him playing with a friend’s band.

Stacy Proctor Shaffer says that she is the legal world’s oldest law clerk in Carroll County Circuit Court. Her art outlet is being involved in the Carroll County Arts Council. Her husband, Clark, has moved his law practice to a building that he and a CPA friend purchased on Main Street in Westminster. His buddy has the upstairs office, and Clark has the downstairs. Stacy says, “It has been a really good move for him, and it’s nice to own property in town (oh, and it has the added benefit of being right up the street from the wine bar).” They celebrated their 25th anniversary this year. They have two daughters. She says that the benefit of being a townee is that practically everyone around here has some connection to the College, either having gone there, having a kid there, or working there, so she gets to see lots of WMC folks all the time. She was really pleased to meet the new president, and his wife, stating “they are both warm and energetic people who are genuinely interested in fostering the relationship between McDaniel and the city of Westminster, which has been a positive thing for all.”

Kiki Brusca Wynn says the only thing she wants to say in The Hill is that she misses seeing everyone from WMC and that life is moving fast. (I think we all would agree with you on that.)

Cyndy Braut lives in Naperville, Ill., 30 miles west of Chicago. Her husband is still working for BP and she is still not working since the move, but really enjoys her volunteer activities as an ESL tutor, cancer patient supporter, and “Unity” board member. She and her husband have two children. She met with Lizzie Maccherry Moag, Jennifer Gill-Guy and Laine Gillespie to celebrate running 50. She would love to hear from anyone in the Chicago area any time. It’s a great city! Cyndy feels blessed to have her friends from WMC and so lucky to have had Ira as one of her teachers.

Denise Frech says that she doesn’t have anything new going on, but she seems to be very busy. She has been at Woodlawn Ele
mentary in Baltimore County, teaching elementary physical education for 21 years. It is a tough school but she has managed to stay there. She became an aunt in 2006 when her brother and sister-in-law adopted two siblings from Russia. They are fun to be around and very smart. She is now an eight-year breast cancer survivor. She runs The Race for a Cure and in 2011 she was the first-place survivor. She is a member of the morning Maryland Masters Swim Team at UMBC. She has heard that Bruce Dunlum '82 was swimming with the evening group. She is active in her church taking care of the altar one month of the year, singing in the choir, being a member of the stewardship and cemetery boards and attending Bible class and church every weekend. She also helps out with the children’s activities.

Risa Bush Halpern recently reunited with Peg “Maggie” Houghton Kelly after not seeing each other for 26 years. They now meet for lunch every few months. She has also reunited with a few WMC '83 friends on Facebook. Kaki Brusca Wynn, Mark Jordan, Lynn Goldstein Phillips, Mollie King and Pippa Hallstone Duggan. She would like to hear from others. She has two sons and is an instructional coach for Baltimore County Public Schools.

Rixey Leberher Holtz is a stay-at-home mom who is never home. She helps out at church and volunteers at her children’s schools.

Marybeth Gaiser Engers-Fasano volunteers her time counseling domestic violence victims. She also sings with the Susquehanna Oratorical Society and fills up her time kickboxing or working with a trainer at the gym. She says that she refuses to age gracefully. She is an accounting manager for a small- to mid-size company. Between her husband, Charlie, two cats and two dogs, her life is very full.

Neil Epstein is an account executive at PSA Financial in Hunt Valley. Their three daughters keep him and his wife very busy. They often spend time with Hunter ‘81 and Katie O’Dwyer ‘82 Steadley. Hunter and he got the chance to talk to and enjoy a Ravens game this fall with Scott Kallins ‘81. He also ran into a lot of familiar faces last spring at the CD release party for the band “FT Blindman” whose members include George Kleb ‘82, Steve Short ‘84 and Charlie Brown ‘81. The CD is terrific and if you get the chance, go see the band or get the CD.

Paul Parlette wanted to brag about his wife of 26 years, Nancy List Turner ‘82, who just completed her master’s in human nutrition. He is so glad that he met her at WMC and is looking forward to the next 26 years with her.

Bob “Butts” and Becky Jackson ‘84 Butler enjoy a lot of football and basketball games on the hill. Two of their sons attend WMC. They see the Techs often and have a blast at MR Ducks watching Steve “Sports” Ports play with the Klassix on the outdoor deck. Go Green Tech! Come tailgate with us this fall!

Lisa Stahl Castelle sends a big hello out to everyone. She still resides in Middletown, Md., and is in her 27th year of teaching at Maryland School for the Deaf. There are no thoughts of retirement since her youngest just started college. Lisa enjoyed a wonderful few days in Florida with Stacie Mazzorci Dashiel and Sue Lapidus Spencer. This has become a very much anticipated annual trip. Instead of talking about their own escapades, they now have fun relating (and maybe relating to) those of their college-age kids.

Scott Kohr and wife Lynn Stone ‘88 keep busy with their two girls and their distance running. They still see and/or talk to the Techs. Recently had Christmas dinner with Norm ‘Jeff’ and Deb Weber ‘88 Kiley and Jack and Cindy Jarkowick ‘88 Knie and Steve and Elaine Ports.

Steven T. Goon still lives out West, married, and working the past few years as the quality manager over three mineral plants and a mining operation. He did get to travel to Peru, Costa Rica and Canada on business, but he mostly stays west of the Mississippi. He’s only been back to Maryland twice the past couple of years and by chance ran into Mark Cavanaugh who says Steve, looks the same as he did in college, not fat and thinning hair like many of us. He still gets an annual Christmas card and picture from Pete Norman and Chris Kane ‘84.

Susan King Wandishin has three children who keep her very busy. She is a part-time pediatrician in Owings Mills. Husband John has been at CMS “like” forever and she doubts that it will change. Carpe diem!

After driving past the Juniata River and Breezebrook on the way to a cross-country ski weekend in honor of his 50th with a dozen friends, Paul Parlette thought about me (yes that’s where my nickname comes from) and he thought it was about time he caught up to WMC news. He is an educator at an art museum in D.C. called The Phillips Collection. It’s a great job and he has been there since 2003. He and wife Laura have two daughters. From WMC he reunited with Tim Kirkner ‘84, Margaret Houghton Kelly, Ellen Schaefer-Salins, Pete Norman and Meredith Zimmerman via Facebook. He sees Deb Tyler ‘85 and Shelley Jones ‘85 every now and then and in Takoma Park where we all live.

Gary Harris is a wholesale furniture representative for Ashley Furniture in Maryland and Virginia. He and wife Susie Matthews ‘84 have two children. They went to a 50th birthday party for Kevin Trezie with Craig Clary and Carl Tarbell.

Steve Ports has been the deputy director of the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission for 10 years and still enjoys catching up with the Techs. He recently had the chance to reminisce with Bryan Gately, Scott Kohr, John Dixon, Jack Knies, John O’Connell, John Wontrop, and Jeff ‘84 and Deb Weber ‘88 Kiley at a 50th birthday party—actually a series of them. He is also serving on a McDaniel College Presidential Task Force to consider ways to improve the efficiency of the Alumni Council and alumni activities. If anyone has any thoughts, please feel free to share them.

Jeff Kuzemchak and wife Amy have three young children. They live in Forest Hill where he manages the environmental remediation program for a large defense company. He also plays competitive lacrosse (at least they think it’s competitive) in the Maryland Grandmasters league and has a much better excuse for all the normal aches and pains that accompany fossilization.

Nancy Reid Ciospari loves her job teaching physical education at Notre Dame Prep. Nancy still teaches classes at the Maryland Athletic Club and also maintains her real estate license to help her husband, Bill, at their Long & Foster offices in Baltimore and Ocean City. They have three children. She enjoys getting together with Liz Maccherry Moag and Kathie Harrison Offutt. Nancy has recently seen a number of WMC alumni at the gym and at school events: Maria Maranto Yanson ‘84, Hunter ‘82, and Katie O’Dwyer ‘82 Steadley, Steve ‘81, and Sydney Deeds ‘82 James, Chet Williams ‘85, Dave Sutor and Tim Sullivan ‘80.

Mary Barker Bachinger and her husband, Chris, have two children. She enjoyed getting to spend time with Cyndy Brautl last fall for their 35th parochial school class reunion. Cindy Wilcox Pascal ‘84 and Mary live nearby one another in Fairfax, Va. Mary is the director of tax policy at the National Association of College and University Business Officers, and Cindy is a special education specialist at the elementary school nearby.

Scott Antonelli will keep all of your secrets in Vegas if you’d like to visit him. He loves the Southwest but misses the snow. He had some visitors, Rick Romeo ‘86, John Hattery ‘86, and Bonnie Courtenay and Dominick Messina. He has two children.

After 23 years, Michele Neuman Seburn is still at Citibank working in the credit card fraud division trying to stop the bad guys from stealing cards. She’s in her 10th year of teaching religious education classes but this year’s class of fourth-graders seems to have extra energy. She and John have been married for 24 years and recently took a short trip to Ocean City, Md., where it was snow-
Scientists on the Advance

At this year’s Honors Convocation, the Board of Trustees gave alumni career and service achievement awards to three accomplished women advancing the field of genetics.

Beth Sullivan ’90 is assistant professor in Molecular Genetics and Microbiology at Duke University’s Institute of Genome Sciences and Policy; Susanne Laws Haga ’94 is senior policy scientist and assistant research professor at Duke University’s Institute of Genome Sciences and Policy; and Erin Thompson Strovel ’93 is assistant professor of Pediatrics at the University of Maryland School of Medicine and director of the Pediatric Biochemical Genetics Laboratory.

Board Chair Martin K. P. Hill, Trustee Alumni awardees Beth Sullivan ’90, Susanne Laws Haga ’94 and Erin Thompson Strovel ’93, and President Roger Casey.

many of us from ’83, and they recently celebrated at parties for John Dixon and Steve Ports. Enjoyed catching up with a bunch of ’83ers at both. They also connected with Chris Adamik as he was in from California.

Erin O’Connell Peiffer and husband Bryan have three children. Erin is an advocate for women and heart disease. She continues to talk at events to raise awareness of this number one killer of women. Bryan continues to work at TCOM.L.P. She visited Jane Krug in the French Quarters of New Orleans to celebrate the big 50 with at least 10 other women. She keeps up with Lori Stratmann Zentgraf, Shari Bullard McClellan, Annette Horn Seiler, Debbie Armworthy Shifflette and Peggy Stoneback Beardmore.

Carol Frances Carrico reaches at Waverly Elementary in Howard County. She has three children. She sees Nancy Turner Parlette ’82 more in the summer when school is out and her garden basil is in. She sometimes gets to chat with Nancy’s husband, Paul, if he’s not out mowing the lawn.

Bob Iber checked in just to say he’s doing the same thing as last column. He’s a lawyer with HUD in Baltimore and lives with his wife on a farm in Sparks.

My life is changing just as yours is. We have one daughter married and two still in college so we’re on our own making sure we still like each other. I teach U.S. History at Broadneck High in Annapolis and recently have begun to teach graduate classes for a local college. We moved to Severna Park near a bike trail so we bike, walk to shops and restaurants and kayak at the beach. We love it. Brad continues with “Bobby and the Believers” and they played at Western Maryland at Gill Gym for the classes of the 60s reunion. For over 10 years I have been getting together every few months with Corjie Simmons Tarlton ’82, Nancy Zuidema Radcliffe ’82 and Ronnie Destito Simmons ’82 for dinner. Sadly in July ’10, Ronnie lost her long courageous battle with breast cancer. She is greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Hope to see you all at the 30th reunion Traci “Breeze” Holland Anderson 27 Hatton Drive Severna Park, MD 21146

1989

Hello to the wonderful class of 1989! I hope this issue of The Hill finds everyone happy and healthy. Since the last column our 20-year reunion has come and gone. The attendance was low but those of us that went had an awesome time. Elizabeth Burkitt Howes and I met up with Jim and Frances Fato Cardea, Jon Bugg and Mike Reyes at the welcoming reception and were later joined by Joyce Lee Taylor, Tina Lambert-Marczec, Roxanne Benjovsky McClanahan and her husband, Dan. We ate a delicious meal in the Pub and had a great time catching up and reminiscing. Afterwards we all went to an Irish Pub in town where we were joined by Michelle Meehan McDonnell, Carl Soltis and Joe Cliber. Hopefully more people will attend our 25th reunion. It was truly a night to remember. The College went all out and welcomed us with open arms. Thank you to those that attended making the night extra-special! Here is the news from our classmates...

Mike Reyes was so inspired after our 20th reunion in 2009 that he got involved with his high school reunion. He quickly learned that many people were on Facebook and after reaching so many friends a grade school and a neighborhood reunion were also organized. While Mike was in town for the string of reunions last year he was able to briefly see Pete Wilson ’87 and Andy Stefanelli ’87. Mike was also able to meet Joe Cliber and Kathleen Hodgkins Martin ’87 for crabs. Mike continues to work for GM in Shreveport, La., as a stationary engineer, but lives across the state line in Texas. His daughter is a junior in high school and his son is a freshman playing for the varsity soccer team. He is looking forward to the next reunion!

Stacey Greenberg Heyman is so excited to report that her son, Travis Hise, has been accepted to McDaniel College and will be attending this fall. Luckily she still lives close enough that she can hang out on the Hill and watch some football with Travis, her husband, Mike, and their son, Chase, next fall.

Roxanne Benjovsky McClanahan and husband Dan are happily raising “My Three Sons” in Crofton, Md. After consulting for 10 years, she returned to the workforce in 2009 as a trainer for the law firm of Miles & Stockbridge, headquartered at Baltimore’s Inner Harbor. She didn’t realize how much she missed it until she went back! While it puts a damper on her social life, she is able to keep up with her Phi Sig friends through monthly “Thirsty Thursday” gatherings (and a spring trip to the beach) as well as with the WMC community through the glories of Facebook. “Thank goodness they didn’t have Facebook while we were on the Hill, or I may never have graduated,” writes Roxanne. Roxanne admits that she is having a tough time keeping up with one child each in elementary, middle and high school, in addition to all of the sporting activities that keep the boys on the move.

Harry Cohen and wife Piper Luce MS’90 Cohen love living in Bloomington, Ind. They have been living there for the last six years. Harry is busy with expanding his ophthalmology practice. He does eye surgery at three locations and is currently adding specialists to the practice. Harry and Piper are busy with their three kids and their church. Harry recently became a church elder while Piper sings in a traveling worship band that will soon open for Abandon, a Christian Rock group. Lane, 14, struggles with autism but is a whiz on the computer and is looking forward to starting high
school next year. Gage, 12, is a straight-A student, electric guitar player, and a competitive gymnast who is ranked high in the state. Bryn, 8, is a straight-A student, violin player, and basketball point guard. They enjoy visiting family in Maryland and New York and going to the beach on vacation.

Bill Descsi and his wife, Jennifer, are living in Charleston, S.C. Jennifer is a fitness instructor (spin, body pump, yoga classes). Bill works for Blackbaud, a software provider for nonprofits. McDaniel College recently purchased “The Raiders Edge” and their online tool for their alumni communication efforts. Bill was not involved in the sales pursuit, but found out later that Ethan Seidel was the executive in charge of the evaluations. Good thing Bill was not involved as Ethan surely would have brought up Bill’s subpar macroeconomics grades. Bill and Jennifer have four sons: Jacob, a sophomore at Bishop England High School, plays lacrosse; Keegan, an eighth-grader, runs cross country and track; Jared, an eighth-grader, runs cross country, track and basketball; and Logan, in the third grade, plays soccer, basketball, baseball. Bill recently went to a Ravens game in Atlanta and stayed at Steve Schmitt’s ’88 house. Doug Hitchcock, Evan Puck’s ’88 and Dave Moessbauer ’85 were also there. Ravens lost, but a great time was had by all.

Debbie Reynolds Williams completed her MBA in the fall of 2010. To celebrate her accomplishment and her and her husband, Matt’s, 10-year anniversary they went on a trip to Eleuthera, Bahamas. Debbie is still the chief operating officer of The Living Legacy Foundation. Their daughter, Lucy, 5, will be going to kindergarten next year.

Kristin Albert Jones’ biggest news is that she has been taking martial arts classes for the last three years and is now preparing to get her first-degree black belt in October. Martial arts is something she never thought she would do much like snowboarding! She has made new friends and is learning a lot about self defense. Her son has also been taking classes and will earn his black belt next year. Last spring Kristin started working part time for Nancy Shaw Hart ’88 in her audiology practice in Westminster. She manages FM equipment for students in the county schools. FM equipment helps kids with hearing loss or auditory processing disorders hear better in the classroom. She also keeps in touch with Lloyd Hart, the Kim Hoben Sample, Karen Quindas Mayhew ’90, Erin DiGregorio Misciscia ’91 and Pam Scharrer Kacher ’91.

Toni Crea Marion writes that things are good in New Jersey! She is working in research and development for Church & Dwight (the Arm & Hammer Company) in the analytical services lab. Her daughter Sarah, 11, is in the fifth grade and her son Alex, 10, is in the fourth grade. Between homework and activities the kids keep Tony and her husband, Michael, very busy. Sarah loves dance and is on the competition team at her dance studio. Alex has been training for his black belt in Tae Kwon Do and is getting ready for little league this spring.

Theresa Bernhardt Ballinger has been working as an accountant at NASA Goddard Space Center since 2006. She lives in Ellicott City, Md. with Bob ’88 and their two sons, Trey, 14, and Will, 12. Sports and school events keep them all very busy.

John Fitzsimmons writes that he and his wife Becky Banwell ’90 are busy out in Cincinnati. They have twin daughters, Erin and Brian, 9, who are involved in school, soccer, lacrosse, and basketball, etc.

Roland McCahan claims to still be a “Radio DJ Beach Bum” on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. He encourages everyone to listen to his station online at 99.9thesound.com. He gets to see Ted ’90 and Jessica Diller ’88 Graves when they vacation in the Outer Banks.

Chris and Kathleen Frantzen ’90 Schaber are still living in North Hanover, N.J., with their four children: Alyssa, 17, Gillian, 15, Zachary, 13, and Madelynn, 10. Chris is the president and CEO of a biotechnology company in Princeton, N.J., where they are developing drugs in oncology/transplantation as well as in biodefense. When they are not in New Jersey following their children around to various sporting activities they spend time at their summer home in Ocean Pines, Md. He still remains close with his college buddies Steve Hollander, Dan Moskowitz and Harry Cohen.

Donner Physical Therapy and Sports Rehab is the name of Matt Donner’s new private practice that he opened in the summer of 2010 in Plantation, Fla. He and his wife, Stacey, have two happy, healthy kids, Grayden, 10, and Avery, 8. They enjoy exploring Florida and recently met up with Pat Crain ‘90 and his wife, Kristi, and two sons for a fun day on North Captiva Island over winter break. Matt stays active doing triathlons, road races, coaching, and playing golf.

Albert May (a retired WMC worker) wrote to inform us that sadly his wife, Leona May passed away in July ’09. He does look forward to receiving The Hill and reads it thoroughly. His son Peter ’92 and he keep up on the goings-on in Westminster and the College as best they can.

Bob Hutchinson and his wife, Angela, welcomed their second son, Daniel Reid, into their household on Oct. 10, 2010. They are looking forward to sleeping through the night. Bob writes, “Frankly we are too old for this!” Their older son, Denver, 2, has adjusted well to his new baby brother. Bob survived Pfizer’s takeover of Wyeth and has just reached his 10-year anniversary. He works in clinical compliance in one of the new business units.

Julie Wolfe Huston and husband John ’93 have spent a busy winter clearing snow in Maine and are more than ready for summer. Their children are growing up fast. Their daughter, Christina, is a sophomore in college in Texas and son Nicholas is a junior in high school. They are busy caring for all of their animals when they are not working or spending time with their kids. They hope to visit friends in Maryland this summer.

Norman Young is still in the Army after all of these years. He has been stationed at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz., since his last deployment ended in 2008. Norman believes that by the time we are reading this he will have moved to Ft. Polk, La. He is planning to be deployed on a training mission to Iraq for a year in June. Once there he will be training and mentoring Iraqi Army personnel. He writes that he has done this type of mission before and it is a rewarding mission which involves a lot of cultural interaction. His wife, Kittle, and daughter Cameron will stay in Sierra Vista, Ariz., and are “as beautiful as ever.” Norman will be stationed back at Ft. Huachuca in the summer 2012.

Garrett Going, wife Jennifer, and kids, Garrett, 10, and Paige, 7, are doing great. Garrett is still working in institutional equity sales on Wall Street. Garrett is training for his first triathlon since breaking his back in 2008. He writes that all the snow this winter reminded him of some fun Jan Terms with class of 1989.

Sandi Stevens Corbo has been teaching physical education for 22 years in Baltimore County Public Schools. She is enjoying skiing with her daughter Maggie, 12. Sandi and her husband, Joe, spend a lot of time on the soccer field watching their daughter grow in the sport and really love it.

June Loughry Bitzel is a children’s services supervisor at the Carroll County Public Library’s North Carroll Branch. She received her M.S.L.S. from Clarion University of Pennsylvania in May ’10.

Tammy Kile and her partner, Kim Brown, welcomed son Mason Oliver on May 5, 2010. He joins their happy, blended family that includes Ian, 15, Leah, 12, Garrett, 9, and Aiden, 7. She continues to work as an emergency medicine physician in Rockville and Germantown, Md. Tammy also added that she and Kim were married in Washington, D.C., on April 12, 2010 as the new marriage equality law was passed there. They are ex- cepted to be a part of these changing times and hopefully they continue!

Jim and Frances Fato Cardea are doing well. Jim is still a partner with the law firm Schoch, Federico & Staton in Baltimore. Frances remains the controller at the Aspen Hill Club in Silver Spring. Their three daughters are getting bigger each day. Jaimie, 14, is now a freshman in high school (“We can’t believe it.”) and plays field hockey, basketball and now softball. Katie, 11, plays travel soccer and basketball and is also involved in the chorus, and the youngest, Kelly, 5, just started playing soccer. “As you can imagine,
College alumna and trustee emeritus Mary Elizabeth Brown Bryson, 96, a civic leader and long-time resident of Carroll County, died on May 12 at Father’s Care, her home near Westminster.

Mary graduated in 1931 from Eastern High School in Washington, D.C., and in 1935 from Western Maryland College. Known as “Brownie” while a student on the Hill, she was a scholar, an athlete and the sports editor for the college yearbook. She also met her future husband, Brady Bryson, a classmate. Brady passed away in 2006.

She and Brady were married by her father, a Methodist minister, in 1938, in Vienna, Md. They lived in New York, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. Mary returned to Carroll County while her husband served in the Navy in World War II and later at the Nuremberg trials. After the war, they bought and renovated their farm, Father’s Creek, near Westminster.

In addition to raising four children, Mary led an active life in the community. She was an original member of the Carroll County Human Relations Committee, which was established to promote harmony among the diverse citizens of Carroll County and to ensure that all county residents can exercise and enjoy equal rights.

Mary also promoted greater participation by women in politics and sought elective office herself. In the 1960’s, she unsuccessfully ran to become a member of the House of Delegates and then the State Senate. In 1967, she was elected to represent Carroll County at the Maryland Constitutional Convention. Although the revised constitution was not adopted by the voters, many revisions were enacted in later years.

In 1967, Mary was also elected to the Board of Trustees of her alma mater and she became a trustee emeritus in 1984. With her husband, she established the George E. Brown Family Memorial Scholarship in honor of her father. When her husband retired in 1980, they restored an historic building in Westminster and created and operated Locust Wines and Antiques for more than 20 years before finally retiring in their 80’s.

we don’t have too much free time!” Frances and Jim regularly keep in touch with Chris Flatter, Mike Schmall ’90 and their families. In September, Jim and his brother hosted the 13th annual Dr. Don Carden Memorial Golf Tournament benefiting the Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia. As usual, they had a strong turnout from WMC alumni. This year’s participants included Eric Landgraf ’87, Keith Berlin ’86, Norm Dahl ’87, Darren LoPrinzi ’90, Tom Kneier ’82, Tom Paranzino ’82, Kathy Marvel Paranzino ’85, Brian Powell ’82, Larry Greenwald ’83, Dan O’Connor ’88, Jim Weber ’90, Jon Hawkins, Marc Bouchard ’90, Chris Flatter, Mike Schmall ’90 and Matt Palazzo. Eric Fairfield, Dave Ferguson, Steve Hegna, Eric Springmeyer ’92, Dan Chadwick ’90, Roxanne Benjovsky McClanahan and Jamie Reale ’92 have also supported the tournament in recent years. “I can’t tell you enough how much it means to us to have such good friends,” writes Jim.

Deb Ridpath is living in Mount Washington, Calif., up in the hills with a lovely view, with her boyfriend of two years, Bill, and they have four kids between them: Cameron, 13, Katie, 12, Hayden, 11 (yep!), and Claire, 8. She says, “Chasing weekends and crazy schedules, but I love it.” Deb is a supervising producer on a show for ABC network and always looking for new show ideas so email her if you have any! She is in touch with Dina Soliman Hines ’91, Nora Soliman ’92, and Janice D’Agostino’s long-loved and Janine Advice and would love to hear from Molly some time. She also catches up with old friends on Facebook, but would love to hear from more!

That wraps up the news from the “Class of 1989”! As for me I am still living in Timonium with my husband, Chuck, and two great kids: Kevin, 11, and Kelly, 8. Like everyone else, our lives revolve around the kids and their activities. I am still a stay-at-home mom but looking to re-enter the working world soon. It was a long winter and I am looking forward to spending many days this summer at the pool or in Bethany Beach where my parents have a house. I saw Joe Cliber and his family on the beach one day last year and got to catch up with him, hopefully we will meet again this summer! I run into so many alumni here in Baltimore. It is always such a nice surprise to see an old friend. Of course many of us have re-united on Facebook and have kept in touch over the past few years. Thanks to everyone who wrote in to me. I love hearing from all of you!

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Kelly Maher Hammond and husband Chuck ’93 are still living in Hanover, Pa., with their two boys, Riley, 8, and Braden, 6, and yellow lab Ridge. Kelly completed her master’s in school library media and has undertaken a variety of professional opportunities, consulting work, and has taught online grad classes for McDaniel while working part time and being at home with her boys. Kelly returned to work full time this year as a staff development facilitator for Carroll County Public Schools, working closely with emerging technologies in education. She is an activist for Promethean’s interactive whiteboard technologies and works closely with curriculum, instruction, staff development and technology services in the school system. This past summer, Kelly was accepted into a one-year international cohort through Johns Hopkins University and the International Society of Technology in Education and is now completing her administration and supervision certificate. When she’s not busy with coursework, Kelly still finds time to scrapbook, coach her son’s soccer team and serve on the board at both Montessori School of Westminster and the Enlightened Learning Center of Hanover, Pa. She is looking forward to wrapping up her program this August and finding some time to relax.

Mark E. Hughes is a director for a program that seeks to attract new home buyers to northwest Baltimore. He still enjoys sports, writing and volunteering for civic organizations and continues to have political aspirations; maybe this will finally be his year. Majoring in Spanish has finally paid off for him as he is a part-time Spanish instructor at Sojourner-Douglass College.

Tammy Barnes Jenkins is still working as a guidance counselor at Salisbury Christian School in Salisbury, Md. She enjoys working with students of all grade levels. She loves spending time with her husband of 16 years, Kevin, and their precious son, Carson, 3, who certainly keeps them busy. In their free time, they enjoy going to Ocean City and Delmarva Shorebirds baseball games. They also love visiting family back in Westminster. It is fascinating to see how much WMC has changed over the years.

Rob and Emily Snyder Brown are doing well in Westminster. Emily is an accountant at a local CPA firm and Rob is an academic dean at Carroll Community College. They have three fantastic boys, Andy, Josh and Ryan, who keep them busy with school, soccer and baseball.

Matthew and Andi Kolesar ’96 Fuhrman and their two children, Anna and Ellie, live in White Marsh, Md. Matthew is pastor at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Rosedale, Md., and Andi works for Baltimore County government. Last year, Matthew resigned his commission at the rank of lieutenant commander from the United States Navy reserve, where he served as a chaplain for over 10 years. In addition to activities in the parish, he is active with both the Boy and the Girl Scouts, serving as the pack committee chair, the junior scout co-leader and crew...
advisor for the various scout troops in the church.

Christina Jones Longenecker has been married for 10 years to Keller and they have two boys, Kacey, 8, and Brennan, 7. She has been teaching eighth-grade language arts at St. Michaels Middle High School for the past seven years after taking some time at home with her sons. Between school and sports they remain very busy. Christina remains in touch with Dawn Motovidik '94, Carolyn Kelsey Briskman and Heath Hyland Labance '94.

Carolyn Kelsey Briskman cannot remember the last time she sent something to put in The Hill. She's not sure if much has changed, maybe younger sister, Blake. She still lives in the same place, still happily married to Pete '94, still staying at home and keeping very busy with their three boys Jack, 8, Nick, 6, and Blake. Carolyn cannot believe it has been 16 years!

Elizabeth Simons Gleason lives in Fairfax, Va., and enjoys staying home with her two kids. Her son is finishing kindergarten and her daughter is looking forward to starting preschool in the fall. She’s been coaching her son’s Odyssey of the Mind team this year, which has been a lot of fun for both of them. She’ll be teaching art classes this summer and enjoying beach time too! She still keeps in touch with fellow Phi Alpha Cynthia Spark Lourido ’96, who is living in West Chester, Pa., with her husband, Alex, and sons, Alex Jr. and Gabriel.

Krista Shaffer Rose Wilson lives in Frostburg with her new husband, Jeff, and their three children, Kailee, Abby, and Sam. They were recently married at the Ritz-Carleton on Amelia Island in Florida. Krista continues to teach middle school science and has been getting together yearly with WMC friends Andrea Romic Sykes, Kristi Susco Webster ‘94, MaryEllen Sheehan Gallen ’96, Holly Roback Piank ’96 and Claudia Pyers Eckstrom. Last summer their group had a fun weekend trip to NYC.

After a 2010 that ended with some heart troubles, Tyler Wilson is looking for 2011 to be much better! In late 2010, he and his wife, Michele Reavy ‘94, had a visit from Alex Mann’s niece from Spain. She stayed for a great three weeks. Then in early 2011 they had another great visit from Carolyn Low Spicer ‘94 and Anna Pullen Jakubiec Marchese ‘94. Tyler continues to keep busy coaching both kids in soccer and now lacrosse.

David and Tineke Ilyes Miller reside in Meadua, Wisc. David is a podiatrist in a multi-specialty medical group. Tineke is a stay-at-home mom for daughters, Waverly, 9, Teagan, 6, and son Dawson, 2. They both enjoy hiking, biking, skateboarding, and exploring the Northwoods.

Hydee Johnson Streett is busy on her farm raising her children: twin daughters, Gemma Hyde and Skylar, and their son, Liam. She is also working full time for the Harford County Public Library as a finance specialist. In addition to her three children, Hydee’s most recent accomplishment was running a full marathon down in Orlando, Fla. She also loves getting together with some local Omegas for their luncheons.

Thanks to those of you who got in touch with me. Glad to hear everyone is doing well.

I (Jennifer Daino Stein) continue to work in NYC and live in Babylon, N.Y., with my husband and our two girls, Madeline, 10, and Campbell, 7, and our son, Ciaran, 4. Weekends are filled with swimming lessons, softball and lots of play dates. We are all looking forward to the summer and hanging out at the beach.

As for me (Julie Lucas), I'm still happily living on the Upper East Side of New York City and my favorite past time is still traveling and exploring other countries, cultures and local activities in the various places. Top spots this year include Africa (the safari is amazing!). Brazil, Argentina, Israel, Abu Dhabi, China, Sweden, Russia, India, Amsterdam and London. I've been on a different continent every month for the last 11 months which has been incredible and so much fun. When I'm not traveling, I enjoy hiking, rock climbing, painting and taking in all the fun of NYC: opera, theater, jazz, museums, etc. On a professional note, after six years as the assistant dean at Fordham University School of Law School, I left to become the associate dean at New York University Stern School of Business which has been very rewarding and a great experience, albeit very busy. If you're ever in NYC or want to get more involved at WMC, let me know: julieandrealucas@gmail.com.

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The year 2000 was a great year for Mike Yestramski. He graduated from UMBC, School of Social Work with an MSW degree in May, began working as a social worker at Spring Grove Hospital in August and was married on Sept. 19 to his wonderful wife, Catherine Cochran Yestramski, MICA class of 2001. They currently live in the Charles Village neighborhood of Baltimore City and enjoy all the great things city life has to offer.

Stephanie Peery Sanderson married Daniel Sandofer in August 2007. Serving as her maid of honor was longtime friend Sarah Fogler. Also in attendance was Michelle Bernhardt Young. Steph and Dan are thrilled with the arrival of their first child, Logan, who was born Jan. 7, 2011. The couple resides in Raleigh, N.C.

Amanda Boyd Miller married Bradley Miller in the fall of 2006. He is a Pittsburgh native and graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He relocated to Carroll County where he and Amanda bought her grandparents’ homestead in Sykesville. Amanda can’t seem to get away from the political life and loves serving Senator Joseph Getty as his chief of staff.

Holly Carswell Lambert still resides in beautiful Harpers Ferry, W.Va., and is entering her 10th year teaching elementary physical education for Loudoun County Public Schools at Mountain View Elementary School in Purcellville, Va. She loves taking the students on an annual hike on the C&O Canal towpath where she leads students and parents for four miles near Shepherdstown as part of an outdoor education initiative. Students learn history, science, geography, health all in their physical education class!

She and her husband added another boy to the family (she is now outnumbered four to one – husband included): Zane Scott was born May 4 and joins big brother Gavin who turns five in March. They enjoy as many outdoor activities as they can pack in, including fishing, hunting, biking, canoeing and hiking.

After two years as an expatriate in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Joanna Kraft-Nappari and her hubby, Asko, moved back to Finland in 2009. She started working as a producer at a national radio station. Their son, Lucas Vigo, was born on Dec. 11, 2009. In November 2010 Joanna and Asko were married.

Danielle Bansfield and Robert Nyari ‘99 attended the wedding and she still sees them on a regular basis. Like a lot of us, Joanna reports how nice it is to keep in touch with old classmates through Facebook.

After working in the mortgage business for seven years, Amanda Cameron decided to change careers and she has just completed one year of service at Stevenson University. She is currently a library reference assistant and looking forward to beginning an MLIS program to become a librarian.

Niki Averill Guinan and her husband, Amos, had a baby boy, Wyeth Archer Guinan, on March 21, 2010. He is taking some time off from her teaching position to focus on spending time with her son. When she is not playing with and reading to Wyeth, she and her family are remodeling their 1930s home just outside Philadelphia or spending time with their very large and energetic dog and two cats.

Lisa Weber-Raley and her husband, Ryan, welcomed twins on Nov. 10, 2010. Kendal Paige was born just one minute before her brother, Jordan Cole. Lisa spent most of 2010 focused on resting and preparing for the arrival of Kendal and Jordan and it paid off in her and Ryan being able to welcome two healthy full-term babies! The family loves living in Annapolis and enjoys all the city has to offer. Lisa is now back to work full time for Matthew Greenwald and Associates in Washington, D.C. Her work growing the

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Mr. Walter E. Sibiski ’50, of Lutherville, Md., on March 28, 2011.

Miss Charlotte E. McCaffrey MEd ’51, of Frederick, Md., on January 18, 2011.


Mr. Carl F. Snyder ’53, of Carlisle, Pa., on February 10, 2011.

Mrs. Lois Ohler Wantz ’53, of Silverdale, Wash., on January 5, 2011.

Mr. Michael M. Brill ’58, of Columbia, Md., on November 13, 2010.

Mrs. Judith Lacy Foster ’65, of Baltimore, Md., on November 12, 2010.


Mrs. Jane Burgee Riley ’64, of West Palm Beach, Fla., on January 12, 2011.

Mrs. Louise Mann Coffman MEd ’65, of York, Pa., on January 4, 2011.

Mr. Ronald K. LeGore ’66, of Walkersville, Md., on December 17, 2010.

Mr. Bruce H. Robinson ’66, of Wilmington, N.C., on September 28, 2010.

Mr. James C. Hartsock ’68, of Abingdon, Md., on March 6, 2011.

Mrs. Connie Nipple Harrum MEd ’70, of Selinsgrove, Pa., on February 4, 2011.

Mr. John R. Slider MEd ’71, of Cumberland, Md., on December 26, 2010.

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Kelly Gillogly ’02 sends greetings from Wilmington, N.C., where she is in global recruitment for Kendle, a clinical research organization.

Lara Huzarewicz Joy married Todd Joy, a Frostburg State grad, on Aug. 14, 2010 in Severna Park, Md. They currently are enjoying wedded bliss in Arnold, Md. Todd is a supervisor for the Brickman Group and Lara is enjoying her position in human resources for a government contractor.

Army reservist Carl Taylor spent 2010 on Iraq mobilization orders, traveling to Maryland, Arizona, New Jersey, Kuwait and Iraq where he served as the operations officer for the Weapons Intelligence Company under the Combined Joint Task Force Troy Command working to support the Counter-Im- proved Explosive Devices (IED) fight. Carl was usually first on the scene alongside the Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) disengaging IEDs that have injured or mortally wounded service members across this country. It was his first deployment as a citizen-soldier and he says it was a challenging yet rewarding experience. I am happy to report that Carl is back home, safe and sound, and currently resuming civilian life as academic and career advisement coordinator, in the communication studies department at Morgan State University. I am looking forward to returning to the Hill and watching him and Eric Byrd ’93 direct our mighty Gospel Choir!

After two years abroad in London, England, working as a project manager for the London 2012 Olympics, Dan D’Agostino returned home with his wife, Jenny, for a new adventure. After developing a partnership with his British business partners, Dan built the first Go Ape treetop adventure course in the U.S. at Rock Creek Park in Rockville, Md., www.goape.com. Along with his wife, they hope to expand the business nationwide and get all Green Terrors to ‘go ape’ up in the trees via their ziplines, Tarzan swings and other treetop adventure obstacles.

John Cramlich is now a vice president in the securities and funds division at Citigroup where he’s spent the last 10 years. He currently lives in Wilmington, Del., where he’s coached football for the past nine years, eight of them at St. John the Beloved for the seventh- and eighth-grade teams this past year for St. Mark’s High School which won the Delaware Division I State Championship finishing undefeated 12-0.

On Dec. 5, 2009, Jessica Hines Henderson married Wil Henderson in Easton, Md. The best part of the special day was the snow that fell — very romantic! Rasheeda George served as maid of honor and Mithona Dan Helton ’02, Marcus Helton ’02, Francoise Cheng, Maya Redoearn ’02, Tonya Condell ’02, Raphael Taylor ’03 (who sang the song “Love” by Musiq Soulchild during the ceremony), and Chris Assing ’04 all joined in the celebration. Wil is an engineer and technical sergeant in the Air Force at Dover Air Force Base and Jessica is loving her role as an elementary school teacher in Anne Arundel County where she spends her days helping interns from Towson University become teachers. The happy couple bought a new townhome in Glen Burnie and are enjoying being newlyweds.

Joshua Michael Hazar is putting his music education major to good use teaching music at the West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. He is currently working on a visual impairment/blindness master’s degree through West Virginia University. He and his wife, Kerri, live in Springfield, W.Va.

Brent ’03 and Christa Farrar Kahuda were recently blessed with the birth of their little girl, Caris Anne, at the beginning of January this year. Christa is still serving as a veterinarian at a small animal clinic. The family is living in Charleston, S.C. and doing great!

Jason Nunnelee and his wife are currently living in Greenscatt, Pa. They have two daughters, Mikayla, 5, and Emma Grace, 2. Jason is putting his degree in social work to good use as he was recently hired as director of social services at Willow Tree Manor, a nursing home facility in Charles Town, W.Va. Jason regularly gets together with Matt Ritter ’00 and Bryan ’00 and Katie Swiekos Bowman.

Kelly Gillogly sends greetings from Wilmington, N.C., where she is in global recruitment for Kendle, a clinical research organization. She is enjoying the beautiful coastal weather with her dog or working on her 10 years since we left the Hill, including marriage, children, home ownership and earning her MBA! She serves as accounting manager at Knorr Brake Corporation in Westminster where she recently celebrated her 10th anniversary. She loves giving Mc Henry and Jennifer Donner, Melissa Donner, Shauna Oplinger Thomas and Danielle Council and reminiscence of old times on campus. Karen is thankful for the friendships made that will last a lifetime and also for the education and experiences gained during her time on the Hill.

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John and Amy Horin Bepko and their son, Frankie, are celebrating their son Frankie’s first birthday in March this year. Chrusta is still serving as a teacher in Anne Arundel County where she turns home with her wife, Jenny, for a new year. Chrusta is still serving as a teacher in Anne Arundel County where she turns home with her wife, Jenny, for a new year. Chrusta is still serving as a teacher in Anne Arundel County where she turns home with her wife, Jenny, for a new year. Chrusta is still serving as a teacher in Anne Arundel County where she turns home with her wife, Jenny, for a new year.

Bryan Miller is happy to report to any Green Terrors passing through. If you give him enough advance notice, he might be able to play the role of local guide.

Heather Arnold continues to live on Kent Island and teach middle school physical education in Queen Anne County. She is the assistant field hockey coach at Kent Island High School and proud to report that they won the Saint Mary’s regional championship this fall. She continues to play hockey with former teammates Tammy Fletcher ’00 and Melissa Reynolds Page ’00 in the summer.

Mary Anne Tyler Bozman is a proud mother to Tori, an adorable first-grader who excels at dance class, Girl Scouts, and T-Ball. She loves keeping in touch with her Gamma Sig Sisters through Facebook, especially her former roommates Carrie Newman Jenkins, Rasheeda George and Danielle Price Rinker ’02. Mary Ann is looking forward to seeing everyone at the class reunion in May.

Amy L. Bittiger has spent most of the past 10 years playing recreational sports including soccer and volleyball; attending scores of musicals and symphonies including Les Miserables; enjoying NPR, especially Wait, Wait Don’t Tell Me, This American Life, and Planet Money; and traveling around the world to Argentina, Egypt, and India. After visiting her sixth continent, she settled down long enough to enjoy being pregnant with her daughter, Megan, born in January ’10. All the while she’s been working for the U.S. Government who brought her and Megan to the UK where they currently enjoy a car-free lifestyle and four internet radios (to listen to NPR, of course).

Tracie Mokry-Rohrback is proud to report her promotion to chief in the U.S. Navy as of September ’10. We thank Tracie and all our brave alumni who continue to protect our freedom.

Bryan Miller is happy to work out of his beautiful Florida home as a consultant in the telecommunications tower industry. He is still happily single and enjoying the great times with friends and family, especially brother Curt ’00, just like old times!

Matt McVey and his wife, Dana Marie, celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on May 26 and are enjoying the “DINK” lifestyle (double income no kids), traveling often to the West Coast, Eastern Shore, Florida and the Caribbean. Matt has worked for the Department of Defense now for the past...
eight years and currently chairs a software development program for the U.S. Army as an information technology and systems specialist at Aberdeen Proving Ground. The McVeys still keep in touch with many of the 2000-01 alumni and meet annually with their closest WMC friends at their bi-annual Baltimore to Boston reunions. The couple currently calls Bel Air, Md., home.


Shawn Sprague has worked at the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the past decade, estimating U.S. labor productivity. He has also recently picked up DJing, and you can come hear him spin at Chief Ike's Mambo Room in Washington, D.C., on the third Friday of each month.

Brad and Dana Fraser Ingram welcomed their third son, Daniel Hayden, on July 14, 2010.

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Chris DeRose is alive and well and living in the Windy City. By day he drives a tour bus and entertains visitors to Chicago from all over the world. By night he can be seen on stage and screen around the city. Most notable, Chris does periodic television work with The U Network's morning show, You and Me This Morning. He is also a proud member of Comedy Sportz Chicago, a commutative improv company that plays all around the country.

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2011 finds Rob Goeke teaching at Banks Elementary School in Baton Rouge, La. He got accepted into a teaching fellowship down on the Bayou and is working toward his certification. Currently, he's teaching kids in kindergarten through second grade how to read and attempting to keep kids from fighting and "cutting up." On a daily basis, he's called Mr. Dokie, Mr. Cookie and Mr. Goku—it's been a trip. Rob lives in the shadows of the LSU football stadium and jazz and gumbo have sustained him through difficult times. His school is bad and is closing in May. Ideally, next year will bring him to the place he feels he best belongs: New Orleans.

Deborah Goff celebrated graduation from McDaniel with a nine-day Royal Caribbean cruise with her family in June '07. She received her MSW from the University of Maryland with Phi Kappa Phi honors in December '08. Deborah landed a job as the executive director of a nonprofit organization dedicated to homeless prevention in April '09, and she currently serves in this role. She became a grandmother in May '10. Currently, Deborah is planning her first European vacation and is stoked!

Lindsay Graham is an assistant sports information director at Newbury College in Brookline, Mass. In September '07, she began at Newbury as a volunteer assisting in all aspects of sports information and game
All Creatures, Mostly Small

Congrats to Theresa Hess, a new graduate of the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine. She is interning at Oradell Animal Hospital in Paramus, N.J., this summer. After her one-year rotating small animal internship, she plans to apply for a three-year small animal surgery residency in an academic setting. Eventually, Theresa wants to move back to the East Coast to work as a surgeon in private practice.

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Mark Nakasone '07 is in his fourth year of the biochemistry doctoral program at the University of Maryland, College Park.

Management for Newbury's 13 athletic teams. Lindsay quickly ascended the ladder and was given the "Newbury College Nighthawks Appreciation Award" last year for her dedication to the department and its student-athletes. Last spring, she traveled down to Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex with the school's baseball and softball teams as their SID, scoring all their games and posting the stats and stories to their athletic website. Lindsay loves working at Newbury and with all of the student-athletes and coaches. She does other part-time game-day work at Boston College (women's ice hockey) and works for after-school sports programs at the Watertown, Mass., Recreation Department.

David Greisman is still writing, doing so seemingly every day and at all hours of the day. He moved back to Maryland in summer 2010 after working for three years as a reporter at a New Hampshire newspaper. Now he is the editor of Columbia Patch, a local news website in Columbia, Md., and loving the idea of doing community journalism where he grew up. On the side he still writes his boxing column and freelances for Carroll Magazine, and the rest of the time he pine for mountain hikes and maple syrup.

Lindsey Grieb said farewell to the medical field and is now very happily employed with the Social Security Administration. With the new government job she was able to pursue her first home, a condo in Owings Mills, Md., and is very excited to be living so close to several of her McDaniel roommates.

Robert Jones has been married to his wife, Brittany, since June 27, 2009. The couple has been together for almost nine years. They still reside in Baltimore County, where they bought their first home in April '09. Rob has been employed at Legg Mason, as a business analyst, since July '07.

Michelle Mullen Keller and Chad '05 were married on Sept. 6, 2009, in Pasadena, Md. Michelle is an environmental scientist with an environmental consulting firm in Bel Air, Md., and Chad is a physical therapist in Lutherville, Md. The couple resides in Lutherville, Md.

In the past year, Ross Kerr ran a half-marathon, jumped into the frigid waters of the Chesapeake Bay in support of the Special Olympics, started a punk band, and continued his special education studies at Towson University. He has also returned to his practice of Buddhist zazen meditation, which he discovered during his time at the illustrious McDaniel College. It has been a weird couple of years for Ross, but he finally feels that he's getting his footing as an adult.

Ashley Kretzer is a first-grade teacher at Charles Carroll Elementary School in Westminster, Md. She is currently living in Westminster with her dog. Jefferson. Ashley is still frequently on campus as she is working toward her graduate degree in curriculum and instruction. Ashley is in a long-term relationship with Benjamin Lillard, a 2008 McDaniel College graduate.

Stacy Fitzwater Leard earned her M.Ed. from Trinity University and got married in the summer of 2010. During the summer of 2011, Stacy and her husband, Mike, are scheduled to be cycling from Oregon to New Jersey with Liv's Ride. Each rider's goal is to raise $3,400 ($1 per mile), which will go directly to supporting volunteer teachers and social workers in low-income communities through the Lasallian Volunteer program. Stacy served as a Lasallian Volunteer in Newburgh, N.Y., after graduating from McDaniel. You can follow Stacy's progress on her blog: www.coastingacrosscountry.blogspot.com.

After graduation, Patrick Lin bought a house in Owings Mills, Md., and is very excited to be living so close to several of her McDaniel roommates.

Caitlin McGill returned to the classroom to begin earning her master of science degree in occupational therapy at Towson University. Caitlin is currently living in Baltimore.

Heather Thompson Meier has been married for three years to Joe Meier '04. The couple lives outside of Philadelphia. Heather received her certified public accountant license in 2009. She left public accounting to start a new job in 2010 at Villanova University as senior accountant in the controller's office. Heather's favorite time is when the yellow house girls (PA 139) get together. They try to get together a few times a year and there is always a lot of laughter and reminiscing about college days! Heather attended Christine Bear's Yannielo's wedding this past September in Bar Harbor, Maine, along with Kelly Rampmeyer, Katie McLean, Kate Chapman, Emily Funk, Jackie Lyon, Megan Stieber, and Lianne Price.

Since graduating from McDaniel College in December '06, Melissa Mullineaux has experienced many milestones. Immediately after completing McDaniel College with a degree in psychology, she began working for Adams-Hanover Counseling Services. She worked in the autism program, where she learned that she really did enjoy working with children. In August '07, Melissa began a two-year trek to receive her master's degree in clinical psychology from Argus University. During this time period, she worked one day a week in Hanover, Pa., commuted from Carroll County, Md., to Arlington, Va. (where Argus University is located), and commuted to Cockeysville, Md., for practice. After an extremely stressful two years, Melissa graduated with a master's degree in clinical psychology. In August '09, Melissa and husband hosted a graduation party where in front of friends and family, her boyfriend of six years, Gaelen Lewis, proposed. Recently, Melissa has been working for Keystone Services of Maryland as a case manager. Her current goal is to obtain her LCPC and is taking the last couple required classes at McDaniel College. Her ultimate goal is to become a licensed psychologist with her own private practice.

Mark Nakasone is in his fourth year of the biochemistry doctoral program at the University of Maryland, College Park. Mark's lab, in collaboration with several other University of Maryland labs, received an $81 million grant from the NIH to purchase a 950 MHz NMR spectrometer and will be the only public institution in the country to have that instrument. Mark was also one of two nominees from the University of Maryland to the U.S. delegation for the annual meeting of Nobel Laureates in Lindau, Germany, in 2011. His research is focused on the ubiqui-
tin proteasome system and he has presented his work at three international conferences.

From 2008 to 2009, Mark served as graduate student president for the chemistry and biochemistry department at the University of Maryland. In 2010, Mark and others climbed a notorious multi-pitch 15,13b sport route around New River Gorge, W.Va. When time allows, Mark scouts formations in the area, attempts first ascents, and occasionally bolts sport trails.

Chelsea Phillips lives in Chapel Hill, N.C., where she is currently completing a doctoral program in political psychology at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Her research addresses interpersonal relationships, specifically looking at how individuals’ social networks influence their micro-level political attitudes. Chelsea enjoyed being a bridesmaid in Melissa Magnuson Salen’s wedding in March ‘10, along with Melissa Mulcahy Falbo (who served as matron of honor). Chelsea was also excited to be a bridesmaid in Keith and Melanie Scocco Greenway’s wedding in June ‘10, along with Heather Williams Barton (who served as matron of honor), Lindsey Grieb and Theresa Hess.

After working for the Phillips-Van Heusen Corporation for over three years, Lianne Price was promoted to senior human resources representative in October ‘10 and is attempting to find a reasonable work-life balance with the added responsibilities! Lianne lives in central New Jersey and is a member of the Raritan Valley Road Runners. In November ‘10, Lianne ran her first marathon, the Philadelphia Marathon, and qualified for the 2012 Boston Marathon. She is very excited to run in Boston and is scheduled to run a half marathon in Switzerland this summer.

Since graduation, Caitlin Potter has been living the dream. She returned home to Pennsylvania where she attended graduate school at Eastern University and earned her degree in education. She works as a physical education teacher molding young minds and turning students into future Green Terror all-stars. Caitlin keeps in touch with all of her Omegas and travels to Baltimore whenever she can to see them and enjoy a few hours at the Cross Street Market. The things she misses most about the Hill are Gladys watching, wall parties and the 4th floor of Blanchard Ward Hall.

Curt '06 and Jen Goldstein Reichart welcomed a little boy, Benjamin Richard Reichart, last March 10, 2010. The couple is excited to celebrate his first birthday in a couple weeks. Jen is also in the master’s program at Alvernia University and is scheduled to complete her elementary education and special education certifications in May.

Kim Rodney and Jon Teter ’08 were married on Feb. 16, 2011, at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla. They currently reside in Howard County, Md. Kim is currently a program specialist with AIP-CDS, Inc., and is scheduled to graduate with her master’s in non-profit management from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland in May.

Josh Russin finally proposed to his longtime girlfriend Maggie Lebherz in May ‘10. Right around the time he proposed, the couple officially opened a small specialty retail store in downtown Frederick, Md. The store is L.O.V.E., Lebherz Oil and Vinegar Emporium. The store has almost 50 varieties of olive oil and vinegar on tap that people can taste when they visit. Who knew a political science major would decide to take the leap and open a store that mainly sells oil and vinegar… Josh has also transitioned from Governor Martin O’Malley’s office. Several months before the gubernatorial election, he was working as the town manager for a small municipality in Montgomery County called Somerset. Josh’s tenure with Somerset will end earlier than expected because he has been given the opportunity to become the next executive assistant to the mayor of the City of Frederick. Josh feels this is a fantastic opportunity and was really looking forward to serving his hometown starting in early April. Josh still keeps in touch with Andy Cummings, Sean Maslin, Djerdj Matkovic (just like in college we have somehow become roommates again), Steve Furst, Alex DeJohn ’08 and others. Josh is looking forward to seeing everyone at the five-year reunion!

Kevin Smith and Kimberly Via Smith were married Sept. 4, 2010. A lot of their McDaniel friends attended including Jamie Smith ’06, Sean Summers ’06, Liz Saxon, Kristen Davis ’08, Suzanne Lester, Brian Latrey, and Matt Spratt.

Jenna Swartz moved to Chicago to pursue a master’s degree in writing from DePaul University, which she happily received in 2009. She works as a content writer at GIN labs, writing a variety of creative e-learning courses for everything from universities and non-profit organizations to restaurants and cell-phone companies. Since moving to the Midwest, Jenna has become a huge fan of foodies, the Cubs, and warm weather.

After her time on the Hill, Jessica Van won on to get her master’s degree in social work at West Virginia University and graduated in 2009. She is currently residing in her hometown of Cumberland, Md., and works as an outpatient therapist for children and youth with mental illness in Treatment Foster Care and in the community.

Chloe Watson received her MFA in interdisciplinary studio art in May ’10 from the Maryland Institute College of Art. She has been showing her work extensively ever since and hopes to continue to do so. Chloe worked for MICA as a regional recruiter and traveled throughout the U.S. for three months to meet with high school students about attending the school. She then began teaching at McDaniel this spring, filling in for Steven Pearson who took a semester-long sabbatical. Chloe’s paintings will be featured in the art magazine New American Paintings in an upcoming issue.

The biggest news in Christine Beers Yanniello’s life is that she got married to Billy Yanniello on Sept. 18, 2010. The wedding was in Bar Harbor, Maine, on a beautiful fall day. Her wedding party included some of the friends she made starting her first year at McDaniel and lived with in the yellow house, with Emily Funk as her maid of honor, Kelly Rampmeyer, Kate McLean (her freshmen year roommate!), and Lianne Price as bridesmaids. Some of Christine’s other yellow house housemates in were in attendance at the wedding including Kate Chapman, Megan Steiber, Heather Thompson Meier, and Jackie Lyon. Also at the wedding were McDaniel alumni, Steve Furst and Joseph Meier ’04.

Christine works for KidsPeace National Centers of New England in Ellsworth, Maine, in their Autism Spectrum Disorders program. This is where she met her husband Billy, both work as senior childcare workers. Christine enjoys living in Maine, especially the summers, but misses being close to all her McDaniel friends. Christine and Billy currently live in Bar Harbor, Maine, with two cats and their chocolate lab, Boone.

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At the ROTC Commissioning Ceremony, proud parents David and Betsy Lower pin bars on son John, now a second lieutenant in the Army National Guard.

**What they were thinking**

A salute to my son. I was thinking, "Wow. He's arrived as both man and soldier." The ROTC program requires a high degree of commitment, hard work and dedication. As his father and I pinned on his lieutenant bars, I realized a surge of pride and emotion in this culmination of John's dreams and goals.

The occasion was made more special for me as generations of my family have graduated from McDaniel College. Both my father and my brother commissioned from the ROTC program. As my father has passed away, I reflected on how proud he would have been to see John commission and embrace the same values to family, God and country that he espoused.

I saw how his Junior ROTC program helped reinforce the values of patriotism, hard work, establishing and meeting goals and expectations that we set for him. In the four years that John has spent at McDaniel I have watched him blossom and grow with self-confidence and maturity, adding credence to the adage that "You get out of life what you put into it." —Betsy Lower
So Many Ways to Say “I Am McDaniel”

Each button represents a native language of current faculty and students. Correctly identify all of them and be entered into a drawing for a McDaniel College sweatshirt.

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A Week of Events to Celebrate Our Ninth President, Dr. Roger Casey

April 9-16

Get back to campus this week and discover McDaniel anew. President Roger Casey has declared the inauguration week as a time to celebrate McDaniel’s mission and meaningful contributions of our students, faculty, staff and alumni to take charge of their lives and engage locally, nationally and globally for the common good. Join us for this historic week.
Wednesday, April 13

• Taste of Languages (see Tues. for details)
  Decker Center Forum, 11:30 a.m.

• International Dinner
  Join International Club students and sample a world-inspired menu; special guest, Laszlo Frenyo, Dean of Faculty, McDaniel-Budapest.
  Decker Center Forum, 5:00 p.m.
  ($, RSVP req., email cms017@mcdaniel.edu)

• Sustainability and Community Service at the Global Level
  McDaniel Lounge, 7:30 p.m.
  Faculty Panelists:
  • Scott Hardy, Environmental Science and Policy, "Sustainable Development and the U.S. Peace Corps"
  • Amy McNichols, Foreign Languages, "The Trip is Not the Journey: Reflecting and Learning about International Service Abroad"
  • Debbi Johnson-Ross, Political Science and International Relations, "Developing Partnerships through Experiential Learning: McDaniel and Africa University Students in Zimbabwe"
  • Ochieng’ K'Olewe, Education, "Creating Ties Through Community Service in Kenya"

Thursday, April 14

• Taste of Languages (see Tues. for details)
  Decker Center Forum, 11:30 a.m.

• Community Service at the Local Level
  McDaniel Lounge, 7 p.m.
  Panelists:
  • Cathy Orzolek-Kronner, Social Work, with Hannah Elovich '11 and Kailla Pearl '12, Social Work majors; "The Cold Weather Shelter: A Learning Laboratory for Developing Social Work Knowledge, Skills and Values"
  • Stephanie Madsen, Psychology; Michael Mandel '11 and Megan Roach '11, Psychology majors; "Using Community-Centered Learning to Enrich Understandings of Adolescent Development"
  • Amy McNichols, Foreign Languages; Jenny Wallace '11, Spanish/Environmental Policy and Science major, Latino/Latin American Studies minor; and Betsy Warner '12, English major; "Palabras 2 Words: Building Bridges with the Immigrant Community"

• Theatre: Student-Written Plays
  Staged readings of two plays, Cat Black's 2.0 and Andy Fleming's The Twisted Journey of Edwin Drood
  Dorothy Elderdice Understage, WMC Alumni Hall, 7:30 p.m.
  (Seating is limited.)

Friday, April 15

• Annual Trustee/Faculty Dinner
  (invitation only)

• Theatre: Student-Written Plays
  (see Thurs. for details)
  Dorothy Elderdice Understage, WMC Alumni Hall, 7:30 p.m. (Seating is limited.)

Saturday, April 16

• INAUGURAL CEREMONY
  Gill Learning Center, 2:30 p.m. (procession forms at 1:30 in Baker Memorial Chapel)
  Martin K.P. Hill, McDaniel Board Chair, presiding; Ninth President Roger Casey will present his vision for McDaniel.

  Music by the McDaniel College Band and McDaniel College Gospel Choir

  All-campus reception immediately following (est. 4 p.m.) on lawn in front of Gill Learning Center

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us at 410-857-2290.

Continue to check www.mcdaniel.edu/inauguration regularly for updates and any venue changes.
Straight to the Source

Seeing the ancient pyramids up close, riding a camel and becoming fluent in colloquial Arabic — not just the formal version of the language she studies at McDaniel — was all made possible for Izabella Baer-Benchoff by a prestigious $5,000 Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad.

The senior Arabic Studies major from rural Easton, Md., spent the fall semester at the University of Jordan in Amman and had the opportunity to travel to other Mideast countries, including Egypt and Israel. In Palestine, she visited with the family of her professor, Carol Zaru. "It was really incredible," she says. "Most people just consider the whole place a dangerous, terrorist area. I wanted to bring back information to teach people and open their minds to different ideas."

Now Baer-Benchoff can't wait to return to the region and is preparing her Peace Corps application. She especially wants to work with refugees in Palestine. "There's so much that needs to be done and not enough people who speak Arabic to do it," she says, adding that she's taking an independent study with Zaru this semester since Arabic VI isn't yet offered. She's also taking a sociology class, Growing Up in Gaza, which explores the Israeli-Palestinian conflict from both sides. "I would love to affect the politics of that region, but I'm going to start with the humanitarian route."
“Today Red Sq. becomes Tahrir Sq.!
Be there at 4:15 in red, black and white!”

— Tweet by political science major Tom Nelson '12, reminding everyone of the campus event to commemorate Egypt’s peaceful revolution, which led President Hosni Mubarak to resign Feb. 11.

Making Science Relevant

With support from a $170,000 National Science Foundation grant, physics professor Jeff Marx is working to develop, deliver and assess a novel science course for nonscience majors on “The Nature of Science.”

Other McDaniel faculty who are involved include Apollo Mian in physics, Ralene Mitschler and Randy Morrison in biology, and Melanie Nilsson and Brian Wladkowski in chemistry — each of whom will test one or two modules in their courses and provide feedback. Peter Bradley in philosophy will help develop virtual materials to test deductive reasoning. Karen Cummings, a physics professor at Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven, is a co-collaborator on the project.

The newly developed course — which Marx began teaching in spring 2010 — aims to strengthen students’ sense of science, expand their ability to understand and conduct scientific inquiry, and cultivate their recognition of the relationship between science and society.

“We want to help students understand what science is, what scientists do, and to develop in them aspects of a scientist’s world view that will be useful for them when, for example, they watch the news, act as consumers or consider risks associated with a given behavior,” Marx adds. “Expanding science literacy at the college level represents a part of the solution to this nation’s science-literacy problem.”

Smart World View

Tom Armbuster ’80 (left) shared his world view as a career foreign service officer who has served in Finland, Cuba, Russia, Mexico, Tajikistan and Vladivostok at a SmartTALK discussion with President Roger Casey in January.

During his conversation on the stage of Alumni Hall, Armbuster discussed the changing dynamics of U.S. foreign policy, shared stories about such international assignments as leading a counternarcotics delegation to Kabul, serving as lead negotiator for a treaty in force with Russia on emergency response and attending “Cool School,” an arctic survival course, while serving as Polar Affairs Officer in the State Department.

Armbuster and his wife, Kathy Chandler ’78, currently live in New York City where Armbuster is Diplomat-in-Residence and teaching a course at The City University of New York and recruiting for the State Department in the Northeast region.

A Place to Plug In

Electric and hybrid cars now have reserved parking spaces, complete with charging stations, in front of the Safeway at College Square Shopping Center, which was developed in 1998 by Black Oak Associates in conjunction with the College. The ChargePro stations are funded by Black Oak and are currently a free service.
Stopping to Study China's Iron Flower

Asian Studies professor Qin Fang and several of her students will spend a month this summer conducting research into tiehua art — pictures hammered from iron — thanks to a $30,000 grant from ASIANetwork Freeman Student-Faculty Fellows Program.

Fang will travel to Wuhu, a three-hour drive from Shanghai, with students Yichong (Angel) Li, Dani Allen, Scott Camuto, Monika Lemke and Brooke Freeland, to examine the local technique, also called "Iron Flower," originating in the Song dynasty.

"We will explore the connection between tiehua and traditional brush painting, how the market economy affects the art of tiehua and its people in contemporary China and how gender relations in the business of tiehua were and have been shaped by the market economy," Fang explained.
inside. We put a nail through one side of the bottle and another nail through the other side. They use a Tesla coil to spark the end of one nail and the spark jumps to the other nail inside the bottle. In the process, the methanol vapor ignites and creates a cannon effect. My students get to see and hear the explosion, feel the bottle in their hands, how warm it is, and then search to find the cork, which is propelled across the room so quickly and with such force that you can’t even follow it with your eyes. That puts some reality with the energy value they calculated on their paper.

I don’t see AP chemistry as a course for only the exceptionally bright. Anybody can master this course if they’re willing to work hard enough and if they have the prerequisite skills. I’m proud of the fact that I’ve been able to accommodate students with special needs over the years. I have a total of 92 students this year and it’s actually quite a diverse mix. Every high school student wants to know, “What does this have to do with me?” And if you can show them that, it really opens up their world.

The time I spend planning pays huge dividends in keeping students engaged. When my students come into class I always have the agenda on the board and they know they’re going to be busy — it doesn’t matter if it’s a Friday, a snow day, the day before a holiday — they’re going to be busy for the entire 90 minutes and they’re going to go from one activity to another. My students know not to bring the cell phones out. Their hands are busy, they’re mixing chemicals, they’re setting up equipment. Every now and then we do a really cool experiment that I allow them to capture on their cell phones. Before the winter break we did a lab where we were creating different colored flames in petri dishes, and that’s just too cool to not allow them to film it. But that’s the only time.

On the first day of class I always tell my students it’s a myth that I can motivate them as a teacher. I explain to them that motivation is something that comes from within. When you expect students to take ownership and ask them to take responsibility for their own education, they’re more eager to commit to whatever you’re asking them to do.

Students come up to me and ask, “Is this good, is this what you want?” I turn it around and ask, “Is it good enough for you?” In the end it really doesn’t matter what I think, it matters what they think. “You’re the chemist,” I tell them. “Make the decision.”

Math Program Is First of Its Kind

McDaniel’s Mathematics Instructional Leader (Pre-K-6) certificate program — the first of its kind in the state — was approved by the Maryland State Department of Education.

The program was created through the Elementary Mathematics Specialists and Teacher Leaders Project, supported by a $400,000 grant from The Brookhill Foundation, which is spearheaded through McDaniel’s graduate program by Francis “Skip” Fennell, professor of education and past-president of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

“We need elementary school mathematics specialists, elementary classroom teachers who know and understand mathematics and can effectively mentor their colleagues,” says Fennell.
At first it seems strange that chalk letters and numbers fill a wall of blackboards by the end of a 90-minute collaborative-research session in computer science. Chalk and computers seem not even distantly related.

Yet here on the first floor of Lewis Hall of Science professors and students alike use chalk — often in vivid shades of blue, orange, yellow, burnt sienna — to "talk" to each other about information flow and networks and, yes, secrets and security.

Computer science professors Sara Miner More and Pavel Naumov frequently and actively involve their students in their research, so it's not unusual to find hieroglyphic-looking notations on most of the chalkboards in the department. The collaboration often results in a student-faculty authored paper or presentation at a professional conference. In fact, More and Naumov are awaiting publication decisions on two papers they co-authored with students — one with senior Ben Sapp and another with junior Mike Donders.

Other students are in the preliminary stages of their research. With their professors, juniors Lizzy McCaslin and Becky Putnam, winners of a national Computing Research Association award, are narrowing their research topic to identify the properties of information they want to study and ultimately describe in mathematical terms. More and Naumov present them with both problems and possibilities during weekly meetings. The students have an edge when it comes to collaboration, having been best friends since sixth grade.

"We just have to make eye contact to know what the other one is thinking," says Putnam, explaining that from joining the tennis team to deciding to enroll in McDaniel, their decisions are more parallel than joint. "If I think of doing something, I can pretty much guess that Lizzy is thinking it too."

The high-achieving duo fits right into a department on the forefront of its science. There's Naumov, who left his native Moscow to pursue his Ph.D. at Cornell University and now focuses on logical foundations for reasoning about knowledge in networks. More, who earned her Ph.D. at the University of California, San Diego, is interested in cryptographic protocols — ways to securely transfer secret information — and computer security.

Since the computer science major was launched in 2005 — the same year Naumov joined the faculty and a year before More came on board — students have found eager research associates in their professors. Just last summer, sophomores Brittany Nicholls and Andrew Yang joined senior Ben Sapp with More and Naumov to identify rules of information flow, keys that would unlock the natural laws that govern knowledge transfer and shared resources among computers and
"I think it is beneficial for students to experience an environment where they investigate problems to which there are no known solutions." — Sara Miner More

people alike, whether they are networked in corporations, spy rings, study groups or Facebook.

"It's the theoretical side," More says. "We're studying computer-science networks and describing the properties of information using mathematical techniques. What we learn will further our understanding of information flow and the secure transmission of data through computer networks."

Both professors encourage their students to venture beyond programming into this theoretical arena. More values her own experiences as an undergraduate working closely with faculty on research and is enthusiastic about bringing that experience to her students.

"I think it is beneficial for students to experience an environment where they investigate problems to which there are no known solutions," More says, explaining that until this point, most students have spent years working in math and science classes where there are answers for the problems they are working on in some solutions manual somewhere or where the instructor can tell them immediately if their approaches are right or wrong.

"It is a very different sensation to try to solve complex problems where you have to convince yourself you have arrived at the right answer, when there is no way to independently confirm it," she says. "You can't go to anyone and ask, 'Is this the right answer?' You really have to build up different types of technical skills, and self-confidence about those skills, in order to succeed in an environment without that safety net. These projects are a first step in that direction for many of these students."

While many students pursue it, theoretical research is optional for computer science students. Senior projects certainly involve challenging hands-on work, such as writing a program or programming a robot, as did Shannon Jackson, in 2009 with her Rubik's Cubesolving robot. All Computer Science students learn how to write in computer-programming languages such as Java, but there is also an emphasis on the underlying principles of programming. This foundational knowledge enables students to learn other programming languages as they come along, More says.

"We want them to have the skills to get their first job, but we also want them to be able to think and to learn so that they are able to get every job after their first," says More, who presented in 2010 the Mathematics and computer science department's first peer-reviewed student-faculty joint research publication at a Toronto conference. The paper, "Independence and Functional Dependence Relations on Secrets," was co-authored by More and Naumov with Rob Kelvey '10 and Sapp.

While the theoretical research may not be for every computer science student, those who make sense of the chalkboard's symbols gain experience and a deeper understanding of communication.

"We try to give the students experience working on new, open problems in the science," says Naumov, who presented his and More's paper, "Hypergraphs of Multiparty Secrets," at the Computational Logic in Multi-Agent Systems workshop in Lisbon. The students keep things interesting, says Naumov, especially "when students come up with an idea that never occurred to me before — ultimately, this is what collaboration is all about."
Life Is a Dance

Becky Carpenter
Professor of English

She earned her bachelor’s degree at Amherst College, her Ph.D. at UC Berkeley and specializes in modern British literature, post-colonial literature and theory, Victorian literature and women’s studies. Since its McDaniel debut in 2004, she has performed each year in the production of The Vagina Monologues. Competitive ballroom dancing is her other passion and she competes in the cha-cha, samba, rumba, paso doble and jive. She lives in Westminster with her husband, Andy, and their daughter Naomi, 8, who is a bookworm just like her parents.

Best foot forward

A dozen years ago when I turned 30, I did a little self-assessment. One of the things I found myself thinking about is that my husband and I needed more couple-y things to do together. We had no idea this was something we’d be doing forever and that we’d start competing together. I dance in two different ways now. In addition to taking lessons with Andy at Dancing Made Easy in Westminster and competing with him, I also compete and take lessons in Towson with Nickolai Pilipenchuk, who with his partner earned fourth in the world at the recent Professional 10 Dance Championships in Kiev.

Sports was never my thing

I was absolutely not an athlete. And I’m not necessarily a particularly competitive person, except maybe
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in academics. My sister was the athlete growing up—she was on the U.S. team for swimming—whereas I like to think I have a many-year history as the person being picked last for volleyball.

Being a student improves my teaching
Earlier in my time here at McDaniel, I took two years of Spanish; I audited. I think it's really useful as a teacher to put yourself back in the position of being a learner again and to remember what it's like to struggle to acquire a new skill. You are now in the position of trying to comprehend something that's new and sometimes frightening.

My students' perspective
I think most of them think it's a kooky hobby, but no more so than everything else about professors. I mean, we're the people who read 10 books over Jan Term for fun.

Read these books
I cannot say enough about how much I loved Emma Donoghue's Room. What a powerful book. The voice of the main character is so believable and perfectly rendered. You can really imagine yourself in the mind of someone whose whole life has been lived in a small room.

I also have recently been on an Amitav Ghosh kick. His 2008 book Sea of Poppies blew me away. His ability to capture a wide range of characters from different social castes and classes in all their complexity is astonishing.

Brilliant kids' lit.
A lot of great children's literature has come out since I was a kid. I let Naomi's tastes lead the way. The one she really got me turned on to is Rick Riordan, who I have decided is absolutely brilliant. He's done the Percy Jackson series and others. Unlike some kids' series that are heavy-handedly didactic, these books are just uproariously funny, but in the meantime you're learning all this stuff about Greek mythology.

If I weren't a professor
I would be an editor or an author. I would also love to run a performing-arts summer camp. I could also imagine myself working full time at an adult-literacy center, or Meals on Wheels, or Project Open Hand. I have volunteered for both an adult-literacy project and Meals on Wheels in the past and found both enormously rewarding.

Addressing taboo topics
I have been in Vagina Monologues since its first year at McDaniel in 2004. I play a different part every year. One thing I have learned is that McDaniel has some enormously strong women. We have quite a few survivors in our cast, women who have survived rape, physical and psychological abuse, molestation. On top of that, every woman in this cast is doing something powerful, talking about taboo topics, refusing to be ashamed of their bodies, their sexuality, their womanhood. I have enormous admiration for my castmates. I was very honored to be recognized as a "Vagina Warrior."

Shiny, happy person
Since taking up ballroom dancing, I definitely have let my love of sequins and fringe come out of the closet. In all seriousness, ballroom has motivated me to take better care of myself, which I think is a very good thing. The life of a teacher-scholar can be a sedentary one. I’m a lot more motivated to jog and do strength work to support my dancing than I would be otherwise.

Bravo to Dancing with the Stars
Ballroom dance has become enormously popular on college campuses, and I think Dancing with the Stars deserves some of the credit for that. Tammy Mitrayakova '11 is a very talented standard and Latin dancer and dances with the University of Maryland team. The U.S. Nationals are in Baltimore this year from April 8-10 at the Renaissance Harborplace, and you should all come watch her!
uring his freshman term as a U.S. congressman, Frank Kratovil experienced a lot of “wow” moments.

For starters, he began his work in Washington in January 2008 at the same time the nation's first African-American president took office. During his first month on the job, Kratovil, a member of the group of fiscally conservative Democrats known as the Blue Dog Coalition, was invited to address President Obama at a special meeting at the White House. Together with six of his colleagues on the Armed Services committee, he traveled to the Middle East, where he had the opportunity to grill Syria's President Bashar al-Assad about his alleged support of the terrorist organization Hezbollah. He helped pass significant legislation, including the stimulus bill and the repeal of “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell.” He played basketball with Obama at the White House.

Not that Kratovil '90 had much time to reflect on any of this. During those two years, he seemed to work nonstop, crossing the Bay Bridge every day for a long commute into D.C. from the Stevensville, Md., home he shares with his wife and five young children. He was up many nights until 2 a.m., carefully reading proposed legislation word-for-word, absorbing the details, consulting evaluations by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office and summaries by the Congressional Research Service with the same measured approach he took during his years as a prosecutor.

"It was a 24-7 experience, between the substantive legislative work, the events and the fundraising. There really wasn't time to look up at the dome of the Capitol and say, 'Wow,'" he explains. "The way I viewed being a congressman is the same way I viewed being a state's attorney: it was a job and my purpose was solving problems and trying to get things done."

He spared no effort to effectively represent his philosophically divided constituency, a mix of mostly conservative Republicans and moderate Democrats in Maryland’s 1st Congressional District, which spans the entire Eastern Shore and parts of Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Harford counties. Among his proudest accomplishments are the help he was able to give seafood-processing companies to obtain much-needed work visas for crab pickers and the pressure he successfully applied to General Motors and Chevrolet to honor their franchise agreements with car dealerships.

*During his single term in Congress, Democrat Frank Kratovil was rarely in the good graces of both his party and the majority of his voting constituents at the same time.*
But as a tide of anger toward the Democratic administration and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi swept the nation, even independent-minded moderates like Kratovil got knocked down by the rough undertow. In November, he lost his bid for re-election — along with 62 of his colleagues in what Obama dubbed the “shellacking” of 2010 — to Republican Andy Harris, who has close ties to the Tea Party.

Herb Smith, a political science professor and pundit who has seen everything, expressed his dismay. “How did this incredibly clean-cut American Dream lose to the Darth Vader of the Maryland Republican party? I don’t know. Craziness reigned on Nov. 2, at least in that district.”

These days, Kratovil has more time to ruminate on the triumphs and challenges of his first stint as an elected official, and to consider whether in two years his moderate voice might once again resonate with voters. As he weighs his career options, he has to wonder, in this current climate of extremes, does a middle-of-the-road candidate have a future in politics?

Democrats have long been a tough sell in Maryland’s 1st District. In 2008, Kratovil squeaked out a victory against his rival Andy Harris, winning by just 3,000 votes in a district that favored presidential candidate John McCain by 20 points.
Nancy Caskey Voss '54, a longtime supporter and a constituent, says she was thrilled to send such a "very fine young man" to represent her district's interests in Washington. Voss, a McDaniel trustee, remembers first meeting Kratovil when he was the student visitor to the Board and became even more impressed with his character and intelligence when she got to know him as president of the Young Democrats of Maryland while she was a member of the executive committee.

She didn't always agree with her congressman, especially when he decided to break with his party and cast a No vote for the healthcare bill. But she remained loyal.

"I understood his reasons. I don't have to have someone who I agree with 100 percent of the time," Voss explains. "Frank is not a lemming; he has a brain and he uses it. I find that refreshing."

However, many critics of Democratic initiatives spoke out loudly and angrily, and their methods turned ugly. During the summer of 2009, one protester showed up at a rally carrying a cardboard cut-out of the congressman with a noose around his neck.

At a "Congress On Your Corner" event in the Baltimore area, Kratovil says, a man interrupted the gathering with a lot of screaming and yelling: "My staff was getting concerned. This guy didn't want to wait his turn to talk to me. I stood up and confronted him. I told him his yelling and screaming wasn't going to intimidate me, that I'd dealt with a lot worse people than him and he could either lower his voice and wait his turn or he could leave," he recalls.

Looking back at what happened with [Arizona Congresswoman] Gabrielle Giffords, the guy was very, very aggressive and agitated and you never know what he could have done.

Long before a crazed gunman shot Kratovil's friend and fellow Blue Dog in the head, killed six people and wounded 12 others, Kratovil says, "Everybody in Congress was already thinking twice" about security issues following the furor over healthcare reform. There were nationwide reports of shots being fired or bricks thrown through office windows.

Kratovil was caught in the middle: the majority of his constituents opposed the healthcare bill while the Democratic party leadership expected him to help pass it. As with every other piece of legislation, he suspected that the bill was neither all good nor all bad and he read the 2,000-page document in its entirety to assess it for himself. He found much to support in it, including outlawing denial of insurance to those with pre-existing conditions and incentives to motivate more medical students to become primary-care doctors.

He also agreed with the provision that would allow Medicare to reimburse physicians for the time they spend with patients who seek their counsel on end-of-life issues. Critics who cited fears of government-funded "death panels" as an example of "elected officials who knew that was ridiculous, but nonetheless for political expediency promoted it," he says.

But he was deeply troubled by the financials. "I was concerned that the argument that healthcare reform was going to cut the deficit was inaccurate," he explains. "And I was really concerned about the
mandate on businesses.”

Kratovil was criticized by his base of staunch Democrats for not supporting the bill and then he was attacked by his critics for refusing to cast a vote to repeal it. The congressman remained unfazed.

“Anytime you’re making decisions and you’re not making everyone happy, often that means you’re making good decisions,” he says.

Herb Smith, a former professor of Kratovil’s and now a friend and supporter, observes: “He certainly did everything that he promised—he was a conscientious, responsible, independent voice in Washington and called them like he saw them.

“Reading the bills and reaching independent judgment is so rarely done,” Smith adds. “But that’s the way he was as a student; he’s just grown and matured.”

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Ever since he was a kid, Kratovil was drawn to public service. His dad, Frank Kratovil Sr., was a private-practice attorney who often let clients with no money do maintenance work around the house in lieu of payment. He later served as District Court judge in Prince George’s County. His mom, Lynnda Skinner Kratovil ’57, was a social worker who devoted her career to the Methodist Board of Childcare and was active in the Mental Health Association. Young Frankie sometimes went to work with her to visit adoptive homes where babies had been placed, and as a high school student, he got to know less fortunate teens during dinners at group foster homes.

Both parents were civil rights activists who pushed to integrate local public schools and their community swimming pool, Kratovil recalls: “I knew that at a very young age and was drawn to the justice of that.”

Still, Lynnda points out, “Frankie wasn’t a goody-goody.” From the start, he was a high-energy, physically active kid who excelled at sports and played basketball, baseball and soccer at college. “Even though he’s not big, he was fast and well-coordinated,” she says. “He really was quick, and maybe a bit of a hot dog.”

Professor Smith remembers that Kratovil seemed destined for politics early on. “As a student, he read it all and he developed a critical faculty. I saw it in the classroom time and time and time again,” he says. “My favorite Frank story involves a presentation he gave in my State and Local Government course. He dressed for success, he had a coat and tie on, and it was just an incredibly impressive presentation. It was thoughtful and well considered and balanced and very, very fair. I remember I was walking down the third-floor corridor of Hill Hall and I said, ‘You know, Frank, if things work out, someday you could be the governor of this state.’ I’d never before said that to anyone. Maybe there was a little precognition there.”

No one, not even Kratovil, wants to predict his political future at this point. He could have a good shot at re-election in 2012, Smith says, because tens of thousands more voters turn out for a presidential race, and those voters tend to be more moderate. Also, the state is about to redraw legislative lines: “That could change the 1st District from a Republican-majority to a Democratic-majority district,” Smith explains.

The former two-term Queen Anne’s County state’s attorney is also considering whether to take a job at a private law firm, return to prosecuting or seek to fill a judgeship that’s expected to open on his home turf. Taking a seat on the bench would rule out a run for Congress in 2012.

At home on an unusually balmy Thursday in January, the oldest three Kratovil boys, ages 13, 11 and 9, are taking advantage of a day off from school and playing pick-up basketball with some neighborhood friends at the half-court across the street. Nate, 7, is under the weather and resting inside. Wife, Kim—who first met Kratovil in middle school—watches while cradling 6-month-old daughter Ayden.

Kim acknowledges that political life isn’t easy on the family, but she also believes in her husband’s ability to make a difference and says she will support whatever decision he makes. The kids do, too, she says: “Our 9-year-old, Cole, said, ‘Dad, I think you should be a lawyer or a judge because you’d be home more. But it’d be better for the United States if you were a congressman.’”

Professor Smith agrees: “Frank is a bona fide third way. I mean, he truly is. If we’re really grownups about this, the belief that the Democrats or the Republicans have a monopoly on truth and good policy is bogus. And Frank represents the way out of polarized politics.”
Rachel Hansell is a born fighter.

Growing up deaf in a small town in western Maryland, she often pushed herself harder than her hearing peers to accomplish similar goals. She earned good grades, played soccer and, remarkably, performed in the color guard with her high school's state championship marching band all four years.

"Other kids listened to the music. She memorized all the numbers, movements and steps, counting every beat from the beginning," said her mother, Lynne, who often marvels at her youngest child's victories.

"Rachel's a fighter; she knows what she needs to do in order to find success and she sets her mind to it and does what needs to be done."

Since arriving at McDaniel, Hansell ’12 hasn’t had to fight so hard.

Thanks in large part to the College’s world-renowned graduate program in deaf education, there is a genuine respect for Deaf language and culture on campus. American Sign Language is a popular course with undergraduates and fulfills the College’s second language requirement. At the pub, a flashing light alerts diners who can’t hear their names over the loudspeaker when their order is ready. In the Klitzberg Pavilion lounge by the gym, a large flat-screen TV is equipped with closed captioning. And any number of sign interpreters are made available to Hansell for each of her classes.

Still, the girl loves a challenge. Perhaps that’s why Hansell — who confesses she normally hates working out — could be found sweating and smiling early one morning in kickboxing class. Between trading jabs, she and her sparring partner stopped for tips from instructor Joe Dressel, while sign interpreter Karen Taylor stood to the side, making his words visible.

"Everybody's fighting something — financially, physically, mentally," Dressel told the class at the end of the last session of the semester. "Kickboxing is a way to turn that struggle into something physical. You learn how to gain the courage to take the hits and roll with the punches and conquer it."

Hansell, speaking in ASL while Taylor interpreted, said she could relate to that idea, but was less philosophical about her reasons for taking the class: "This was just for me, for fun."

Kickboxing is not the only physically demanding course Hansell has dared to try for the fun of it. She became the first deaf student ever to take Jon Seligman’s Middle Eastern drumming class, using a metronome with a light on it so she could keep time with the beat. "She doesn’t take ‘no’ for an answer, that kid."
I totally appreciated that,” says Seligman. “Her attitude as a human being and as a learner is someone who engages completely with the material. Was she the perfect drummer? No. But no one becomes an expert within a few months. She was right there in the mix with the rest of the class.”

A psychology major who’s been named to the dean’s list twice, Hansell has blossomed while on the Hill. “She’s a success story; I give McDaniel a lot of credit for that,” says Lynne. “Her bilateral profound deafness was diagnosed when Rachel was 18 months old. I thought that this child would be attached to my hip for life. And I thought, ‘This is OK, I will love her, I’ll be there for her.’ And look at her now! She arrived at McDaniel and I cried, but she never looked back. If I get an occasional text message I’m happy.”

Hansell has made strong friendships in the “hearing world,” especially among her Phi Sigma Sigma sisters, with whom she lives on the sorority floor in Blanche Ward Hall. She has served as a peer mentor, guiding first-year students in their transition to college. But she has also begun to discover the “Deaf World” and her place in it.

At age 4, she was fitted with a cochlear implant, an electronic device that provides her some sense of sound, and she grew up learning to speak and sign English simultaneously. Only when she got to college did she begin learning ASL, a language distinct from spoken English that has its own syntax and grammar and supports its own culture. Now she is president of the Eye-to-Eye club for ASL learners, where voice interpreters are provided for members whose first language is spoken English.

“I have a lot more confidence,” explains Hansell. “I’ve changed so much. In high school I was very shy, but here I can’t even shut up.”

In fact, last year Hansell took up a fight in the political arena. She contacted her state representative, Kevin Kelly, concerning the lack of closed captioning in Maryland’s movie theatres. As a result of her efforts, “Rachel’s Law” (House Bill 1463) was introduced in 2010. She testified in Annapolis in support of the bill and it is expected to be reintroduced this year.

“I truly believe there is nothing Rachel can’t accomplish,” says her advisor, Maggie McDevitt, associate professor of psychology. “She puts 100 percent effort into everything.”
In 1948, a Singapore native of Chinese descent boarded a freighter bound for America and the promise of a higher education. Among Lionel Lee's very few possessions were nearly 100 ferns, carefully preserved and artfully mounted and labeled on fine linen paper. The dried plants, gathered from the Himalayan Mountains, arrived with him for his freshman year at WMC and he later donated them to the College's herbarium, vastly enhancing its otherwise pedestrian collection comprising specimens of mostly local flora.

Six decades later, botany professor Brett McMillan rediscovered the exotic fern samples as he set to work over the summer creating a digital database of all the biology department's dried plants. "I found that most of the specimens were collected by the late professor Isabel Royer and her students from about 1938 to 1950 and were mostly from Carroll and surrounding counties," he says. "Then I found this collection from northern India. The specimen sheets were beautifully done; they all had a strange insignia on them that looked like an L, B, Q and L, all stylized and superimposed. They're the gem of our rather small collection."
Ferns collected 65 years ago in the Himalayan Mountains preserve the story of a young man's journey to a better life.

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McMillan was thrilled with his discovery. Herbaria date back to the late 1600s and are the traditional way that botanists keep records of exactly what is growing where. Not only did these ferns tell the story of a distant time and place, but they also held the promise of revealing a person's fascinating life story. After more digging, the professor was able to identify Lionel Lee '52 through the alumni office. He learned that Lee died in a car accident in 2008, but decided to try Lee's home number in Sacramento, Calif.

It just so happened that the day the professor called in July would have been Lee's 81st birthday. Victoria - “Tori” for short - is the eldest of Lee's three daughters and had moved into her childhood home with her husband and little girl. She kept the same phone number. "It was kind of a nice gift to hear from the professor on that particular day," she recalls, adding that she relishes an opportunity to reminisce about her dad anytime. "His story is so incredible."

Lionel Lee was a British subject born in Singapore to ethnically Chinese parents. Both his parents were schoolteachers; his mother taught in the Chinese school and his father taught in the Methodist Mission boys' school, where English was the medium of instruction. Lee attended this school until he was 12, when the Japanese occupied Singapore during World War II and began mistreating the Chinese. Lee, along with his older brother and two sisters, was evacuated by boat to the mountains of northern India, where they attended an interdenominational boarding school that primarily served the children of missionaries.

"The children were told, 'We're going to send you away for just a little while until we get our country back,' but the parents were told that the boat was sunk and the kids were dead," Tori says. "The kids didn't know why no one ever came to bring them back from the Himalayas."

At the Woodstock School, Lee was befriended by Kay McLaughlin '52. He regarded her mother, an educator, and her father, a Methodist minister, as surrogate parents. Lee, a small, skinny boy, had no money and the McLaughlins provided his necessities. He called Kay "Sister." To get sweets, he outwitted classmates in good-natured betting schemes.

"During the war years it was pretty tough; those were dangerous times," McLaughlin recalls. "There was so little food. I remember one time when everybody got terribly excited because they found an old horse and they were going to cook it."

But the education was top-notch. "Lionel was very, very bright. He was known by everyone as an outstanding scholar," McLaughlin says. Unlike in Singapore, where the student-teacher relationship was kept formal, Woodstock students were encouraged to treat their teachers as friends and advisors. Their beloved biology teacher, Bob Fleming, introduced them to the wonders of botany and routinely sent them into the mountains to collect ferns during monsoon season. Lee later wrote a college essay about one such adventure that took him and a group of friends on a 28-mile trek along valleys, streams and up a 10,000-foot peak. Lee's Chinese name was Boon Quee, hence the LBQL insignia on his specimen sheets. Perhaps it's no surprise that he regarded the many ferns he
collected as treasures.

When the war ended, Lee and his siblings were reunited with their father, but their mother had perished. Lee stayed at the Woodstock School until graduation, then returned to Singapore to work in order to earn passage to the States, where he'd been awarded a scholarship to study at WMC.

McLaughlin isn't surprised that he brought his ferns with him: “I would imagine that collection was a part of his heart. He brought them to remember the school and that part of his life, and to honor his teacher.”

Lee settled into American life with relative ease. He learned American slang by reading jokes and watching movies. He was shy but had a sense of humor and great appreciation for his adopted country, and eventually earned citizenship. “I haven't been here long enough to take everything for granted and even now I stop and think how wonderful this country is,” he said in a speech he gave on campus to a student group. “I like people, even though I am shy and find it difficult to make the first move and cultivate friends. At Western Maryland I had no difficulty since everyone says 'Hi' and 'Hello' to strangers. I've since tried to cultivate this habit.”

McLaughlin transferred to WMC in her junior year and excelled at her studies as she watched Lee soar in his. He had set his sights on Johns Hopkins medical school and no one was surprised when he achieved his goal, McLaughlin says. He took odd jobs—assisting with autopsies at night, doing calligraphy—so that he could graduate as an M.D. debt-free. While at Hopkins, Lee fell in love with a Japanese classmate and married her despite protests from his family back in Singapore. He was in a new country and leaving old grudges behind. Together, the couple had three daughters, eventually settling in Sacramento, where Lee practiced internal medicine and then specialized in treating substance abuse.

“He was always behind in his schedule because he let his patients talk, whatever they needed to say. They thought of him as family,” Tori recalls, adding that in all aspects of his life, “He was very generous of spirit. He would give what was needed, whether it was money, advice or a listening ear.”

After his wife died prematurely in 1987, Lee focused on his daughters and grandchildren and shared more memories of his early years, writing down his thoughts and gathering old college papers and other memorabilia he'd kept. His gardens, like his house, were a joyful clutter. “He couldn't stand to not let anything grow. If a new seedling came up from one of the trees, he'd just move it to the back yard. He loved everything and wanted never to kill a plant,” Tori says with a laugh.

“My dad was a pack rat. I'm glad those ferns are at the College, because I probably would have thrown them away.”

McMillan is glad too. He plans to add to the college herbarium by exchanging local specimens he and his students collect in the coming years with herbaria from around the country and the world “so we have an even more diverse teaching collection.”
Even before Andy Cummings '07 arrived on campus, he was at home with the outdoors. Growing up in Howard County just south of Westminster, his family encouraged his rock climbing and trailblazing that took him from Maine to Alaska.

Now five years out from earning his bachelor's in political science, Cummings has recently made a career move that keeps him out-of-doors doing just what he loves. As Potomac River Education Program Manager for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Cummings spends time aboard the Susquehanna, the foundation's 42-foot research workboat, giving children as young as 9 an on-the-water view of the nation's capital and its connection to the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

"Working with kids and seeing their response to the wonders of nature sounds corny," he says, "but it's so inspiring when I witness an inner-city student see a cow and hold a fish for the first time."

Throughout it all, Cummings has learned that small steps toward any goal can make a big difference. As a student, he worked in the campus Phone Center to help pay for his education and developed a keen understanding of philanthropy. Since graduation he's made a gift each and every year.

"I want McDaniel to be the best that it can be since that's a reflection of me," says Cummings. Plus he recognizes his many opportunities as a student were funded, in part, through annual gifts from alumni. "It was frustrating to call alumni for a gift to the Annual Fund and hear them say that they got nothing out of their experience. It didn't make sense to me. Truly, they got nothing?" he asks.

In contrast, he recalls great conversations with alumni on the phone who asked about faculty they remembered. "Once I talked to a 1985 alumnus and told him that I was born in 1985."

What they discovered in common was that both had taken classes with political science professor Herb Smith. Cummings, who traveled to Belize with Smith, calls him a great guy. "Faculty are a valuable resource," and Cummings easily makes the case for annual support to continue the high standards of teaching for which McDaniel is known.

"If you want to see positive change, take that first step and bring some people along with you, and together you can all make a difference," he adds as a reason he will continue to make an annual gift and encourages young alumni like himself to do the same.

Cummings is not alone in expressing such support. Cassie Allen '06, who works part-time for a major Philadelphia research group in addiction and substance use, and is enrolled in a counseling psychology graduate program, learned that alumni giving is essential. As a work-study student at McDaniel, she assisted with many activities organized for the alumni and served as vice president of the Student Alumni Council.

"I learned how alumni giving matters. It's important to give back," she said, noting that more financial and
Task Force to Examine Alumni Association

In 1872, an Alumni Association was established at Western Maryland College with membership comprising 13 degree recipients from two classes. Today, McDaniel College boasts more than 30,000 alumni.

The Alumni Council is the governing board of the Alumni Association. Its structure consists of an executive board, members-at-large and six committees with membership totaling 85. Over the past five years, the Constitution and Bylaws have been rewritten and policy manuals created for each of the committees.

Last July, President Roger Casey met with Alumni Association President Don Hobart ’62, who expressed concern about the Association’s effectiveness in engaging alumni with the College based on several factors including, but not limited to, data collected from an alumni survey conducted in 2009, the report of an ad hoc Alumni Study Group, benchmarking of other alumni associations, and conversations with alumni.

Following Casey’s analysis of the data, he called for the formation of the Task Force to conduct an in-depth study of the Alumni Association and prepare a final report of findings and recommendations by Sept. 30, 2011.

Alumni Otto Guenther ’63 and Sally Keck Gold ’78 will lead a newly formed presidential task force charged to study and shape the McDaniel College Alumni Association into a national model for small liberal arts colleges with recommendations in the areas of alumni communication, coordination, connection and commitment.

Nineteen alumni were invited to join the task force and assigned to one of three committees as follows: Coordination/Connection, chair Suzanne Knizner ’02; Communication, chair Randy Rytter ’97; and Commitment, chair Caroline Babylon ’76. Go the College website at mcdaniel.edu/alumni taskforce for a full listing of committee members.

“Let’s reflect and think out of the box,” Guenther said at the organizational meeting held Feb. 3, and identify ways that “more alumni will get involved with the college we all love.”

Alumni Scholarship aid is needed and growing the Annual Fund can help immediately.

As a former student-athlete, Allen splits her annual gift between the Annual Fund and the Green and Gold Club and sums up her loyalty to McDaniel in three words: exposure, experiences and people.

“I got involved in so many things,” she says. Among the highlights are her roles as captain of the swim team and peer mentor in psychology. She also relished her research collaboration with professor Stephanie Madsen that resulted in co-authoring a published academic paper and traveling to Atlanta, where Allen made a poster presentation.

“My friends from McDaniel are in touch all the time,” she said and her Facebook page is filled with photos of herself at summer weddings of fellow classmates. Naturally, Allen is helping to plan her fifth-year class reunion coming up this spring.

“I learned that alumni participation matters. It’s so simple a thing to make a gift, no matter what your income is, and it shows that you really care about McDaniel and want to make it even better.”

Allen’s classmate Pat O’Toole recently has been promoted to Associate Director of the Annual Fund with a goal of $1.6 million for the current academic year. “Raising $1.6 million provides $1,000 per undergraduate student in the operating budget,” he adds. Plus, for the first time, alumni donors can designate their gifts to support individual academic departments. An envelope is enclosed in this issue of The Hill magazine for alumni to make an Annual Fund gift before June 30. To learn more, email totoole@mcdaniel.edu.
class notes

News and views about life since college

(From left) College trustee Charlie Moore '71, Kate Ryan '08, Alec Weaver '14, Colin Miller '11, Catherine Sczybor '11, Christian Hall '12, professor Debora Maggie Fennelly '13, Kelly Hill (friend of the College), Christian Zighbu (Africa University student), professor Mona Kerby, Kwei Maduo-Parek '12

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1933
Virginia Helmstetter Goodman of Baltimore, Md. writes that she is still enjoying "old age."

1934
Louise Needy Goshorn lives at the Forest at Duke Retirement Center in Durham, N.C. She enjoys working with the library and book club.

Arlene Guyton Runkles was named to the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame for 2008. At 98 she plays piano for four places every week. She lives alone and still drives. Arlene exercises at least one half-hour every day. She sends best wishes to all.

1937
Josephine Thorne Beam and her husband make their home at an independent living retirement home with underground parking—which certainly helps during Nebraska winters. They celebrated their 66th anniversary and Josephine's 94th birthday in 2010. They are thankful that their only daughter, Mary, their son-in-law, granddaughter, her husband, and two darling great-grandchildren live in Kearney as well. Their grandson, his wife and two more precious great-grandchildren live in Boston.

1939
E. Allison Ford sends greetings from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dr. Aaron Schaeffer, of Pikesville, Md., is still working one day a week. He and his wife haven't taken a trip since they went to China. They also enjoyed traveling to Italy and France.

1940
Ethel Melville Barnes Berry writes that she turned 97 on Jan. 14, which would have also been Charles' MEd'63 birthday. Their life has been blessed with four sons, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The youngest grandchild was born in Alaska where grandson Charles Berry III, is a pilot with the U.S. Army (Warrant Officer, 2nd Rank). Ethel attends women's group meetings regularly and is a volunteer with the hospital Jr. board; her volunteer duty is to knit hats for the newborns. Their sons visit regu-
Emily Linton '42 Carnochan enjoys a local Ping-Pong game every week.
“A Yard Full of Puppies and Other Precious Things,” will be available on Amazon.com. She continues to enjoy her son, Robert Crabb III, and his wife, Gloria, who live nearby. Her grandson, Thomas Andre, currently attends Georgia Southwestern State University. She is thrilled that he is also near.

At the age of 89, Elmer E. Evans is still trying to catch fish at a marina at Beach Haven, N.J., but only with limited success! He lost his wife in 2008 and doesn’t think living alone is very exciting.

Jean Stover Owens turned 90 in August and she was shocked. She is enjoying good health and living on her own. She stays busy by playing bridge, lunching with friends and reading. She no longer travels and can’t stand airports or being crammed into planes. She drives locally and feels blessed.

Jane Mellor Riehl moved from New Hampshire to “the Villages” in Florida in November ‘09. She enjoys pleasant living. She plays bridge on the internet and also volunteers. She is well and happy.

Mary Elizabeth “Libbie” Tyson Koether took a cruise with her family to celebrate her 90th birthday. She’s able to do pretty much anything she wants. She lives a life of ease.

When Dorothy Attix Meyer Woods’ 90th birthday came around this year, she consulted her "bucket list," and Disney World won out. Her son and daughter-in-law offered to make arrangements and they went to Orlando the first week in November. Janet planned activities for each of the five days, and Dwight powered the wheelchair. She was looking forward to her favorite ride of 1986 but “Mr. Toad’s Wild Ride” was no longer there. Equally thrilling however, was the new “Soarin’ Ride” at Epcot Center. They ended their tour with a stunning African Safari in the Animal Kingdom. Dorothy makes her home in Delaware.

1943

Edna “Perk” Haller Beglin ’46 reports that husband Bob died recently. They enjoyed going to many college events and football games, seeing other alums and college staff. Their good friend, Dr. Joan Develin Coley, retired and they are pleased with her successor, Dr. Roger Casey.

Margaret Louise Fox Dubin, of Baltimore, Md., is recovering from a broken hip. She is okay with help from her son, Tom, who lives on the second floor of their apartment building while Margaret lives on the first floor. She also receives help from her niece and others.

Josh and Pat Patterson ’48 Ensor are enjoying their 24th year of wintertime in Viera, Fla., where they have a new condo and friends the age of their grandchildren who defer to them. They are a wonderful group. They have 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Josh and Pat feel grateful and blessed. Josh walks two miles daily and Pat volunteers at church and the Chamber of Commerce. They spend their summers at Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminster, Md.

Virginia Bell Hauff was saddened to report the death of her husband, Gordon William Hauff ’41, on Nov. 9, 2010. They met at WMC in 1940 and were married in June 1943. He served in World War II from 1941-1946 and returned to the upstate New York area to spend the rest of his life. He will be sorely missed.

Doris Harman Krusen resides in sunny Venice, Fla. Her beloved husband, Ray, of 63 years passed away on Dec. 25, 2009. They had a wonderful trip to Alaska to celebrate his 90th birthday. Her daughter, Kathy, lives with her now so she has company and many friends.

Pearl Bodmer Lodge is still in her home in Frederick, Md., but with her daughter’s tremendous help in downsizing hopes to move to a new retirement community center by 2012. She takes periodic jaunts to get away. Some recent highlights were attending the internationally acclaimed acrobatic circus “Cirque du Soleil” and a trip to the autumn foliage in southwestern Pennsylvania. Another highlight of everyday life is the monthly luncheon with her WMC friends at Baughers in Westminster, Md.

Mary Walker Metger is feeling fine and still living in her home in Greenwood, S.C. A bad fall put her in a rehabilitation center for four weeks. She has trouble walking so she needs a walker and does well with it. All but one of her grandchildren are married. She keeps busy with church activities, playing cards and taking trips to Charleston, S.C.

William E. Myers sends greetings from Westminster, Md.

Dr. M. Louise Grow Sheffield is 88 years old and lives at Bay Village — a retirement facility (really glorified hotel!) where she swims and exercises regularly. Betsy Buderer Bivin ’49 and Elayne Close Peabody ’50 also reside at Bay Village. She is in touch with Doris Harman Krusen who lives in Venice, Fla. from time to time. She continues to lead discussion groups with her chaplain. This year she traveled to Disney, the Galapagos Islands, Cuba and took a cruise on the Elbe River. She visited her son, David, and her three grandchildren in Atlanta, Ga., for Christmas. She still hopes to finish her book, “From Portland to Portland.”

Lois Guba Shotwell has been blessed with good health and keeps busy with church activities and playing Mexican dominoes and Canasta with other
Eleanor Healy Taylor is happy to be busy with fun, family and community activities. The Baltimore County Historical Trust honored Eleanor with a Lifetime Achievement Preservation Award. She enjoys writing "Kaleidoscope," a column for a county weekly newspaper, singing in the church choir, playing piano for the 5-year-olds Sunday school class, cheering for her grandchildren who play varsity high school soccer and lacrosse. She welcomed 12 of her family members to her Glyndon, Md., home for the holidays.

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1946 REUNION APRIL 29 - MAY 1, 2011
Grace Bevard Erb is looking forward to her 65th reunion. Since she still lives in Westminister, she'll just have to walk up the hill. She hopes to see many 46ers at the reunion. Her grandchildren are not Marylanders. One granddaughter is in law school at Vanderbilt, a grandson is at pharmacy school in North Carolina and another granddaughter is in Boston. There's a lot of education but no great-grandchildren yet.

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The Hill
has a new great-granddaughter. After 30 years of antiques and book selling she is looking for a new owner for Henrietta’s Attic.

Frederick William Morgan and wife Rosa have lived at an outstanding retirement home in Richmond, Va., for about five years. Frederick was thought to have Alzheimer’s but testing confirmed that he suffers from Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus (NPH). He was able to have brain surgery and it proved to be beneficial. He would like to share brochures describing his condition with anyone who is interested. His granddaughter Alison, 16, lives with her parents in Gig Harbor, Wash. She is a very talented ice skater. They believe she has the potential to compete in the Olympics.

Lucy Jane Stonier Nasser and husband Mitchell feel blessed with 56 years of marriage. In January ’10, they sold their home of 43 years and moved to Magnolia Springs, a Wasb. She is healthy, active in church and community life. Their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren live in four states. They are 8S.

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Helen Lavin Bell reports that the board of directors of the Riverside Art Museum selected her Plein Air painting “Julia’s Door” for reproduction in posters and Giclee prints to celebrate the 80th birthday party of its Julia Morgan designed building. She was also chosen as the “TOP DOG” recipient this year.

Duane Boyer of Geelong Victoria, Australia, retired from Deakin University in 1989. He was a men’s counselor at the Geelong Drug and Alcohol Centre and the first social worker when Port Philip Prison opened. He is currently doing volunteer work.

Helen Miles Dubel and Robert ’48 continue to travel all seven continents and 75 countries. They have a flag from each new country to form a border near the ceiling of the den and it’s nearly completed! They are finishing the 50 states by traveling to Alaska in September and Hawaii in January.11

Doris Ritter Ensminger and husband Bill have decided to give up their much enjoyed annual fall trips to South Myrtle Beach in favor of cruises. Doris and Bill wanted to extend their sympathy to Fletcher Ward at the passing of beloved Maradel Clayton Ward. For many, many years Maradel faithfully kept classmates up to date about the activities at the Hill. She and Bill will miss her and the many happy memories they shared with Maradel and Fletcher. The Ensmingers live in Lancaster, Pa.

Betty Lou Glotfelty Hummel writes that she no longer uses “Lou” very much but Betty Lou was the way she was known back in 1945-49. In early October ’10 she spent eight days walking about 40 miles on the Camino de Santiago in northwest Spain. This is the trail pilgrims have been using for at least 1,000 years to go to Santiago where St James’ bones are supposed to be. For years she has dreamed of walking part of the trail with its rich history of other pilgrim’s quest even though she didn’t take much stock on the bones story. Despite some wind and rainy weather it was a fantastic experience. At 82, she got a lot of attention and encouragement from other folks.

1949

WE DID!

Vows exchanged this season:

Byron Hollinger ’57 to Patricia Roop Robinson on October 30, 2010. They reside in Westminster, Md.


Michael Diehl ‘98 to Katherine Hailey ’99 on August 6, 2010. They reside in Hanover, Pa.

Daniel Zeller ’99 to Jennifer Sellers on November 6, 2010. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Philip Atwell ’00 to Emily Walter on October 23, 2010. They reside in Frederick, Md.

Alex McLean ’04 to Linda Siemon on August 28, 2010. They reside in Canton, Md.

Lara Huzarzewicz ’01 to Todd joy on August 14, 2010. They reside in Arnold, Md.

Janet Prost ’03 to Daniel Schmidt on September 5, 2010. They reside in Farmville, Md.

Jessica Stinton ’04 to Dorsey Shreve III on September 25, 2010. They reside in Rosedale, Md.

Shannon Pusey ’05 to Brandon Klein on September 26, 2010. They reside in Parkville, Md.

Karen Whelan ’05 to Shawn Koeleymeyer on October 9, 2010. They reside in Reisterstown, Md.

Alani Copley ’06 to Mike Cheeler on October 2, 2010. They reside in Owings Mills, Md.

Jodi Lynn Hunter ’06 to Eric Harclerode ’05 on October 9, 2010. They reside in Belcamp, Md.

Jesi Leson ’06 to Drew Mitchell ’06 on September 17, 2010. They reside in Clarksville, Tenn.

(Continued)
Her daughter and a friend were with her and were wonderful companions.

Doris Vansant Blades and Jack find it hard to believe that it's been 61 years since graduating from WMC and being married. They are hanging in pretty well — do not have any major problems as far as they know, but they have many irritations — their main interest of traveling has been somewhat curtailed. However, they had a wonderful cruise around the tip of South America, through the Strait of Magellan where Jack's uncle had gone in the early '30s — also a couple of land trips, one to Washington to see the World War II Memorial, which was awesome.

Melville Robert Gemmill sends greetings from Baltimore, Md.

James M. Leonard's son, Mark, heads the PBS station at the University of Illinois; Jamie continues as a flight director on Broadway and TV. (See left margin for more on James M. Leonard)

William "Bill" Sauser is doing well in Bethesda, Md. He goes to the gym most days to keep in shape for weekend club hiking and Colorado skiing in the winter. He enjoys visiting and keeping in touch with WMC roommate who is out on the other coast.

Anne Shuppert Schwarzkopf is happy to report that she and Jerry are maintaining their customary (almost historic) schedule of activities. Of course, they follow the news and are acutely aware of and thankful for their good fortune including the beautiful Sarasota, Fla., weather. Anne is gratified to read about McDaniel's continuing growth.

John T. "Jack" Spicknall writes that all is well at The Landings in Savannah, Ga. He's still playing golf four times a week in a cart, singing in a Methodist choir and contending with the usual octogenarian aches and pains. He and Virginia "Jinnym" have been married for 58 years and are looking forward to more.

Class president Frank W. Stephenson writes that he and his wife had a fairly quiet summer. They haven't done much traveling since they took a transatlantic cruise in September '09. However, they took a trip to Michigan in the June/July period to celebrate his two sisters' birthdays. The youngest of the two, Dorothy, turned 90 in June, and his other sister, Helen, turned 92 in July. They are both in pretty good health for their ages. He keeps trying to catch up with them, but never quite makes it! Otherwise, they mostly hang around their home and enjoyed the summer. Frank played golf once in a while with their daughter, Judy, and her husband, Del, when the weather wasn't too hot! They planned a short trip to Ocean City to help their youngest daughter, Tracey, celebrate her 49th birthday. Their fourth great-grandchild, Xander Stephenson, started kindergarten in Anchorage, Alaska. Their grandson, Eric Stephenson, and his former wife are divorced, so Xander shares time with them both.

G. Fletcher Ward Jr. is sorry to report that his wife of 61 years, Maradel Clayton Ward, passed away this year. Other WMC graduates living at his retirement community, Glen Meadows, in Glen Arm, Md., provide great company and support. They are Jean Shirley Williams '46, Bob '48 and Helen Miles Dubeck, and Claude Libis.

Thanks to all of the Honor Class members who emailed or mailed their news. It's always exciting to report the news for you. Until next year!

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Esther Smith would have been pleased.
Vic and Anna Lee Park Makovitch have sold their home on Bayberry Circle and moved into a comfortable apartment at Bright View Westminster Ridge, an independent and assisted living complex at 505 High Acre Drive, Apt. #214, Westminster, Md. The phone number remains the same. After overcoming some health problems they are getting back to some of their normal activities. They continue functions and sport activities at the College and in the community.

Their beach home in Ocean City has been remodeled and they enjoy spending time there with their children and grandchildren who live in Annapolis, Md., Delanco, N.J., and Mechanicsburg, Pa., when they are not at their homes baby sitting or at their sports and other activities. Vic was elected to the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame 2010 for his accomplishments as an athlete and his contributions in promoting sports within the county school system when he was employed with the board of education.

After 13 years in Florida and six in Texas Chuck and Myke Hammaker are back where they started in Alexandria, Va. In September '09 they moved into a continuing care facility adjacent to Fort Belvoir. It is called The Fairfax and is primarily for retired military officers of the services. He says it's like being on a cruise without the water — maid service once a week, engineers to provide maintenance 245 days, and a dining facility with food that beats any officers club. Many of the residents and neighbors are individuals they served with through the years.

Chuck is vice-chairman of the resident council, his building representative, sings in the Protestant choir and in the Fairfax choir, is a member of the food and beverage committee and project officer for special events like Veterans Day, Memorial Day, the annual meeting and the New Year's Eve party. Myke serves on the flower committee and works in the gift shop. Chuck says, "We are content."

In June '10 Jack and JoAnn Mall moved back to Sarasota, Fla., and are enjoying life at The Glenridge, a retirement community close to their daughter, Megan, and her family. Another daughter, Kristen, is also in Florida and a son, Eric, and his family are in Nashville.

We had a surprise visit from Pat Crawford and Jim DeJean this fall. It was great to see her because she doesn't get here from Louisiana very often. Unfortunately she was here because of the death of her brother, Bill '54, in Havre de Grace.

Jim Sullivan met our new president in an unusual way. He misplaced his credit cards when he attended a funeral at Riverside National Cemetery and Herzt at BWI would not honor his reservation without a credit card. He phoned an old friend who lived nearby in Laurel and asked him to loan him a car but instead the friend drove him to Westminster in time for a brunch at the College.

As he moved through the brunch line, Jim happened to meet Dr. Coley and asked if he could take some food to his friend because he had skipped breakfast to get him there in time. She introduced him to our new president, Dr. Roger Casey, who suggested that his friend join the group but Jim explained that he was dressed to go on a fishing trip and would require convincing. Dr. Casey followed him to the car, opened the door, thanked his friend for his good deed and invited him to join the group.

Jim's comment about it all was, "I think our new president is a Keeper!"

"Since no young ladies have approached me asking for my hand in marriage, I am still blessedly single," Roger Ault replies from Rehoboth Beach. Though life is a little slower and full of doctor visits, he takes a water aerobics class three times a week at the local Y and is trying to spend more time walking on the boardwalk. The old-time radio group has been hit by the recession, and he hasn't acted in a play since playing Herman's father in Midsummer Night's Dream last year. Roger was delighted that John Isaac and his wife paid him a surprise visit on their way home from Ocean City in the fall.

Hillard "Huck" and Peg Sider Haylett are enjoying their new home — a one-story house in a lovely small community near their club, friends, shopping, etc. They are proud of five great-grandsons. Peg is happy to say that although December was difficult for her, she had a heart attack and a week later congestive heart failure but is at home and doing OK on meds, no surgery.

Mary Ina Grice Bourdon reports that they are well and stay busy with sailing, church, and Coast Guard Auxiliary activities. Last August they spent two weeks visiting the Canadian Maritimes by land.

Charlotte Reed Cushing wrote of visiting the museum for lunch and viewing a new art show that day. She, like most of us, and Ray are "hanging in." She heard from Jane Buettner Stevick. With her sense of humor she says she is at the stage where she can remember WMC but can't remember yesterday. Ward and Betty Brandenburg Glasby have been married for 58 years, have two children and three grandchildren. Grandson Zach works at Glasby Maintenance Supply Company which is doing very well in California in spite of welfare handouts and illegals. Ward's biggest news is "finding Jesus Christ as my Savior." Ward was born again in 1960 after having reached bottom. At that time God gave them a new life: ownership of a janitor supply distribution company, graduation from seminary, teaching Bible studies, mentoring young people. He says Betty is still cute, great figure and enjoys their church and women's Bible studies.

Don't try to find Katharine Wiley Pearce at home. Besides being a master quilter (I can vouch for that with the beautiful quilt she sent me to use when I had chemo treatments), she volunteers in the community and at church and belongs to a Red Hat group which she says is lots of fun since there are no dues but just "eat and go."

She read in The Hill that an alum of WMC had twin daughters named Katharine and Helen and that fascinated her so she wrote to Louise Leister Hailey '39 and they have been corresponding since then. "College ties can not be broken" but college ties keep happening. Katharine's twin sister, Helen Wiley Miller, lives in Bedford, Mass., and is enjoying retirement and keeping up with five grandkids. She goes to Maine in the summer. Boston's pitcher Miller is NOT a relative — I asked.

Martin "Mitch" Tullai was inducted into the Inaugural Class of St. Paul's School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2008. He was also inducted into the Greater Baltimore Chapter of the U.S. Hall of Fame (as an official) in 2010. Congratulations, Mitch!

Betty Simpson Seidler continues to sing with Masterworks Chorale of Carroll County. She takes care of four horses, three cats, two dogs and one ailing husband. Last winter's blizzard aged her about 10 years, says she. I'm sure with the outdoor work she does it was a chore. Three of her four grandchildren are in college and the youngest is in high school. Betty is looking forward to the '12 reunion.

Janet Preston May and Paul keep busy with gardening and just living in Florida, however they have had to give up tennis because of knee troubles. They renewed ancestral ties by taking a river cruise in Saxony, Germany, (for Paul) and a genealogy conference in Lancaster, Pa., for Janet. They visited Gettysburg at the last reunion but the diorama display was not yet up so they hope to return there at the 60th reunion. Janet loves what has been done to McDaniels and is pleased that a Rollins man now leads the way.

Ken Shook enjoys keeping in touch with classmates with emails. He attended a Rotary conference in Naples, Fla., and was able to visit his brother, Charlie '50. He has written two books on memoirs which will be published soon. If there is an interest, you can view his new website at kennikeymemorks.com. He and Carol have joined the 50 years of marriage group! Congratulations!

Marsha Beebe Green and Gordon had just returned from a vacation in Honolulu when she received my card. They enjoy their friends and activities in Portland, Ore., but have slowed down to cruising in Alaska in summer and flights to Hawaii as often as possible. Their daughter lives nearby and their son just retired from flying.

Bill and I (Sally Griffin Marks) continue to be active locally when we are not visiting one of our three children or one of our six grandchildren. The youngest grandchild will graduate from high school this year which means the last graduation trip. After trips to London, Paris, Ireland, Hawaii, Alaska and Greece, we look forward to Julie's choice. It will be fun wherever it is. We have one electrical engi-
neer who was just married last summer and one math teacher who will be married in the fall of 2011. Two more graduate this spring in various areas of business and one chemical engineering coming along. As the saying of the Class of ’52 goes, "Life is good!"

On a sad ending note, I want to recognize those classmates who passed away since our last column in The Hill. Jim Marsh, Stan Bowlsbey, Janice Zaiser Poole, Lionel Lee, John Haller, Ira Zepp, Donald Smith, and Leroy Merritt. Our sympathy to the families of these fine leaders. They will forever be in our memories.

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It’s hard to believe that we are gearing up for our 55th college reunion in a little more than two years!

Fred Stonerider continues to live the retired life on his mountain farm in south central Pennsylvania. In addition to his domestic animals, he has lots of wildlife, even an occasional black bear, on his property.

Jackie and Donald Bosley continue to live in St. Augustine, Fla., at the World Golf Village. After living in Florida for 12 years, they still cannot get used to the hot summers. Maine looks very enticing for the summer-time!

Flo Melh Woorden wrote: "Put license on referral after 30½ years. Suffering from work deprivation!"

John Hort has been volunteering for the past 17 years for the National Park Service. He is the volunteer superintendent/caretaker for the Yorktown National Cemetery where 2,183 Civil War casualties are buried.

Gloria and Roger Scheim treated their three daughters and five grandchildren to two weeks at a beach/birdwalk-front house in Ocean City, N.J., for the 10th consecutive year. Roger and Gloria do the cooking to maximize their kids’ enjoyment. It’s an all expense paid reunion/vacation for the "kids" and grandkids. Grandma and "Pop Pop" enjoy the pleasure of their happiness. Roger continues to be listed in Marquis Who’s Who in America and now in Who’s Who in Science and Engineering.

Billy and Tony Sarbanes welcomed another grandson, William James Sarbanes, on Sept. 1, 2010. That gives them five total — three girls and two boys, ages three months to 10 years. Tony recently received the Rotary Club Four Way Test Award for Community Service. He is still very active in many community groups and church.

Don ’56 and Mary Lowes Wallace still live in Fairfax, Va. Don keeps ‘young” working for the George Mason Athletic Department. Last summer we had fun with sales for a minor league pro football team. Mary continues as secretary for Cultural Churches, all part of Christian Missionary Alliance. Their three sons, their wives and children “continue to be so much a part of us.” Their oldest grandson has applied to McDaniel.

Dave Harper sent an update on his life. His second wife died of advanced Lyme disease in 2007. In 2009 he renewed friendship with a former parishioner, and they were married October 09.

Dave is officially retired from the New York Conference of the United Methodist Church, but is currently serving an associate position in pastoral counseling and psychotherapy at Nichols United Methodist Church in Trumbull, Conn. He has COPD, but in three years his condition does not seem to have worsened. “I am proud of our college and the exquisite name the school has made in the lives of so many students. God bless you.” See you at our 55th!

Jack ’57 and Judy Corby Osborne took “togetherness” to a new level as they experienced ‘cancers’ and had radiation at the same time. Years of living “high on the hog,” carrying heavy appliances, etc., in his family business and several heart attacks have greatly damaged Jack’s heart but he is gaining back strength. Judy joins Jack for his rehabilitation program. Judy and Jack had two great joys in 2010. Their grandson, 3, who was born premature, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy but with much therapy is able to walk unassisted.

They commend Dr. Roger Young, ‘72, for his work on “Premises” as explained in The Hill, spring ’09. Their second happy occasion was Judy’s receipt of first prize in the Cape May County Senior Art Exhibit for her oil painting. She marveled at the “McDaniel Art Talent” described in The Hill, spring ’10.

Vi Fonner Carrick, Lori Jones Gore, and Ardella Campbell Darlington spent one week birding on Sanibel with Elderhostel and then joined Jean Lambertson Hort for another trip in Vi’s rented condo on Boca Ciega Bay, St. Petersburg, Fla. Vi will celebrate her 75th birthday with Ardena and Jean at Smith Mountain Inn in Washington County.

Bob and Marsha Reifsnider ’59 McCormick have two years into retirement. They have their share of aches and pains, but are still volunteering at their local hospital several hours a week. Bob battled prostate cancer last winter and received a thoughtful prayer shawl from Ray and Ruth Ann Wilson ’59 Stevens. Stressful economic times have limited their travel but they love their home and Santa Fe, N.M.

Ron and Sue Glaesser are in Sun Lakes, Ariz., for the winter. Ron retired in 2008 after 46 years in dentistry. He still goes fishing in Arizona, and goes to San Felipe in May for a week of fishing. Allen “Buzz” Fellows and his wife visited the Glaessers last summer. Ron hunted for caribou for two weeks and was unsuccessful, so paid to shoot a buffalo on a ranch in the middle of Alaska. He fixed buffalo liver and onions for some of the older people in Arizona complete with a five-star peanut butter cake. He and Sue plan to visit their son in Carlsbad, Calif., at Christmas.

Gail Mercy and Don Getz had a full year of medical capers for Don — several trips to the emergency room, but various visits to a number of doctors found cures for a number of vexing ailments. Don is doing much better and is looking forward to the 4th Annual 18th Century artisans show in Lewisburg, Pa. 2010 was the bicentennial year for McAllisterville/Fayette Township and Gail did a lot of writing for the history book which was very well received. She also helped with the Bi-centennial Museum during carnival week which included an array of activities, historical and otherwise in commemoration of many events past. Gail never realized the area was so rich in Civil War history.

Ray and Arlene MacVicker ’63 Wright are trying to sell their home in Aiken, S.C., and move to a new home in Canton, Ga. The move will put them closer to their youngest son and family. They are also looking forward to life in an over-55 community with no lawn mowing responsibilities. They spent an enjoyable afternoon last summer with Dick Brawley and his wife, catching up on the past 40-plus years. Ray and Arlene now have six grandchildren, spread from Connecticut to Virginia to Georgia — always a good excuse to travel!

Wray Mowbray seriously injured his right leg in February ‘10 and couldn’t walk, drive or fly for three months. By June he was able to walk short distances but was still in rehab. In August, Sam Case ’63, Charles Neal, and Wray went to Bar Harbor, Maine, for a week and did some light hiking. Life is back to normal and Wray is enjoying retirement.

Walter Bloodsworth continues to enjoy the lovely weather in Florida. He would not think of venturing up the East Coast. He keeps busy with his music. He has written and recorded 18 CDs of original music and has also recorded hundreds of pop songs just for listening. Walter had tentatively planned a trip to Bavaria and Austria for a few weeks to acquire a zither and take zither lessons. However, in July was found at home on the floor after four days and nights — 12 days in ICU and two weeks in rehab — so the trip was postponed. He finally got home in September. The doctors tell him that he is now better than before this little "escapade." “Yes, I have made a remarkable recovery!”

Patti Krell and Ed Yates sold their Mount Pleasant, D.C., home in the summer of 2007 and bought a condo in a high rise for seniors even farther downtown in D.C. — The Residences at Thomas Circle. They are really happy there for a couple of years, but Ed got a very aggressive bladder cancer and died in February ’10. Patti had already given up her volunteer job at the D.C. Animal Shelter, after about 18 years, and has thrown herself into activities at The Residence. They have a movie every night, and she gets to select and describe the movies, good work for a
person addicted to the flc's.

Patti also works with their activities person -to-plan trips, which is right up her alley as a person addicted to travel. Patti's big goal is trip number seven to India, possibly in 2012. Patti has her dog and three cats, and doesn't know how she would have gotten through the months after Ed died without them. Patti was very pleased to have three long time friends attend Ed's memorial service. "Tom 'Dubes' Davies '59, Jerry DeFlora '61, and Sylvia Lukemine '62.

Marge Hull Harper had a lovely visit from Millie Mackubin Townsend and Dale '51 last fall. She showed them the sights of central Vermont including the state capitol building which is a beautiful old building. Marge added another grandchild in December '09 and two step-grandchildren in April '10. All five "grand"s are girls.

Bette Flohr Plasket extends a sincere thanks to all classmates who called, sent notes and words of encouragement as Richard battled cancer. "He really wanted to be on the Hill for our 50th with everyone and take part in the memorial service that he and Nancy had worked on. We were very grateful she took over and heard what a wonderful and impressive job she did words can never express my thanks."

Bette is still in South Carolina because she still works with the SC DSS/Foster Care Review Board. "I have done this for years and enjoy working with the children. My family is here in South Carolina and Georgia so after 27 years I guess this is home. For those traveling Route 95 south to Florida, give me a thought or maybe a visit. My home is Columbia or our Myrtle Beach get-away can be a great half-way stopping point. Fall weather here is great, winters are mild and spring comes early in the South."

Jerry '62 and Lori Jones Gore note "the good news is that we are still here!" They are still busy volunteering, working for various political goals, babysitting grandkids, and enjoying seeing the world whenever they can arrange to get away. "It is a great life and we are eternally grateful for it."

Dick and Frances Layton '62 Gardiner enjoyed hosting college roommate Stanley Dennis for Thanksgiving. Last year Dick and Frances went on a Mediterranean cruise with Eric and Carol Pettersen '59 Willen, and Jim Lightner '59. They had a great time visiting the old Roman Empire from Rome to Greece. They plan a 50th anniversary cruise from Dover, England, to St. Petersburg, Russia, in June, again traveling with the Willens and Jim Lightner. There was no apple crop to keep them busy on the farm this year, so instead they bought a condo in Cape Canaveral, Fla., which they plan to rent to the snowbirds. Their grandchildren and grand children are doing well. Their granddaughter, Courtney Jackson '10, just completed student teaching.

Willa Benson Medinger, Tom Beckett, and Mike Brill.

Herb and I continue to enjoy California living, without shoveling snow, chains, etc. The snow-capped 12,000-foot Mt. San Jacinto is visible from our living room window. December found us picking grapefruit, oranges, and lemons from our front yard. In June, we flew to San Antonio, Texas, for the graduation of our grandson, and his Eagle Court of Honor the following day. He is a freshman at Texas A&M/Calvin College — in the Naval ROTC program. Our oldest granddaughter attends community college, and our youngest is a junior in high school. This fall I received a 50-year-member recognition from the American Diabetic Association. I continue to work as a renal dietitian at the Kidney Institute on the campus of Eisenhower Medical Center, in Rancho Mirage, Calif. Herb continues to travel worldwide via the computer. Barbara Hunt Katay 4571 Colada Court Palm Desert, CA 92260

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Thanks to all who have responded to my email blast and postcard request for news. The response has been very light and the column will not be quite as full as usual. Since the alumni office has new vendors we would appreciate knowing if you did receive a postcard. Along those lines, sending me an email or note at anytime is appreciated.

Bob Kleine writes from Michigan, "My term as state treasurer will be over at the end of the year as our governor is term limited and we have a new Republican governor. It has been a very difficult and challenging, but rewarding, five years." His wife Judy Karandeff is also retiring from her position as executive director of the Michigan Women's Commission. They have trips planned to Florida and Mexico. They also plan to spend more time with their six grandchildren. Bob, congratulations on a fine career. Your major in economics/history has served you well.

John and Jan Price's '63 Warman's Christmas letter is priceless. "Each year of our lives has been different from every other year. Even the worst has had some redeeming quality, but this year has seemed especially blessed with bright, sweet moments — maybe not so blessed with dignity. Janet reads to first graders at a couple of schools, and tries to bring a little something extra to the readings. Her Dr. Seuss Cat-in-the-Hat that she made for herself brings smiles from all the students. We had a great time at Disney with six of our eight grandchildren. They reside in Rockville, Md. and can be seen at Baughers on occasion.

Bill and Maureen Filby '62 Sitte write from Garden Ridge, Texas. "Maureen and I will soon celebrate our 49 years of marriage and today we are headed for a marriage retreat — maybe we can get it right!" before we reach 50 years. On 10-10-10 we had a combined 70th birthday party and it was a blast for about 80 guests." The night closed with a toast to Maureen and Bill, followed by a group prayer for them and the ministry they lead. Bill is working about half time.

Dagmar Joeres Miller is enjoying her retirement years. She states, "I have good health, am just starting my third year of retirement, and love being a grandmother to my three grandchildren. Younger son Tyler lives in Brooklyn with French wife Chrystelle. Erik Paul is soon to remarry: to another French woman. They live close enough for me to visit, which is perfect. I am still close to my daughter-in-law, Natacha, so the split families are not too awful.

"I did some travel (London for one week in November '09). Met up with Stephen Bayly '64 for theatre and dinner. And this year my brother, Manfred Joeres '59, and I had a sibling reunion; both brothers are retired as well, and staying connected is now always a goal that is achievable."

Marsha Bendermeyer sends greetings from Akron, NY. After serving interim calls in ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) congregations during the latter years of her ministry, she was eager to return to the Niagara Frontier and Buffalo, where she has the best of both worlds — the peace of the rural landscape and the excitement of various urban pursuits.

Son, Adam, is the only one of her children still in Buffalo. He caught the culinary bug as a teenager, washing dishes in a restaurant, and now, at 28, is sous chef at the Buffalo Launch Club, a private club on Grand Island, near Niagara Falls. Her older daughter, Hettie, and husband Brian, both social workers, live in Takoma Park, MD., with darling Clementine, Marsha's first and only granddaughter. Daughter Sal, short for Saralynn, who was about to be born the weekend of our agrh reunion, graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Syracuse University in May. After a wonderful mother-and-daughter graduation trip to Paris, she left for Teach for America summer 'boot camp' in Philadelphia to prepare for teaching in the trenches — assigned, ironically, to Baltimore. "It was great to visit her this fall and introduce her to the Eastern Shore and Ocean City, where we spent a lovely evening with Bob '62 and Peg Hoey Warfield." Realizing a longtime retirement dream, she has become a registered docent at the Darwin Martin House, Frank Lloyd Wright's prairie 'opus,' and now considered one of the nation's premier architectural sites.

It was great to hear from Sterling Green, another happy retired classmate. "I retired from being a United Methodist pastor eight years ago and moved to Rehoboth Beach, Nettie and I designed and built our own home which has brought us much pleasure entertaining family and friends. These retirement years have been focused on involvement with family — caring for siblings..."
as they have grown older and died and welcoming and loving grandchildren. We now have four grandchildren all aged 4 and younger. We get with them frequently in spite of the fact that two live in Connecticut and two in New York. Living in Rehoboth allows me to explore my Eastern Shore roots as I bike the backroads and kayak the waterways on the Peninsula. Nettie and I keep up with McDaniel through Bob and Nancy Manthey with whom we meet at least once a year as well as Otto and Jan Guenther whom we see occasionally. In addition our daughter Rachel Green Stein ‘96 keeps us connected.

Howie and Joan Wagner will celebrate their 48th anniversary in June ‘11. They continue to live six months in New York and the balance in Florida. Their extended family of two daughters (with husbands) and three grandchildren live close by on Long Island and they enjoy a close relationship. They continue business interests in New York — although from a distance. They brought in a professional manager some years ago which so far has worked out well. Howie keeps in touch with Ozzie Stewart ‘65 and Stanley Makover ‘65. They are both well and are enjoying life. "I have also had the good fortune to be included in a holiday reunion with Dick Clover ‘50 and Richie Kitzberg here in Florida. I have to say with all honesty (and I know Richie will agree with me) 'Corky' (Dick’s nickname) is as spry and full of piss and vinegar as anyone I know."

Roy and Helen Holmes ‘64 Terry have missed "all" of the reunions, including for classes, fraternity and sorority, so we are holding them to the promise of a return for our 50th, as I always say, God willing. "Roy and I wish we could take a trip up to Westminister and visit everyone. We have not been back since graduation!"

It seems like many of us who are retired are working quite a bit but enjoying the freedom of choice. Marsha Geller and Perry Berman fit into that mold. Marsha writes, "Althought I’ve retired from the book business, I keep busy managing rentals of my beach condo and those of two others in Ocean City. Recently, I became the president of our home condo association, not a fun job! But everyone has to do it." Perry keeps busy as a consultant in land development and real estate mostly in Montgomery County, where he was a planner for many years. They’ve done some traveling to France, Spain, and Cancun and are planning to spend at least a month in Paris for her 70th birthday in 2012. "I’m back to playing lots of bridge, after 30 years off, and it’s as addictive as it was then!"

Peggy Zacharias Cole stays very busy in Littleton Colo. She writes, "All is well but very busy here. I continue to serve on the City Council of Littleton, and my husband continues to teach political science at Metropolitan State College of Denver (the largest public college in the country). In my spare time, I enjoy walking, jogging, and reading, and I also volunteer at the city’s library."

I love hearing from Jill Fredholm Porter. She and Ken have moved north to New Hampshire unlike many of us who would decide on a few palm trees in our retirement life. Also, Mariam Evans Corbett take heed! Here’s an update from the Porters who are certainly looking forward to seeing everyone at the 50th reunion, have saved the date and I want to hear that Mariam will be there. Jill and Ken will be vacationing in the Caribbean in March — a great time of year to leave New Hampshire and enjoy some warmer weather. On the home front she continues to enjoy lap swimming, church choir, yoga and getting out for lobster rolls. Ken is active in the New Hampshire Aviation Historic Society serving as a docent and enjoys his 47 MG TC, top down. Their family has grown with the addition of a granddaughter, Katherine Jennie, born February 22, 2009. Her cousin, Jonathan, is 5. Both families live in Rhode Island making visiting relatively easy.

From beautiful Ocean City, Md., Peggy Hoey Warfield catches up with the happenings of her life. "Dave ‘65 and Dianne Briggs ‘65 Martin spent time with us (Bob ’62) this past winter at our Florida home in Bonita Springs. Sunday morning we went to Roy and Helen Holmes ’64 Terry’s son’s church. Had a great catch-up time with them at lunch afterward. We hadn’t seen each other since we all graduated. I had an art show in Berlin, Md. this summer. At the opening reception I was surprised, and honored, when I saw Fern Lindsay Delaney, Della Boyd Hanna, and Harvey and Bonnie McClelland Weiskittel."

The Hobarts were out of the state and would have loved to be at the grand opening.” Peggy’s mixed media collages are extraordinary. Her Christmas letter reports that the weather is perfect, health is great, kids are super, real estate market is improving and they are looking forward with a new vision to the next decade.

Helen Tempel German has checked in from Owings Mills, Md. She still works four days a week as an environmental planner for the R&K&K firm. She is looking forward to retiring very soon. She is passionate about her yoga. Both daughters are married and everyone is local so they see each other frequently. Her older daughter has two children, the "lights of my life." Steve, her significant other of 15 years, and Helen spend a great deal of time at the beach and most recently they have been taking ballroom dancing lessons.

I can always count on Bob Manthey for an update. He and Nancy live in Frederick, Md., and enjoy the richness of that bedroom community of Washington. He states, "Life is good in retirement, especially the freedom Nancy and I enjoy. I keep busy with occasional preaching, sharing family experiences and trips with four grandchildren (two are identical twins born December ’09), two winter months in Florida, volunteering in the Frederick community and local hospital, and harvesting from my backyard vegetable garden."
Otto and Jan Gaenther have been seen frequently on the Hill. Not only does Otto serve with distinction on our Board of Trustees, they seem not to miss many events. Otto brings to all of his committee work a level of expertise and commitment that served him well as he rose to three-star general.

Otto, in addition to his role as trustee, has been the chair for major gifts in the last campaign and he also keeps his hand in the college ROTC program as a mentor. He is also working on the council of his church and has been leading his church men's group in the past. He and Jan work at trying to do an overseas vacation about every other year and do a trip in the States during the off years. Their most recent trips have been to Scandinavia (Norway, Sweden, and Denmark), as well as Nova Scotia, Canada.

They are planning a cruise in the Mediterranean with their church group tracing the walk of Paul from Ephesus. During the summer they vacation one week with the family at Smith Mountain Lake, which is near Lynchburg, Va., and spend their winters in Sarasota, Fla. Jan continues to volunteer as an administrative assistant at their church and Otto is on two small business boards as well as doing some consulting supporting small business. Both Jan and Otto feel very blessed to be in outstanding health, with two great kids, and enjoy giving back in many different ways for the things they have received in life.

Jerry and Jennifer Siegel are happy to be back in York, Pa. However their adventures are always newsworthy. “We’re home in Pennsylvania this season after a year that began back in Skopje, Macedonia, where Jennifer was busy as a Fulbright Scholar at Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje. I joined her in December and spent the second semester as a visiting professor at FON University, a private institution there.”

Jerry’s stepson, Eric, and granddaughter, Rhia, visited for two weeks in March and they went to, of all things, a Bob Dylan concert at the Skopje fair grounds, where he appeared as part of a tour through Eastern Europe. They returned to the U.S. in late July ‘01 and he’s back to teaching at York College.”

Charlie and Mara Dilson ’65 Walter are among those “young, new grandparents.” They have spent time in Florida (missed all the snow of 2010). Mara traveled to Italy and then went off to Sun Valley to ski. A family wedding in South Carolina made for a wonderful vacation on Pawley’s Island. Charlie continues to enjoy retirement — shooting trap, exercising, and taking piano lessons.

Daughter Sarah Walter ’94 lives in Jupiter, Fla. but spends much time in Maryland as well. Son, Hugh, and wife Jenny live close by in Darlington with Marnie, ’3, and baby, Charles Roland.

Marty Wirt Davis is enjoying her life in Morrisville, N.C. However, the snowfall just does not compare to her years in Minnesota. Marty has spent quality time with her grandchildren. If you remember Marty on the basketball court, you will not be surprised that the grands are athletic. Daughter Michelle and husband Terry still reside in Minnesota. Granddaughter Elizabeth excels at softball. Daughter Gill, husband Dave, and Will, 7, enjoyed a terrific Disney cruise. She made a quick summer 2010 trip back to Baltimore to visit family and catch up on those crabs. Marty is certifiably a bionic woman. Her last surgery was a right shoulder joint replacement.

We have news from Nonnie and Poppy Gray, better known as Janet Walker and James “G”. The Grays have had an eventful year beginning January ’01. Thomas Christopher Gray was born to Anabelle and Tim Gray. The “G” was so happy to have a grandchild before he was in diapers himself! Jim decided to join the ranks of retirees and leave the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Monmouth County. So far New Jersey seems to have made the transition without Jim Gray as part of the Officials. On the other hand stay tuned for his next adventure in politics. Jim and Janet will enjoy their home in Highland Beach, Fla., for an extended period of time this winter.

Although Alex and Jan Engle Med’73 Ober retired in the spring of 2008, both have found themselves with plenty to do. Alex continues to teach one course each semester at McDaniel while Jan is working in the education department with future teachers through the BEST program. This past summer included a trip on the Danube with Avalon Tours that began in Budapest with a personal tour by Janos Szimai, McDaniel Budapest’s Study Abroad Coordinator.

Highlights included visiting the McDaniel Budapest campus. During the fall, they enjoyed seeing many alumni friends from the ’60s Rock and Roll Reunion, Homecoming and the Bachelor Fraternity reunion. November saw the arrival of their first grandchild, Leo Alexander Ober Bowen.

Be prepared to become exhausted just reading about the adventures of Sue Snodgrass ’65 Case. “Retirement is good! In February, we took a trip to Vermont to Snowshoe. While there, we had lunch with Bob and Sally DeRan Grace. In March, we visited the National Parks in Utah and hiked — Arches, Zion, and Bryce Canyon. We also went to Monument Valley. In April, we went to Glacier National Park where on a hike we met a bear. From there, we went on to Oregon to visit our daughter Sarah and family. In September after doing some genealogical research, we went to Germany to visit the town (Rucker) the Cases lived in 1730. While in Germany, we visited Berlin and Hamburg. In Hamburg we had a great visit with Len Biser. From Germany, we went to Paris. There we went to the opera, toured the museums, and spent time with David Selikowitz. In October we had a terrific time at the ‘60s reunion at the College.”

Sam still runs and since winter has been skiing several times a week. “We also go ourselves occasionally with the Hobarts at local gourmet restaurants.” Sam is referring to many of the restaurants that we frequent. I might add that most of them you would drive by and say “who would eat there?” Sam has a unique sense of finding the best food for the least amount of money. Also, as I write this (January 11) they are off to Yosemite with their family.

In his 47th annual Christmas letter our world travel classmate David Selikowitz makes one wonder how he can fit all of these adventures into one year. The best news from David is always about his mom. As of this writing she remains in very good health at 96 and is looking for a bridge partner. She lives in Miami and David sees her often. Among the myriad events David has attended and/or planned was the celebration of Alain’s 60th birthday. Alain has become very close to many of David’s friends and loves Westminster. He talks about retirement in Westminster but for one I have trouble thinking of David wandering around Westminster at 11:00 P.M. hoping to find fine dining.

To mention a few of David’s trips, he has been to Montreal for the first time and loved it. Truffle hunting in the Piedmont region of Italy was also a “first.” A wedding took him off to Provence. Berlin and Barcelona were also highlights for David. The wonderful (acappela) choirs of the Yale Whiffenpoofs and Harvard Krokodiloes have been a joyous part of David’s life.

David’s annual trips to Israel include a trip to Petra, Jordan which was a wonder to all who traveled with him. In a return trip to Israel David was honored by the Parliament for his help to Soviet Jews more than 20 years ago. He met with several of the “Refuseniks” and their families. The certificates of honor were presented by the Minister of Tourism who was himself a son of a “Refusenik.” Of course his visits from alumni, Sam and Sue Snodgrass ’65 Case and Glenn Hanna and wife Kathy, were a highlight of the year.

Geraldine “Jerry” Hopkins writes from Annapolis. She has been retired for 10 years and stays incredibly busy. She lives in Maryland as well. Son, Hugh, and wife Jenny live close by in Darlington with Marnie, ’3, and baby, Charles Roland.

Marty Wirt Davis is enjoying her life in Morrisville, N.C. However, the snowfall just does not compare to her years in Minnesota.
Eric "Lanny" Buckner has had a great year. He enjoys semi-retirement and most recently he and special friend, Shelly Mazer, enjoyed a beautiful trip to Greece. He lives so close to our Ravens and Orioles stadiums he can just walk over. Lanny stays active in alumni affairs and recently began his term on the council.

This is always the most difficult task for me. Since our last column we have lost some very special classmates. They are Carole Ann Unkart Stieling, Joan Slade Minor, Hilda Ann Griscom, John "Jack" Ashley Blackburn, Carolyn "Cork" Conkling Muhly, John E. Grabowski, and William "Bill" E. Chambers. If you would like to communicate with their families please contact the college or me.

This fall the College honored, posthumously, our Jack Blackburn with the Alumni Professional Achievement Award. As many know Jack was the longest serving dean of admission in the history of the University of Virginia. His advocacy for more diversity and accessibility in higher education was recognized on a national level. Betty "BJ" Jacobs, their daughter, Heidi, and grandson, Jack, accepted the award. Betty spoke about the wonderful memories that they both had of WMC and the friendships formed. Jack never forgot the fine liberal arts education he received. It's always a trip down memory lane when I can have a McDaniel housemate under my roof. Tears were shed but much laughter contributed to a special time.

Gerald "Jerry" Miller and wife Sharon were recently in Westminster to celebrate his dad's 100th birthday. This made local news as the Miller family has been extraordinary givers to our community. Jerry and Sharon still live in Austin, Texas, and enjoy travel.

Sometime after writing the last column I heard from Barry Gross ’62. He has successfully tracked down Bill Gillespie ’64 who has a great life in El Granada, Calif. Barry was able to convince him to return for a Bachelor Reunion.

Mara Selebi ’93 is the recipient of our Class of 1963 scholarship. We received the following from her:

"I am one of the extremely fortunate sophomores at McDaniel College to have received a full tuition scholarship partially funded by the Class of 1963 Scholarship Fund. I wanted to personally thank you so much for your generosity, which has essentially enabled me to attend McDaniel College! Without your support, there is no way I would have been able to attend this school, where I formed amazing and diverse friendships that I hope to keep for the rest of my life. Though I am only a sophomore, I have experienced enough of McDaniel to know what a blessing a liberal arts education is for me personally, allowing me to self-design a major.

"Next semester I will be able to partake in the exciting experience of studying abroad, and I cannot wait to live and study in another country (Scotland)!

"At McDaniel I have also discovered some wonderful faculty and staff who truly care about me, and help me get involved in what I am passionate about and think through my course of study. This opportunity would not have been possible without your support. So once again, thank you so much for generously allowing me to attend McDaniel College!"

Please keep this scholarship in mind not only for memorials but to celebrate happy events. It is an honor each year to represent all of you at the scholarship luncheon held in the spring.

Don ’62 and I manage to stay quite busy. We are not exactly retired as Don is the director of ReHab Essentials, a distance learning program for earning a doctorate of physical therapy. His new program is with the University of South Florida. While his office is in our home we travel once a year to the university site. His other programs are based at the University of Montana in Missoula. My education consultant business, College Found, remains small and allows me to focus on the Rape Crisis Intervention Service of Carroll County.

I am president of the board and those who are associated with non-profits can appreciate the time involved and stress of finding new funding sources. Our recent travels have been to Yellowstone in winter with time spent in Park City, Utah, at Sundance Film Festival. Later in the year we went to Turkey on a marvelous trip planned by Judy Firestone McIlroy ’64. It was a small WMC group. Joe ’62 and Judy Mcdade, Jack ’62 and Carole Richardson ’64 Baile, and the McIlroy’s friends from Georgia, the McGraths, now adopted as alumni. In just a few days we leave for Antarctica on a National Geographic Expedition. Don is thrilled to be in the company of these renowned photographers. I am studying my penguins, seals, birds, and whales. We will spend a week in Buenos Aires with a side trip to Iguazu Falls. When we did our "Bucket List," way before the movie, we wanted to be on all seven continents and God willing we will have been blessed to do so.

In my postcard/email I spoke of the excitement on the Hill. I am happy to report it just gets better. President Casey and his wife, Robyn, have endeared themselves to the college family and our local community in this short time. His inauguration on April 16, 2011 as our ninth president is eagerly anticipated. While I respect that our current students at McDaniel think they have the edge on SWAGGER, we will show them that this generation of 70-year-olds, plus or minus, from the Class of 1963 has the real SWAGGER. Please SAVE THE DATE, April 26-28, 2013 for our 50th reunion. As always, please just send your news anytime to my email preferably, or mail. If you should be close to campus please give us a call. Our campus is beautiful through all the seasons. Stay safe and healthy.

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Barry Lazarus writes from Colorado that he and Fran have been very busy keeping up with their children and grandchildren. Their youngest grandchild, Karolina, lives in Slovenia while their oldest, Hannah Liv, lives in Copenhagen. Their daughter, Kate, and family live in Los Angeles with their grandson, Kaiden, and granddaughter, Emma Dorje, 2. The family in the past year has met up in Malaysia, Slovenia, and Copenhagen while Barry and Fran have gone off to the Baltic States sans family. They celebrated their 45th anniversary at home in Colorado with both of their children and three of their grandchildren and many friends. Their life in the Colorado mountains remains full with skiing in the winter and biking and hiking when the weather warms. Last summer they did some hiking with Jon ’61 and Bev Scott ’60 Meyers who reside part time in Vail.

My old pal Becky Hidey Stephens tells us, "I don’t know how I ever found time for a full-time job." She now works part time for Chi-co’s, volunteers at the States Attorney’s office in Annapolis, Md., attends 95 percent of her grandsons’ ball games, and does all kinds of other things." Her older grandson, Nicholas, is the quarterback for his high school football team. Stephen, who is in the first grade, is all boy and all energy, but her teacher still loves him. She went halfway around the world to Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji. "I didn’t want to come back, but here I am." On December 30, she was leaving for a boat cruise on the Adriatic Sea, and planned to visit Croatia, Montenegro, Bosnia, and Herzegovina. Her present motto is, "Have Passport, Will Travel."

Denis Quinby writes from Ellicott City that he has been retired for five years. He keeps busy by babysitting his eight grandchildren. Six of them reside in Arlington, Va., a short ride, but two of them live in Johnson City, Tenn. He and his wife have a condo there and spend about one week a month in the mountains. He continues to tutor mathematics privately.

We hear from Doris Miller Nickoles that there are no grandchildren and no new marriages in her family. They did just celebrate her 50th and husband Ken’s 55th high school reunions. They both are happy to be mobile and lucid. Now that's a great thought and wish for all of us.

Earl Armiger wants to say that it was great seeing so many alumni at the reunion on the McDaniel campus in September. What a great group of people from our era who are aging so gracefully. As for him and Mary,
she loves retirement and is happy that he keeps working. His company has come through the downturn, thankfully, in pretty good shape. Six grandchildren, ages 18-5, keep them busy and are a source of great pride.

George Gebelein just added a family member, a nine-month-old Shih Tzu named Charlie, who is lots of fun but needs to overcome separation anxiety. George was in touch with Lois Chilcoat Meszaros, "A" Weller Anne Eicen, Don '62 and Carole Richardson Balle, Ron and Clara Roth, Dan '65 and Judy Hobart '65 Pearson, Richard '66 and Anne Eigen, Don '62 and Janice Mooney '63 Hobart, Gordon '68 and Barb Payne '70 Shelton, Rick Boswell '68, John Oshl '67, John Haker '69, John Carey '67, John Heritage '68 and Lanny Buckner '63. He enjoyed seeing many fraternity brothers at the recent Bachelor gathering on the Hill. George took his grandchildren, 8 and 10, to New York City to visit F.A.O. Schwartz, Toys R Us, and the Pee Wee Herman Show on Broadway. They had a great time. Last, George pleads, "Please remember our 50th reunion will be in 2014. You have plenty of notice, and I hope to see all of you there!"

Helen Holmes Terry has been working for a few months in a high school, and, as she says, "My life is so disorganized. I think I have finally learned my lesson that retirement is a lot better than getting up and ready for work every day at 5:00 a.m. How did we work full time and accomplish everything all those years?" Helen and Roy traveled out to Colorado this fall to be with their daughter and her family. They are stationed at the Air Force Academy so they get to enjoy a few football games. Son Roy lives in Naples with his family and is in his 14th year as the pastor of a Methodist church.

We hear from Howard Mooney, in Arlington, Va., that he is still employed full time with SAIC in the Crystal City, Va., office doing military assessments and business development. Jane is still working full time at Hammond High School as the chair of the student services department. The family enjoyed the summer with trips to Wisconsin, Washington, and a cruise to Alaska. Son Brian won gold medals in golf and skating at the Maryland Special Olympics State Competition. Together with Streett Broadbent, Barb Petschke Broadbent '65, Dennis and Mary Ellen Coleman '65 Quinby, they organized a mini-WMC roommates reunion for children, grandchildren, and close friends at Streett's Yacht Club. Kay Coleman Smith '66 and Ray '63 and Marilyn Hahnfeld '65 Wockley joined them for the event. They hope to do this again in 2011 with an expanded list of attendees. Howard volunteers with Special Olympics and the Army Reserve Ambassador program.

From Jerry Baroch: Not much news, he says. Still doing the same golf, tennis and boating in beautiful Osprey, Fla. He's planning to spend Thanksgiving on Vashon Island near Seattle where his son has recently relocated. He has rented a cottage in Orleans, France, for a month in spring of 2011. He and Fran Sybert '65 really enjoy France and are planning to live the French life for a month.

Joe Wendroth reports that he hung up the cleats in '09 because he was jealous reading about travel reports by classmates. He and Cassie attended the 45th reunion last fall. They got together with others near Baldwin, Md. — Denny Quinby, Denny Kephart and Willard Amoss — at reunion time. Joe and Cassie are traveling more now (e.g. Eastern Med Cruise, European River Cruise, Outer Banks, photography seminar) as well as seeing the grandkids more often.

Kathy Frese Kesterson and husband, David, still live in Raleigh, N.C., in the same house they bought in 1974. They have two children. Their daughter is a Presbyterian minister who lives in High Point, N.C., with her husband and daughter. 3. Their son is a finish carpenter who lives just a few miles from them with his wife, son, 4, and daughter, 2. They haven't been around the world, but feel very blessed to have good friends, good health, and the best grandchildren ever! On their way to Baltimore this past spring they visited McDaniel campus. It has been 35 years or more since Kathy was last there. The campus looked wonderful. Kathy and her husband this summer. They drove to the northwest and saw some of all magnificemsights. So far she doesn't know that she'll ever be happy flying coach again.

Sandy Riggins has finally retired after quite a variety of employment challenges. From teaching to fundraising to working in health education — all have been right for "where she was" at that time in her life. She and her partner, Helen, will celebrate their 20th anniversary on Dec. 21. Their "fun times" have revolved around sailing/racing on the Chesapeake in Helen's 1968 islander, including two charity races for the Leukemia Cup in Deltaville, Va., and the Hospice Regatta on the Rappahannock River. When it gets too hot for sailing, they spend time in Raquette Lake, N.Y., in the Adirondacks.

Stan Sunderland sends greetings from Butford, Ga. Stan has been happily married to Amelia for a year-and-a-half. Many classmates met her at our 45th reunion last year. They stay busy with many activities, including travel, boating, and singing. He has been a member of The Voices of North Georgia, a community chorus, for six seasons and was president last year. He attended the SOS Cluster Reunion in October and saw many friends, classmates and classmates he had not seen for up to 45 years. Congratulations to Dennis Amico '65 and Jerry Winograd '66 who put the event together with help from the College. It was well planned and executed: see the YouTube video of Frank Kidd's '65 touchscreen catch and spike during halftime activities. Stan hopes to see classmates at the next homecoming or reunion. Anyone who is in Georgia should give him a call. They see Will and Linda Truitt Wrightson, who were part of his wedding celebration in August '09.

Streett Broadbent spent most of the boating season without a boat. A cable snapped on the travel lift when they were putting him in and they dropped him six feet into the water. As it was falling, it thrashed back and forth in the travel lift. It's up at Viking, N.J. Getting repaired. He headed to St. Thomas in the fall to spend two weeks and his birthday there. His son and his family were there the first week, and friends the second.

David Taylor has been enjoying retirement at home in Norwalk, Sweden, and Finland; she now has walked on four continents and in more than 15 different countries. It's a great way to see the world. She and her sisters and Peggy Nauton Schorreck '68 went on a road trip to attend the AARP Convention in Las Vegas. While she is home Rita volunteers in the church library and knits prayer shawls. Remember the near warmers we made one year to raise money?

Ruth Grover Dixon continues serving a church in southern Maryland part time and attends Wesley Seminary part time — keeps her busy and out of trouble. She crossed an item off her bucket list by attending the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany in May. She picked up a taste of how the other half of the world lives when she got bumped up to business class on the trip home from Europe; she doesn't know that she'll ever be happy flying coach again.

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Those who will be missed:

Mr. M. Wilson Campbell '33, of Shrewsbury, Pa., on November 2, 2010.

Mrs. Mary Haig Hartger '34, of Vista, Calif., on August 28, 2010.

Mrs. Frieda Bork Jones '35, of Pittsburgh, Pa., on October 24, 2009.

Mrs. Martha Miller Alken '36, of Hickory, N.C., on August 21, 2010.

Col. Paul S. Binglel '37, of Kitty Hawk, N.C., on September 2, 2010.

Mrs. Margaret Harman Fleming '37, of Martinsburg, W. Va., on May 13, 2010.


Mrs. May Snider Claggett '39, of Westminster, Md., on September 15, 2010.


Mrs. Audrey Coffren Burtnett '40, of North Hollywood, Calif., on August 6, 2008.

Mrs. Doris Mathias Hood '40, of Springfield, Va., on October 14, 2010.

Mr. James R. Langdon '40, of Westminster, Md., on December 12, 2010.

Mrs. Lydia Bradburn Reeves '40, of Frostburg, Md., on July 11, 2009.

Mr. Gordon W. Haff '41, of Painted Post, N.Y., on November 9, 2010.

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since October '07 — and the operative word is "enjoying." He still does an occasional class and thinks about some writing (but little ever seems to get done in this area). As his wife is not yet retired, he has the luxury of exploring Judaism, a whole new world for him. A friendly rabbi invites him to some of his classes, and they are about to begin a series on medical ethics (which is good enough for doctors and lawyers to be able to use it for continuing education credits).

Another traveling man is Ron Roth, who had just returned from a 29-day cruise that left from Seattle and ended in New Zealand. There were stops in Hawaii, American Samoa, Fiji, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Bay of Islands NZ, Bay of Plenty, NZ, and got off the ship in Auckland. He has been to New Zealand twice before and loves it but had never gone to Wellington, so since his plane was not for three days he flew down to the capital and really loved the city. His wife, Clara, did not go as she is prone to seasickness and there were many glorious days on the open sea. Before he left for this trip he spent two weeks showing Clara the beautiful South-west.

He also had a chance to check out a Navajo hospital emergency room as his leg swelled up and was bruised, they feared DVT but it was just some tendon issues caused by a few pretty tough hikes in the Canyon, Zion and Bryce. This January he and Clara plan on spending two weeks in Hawaii on three of the Islands staying in B&Bs along the way. They enjoy the freedom of retirement and always run out of time doing all the things they love. Last winter they spent time in Florida with snow birds Mike Sherwood and Rich Elgen '66. George Gebelein was also there during our visit.

Trudy Jo Hahn Snader says life is revolving around home and garden and a mother who is 92. As an only child she seems to be the keeper of memories now. She is making new ones with four granddaughters, 14, 11, 11, and 8. She very much enjoyed meeting the new president at McDaniel. Trudy Jo went on a Caribbean cruise for Christmas with her oldest son and his family. She celebrated her 50th high school reunion this year, as did many of us. The years have flown! It has been almost two years since she lost Rich.

Diane Simpson Krell’s last trip was to Florida where she split her time between the beach at Cocoa Beach and the Kennedy Space Center nearby. Her daughter blessed them all with the addition of another child to their family, Natalie Diane, on September 11, 2009. Now there’s something good to celebrate about that day. Diane continues to enjoy music by playing in her new church’s bell choir and is singing in their Christmas choir. She is also singing in a community choir’s presentation of Handel’s Messiah in December (some of the hardest pieces she’s ever done!). She loved seeing so many classmates at our 45th reunion!

On a sad note, we lost our classmate Eugene “Pebble” Willis since our last column. As for my life, I am still living in Lansing, Mich. I moved here in the fall of 1966, planning to stay a short while. Time seems to expand, as I am still here. I am retired now five years, and loving it. I try very hard not to be TOO busy, but to be busy enough. I still enjoy reading as well as walking and some volunteering.

Somehow I managed to get on a few boards, so that keeps me busy now and then. At least I feel as if I am still making a contribution to my community. My children are all grown and none live in Michigan. Ted is in Chicago and works as an independent writer. His book Young Mr. Obama was published in the fall (Edward McClelland). Amy is married to Jeff Ditter and lives in Baltimore, where she works as a program director for the Weinberg Foundation. Andrew, who is the budget director for the city of Baltimore, and his wife, Kelly, live in Silver Spring with my two grandchildren, Sara, 10, and Schroeder, 5.

As you can all attest, they are the light of my life. Nancy and I are "parenting" son Ted’s old dog now and having fun doing it. Due to problems with his legs, he could no longer travel three flights of stairs several times a day in Ted’s apartment building. As Ted tells me, our home is Jack’s retirement home. I think we are spoiling that 13-year-old boy rotten. I look forward to seeing all classmates at our 50th reunion in 2014.

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Greetings from Bratislava,

More about that later, but now imagine John "Bunky" Berry being the first to report in... and he was! "I haven’t contributed in a while so I’m going to give you a little more information than you need. My wife, Marian Risley, and I have been married for 37 years. I was a hospital executive (masters from Medical College of Virginia) for 37 years, mostly in Virginia. I retired, went back to work and retired again so now I just tell people ‘I’m not working.’ We live in Richlands about one-and-a-half hours northeast of Bristol, Tenn. (near the NASCAR — Bristol Motor Speedway). Our son earned his doctorate in physical therapy from Elon in Burlington, N.C., and works in the Roanoke area. He’s married to a young woman who is a physician’s assistant. Most of our time is spent traveling. Also, we caught the ‘cruising’ bug and go as often as money allows — next stop, Alaska.”

Nancy Hoskins is always a faithful respondent: “Yes, I’m not only past that landmark birthday, but I applied for Social Security to start in January ‘11 — so another milestone has been reached. I’m still spending four-to-five months a year in Ocean City, Md., and part of each January in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. I work part time for the Board of Education in Carroll County and am enjoying my retirement.”

And from Lynn Smarte: ‘As usual, the Smartes continue to lead happy, low-drama lives. We’re still in Arlington, Va., and South Bethany Beach, Del. We’re now blessed to have two brothers-in-law with beach houses nearby, so have had some wonderful family gatherings, including celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary there last summer.” She’s a senior proposal manager for Abt Associates in Bethesda, and Doug ‘69 is executive director of the National Association of Power Engineers’ D.C. Chapter and Education Foundation. He’s also teaching for the Building Owners and Managers Institute, including an ethics course, which they hope would make Dr. Heitluhs proud. Their son, Chris, lives nearby and works in human resources at Edelman, a public relations firm in D.C. Our ‘special’ daughter (formerly foster daughter), Thuy, is getting married next summer, so I get to be a mother-of-the-bride! She still gets together with former roommate and BFF Debbie Clark on a regular basis, and really enjoyed last year’s reunion on the Hill, where Mike “Zippy” Elliott regaled me with tales from our college days that I have absolutely no memory of!”

Margaret Cushen Trader writes, “In March ‘08, we welcomed our first granddaughter, Mackenzie Ann, daughter of David ‘03 and Lorrie Trader. In November ‘08, we welcomed our second granddaughter, Caitlyn Anne, daughter of Scott ‘00 and Amy Ellis ‘03 Trader. Parents, grandparents, and girls are happy and doing well. John retired in December and looks forward to perfecting his golf game. I continue to work at McDaniel and love every minute of my days there.”

In September, we learned the very sad news of the passing of our classmate Ed Hermann. I share with you the note I received from his wife Susan Burgard ‘77, “I am writing to report that my dear husband, Ed, passed away yesterday, September 17, 2010. He had been suffering with a blood disease (myelofibrosis) since January ’09. Ed loved his four years of college. He was an active participant in his class reunions. He always was greeted warmly by people he knew. I know he will be missed. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Edwin C. Hermann Jr. and Susan B. Hermann Scholarship Fund at McDaniel College via the Development Office.” Yes, Susan, he surely will be missed.

Tom Morgan writes: “Gretchen and I celebrated our 40th anniversary traveling around Great Britain in June. Great trip! I retired at the end of the school year. It is great being able to sip coffee at 7 a.m., rather than leaving for work. The simple pleasures! I am now a house-husband taking over the kitchen and cleaning duties since Gretchen is still working at Randolph College. Of course, there is more time now for sailing, biking, photography...”
and my grandson, Henry, 21. We are both healthy so life is good!"

Keith and Michelle Catington ’72 Porter are living in Raleigh, N.C. "Chelle is retired and enjoys spending a lot of time volunteering for committees and church. I am back teaching and coaching at a middle school in Holly Springs, N.C. I still enjoy the kids and it keeps me off the street. Our daughter, Kerrie, was married at the Aquarium in Myrtle Beach, S.C., in 2009. She and her husband are police officers in New Castle County, Del. Our son, Craig, is a superintendent with Orleans Builders here in Raleigh."

Sorry that Lynne Price missed our reunion this year. She writes, "Last year, I had gastric bypass surgery at George Washington University Hospital, and so far, I have shed 150 pounds. Needless to say, I feel great and with a return to swimming, I trust that I will not only lose weight, but also keep toning my body." She went to France for three weeks in July to meet her significant other, Alain, whom she has not seen since January, mainly because he works at the American Embassy in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

"While in France, we attended his goddaughter's wedding in Normandy and then spent two weeks with him at her beach home in Brittany. We had a few days in Paris, but it was so filled with tourists that I was very happy to leave! I finally left the Frederick County Public Schools in January '10 for the last time. I won't go into the details, but I am very happy to have put the almost 40 years in the classroom behind me. I am still teaching at Hood College, as an adjunct professor of Latin. I continue to sing with The City Choir of Washington. We did The Return of the King with live orchestra, chorus, and soloists at Wolf Trap in September, and the Verdi Requiem at the Kennedy Center Concert Hall in October. We were very pleased that it had been sold out for two months!"

Carol Hoerics Moore says: "I'm still not totally comfortable with the sound of our 'age' but it's going on and I'm still the same person inside although the outside is maturing! Charlie and I are doing very well. We welcomed our granddaughter number five in July—a little girl. The other four have continued to bring us joy and lots of fun. We feel very blessed to be close to both of our children and their families! I continue to act as caregiver for my elderly aunt. Although she does live in an assisted living community, we go out once or twice a week to do various activities. So... life is not slowing down one bit and I'm thankful to be able to say that."

Alice Berning Frank's husband Rollin and I are both still working at NIH, he, as an administrator, me, managing mouse colonies. At least we finally took a vacation this summer. We went to San Francisco for a week, where we were thrilled to run the San Francisco Marathon (lots of hills!). What a fun and interesting city. I am now a grandmother! Tyler James Davis was born on the Fourth of July to son Scott and his fiancée, Katie. And yes, of course, he is cute."

Tom and Pam Norton ’73 Bennett live in Arnold, Md., with her dad. "We have four kids: Lela, a choral instructor/counselor at Annapolis Area Christian School; Matt is living in South Carolina with his wife doing a transitional year in medicine, then moving next year to Wake Forest for his residency in radiology; David is finished at UMBC in December and is getting married in March; and Mark a junior pre-law major at Wheaton College in Illinois. I am working as a physical therapist in home health and have no plans to retire anytime soon! My spring highlight was a day out with the guys (Bill Westervelt ’72, Jeff Carter, Phil Enstite ’71, and Mike Weinblatt ’71) touring Gettysburg and discussing the history there." Penny Williams Cipolone (one of my Facebook friends) is "still teaching Latin — this makes 40 years in one school and also makes me the person with the most seniority in the entire district including custodians, lunch ladies, etc. Luckily, I am not the oldest, as some contemporaries started here after I did. She has six classes a day with about 150 students — Latin 7th grade, 8th grade, II, III, IV, and V and still has a very active Latin Club that wins lots of awards. After a trip with students to Rome, Florence, and Paris last spring where the Paris metro nearly killed her, she finally had her hip replaced last June when school was out. Husband Mark is still working as an engineering consultant, so he basically works for himself where and when he feels like it — the best of all worlds. Son Steve bought a condo a few years ago and is still working for the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics in Philadelphia. She's still active in numerous classical associations and serves as a member of the local Catholic school's board of education, "which is very interesting since I am a Lutheran."

If you did not attend, you may remember receiving an invitation to a '60s party in October on the Hill. I was sorry to miss it but Bill Griffith told me all about it. "Just got back from WMC, whoops, I mean McDaniel College, where Marilyn and I partied with the '60s Prelachers and other alumni and danced — yes, everybody got up and shook a tail feather. I reconnected with people I hadn't seen for a long time and met some great folks from the years before I went to WMC, like Kate Alexander Giese ’68, Alan Stewart ’65, and Dick ’61 and Nancy Higdon ’69 Morgan. Mike Preston ’67 and Bob Bricker ’68 and I discussed ski injuries. I missed Linda Berry Van Hart ’68 dancing on the table, but in her defense, she was nursing a bad wheel. It is always great to spend time with the Semains, Allens and half the Elliott clan. Otherwise, everything is status quo. I'm looking forward to getting my art website up and running very soon. We enjoy our grandchildren, Brody and Vaughn, via son Jack ’02 and Nicole."

Danielle Greenip Barry is "still plugging away in the theatre department at Ratiran Valley Community College in central New Jersey (18 years now) — but I still love it. I'm also in my 6th year at Barnes and Noble, where I'm looked to especially for advice in the theatre, movie and children's areas. Currently directing a fun piece at a local theatre. Daughter Millie graduated from Lafayette College, cum laude, and is doing a year at carri- er clinic before beginning an MSW in NYC. Daughter Meredith just concluded six years at local Hotel Sierra as director of guest services and is looking for a new position. We are learning how to live and love as four adults in a home... and it's actually working! Roy continues his role as the Little Engine Who Could, writing non-stop in financial services. The not-too-distant future holds downsizing and an emptier nest. We've been impacted by the country's economic woes... but we shall overcome!"

So glad to hear from Pat Walter — well everyone, really — this is a great gig! Pat writes, "Retired but not carefree — assisting my dad so he can continue to stay in his house. Celebrated 25 years of marriage this year with a cruise transiting the Panama Canal. Have great fun getting away several times a year with WMC friends Barbara Neely Sample, Susan Bauer, and Linda Green Lentz. Recently have enjoyed catching up with Sherry Swope Peck as part of a group of friends from grade school."

As you have already read, we saw Zip at the reunion, but Mike Elliot writes, "Not much new here... settled into a fairly agreeable routine. I enjoy working so I don't see myself retiring anytime soon. I still hang out with the old (more true than ever) Preacher gang... John Seaman, Bill Griffith, and JC Allin. The biggest news is my daughter, Lucie, is getting married in September. I'll..."

Bobbi Barkdoll Neaton writes like she talks, don't you think? "Now where do I begin this little missive? I guess my divorce three years ago is as good as any place. Since then, I have continued to manage the Budget car and truck rental agency in Dover. In July '09, I took over the AVIS agency as well. Let it be said that I am an auto rental guru! Whatever. I finally sold my house this summer after only two years and nine months, and am currently waiting for my new house to be finished in Magnolia, just 15 minutes south of Dover. It is much smaller and in a 55-plus community where they take care of the mowing and snow removal. After last winter and it's unbelievable snow I decided enough is enough and made this decision. I'll let you know how it works out. In the 'I'm Having Fun' department, my cousin, Ann Barkdoll, and I went to Scotland for two weeks in September '08 and had a wonderful time driving all over the country. It was fantastic and I re-

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Mrs. Elizabeth Schaeffer Cissel ’42, of Gaithersburg, Md., on December 20, 2010.

Mrs. Ruth Caltrider Frank ’42, of Hagerstown, Md., on May 15, 2010.

Mrs. Edna Triesler Jess ’42, of Richmond, Va., on October 7, 2010.

Mr. Frank A. Tarbutt ’42, of Chesterstown, Md., on November 30, 2010.

Mrs. Dorothy Moylan Walton ’42, of Southern Pines, N.C., on October 16, 2009.

Mr. D. Robert Begin ’43, of Hanover, Pa., on January 31, 2011.


Mrs. Anita Rue White ’44, of Fort Pierce, Fla., on November 19, 2007.

Mrs. Bette Shockley Altfather ’47, of Centreville, Md., on December 7, 2010.

Mrs. Annabelle Klein May ’47, of Baltimore, Md., on October 9, 2010.

Mrs. Evelyn Benson Roberts ’47, of Towson, Md., on January 3, 2010.

Dr. Donald O. Fedder ’48, of Baltimore, Md., on August 29, 2010.

Mrs. Susan Steelman Hoffman ’48, of Baltimore, Md., on August 21, 2010.

Mr. Ernest S. Cookerly ’49, of Chestertown, Md., on September 20, 2010.

Mr. John C. Elliot ’49, of Reading, Pa., on September 6, 2010.

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‘Home’ to Zimbabwe

Some people ask Charlie Moore ’72, a McDaniel trustee and active volunteer with the Baltimore-Washington conference of the United Methodist Church, why he has devoted so much time and energy over the past 14 years to improving people’s lives in the remote villages of Zimbabwe. After all, they try to remind him, charity begins at home.

“My response is, we can do both,” says Moore, who has made several mission trips over the years. “My second response is, God doesn’t define ‘home’ by manmade geographic boundaries. Our world is our home.”

The country of Zimbabwe is home to both one of the most important ancient civilizations — Great Zimbabwe — and the site of the most brutal forms of colonization. Today, the country suffers from economic ruin, but its people and culture continue to work toward a brighter future.

Over Jan Term, Moore led a McDaniel group on a three-week service-learning adventure. They cleaned and painted a new dormitory and partnered with students from Africa University to transform an old tobacco building into a school for young students. Among the highlights of the trip for education professor Mona Kerby was traveling to the remote village of Dindi, finding 800 people waiting for them, and “passing out 800 malaria nets, one by one, and hearing every person say ‘thank you.’” Along the way, the group dined on fried crocodile toes, went zip-lining at Victoria Falls and bonded with everyone, from babies to village elders. “Reflecting back,” said student Kwei Maduot-Parek, “I was the one learning from them and being helped without knowing it.”

ally want to go back. Just this month, I traveled to Chinacoreague with Cindy Trebeme Borga ’69 and three other friends. What a delightful place that is. Mostly for fun I visit with my children and grandchildren. I have four of each. My oldest daughter, Lisa, and her husband, Everett, live in Columbia, S.C., with their two boys, William, 7, and Matthew, 4. Jessica and Ted live in San Diego, Calif., as he is stationed at Camp Pendleton. They have a daughter, Mary Robert, 5, and a son, Jack, 3. Rebecca, my youngest daughter, is working at Kent General hospital as an RN and lives at the beach with her boyfriend, Nate.

Alex, the youngest, is perfecting his craft as a line cook at a diner in Wilmington. It is nice to have the younger two close by. I haven’t been back to WMC except for a Phi Alph reunion a couple of years ago.” We miss you Bobbi, try to make it sometime soon.

Marc Raim writes, “I’m still fighting the assortment of ailments that caused my premature retirement from the practice of dentistry in December ’93. I keep occupied with reading and working on my sports card and memorabilia collection. My wife of nearly 35 years is a librarian with the Baltimore City School System after working most of her career in the private school sector. We’re hoping she can either retire or go to half time after 2012 when she will become vested in the pension plan.

My oldest son, after achieving two degrees in computer science along with six years of working in the ‘real’ world, is back at UMBC pursuing a master’s and doctorate in statistics. He will be 32 years old when his schooling is completed! My youngest son is working for Greenspring Energy and has recently set up housekeeping with one of the loveliest and most delightful young ladies I have ever met. Hopefully, this means I’m a small step closer to becoming a grandfather.”

Pat Collins Begley “finally retired in 2009 after 35 years with the federal government, but immediately returned to work as a consultant at the same agency — not quite ready for ‘real retirement.’ I spent 13 months on disability from major spinal surgery but am now back at work and preparing to go on another cruise — my favorite way of relaxing! Husband Michael is still working at Social Security and enjoying his ‘extra’ career as a singer in regional opera/concerts. We built a lovely home in Columbia, Md., and are just trying to enjoy life.”

Emma Moore-Kochlacs strikes a similar note. “Retirement is wonderful! I retired in July ’09 and my husband, Peter, retired last summer. We were traveling in 2010 — the month of March in Wales, summer trips to Maryland, West Virginia, and Oregon, and a September trip to Boston and Prince Edward Island. My son’s family (two grandsons now!) is still in southern California; daughter Caroline is working on her Ph.D. in neuroscience at Boston University. I am doing quilting and needlework, family history research, and enjoying the more relaxed schedule.”

Tom Trice says, “The only news we have is continuing good health and more grandchildren. Charlotte and I now have five — Tyler, 14, Cassidy, 11, Matt, 3, Sarah, 1, and now Olivia, born November 6. I am still working on a full-time basis (CPA in public accounting, going into my 40th year) and still enjoy what I do, probably for several more years. We spend a lot of time at our vacation home in Avon, N.C. (OBX), golf, fishing, travel, three sons and their families, and paying attention to the stock market tend to take most of my non-working time.”

Will Worley said that for want of any excitement to write about, he chose instead to recommend some books. “I’ve started reading the classic British mysteries of Catherine Ard. She wrote 24, many featuring Chief Inspector Sloan. The Enoch Pratt Free Library has 17. The Disappearing Spoon by Sam Kean is a collection of stories about the elements of the periodic table and the scientists who discovered them. For example, Marie Curie’s radioactive elements inspired Mark Twain to write a story in which Satan was made of pure radium. The winner of the Nobel Prize for the first antibiotic injected an industrial dye into his daughter to cure her streptococcal infection. Sulfur saved the lives of Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, too.

From Becoming Jimi Hendrix, I learned that he played with the Isley Brothers in Bermuda in the spring of 1964. I’m going to check the morgue of the Royal Gazarre next time I’m there to see if they printed a photograph of left-handed guitarist Jimmy James.”

Farmhand Donaldson is living in Carroll County again, “as the caregiver for my dog, "Morning Wonder." I am taking a few graduate courses through McDaniel’s MLA program. I’ve written one novel (not yet published) and am working on another. I was a reporter for a daily newspaper in Allegany County, Md., for years and public relations coordinator for the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce before I retired.

I did attend some reunion events (loved the wine tour) and hope to attend more McDaniel related activities. I look forward to reading The Hill and have saved many back issues.”

Wilma VanHart Smith says there’s nothing new, but I know we don’t mind reading “old” news — we don’t remember anyway. “Ed ’72 and I still live in Atlanta but spend most of the summer on Fripp Island, in South Carolina. Ed coaches lacrosse in the spring at The Wesleyan School in Atlanta. He plays golf and tennis when he’s not coaching. I play
some tennis and volunteer for the Atlanta Lawn Tennis Association. Our daughter, Lisa, and her husband and family are now residents of Little Rock, Ark., where David is in a cardiology practice. They have three children. Our sons are single and living the fun life IPS (inside the perimeter) in Atlanta. We’re looking forward to our annual holiday trek to the Severna Park, Towson, and Timonium areas. We’ve attended two alumni functions in Atlanta and enjoyed meeting other WMC/MDDaniel alums. If our last newsletter was the year of one of those big birthdays, this one is the year of Social Security eligibility! It’s hard to believe!

I received just a short note from my new neighbor Bill Elliott. “A few bits of news from me are that Donna and I finally moved into our Spring Island home and our daughter, Nicole, had a beautiful wedding on the island. We are very happy we took your suggestion to visit here before we bought elsewhere.” Check it out — we are both big fans: www.springisland.com.

And now some news from a few of my dear Robins — you would think that I could get them all to reply, wouldn’t you? Herding cats. Sue Morales Yingling writes, “Good timing, my far away friend. Just posted grades Saturday night and am done with the semester at Stevenson University (formerly Villa Julie College). Finalized my fourth fall semester teaching ‘Introduction to Human Services’ on the Greenspring campus — a job that Carol Harris Dietitch got me into. I’ve been thanking her for the opportunity ever since, as I love my students.

“This fall, I also taught an accelerated online version of the same course. It was an intimidating project as I am somewhat technologically challenged (less so by now!), but the support from the University was excellent, and I ended up enjoying both the development and the teaching of the course. In the spring, I will supervise and journal with eight to nine human services majors as they do their practicum work during the last semester of their senior year. No classroom teaching in the spring. I need the flexibility to head south to North Myrtle Beach whenever the opportunity presents itself — even if I have to create the opportunity!”

“Splinter’s ’68 son, Chris Yingling ’91, and his wife, Heather, had a son, Reece, in April — our first grandchild. Very exciting to be grandparents — we are Pop Pop and Birdie. Speaking of Birdie, I am still writing my column about bird watching in the Carroll County Times — hard to imagine that I’ve been writing it for 20 years now. From the end of April to the end of November we had five people and five dogs living in our house! My son, Brian Gottlieb, and his girlfriend moved from Charleston, with their two pups, and stayed with us till they found a place to live. My son, Greg Gottlieb, and his dog were with us at the same time. By now, Splinter and I are back to a more ‘normal’ household of two people and two pups. Have had several opportunities in the past year to have lunch with the Round Robins — most often at Wegman’s in Hunt Valley. Not sure we’ve had all nine gathered at one time, but pretty close to that a couple of times. How lucky we are that we are still such a close group of friends. Sure is special to share our circle of friendship that began at WMC more than 45 years ago!”

Ed and Sue Robertson Cline celebrated their 40th anniversary last May and continue to enjoy retirement. Eddie plays golf as often as possible, researches trivia on the Internet and continues his interest in sports (as an observer). Sue’s current project is updating their 18-year-old home in Baltimore County.

Their three children are firmly established in their careers and relationships. Glenn, 34, is a married corporate lawyer with a son, 3, and Amy, 31, is a married project manager at the University of Maryland with a daughter, 2. Both families live in Elliott City in Howard County. Laura, 28, is a physician’s assistant in the emergency room at GBMC. We are currently helping her plan her wedding on July 2nd. Life continues to be busy in the Cline household.

Gary ‘69 and Jane Butterbaugh Shapiro are “still living in our old farmhouse in New Hampshire. Gary is a medical director at a county nursing home. We had two amazing trips last year: a European Holocaust Seminar sponsored by Keene State College, which was both terrible and wonderful; and, a trip to Nepal, which was completely awesome (in the truest sense of the word), where we trekked for 12 days in the remote region of Mustang; then participated in a Habitat for Humanity blitz build in Pokhara. Son Peter is a financial analyst at Legg Mason in Baltimore; son Jonathan is interning at Reavis Mountain School in the Superstition Mountains, Ariz.

And now... what am I doing in Bratislava? Well, you may remember (or not) that upon retiring (again) from Habitat for Humanity in South Carolina, I decided to attend training to lead Global Village trips and have done so to Mexico in ’08, Romania in ’09 (with Barbara Payne Shelton on the team) and Costa Rica and Poland last year. So, I was cruising around the Habitat website and found a posting for a six-month position as project manager for the first Housing Forum in Europe and Central Asia being co-presented by Habitat, the International Red Cross and the UN. I thought, ‘Hey, I could do that.’ I put my name in, not expecting to hear anything, but oops here I am! The conference is in April, so I will return to South Carolina in May.

I have been writing a blog about living in Bratislava, if you are interested — activeconversation.blogspot.com. In July, I will lead my 5th Habitat Global Village team — an open team to Northern Ireland to build and to take part in their peace-making program. Want to come along? Aside from living abroad, I was able to check a couple of other things off of my bucket list this year: opening a retail store (Antiques & Such) and trying out for a play. Not since I played Portia in “The Julius Caesar Story”... well, let’s not go there.

Anyway, I tried out and won a part in a local production of “Talking With...” a series of 11 monologues for women written almost 30 years ago. I played Marks, who appears last, in a cocktail dress with a glass of red wine and covered with tattoos. Just slightly outside of my comfort zone! In other news, daughter Kristen and husband Adam live in D.C. with my two wonderful grand-girls, Kate, 3, and Vivian, 2. After having visited D.C. every month since Kate was born, not doing so for this six months will be difficult — thank goodness for Skype.

Kristen is building her Arbonne business (wonderful, botanical products). Tom and John are fine and holding down the fort (actually it’s the Ranch) on Spring Island. Tom is working 3 days a week, playing golf and chairing the Zoning Board of Appeals once a month. John is finishing up his BS in Business at USC Beaufort, while running his computer consulting business and part of the online universe that is Eve. He also sings with The Shaktones at school and a chamber group at our church. Two dogs, Stan and Ollie, and two cats, Miss Kitty and Annie, round out the family.

Thank you to all who responded... and to those who did not, thank you for reading about your classmates. Next time, see your name here — we really would like to read your news, too.

Happy Trails to you, until we meet again.

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It is with regret that I report the passing of two of our own.

Teresa Koontz Levendusky passed away July 14, 2009 after a brave four-year battle with ovarian cancer. She retired July 9, 2009 from the National Security Agency at Fort Meade, where she had been employed for 33 years. She is survived by her husband, Ron, and daughter, Kathleen.

David Hay passed away on May 9, 2009 in Boise, Idaho, where he had resided. He is survived by his three daughters, Jaclyn Miller, Elly Hay, and Josie Hay.

I would like to thank you all for responding in third person, cut/paste format. It has made it a speedy joy to hear from so many of you!

Randy Witter writes that he is still living on his sailboat in Severna Park, Md. Even though each of last winter’s three blizzards completely filled the boat’s cockpit with... (Continued)
Since retiring three years ago, David Stout ’76 and wife Martine have not stopped traveling. They shuttle back and forth between Wyoming and New York, enjoying the incredible contrast between the least populated and most populated areas in the country.

David and Martine Stout wrote from Myanmar (Burma) where they were on a one-month trip through Asia. Since retiring three years ago, they have not stopped traveling. They continue to enjoy life, shuttling back and forth between Wyoming and New York, enjoying the incredible contrast between the least populated and most populated areas in the country.

Sue Ogilvie Luchey has some news to share. After 13 years at the University of Baltimore, she has taken a new position at the University of Delaware. She made the move after much deliberation because she was intrigued with the challenge of accepting a new created administrative position charged with building a campus-wide leadership program from the ground up. To make the move extra nice, Sue’s youngest daughter, Kelsey, is a senior at University of Delaware, and they are finding some extra mother-daughter bonding time. This actually means Kelsey just happens to come to visit her mom quite often at lunch time.

Sue and Martine still live in Bel Air, Md., and the commute is actually an easier one than the drive into Baltimore City. Their oldest daughter, Amy, works for a corporate travel company managing events and client accounts. Alli is teaching Spanish and English and coaching basketball and lacrosse at the Field School in Washington, D.C.

Sue and Alli had the opportunity to travel to Italy together when Alli was working in England. All three of the girls are active in theater productions. Sue recently saw Gay Jewel ’77 and Dick ’98 Love at an anniversary party for Sue Snyder LaHatte ’77 and Bernie. She also catches up with Steffi Lamb’77 on her visits to Baltimore. If the “Jan Term 5” can ever find a summer when someone’s child is not getting married, Sue, Leta Ritchie Strain, Sue LaHatte, Ann Luckenbill Koster and Korby Bowman Clark ’78 will plan another fabulous reunion.

The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Bodd has been president and CEO of The Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport since June ’06 after 30 years as a United Methodist pastor. Sons Dan and Adam live and work in Boston. Brian continues to ski, chase trains (he took a Jan. term course with Dr. Dick Clover ’50 on The Art and Science of Model Railroading) and run marathons, the latter in Scranton, Pa., in October ’10 and raising over $15,000 for his ministry.

After living in Maryland all their lives, Tom ’75 and Kathy Hamilton Trenzise moved to northern New Jersey this past summer. Tom took a job as a vice president at Crum & Forster Insurance in Morristown. Absolutely Organized is still up and running in Baltimore, and Kathy will start the New Jersey branch in 2011. Kathy is also serving a two-year term as president of the National Study Group on Chronic Disorganization.

Steven and Gayle Wingate are planning to travel to Florida with the McDaniel baseball team during spring break with their son Christian ’12, a pitcher on the team. Steve is teaching a class with a “talk show” format. The class is at Grace Bible Church in Manchester, Md., and provides a Biblical perspective on current issues in the news.

After 23 years living in Mechanicsburg, Pa., Nancy Jewett Galloway and husband Jack Med’82 retired toMyrtle Beach, S.C., in 2008 and love the warm weather, ocean access, and friendly people. Nancy’s mother, 95, is also living with them. In 2002, their oldest son, Dan, tragically passed away from Aplastic Anemia, a rare bone marrow failure disease. Their second son, Philip, graduated from the University of Delaware and works as a medical equipment sales representative for Cardiack Science. Daughter Tracy is in her senior year at Temple University, majoring in journalism. Nancy and Tracy spent three weeks traveling around Europe this past summer and had a truly wonderful time.

Sherry Martin White and her husband, Joe, are living in rural Monroeville, N.J., and love the peace and quiet. Last summer they took an ecotrip of Alaska and had such a great time kayaking, hiking and fishing that they are going back for a longer stay this summer. Sherry still teaches high school math and her date of retirement depends on the politicians in Trenton.

John and Beulah-Ann “Bee” Price Kade moved to Dennis, Mass., on Cape Cod the end of last summer where their youngest son, Jack, started high school. Jack made the varsity golf team as a freshman and again this year; now with his driving permit, Jack is asking to drive whenever he can. Marie, 21, is a junior at Grove City College in Pennsylvania. As a communications major with minors in English and theater, she is busy with back-stage responsibilities, and spends a huge amount of time in the costume shop. Marie is looking forward this summer to an internship at the Cape Cod Playhouse, where she was an usher last summer.

The whole family went to Santa Barbara in August to see Matt, 27, present the success- ful defense of his thesis and receive his doctorate in chemistry from UCSB. Matt is currently doing a post-doc at UC Berkeley; this “California kid” still carries the nations of Red Sox, Celtics and Patriots with him.

John, a CPA, now works out of an office in the house, and Bee is in her 35th year flying for Delta Air Lines. Life is good!

Bob “Cubby” Mitchell and his wife, Georgiana are still living in Gettysburg, Pa. Their son, Robb, graduated from West Virginia University in 2007 and received his masters from American University in 2008. He lives in Arlington, Va. After 35 years, Bob is still employed by Carroll County Public Schools. He is principal at Ebb Valley Elementary in Manchester, Md. They see Ray Ulm a couple of times a year. Ray is retired from the Salisbury, Md., Police Department. Bob and Ray see Bob Cullison ’75 twice a year at the Train Collectors Association meet in York, Pa., where they walk around and complain about achings backs and sore feet while swapping lies about college escapades.

Adele Moorman Polk and her husband, James, currently live in Woodbridge, Va., with their daughter, Fiona, 13. Adele has been teaching American Sign Language at Woodbridge Senior High School for the past 11 years while James has been teaching elementary school music. Fiona is currently in the 8th grade and thinking of concentrating on creative writing when she enters high school next year.

Donald “Skip” and Karla Chambers are still living in Williamsport, Md. Skip is still coaching at Boonsboro High School and has returned to the coaching ranks again as the head boys’ basketball coach at Boonsboro High School. Skip retired from coaching two years ago after coaching boys’ basketball for 25 years at St. Maria Goretti High School. He wanted to follow his son, Andrew, and the Washington College boys’ basketball team for Andrew’s final two years. Now that Andrew has graduated from college and is the assistant boys’ basketball coach at Salisbury University, Skip has decided to return to the game.

Their oldest son, Chip, and daughter-in-law, Cortney, gave them their first grandchild, Grayce Violet, four months ago. They are very proud and happy grandparents and are not ashamed to say that Grayce is the most beautiful baby in the whole world! Their daughter, Katie, is still living in Fells Point, and working as an accountant for a company located in the Inner Harbor. They stay in touch with Karla’s brother, Dave Cole ’74, and Craig Silbert ’75. Life is good!

Bob and Dell Wogland Elish are still living in Incline Village, Nev., at Lake Tahoe. They are also often in Idaho on their ranch—complete with cattle! That is a great adventure! Dell loves traveling and recently returned to London and Edinburgh. Kristen and Julie have both graduated from their colleges. Kristen works for a Nevada Congressman on Capitol Hill in D.C., and Julie is in Los Angeles doing the "Hollywood thing" and loving it (check out Grey's Anatomy!).

While visiting in D.C. recently, Dell enjoyed a weekend visit with WMC friends Sue Windsor Brecraft ’78 and Barb Llewelyn Chillcot ’80. Though they made great new memories, they enjoyed reminiscing! Dell is still very involved in music and being a part of her church’s praise team, and she loves the outdoor activities at Lake Tahoe.
Greg and Peggy Powell Sherry learned a lot about insurance this year, having endured a flooded finished basement and a lightning strike which blasted two big holes in their roof. But, several months later, they are proud owners of a new tile floor, drainage system, computer, garage door system, phone, microwave, TV, and roof and hope that it is true that lightning never strikes twice in the same place. Their son, Chris, was married to Sallie on New Year’s Eve and lives in Louisville. Daughter Kathleen is a marketing analyst for New Life Industries in Somerset and is also working on her MBA. Greg and Peggy went on a “bike and the Like” cycling trip to Cape Cod this fall and had a wonderful time. Peggy is still taking ballroom dance lessons and is now working on a series of paintings of Cumberland Falls, one of two places in the world where you can see a moonbow. Greg has not slowed down and is still a beloved physician in Somerset, Ky. Maybe we will have a Derby Party next year and invite everyone to come for Mint Juleps!

Ann Jones is adjusting to the empty nest in Ellicott City. The kids have scattered in the inverse relation to their age with Catherine teaching 4th grade and landing in Baltimore; Alex working as an investment banker in Charlotte, and Matt beginning his freshman year at the University of Colorado. Ann’s been filling up the time tending her honey bees and composting worms. Her husband, Don Koch, has astutely pointed out that she is nurturing things that other people pay to have exterminated.

Eileen McCauley Hirsch reports from Union, N.J., that life continues to be good. She has been working for Prudential for 34 years now as an information systems manager. The job sure keeps her busy and could easily become a 24/7 job if she’d let it. Her church work also keeps her busy. She’s chairman of her annual church fair, head of the worship committee and missions committee member.

Despite a lack of musical ability, she enjoys playing handbells in the church handbell choir. Her older daughter, Michelle, is enjoying life as a second grade teacher and tutor and completed her masters plus 30 in December. Younger daughter Stephanie is gainfully employed as an accountant and enjoys ballroom dancing! She recently heard from Sherry Martin White and hopes to get together with her soon!

Diane Johnson Cash continues to stay busy in Statesville, N.C. Beginning last year, she has transitioned from teaching ESL to being the school system’s ESL lead teacher, meaning that she is now coaching teachers more than students. She has always enjoyed presenting workshops and mentoring new teachers, so the new position has provided a lot of job satisfaction along with some new opportunities for professional growth. She also continues to mentor National Board candidates and score National Board portfolio in the summer. Their daughter Lauren was married Jan. 22. Planning the ceremony and reception was a lot of fun, and they are excited about gaining a second son. Besides family and job responsibilities, Diane returned to mission team work with a trip to Costa Rica in July to work on a new church and will return to Costa Rica in July ‘11 to work on a parsonage.

Ginny Merryman has recently moved back to her childhood home after the passing of both her parents in the past few years. She has been in practice as an OB/GYN for 20 years at GBMC with two other women. Her older son, John, is a first-year law student at University of Maryland. Her other son is 21 and goes to college part-time while working at The Greenspring Golf Course. They have had many adventures over the past few years. The latest will be to visit in May. Look forward to seeing everyone in May.

Debi Moore and Jeff ’74 Slider reside in Cumberland, Md., where Debi is a high school guidance counselor at Allegany High School and Jeff is a self-employed, licensed contractor. They have two daughters, Tary and Aimee. Tary is married, living in Waynesboro, Va., and is working on her doctorate in biological research, with a focus on diabetes, at West Virginia University/Ruby Memorial Hospital. Aimee is completing her senior year at Frostburg State University in elementary education and is employed at the University as a remedial math instructor.

Jean Campbell and Fred ’75 Diblasio continue to live in Pasadena, Md., where they enjoy life on the water and its many activities of boating, fishing, crabbing, etc. With all its beautiful sunsets, reflections, and wildlife she has been inspired to begin a hobby in photography, capturing God’s wonderful creation in nature. She continues a small tutoring business working with kids with learning differences; however, has a dream of someday getting good enough to shift this to photography work with kids.

Over the summer, she enjoyed a four-hour lunch reunion with previous roommates Cherie Thomas Misias and Linda Ackley Ricks.

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Jeff Leed '76 spends most of his time with his 17-year-old environmental consulting company, Leed Environmental, Inc., where he manages assessment and remediation activities for complex Superfund sites throughout the country.

Rob Platky and his wife, Robin, still reside in Takoma Park, Md. At the beginning of December, after 15½ years in Annapolis serving three Governors as director of administration, he became the budget director for the University of Maryland's flagship College Park campus (GO TERPS!). He's got enough time in the State Retirement System to retire, but is not quite ready yet and the new job keeps his service time running. His only question is why did it take 35 years of employment to find a job only four miles away? Robin is still working in the main office at their family's alma mater (Montgomery Blair High School, three generations of graduates). Daughter Kacey (Elon '04, UNC-G M.S. '07) is a genetic counselor at the University of Louisville, Ky. Hospital and is engaged to be married next Labor Day. Son James (USMA '07) is married and an infantry captain in the U.S. Army and has just wrapped up a three-year posting at Fort Hood, Texas. He will spend most of 2011 in training back at Fort Benning, Ga., before becoming a company commander.

2010 has been quite a roller coaster year with career changes and "never a dull moment" chapters for the Dea family. While Don "Angelo" and Cathy's daughter, Erin, really enjoyed her job and friends at the Kennedy School, she was approached with an opportunity at Wellington Management (institutional financial management firm). She is deep into learning the investment and financial area both at work and taking courses at Harvard. Their son, Alex, was able to turn his campaign "commitment" to reality his senior year as student body president. Alex started his job at Deloitte this summer with a six-weeks of training in a systems platform called SAP and was assigned to Deloitte's largest SAP project SYSCO in Houston as a project manager.

Coryne Couparas and husband Scott Mar- 
kle are having a great time completing a major home renovation. They were hoping to have a kitchen for Christmas! They would love to host any classmate who comes to Westminster for our spring reunion. Coryne still enjoys selling food after 23 years. Carroll County Foods is now part of Performance Foodservice, the third largest Distributor in the U.S. It has been a great transition for the employees. She also continues to enjoy volunteer activities, including the Mc- Daniel Women's Leadership Network and the Inaugural Committee for President Casey. She has found Dr. Casey and his wife, Robyn Allers, to bring great energy to their roles at McDaniel.

Stacey Capelle Mathis is still living in Elkridge and teaching kindergarten in Baltimore County. She received her MS degree in curriculum and instruction from Hood College this past May. She reports that she and John are no longer military parents. Son Mark left the army in August and is currently attending Howard Community College. Their daughter, Christine, is now living in San Diego and they enjoyed a California vacation while visiting with her and her husband last summer.

John Norment is now CTO at a software development company in Huntington Beach, Calif. Jim Lathroum and wife Tish still live in Forrest Hill, Md. They celebrated their 35th anniversary last May. Jim is in his 30th year as a physician's assistant at Good Samaritan Hospital in Baltimore. He is happy to report all three of their sons are gainfully employed! Jim is also still playing that trumpet that he is seen holding in the yearbook, Crossroads.

Dan and Kathy Chason Trimmer continue to live in the Pigeon Hills north of Hanover, Pa., where they have lived for 32 years. Dan continues as superintendent for Conewago Valley Schools in New Oxford, Pa. Kathy continues to work as an 8th grade learning support teacher with the Lincoln Intermediate Unit, with her classroom located at Dover Intermediate School in Dover, Pa. Dan's hunting activities continue to include archery hunts for deer and elk, as well as hunting turkey, ducks and geese. He has also been working on training their 1½-year-old yellow lab to retrieve waterfowl.

Kathy continues her musical hobbies including bell choir, directing the youth choir, and playing alto recorder in a Renaissance recorder ensemble. Their older daughter, Bethany, lives in Fairfax, Va., with her husband and is a director of technical services for Capital Hospice. Younger daughter Alyssa lives in Pittsburgh and is a senior ar- chaeologist for GAI. Whenever Kathy and Dan visit Pittsburgh they try to attend a Pittsburgh Penguins hockey game. They also make many trips to the Eastern Shore, where they have a farm house in Pittsville. The property belonged to Kathy's late parents, and now serves as a getaway for the family. Kathy continues to meet up with former roommates Ginny Bevans Powell and Judy Jones O'Brien '74 on a yearly basis.

Life is still very hectic for Jeff Leed and his wife, Faye, in Reading, Pa. Jeff spends most of his time with his 17-year-old environmental consulting company, Leed Environmental, Inc., where he manages assessment and remediation activities for complex Superfund sites throughout the country. Faye continues to work as a sales professional for Berks Medical. Their daughter, Lauren, is a junior at Central Michigan University where she plays Division I field hockey for the Chippewas, but was disappointed that she missed the fall season due to a lower back injury. Their son, Jake, is a junior in high school and plays baseball almost year round, just like Jeff who still remembers the good times he had playing first base for the Green Terror years ago.

Ginny Ace Miller and her husband, Dennis, are enjoying life in Oklahoma. Dennis has a cattle ranch in Perry, Okla., where he runs a cow calf operation on 500 acres. Ginny is "adjusting" to her new role as grandmother to Keaton Thomas born July 13, 2009 to Erik and Lesli. Erik is a psychologist for Franklin County and Lesli is a stay-at-home mom. Other son Elton is in college in Fort Myers, Fla., where he promises to graduate "some- time this millennium." Ginny enjoys playing tennis and flying to Pennsylvania to spoil the newborn.

Tom Lewis and his wife, Mary Beth, live in Joppa, Md. In June of this year, Tom left his job of the last four years as the COO of RICA-Baltimore to take a promotion as the COO for Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center, in Jessup, Md. Tom now has over 34 years of service with the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Both Tom and Mary Beth are very active in their home church, Perry Hall Baptist, where younger daughter Anna attends Perry Hall Christian School. Son Timothy is a senior intercultural studies major at Houghton College, where he earned NAIA soccer scholar-athlete recognition. Older daughter Kristen is a sophomore early childhood/special education major at Cedarville University, in Ohio, and is serving as a RA.

Steve and Ann Luckenbill Koster are living on Long Island. Steve has his own graphic design studio in Manhattan and Ann works with an au pair agency, Au Pair Care. They have one child in high school, Drew who is in 10th grade and busy with soccer and wrestling, like his dad. Steve is often at the school assisting with practices. Daughter Carly is a freshman at Coastal Carolina University and she loves it. Paige graduated in 2010 from High Point University and is back at home looking for a full-time job. Hailey and hus- band Chris have two daughters, 3 and 2, and are expecting number three in February. Al- lion is teaching fifth grade in the Bronx and Lauren is living in Connecticut and working for a financial software information company, Factset.

Ann and Steve are thinking of downsizing from their five-bedroom home and possibly making a move from Long Island. They are currently looking into properties in the Carolinas. Steve and the children love snowboarding, though, so who knows.

Guy Royston and his wife, Kristine, have lived in Laguna Beach, Calif., since 2002. They live in a resort and vacation in Hawaii a couple times a year. He travels 30 weeks each year and gets to see how others live and cannot imagine a better climate or more gorgeous surroundings than where they are.
More importantly, his beautiful wife is happy with their life so he just tries to stay in the moment and enjoys every day. 

Jeff and Cathy Clayton '77 Heinabaugh report they are in their 10th year living just outside Damascus, Md. Their daughter, Allison, has one semester left for her master's degree at the University of Maryland and their son, Daniel, is a junior at West Virginia University studying athletic training. Jeff has been working from home since September because his company moved their headquarters to Austin, Texas, from Bethesda, Md. That luxury and the job end in March '11 at which point he will be looking for new employment. He is excited to report that he played in a golf league this past summer and his team won the league regular season and the playoffs. He and Cathy continue to keep busy volunteering at church and in the community. They have been involved in their church's environmental awareness group and this year in an effort to reduce their own carbon footprint installed a geothermal heating and hot water system in their house.

Rich and Jodee Engle Med'd80 Heritage are doing well. They are now adjusting to life as "empty-nesters." Their youngest, Todd, is a freshman at Bucknell. Dana graduated from Middlebury College last May and is working in Boston and Brad continues to enjoy his work in NYC. They catch up with Pete '77 and Kory Bowman '87 Clark every few months for dinner.

Robin Rudy Dennis is still in Atlanta, where husband Bill flies for Delta. Their oldest son, Reed, recently joined the Air Force, following in dad's military footsteps. Christo and Carter are art majors at the University of Georgia and are also planning to fly. When Reed departs, the only dependents left at home will be two senile whippets. Bill and Robin are staying off creaky old age by trying to stay active. Bill recently completed his 5th Ironman triathlon with son Christo, and Robin finished her 5th marathon last year. The boys and their girlfriends join them for races, so they're finding it a good way to get everybody together.

Linda Garland Chell and her husband, Doug, are still working hard in a tough economy at the Auto Bank, their used car business in Baltimore. They recently celebrated their 31st anniversary with a trip to California. Their oldest son, Blake, is doing well despite his many health problems. He won an Employee Merit Award from the Harford County Commission on Disabilities for his hard work at his part-time job at Walgreens in Abingdon, Md.

Their other son, Ryan '09, has been writing part-time for the Carroll County Times covering the local high school sports. He has also recently started producing for a sports talk-radio station, WNST, in Towson, Md. This past fall Ryan was asked by prof Terry Dalton to come and talk to his freshman journalism class at McDaniel about his work experiences in the "real world" after graduation. In November, Linda along with Patti Burch Rankin, and Heather Humphries Law visited Sue Wagner McCoy at her home in Glen Rock, Pa. Sue showed off the winery that she and her husband have started, along with a group of other friends. They have their own label, Logan's View, and sell their wine at Brown's Market in Shrewsbury, Pa.

Bruce Jones and wife Dawn live in La Plata, Md., where Bruce is the senior pastor of La Plata United Methodist Church. Life is pretty good in southern Maryland as the church is growing and their daughter, Courtney, is thriving at McDonough High School. She's a junior this year and just completed having the lead role in the school's production of "Alice in Wonderland." Dawn is an IT manager working at TSA in the intelligence division. Bruce is doing some teaching on the side at the district and conference level and teaches a weekly topical study at his church.

Don and Peggy Harding Haskin have been married for 34 years and live in Hollywood, Md. They have two sons, Matthew, 28, and Michael, 23. Both sons are electrical engineers working with the Navy at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. Peggy has worked for the federal government for 35 years and is currently employed in the information management division at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. She has also been a retired retail business and is the treasurer for the Hollywood Church of the Nazarene.

Don is the program coordinator for skilled trades at the College of Southern Maryland. He is also a member of the St. Mary's County Board of Electrical Examiners and the Maryland Uniform Electrical Licensing and Examination Committee. He teaches training classes for electricians to prepare for their master's test and has been an active member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary for the past 25 years. Don was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis about 10 years ago and uses a cane and/or electric scooter to get around but remains active.

Patrick J. Stevens continues as curator of the Fiske Collections and selector for Jewish Studies in the Cornell University Library. The Fiske Collections include the Fiske Icelandic Collection, the largest collection devoted to Icelandic and Norse studies in North America; and the Fiske Dante, Petrarch and Rhetoric Collections, each renowned in its field. Patrick credits his training in foreign languages as essential throughout his 30-year career in academic libraries.

John Schutt and wife Sharon still live in Fort Wayne, Ind. The college where he had taught for 21 years closed its doors in May '09. During the 09/10 school year, John enjoyed teaching at Indiana University, Purdue University Fort Wayne. This past fall, he secured another teaching/lab coordinator position at James A. Rhodes State College in Lima, Ohio. He stays in Lima each week and heads home to his wonderful family for the weekend. Sharon still loves quilting. Noel is finishing graduate school in physics. Luke is a programmer for the Fort Wayne newspapers. Janelle works for a restoration company. Anna loves cosmeticsology school. Charis is an honors student in high school and is on several sports teams.

Greg Stout and partner Joseph Colucci-Stout still live in Chambersburg, Pa., where Greg has practiced dentistry for 31 years. Greg is also the substitute organist at his church and sings in the 140-voice Mercersburg Community Chorus. They try to spend as much time possible at their Florida home south of Orlando. Greg and Joseph were married in Washington, D.C., on May 7, 2010.

The McConnell family remains in Malver, Pa. Lee and Barbara report daughter, Christine, finished her first semester at Duke after graduating at the top of her class from Conestoga High School. Son Mark is a junior at Conestoga, and beginning the college search process. Lee is now self-employed as a commodity consultant, and spends one-to-two days per week in New Jersey with clients.

Rhonda Dahl Buchanan and her husband Bob Buchanan '73 continue to teach at the University of Louisville, where Rhonda is a professor of Spanish and director of Latin American and Latino Studies and Bob is a professor of chemistry and associate dean of research and graduate education. In November, they traveled to Montauban, France, where Rhonda participated in a festival in honor of the Mexican writer Alberto Ruy Sánchez, whose works she translates. White Pine Press published her translation of his novel, The Secret Gardens of Mogudor, last year. Last May she directed the LALS Program's 8th Annual Study Abroad Program in Panama and will be returning with a new group of students next May. Bob will join her to celebrate his 60th birthday in Panama.

Steve Vandegrift reported in from the Caribbean while on his first family cruise. He is currently chairman of the San Antonio branch of the Dallas Federal Reserve Bank. Additionally, he started another company, Pipeline Success Inc., doing Internet lead generation.

Jeffrey Chircus and wife Robin just celebrated their 32nd anniversary and are living quite happily in the lush desert of Scottsdale, Ariz. They continue to run their technology business and have now been joined full time by their oldest daughter, Jessica. Their middle son, Joshua, is inching near his graduation from University of Colorado Boulder in the spring and is being hopefully drawn towards job opportunities in California.

Youngest daughter Jill is cruising through her sophomore year at ASU with an eye towards study abroad next year. Jeffrey still travels nationally in a development role as COO of Prologics, a cancer treatment company he co-founded. The Chircus clan has
kept busy enjoying time in both tropic and arctic climates diving, beaching it, and tearing up the mountains on skis and snow shoes.

Dale and I continue empty-nest living in Rockville, where he is CFO for BridgeStreet Worldwide, the 2nd largest international corporate housing provider, and I'm an accounting manager at Marriott's corporate headquarters. We are looking forward to moving south to Ponte Vedra Beach, Fl., in the next few years, once our jobs here are finished and our subsequent job searches in Florida are successful. We spend as much time as possible at our home there, but it's never enough.

Our oldest son, Matt '07, is in his final three years as a grad student at Elon University, where he'll earn a doctor in physical therapy in December. Second son, Dana, graduated from the USMA in 2009 and is an Army Infantry Lt. and Ranger with the 82nd Airborne out of Fort Bragg, N.C. He has safely returned from a deployment to Afghanistan in 2010, and it appears well be deployed to Iraq in 2011. Our youngest son, Trevor, is finishing up his junior year at West Virginia University, majoring in criminal investigations and is on a four-year Army ROTC scholarship, so he'll be commissioned a 2Lt upon graduation in May '12.

Thanks again for such a great response, and I'm hoping to see many of you at our 35th year reunion this spring.

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Starting with the "left" coast, Greg Peterson writes from California that his wife, Tara, got her teaching credential and is looking for a full-time teaching job in a really tough market. Natalie, 20, is in her 3rd year at UCSD and looking to attend school in DC for a semester in 2011. Janie, 18, is a freshman at Fresno State (Go Dogs) and coaching volleyball at her old high school. Greg is in sales with Unisource and still playing guitar in church, etc. He, Steve Ports '83 and Rick Koplowitz '83 "had a blast" in Ocean City last summer...sat in and jammed with the "Steve Ports Trio" for one song...Memories! Thanks Steve! Greg also stays in touch with Pete Weller '83 from time to time.

Les Martin has been in the Navy for 27 years and is now a Captain and has recently reported to U.S. Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii, as the Deputy J4. Andrew, 19, is preparing to start his sophomore year at Stanford. Les and wife Nessie are expecting a visit from his brother, John '85, and his wife and two girls in February.

Mike and Michele Hutchens-Reuter '84Connector and family are still living in Doylestown, Pa., and are enjoying the area very much. Mike is still working for a small biotech company that is headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, which does much of their work through contractors, so Mike spends his time keeping an eye on their contract activities in the U.S. Their oldest son, Philip, 21, is a senior at Millersville University. He is busy preparing for grad school, playing Ultimate Frisbee, and getting in as many rounds of golf as he can. Amanda is a sophomore at CB South High School and enjoys activities with CB South color guard, church youth group and drama. Jeremy is in 7th grade and just finished football season, and is keeping up the musical end of the family as a member of his middle school jazz band. Michele is active with church and school activities and both teach Sunday school for fifth and sixth-graders and host an adult Bible study. They get back to the Maryland area quite a bit to see their parents, and they stay in touch with Paul '83 and Nancy Turner Parlette and try to see them at least a couple times a year.

Mike Hardesty thought he would have so much extra time with his kids were off to college, but that is not what's happening. He is still president/CEO of Flying Colors of Success, Inc. in Westminster, a private non-profit organization providing residential and day supports to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. If any fellow grads have kids in college looking for an internship at a human services agency, give Mike a call.

Mike says he dreams about early retirement and moving to southwest Florida, but for now he's settling for the middle Atlantic region with regular trips to Florida for sunshine and snowkiting.

Kathy Rosvold Beasley has been very busy over the last two years. She is an instructional specialist in special education in charge of early childhood and elementary special education services for Chesterfield County Public Schools just outside of Richmond, Va. Last May '10, she graduated with a Ph.D. in educational leadership from VCU. She and husband Bill will be married for 25 years in April and are enjoying their empty nest. Since finishing her doctorate and the kids are off at school they spend their free time at the gym, attending UVA sports events, or vacationing on Nantucket Island. Their oldest, Ben, graduated from Hampton-Sydney College in May '10 and is now attending the College of William and Mary in their master of accountancy program. Daughter Anne is a junior at Christopher Newport University majoring in business.

Kevin Darcey and Jane Vickers celebrated "25 years of marital bliss" in October. They continue to live in Salisbury where Kevin is still caring for eyes and Jane still works part time as an ICU social worker. They visit campus fairly often since their nephew Kyle Pruitt '13 currently attends McDaniel. When Kevin isn't cycling, they spend time with their three great-nephews, Cade, Bryce, and Madox who is the son of their niece, Heather...
is looking for a job as well as for an internship with a CPA. Sara, 18, is enjoying life at the University of Florida where she is majoring in accounting and is looking into nonprofit organization management as a minor. Barbie is still running and biking.

Ann Royston Davis has had a "whirlwind of a life" over the past two years with both tragedies and happiness. After a bout with a sudden illness (bacterial A), Ann’s husband required a liver transplant. Due to complications he was unable to recover, and after 8½ months of battle, he passed away. She and her three children feel lucky to at least have had the months prior to his death to tell him and show him how much they love him. Last May brought the celebrations of joy.

Within a two-week period each of their three children celebrated life: their son graduated from USNA and is currently a 2nd lieutenant in the Marine Corp. The next day, their oldest daughter married her longtime boyfriend. (Her husband had both graduated from college and was commissioned in the army just a week before the wedding.) A week after the wedding, their youngest daughter graduated from high school and is now in her freshman year at college. Ann says that each celebration gave the family a chance to look forward and to find the positive parts of life.

Phil Barnes has lived and worked in NYC for the last five years and continues to practice law, now in house for a large insurance company. He is proud that this son is serving in the Army as a cavalry scout and that his daughter is a junior at the University of Tennessee where she is majoring in advertising.

Tom and Jeanette Summers ’84 Smith celebrated their 26th anniversary this past year. 2011 will be a busy year since they have one son graduating middle school, one son graduating high school and one son graduating college. Jeanette was elected to the school board which has been quite an experience for her. Tom spends his time between work at IEEE and Boy Scouts (going on his 12th year as scoutmaster).

Andie Staisloff Youngk is single again due to a divorce. The process is never easy she says, “but it’s finally nice to be out from under the dark cloud.” Her children are either in college or college bound — son, Richard at Salisbury University, daughter Cait attending Anne Arundel Community College, and working full time at Caroline Cakes, and daughter Anna will graduate from Broadneck Senior High this June. Andie is so proud of all three of them. Andie has gotten back in touch with some WMC friends: Lisa DePrate Short who is in Annapolis quite a bit because her son attends the Naval Academy and some Delt Sisters: Lynn Rothacker Dowd ’82, Ann Landwehr Israel, and Mary Hoyle Gottlieb ’82. They’ve had a few nice get-togethers where they’ve talked about the great times on the Hill.

A lot has happened to Debi Smith Szymanski and family in the past two years, some good, some very bad. Debi’s husband and “best friend” Jeff Szymanski, passed away on Feb. 9, 2009. It has turned her life upside down, but she thinks she is on the way to recovering now. Her eldest daughter, Megan, is a Kenan Fellow at the Lincoln Center, with a bright music future ahead of her. Her younger daughter, Mandy, was married in May to PFC Casey Douglas, stationed in El Paso, Texas. Debi is going to be a grandmother for the first time, so “things must be getting better!”

Debi is currently studying to become a sales agent for Aflac Insurance, after spending the last many years as a “happy stay-at-home mom.” She recently had dinner with an old house-mate, Kathleen “Mo” Moriarty Tedeschi, when she was in Orlando for business.

Jenny Filbey and family have been living in Huntsville, Ala., since 2004. She can’t believe her daughter, Grace, is a senior in high school already! Son Lars is a sophomore. Both are doing “absolutely wonderfully” in school. Jenny’s husband, Larry Arney, is now teaching middle school science and math — “what a brave man!” Jenny started New Perspectives, Inc. in early 2008 and continues to stay extremely busy in the pharma space. Jenny says she is horrible at staying in touch, but thinks fondly of her friends and smiles looking back on all the good memories from WMC. Purple is still her favorite color!

In December ’10 Nancy Turner Parlette “finally” received her master of science in human nutrition. This is quite the year for graduates in her family because their older son, Wesley, will be graduating from Stevenson University with a degree to teach middle school and their younger son, Andrew, will be graduating from Atholton High School.

Nancy admits that husband Paul ’83 has pretty much been holding things together so they can do all these things. He continues working for the Department of Defense but has changed positions. He is now an executive staff officer. Nancy is still writing and speaking but wants to get with others (like Stephanie Opdahl Hubach) who have actually gotten their book published, to give her some help getting her done. Nancy still sends out a free monthly email newsletter. If anyone is interested can sign up through her website, www.nancyparlette.com. She always loves to hear topic suggestions.

Toni Edwards and family have had a bit of a tough last year, but things are looking better now. Toni’s mom was diagnosed last September with pancreatic cancer. She has turned out to be one of the lucky ones — after chemo and radiation, she is now cancer free. Husband Gary Leatherman was in an automobile accident a year ago December while in Pittsburgh on business. He had a badly broken ankle and four broken vertebrae in his back. His back is okay, but his ankle still gives him trouble. Their older daughter, Anne, 13, is in the 7th grade. She is into dance and theater. Their younger daughter, Lesley, 9, is in the 4th grade. She’s into dance as well. They both dance competitively in all styles so their “second home” is the dance studio. Anna was in a musical in December that was directed by WMC alum Susan Thornton ’80. Toni is also co-chairing a bingo at school with another WMC grad Mary McQuirk Drawbaugh ’93, a sorority sister as well. She is also totally getting in shape — running the Annapolis Ten Miller in August. She’s done half-marathons too. She saw Ken Ballou when he was on his way through Frederick on business last summer and had just bought a house in Baltimore in Federal Hill — she seems very excited about it.

Terry Stauffer Nolan and “wonderful” husband, Kevin, celebrated their 25th anniversary. Their oldest daughter graduated from University of Maryland and is living and working in Georgetown, D.C. (one off the payroll!). Their son attends college in Dungalo, Colo., and their youngest is searching for colleges in California. Terry hears from Marshall Weimann and Martha Haynor Voss Gannon. Martha and Terry want to plan an extreme adventure trek, Kilimanjaro or Everest base camp.

Robin McCasian Forbes can’t believe she turned 50 last May. She stayed busy starting up a Stephen Ministry program at Grayson UMC where they now have eight Stephen Ministers and four leaders. This year, she’s dealing with getting John, a senior in high school, off to college and trying to get Robbie, a freshman in high school, to keep his grades up. Robin’s still working for CDC — 28 years!

Kay Davis Moore writes that life has had its ups and downs the past two years. Work keeps her “incredibly busy.” She’s traveled to Malaysia, England, Germany, China and Russia. Sounds fabulous but she hasn’t done much sightseeing — though she has managed to visit friends in England while there and see a few things in London. She also took advantage of a long weekend in Beijing and climbed (literally) The Great Wall and went to The Imperial Palace and Gardens in the Forbidden City.

Kay traveled to Raleigh, N.C., to cheer on her sister at a horse show and also visited (late husband) Paul’s family in Virginia a number of times over the past two years. She is now a proud great-aunt of six great-nephews and twin great-nieces who were born last July. Kay managed to recover from a frozen shoulder in 2009 but then herniated a disc in her lower back spending the summer of 2009 home recovering.

Kathie Campagnoni writes for the “very first time” since graduating in 1982. Yeah, Kathie! She has had a rewarding career in education, first serving her community as a high school English teacher, and for the past 14 years, working as an administrator. She is
Pam is still struggling with the fact that she was unable to attend, but is grateful to have been able to see Ronnie the previous summer and to speak to her on the phone before she passed away. On an "up" note, her job at the National Exchange Carrier Association continues to keep her busy and husband Mark found a job in late February after being out of work for more than a year. Pam has been coaching for an organization called Girls on the Run and helping somewhat with the PTO. Their son, Alex, is a freshman in high school and his activities keep them "busy enough for three children."

In more sad news, Martha Hayner Voss Gannon writes that good friend Frank Freeman '84 passed away this past fall. She continues, "It was a very bittersweet reunion with Becky Gitt Field, Cathy Beedenbender Wiley, Maria Hutchinson, Leslie Thomas-Vitek '83, Patrice Mezzanotte Bell, Tammy Wase, Jim Biggar and George Kleb."

Mike and Lisa DelPrete Short continue to work in education. Lisa is in her 29th year with her school district and Mike is on his 25th year. They are adjusting to only one child at home. Matthew entered high school this year and his siblings are on their second year of college. Megan is attending Longwood University in Farmville, Va. Michael is attending the Naval Academy. "We are all surviving college life," after high school soccer during the week, their weekends are busy with trips to Virginia for cross country meets and visits to Annapolis.

Bettina Youssef-Hatch is still residing in Indiana, enjoying living in the country with her family (husband, two teenagers, two dogs and two cats) happily working at the same job for nearly 10 years (social worker at LifeCare - HIV program). Unfortunately, like so many others in this country, Bettina's husband lost his job last summer but is enjoying his time at home with the kids and "farming." They spent the summer canning what did not die in the drought. Bettina has been working full-time for nearly two years now.

Starting this fall, Randy and Cindy Swezy '83 Heck are empty-nesters. Their youngest, Anna and Ella, are freshman at Gettysburg and F&M respectively. Julia is a senior at Loyola. Stephen graduated from Middlebury and is now living in Nantucket (Mass.) for the time being. Cindy has had a good bee keeping season with lots of honey. It's also been a good year for golf.

The Hecks look forward to seeing Vincent '81 and Diane Cavey Bohn later this fall to see their son, Jacob, and the Army Knights play Notre Dame at Yankee stadium. Randy also looks forward to the annual Beaver Creek ski trip with Joe Menendez '83, his brother, Wade '81, Steve "Slash" Asroff '81, Paul Fulton '78 and others.

Mark '83 and Melissa Pruitt Cockerill and family are busy in Virginia Beach. Turning 50 seemed like a big deal, but it ended up not being so bad! Mark and Melissa celebrated 25 awesome years of marriage. Daniel, their oldest, started college at Old Dominion. Their twins have their driver's permits! "Yikes! Life is flying by." They are still very thankful to be a part of a good church and school. Melissa was reminded this year of how precious our college friendships are as we gathered together in memory of Ronnie Destito Simpson.

Nancy Zuidema Radcliffe and family are still living in McLean, Va. She sees Corjie Simmons Tarton, Tracie "Breezy" Holland Anderson '83 and Claire Morris North, and caught up with a few other people from WMC at Ronnie Destito Simpson's funeral. She has started teaching pre-school this year and her two daughters are doing great.

Kathleen "Kit" Stanford Donner's second historical romance The Venetian Diadegroom was published September '09. Her first novel, The Notorious Diadegroom was released last August '09.

Corjie Simmons Tarton and husband Bill are still trying to keep up with three daughters and Corjie is still teaching fifth grade at Sparks Elementary School. Samantha is a junior at University of Richmond, Amanda is a sophomore at Wake Forest University and Stephanie is a high school senior, busy with college applications.

Kelly Liescheidt Goldsmith celebrated her 10th anniversary with husband Don last October and feels very blessed. It was a nice switch from turning 50 and being bombarded by AARP cards! They continue to enjoy the opportunities to help people every day in their work with Thrivent Financial. Kelly continues to stay busy with many volunteer roles outside of work such as serving on the boards for Lutheran Services of Georgia as well as a local cooperative ministry/food bank, treasurer for their church and sharing in social and music ministries there as well. They've taken some fun trips to places like the Greenbrier in West Virginia and Asheville, N.C. Kelly occasionally hears from Steph Opdahl Hubach who runs a wonderful ministry within the PCA church. She and Fred are doing well.

Health care reform has kept Teresa Baker very busy since 2007. As a lobbyist for the American Academy of Family Physicians, one of the largest national medical organizations, Teresa advocates for policies to ensure high-quality, cost-effective health care for patients of all ages. At first she missed the excitement of working for the Congress, but not the long hours! She now has more time to volunteer at the Folger Shakespeare Library, "putter" around in her garden and travel. She is looking forward to visiting her sister in South Africa soon!

Mike Benitez has two girls now, ages 4 and 6 (Ella and Zoe) who keep him very busy. Living in Annapolis — "but no I don't have a boat and live on the water." Mike's still working at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, where he's in charge of the pro-
Meredith Traugott Selby and husband have crisscrossed the country lately. Mike is still active duty Navy (25 years this month!) and was promoted to captain three years ago. They left Virginia the summer of 2007 and moved to San Diego, where his job was com- modemore of a group of ships. Then they moved to Newport, R.I., summer of 2009 and spent a "really fun year, lots of great seafood, sail- ing, trips to Maine and New Hampshire." They went to Costa Rica with good friends last September. Finally last summer they came back to Virginia. Meredith still does freelance graphics for the litigation industry and spent two weeks in Zurich right after they moved. Now they are looking forward to staying put for a few years.

Francesca "Checka" Leinwall says that the past few months feels like she’s living in the Ferris Bueller movie since life is moving pretty fast. Cheeka accepted a position as the vice president for student affairs at the University of Pittsburgh at Titusville. Gil Reitz ’83 will remain in Greensboro through spring to honor his teaching contract with UNCG then join Checka. They are excited about their new adventure but are not looking forward to the 100 inches of snow that part of the country gets.

This year they celebrated their first anniversary and Checka’s 30th birthday: "two amazing milestones." Checka says she feels "like a proud mama," as the newest member of the student affairs department at McDan- iel, Lindsey Henderson, is one of her former graduate students. Checka knows she will do an excellent job!

As for our family, life continues to be good. We took a great little trip to Alaska this summer — really a pretty amazing place. Our son is now a sophomore at DeMatha and I can’t believe we have to think about college already — weren’t we just there?

Thanks, everyone, for your news. It’s good to hear from some of our friends for the first time. How ’bout the rest of you? It’s painless, I promise. If anyone would like the privilege of writing this column in the future, just let me or McDaniel know. It really is an interesting job! Stay healthy and happy until the next column!

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Mike Benitez ’82 was promoted last year to professor at University of Maryland School of Medicine, where he’s in charge of the program for training cardiology fellows.

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Mari Ruof Caplan says life is good and she’s still waiting for Tracy Buckman Dunne’s grandmother’s recipe for Red Velvet Cake.

Dawn Deffinbaugh Anderson sends greetings from Bel Air, Md., and says that she is very busy with two very active boys, a roth- grader at John Carroll and a 6th-grader at Harford Day School. Dawn says she sees fel-

low alumni at each school. She continues to catch up with the Thirsty Thursday group but can’t believe how many years have passed since our time on the Hill.

Mary-Martha Peal Balm writes that she is still in beautiful Montana, running a bed and breakfast and wolf sanctuary. Their oldest daughter just started high school and her second just started the fourth grade. The family keeps busy with music, swim practice, and cross country meets. Mary-Martha stated that she has not been back to the east coast in far too long!

Theresa Gutierrez Battaglia and husband Dave have two daughters, Katherine, 11, and Christina, 9. The family lives in Perry Hall, Md., where Theresa is a substitute teacher for Baltimore County Schools. Her family spends time with Melinda Milburn Palmer’s family in Rehoboth, Del., and Ocean City, Md.

Congratulations to Melinda Shatzer Bowersox who is currently in her 23rd year of teaching in Baltimore City, Md., where she is a technology and information resource teacher. She also recently became a National Board Certified Teacher and is currently working on a second master’s degree in library media.

Melinda lives in Pikesville with her husband, Gordon, and sons, Spencer, 17, and Chance, 13. Both boys are involved in sports and Boy Scouts and do well in school. Spencer, who earned his Eagle Scout award this year, is a senior at Pikesville High School and is currently looking at colleges. Chance is involved in athletics and plays the trumpet in the middle school’s wind ensemble and jazz band and is currently learning Japanese. The family enjoys their trips to the islands each year to SCUBA dive and enjoy the sun.

Joe Broadhurst, whose wife, Jennifer, and daughter, Octavia, are together while her husband stayed busy during the poor economy. JoeBroadhurst, his wife, Jennifer, and daughters, Katie, 11, and Kristen, 9, are still living in Smyrna, Ga. Joe reports that he coaches the girls’ soccer teams and just finished their third west Georgia region championship in three years. After soccer season, the family spends a lot of time traveling around the country visiting family and friends. Over the summer Joe dined with McDaniels Athletic Director James Smith and other Atlanta-area alumni. They discussed their memories of WMC and the renovation plans for Scott S. Bair Stadium, Joe reported that some serious fundraising occurred, but he was happy to give.

Christine George Cunningham and husband Shawn live in Columbia, Md., with their four children aged 10 to 18. Christine has devoted her time to home educating her children for the last 13 years and she has had a blast. Her oldest is now an Army cadet majoring in engineering at Virginia Tech.

Amy Heebner Davis and her husband just voted her time to home educating her children for the last 10 years. She says that her greatest achievement and joy is her son Dylan, 17, a senior at Archbishop Curley High School. Dylan currently plays varsity football and is enjoying his final year of high school. As a parent, Jill loves being involved with the school and volunteering when she can. Jill takes her black lab to visit nursing homes as a volunteer with Pets
Letter from Spain

Hola from Cartagena, Spain. Being a click away from McDaniel has certainly been wonderful when feeling nostalgic for undergrad life. I’ve been working in Spain for almost six months of my nine-month stay and this is the longest I’ve ever been away from home. I’ve been lucky enough to have the chance to help teach English to a most rambunctious group of 6- and 7-year-old Spanish children who have been a joy to work with — it’s pretty easy getting used to the group hug/tackle that I receive every morning upon arriving in class! Living so far away and so quickly after graduation has me missing McDaniel more than ever. Having The Hill magazine online has been a real treat and even though it makes me miss McDaniel, it always makes me smile.

Saludos,
Jes Osrow ’20, Cartagena, Spain, via Hillsboro, N.H.

on Wheels. Jill reports that she just visited the Hill to check out the campus as Dylan will decide on colleges soon. She had fond memories walking on campus again and enjoyed checking out the many changes that have occurred over time.

Kathy Little is still volunteering as the athletic director at Sacred Heart in Hanover, Pa., a position she has held for more than 20 years. She also volunteers as the Sacred Heart girls’ third/fourth grade basketball coach. In April ’09, she became a franchise owner and area representative for College Prospects of America, the world’s largest marketing service for high school student-athletes. Kathy works with athletes and their families and assists them with the college recruiting and decision process. This past semester she began working at the Harrisburg Area Community College as an adjunct professor in physical education. Kathy also works for the Hanover YMCA as the basketball league coordinator.

Debbie Hands Lusco continued her professional teaching at Lincoln Intermediate Unit number 12 with instruction for the deaf and hard of hearing, and special education. She is now tenured and a little more than half way through her graduate studies in deaf and special education. Debbie and her husband, Charlie, have a daughter, Joy Rose, 8, who is in second grade and loves to read. Debbie and Charlie celebrated their 12th anniversary on Oct. 11, 2010 and remember fondly the wonderful ceremony held at Big Baker Chapel. Charlie has written a Christian devotional entitled “In His Love and Glorious Service.” It is over 700 pages, in three volumes.

Tara Stevenson McEvoy and husband Rusty welcomed a new addition to the family, Joshua David was born on Feb. 14, 2010. Big sisters Madeline, 13, Anna, 11, Olivia, 9, Sophia, 6, and Amelia, 6, are so excited to have a baby brother. Tara reports that she still enjoys homeschooling the girls, even though their lives are a bit crazy right now. Besides the baby and school, the family is busy with soccer, lacrosse, and dance.

Heather Hastings McLaughlin still lives on her horse farm in Finksburg, Md., with her husband and son. Heather reports that she returned to police work in April ’10 after a two-and-a-half year absence due to an injury, only to be taken out again by a horse accident. After her extended stay at shock trauma, she spent the summer recuperating. This fall, Heather made a second comeback to police work and has been doing well. Work, family, and horses keep her very busy.

Fellow reporter Rhonda Myers is pretty busy at work as CME coordinator at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. She and her family had a wonderful time on vacation at Deep Creek in early August this year. Rhonda reports that she is so proud of her daughter who is in her second year at CCBC and hopes to transfer to a four-year college next fall. Her son is working until he decides what he wants to be when he grows up. Her children will be 20 years old in February. Rhonda reports that she still keeps in touch with classmates Angela Latney-Jones, Cheryl Johnson Harris, Kim Tucker Jeter, Tania John, Gary Williams, Andre White, Rodney Joynor, Josh Valentine ’90, Wallace Henry ’91, and Darolyn Milburn ’89. Rhonda also said that she is still happy to be the Honor Class Reporter for the last 23 years. It has been a joy to report on their news.

Chris Newman hasn’t responded to the class notes in a while and said now that he’s a member of the College’s Board of Trustees, perhaps he should. And we’re glad you did. Chris reports that he joined the Board in May ’09 and thus far, it has been a great experience and he has enjoyed being involved with the College. Chris wants all of his classmates to know that if you haven’t been on campus in a while, you should find some time and take a trip to the Hill. Chris reports that the campus looks spectacular. You can tell that Chris is really enjoying his role as a trustee and he invites anyone who has questions to contact him about what’s going on at the College. Personally, Chris still works at T. Rowe Price after 22 years. He and his wife, Susan Shoumura ’89, will celebrate 20 years of marriage this year. Their two daughters, Natalie, 10, and Nicole, 9, attend Garrison Forest School. Susan is very involved with the girls and volunteers extensively at their school. Chris reports seeing several college friends often. He and Jeff Little ’90 organized a golf and dinner outing and saw Cort ’89 and Deana Sandstrom, Chris ’89 and Jennifer Manger ’89 Dolch, Rich ’90 and Barbara Pierantozzi ’89 McCaughhey, Barry ’87 and Becky Barthlow, Dru ’87 and Traci Parker Salvo, and Dave ’87 and Laurie Vozzella ’87 Bell. Chris has also seen David Cadigan ’89, Gary Anile, and Bill and Kathy Brady Bolesa.

Wendi McQueeney Nolder is enjoying the challenge of her new position as principal of Odyssey Charter School in Palm Bay, Fla. Her job keeps her busy but she still manages to volunteer as an elder at her church in the area of missions, and as president of Melbourne Alumnae Pan-Hellenic, working on fundraising for scholarships for sorority members. She and Doug ’87 are excited to watch their daughter, Chelsea, thrive as a sophomore at Florida State University and their son, Austin, as a junior in high school. Wendi reports that the empty nest is looming! Doug is excited about the approval of his charter school application for Academy Dell’Arte, a junior/senior high school for fine and performing arts, scheduled to open in the fall of 2011.

After living in Las Vegas for two years, Sharon Pierce Reith and family relocated to where it all began, in Maryland. Dave ’87 is still with Northrup Grumman, but is now working in Baltimore. Sharon enjoyed working as a substitute at son Ben’s school in Vegas for the last two years but now she
doesn't know what to do with herself. They are building a new home in Woodbine, Md., and she hopes it's their last. Their children are ages 19, 15, and 10 and they keep Wendi and Dave busy. Wendi reports that they enjoyed visiting the Hill after eight years and visited with George '85 and Robin Adams '86 Brenton while there.

Kris Tyeyer Rienfeld says hello to everyone from sunny Arizona. She and husband Bob have been living there for six years. Kris is busy with her job as an attorney for the city and Bob has had success as a painter. Outside of work, they spend lots of time outdoors, hiking, riding their Harleys and jeeping in the desert.

Traci Parker Salvo and husband Dru '87 are doing well. Traci reports that son Ryan is a sophomore at Carnegie Mellon University where he is studying engineering and computer science. Her son, Brendan, is a freshman at Gettysburg College studying biology and daughter Sara is in the eighth grade at Notre Dame Prep.

Lee Schiller, wife Christine, and children Andrew, 15, Joseph, 14, Elizabeth, 12, and Matthew, 8, returned to Maryland in the summer of 2009. Lee was recently promoted to colonel in the Army and is now attending the Joint War College in Washington, D.C.

Steve Schmitt and his wife, Carole, are enjoying life in Atlanta, Ga. with their children Natalie, 15, Andy, 12, and Eric, 7. Doug Hitchcock '89, Dave Moessbauer, Evan Pickus, and Bill Desclais '89 all came into town for a recent Ravens game. They enjoyed two fun-filled days of golf, tailgating, etc.

And now in news from the Smiths: Tracey Ann Tokar and Jeff report that they are still living in Arbutus, Md. Jeff still works as a government contractor in the IT field and still serves as president of the community's Little League baseball program. He is also still very involved in the boys' soccer programs, coaching four teams and acting as referee as well. Tracey Ann reports that she graduated from Johns Hopkins in May '10 with a master's in teaching and is now a language arts teacher at Arbutus Middle School in Baltimore County, Md.

She is very happy that she made the career switch. She credits her success in the one-year graduate program to the support she received from her WMC friends and Phi Mu sisters. Tracey Ann says that she still keeps in touch with her little sis, Karen Quidas Mayhew '95, as well as other sisters and WMC friends through Facebook. Tracey Ann and Jeff's oldest son, Matt, just started high school and is taller than mom now. Josh is a seventh-grader and Zach is in fourth grade.

Todd Staub still works at Utz and asks that we keep eating Utz products. They'll make more.

Congratulations are also in order for Sheri Tritman who was promoted to assistant professor of communication studies at the Community College of Baltimore County this fall.

As for family, she and her children still live in Harford County and occasionally get together with Tina Lambert Marche '89 and Joyce Lee Taylor '89 and their families.

Deonne Revere Woolman sends greetings to everyone. She and husband Harold still live in Lisbon, Md. They have three terrific children, Brad, 17; Justine, 14; and Samantha, 9. Deonne can't believe that Brad is looking at colleges already. The kids keep the family busy with school and extra-curricular activities. For most of her career, she and Harold have worked in the family business, Chapel Valley Landscape Company. This past February, Deonne made a dramatic change and started her own company specializing in human resources consulting and outsourcing services, called HR Outsourced Advantage.

As for us: Tracy Buchanan Dunne and husband Matt '87 are enjoying life in Cincinnati, Ohio. Our jobs and our children, Courtney, 16, and Christopher, 13, keep us running most of the time. Matt runs the local outdoor amphitheater and I am a realtor.

Susan Scalley Herrold and husband Bruce still live near Annapolis, Md., with daughter Holly and dog Tank. I am a human resources analyst for Anne Arundel County government and act as the county's hearing officer for employee grievances and also am a member of the negotiation team for collective bargaining. It's a very busy but rewarding job. Bruce and I love spending our free time on the water during the summer with family and friends. Holly is currently a student at Anne Arundel Community College and is studying emergency medicine and hopes to enter the nursing program.

Thanks to everyone who wrote or emailed your information. It was great reading about the wonderful things going on in your lives. Please make sure you keep the alumni office up to date on your current information and feel free to drop us a line any time. Regards,

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Life is good in upstate New York for Marielle Ainsworth and husband Phil Heavner '92 and their sons, Nathan, 6, and Brendan, 2. They had a great summer camping and hiking around the Northeast. The boys keep her busy, so she enjoys her "girl" time, taking pottery classes and getting together with friends. She also teaches online English classes for Northern New York University-Roswell. She misses hanging out with Lindley Danaway and Tiffany Jenkins White.

Peter "Pj" Brownrigg misses Homecoming the most and hopes to get back one of these years. His family is doing great and just welcomed baby Jack Emerson this August.

Older siblings, Nick, 3, and Emma, 5, are adjusting well.

Stephanie Flood Canales and her husband, Fernando, introduced their son to Laura John Wroblewski's twins for the first time when Stephanie made the trip from Colorado to the East Coast. They enjoyed catching up with each other.

Sherry Albright Clower completed her 10th year teaching physical education for grades K through 5th in Carroll County. During the summer breaks, she enjoys traveling with her husband, Richard '50. They recently visited Spain and Portugal, canoed and cycled in Vermont and Maine, and rafted through the Grand Canyon. She misses practicing and competing with the field hockey and track and field teams. She also misses her ROTC classmates and the camaraderie of participating on the Ranger Challenge Team. It's been a long time since she assembled an M60 and M16 or traversed a one-roped bridge.

Hope Filer Curry is still enjoying life in northern Rhode Island with Anneliese, 6, and Fletcher, 15 months, who has more energy and enthusiasm than any other child she has ever met! Although being a stay-at-home mom is the most rewarding job ever, she loves squeezing in some "me time" with tennis. She can't wait to meet Erica Amrhein Thompson's new baby, Sophia. She also planned to enjoy traditional Christmas merriment with Meg Gobrecht Miller '93 and John Carney '92 and then go on a January family vacation to Disney World.

Elise Achuff Defilippis still loves staying home with the kids and even has some free time now that Emily is in kindergarten and Elliott is in pre-school.

Carl Downey lives in Bel Air with his wife, Kris, and children, Tommy, 5, Sean, 2, Samantha, 9 months. For the past three years, he has been working as an internet marketing consultant for LexisNexis. He still hangs with old friends on a regular basis and just saw Drew and Karen Litishin Reddel, Tim Reilly '95, Eric Wagner '92, Cooper Long, and Chris Kintzel '96 at Todd Knellinger's '93 20th Annual Croquet Invitational.

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Abbi Wicklein-Bayne ’94 is working for the National Park Service out of the Annapolis office, focusing mainly on the Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail which commemorates the War of 1812 in the region.

Marilyn Naas Keane is working on her Ed.D. in educational administration and policy studies and will take the comprehensive exam in December. With her husband, she attends lots of baseball games for her sons — Patrick, 10, and Matthew, 8.

In Manasquan, N.J., Cari Sciarpono Kline lives with her husband, Jeff, and three children, Madeline, Delia, and Miles. She recently got her master’s degree in occupational therapy and works at a subacute rehab facility. Cari stays in touch with all of the Great Outdoors Suite girls!

Dana Mostow Loubé saw her oldest daughter off to kindergarten this year. Dana is busy with both of her daughters and enjoys volunteering at their schools. She tries to see Kristen Purcaro and Rolando “Ro” Welch often; they live near each other.

Living in Stockholm with her husband, Stephen Rappaport and children Ella Rae, 7, and Ezra, 5, Sara Lundberg writes and illustrates children’s books along with various art projects, painting and video. Every third year they spend a summer in the States visiting friends across the country.

Jim Naughton and his wife moved to Boynton Beach, Fla., which is about 10 miles north of Boca. He still works as a sports agent. On Oct. 16, 2010, they had James Michael Naughton IV. Jim recently got together with Scott Lyon ’93 in mid-September for some golf and also golfed with Marc Gettemy and Eric Gettemy ’91 in June in the St. Augustine area. He golfed with Eric Gettemy and Eric Miller ’91 last May for the TPC Golf Tournament in Jacksonville. He and Eric also got together with John Pitarresi ’93 and wife Christine, Tom Brandt ’93 and wife Meg, and Dirk Hrobsky and wife Kate in Manhattan for dinner.

In his 15th year teaching social studies, Ray Pickensgill is also the head wrestling coach and assistant football coach. He lives in Farmingville, N.Y., with his children, Kate, 7, Jack, 5, and Ryan, 1. He keeps in touch with fellow Sig Eps, Brett Young, Ed Buzzi ’93, John Hampton, John Wilson ’95, Eric Disharoon ’92, and Jeremy Kenney ’93. He misses club basketball parties and Saturday afternoon football games the most. Still enjoying staying home with the kids, Kerri Wagner Rapp is also excited about a trip to Ireland with her sister, Kim Wagner Dalton ’82. John Rapp ’92 stayed at home being “Mr. Mom” for the week. She also enjoyed a magical trip to Disney World and the beach with the family. What she misses the most are the fun times with the Alpha Nu Omegas and the name Western Maryland College.

Thomas Roberts has had a great, crazy year! He just accepted a new position with NBC News in New York and is working as an anchor for MSNBC. After three years in Los Angeles and a short stint as a correspondent for The Insider and Entertainment Tonight, he is packing it in and moving back east with Patrick, his partner of 10 years. Thomas stays in touch mainly with Preacher brothers like Brian Burke ’94, Will Fitch ’95, and Mike Marsico ’95. And he managed to run into Rob Brevetti ’93 walking down the streets in New York City!

Rolando and Kristen Purcaro Welch and their children, Ariana, 6, and Alexander, 3, are enjoying the new house they built last year in Olney, Md. They spend lots of time hanging out in the new neighborhood. Rolando still works as a senior probation officer for juveniles in Alexandria, Va., and Kristen is in her 12th year at the CIA. Kristen looks forward to seeing her WMC girlfriends for their January and June trips and they’ve started planning a 40th birthday getaway! Kristen misses the Great Outdoors Suite the most — lots of fun memories there!

Abbi Wicklein-Bayne lives in Lutherville where her sons, Jack and Brady, keep her and husband, Scott, busy with school and sports. All is going well for Michele Reavy Wilson and Tyler ’95 after a crazy couple of months following Tyler’s open heart surgery. Michele recently started working in the library aide at the elementary school and keeps busy with soccer for Mia, 11, and Matthew, 9. This past spring she enjoyed a weekend with her family in Pella to visit Anna Jakubiec Marchese.

Kevin “Woody” Woodward and his wife Stacey, live in Towson with their son, Connor, 6 months, and their dog, Jack. Woody is an investment operations manager for Logg Mason Capital Management and Stacey is an executive producer at WBAL-TV 11 News. Adjusting to life with a newborn has been exciting. In their free time, they enjoy spending time with family and taking advantage of everything the entire Baltimore region offers.

On Aug. 7, 2009, Laura John Wrubleski and husband Steven welcomed twins, Nathan Downey and Madeline Sarah. She has left teaching to be a stay-at-home mom and loves watching the twins grow and change. Her husband travels a lot for work, but they are often on the go with him. They spend their summers in Cape May, N.J., and the beaches of Massachusetts. She often gets together with the Philly Phi Alphas and sees Cynthia Stack Lourido ’96 at least once a week. Stephanie Flood Canales recently came to visit from Colorado with her husband and son.

I’m still in Bel Air with my husband and three kids. I have taken up running and raced in seven 5ks this past year. I even finished third in my age group once! Please keep the updates coming — you can send them to me on Facebook anytime or email them to jcfabula@yahoo.com.

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Bryce Baker and wife MaryEllen welcomed daughter Lucy James Baker on April 2, 2009 in Rockville, Md. The Baker family moved to Chicago, Ill., in October ’09.

Al Barchetto reports the birth of Leah Caroline on May 29, 2010. She joined her sister, Hailey, 4, and brother, Trevor, 3. He and his wife live in south Jersey where he teaches special education in Hammonton, N.J. “I’m also glad to say that after a long year of medical issues, I am on the road to recovery and looking forward to a long, happy and healthy future.”

Lisa Telmanowski Barnum and husband Sean are still living in and loving Annapolis, Md. They have daughter, Lillian, 3, and son, Brady, 1.

Michael Blundin completed his training in pulmonary and critical care medicine at Brown University in June and now works as a pulmonary physician in Rhode Island. His wife, Christina Simms Blundin ’01, began studying for her MBA. Michael and Christina are excited to have fellow alum, Jeff Ciesla ’98, his wife, Quinn, and their three children just a few towns away in neighboring Massachusetts.

Laura Boesler works at the Johns Hopkins Carey Business School in the financial aid office. Laura and her fiance, Ryan, bought a condo in Washington, D.C.

Tara Matuzskepsi Bridges and husband Keith live on the beach in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., with their dog, Blu, and two...
cats. They welcomed a baby girl, Zoe, on Feb. 8, 2011.

Dan and Lauren Hein Cathell own two Rita's Italian Ice stores in Columbia, Md.

Shannon Benson Dauphin and Matt '99 still reside in Potomac, Pa. They welcomed their second daughter, Anna Ryleigh, in December '09. Shannon stays home with their daughters, Charlotte and Anna, and Matt is still working at Shire Pharmaceuticals as an associate clinical programs director. They had the pleasure of attending the wedding of Kristin Miller Brown '99 in March '10 and enjoyed catching up with other Phi Sig sisters.

Margaret "Moe" Emler Deckings and her husband, Ryan, live in Bradenton, Fla. They recently welcomed their first child, a daughter, Prudence Louise Deckings on Sept. 24, 2010.

Ryan works as a physical therapist assistant (PTA) and Moe is half-way through her graduate studies at the University of South Florida pursuing a master's degree in the field of speech-language pathology. Moe has recently started jogging again and hopes to do another marathon soon. Recently Leah Galvin '03 came to visit to meet the newest addition to their family.

Lindsey Drager and husband Richard Schwappach live in Annapolis, Md., and recently added to their family, a daughter, Eadlin Sky Schwappach, born on Sept. 8, 2010. Lindsey left her full-time job to work part time at home creating drawings for a technical services company specializing in power plant training.

Kerry Wilson Duval just celebrated her ninth anniversary with husband Jason. Her daughter Evelyn, 3, is excited to be a big sister to newest arrival, Alice Paige, born on Aug. 25, 2010. Kerry has been employed as a Veterinary Technician for eight years at Baltimore Sun Animal Hospital. In November '10, Kerry was inducted into the Green Terror Sports Hall of Fame for her two-time All-American status in track and field. The class of 2000 had a strong presence this year for the Green Terror Sports Hall of Fame. In addition, classmates Meaghan Gioino Alegi and Ron Sermarni were also recognized for their athletic accomplishments while on the Hill.

Kristen Fraser Ellis, still works at the Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. In January '09 she began a new position in the office of environmental management which allows her to use her law degree in a variety of functions, including overseeing state regulatory agreements. The Ellis family has grown. In April '10 they welcomed their second child, a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth Ellis. Charlotte joins her big sister, Jocelyn, 3. Kristen and her family still live in Bristow, Va., where she is currently president of the homeowners association.

Matt '99 and Laurel Monroe Enoch continue to live in Baltimore, Md., with their two children, Madalynn and Patrick. Laurel is now teaching pilates.

Heather Tolkach Farrell writes, "I am still teaching high school geoscience, still married to my wonderful husband, Scott." This year she and Scott traveled to San Diego, Calif., and back to the East Coast.

Kenneth Fischer had many updates to report. He married his wife, Heather, a nurse on Aug. 8, 2008. They welcomed their first child, daughter, Taylor Grace on July 25, 2010. He is the assistant principal at Francis Scott Key High School in Union Bridge, Md.

Brent Fuchs and wife Lucy welcomed their first child, son, Paiget Robert Fuchs on April 14, 2010.

Dan Gadd and wife Ruth continue to live in Chicago, Ill., and welcomed their first child, Mia, on Jan. 9, 2011.

Elizabeth Price Glover writes, "I am still living in Berlin, Md. I am teaching third grade at Ocean City Elementary School and I have my master's degree in special education. I am married and keeping busy with two boys, Mason, 3, and Cooper, 1."

Matt Gribbin has much to report. "I met and married the girl of my dreams a few years back while living in North Carolina. About a year-and-a-half ago we (Sandu and I) began aching for the pitter-patter of little feet, so we did the only logical thing and adopted a beautiful Aussiedoodle puppy named Pepper. We figured it was a smart move because with a puppy you get twice the feet."

"While in North Carolina, I earned a master's in statistics from North Carolina State University and my doctorate in biostatistics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. I am also working towards earning my MBA at Arizona State University and expect to graduate in 2011. Career wise, I just left a position in Philadelphia heading up the biostatistics department at a Biotechnology company to move back to Maryland where I am heading clinical trials focusing primarily in oncology for a pharmaceutical company in the suburbs of D.C. Sandy is working towards opening her own fitness center."

Stephanie Nemecek Hartzell and husband, Steven, welcomed their second son, Von, on May 18, 2010.

In December '10 Faye Ingram Hillman graduated from George Washington University with a master of accountancy and began an auditing position at KPMG in Washington, D.C., the next month.

Krysta Stacy Huford and husband Dane welcomed their first child, a daughter Chloe Marie Huford, in July '09. Since Chloe's arrival, a lot of time is spent with her uncle, Chester Stacy '97, and godmother, Faith Walker Wildesden '97.

This past summer Chris Hydorn and his family moved back to Columbia, S.C., and he joined the Moore Orthopedic Clinic as a pediatric orthopedic surgeon.

Corrie Leyshon Johnson and her husband, Phillip, are living in rural northern California and loving it. They have two sons and one daughter: Asher, 5, Preston, 3, and Susannah, 1. Phillip is a youth pastor for a local church and Corrie loves staying at home with her lively kids.

Nicholas Johnson and wife Melissa welcomed their first child, daughter Mabel Rosalie Johnson on September 7, 2010.

Ryan and Kristen Rider Legge report, "After five years working for KPMG in northern Virginia, Ryan recently accepted a position as a senior consultant with McLean, Va.-based company, NuWave Solutions. We are all thrilled with the change, as Ryan is now working much closer to home in the Baltimore area." Kristen continues to work part-time as a labor and employee relations specialist for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) in Arlington, Va. Their daughter, Samantha, 2, keeps them all on their toes, even their pug, BucCoo!

Heather Miller Loewenheim and husband Adam welcomed their second child, son, Caleb Daniel, on January 24, 2010. Caleb joins big sister Olivia. Heather gets to be home with her little ones this year and is enjoying every moment.

Alex McLean has been busy. In December '09 he started a new job working as a project manager for Johns Hopkins University, a job that takes him to Saudi Arabia fairly regularly. He also started working on his master's at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. Alex got married this past summer on August 28, 2010 to Linda Siemon and they celebrated their honeymoon in France. Chris Kulp '98, Tim and Maria Mazzone '99 Kulip, and Brian Griffiths attended the wedding. Alex and Linda reside in Canton, Md.

Meaghan Kelly O'Reilly and husband Bart welcomed son Ronan James O'Reilly, on Feb. 18. He joins brother Eoin, 3.

Kristi Simon has much to celebrate. She recently received the Howard County Young Professional of the Year Award, and fellow friends from the Hill, Laurel Monroe Enoch and Jessica Seidel Antonakos were able to attend the ceremony. She also was hired in December '10 as the events and marketing director at the Howard County Chamber of Commerce in Columbia, Md. In addition to Kristi's recent professional successes she also purchased a home in Ellicott City, Md.

Heather Pinto Viscito's family has expanded. She and husband Matthew welcomed their second child, daughter Emily Elizabeth, on August 5, 2010. Heather is able to stay home and watch them grow! Heather says, "We have very busy days and are enjoying the North Dakota farm life!"

Erik Winkler is currently living in Charlotte, N.C., with his wife, Trisha, and two sons, Austin, 4, and Chase, 2. Over the past six months Erik has made a career transition from sales in the staffing/headhunting
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world to becoming talent acquisition manager for Lance, Inc. Lance recently completed a merger with Snyder's of Hanover to become Snyder's-Lance, Inc. Always a sales person, he encourages his fellow alumni to check out the great products that include Lance, Cape Cod, Archway, Tom's, Stella D'Oro, and now all the great pretzel products Snyder's has to offer. Erik states he "continues to brainwash Austin and Chase on Philly sports and is getting excited to coach them in the very near future. Yes, Chase, was named after Chase Utley of the Phillies. Also, enjoy sharing kiddie advice with great friends and fellow alumni Brent Fuchs and Ryan Legge."

Kristi Thayer Yowell accepted a new position as the strategic human resources manager at IWIF this past October. She and husband Chris also celebrated their 10-year anniversary during 2010 in Hawaii.

Husband, Mike "Woody" Wood'02 and I have been living in Massachusetts for the past five years. We both continue to work for the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Woody completed his 5th season as an assistant coach for the football team. I recently resigned from my position as the senior associate director of annual giving overseeing the parents fund to accept a newly created position of associate director of development for UMass Athletics. We purchased our first home back in May '08 and have enjoyed many home improvement projects including our latest one finishing our basement. Woody and I love being parents to our son, Charlie, 3, and Kyleigh Kathryn, born Jan. 29, 2011.

After 10 years of service Kristen Rider Legge has stepped down as co-class news reporter. A special thank you to Kris for her time, effort, and dedication to our class. I will miss collaborating with her on the class column.

I have enjoyed hearing from so many of you this year, and look forward to continuing to receive your updates! Please feel free to email me anytime at kcrowsewood@aol.com.

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Brooke Donovan received her master of education in integrating technology in the classroom from Walden University. She teaches second grade in Baltimore County. Brooke also looks forward to planning a wedding.

Since returning from her time in Malawi as a Peace Corps volunteer (2008-2010), Alicia Feuillet is once again hitting the books in pursuit of a degree in international development from the University of Maryland’s School of Public Policy.

Jennifer Rodeheaver graduated in May '07 with a master's in social work from University of Maryland. She has spent time working at Children's Home of York as a full-time therapist in the Bridges Partial Hospitalization Program and as a residential treatment facility specialist. Most recently, Jennifer returned to working as a therapist for adolescent females at the Hoffman Homes, where she interned while a social work major at McDaniel.

Kate Martin earned a master of science in management and public relations from the University of Maryland University College in May '09. In August '09, she bought her first house located on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Kate continues to work in public relations at Salisbury University.

Mark Pilon currently resides in the Mount Washington area and works alongside many fellow alumni at T. Rowe Price.

In August, Jesse Ringgold resigned from active duty in the United States Army and moved back to Maryland from his assignment in Vicenza, Italy. He is currently serving in the Maryland National Guard and in December began a temporary contractor position as an instructor with McDaniel's ROTC program.

Education and career training has kept Beth Appleton busy. She recently earned a master of social work from East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C. She is currently working toward her LCSW at Business Health Services in Baltimore. Beth enjoys returning back to the Hill each year for Homecoming with fellow 2006 classmates Becky Wilde Tait, Britany Bowen, Rob Douglas and Kerry Kelleher.

Kristy Costa works at the Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia as an operations event assistant.

In May '09, Amber Grimes completed her master's in the art of teaching at Goucher College. Since returning from teaching in northern Uganda with the N.G.O. Invisible Children, Amber has been teaching World and A.P. World History at Glen Burnie High School, as well as teaching part time at the Community College of Baltimore County. In March '10, she completed the Disney Princess Half Marathon with McDaniel alumni Kim Rodney '07 and in August she completed her first triathlon.

Adam Storie works for Prudential Connecticut Life Insurance as a general manager for the Philadelphia Wings Indoor Lacrosse Team. He recently returned to the Hill to pursue a master's in curriculum and instruction and also coaches for the Majestik Field Hockey Club in Carroll County.

Since graduating with a Master's in criminal justice and political science from the University of Maryland College Park, Rachel Goodwin moved to San Diego, Calif., where she met her husband, Romeo Galamgamp, whom she married last year. McDaniel alumni Cheyenne "Nia" Jervay officiated for the ceremony and Kaha Hash served as a bridesmaid. Rachel now teaches college criminal justice courses at a local community college and still does regular freelance photography work.

Sarah Krag graduated in August '08 with an M.S. in geological sciences from Michigan State University, specializing in vertebrate paleontology. Currently, she is studying Lou Gehrig's disease as a senior laboratory coordinator at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

Natascha Young works as a senior counselor for Gaudenzia's Prison Services Division. In March '10, she began working towards a Ph.D. at Walden University for counselor education and supervision with a specialization in forensic mental health.

Diego de los Rios is also continuing his education at the Department of Sociology at Northwestern University.

Tiffany Mack is doing a year of service with AmeriCorps as a Volunteer Maryland Coordinator at the Park Heights Community Health Alliance in Baltimore, Md.

Last spring, Becky Ward earned a master of science in engineering from the University of Texas-Austin. She is currently working toward a Ph.D. in nuclear engineering.

Brent Pertuso is working in risk analysis for Bank of America and continues to work as a head coacher at Emmanuel Church in Bel Air. He recently purchased a historic home in Baltimore.

Niki Varousou currently works as a marketing manager for the Philadelphia Wings Professional Indoor Lacrosse Team. She resides in Collingswood, N.J.

In his last year of optometry school at Salus University (formerly Pennsylvania College of Optometry), Brian Samartino is anticipating his last rotation this spring in Bethel, Alaska.
Stephanie Reed Todd moved to Rochester, N.Y., with husband Chris '05 to start a new job with the Social Security Administration.

In the spring of 2009, Brandi Heavner graduated with an MBA from Frostburg State University. She currently works as a financial planner and in September bought her first house.

Allison Smith lives in the Washington, D.C., area working as a budget administrative officer with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAD) at NIH. She recently completed her third century ride (100-mile bike ride).

After four years of teaching high school, Jennifer Owens Foor made a change to become a student again herself. She is currently a member of the class of 2013 at the University of Hawaii's William S. Richardson School of Law. Jennifer resides with her husband in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

In July '10, Jessica Nave married Joseph Blodgett. Jessica is attending UMBC in pursuit of a second degree in psychology.

Allie Waters married Tim Redmond on July 2, 2009. She currently teaches 8th grade math for Carroll County Public Schools.

Surrounded by many of his fellow Alpha Gamma Tau fraternity brothers, Matt McDermott wed Lauren Ford MS'08 in December '09. He currently works for AllState Insurance Company. Matt and Lauren reside in Hagerstown, Md., where they purchased their first house.

Nancy Sinnes married Michael Kirby MS'10 in July '10 in Swan Point, Md.

On June 27, 2009, Sarah Tracey married Jason Ostendorf. They live in Reisterstown, Md., with their miniature schnauzer, Isis. Sarah works at Mount De Sales Academy for Girls in Catonsville, Md., as a European history teacher. In her spare time, she enjoys running half-marathons and showing horses on the Hunter Jumper Circuit.

From the bell in Red Square to wedding bells, many McDaniel couples recently walked down the aisle. Kelly Stewart married Brandon Boring in Big Baker Chapel in October '09. They shared their special day with many McDaniel Alumni, included several former NV 189 girls and men's lacrosse players.

Marcy Ryan and Mark Siebeking also returned to the Hill to say their vows on October 16, 2010 in Big Baker Chapel. Andy Edwards '05 served as a groomsman. They purchased their first home in Durham, N.C., where they currently reside with their adopted greyhound, Peach.

Marcy graduated with a doctorate of physical therapy from Duke University in 2009 and works as an outpatient orthopedic physical therapist. Mark continues to work in Research Triangle Park as an engineer.

Vikki Mathers wed Mike Volk '05 on July 17, 2010. They currently reside in their first house in Canton. Vikki also recently completed a master's in education from the College of Notre Dame and is teaching middle school special education in Baltimore City.

Jennifer Evans married Greg Raeder in November '09.

Renee Libby married Steve Beck on October 23, 2010. Natalie Brown Olson served as maid of honor and Cassandra Allen was a bridesmaid. Justin "Judd" Walter and Paul Hughes were groomsmen. Other McDaniel graduates in attendance included Becca Shields, Nancy Sinnes Kirby, Mike DiPiero, Joe Hunter '07, and Natalie Hardy.

In October '10, Caitlin Schellhorn married Davey Blake '04 in Long Island, N.Y., surrounded by many McDaniel friends. The wedding party included Colleen Dummeyer, Kelly Grubb Blake '05, Mikey Blake '05, Dan Patterson '05 and Steve Colasurdo.

Jessi Lespon and Drew Mitchell wed on September 17, 2010 in Lewes, Del., becoming third generation WMC/McDaniel College sweethearts (Drew's parents and grandparents also met at WMC).

The wedding party included Maid of Honor, Catherine "Niki" Lespon Infantino '04, bridesmaids Kelly Friedman and Jess Hecker- man '05, and groomsmen Matt Rinehimer, Justin Bliholavek, Josh Marvel and Brian Chiavacci. After 10 months living in Okla., Jessi and Drew reside once again in Clarksville, Tenn., where Drew is a captain with the 101st Airborne Division.

Special congratulations to many members of the Class of 2006 as they welcome new family members and future Green Terrors.

Laura Pritchard Lebo and Andrew Lebo '05 welcomed a baby girl, Cora Grace, on Sept. 4, 2009. Laura is enjoying the busy life of being a mom.

Rebecca Wilde Tait gave birth to Andrew Robert Tait on May 22, 2010.

Anika Williams gave birth to a son, Kenneth Ruben Pompey Jr., on Oct. 7, 2009. She continues to be employed with the IRS as a tax compliance officer and is anticipating her upcoming graduation in the spring with an M.S. in criminal justice from the University of Baltimore.

Many thanks to all who contributed to this news column. Please feel free to keep me updated throughout year. I wish you and your families much happiness in the New Year.

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Spot the Differences Winner

In the Autumn 2010 issue, we challenged you to identify 13 distinct differences between two pictures depicting tailgating in our unique drive-in stadium. Melissa Meehan Hoover '97 found them all and won the drawing for a McDaniel sweatshirt. See below for the discrepancies in the second picture:

1. One balloon is missing
2. Two more birds on the left side
3. Player between goalposts is gone (knee injury)
4. Additional player upfield
5. A second cup is on the cooler behind the couch
6. Terror is backwards
7. More hamburgers on the plate
8. Guy on the tailgate of the truck is now wearing sunglasses
9. Girl sitting on couch now has a yellow shirt
10. More antennas on building in background
11. Another "M" on the skinny guy's shirt
12. Guy who is grilling now wearing a different-color hat
13. "Beat Hopkins" plane enters the scene
Ian Term 2011: Becky Putnam '12 enjoyed perfect visibility diving the crystal-clear waters of Cozumel with students Pat Floyd and Dan Taylor while on a Jan Term trip led by chemistry professor Brian Wladkowski '88.

We went diving in cenotes, which are freshwater caverns. The opening on the surface is not very big and it was beautiful to look back from 30 feet down to the sunlight streaming through the crystal-clear water through the opening.

The underwater caverns were intense because there was 100 feet of rock over our heads and if something went wrong we couldn't just surface, we had to swim back through the cavern. During these dives it was imperative that we stay calm.

There were so many cool rock formations in the freshwater cenotes. Once you got to about 40 feet, the water turns to saltwater because it's at sea level. You would be in perfectly clear water one second, then drop down a few feet and you couldn't see because the saltwater made your vision blurry.

Devil's Throat is a swim, through the coral, at over 100 feet. We entered the coral at 90 feet, swam for about eight feet, then we hit the Devil's Throat where the tunnel drops suddenly. Then it levels a little bit and you exit the coral wall at 130 feet. When I swam out of the coral I looked down into endless blue.
Pop Quiz

[No need for test anxiety — answers are all within the very pages of this issue!]

1. What is the date and time of the Inauguration ceremony for McDaniel’s ninth president, Dr. Roger Casey?

2. Following posts in Finland, Cuba and Russia, among other places, where is career foreign service officer Tom Armbruster ’80 now living?

3. What type of art will Asian studies professor Qin Fang research with her students in China this summer with support from a $30,000 grant?

4. Which Maryland Congressional district did U.S. Rep. Frank Kratovil ’90 serve for the past two years?

5. What is the total fundraising goal for this year’s Annual Fund?

6. Which member of the Class of 1942 went to Disney World to celebrate her 90th birthday?

7. Where did College Trustee Charlie Moore ’71 lead a group of faculty, students and alumni on a service-learning trip over Jan Term?

Prize:
Complete the quiz correctly and be entered into a drawing for a McDaniel College sweatshirt.

Submit:
Pop Quiz, The Hill magazine, 2 College Hill, Westminster, MD 21157.
Or e-mail kasch@mcdaniel.edu.

[Now pick up your pencils and begin...]
Alumna Kay McLaughlin explains why her dear friend and classmate Lionel Lee took the trouble to carry 100 rare fern specimens with him on his steamship journey to America back in 1948. Find out how these dried plants preserve his life story on page 18.

"I would imagine that collection was a part of his heart."

—Kay McLaughlin '52