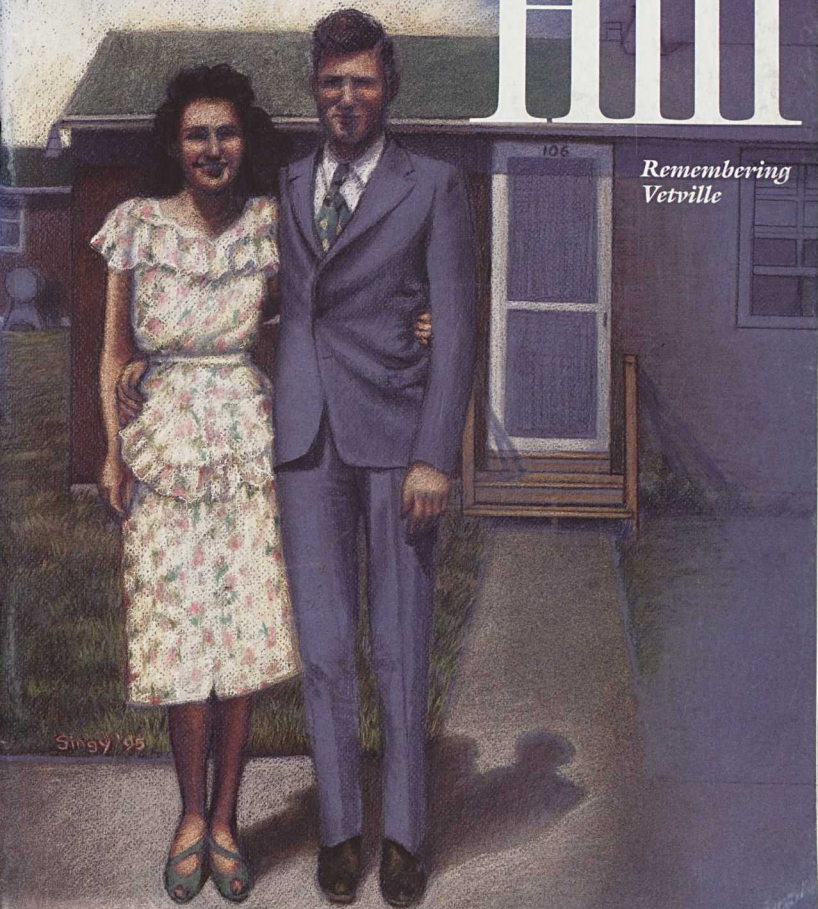


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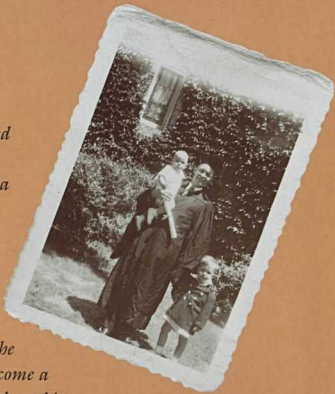
*Remembering
Vetville*



Singy '95

Happy, Hopeful Days

Just at the College's mid-century mark, men returned from the war, enrolled in classes and balanced books, wives and babies for the first time. Like never before, a large percentage of the student body now lived off campus in a community of barrack-style apartments nicknamed "Vetville." They were tough, lean years for the soldiers and their families, but remembered fondly as the beginning of a new life.



Around the same time and just down "the Hill" in the opposite direction, a local fruit stand expanded to become a restaurant. Catering to students hungry for home-style cooking and a hangout, Baugher's became—and still is—a college favorite.

As this generation of graduates embarks on journeys toward careers, families and advanced degrees, we take some time to look back at two local landmarks through the eyes of our alumni, whose memories of Vetville and Baugher's are woven into the tapestry of their years at Western Maryland College.

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Vintage Verville is interpreted by artist Singy Tevis, a Westminster native whose oil and pastel creations are inspired by period photography. Her background on Western Maryland comes naturally since her mother, Dorothy Berry Tevis, is a loyal alumna.

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PETER HOWARD

Guard Grabs Governor's Internship

Marie Guard '96 is both a nontraditional student and an exceptional student. The 35-year-old junior is a regular on the Dean's List, earning highest honors every semester, and holds many positions of leadership on campus and in the community. The Monrovia, Md. resident is also the first WMC student to be accepted into the prestigious Governor's Summer Internship Program.

The eight-week course matches full-time interns with a mentor in a state agency that corresponds with each student's interest, background and career goals. Duties often include attending meetings, drafting correspondence, tracking legislation, assisting constituents and researching policy options.

Junior Marie Guard, 35, is the first WMC student to win a coveted Governor's Internship.

Policy papers are developed by teams of interns during the first five weeks of the program and are presented to the governor and his cabinet at the end of July. The teams work together to research in detail a significant issue facing the state and then present recommendations for resolution. Many of the suggestions made by past interns have been implemented.

In recommending Guard for the program, which accepts only 20 of the state's brightest applicants, College President Robert Chambers said, "Marie is an exceptional student. (I speak from personal experience—she earned an 'A' in my class!) She is also a campus leader, currently in office as the president of WMC's Non-traditional Student Organization as well as serving on our Curriculum and Student/Faculty Relations Committees."

Guard hopes to teach on the elementary school level when she graduates in May 1996. ●

WMC, By Gott

He has been called the "Dean of Maryland Architects" and is credited with designing 30 to 40 private homes and buildings throughout the state, including the Maryland Penitentiary, the Masonic temples in Bel Air and Salisbury and the Crown Cork and Seal building on Guilford Avenue in Baltimore.

But the late Jackson Gott is best loved on "the Hill" for giving the "Old Campus" its distinctive look when in 1888 he unified the Old Main complex by designing the two-story porch that ran along its entire 350-foot facade and the three towers.

Though that magnificent structure no longer exists, Gott's other campus creations are a testament to his vision and talent. They include Baker Chapel, the President's House, Alumni Hall, the addition to Levine Hall and the old Library and Administration Building, now the newly restored and renovated Peterson Hall and Ward Arch.

The Historic Architect's Roundtable, better known as The Dead Architect's Society, has made Gott a subject of

study along with 49 others who helped shape Maryland's early architectural landscape. The group met at the college April 13 to present a slide lecture of Gott's work, detailing his influences and critiquing his structures.

Trained as a carpenter and apprenticed as an architect, Gott wisely coupled his own skill with talented workmanship in order to get the best results, explained Dead Architect's Society member James Wollon. Rather than being unique or original, Gott was simply "very competent" and followed the popular architectural styles, he added.

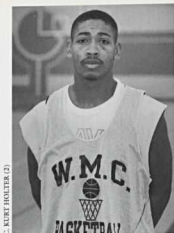
Gott often built almost exact replicas of his work, said Wollon, who presented several examples of homes resembling the President's House and another church in Hampden near Baltimore that is very similar to Baker Chapel. However, some of his stellar structures can be found at the college. "Western Maryland was a very important client of Gott's and is the site of a lot of his work," Wollon said. ●

Designed by Jackson Gott, Alumni Hall is home to the Theatre Arts department and was recently made handicapped accessible.



DOUG HARRER

Six-foot guard Pat Young ended his college athletics careers in ninth place on the Green Terror all-time scoring list.



C. KURT HOUTER (2)



Women's basketball top-scorer Sandi DeJager racked up an average of 15.7 points per game.

Men's Basketball Breaks Postseason Drought

The last time a WMC men's basketball team qualified for postseason play, most of the student-athletes on this year's team still associated the word 'bird' with winged creatures in the sky and 'magic' as something performed by a bearded man in a long black cape.

The year was 1980, Larry Bird and Earvin 'Magic' Johnson were rookies in the National Basketball Association, and the 1994-95 Green Terror players ranged from ages 3 to 7. WMC placed second in the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC)-Southwest Section, but lost its first playoff game in the conference's Southern Division semifinals to Ursinus (Pa.) College 68-64.

Bird and Magic have since fashioned legendary careers in the NBA, and WMC has left the MAC for the Centennial Conference (CC). And those little boys of 1980 are now undergraduates who carried the Green Terror back into the post-season for the first time in 15 years.

WMC, under the direction of sixth-year head coach Nick Zoulis MED.'78 finished second in the CC-Western Division with a 7-6 mark. The Green Terror faced Muhlenberg, the top seed from the Eastern Division, in the conference semifinals and fell on the Mules' home floor 78-54.

Overall, Western Maryland compiled an 11-14 record, featuring a balanced offensive

attack. Leading the way was 6-foot-3 forward Daeviid St. Rose '97 with a 15.6 points-per-game mark. St. Rose, an All-CC second-team pick after earning just 17 minutes of playing time as a freshman, also topped the rebounders with a 5.7 average and came in second in blocked shots with 21.

Pat Young '95 was second in scoring after contributing 13.6 points per contest. The 6-foot guard, who topped the Green Terror in assists (3.96 per game) and steals (1.9 per game), earned All-CC honorable-mention status.

Young set WMC single-season records for three-point field goals made and attempted as he connected on 64 of 166 tries. He also holds the school career marks in those categories with 194 treys (three-point shots) in 528 attempts, and ended his career in ninth place on the Green Terror all-time scoring list with 1,163 points.

The WMC women challenged for a Centennial playoff spot for the entire season

before losses in their final two games knocked them out of the postseason picture. Nonetheless, the Green Terror posted an outstanding 14-9 overall record and turned its 5-9 conference mark of 1993-94 into a 9-5 result this year.

Just as the men had a senior and a sophomore pacing their efforts, the women of head coach Becky Martin '80, MED.'81, received big seasons from Sandi DeJager '97 and Denise Spangler '95.

DeJager earned All-CC first-team recognition after scoring a team-high 15.7 points per game, in addition to grabbing 5.2 rebounds and handing out 2.0 assists per contest. Spangler pulled down an average of 9.9 rebounds to top WMC in that category, as well as contributing 10.8 points a game to the offensive attack. She finished her Green Terror playing days as the third-leading rebounder in school history with 640. •

Justice Served at Graduation

Renowned Supreme Court Associate Justice Harry A. Blackmun, author of the Court's 1973 ruling on Roe v. Wade legalizing abortion, was among the special guests honored at Western Maryland College's 125th Commencement on May 20.

Justice Blackmun was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1970, where he served for 24 years, and is well known for the scholarly and thorough way he wrote his opinions. He graduated with highest honors from Harvard University, where he also earned his law degree, and for 16 years was a member of a major Minneapolis law firm. During this time he also taught at St. Paul College of Law (now William Mitchell College of Law) and at the University of Minnesota Law School. He was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree from WMC.

Two other honorary degrees were awarded to Marcellus W. Alexander, Jr., vice president

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1994-95 WINTER SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	PostSeason Honors
Men's Basketball	11-14	7-6	2nd/5 ¹	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Women's Basketball	14-9	9-5	3rd/5 ¹	1 All-CC 1st Team
Men's Swimming	5-6	2-4	5th/7 ²	1 All-CC
Women's Swimming	8-4	3-4	6th/8 ²	2 All-CC; 1 Div. III Honorable Mention All-America
Wrestling	4-14	1-5	5th/7 ²	

T=Tied

¹Centennial Conference—Western Division

²Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championships

and general manager of WJZ-TV in Baltimore; and Harvey M. Meyerhoff, Baltimore builder and philanthropist. A native of Austin, Tex., Alexander began his career in broadcast media management as part owner and chief operating officer of a Detroit-based radio station prior to working in television. Since his arrival in Baltimore in 1989, Alexander has defined and led WJZ-TV to achieve top ranking among local news stations in the nation. He is an active leader in several civic organizations and is involved in the boards of the Baltimore Urban League, the Advertising Association of Baltimore, and the Board of Governors and Development Committee of the Kennedy Kreiger Institute.

Recognized as one of Maryland's most generous citizens Harvey Meyerhoff is chairman emeritus and a member of the United State Holocaust Memorial Council, the organization responsible for the construction of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Meyerhoff is currently board chairman of Magna Holdings, Inc. of Baltimore, and serves as director of PEC Israel Economic Corporation and Offitbank. His numerous humanitarian efforts have included president of the Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund of Baltimore; chairman of the NAHBB Research Institute; and president of the League for the Handicapped, Inc.

Commencement highlights included the traditional greetings from a graduating senior, a master's candidate, a Western Maryland parent and a WMC educator. They were, respectively: Lisa Anne Taneyhill '95

of Ellicott City, Md.; Allan Dale Tidwell of Talladega, Ala.; Rose McKie-Rivers, parent of LaKeisha Rivers of Hartsdale, N.Y.; and Dr. Carol A. Rouzer, associate professor of chemistry of Littlestown, Pa.

Several retiring WMC faculty members also received emeritus status. •

Lightner Enlightens Commencement

For more than three decades a poised and efficient spark plug in the Western Maryland Commencement engine has been James E. Lightner, professor of mathematics and education and college marshal. It is this loyal alumnus (class of '59) and Westminster resident who makes sure the pomp is full of circumstance.

Not only has he helped to organize the ceremony since 1962, the year he returned to the campus as a professor, but he makes sure each graduate's gown has a precisely hanging hood. He does so with a distinctive snap before the graduate strides across the stage to grasp that reward for four years of academic toil—the diploma.

Of his trademark hood-straightening Lightner says, "When the seniors get in line, so many of them have their hoods on backwards, inside out and upside down. They're a little nervous, you see. So I go around and get their hoods straightened out."

Another tradition he helped to usher in was the carrying of maces in advance of the academic procession. Since 1950,



MARK SWISHER

Math professor James Lightner keeps the pomp full of circumstance during graduation.

college representatives had carried two maces after the ancient English manner which symbolized the crown's authority. Then in 1968, Lightner suggested that Western Maryland have new ones made using walnut newel posts that had been saved when Old Main, the college's first building, had been razed several years earlier.

"I designed them, and my father lathed them," he said. "That wood is close to 200 years old." The maces are embellished with the college seal and are stored before and after commencement in a special box in Lightner's office.

A myth has arisen that those graduates who waiver from the line during procession are whacked on the head with the wooden mallets. No so. Well, maybe a little tap. •

Summer Stage Magic Returns

Theatre on the Hill producer Ira Domser plans a season of "idealism and magic" when the resident professional summer program returns after a year's hiatus with productions of *Barnum*, *Bedroom Farce*, *Camelot* and *Tortoise & Hare*.

Step right up to the story of P.T. Barnum, famous for his motto "There's a sucker born every minute," and his partnership with James A. Bailey which inspired the "Greatest Show on Earth," or the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus. With the circus as a lens through which his life is viewed, the production takes the audience to Barnum's early days as promoter of the Theatre Museum and progresses through his affair with Jenny Lind the "Swedish Nightingale," a renowned soprano who toured the United States in the 1890s.

Barnum even went through a political phase when he attempted to turn Bridgeport, Conn. into a Utopian community. He had almost succeeded when a rainstorm sunk almost every building in town because it was built on a swamp. "Of course his mayors took a beating. Luckily, that's when Bailey came along and asked him to start the circus," explains Domser, associate professor of theatre arts. Show times are June 29 and 30, July 1, 6-8, and 13-15 at 8 p.m.

Bedroom Farce, a play by Alan Ayckbourne, who Domser describes as "the most prolific living English playwright—an English Neil Simon," will be performed July 20-23 and 27-29, as well

*Prior to joining the
WMC faculty Rouzer
did post-doctoral work
with Nobel Laureate
Bengt Samuelson.*

as Aug. 3, 6, 9, 13 and 16 at 8 p.m. (Sundays at 7 p.m.)

"It's an English sex farce—which means there's no sex," quips Domser. The play is set in three bedrooms where the characters engage in a sort of battle of the sexes. The show is full of sight gags and physical comedy.

A more traditional English tale of King Arthur, Queen Guinevere and Sir Lancelot will be told with the production of *Camelot* Aug. 4, 5, 10-12 and 17-19 at 8 p.m. "It's about another idealist—knights in shining armor and more magic," Domser explains. Add the knights of the round table, Merlin the Magician and the magnificent songs of Lerner and Loewe and the result is enchanting.

Finally, the children's show *Tortoise & Hare* will be presented July 8, 15, 22 and 29 and Aug. 5 and 12. This parable for our time promises to be inspirational and instructive, as actors adapt their lines for each performance and invite the participation of young audience members as the hare struggles with a guilty conscience. Show time is 11 a.m.

The Post Show cabaret and review—held after Saturday night performances July 15, 22 and 29 and Aug. 5, 12 and 19—is a zany Theatre on the Hill tradition. The audience is invited downstairs to the understage where the actors tell jokes, perform magic and entertain with improvisation.

Ticket subscriptions cost \$35, \$15 for children. Individual tickets cost \$17. For more information on individual performances call (410) 857-2599. •



FOR RUBINO

***Rouzer Has
Best Teaching
Formula***

Dr. Carol A. Rouzer, associate professor of chemistry, was named the 1995 Distinguished Teacher at WMC during the annual Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation held April 30. "It's absolutely the most meaningful award I have ever received," said Rouzer, who joined the faculty in 1989. In nominating her for this award undergraduates commented on Rouzer's ability to explain complex concepts and their applications, and gave her high marks for challenging them both in and out of the classroom.

A native of Hagerstown, Md., Rouzer graduated with highest honors from Western Maryland College in 1976, and earned both her Ph.D. and M.D. in a dual-degree program at Rockefeller University and Cornell University Medical College.

Rouzer's research interests are in the areas of protein purification and characteristics, and the biochemistry and pharmacology of cancer chemotherapeutic agents. She teaches courses in general chemistry and biochemistry and directs independent student research. In 1995-96 she will take sabbatical leave and spend the year at Vanderbilt University's Department of Biochemistry and Center for Molecular Toxicology with Dr. Lawrence J. Marnett. There she will research endogenous

Students give Dr. Carol Rouzer high marks for challenging them.

DNA alkylation, and its potential role in carcinogenesis.

In 1991 she received a \$35,000 Cottrell College Science Award for a two-year research program on a potential series of anticancer compounds. It was the largest stipend of more than 100 awards made by Cottrell that year to fund faculty research which involves undergraduates. The following year a \$30,000 National Science Foundation grant was awarded to Rouzer for the purchase of laboratory equipment for collaborative faculty-student research.

This new research and studies conducted with the Frederick Cancer Research and Development Center have led to papers published in distinguished scientific journals and presentations at scientific conferences.

Prior to joining the WMC faculty, Rouzer did postdoctoral work with Bengt Samuelson, Nobel laureate and president of Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, Sweden. A few years later she worked as a research biologist for Merck Frosst in Canada where she studied the structure of an enzyme to develop new drugs to counter the ill effects of asthma.

Rouzer is a member of the Council for Undergraduate Research and the Mid-Atlantic Association of Liberal Arts Chemistry Teachers. •

Hill People

It's a Book! Alles Gives Birth

Giving birth to a book is the opposite of giving birth to a baby, writes Greg Alles in the "Acknowledgments" section of his newly-published *The Iliad, The Ramayana, and The Work of Religion: Failed Persuasion and Religious Mystification*.

"In childbirth the mother suffers the labor pains, but the

close relatives get to enjoy the new arrival. 'Bookbirth' is just the opposite. The author gets most of the pleasure, but the close relatives suffer most of the pain," writes the associate professor of religious studies, by way of thanking his wife and children for bearing with him during his six-year labor of love.

Alles returned from India in September 1989 from his Fulbright-funded eight-month sojourn with a first draft of his book, which compares and

contrasts the Indian epic *Ramayana* with the perhaps better-known Greek tale of the *Iliad*, set during the siege of Troy.

He chose to write about the works of Valmiki and Homer because

"... in a world of intense suffering and conflict such as our own, my specific theme—an examination of how Homer and Valmiki adjudicated the peril of failed persuasion (the collapse of diplomacy, the resort to violence and war)—can claim some topicality."

Currently, Alles is writing a biography of the influential German historian and philosopher of religions Rudolf Otto. A translation of the autobiographical and social essays written by Otto is under contract with the publisher Mouton de Gruyter in Berlin. Alles returned to teaching fulltime at Western Maryland in September after devoting 1994 to his research, funded by a National Endowment of the Humanities fellowship. •

ROTC Instructor Ranks Number One

When it comes to training the nation's soldiers, the American Defense Preparedness Association ranks Western Maryland College's Maj. Ruben Navarro number one. The assistant professor of military science was recently recognized with the first-place Colonel Leo A. Codd Memorial Award, signifying the top instructor in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

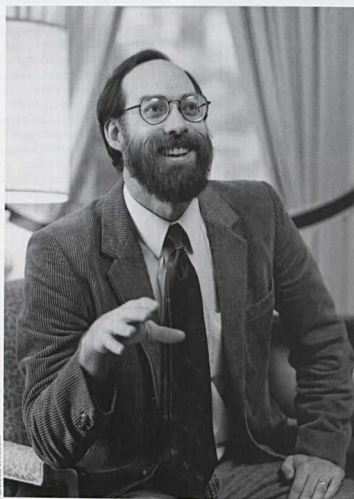


Maj. Ruben Navarro also plays a mean bongo with the Jazz Ensemble.

Navarro was singled out from a cadre of more than 330 ROTC units at colleges and universities throughout the 50 states, Puerto Rico and Guam.

"During the past two-and-a-half years, Maj. Navarro has left a truly notable mark on the soldiers and cadets of the First Region (ROTC) Cadet Command," said Lt. Col. Bayard Keller Jr., professor of military science, in recommending Navarro for the prestigious award. "Maj. Navarro is a tenacious and motivated officer and instructor who exhibits exceptional leadership skills which impact favorably on future Army officers."

Indeed, his ability as an imaginative and innovative professor are impressive. In teaching freshman cadets, Navarro ensures that hands-on training occurs outside the classroom with land navigation, small unit organizations and the M-16 rifle. In teaching sophomore cadets, he draws on his experiences as a gradu-



Associate Professor of Religious Studies Greg Alles celebrates the delivery of his labor of love.

ate of the U.S. Military History course at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

In addition to his regular academic teaching load each semester, Navarro and Capt. Michael Drumheller, assistant professor of military science, also developed a new course on the Persian Gulf War called "Operation Desert Storm: A Study in Modern War." Navarro commanded a field artillery battery and has been able to share his personal perspectives, while also inviting guest speakers such as a Desert Storm battalion commander to talk about the application of theory to current conflicts.

Navarro reaches out beyond his ROTC duties to involve himself in other aspects of the college community. He is sought out many weekends by the Admissions Department to participate in faculty panels, providing information to prospective students on the value of a liberal arts education, and on the importance of ROTC and its benefit to future careers, both in and out of the military.

He was selected by the student members to pledge the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity as a Renaissance Brother and now serves as faculty adviser. He has played with the Jazz Ensemble, and was to receive a Master of Liberal Arts degree in May. Navarro will be departing in June for the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. •



C. KURT HOLTER

Prolific Prof Pens Frederick Douglass

"Smile!" directs the photographer as he snaps off shots of Mona Kerby reading to East Middle School students from her latest children's book. But instead of looking happy, the Carroll County youths are intent, eyes fixed on the storyteller's expressive, but sorrowful, countenance.

"This isn't a happy story, at least not at the beginning," explains a serious Kerby, her

soft Texas accent drawing the class in closer. "It's about Frederick Douglass, who was born a slave."

Frederick Douglass, Kerby's eighth published children's book, tells the story of the Baltimore slave who railed against oppression to become a civil rights leader, the first black U.S. marshal and the first black ambassador to Haiti. Through anecdotes, quotes from his first autobiography, and simple and engaging narrative, Kerby tells an inspirational story of the patriot, who secretly learned to read as a child and found freedom

Mona Kerby captures the attention of young readers with the many books she has written.

through education.

The author also reports on the leader's few flaws. "I do try in some small way to include a balance and to teach children that even heroes make mistakes," says Kerby, who was an elementary school librarian in Texas for 15 years before taking her position at Western Maryland last fall as assistant professor of education and coordinator of the school library media graduate program.

"I just want students to realize without preaching that our best heroes are those people they know in their lives—their teachers and parents—because they see them in all aspects of their lives, when they lose their temper and when they're at their best."

Last year, Kerby was one of a select group of teachers awarded a sabbatical by the National Endowment of Humanities and took the time to research the Alamo and produce a video called *Visions of the Alamo: Visions of Texas*, which WMC helped to fund. Hammered dulcimer player Walt Michael '68, founder of Common Ground on the Hill, scored the production. The video will be distributed to Texas school districts.

Kerby's talent has also been recognized by her intended audience. Her humorous account of elementary school antics, *38 Weeks Till Summer Vacation*, was voted by young readers as the best of 1994 in Minnesota's notable Maud Hart Lovelace Book Award contest. •

April 21, 1995

Peterson Hall Dedicated

Unveiling a Restored Masterpiece

BY JOYCE MULLER



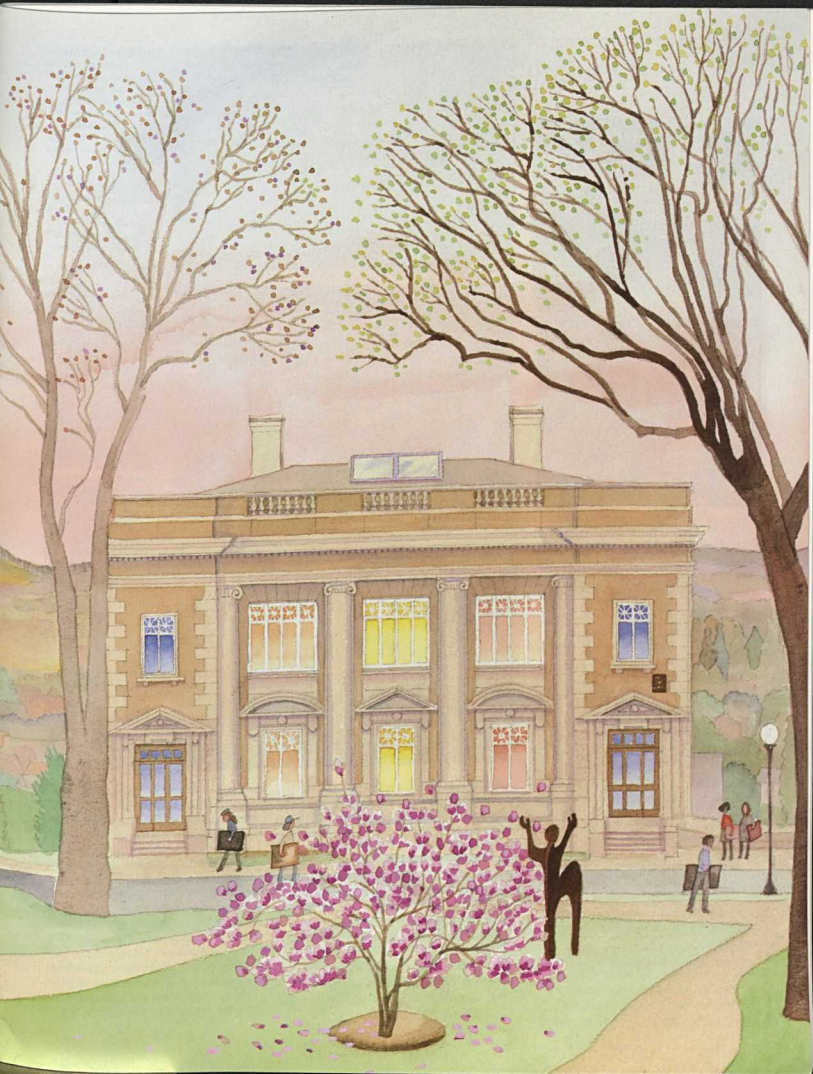
April 21 was a picture-perfect day as the college community and invited guests gathered in Alumni Hall for the dedication of Peterson Hall, to celebrate the fine arts building's remarkable restoration and to honor college trustee Clementine Peterson and her late husband Duane, whose \$1 million gift last year inspired this noble project.

The 1909 landmark is one of five historic buildings undergoing renovations at a combined cost of nearly \$8 million and transforming the hilltop campus to appear as a giant construction site. Such ambitious projects as Peterson Hall guarantees in the words of President Robert Chambers, "that the hill is growing lovelier each day ... indeed, seemingly each hour."

Peterson Hall was originally built in 1909 and was designed by Jackson Gott, who more than a century ago was known as the "Dean of Maryland Architects." He designed the President's House in 1889, Baker Chapel in 1895, Alumni Hall in 1896, Ward Memorial Arch in 1898, an addition in Levine Hall in 1899, and in 1909, this three-story limestone and pressed brick building for administrative offices and college library. It was Gott's most ornate creation on the campus.

For at least three decades, the structure has served as the home of the college's Department of Art and Art History. During this period the grandeur Gott gave this building had faded from its original glory as practical necessity resulted in interior alterations made for studio art instruction.

In its restored pristine state, Peterson Hall's main floor features a computer graphics area, art history classrooms, faculty offices and slide-preparation areas, while the lower floor includes a photography laboratory and design and drawing studio. Courses in painting, sculpture, printmaking, etc., are currently being taught in the Art Studio building, located across Main Street and situated behind Thompson Hall. This second art instructional facility also is being renovated.





Far left (l-r): Maryland Governor Parris Glendening receives Peterson illustration from artist Susan Davis, her daughter Jamie, President Chambers and keynote speaker Gary Vikan.

Opposite top (l-r): With the ceremonial snip of scissors, President Chambers welcomes guests for their first look at Peterson Hall.

Opposite center (l-r): Art history prof. Julie Badie, art alumna Kim Jones '87, art faculty Wasyli Pali-jczuk and Sue Bloom are thankful for restored Peterson Hall.

Opposite bottom: Clemmie Peterson's friends Sue Cockey Kiefer, college trustee Dick Kiefer and Clarisse Mechanic welcome Peterson's relatives great-nephew Duane Peterson of Sacramento, Calif. and Margie and (nephew) Warren Peterson of Park Ridge, Ill.

Top right: Chambers strikes a pose with the samurai-inspired sculpture by H.L. Gates.

Bottom right: Most anticipated by guests was the unveiling of the new gallery on Peterson Hall's top floor.

Most anticipated by campus guests at the dedication was the unveiling of Peterson's top floor which has been restored to the sophisticated art gallery that it was in the 1960s—with its English white oak paneling, stucco pilasters and cornices. New skylights designed by stained-glass artist Tim Hirneisen have been installed and an elevator now provides access for physically handicapped persons.

Exhibits included a private collection of African and tribal arts from Eva Blum and her late husband Albert and dramatic sculptures by H.L. Gates of Frederick, Md., which were inspired by samurai armor.

The ceremony's keynote speaker and director of the Walters Art Gallery, Gary Vikan, admired Peterson Hall noting that it has "wonderful architectural machismo. Thanks to Baltimore's grande dame and arts patron Clemmie Peterson, Peterson Hall is made to shine and function [again]," he said.

He said the dedication of this building should remind us that the fine arts are in a decade of jeopardy due to the decline of public funding and increased direction of corporate funding to support pressing social issues.

Vikan outlined several reasons to the audience for "why art" in our world and our lives. He applauded art museums for their effectiveness as a major economic engine and the driving force for tourism in

the nation's cities. He added that art museums are wonderful sources of entertainment and education, as well as builders of community.

Foremost Vikan stated that art alone provides us with the opportunity for the esthetic experience likening this experience to a trace element such as iodine in one's diet: "If you don't have a little bit of it, eventually it will do you harm."

In a special tribute to Mrs. Peterson, President Robert Chambers said, "Clemmie Peterson epitomizes a singular tradition in America—the dedication of private

resources to the public good. She has, by herself, made all of us better, wiser, more sophisticated, more intelligent, and more enlightened human beings."

Cultural arts patron and honorary alumna Clarisse Mechanic spoke on behalf of her longtime friend who was unable to attend the event. She said that Clemmie and her late husband Duane would rejoice in knowing that "this gift of love is being received in the spirit that it is given. They both understood and believed in the foundation that only knowledge tempered by wisdom can build."

Other highlights at the dedication included a musical performance by the

C. KURT HOOPER (ALL)

World Travelers' Art At Home In New Gallery

In March, Eva Blum brought two lifelong loves symbolically together: her worldwide travels with her husband, Albert, and the artwork they collected around the world to present an art exhibit and inaugurate the newly restored art gallery in Peterson Hall. Eva Blum of Sykesville, Md. presented the college with her notable collection of art works on long-term loan. The tribal and ancient art objects featured are a testament to the Blums' passion for travel that propelled them to the far reaches of the world.

During World War II, Albert Blum served as a liaison officer with the British Navy in the Mediterranean and in Italy, and was proud to have been the first American naval officer to enter Naples. He also led a convoy of trucks on a 2,000-mile trek across Africa, his favorite continent, and he returned in 1952 for a 7,500-mile adventure. Everywhere he traveled—from Afghanistan to the Ama-



Eva Blum is congratulated by dear friends Allen and Virginia MacDonald (standing).

the way from the art objects to the cultures that produced them."

Albert often gave lectures at the college about his world travels and the Blums have many connections to WMC. Eva took sculpting classes from art professor Wasyl Palijczuk when he taught at the Jewish Community Center and art professor Julie Badiee assisted her in cataloguing the collection. Former art history professor Allen MacDonald, a friend of Albert's, began researching the collection back in 1950.

The highlight of the exhibit is the magnificent grouping of carved ivory pieces from Africa and Asia including a scabbard of a samurai sword from Japan and several Chinese figurines.

The Blums were particularly interested in the art of Africa and amassed an outstanding collection of artifacts which include masks, large wooden figurines, beading and jewelry. The collection is also noteworthy for a number of pre-Colombian pottery vessels and a jade necklace. Other works include a ceremonial cup from Easter Island, a silver prayer wheel from Sikim, ancient bronze battle axes from the region of Luristan and a Hellenistic jug featuring two graceful acrobats forming the handle.

Blum was 92 when he died at his home in 1992 at the Fairhaven retirement community in Sykesville. He retired as Baltimore Municipal Court judge in 1970, but remained active for many more years. Among his many activities, he was on the acquisition committees of the BMA.

He was a trustee of the Maryland Academy of Science, a member of the American Legion, the Reserve Officers of the Naval Service and the Baltimore alumni club of Johns Hopkins University, which gave him a distinguished alumnus award in 1945.



WMC Madrigals; the presentation of the symbolic key by WMC trustee board chairman Lee Rice to art and art history department chairperson Susan Bloom; and remarks by Joan Develin Coley, college provost, student art major Patrick Barry and alumna Kimberly Jones '87. Maryland Governor Parris Glendening joined the festivities following the ribbon-cutting and offered his congratulations.

Centerbrook Architects of Essex, Conn., was the architect for Peterson Hall's transformation, which cost \$1.4 million. Roy Kirby & Sons of Baltimore was the general contractor. •

zon, to the Andes and the Arctic Circle—Blum added to his collection of tribal masks, weaponry and art objects.

Eva was infused with Albert's love of art and travel when she married him in 1964. She began researching and cataloguing the collection eight years ago and recently presented 57 pre-Colombian and tribal art pieces on long-term loan to Western Maryland. A portion of the collection is also on exhibit at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

"Albert had a unique personality and I wanted to establish an exhibit that reflected that," she explains. "His interest ran all

Cover Story

*How the G.I. Bill Sent Soldiers
to WMC, Barracks and All*

Vetville

BY KIM ASCH

The year was 1947 and everything in the world seemed possible. The war was over and George Pferdeort '49 was safely reunited with his loving wife Lillian after serving in France and Germany with the 254th Infantry of the 63rd Division of the Army. He was a 28-year-old freshman at Western Maryland and had moved with his family into "new" college housing just down the hill from campus.

Who would have guessed his future could be so bright? Before entering the army as a chaplain's assistant, the Pittsburgh native had never dared to dream of going to college. Instead, he had contented himself with a more modest plan to take an industrial course and eventually earn a job as a laborer.

But, as Lillian explains, "That was before he met me and I talked him into going into the ministry." And, as George further explains, that was before he learned about the brand-new G.I. Bill of Rights, which provided veterans with money to further their education and make a better life for themselves.

Like many other returning veterans, Pferdeort (pronounced Fur-dee-ort) took advantage of the opportunity. He applied and was immediately accepted at Western Maryland College two weeks after getting out of the service. And, like many other institutions of higher learning, Western Maryland College seized upon the chance to increase its student population and found an affordable way to house those hordes of returning soldiers who were married, thus not permitted to live with single students in the dormitories.

According to *The Formative Years: 1866-1947*, Western Maryland College was awarded a shipment of sectionalized army barracks to be hauled to Westminster and erected as apartments for married students and their families.





Ruth + Stevie Fleming
 Johnnie Barthel
 March 1947
 105 Shaffer (Living Room)

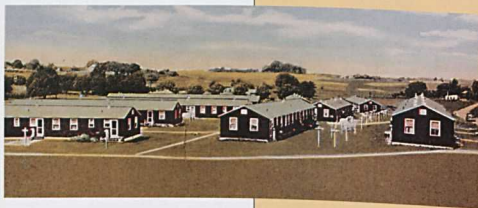
Jack Eccles
 June 1947
 Vetrille



Pferdeort had put his army life behind him and darn if he still wasn't living in the barracks.

The gift of a four-acre lot on Sullivan Road by college trustee Walter H. Davis provided the site. Then the surveying, locating of buildings and providing of water and sewer lines was undertaken by Carl Schaeffer '14, college treasurer and an engineer.

Pferdeort had put his army life behind him and darn if he *still* wasn't living in the barracks. But this time it was different—the date was February 1947, the war was long over and he and his family were beginning their new lives together in a place called Verville.



Home Sweet Home

The walls were so thin that when you asked your spouse a question, the neighbors were likely to answer. The floors were so cold that a wet washrag would freeze fast if it fell from the sink. And the student families who lived there were so poor, some reckon they are the true inventors of Hamburger Helper.

But for most living in Verville, shortened from Veteran's Village, they were tough but happy times. As Lillian Pferdeort emphatically explains, "It was fantastic because that was our first home."

The Pferdeorts were the second family to move into the 30-unit neighborhood of one-story, red-stuccoed barracks. They had the dubious distinction of being located next to the only phone booth in the neighborhood, which for most of the residents was their only means of communication to the outside world. Whenever the phone rang, it was the Pferdeorts who had to run outside to answer it, then track down the desired party.

They're Still Standing

Even though the college no longer owns it, students no longer live there and Verville is now called Ye Village Green, the neighborhood of barrack-style apartments just down "the Hill" is still a tight-knit community where residents look out for each other and families can get a start in an affordable home of their own.

"It was inexpensive enough that I could still have my car and pay my insurance and I was able to give my only

pet, put in new kitchen cabinets and countertops and installed a mini-washing machine next to the kitchen sink. The compact dryer is in the hall closet.

When she remarried a few years ago, Mossburg and her husband, Ronnie, considered moving into a bigger place, but "he's hooked here, too," she says.

No wonder. None of the residents pay more than \$400 per month for one of the two-bedroom apartments. And during the height of the winter, Mossburg's utility bills were never more than \$65.

It seems the major difference between Verville and Ye Village Green is that it is no longer transitional housing. "Some of the people are still here when I was a kid," says Mossburg, who was hired to work as the resident manager of the 39-unit complex when Westminster City Councilman Steve Chapin began managing the property after Westminster Real Estate L.L.C. purchased it last year.

As the years go by, the community grows to look more and more like one big happy family. Four sisters and a niece live there, each in their own apartments, as well as a father and a son and two sisters. Mossburg's own mother lives in an apartment across the way.

Besides some necessary repairs that have allowed the sectionalized army barracks to battle the years—new roofing, siding and insulation—the feeling of the place hasn't changed much.

"The walls are still very thin," Mossburg wryly reports, and the furnaces still dominate the living room, only now they are updated and much safer.

More significantly, Mossburg notes, "If your neighbor needs help, you always help. That's the way it's always been."

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daughter the things I otherwise couldn't have afforded as a single mother, like a piano and lessons," enthuses Candy Mossburg, who lived in a Verville apartment when she was a girl. Ten years ago, she returned with her daughter after Mossburg and her husband divorced.

"I would love to have a nice big house but I can't afford it, so I've done this up and I'm proud of it," explains Mossburg, who has taken visiting alumni on a nostalgic tour through her apartment.

The happy homemaker has transformed her humble bungalow into a Shangri-la, complete with a white picket fence surrounding her postage-stamp yard, brick patio and flower beds. Inside, she covered the floors with lush blue car-

One particular couple who lived at the other end of the street seemed to get most of the calls, remembers Lillian. "We'd have to run down and get them and sometimes we'd say, 'Is this really necessary?' Sometimes, when I was busy with the children, I

wouldn't answer the phone at all."

Lillian took care of the tiny two-bedroom apartment and their first two children while George attended classes and cracked the books. Like most of their neighbors, they survived off of the \$50

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—Ellen Earp Baker MED'87



The kitchen, like the rest of the apartment, was cramped but kept neat and tidy.

check they received each month from the government as part of the GI Bill. Rent cost \$15 per month the first year and was increased to \$20 the second. With little disposable income to spend on movies or dinners out, the students and their families were inspired to create their own fun. Often, the mothers—including Kay Buckingham, Betty Ammon and Mary Kay Shannon—would get together for a stroll with the babies while the fathers studied. George liked to take his toddler son Jimmy to the athletic fields so he could do schoolwork while watching his boy play.

"On the first of the month (when the check came) we'd go down to Benny's Kitchen where they had good meals for a dollar. That's when Danny was a baby and we'd put him up on the pinball machine to sleep while we ate," recalls George, now 76 with four children and nine grandchildren.

"Everybody had the same income so nobody was any better off," Lillian, 74, explains. "Except for those who were spoiled and whose parents kept bringing up food for them. The rest of us made do."

George soon realized his dream of

becoming a minister and began preaching at two rural churches in Harford County before he even graduated. Both congregations pitched in \$500 so the Pferdeorts could buy a new car they could rely on to make the long trip on back country roads. In Vetville, having your own wheels was a novelty and George was called on often to taxi his classmates to destinations too far away for walking.

"One night Kenneth Lawson '48 came banging on the door yelling, 'It's time George! It's time!' His wife was going into labor, so I drove them over to Frederick to the closest hospital," Pferdeort recalls. "We stuck together in our group."

The rest of the class of 1949 might remember Pferdeort, who went on to continue ministerial training at Westminster Theological Seminary, because of the curious shout from the back of Alumni Hall

during commencement. "We had seats way up in the balcony and how Jimmy ever knew from that far away when his father walked across the stage I can't say. But he pointed and yelled 'That's my daddy!'" recalls Lillian, still beaming with pride.

Vivid Memories

Ellen Earp Baker MED'87 was 6 years old in 1947 when she lived in Vetville with her father, sociology professor James Earp, her mother Florence and little brother Ed. The family rented for nine months while they built a new house in Westminster, enlisting the help of their student neighbors.

Her recollections of life in Vetville are quite vivid.

"Our apartment faced what was then the dump for all of Westminster, and I can remember well the sights and smells," she says. "Also, we lived next to Dick and Margie Spangler (Zerkel) '46 and I can remember his pipe smoke seeping through the wall."

Unlike most of the neighbors, Baker reports, "We were lucky enough to have a phone, so we would take calls for the Spanglers and knock on the wall to signal them over. We had a knock for her and a knock for him."

The gaps in the floor were so large, Baker remembers being scared that her toys would slip through them and be lost forever in what she imagined was a bottomless pit. "And everyone was afraid of fires because of the huge kerosene heater that sat in the middle of the living room."

Most Vetvillagers kept a bag of salt nearby in case they had to smother the flames of their exploding furnaces. The fuel tank and the burner were inches apart and sometimes one of the beasts would rumble and shake so threateningly it would send residents fleeing outside for safety.

"My playmates had to be imported from other neighborhoods," Baker says, because there wasn't much excitement in Vetville for a 6-year-old. "There were a lot of kids, but they were mostly babies, and all of the fathers were busy studying."



"We became sort of an entertainment center. We would keep the girls who were dates for dances."

—Sam Mann '55



C. KURT HULTER

Daddys Have to Study

Bob Garrity's children learned early on that the men of the household were not to play outside before they finished their homework. Now a retired Prince George's County teacher, the 1956 alumnus was even busier than most of his industrious Vetsville neighbors—at the same time he was pursuing a degree in history, he pulled the full-time nightshift working as a trainman, yard foreman or conductor for the B&O Railroad in Baltimore.

The 24-year-old also relished his role as college student and promptly pledged with the Black and White fraternity, and played intramural football. During his spare time, which was becoming more and more sparse, Garrity stayed in the apartment and studied while his wife Janet took son Robert and daughter Debra (Michael was born later) out for walks or rides initiated to give him peace and quiet.

"My mother-in-law came up to visit one Sunday and this time we all went for a drive," Garrity, now 65, recalls with a chuckle. "We happened to come by a barnyard and there was a mare and a colt out grazing and my mother-in-law pointed and said, 'Look! There's a mamma horse and a baby horse, where's the daddy horse?' With no hesitation at all, my son answered,

Sometimes, for nostalgia's sake, Sam and Joan Mann drive past their former Vetsville apartment.

"He's in the barn studying" because that's what dad did, he stayed inside and studied."

Starting Out Right

Sam '55 and Joan ex-'57 Mann started out as high school sweethearts and were married at "Little" Baker by Dr. Charles Crain, then-professor of religion, during spring break of Sam's junior year at Western Maryland. "I remember I didn't have to take a midterm exam because I was getting married the next day," says Joan.

She gave birth to the first of their five children in May, just before Sam graduated. "He had a semester in the womb and now Stephan's a doctor. He's chief of the emergency room at Frederick Hospital," Joan reports. "We always joke that it's because he started college early."

As a student in the Reserve Officer Training Corps program, Sam received \$30 per month—exactly the rent at Vetsville during that time. Both had scholarships to cover tuition and Sam also worked the night shift at Black and Decker

TOP 10 LIST

You Knew You Were Living in Vetsville Because:

10. You could talk to your neighbors through the walls.
9. Wet towels left on the floor overnight were frozen stiff by morning.
8. Turning on the kerosene heater seemed a death-defying feat.
7. All the men on the block still brought home report cards.
6. You were a straight-A student of "stretching the dollar."
5. The apartments were decked out in the same "early orange crate" decor.
4. You had to walk down to the corner to answer the phone.
3. You lived close to all the shopping, but couldn't afford to buy much.
2. You received your military discharge, but were still sleeping in the barracks.

And the number one clue that you were living in Vetsville ...

1. You were so happy to be in your family's first home together, you didn't even care.

Inc. for extra money. But they still had plenty of fun.

"There were a lot of parties because we were that age and every time exams were over we'd buy grain alcohol and mix it with grapefruit juice," Sam recalls. "We became sort of an entertainment center. We would keep the girls who were dates for dances."

Some nights the newlyweds would walk downtown to catch a movie at either the Carroll Theater, now a storefront church, or The State Theater, which used to be near the old J.C. Penny building. They would get a bite to eat at the Winslow

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—John Hall '57

Center Grille or an ice cream at the Twin Kiss.

"It was a slower time—nobody was harassed and everybody just took the day as it came. I think it was as a result of the war being over," Joan says. "We didn't have much money, but no one seemed deprived at all."

After a four-year stint in the service, the Manns settled in Westminster where they bought a 19th century house on three acres for \$11,000. Painted forest green with black shutters and meticulously decorated with antique collectibles, the farmhouse looks like a showhouse straight out of *Country Living* magazine. But neither Joan nor Sam, a retired Carroll County guidance counselor, would trade in their modest beginnings.

"Living in Vetville was a nice way to start a marriage," she says.

Madonna Mystery

When Winifred '53, MLA'78 Dulany married her husband Bill '50 the summer before he entered law school at the University of Maryland, she didn't know how to cook a thing. In fact, after she and her husband returned from a three-week honeymoon in Florida, they moved into their Vetville apartment with a good supply of groceries and realized they had never thought to get a refrigerator.

Once their food was safely stored away, the Dulanys learned to cook side-by-side, which is the only way Win would enter the kitchen because she was terrified of the rats she sometimes spied scurrying beneath the floor.

"That fall, they had started to build Route 140 and the construction disturbed the dump that used to be next door, as well as the rats who lived there," Win recalls with an air of dramatic disgust. "These creatures came over to find a happy new home at Vetville, as well as food."

About the same time, the Dulanys began to fear they were being disturbed by something even more troublesome. "We had a marble-topped table in the living room and on it we placed a statuette of the Madonna we had received as a wedding gift," Win explains. "Now we had very few accou-

trements that were lovely, but this was one of them. I'm no decorator, but I have an artistic flair and placed the Madonna just so on that table."

Every few days, however, the Madonna would be turned to face the wall, seemingly of her own will. Win would ask Bill if he had moved the statuette and Bill, who is now a partner in a Westminster law firm and a college trustee, would answer no, didn't she?

"We were really freaking out at this point," Win says laughing. "I'm not Roman Catholic and I thought maybe the Virgin Mary didn't want to be in my house."

Then one day, they were both home together and watched as the construction of Route 140 shook and vibrated the apartment so violently, the Madonna changed position.

"We thought, 'Oh, thank God!' the moving Madonna was rationally explained and there was no poltergeist invading our lovely hacienda," Win says. "The rats were guarding it too closely."

Hog Heaven

The hog came to John '57 and Marian Martin '53 Hall's home involuntarily. The Halls didn't especially want to park the beast in a trailer on Wimert Avenue in front of their apartment but they couldn't pass up the opportunity for some cheap pork.

"The pig was supposed to solve our budget problems and keep us from starving to death," explains John. "After taking the \$30 rent money out of the \$75 G.I. monthly allowance, not much was left for books, tuition, food and other necessities. A recession was on and jobs were somewhat scarce, but the solution was there in the newspaper."

Marian had read an article about the glut on the hog market, so she and John decided to buy wholesale meat from a nearby farmer and have Hahn's of Westminster butcher it and store it in a freezer locker for them. They purchased a prize-winning, blue-ribbon hog for 19 cents per



During commencement ceremonies, Vetvillagers were cheered by their biggest fans—their children.

pound and took it to Hahn's in their little utility trailer. But when they got there, they were told

they weren't going to butcher again until four days later.

"What were we to do? The farmer wouldn't take it back. So, I bought a bushel of corn from the farmer and a bale of straw ... I got old Porky a bucket of water and he bedded down for the night," John recalls. "Whenever people would walk by he would oink or squeal and startle the daylighters out of them. Several people brought their small children just to see him. Tuesday came and I discovered my second mistake—never name an animal you are going to eat. Marian was full of guilt about butchering Porky."

That was probably one of the more colorful of the many lessons learned by the Halls during their time at Vetville, an experience they describe as "a mighty springboard into the good life."

Concludes John, "For most of the people, the Vetville experience was a new beginning, a camaraderie in future-building, a kind of group sharing in opportunity and sacrifice. Together we learned to stretch a dollar. We learned, for example, that wooden orange crates from the supermarket made sturdy bookcases when stood on end. We learned that the wooden veneer shipping cases for coffins were available for free from the funeral parlor and that they made good clothes closets ... A get-together or a snowstorm provided entertainment. They were lean times, but they were good times. You were future-building."

Agrees Eileen and Carl '52 Sturgill, who struggled and dreamed at 103 Sullivan Ave. for two years, "Those were the days! We wouldn't trade them in for anything." ●

Faculty Profile

*Two profs prevail in
Alaska's 80-mile Iditasport*

Cowards Won't Show and the Weak Will Die

BY KIM ASCH

The trouble with him was that he was without imagination. He was quick and alert in the things of life, but only in the things, and not in the significances. Fifty degrees below zero meant eighty-odd degrees of frost. Such fact impressed him as being cold and uncomfortable, and that was all. It did not lead him to meditate upon his frailty as a creature of temperature, and upon man's frailty in general, able only to live within certain narrow limits of heat and cold; and from there on it did not lead him to the conjectural field of immortality and man's place in the universe.

—from Jack London's *To Build a Fire*

Somewhere along the 80-mile trail of Alaska's icy Iditasport race, physical education professor Sam Case and his partner, biology professor Sam Alspach, stopped to contemplate their place in the universe. They were in the middle of nowhere, about 99 percent sure they were still on the snow-covered course, which was about as sure as they ever were during their arduous 36-hour journey. The sun had already sought its shelter and when their feet ceased crunching along the frozen ground, there was absolute silence.

The runners took a moment to gaze up into the most remarkable sky either has ever seen.

"It was really marvelous. The moon came up and cast its glow over the snow and we could actually turn off our headlamps and still see," says Alspach, a skinny, long-legged athlete whose ambling speech belies his quick pace on the trail.

"The stars were dancing on the horizon, there were so many of them, and you could see them all because there's no light pollution," describes Case, a broad, compact man who still looks like a wrestler even after years of running marathons. "That was the nicest sky I've ever seen. You look at the moon and all of those stars and realize you're just kind of a small speck in the universe."

Unlike Jack London's fictional traveler, whose fatal lack of creativity and imagination resulted in his chilly death, Case and Alspach ventured out to The Last Frontier to observe the significances of the Iditasport and its participants—as contestants themselves. But before the Feb. 18 race began, Case reread London's timeless tale and took its lessons to heart.

The "two Sams" were well prepared for their Alaskan adventure.

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"... I think you have to have a creative mind in order to cope with the length of time you're staying out there."

—Sam Case

"Survival is my goal. I really want to finish but I'm not going to put myself in danger," Case said from his snug Gill Center office about a week before the race. "We won't get as many articles published but I bet we learn a heck of a lot."

For the last five years, Case has made his annual trek north to Alaska. In 1990 and 1991, the exercise physiologist studied Iditarod dog sled mushers, noting their diets and body composition with relation to thyroid gland function. In 1993, he decided to turn his attention to the Iditasport instead of the Iditarod because it focuses solely on human performance. And last year he began collaborating with Steve Bailey '86, a researcher and assistant professor at the Medical University of South Carolina, on a new, groundbreaking study which explores brain neurotransmitters and their relationship to fatigue.

The 5-year-old Iditasport is the race which boasts as its motto, "Cowards Won't Show and the Weak Will Die." The course includes sections of the Iditarod trail and blazes through the Alaskan bush—home more to moose than man—where no roads exist and the only signs of civilization are the few hunting cabins and animal traps scattered over the tundra. Participants are invited to choose their weapons: skis, bikes, snowshoes or running shoes.

After years of watching from the sidelines, Case caught the bug that compels the otherwise sane to submit themselves to subzero temperatures, the threat of moose attacks and so much snow that this year runners trudged and waded as often as they ran.

He and Alspach proved to be neither weak nor cowards.

The Race is On

The night before the race, the "two Sams," as they have come to be known in Alaska, dined at an Italian restaurant in Anchorage to "carbo-load" on pasta. They were also drawn by the entertainment—classical guitarist Shawn Lyons, who participated in last year's study. The next day, he would stride to his ninth victory in the Iditasport competition.

Case's daughter Sarah and Karen Fulton '96, a biology and chemistry major, volun-



teered to make the trip so they could help with the research. Including students in his work is something Case does whenever he can.

Two years ago, David Miller '95 helped Case with his nutritional study and was named as one of the authors of an article that was published in a recent issue of *Alaska Medicine*.

"(Involving students) is really the model for research at Western Maryland," explains Case '63, MEd'66. "It's a great experience for an undergraduate to go and do research, especially when it's going to get published."

Fulton agrees her adventure was valuable academically. And she says she saw her professors in an entirely new light in The Land of the Midnight Sun.

"I knew that they were these crazy guys

(clockwise) Sam Alspach and Sam Case were elated to finish. Gear lines the path to a rest stop.

and that they'd done cold weather backpacking, but I had no idea they wanted to do this," she explains. "It was neat to see Dr. Case and Dr. Alspach really relaxed or nervous—ways that I don't see them when they're teaching."

By all accounts, including their own, the pre-race hours were the really nervous times. "I think Dad got more nervous as the race time approached, whereas Dr. Alspach seemed nervous when he first arrived and then seemed to calm down," says Sarah. "Of course, they made about 15 trips to REI," the sporting goods store.

The morning of Feb. 18, Case and Alspach layered up in Gore-Tex, neoprene



(left) "I worked harder for this ulu knife than I did for my Ph.D."

—Sam Case

(below) Sam Alspach takes a break on the trail.

and polar fleece, then reported to the starting line at Big Lake, about an hour outside of Anchorage. Four other racers showed up wearing the same green down jackets Alspach and Case had purchased on sale at REI the day before.

Each entrant was required to bring a sled loaded with emergency gear. But unlike the Iditarod, no dogs helped to pull the 25 pounds of equipment. A couple Case had met on a previous trip, Brooks and Rita Wade, built sleds for he and Alspach just large enough for the supplies. "That showed some creativity. They even included an owner's manual, like you'd get with a new car," says Case, who marvels at the hospitality of the Alaskans.

"They can't do enough for us. Exercise physiologist Deborah Evans always arranges our lodging and got us a discount on airfare," he says. And even the other contestants help each other out.

"There is a great attitude that because of the extreme conditions we're all in this together," observes Bailey '86.

Besides cold-weather sleeping bags good for temperatures as frigid as 30 degrees below zero, the racers were required to bring a tiny stove for melting snow, two quarts of water, a tent, a headlamp and a day's supply of food. Out in the middle of nowhere, a sudden drop in temperature or a snow squall could mean big trouble without survival gear.

Fulton and Sarah got to work helping Bailey with the research. They collected blood samples and conducted mood state and personality surveys. Not surprisingly, participants typically score highest in creativity and independence.

"This is not your average mile run or even 10K race. I think you have to have a creative mind in order to cope with the length of time you're staying out there," explains Case. "You also have to cope with the elements and figure out how they relate to your own body. You have to layer your clothing and anticipate when to take off layers, and you have to keep hydrated. That takes a little creativity."

Participants' diets were also analyzed. They mostly consisted of bizarre combinations of tasty treats high in fat and every other nutrient, ranging from 7,500 to



17,000 calories. The professors' provisions included a pizza they had bought in Anchorage, with the pieces individually wrapped, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, granola bars and 3 dozen chocolate chip cookies baked by another of Case's Alaskan allies.

"Those cookies got us through the race," Case says.

"You've never tasted chocolate chip

cookies like that," adds Alspach, who in saying so seems to be savoring not only the cookies but the thrill of the adventure.

At 10 a.m. the two Sams set off with 77 other creative, crazy athletes toward the finish line in Skwentna, a town of 130 people sprawling over 30 square miles. Because in theory the Iditabikers, Iditaskiers and Iditashoe racers could cover more ground more quickly, they were to loop

Bailey Never Tires of Fatigue Research

It was difficult for Steve Bailey '86 not to get caught up in the excitement of the Iditaspport race. "You begin to entertain some very stupid ideas. At one point I was thinking, if I could find a sled and borrow some gear I could hang out with the Sams and run the race, too," explains the Medical University of South Carolina researcher. "But I knew I was up there to do work, too."

While WMC exercise physiology professor Sam Case and biology professor Sam Alspach became subjects in their own study, running 80 miles over the snow-covered Alaskan bush in 20-degree-below weather, Bailey watched from the sidelines and collected data on this year's participants.

The researchers went north to Alaska in February to learn more about the idea of central fatigue—that is, fatigue that's initiated when the brain sends signals to the rest of the body that it's time to shut down.

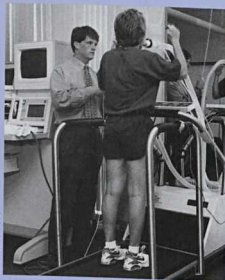
The Iditaspport, an annual event for bikers, skiers, snowshoe racers and runners, offers the ideal study conditions because "we seem to think the idea of central fatigue plays more of a role with prolonged exercise in extreme environments," Bailey explains. "Also, the people who participate in the Iditaspport tend to be very accommodating to us. The relative participation is great compared to other competitors in ultra-events—we have people who are winning the event participating. They love to get feedback on what's happening in their own bodies."

Bailey and the others theorize that the brain may be telling the body to rest before it is completely exhausted. "I sort of view it as a protective mechanism, that the brain is preventing damage to the rest of the body," Bailey explains.

The goal of their study is to find a way to delay the brain's perception that the rest of the body is tired. And Bailey, Case and Alspach believe that it can be done through nutritional manipulation.

That's where the amino acid tyrosine comes in. When metabolized, it becomes the neuro transmitter dopamine, which can reduce the potentially negative effects of serotonin. Serotonin is the neuro transmitter produced by tryptophan, the nutrient in turkey and warm milk that makes you sleepy. Changes in serotonin have been associated with depression. Prozac, today's antidepressant drug of choice, works by inhibiting serotonin re-uptake.

"If there is a nutritional manipulation like tyrosine that could delay fatigue it



Steve Bailey boosts the Iditaspport research to a higher level of science.

would have two consequences," Bailey says. "It would allow athletes to perform better," which is why companies such as the manufacturer of Gatorade have expressed an interest in the research.

"But there's also a clinical side to this," Bailey explains. "There appear to be syndromes where fatigue occurs for no known reason. For example, chronic fatigue syndrome is not related with any of the traditional factors that cause fatigue in muscle."

Should tyrosine work in delaying the brain's signals that the body is fatigued, then it could have implications in the treatment of people suffering from conditions such as chronic fatigue syndrome and the fatigue associated with depression.

Most of this year's data will be analyzed over the next year or so. In fact, Case's nutritional study from two years ago was only just published in a recent issue of *Alaska Medicine*. "Western Maryland is not a research institution," explains Case. "We're doing pretty well with a lag time of two years."

The next step in the research, Bailey explains, "is to continue to accumulate all of this supportive evidence and to correlate it with the results from animal studies," as well as with human subjects suffering from chronic fatigue. And he plans to do just that at the Medical University of South Carolina. "There's a whole lot of emphasis on clinical application here. I have access to patients suffering from chronic fatigue and I'm in a better environment to do human research."

In fact, Case says his collaboration with

Bailey boosts his work to a higher level of science. "Steve is recently out of graduate school. He has his finger on the pulse of the latest developments in this emerging area of exercise science," he says. "He also has access to more extensive and sophisticated research equipment than we do at Western Maryland."

Their collaboration has its roots on "the Hill," when Case was the adviser for Bailey's self-designed sports medicine major.

"Sam's an important person in my life because he's able to balance his work, recreation and family life much better than most of the people in my field," Bailey says. "He kind of inspired me to pursue this career."

After graduating from WMC, Bailey went on to earn his master's and Ph.D. in exercise physiology at Wake Forest University and the University of South Carolina in Columbia. He spent two years at Rutgers's University in the exercise science department doing his postdoctoral work in neuroendocrinology.

At age 30, Bailey is now an assistant professor of rehabilitation science. He and his wife Elizabeth, who has made a career in the clinical side of exercise physiology doing cardiac rehabilitation, just had their first child, a daughter named Moira.

Like Case, Bailey's academic interest has also become his sport. "Once I got more interested in the field of exercise physiology at Western Maryland, I became an avid runner and in the course of my graduate studies I became more interested in testing my body and seeing what it could do."

He has run the 50-mile JFK race and participates annually in the Shut-In Ridge Trail Run, a 17-mile course that begins at the Biltmore House and goes 5,000 feet above sea level along a trail in the mountains of North Carolina.

"It's very alluring, being able to prove to yourself that you can do this kind of thing," Bailey says of these ultra-events. That's especially true with the Iditaspport. "When you see people finish the race you definitely perceive that they have gone through an unusual experience for them. It's almost like there is some kind of spiritual renewal."

Next year, the team will again make the trek to Alaska to study the Iditaspport race. But this time, Case will have to watch while Bailey runs.

"I think since he did it this year, I kind of have to," Bailey concludes. "If Sam can do it, I can."

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back to their finish at Big Lake, covering a total of about 150 miles. However, about one-third of the bikers bailed out when they discovered the soft snow conditions required them to push instead of peddle. And 22 contestants dropped out of the race all together.

"The weather was beautiful but the trail was tough. Snow had drifted over six feet in some places," Case recalls. "The trail was packed down with snow machines (snowmobiles) and sometimes the footing was good and sometimes it wasn't."

At the first checkpoint 27 miles from Big Lake, the two Sams lost time. "It looked like a Civil War army hospital," says Case. "There were people dropping out, people changing clothes, people trying to sleep and trying to eat. As neophytes, we didn't have things planned as tightly as we could."

Meanwhile, Fulton and Sarah, who had gone on to wait at Skwentna, began to get anxious. Communications were down at the other checkpoints, so there was no word on the progress of the two Sams.

"All these bikers were stopping and complaining about how exhausted they were," recalls Fulton. "It was really scary when I saw one racer after another come in with the (*Anchorage Daily News*) reporter who was picking them up and bringing them back on his snow machine."

Creative Finish

But Alspach and Case, who at 55 and 53 were the second- and third-oldest Iditasport competitors, were careful to pace themselves. They placed seventh and eighth of the eight runners who made it. The ninth, a favorite to win the race, must have ignored the lessons of *To Build a Fire* and developed a serious case of frostbite that forced him to drop out.

"They were really with it when they came in. A lot of the bikers and the cross-country skiers were in really bad shape, but I think Dad and Dr. Alspach didn't push their bodies any farther than they knew they could handle," reports Sarah Case.

"The Sams ran a very smart race," agrees Bailey. "They were well prepared,

It took creativity to cross icy inclines and to appreciate the beautiful skies.

they never put themselves in jeopardy and they enjoyed themselves the whole way."

The two Sams trotted over the finish line—much to the relief of Sarah, Fulton and Bailey—at about 10:30 p.m. Sunday.

"I was flying high," boasts Alspach, who finished 11 minutes earlier than Case.

"If you look at our mood tests, we were in sync," says Case of their finish. "I really felt elated."

After the race, they found the warmth of a cabin and slept a long and satisfying sleep. "At first, I was so excited I couldn't get to sleep, and then I got to sleep and I was dead to the world," Case recalls.

The next morning, Case and Alspach boast, they weren't even sore. They walked half a mile to a restaurant for breakfast and only accepted a snow machine ride back to their cabin "for the novelty of it."

"I ran the next morning just to stay limber," adds Alspach.

Now back in the warmth and safety of "the Hill," the two Sams are full of bravado and a pervading sense of accomplishment for having finished the toughest test they will ever put to their bodies. "I know this will help me in my teaching," says Case, who paid the \$200 race entry fee and funded his own trip this year. In the

past he has gotten help with WMC faculty development grants. "I felt that I got my money's worth."

Case will teach an honor's course next fall on the physiology of extreme environments, and a summer intern funded by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Award will help him analyze some of the data they collected.

"I've learned so many things from the experience," he explains. "I learned ways that we can do a better job with the study. And in terms of what I learned about myself, I think I've got a fairly high tolerance for pain and I think I have a strong sense of stick-to-itiveness and that was reinforced."

"But most importantly," he concludes, "I really learned how beautiful a night can be when you're out there in Alaska by yourself with the stars coming out and the moon shining bright. I learned I could appreciate those things."

Both Sams proudly show off their prize for finishing the Iditasport—shiny new ulu knives, an Alaskan tool useful for skinning and chopping. These are strictly ornamental, however, engraved with their names, the date and event.

"I worked harder for this ulu knife than I did for my Ph.D.," quips Case. "I'd do it again in a minute." ●

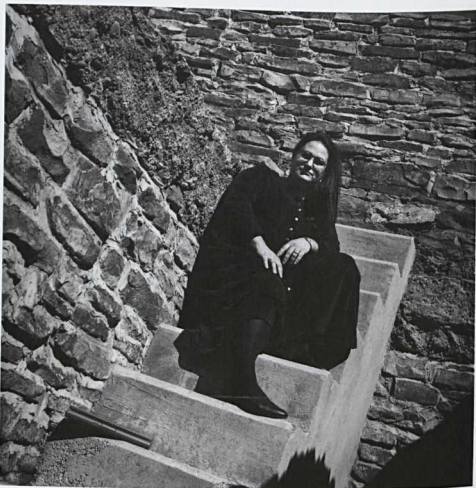
Alumni Profile

Blackman Finds a Perfect Fit at Mattress Factory

BY KIM ASCH

Renaissance woman Susan Blackman married her love of the arts with her business savvy to find the ideal job.

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Even though she loves to perform medieval music, Susan Blackman '76 is a Renaissance woman. Singing the likes of Bach and Hildegard with the Schola Cantorium of the Pittsburgh Diocese, the Pittsburgh Camerata and Urban Sky Consort—the “cool group” for women she cofounded—is just something she does for fun.

Her work raising funds, writing grants and initiating an interactive multimedia education project for the Mattress Factory, a museum of contemporary art in Pittsburgh, not to mention raising three children ranging in age from 3 to 8 with her

Blackman plans to make the unique museum accessible to everyone via the WorldWide Web.

husband, Matt Mathis, requires the myriad talents characteristic of a woman who is more a product of the Age of Enlightenment than the Dark Ages.

Doing more than one thing at a time—and doing it well—is a skill she honed on “the Hill” as an economics major. “I was always coming into my econ classes covered in clay,” recalls Blackman, looking more bohemian than business woman clad in a black velvet smock dress with her dark hair falling straight below her shoulders.

The inspiration to marry her business savvy with her love for the arts came to her suddenly, if not surprisingly: She was, after

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all, pursuing a liberal arts education.

"One night I was sitting on the fire escape outside of Elderderick and I had a flash of understanding," Blackman explains. "I wanted to be director of the Kennedy Center."

After graduating from WMC, she did a stint at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. and earned her master's in business administration with a self-directed major in arts administration at University of Pittsburgh. In 1982, Blackman found the "perfect fit" for her skills and interests, but it wasn't with the Kennedy Center. Instead, she became the associate director of a most unconventional, yet acclaimed, museum.

The Mattress Factory, which got its name because the six-story main building was literally once a manufacturing plant for mattresses, is now a research and development lab for artists that is helping to transform Pittsburgh's economically depressed North Side.

"Like engineers and medical researchers, artists also need facilities, materials and uninterrupted time to experiment and work out ideas," explains Blackman. Showcased in the galleries are "site specific" installations by artists who use their allotted space the same way others use a sheet of paper or canvas. But unlike more traditional museums and galleries, the architecture of the Mattress Factory is not sacred.

In preparing an installation, the artist might cut into the floor, add a new wall, connect shapes to the ceiling, use music or other sounds, change the lighting or add a particular smell. "Getting a piece in is like doing a construction project," Blackman observes.

James Turrell, a pilot-turned-artist who has studied perceptual psychology, uses light the same way a painter uses paint or a sculptor uses stone or wood—it is his medium. He balances the color and inten-

sity of light to make it look flat or give it volume and manipulates the difference between what we actually see and what we think we see.

Blackman enjoys watching the startled reactions of museum visitors when they experience "Danae," the exhibit with a maze-like entrance that leads visitors into an open gallery. "Against the far wall is a rectangle the color of medium but intense purple," Blackman describes. "I say, 'Go ahead, walk up and touch it.' And it's actually another room behind a hole in the wall!"

Artist Winifred Lutz is creating a garden installation outside the main building. She approaches each new work as if she were an archeologist, digging into the ground to discover something about the history of the spot. "What she finds is the basis for where she goes," Blackman explains. In this case, she shoveled 10 feet down to the foundation of a former paper factory which had been destroyed by fire about 40 years ago.

Along with the remains of the walls, floors and ceilings, Blackman says, Lutz found concrete beams, steel columns, old plumbing fixtures and charred paper. She decided to include her discoveries in the work, which resembles modern ruins.

On the ground level of the installation, Lutz has built a window on top of a brick wall to be a reminder of the building which once stood, as well as a frame through which to view the garden she has planted. Steps lead down to the original foundation which has been cleared out. Blackman describes the serene spot as a "little oasis" for birds and other creatures of Pittsburgh.

The museum itself espouses a sort of Renaissance philosophy—that the arts are not isolated to professional artists and that creativity can be applied to all fields. "One of the points we want to get across is that creativity is not only the purview of artists. Creative problem-solving is used every day by everybody," says Blackman.

Because the works are specific to the site where they are installed, they can't be stored or taken on the road. Rather than expanding as a self-contained complex, the Mattress Factory has purchased and renovated five individual buildings so far and has plans to continue spreading its vision through the neighborhood.

Meanwhile, the interactive multimedia education project she is in the midst of developing would bring the museum and its artists to people all over the world.

"With decreased funding for arts education and (ironically) growing access to computer-based technologies within schools," Blackman explains, the project is a necessary innovation.

By going "on-line," students and other "visitors" will be able to browse through the galleries, viewing the exhibits and learning about the creative process via the Internet, the international computer network. Students will be able to sit at school or home computers and follow step-by-step the building of an installation, read explanations of the works and learn more about how art can be integrated into their own lives.

"The idea of seeing the little steps that go into building these exhibits and seeing the thought process of the artist is in the larger picture empowering because we can then apply that creativity to some of our own projects," says Blackman, who test-markets the interactive program with the help of her 8-year-old David, who like many children has mastered computers.

"There is a strong link between an individual's understanding and use of the creative process in the arts with his ability to harness that creativity and apply it to problem-solving techniques in nonartistic disciplines." ●

Time Bomb

Research Chemist Races to Combat Terrorism with Cutting-Edge Airport Security

BY KIM ASCH

The red flag flying high over the Federal Aviation Administration's technical center and aviation security lab is a silent warning signal received loud and clear by anyone who is aware of the work being done at the Atlantic City, N.J. facility.

It says: "Danger! Explosives are on the Premises!" To be precise, they are in the labs with the glass-paneled blow-out walls and two-inch steel doors just down the hall from the office of Susan Fowler Hallowell '74, a research chemist who develops devices to detect explosives in airports. "I stress out sometimes," she says of her job. But it isn't the reality that a mishap in the lab could cause one of those bombs to blow up her building that makes Hallowell feel so anxious. It's the nameless, faceless "bad guys" and her theory that she's racing against a terrorism time bomb that could explode at any moment.

When a bomb planted by terrorists on Pan Am flight 103 exploded near Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988, the Aviation Security Research and Development Service was infused with a new imperative. It increased in size from a handful of employees to its current cast of 40 "good guys" who are busily creating ways to stump the criminals. Although she didn't work there at the time, Hallowell recalls all too vividly that every one of the 270 passengers on that fatal flight were killed, including WMC junior Lindsey Otenasek and Army 1st Lt. George "Geordie" Williams '86. And she wants to prevent that tragedy from ever happening again.

"Every once in a while I take out the Lockerbie tapes and look at them just for inspiration," says Hallowell, a personable Ph.D. with an intense dedication to her mission. "I have a real sense of urgency because I want to get these new detection devices out to airports right away."

The Aviation Security Research and Development Service is composed of three divisions: detection of threat; protection against threat; and the human factors divi-

sion, which assesses whether the average nonscientific airport employee would be able to figure out how to use the new bomb detection devices. Security is so tight in the unimposing brick building located on the campus of Atlantic City International Airport that employees even need a key to get out of the bathroom, because it is accessible both from the lobby and the inner offices.

Hallowell works primarily on the trace detection program. Unlike bulk detection—which employs imaging equipment to look for larger amounts of explosives and their components, such as wires and batteries—trace detection looks for a minute amount of the chemical used to make the bombs.

Small amounts of residue from the chemicals can usually be detected on terrorists. "The good news is, if you're a bad guy and are handling explosives the signature will be left on you," explains Hallowell. "On a molecular level, we're all little Piggens (the Peanuts cartoon character) with this cloud of stuff emanating from us."

As yet, the only form of detection the FAA has deployed to the nation's airports are canine teams. Hallowell is working to improve the dog sniffing program by developing chemicals that can be used to train the animals without the use of live explosives. Currently, 103 canine teams are assigned to airports and are called out when there's a bomb threat. "They are trained to detect explosives and when they find one they sit down," she explains. "But they are only called out when there is a threat."

So Hallowell's unit is developing precautionary equipment that will check all passengers for traces of explosives. Currently, she and her colleagues are developing a new generation of explosive detectors that she hopes to have completed in time for the influx of international visitors expected to arrive in Atlanta for the 1996 summer Olympics. As they move through the baggage check and metal detector section, travelers may also be screened for any chemical residue associated with explosives.

Her team has also fostered the development of an "Egis" explosive detection sys-



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—Susan Hallowell '74

tem, for which they won a Presidential Award for Design, which uses a modified vacuum cleaner. Residue is collected from around the mouths of pocket books and baggage and then fed through a machine that analyzes the particles.

The FAA buys unclaimed lost luggage from airlines so they can be loaded with explosives for testing. Some of the labs look like sections of airports, where the bags are moved around on conveyor belts and sent through an advanced scanning device that color-codes items inside the suitcases based on their chemical makeup.

"It's nervous work," acknowledges Paul Polski, the director of the Aviation Research and Development Service. "Now we need to get logistics type of data and see if it will work in an airport."

Though the seriousness of her work never eludes her, Hallowell is careful not to let it smother her keen sense of humor and zest for life. She is an avid cyclist and is a member of an all-female Renaissance music group in which she plays the recorder, a skill she learned at Western Maryland during a January term course with then-librarian George Bachmann.

That is not the only skill she attributes to her alma mater. "My human skills are more important than my Ph.D. Dog people are not scientists and they're suspicious of us. It's really important to be able to communicate with them and to explain complex ideas in layman's terms," says Hallowell, who has a good-natured rapport with everyone from the building's janitor to Polski, the department head honcho.

"I debated whether or not to go to a liberal arts college, but it has never let me down," says Hallowell, whose father Richard Fowler '42 and sister Kathleen Fowler '72 also attended WMC.

Hallowell went on to earn a doctorate in analytical chemistry from the University of Delaware, but her heart is with Western Maryland, where she returned to marry her husband Michael in Baker Chapel. The 42-year-old feels so strongly about her undergraduate education, she has already decided to provide for WMC in her will.

"My parents basically bankrolled our education and I've wanted to pay my

mother back. What she said to me was that I should pass my education on to my children. But I don't have any children so that's one of the reasons I'm leaving the money to the school," she says.

Chemistry professor Dave Herlocker remembers Hallowell as being "very driven" about her own education, as well. "She was in my general chemistry class in 1970-71. That was one of the best groups I've ever had; about a quarter of them went on to get a master's or Ph.D. in the sciences," says Herlocker. "During the second semester she had the top grade in the class. She got it by working incredibly hard. If everybody worked as hard as she did and used their talents as well as she did, we'd all be a lot better off."

Lately, Hallowell has been called upon to share her talents with other governmental agencies, such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Though the FAA is not involved in developing equipment to detect illegal drugs, "much of the technology utilized for bomb detection is very similar to drug detection," she explains.

She is currently working with the FBI, the Department of Defense and the Secret Service. While the FAA is not an agency of the Department of Defense—Hallowell describes it instead as "a sort of *Consumer Reports* for the flying public"—there is a spirit of cooperation and camaraderie among the governmental organizations. "It's like a security club," she says. "We're all bound together in some commonality of fighting terrorism."

Fortunately, the United States has not had to deal with airline terrorism within its borders, acknowledges Hallowell, who was interviewed before the bombing of a federal office building in Oklahoma City.

"But it's the one time that's really going to matter. All it takes is one time to upset the flying public," Hallowell explains.

"The FAA is proactive in our fight against terrorism." •



Susan Fowler Hallowell '74 enjoys cycling to relieve stress. She participates annually in the Cycle Across Maryland tour.

Serving Up Happy Days

Baughers Gives Students a Taste of Home

BY DEAN MINNICH



Students' eyes still light up when served a scoop of Baughers' home-made ice cream.

There was The Pit, Snaks by George (Twin Kicks) and the Hole in the Wall, but if you gather WMC alumni and start talking about places where you could take a break from the books and grab a bite to eat with friends—when you had a little time and even less money—the talk turns to memories of Baughers'.

What began as a fruit stand for a local orchard became a restaurant in the late 1940s. It was built along West Main Street, just down the hill from campus, and from the beginning was a convenient place for students without wheels to gather and eat, commiserate and maybe get a date.

Pat Callbeck Harper '71 remembers making the trek for the cheeseburger subs—the greasier the better—with Pam Zappardino '71, her roomie. The subs are still a popular item on the menu, having survived the tofu and bean sprout era and today's cut-the-cholesterol movement.

Harper, who lives in Montana, has fond memories of Baughers'. "Baughers' It was one of the highlights of my college career," she says, laughing. "It was almost like a cult following. I was a Delt (Delta Sigma Kappa), and for a whole group of us, beginning with those in the class ahead of me, it was part of our social life."

She actually learned about Baughers' before she ever attended a class. "I heard about it from my friends in high school," back in Severna Park.

"We thought of Baughers' as sort of the Western Maryland College food service auxiliary. If they had a really bad meal, you could count on a late-night visit to Baughers' for a cheeseburger sub. At the end of a really long day, or the beginning of a really long night with the books, we'd head for Baughers'."

Zappardino remembers, too. She was part of the gang that went to Baughers' with Harper to swallow scoops of cherry vanilla ice cream and swap stories about the joys and miseries of those days on campus.

"It was an escape, a kind of refuge where you could go with other people, and none of us had much money. Usually, I'd go over with a group of women, sometimes on dates, but it seems like it was a lot more fun with a group of women," says Zappardino, who grew up in Baltimore.

"In fact, I stopped in Baughers' before I checked in on campus. I went up to Westminster to check out the college the summer after my high school graduation, and we stopped in Baughers' for a bite to eat, and I remember thinking, 'This place must be all right.'"

She cherishes memories of the feeling of the place, more than the food, and delights in telling the story about arriving for her 20th reunion to discover she'd been assigned a Comfort Inn motel room with a

most delicious view—there across a wide field was her beloved Baughers', glowing like a lighthouse hearkening the hungry.

"I called Pat, who was visiting her family in Anne Arundel County, and told her, 'You wouldn't believe what a view I have out my motel window. It's the perfect room.'"

According to Zappardino, it doesn't take much to bring back stories about the sessions at the restaurant. "There is a stretch of classes from 'the Hill' that, when you get people together, the conversation turns to good times at Baughers'. Do they still have those plastic glasses?"

Marriages have been launched in those old wooden booths. Lifelong friendships have grown out of philosophical wrangling over Cokes and fries with gravy. Tears have been shed on the Formica tabletops when love stories ended.

Baughers' is a stage where you could catch scenes from the lives of generations of Western Maryland students. Like something out of the old television series, Baughers' is still serving up Happy Days, even though changes in the closing time and accessibility of the Pub on campus have made it less of a college hang-out.

The show goes on. For those who have

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not been back to "the Hill" in a while, it may be a comfort to know that the old place is still there, plastic glasses and all, just down from the golf course side of the campus on old Main Street extended. The juke box is gone, and they've remodeled the place a couple of times since the 1960s, but you can still order fries with gravy, hot roast beef or turkey sandwiches and homemade ice cream. And it's still one of the cheapest places in town to grab a bite to eat. Breakfast, with eggs, bacon, toast and coffee runs \$2.60. A seafood platter tops the dinner menu at \$9. The famous pie goes for \$1.20 a slice and coffee refills are free. And, that half cheeseburger sub is \$3.25.

Baughner's is still a place to go for some students, and a good place to find a job for others.

Doug Renner '80 is now the Green Terror track coach. "Baughner's was always close, the food is reasonably priced and decent. We go there, and I know some of the faculty gathers there on Thursday mornings. But from my perspective now, I appreciate what the place has done for students over the years in terms of employment opportunities. I know a lot of our runners find work there. I hear the tips are good, and it seems like Baughner's has a special relationship with kids and the college community."

One of those students who waits on tables is Sarah Ensor '96. She balances majors in biology and art, as well as a minor in chemistry, along with armloads of daily special platters. Ensor grew up in nearby New Windsor and has worked at the restaurant since her high school days.

"Working here has helped me open up. I'm a quiet person. But the people are so friendly, and then you have your regulars, and you develop relationships. You learn to deal with all kinds of people," she says.

Most dine according to their lifestyles, Ensor observes. "College students don't come in late in the evening any more, because we close now at 9 p.m., and a lot of kids can't get away from campus until

then. But they still come in on Saturday mornings and evenings. During the week, you see regulars in here for breakfast, families for lunch and more couples—usually older—for supper."

Julie Cox '96, All-American runner, also waits tables at Baughner's. So do Catherine Coakley '96, Heather Lee '97 and Kirsten Stockel '94.

Greg Davis '97 and his fiancée Kelly Parrish '98 are regular customers. "We go there a lot with friends for ice cream, especially in the spring and fall. It's an easy walk up hill and down hill."

The walk to Baughner's was always easier than the hike back up hill on a stomach full of home-style cookin'. It helps to be in shape—even though Davis is fond of the hot roast beef and Parrish likes the chicken breast, both run for the track team, so what's one more workout?

Baughner's was not just a college hangout. It was—and remains—a window to the community. Locals and campus folks rub elbows more at Baughner's than perhaps any other place in town, and the meetings are invariably congenial. It's a mix of generations and lifestyles, from the infant in a carry-all to the grandmother shuffling to her table with the aid of a walker.

From the beginning, Baughner's was a link between the visitors to the academic world of "the Hill" and the rural roots of the community. In a September 1948 article in a publication of the Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore, published by the Rural Power Bureau, the company proudly pointed out that this new restaurant had a "fully electrified kitchen." The article is framed and hangs near the entrance and one of the photos shows Romaine Baughner pouring waffle batter in what was considered a state-of-the-art kitchen.

In the '50s and '60s, Baughner's was the place for young people to wind up a Saturday night date. Teens and college students would gather for sundaes, Cokes and fries with gravy to listen to the juke box and catch up with the latest scoop on who was going steady. In the same era, earlier in the day, the members of the Baltimore Colts and their families would meet at Baughner's

when the team was in training on the campus. From the beginning, Baughner's has been popular with older generations looking for simple food prepared well and prices to accommodate a fixed income.

Even Marjorie Hull Baughner has the restaurant to thank for her marriage and her family—her life, as it has turned out.

Marjorie was a local girl who went to work in a shoe factory after she graduated from Westminster High School in 1959. A characteristically country way of making connections led her to the altar with Alan, son of the founders of Baughner's.

It was one of those, "She's a Hull, from the Westminster side of the family" conversations. Somebody knew somebody's mother, and the first thing you know, a shy country boy works up the nerve to ask a young woman for a date.

"I worked all the way up at the other end of town in the shoe factory near where Maggie's is now, and my girlfriend, Joan Porterfield, had a car and she said, 'Let's go to lunch at Baughner's,'" recalls Marjorie. "When we walked in, Mrs. Baughner was peeling peaches and she said to Alan, 'I know her mother.' So Alan got the high school yearbook and got my name and he called me up at the shoe factory and asked me for a date."

Marjorie got the guy, a share of the farm, the restaurant and the fruit stand. Mrs. Baughner, at 80-something, is still peeling peaches and baking her famous pies.

And Baughner's is still a part of life on "the Hill." •

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Human Geneticist Stakes Her Claim to Fame

BY KIM ASCH

Beth Sullivan '90 has already made an important discovery about the structure of Robertsonian translocation, the most common structural chromosome abnormality seen in humans.

If you think Robertsonian translocation is the condition suffered by men who are jilted by celebrity Julia Roberts, then you're probably not a student of chromosomal genetics.

Beth Sullivan is a rising star in this groundbreaking discipline. In fact, the 1990 Western Maryland College graduate, who is about to earn a Ph.D. in human genetics, specializing in cytogenetics and molecular genetics, has already made an important discovery about the structure of Robertsonian translocation, the most common structural chromosome abnormality seen in humans.

"Carriers of Robertsonian translocations are usually normal. However, they have an increased risk of pregnancy loss and/or having children with chromosome disorders, such as Down's syndrome," explains Sullivan, who was to defend her doctoral thesis on the subject this month. "There is no definite explanation for their formation and very little is known of their behavior in the cell cycle (mitosis and meiosis)."

Chromosomes are the biological units that contain genes that make us who we are, explains Sullivan. Every cell normally has 46 chromosomes—23 from the mother and 23 from the father. Every time a cell divides, the chromosomes are copied and passed to the two resulting daughter cells.

To ensure that all 46 chromosomes are passed on without getting lost, each chromosome has a feature called the centromere, which holds the chromosome arms (the areas which hold the genes) in place and acts as a motor for moving the chromosomes about the cell.

Most Robertsonian translocations have two centromeres. However, "they behave normally as if there were just one, presumably because one centromere is silenced or made inactive," says Sullivan, who has studied the abnormality for almost three years. "My claim to fame is that I proposed a hierarchy for centromere activity."

Early results of her study of Robertsonian translocations have shown that some centromeres, depending on the chromosome, tend to be functionally dominant. This slight distinction could be of great significance in the complex world of cytogenetics. "One of our ultimate goals is to

determine if there are specific reproductive risks to carriers of Robertsonian translocations with certain active centromeres."

The consequences of such a discovery could mean that people with Robertsonian translocations would know whether or not they should risk a pregnancy. Sullivan has learned outside the lab how important that information is to prospective parents, because her predoctoral work has also included prenatal counseling.

"The genetic counselor is the person who goes in and explains to these people what the outcomes could be," she says. "That's why I could never be a genetic counselor, because you're supposed to be nondirective and just tell the possible scenarios. I've had people cry to me and say 'Please, I don't know what to do.'"

Eventually, Sullivan says, she may run a cytogenetics lab where she could continue her research while also doing clinical application, which would include individual casework.

Dr. Stuart Schwartz, associate professor of genetics and director of clinical and molecular cytogenetics at Case Western Reserve University, gives Sullivan's future a healthy prognosis.

"I honestly think she'll be successful at whatever she decides to do," says Schwartz, formerly Sullivan's adviser at the University of Maryland at Baltimore. When he took another position at Case Western he invited Sullivan to complete her predoctoral work with him in Cleveland. Sullivan will still receive her Ph.D. from UMAB. "She's utilized all of the current technology to ask all of the questions. She's extremely dedicated and a self-starter. She's accomplished quite a bit," he adds.

Remarkably, cytogenetics wasn't exactly in Sullivan's genes. Her career decision was more a matter of nurture than it was nature.

At first, the Washington County, Md. native wasn't even going to attend Western Maryland. But Sullivan's track coach at Boonsboro High School, Dwight Scott '53, encouraged her to visit even though she was leaning toward Hood College in Frederick. "He's an incredible man. He's touched a lot of young people's lives,"

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—Biology Professor Louise Paquin



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Sullivan says. She and her parents attended an Admitted Students Day program and took a tour to learn more about the college. "The minute I stepped on campus I knew I was going to enroll—my Dad knew, too."

Still, she had always dreamed of becoming a doctor and was intent on premed. Then she attended a science institute on "the Hill" the summer after her junior year of high school and found a new role model. Explains Sullivan, "From the minute I saw Dr. (Louise) Paquin I thought, 'I want to be just like her.'"

During her undergraduate years, Sullivan dedicated herself to her studies, as well as her social life. "Beth's a good example of someone who got a lot of the best things at Western Maryland College," says Paquin, professor of biology and a cyto-

neticist. "Not only was she extremely talented in science, but she was involved in everything when she was here. She wasn't just the science nerd type."

Indeed, Sullivan had college life down to a science. She was a member of the sorority Alpha Nu Omega and was among the first group of students to enter the honors program. She was also a member of Tri Beta, the biology honors club. And she took advantage of an internship working with Johns Hopkins University pediatrics professor George Thomas '59, who also heads the genetic lab at Kennedy Krieger Institute and received WMC's trustee alumnus award this month.

Sullivan, who has received scholarships and stipends to cover the expense of her

Soon to receive her Ph.D. in cytogenetics, Beth Sullivan's career prognosis is healthy.

graduate work, says she is proud to be a member of the "Western Maryland contingent" studying genetics at the University of Maryland at Baltimore. She speaks passionately about her alma mater and the quality education she gained, but also laments that she felt "a little behind" in the area of technology. "The labs could have been improved," she says of the antiquated research areas in Lewis Hall of Science which are slated to be renovated and updated with brand-new biology and chemistry labs housed in a state-of-the-art building.

Paquin acknowledges that science majors succeed at Western Maryland *despite* the aging equipment. "We do the best with

Girls of Summer Hit the Lab



Lisa Peltier (left) is one of three female students chosen by Dr. Louise Paquin for summer internships.

When Jen Jensen '95 arrived for her first day as an intern in the Human Genetics lab at Case Western Reserve University, her mentor Beth Sullivan '90 handed her pictures of 22 chromosomes in addition to the well-known "X" and "Y" and told her she would learn to identify all of them.

"I didn't believe her. They all looked the same to me," recalls Jensen, whose research last summer was funded by a portion of the \$500,000 Howard Hughes Medical Institute Award the college received a year ago. "The next day I was able to do it. I was amazed."

Dr. Louise Paquin, professor of biology and a cytogeneticist (gene researcher specializing in chromosomal genetics), coordinates the summer internship program. Now in its second year, the three-year grant provides funds for female students to study with women who have pursued careers in the life sciences.

"Besides the fact that I can offer students internships, I'm so excited about this because it's been so interesting to talk to some of the alumnae and see what they're doing," says Paquin. "There are fewer women in science proportionally than in any other field."

So the chance to see Western Maryland graduates conducting exciting research and succeeding in their chosen careers is inspirational, as well as educational, Paquin says. Young women compete to earn one of three slots.

This year, Lisa Peltier '97 will work with Dr. Valery Terwilliger '77, an assistant professor at the University of Kansas in the department of geography and botany. Together, they will study the relationship between soil and seasonal plant gas exchange both in the lab and out in the field.

Susanna Kuespert '97 will intern in

Indianapolis with Dr. Lisa Shipley '81, senior pharmacologist at Eli Lilly & Co. They will investigate the drug metabolism of a compound to be used to treat Alzheimer's patients.

And Jessica Hall '97 will report to the National Institute of Dental Research at the National Institute of Health where, under the guidance of Dr. Carolyn Bouma Stoll '82, she'll research the genes of oral bacteria.

The Howard Hughes Award also funds summer internships with college faculty. This year Becky Duex '96 will assist Dr. Sam Case, an exercise physiologist and physical education professor, with data he collected at Alaska's Iditarod race (see page 14 for story).

Maria Duva '96 will venture out to the Eastern Shore with Dr. Sam Alspach, professor of biology, to conduct oyster research at Horn Point Marine Biology lab. And Brad Miller '96 will work with chemistry's Dreyfus Fellow Dr. Susan Ensel on an antiviral and anticancer chemical called pyrazofurin.

If their experiences resemble at all those of last year's interns, they can expect to return with favorable results. Says Jensen, "I would definitely recommend it, it was really worthwhile." During her two months in the lab, she even made an "eentsy, weentsy, tiny discovery for a family with a genetic abnormality in a chromosome."

Due to Jensen's diligence, geneticists can now connect the characteristics this person has with its location on the specific chromosome. "There I wasn't treated like a little intern, but like another of the researchers."

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what we have. That's what the \$500,000 Howard Hughes Medical Institute Award is for," says Paquin of the prestigious three-year grant Western Maryland received last year. "We are using it to buy new equipment and to send our students off to do internships where they can conduct more intense research."

The Howard Hughes Award funded Jen Jensen's '95 internship with Sullivan last summer. The grant provides money for women science majors to be mentored by women graduates who have careers in the life sciences.

"I was surprised at what I actually knew. I was expecting there to be this big gap in what I learned and Beth's research but I was amazed at what I had retained and could apply to this experience," says Jensen, who continues her friendship with Sullivan. "Especially because she's a woman in the field, to see her doing as well as she's doing is tremendous."

Sullivan and her collaborators are racing neck-and-neck with a group of scientists in Texas also researching Robertsonian translocations. She enjoyed a little victory late last year when she revealed new findings at a talk she gave at the National Human Genetics meeting in Montreal, Canada. And she has already published an article in *Chromosoma*, a scientific journal, with her name listed as the primary author.

Partly due to the good results of her research, a grant of \$7 million was awarded Schwartz, two other researchers and Dr. Hunt Willard, chairman and director of the Department of Genetics and Center for Human Genetics at Case Western Reserve University and University Hospitals of Cleveland.

Sullivan, who had plenty of prestigious offers of postdoctoral fellowships, has committed herself to basic research and has accepted a position with Willard, "a.k.a. BIG WIG," she quips. "He is building up a formidable centromere group and even though I will be doing basic research with fewer clinical applications, Dr. Willard is one of the best geneticists in the world, so I will definitely benefit from training with him. Eventually ... I may do a clinical fellowship, so that one day I could run a lab, but do research as well." •

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Annual Fund Gains Momentum

With continued growth of annual giving as the college's top fundraising priority, this year's annual fund goal is \$1.2 million, a seven percent increase over last year's record-setting success according to college trustee and national annual fund chair R. Christine Royer '48. Through May 19, the Annual Fund had reached 82 percent of its goal with gifts and pledges totalling \$984,400.

"We are pleased with our progress to date," observed Royer, "but we have a long way to go. The annual fund is playing an increasingly critical role in the financing of the college's programs," she emphasized. "The college's fiscal plans call for sharply increased annual fund support, an objective that is crucial in assuring that the college remains competitive with our peers who have much larger endowments than WMC," Royer noted. "That is why achieving this year's goal is so important."

"The success of the annual fund is especially dependent upon three factors," she stressed. "One is the Reunion Giving Program which asks those in five-year reunion classes to give three to four times their customary annual gift to celebrate their bond with the college. Gifts from members of reunion classes represent as much as 40 percent of total gifts to the fund each year from alumni.

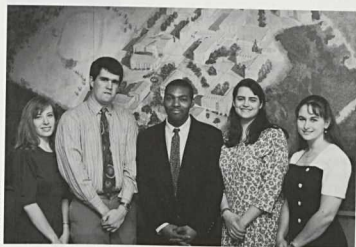
"The second major factor is continuity in giving—encouraging those who care about

the present and future of their college to contribute every year. It is amazing to me," she observed, "that in any single year, 40 percent of baccalaureate degree-holding alumni contribute to the annual fund. We can be very proud of that, for our participation is well above the national average. Yet, over 56 percent of alumni make at least one gift to the fund over a five-year period. Just imagine the impact if every past contributor made an annual gift to the fund.

"Finally, we need to urge everyone—each and every year—to increase their level of giving. Over half the gifts to the annual fund are under \$100. They are, of course, most welcome, but we must increase average gift size. So many contributors seem 'stuck' at a certain gift level, whether it is \$100 or \$1,000. It doesn't take much to increase those gifts to \$110 and \$1,100. And just think of the impact if those giving \$10, \$25 or \$50 were to give \$20, \$40 or \$75!

"The Annual Fund is at the heart of what Western Maryland College is and can become," Royer emphasized. "What an exciting opportunity we all have to be a part of that and to help define this college's future. I am optimistic that the alumni, parents and friends of WMC, knowing of the college's urgent needs and exciting plans, will rally with their support of the annual fund in increasing numbers and at increasing amounts when asked.

"In my role as National Chair of the Annual Fund, I have the special privilege of expressing thanks to all those



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who have contributed to the annual fund already and who have volunteered on its behalf. They care deeply about their college, and their impact is extensive. It is a joy to thank them. I look forward to expressing similar thanks to the legions of alumni, parents and friends who still have plenty of time before the June 30 close of the 1994-95 Annual Fund year to become an important and valued part of this year's fund which is playing such a critical role at WMC." •

Off in the Right Direction

Giving back is something the Class of 1995 committed to before its members even left "the Hill." The class has worked to raise \$1,500 needed to build an outdoor, free-standing campus directory that will display a plaque honoring the class, as well as classmates John Earle and Douglas Combs who died during the academic year. Earle succumbed to his struggle with cancer and Combs was tragi-

(l-r) Carrie Schuster, Jay Hilbert, James Felton, Kathleen Taylor and Julie Forsythe of The Class of '95 work to assure their place on 'the Hill'

cally killed in an automobile accident.

The Senior Pride program, inaugurated by the Class of 1981, has become a tradition at the college. Individual class members contribute their own money toward a project their class has adopted in its name.

"We voted overwhelmingly to support the campus directory because it's something the college can use and it's a tangible we can point to and see where our money has gone," explains James Felton '95, who chairs the 20-member Senior Pride committee.

Dedicating the directory to their fallen classmates was also supported by the class. "They were both my friends and Doug was my (Phi Delta Theta) fraternity brother. They were pretty popular in the class and everyone thought it was a good idea to donate something in their names," Felton says. •

News

From Alumni

Arts Workshop Offers Summer Inspiration

Ever wish you could take another class with Western Maryland guru Ira Zepp or world-class art professor Wasyl Palijczuk? This summer is your opportunity to return to "the Hill" for one or two weeks of mini-courses with former mentors and classmates, as well as world-renowned performers, political activists and artists.

Common Ground on the Hill, a nonprofit organization



founded by musician Walt Michael '68, will offer its first traditional arts institute consisting of workshops and performances July 9-14 and 16-21. The first session is Instrumental Week, featuring traditions in black and white. The second session is Vocal and Contemporary Week, featuring international traditions.

The goal of Common Ground on the Hill is to bridge the cultural gap between people from diverse racial, ethnic, religious, age and gender groups through the sharing of traditional art and music.

Zepp will teach a class on "Martin and Malcolm: Their Nightmares and Dreams" and Palijczuk will instruct students in sculpture. Eric Byrd '93 will teach a course in gospel and jazz piano, Linda Van Hart '68

will teach jewelry and collage, and Michael will teach introductory and advanced hammered dulcimer. Margaret Boudreaux, associate professor of music, will teach a course in madrigal singing.

More than 30 classes in dance, music, visual arts, writing and human arts will be offered each week. Some of the more intriguing instructors include: folk hero Tom Paxton, who will teach consciousness-raising songwriting; Phil Gallery, who will show students how to write for conflict resolution; and Shetland's Young Heritage, who will travel from the Shetland Isles to teach students how to play traditional fiddle music.

Lodging for one or two weeks is available in the residence halls and programs for children are also offered. The cost for one week of adult classes is \$300, plus \$200 for dormitory housing, including all meals. Children's classes cost \$175 for the week. Individual courses for the week cost \$90 each, or \$175 for half a day. Call 410/857-1710 for a full course catalog and registration. •

Price's High Standards Paid Off

Dr. Ralph B. Price, professor emeritus of economics who chaired the department of economics and business administration, was born in Page, Neb. in 1912. He earned his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. at the University of Colorado at Boulder and did additional studies at the London School of Economics.

His early career was as a school teacher in Nebraska and Colorado. During World War II he served with the Social Security Board and the War Labor Board.

After the war, Dr. Price built an impressive career as an economist serving in Europe from 1945-47 with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. In that capacity, he was first Director of Operations in Bamberg, Germany, and later the Chief Repatriation Officer for the U.S. Zone in occupied Germany. He helped organize the first repatriation train from Poland to Munich in 1946 and personally accompanied the train of more than 2,000 passengers.

Upon his return to the States, he headed the Denver Center of the University of Colorado from 1947-51. He then served as the Deputy Director of Field Operations for the Institute of International Education before coming to WMC in 1954.

Ralph's energy, ability and leadership were respected by all. He chaired and authored the first of the college's Long Range Plans during the early 1970s. He held Fulbright fellowships in India and Singapore and a research fellowship in India from the Institute of Indian Studies, while building a respectable publication record.

Ralph headed the Economics Department—later the Department of Economics and Business Administration—for 23 years until his retirement in 1977. He then taught part time for an additional five years. Enrollment in the department tripled in size under his leadership and a

demanding and competitive reputation was established. He insisted upon quality and effort from his department members and his students, and stood ready to be a mentor to young faculty or students who were willing to match his own dedication.

Students, who occasionally grumbled at his demanding style, recognized its fine results and eagerly signed up for a testimonial dinner to initiate the scholarship fund which today bears his name.

After his retirement he was able to devote more of his time to his third love—after Margaret and economics. That was the restoration, showing and judging of antique automobiles. There, as well, his meticulous attention to detail was shown as he became a master judge and won a number of national first place results with his beautiful cars.

Ralph died at age 82 on Feb. 17, 1995, still delighting during the last week of his life in spirited chats with old friends and still reading the likes of Alexis de Tocqueville—indeed, still improving his excellent mind.

Friend, colleague, quality teacher and first-class economist, we shall miss Ralph Price very much. •

By Alton D. Law, professor of economics and department chair



Left to right: Dr. Frank J. Lala, Jr., B.A. '52; George H. Thomas, R. Edward Shilling, and Martin D. Tullai. Below: Ellen Sauerbrey '59.



Trustees Honor Four Alumni

Four alumni received Trustee Alumni Awards at this year's Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation held April 30 in Baker Memorial Chapel. They were:

Dr. Frank J. Lala, Jr., M.Ed. '80, of Torrance, Calif., is a chemical dependency specialist, consultant, author and pioneer in providing counseling services for deaf and hard-of-hearing persons suffering from substance abuse. The loss of his hearing at age 5 and the loss of family members to substance abuse before he finished high school sparked Lala's dual personal and community commitment to enhancing the lives of people with disabilities. Author of the first and only book on deaf people's substance abuse, he has received numerous awards including the Police Hall of Fame's "Distinguished Service Award" and the "Bell Greve Memorial Award" from the National Rehabilitation Association. Dr. Lala is a member of the American Public Health Association, California Public Health Association, and the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association. Dr. Lala also holds a master's degree in performing arts and a Ph.D. in public health from Columbia Pacific University.

R. Edward Shilling, B.A. '63, M.Ed. '66, of Westminster, retired last year after serving more than 30 years in

public education, including his seven-year tenure as superintendent of Carroll County Schools. During his executive watch, Carroll County's 33 schools ranked among the top performing schools as evaluated by the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program, and this achievement was earned in spite of the system's having one of the lowest per-pupil expenditures in the state.

Active in both professional and community activities, Mr. Shilling was honored with the Golden Apple Award in 1993 from the Maryland Congress of PTA, was named Maryland Superintendent of the Year in 1993 and received the Citizen of the Year Award—Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen No. 7612 in 1994.

Dr. George H. Thomas, B.A. '59, of Columbia, Md., is a biochemist and cytogeneticist who has been with the Kennedy Krieger Institute since its opening in 1967 and is director of its genetic laboratory. His medical research at the Institute helps physicians with diagnostic clues and explores the causes of developmental disabilities. During his years at the Institute, Dr. Thomas' greatest accomplishment has been helping to move such testing into the mainstream. As a Johns Hopkins University faculty member in various departments at the University and at the Hopkins hospital, he passes on his research findings and expertise in medical genetics to medical and doctoral students. He also has written nearly 50 abstracts

and over 100 publications.

Martin D. Tullai, B.A. '52; M.Ed. '59, is a history teacher and chairman of the History Department at St. Paul's School for Boys in Brooklandville, Md. There he served as head football coach for 41 years, accumulating a 209-126 career record while leading St. Paul's players to six Maryland Scholastic Association "C" Conference Championships, three Tri-County Championships and an undefeated season in 1970.

Mr. Tullai has served the Maryland Scholastic Association for 25 years, as well as other athletic organizations, and has been a most popular public speaker. He has also published many historical and athletic articles in magazines and newspapers through the country.

He was named Man of the Year in Lacrosse in 1972 by the Maryland Scholastic Association Lacrosse Coaches and, in 1979, was recipient of the Boys' Latin School Award for "Dedication to the Ideals of Scholastic Competition."

Following convocation, Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey '59 joined 33 graduating seniors who were inducted into the Western Maryland chapter of Phi Beta Kappa and joined them as an honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa. The Delta Chapter of Maryland was established at WMC in 1980. •

Bucolic Lots For Sale

Make a home in the land of pleasant living ...

College alumni are the first to be invited to participate in the residential development of adjoining acreage to the college-owned Singleton-Mathews country farm estate located between Westminster and New Windsor.

Seven acre-sized lots, some wooded and all within an agricultural preservation district,



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are available for sale ranging in price from \$65,000 to \$75,000 each. The properties are zoned for residential building only and some restrictions will apply. A black topped road provides access to the individual lots and all lots have passed the county percolation test for septic systems.

Western Maryland will continue ownership of the 68-acre farm obtained in 1987 in a testamentary gift from Marthiel Mathews. Several members of the campus community reside in the elegant brick home and two farmhouses located on the estate.

Interested investors for these properties may call Barry Bosley, (410) 857-2212. •

Alumni All-Stars Added to County Sports Hall of Fame

Inducted into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame, April 12, 1995:

Wayne R. Harman MED'63 of a three-sport letterman at Hampstead High School (1949-53). He was named to the All Mason-Dixon soccer team while at Towson (1954, '55, '56). He coached and administered many soccer and basketball recreation programs in Baltimore County.

James F. Head MED'73 an All-State Quarterback (1957) while at Westminster High School and Junior College All-American (1960) while at

Victoria Junior College in Texas. He was a successful head football coach and athletic director at Westminster High School (1967-89).

Harry M. Lambert '58, MED'67 a basketball letterman at New Windsor High School, and named to the All-County team in 1953, '54. At WMC he led the basketball team in home runs and runs batted in for three years. He had a career .400 plus batting average. He was a successful high school basketball coach and a 2.0 year member of I.A.A.B.O. •

In Memoriam

Miss Ethel A. Roop '16, of Westminster, Md., on November 27.

Mrs. Ruth Gist Pickens '18, of Westminster, Md., on January 1.

Miss Ruth E. Warren '24, of Annapolis, Md., on December 22.

Mrs. Virginia Bell Lore '25, of Solomons Island, Md., on February 10.

Mr. Samuel Whitney Downer Jr. '29, of Farmington, Conn., on January 2.

Mrs. Evelyn Bradley Trice '29, of Cambridge, Md., on December 19.

Miss Edith E. Rill '30, of Hampstead, Md., on December 10.

Col. Paul L. Bates '31, of Dundedin, Fla., on February 21.

Mrs. Viva Reed Engle '31, of Westminster, Md., on February 5.

Miss Mildred E. Willison '35, of Cumberland, Md., on April 1, 1982.

Mr. Edward L. Beauchamp '36, of Timonium, Md., on January 16.

Dr. Robert A. Elderside '38, of Salisbury, Md., on February 5.

Mrs. Violet Gibson Pratt '38, of Eastham, Mass., on February 9.

Rev. Harold B. Wright '38, of Hagerstown, Md., on January 12.

Mrs. Eleanor Long Caldaugh '39, of Salisbury, Md., on January 12.

Mrs. Ann Nevius Collins '41, of Cambridge, Md., on January 14.

Mrs. Mary Stevenson Borchers '42, of Pocomoke City, Md., on January 11.

Mrs. Phyllis Beamer Gordon '43, of Edgewood, Md., on December 12.

Mr. William E. Pennington '44, of St. James, Md., on January 16.

Mrs. E. Ann Carter Price '44, of Centerville, Md., on November 19.

Mrs. Sarah Moore McKinnon '47, of Darlington, Md., on June 16.

Mr. Oren H. Scott '47, of Bellingham, Wash., on January 23.

Mr. Simon Tullid '49 and **MED'51**, of York, Pa., on February 23.

Mr. Joseph Callas Jr. '50 and **MED'55**, of Orlando, Fla., on August 12.

Mr. Richard S. Diener '50, of Pikesville, Md., on June 15.

Mr. Jay H. Eggle '51, of Ocean City, N.J., on June 8.

Mrs. Wesley Pearson Kingsley '55, of White Bear Lake, Minn., on November 18.

Mr. Frank H. Martin '55, formerly of Nazareth, Pa., date unknown.

Mr. David Jones, MED'56, of Baltimore, Md., on November 7, 1992.

Mr. E. Robert Hollywood '66, of Malvern, Pa., on November 15.

Mr. Daniel H. Boki '68, of Stuarts Draft, Va., on December 20.

Mr. Mark H. Schendelecker '69, of Baltimore, Md., on January 24.

Mr. Terry H. Wasmor '77, of Baltimore, Md., on November 6.

Mr. Darrell G. Frey, MS'88, of Walkersville, Md., on November 7, 1992.

Mr. Douglas A. Combs '95, of Herndon, Va., on January 19.

Dr. Cabell Calloway, honorary degree, doctor of fine arts 1986, of White Plains, N.Y., on November 18.

Dr. Ralph B. Price, professor emeritus economics, of Westminster, Md., on February 17.

Marriages

Carole Fey (Benvenuti) '65 to Richard Steak on September 10. They reside in Norwalk, Conn.

Jenny O'Neill '82 to Tim Goertemiller in May 1994. They reside in Cambridge, Md.

Linda Lang '84 to Larry Hubble on December 3. They reside in Abingdon, Md.

Michele Everett '85 to John Seibel '89 in August. They reside in Reisterstown, Md.

Gordon Digby '86 to Lisa Rink on October 15. They reside in Sparta, N.J.

Matthew Hardesty '87 to Laura Jean Wycall on October 8. They reside in S. Natick, Mass.

Lynn Johnson '90 to Keith Iké in September. They reside in Mr. Washington, Md.

Melissa Ridgely '90 to David Cowsley in January 1994. They reside in Fayetteville, N.C.

Tracey Snyder '91 to Richard Folio on August 14. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Lisa Allwine '91 to Glenn Anderson '91 on November 26. They reside in Augusta, Ga.

Michael Accardi '92 to Carrie Ward '92 on July 23. They reside in Rockville, Md.

Philip Heaven '92 to Marielle Ainsworth '94 on May 28, 1994. They reside in Charlottesville, Va.

Births

Asher Preston Kaitern, on February 14, to Robert and Hannah Nitshe '75 Kaitern.

John Albert Warren Kade, on October 20, to John and Beulah Ann Price '76 Kade.

Brennon Kuhn, on December 5, to William and Renee Hensch '78 Kuhn.

David Bradley Colbert, on January 13, to Dane '81 and Mary Jo Wardlaw MS'93 Colbert.

Nadine Erin Hatch, on July 3, to Steven and Betha Youssef-Hatch '82.

Michael Collin Hendricks, on February 1, to Scott and Karen Dulle '82 Hendricks.

Rachel Lee Hoffman, on December 18, to Ben and Sherri Linkoff '82 Hoffman.

Matthew Landsman, in April 1994, to Robert '82 and Nancy Landsman.

Victoria Slasman Long, on July 18, to John and Laurie Slasman '82 Long.

Christine Marie Nolan, on May 18, 1994, to Kevin and Terry Stauffer '82 Nolan.

Megan Elizabeth Poole, on October 29, to Eddie and Vicki Kessler '82 Poole.

Jeremy Pushkin, on June 24, to Gary Pushkin and Kathy Abbott '82.

Mallory Elizabeth Walker, on December 23, to Eric '82 and Karen Hook '82 Walker.

Catherine Harris, on December 12, 1993, to Greg Harris and Anne Hicks '85.

Cole Hopkins Howard, on January 1, to Ronald and Lancy Fisher '84 Howard.

Katherine Marie Crocker, on July 19, to Stuart and Germaine Troxell '85 Crocker.

Kelly Casey Lukens, on October 25, to Rob and Eileen Hanlon '85 Lukens.

Austin John Blair, on December 20, to Randolph '86 and Catherine McNiff '87 Blair.

James Philip DeGraff, on September 12, to James '86 and Laura DeGraff.

George Ryan DeJesus, on October 16, to George and Leslie Shipp '86 DeJesus.

Timothy E. McLaughlin, Jr., on December 15, to Timothy '86 and Mary Ellen McLaughlin.

Gregory Tan Angell, on November 1, to Michael '87 and Tammy Graf '88 Angell.

John William Fritz, on January 11, to Jeff and Joan McKeely '87 Fritz.

Matthew Thomas Koert, on November 20, to Jess and Lynn Fangmeyer '87 Koert.

Jasmine Krystal Mack, in April 1994, to Gilbert '87 and Angela Mack.

Austin Douglas Nolder, on July 14, to Doug '87 and Wendi McQuency '88 Nolder.

Eli James Parker-Burgard, in May 1994, to Donald '87 and Kate Parker-Burgard.

Evan Atkinson Powell, on September 16, to Russ and Leslie Dierdorf MS'88 Powell.

Cecelia Lillie Casamento, on October 23, to Jon and Connie Houck MS'94 Casamento.

Master's News

William Goodling MED'57 spent 20 years in relative obscurity within the House GOP before being catapulted this year into the chairmanship of the newly named Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee. A former high school principal, his main focus has always been on education. But in his new position, he also has jurisdiction over labor issues and now business lobbyists are lining up at his door.

Lynn Edwards Pomfrey MED'76 is in her 24th year of teaching, the last 16 in Kindale, N.H. She has one daughter, Tracy.

Elissa Cohen MED'80 is a teacher in the special unit at the California School for the Deaf-Fremont, and recently became RID certified.

Katherine Perrine Schneider MED'80 recently retired as a special education teacher in Gettysburg. Future plans include volunteer work, travel and enjoying her family including 11 grandchildren.

Miriam Targonsky Kersey MED'84 is a career counselor for Indian River School District, Georgetown, Del.

Florence B. Seltzer MEd'87 exhibited watercolor paintings at Attorney Patricia McDermitt's office in Thurmont, Md.

Kathy M. Hahn MEd'90 is registrar at Widener University School of Law—Harrisburg campus.

Kristin Milne MS '92 has been selected chairwoman of the Addictions Special Interest Network of the American Mental Health Counselors Association. She writes and consults nationally on addictions-related topics, most

recently publishing an article in *Professional Counselor* magazine. As addictions chairwoman, Kristin also publishes a monthly column in *AMHCA's The Advocate* on topics relevant to addictions treatment and recovery. Her task for the Addictions Network is to provide a clearinghouse for the latest information in the addictions field, as well as to promote education about chemical dependency within the counseling profession.

Class Notes

27 Hail 1927. May 1995 bring only the best to you and all of yours! It was unfortunate that our cards were delayed and arrived so close to the holiday—but deadlines do not wait! I sincerely thank those of you who cared enough to respond to them. Without you we could not have a column. The Alumni Office will send out information and reservations blanks later for our May 27 "mini-reunion." **MAGIC NUMBER...27!**

Velma Richmond Albright and **Al** '28, like so many of us, are coping with health problems. They are re-living their college days with their grandchildren who are all doing very well. The youngest will graduate from college in June. Velma sends fond greetings.

Hazel "Fran" Bratt wrote a nice note in August telling about her life at William Hill Manor. She enclosed two fine pictures in the Oriole uniform which she had worn to the previous Halloween sen party. She had won first place and her picture had been put on the 1994 year calendar. She closed with her traditional "Cum amore semper."

Anne Lauder Logsdon is still living with her daughter in Wheaton, Ill. She regrets being unable to attend the reunion, May 27, but adds "blessings on those of you who are able to do so." She closed with appropriate words: "It is a good time to think about the blessings of the past and the challenge of the future."

Henry "Reds" Phillips was thrilled by the many cards he received on his 90th birthday. He asked if he is the oldest living member of '27. I think he may be but we're closing in on you, Reds! He wrote expressing gratitude that with the help of acrobatic classes three times a week he is now able to walk short distances without the assistance of a walker, wheelchair, or cane. How glad we are! He still receives wonderful support from David and Pru, and the caretakers who stay with him. Pru still takes him to church and concerts which he enjoys immensely. More power to you, Reds—we are proud of you!

Joy Christine Reinmuth sent her annual holiday letter. Her activities remain unbelievable! She was thrilled that on All Saints Day her home church, St. Johns United Methodist (Hamilton), dedicated the new sound

system she had donated. "What a joy it was to meet so many long-time friends." She has arranged to have the old system installed in the Asbury Chapel—"since it will be adequate for the smaller room." She is not sure if she can attend May 27, as the friend with whom she has always stayed is moving to Carroll Lutheran Village in the near future and may not have the accommodations to entertain her.

Emily "Em" Jones Rothel did not return her card and my last column reminded me that she had been facing surgery so I decided to call her. I was very concerned when the operator said her number had been disconnected. After several futile attempts a gracious operator tried to help and came up with the number. I soon discovered that she had moved from her efficiency apartment to the health care unit. She is improving slowly and had been able to spend Christmas with her nephew and his wife which she enjoyed immensely. Her new address is Friends Resident, 119 Haviland House, 17300 Quaker Lane, Sandy Spring, Md. 20860. Telephone number: (301) 924-4900.

Virginia "Ginna" Wilson Shockley appreciated the Christmas letter. Her main interests now are in the activities of her grandchildren. Her granddaughter, Lynn, is still teaching in China and loves it. Her assignment is supposed to end this summer. Her grandsons are both in college—the elder is scheduled to graduate this fall. She writes: "I am well enough to be in my home alone, and grateful for two daughters who are so helpful and caring." She is planning to attend May 27 and says, "I hope to see everyone of you. PLEASE be there!"

George Sullivan is still living a very busy life. He and Alma have a real challenge in dividing their holidays between their two families. They were planning to return to the "warmth of Georgia" on January 2. "Hope to see you all in May."

Catherine Sponseller Thomas writes that she appreciates hearing from us. She is continuing her same activities—bridge and volunteer work. She is grateful that she can still drive her car which helps her to be independent. She hopes to be present in May.

John Wooden writes that it is "too late to follow Blanche's recipe for a Merry Christmas—but perhaps, on

May 27, at the Interim Reunion Luncheon we can follow recipe #3—e.g. we can give each other a cheery smile, a fond embrace, kind words, and share our happiness. Here's hoping." In May 1994 he and Polly attended the wedding of Trent Bowen, Arlene's youngest son, to Colleen Thompson in Winnipeg, Canada. Fred's son, Michael, was graduated from North Carroll High School in June and entered Gettysburg College in September. They are looking forward to May 27.

Blanche Ford Bowlsbey directed two major concerts in 1994. On May 22 (the day before her 88th birthday) the Baltimore City College Glee Club, which she founded in 1935, presented a 59th Reunion Concert, at City College under her direction, for the City College Scholarship Fund. It was a gala celebration as "the boys" returned to sing songs from their high school repertoire. Governor William Donald Schaefer (one of her former students) presented her with the Governor's Citation for outstanding service to the State of Maryland; and Mayor Kurt Schmoke presented her with a proclamation citing her many outstanding activities in Baltimore as well as Baltimore City College and declared May 22, 1994 to be Blanche Ford Bowlsbey Day in Baltimore City in honor of her 88th birthday. A reception followed in her old music room—now a large media center. On October 16, she directed the Alamedian Light Opera Company's Golden Days Gala Concert VIII. She had been invited to participate in the "Little" Baker Chapel celebration but as it was scheduled for the same afternoon she made a tape to express her love for the Chapel. In December, with members of her family and friends, she enjoyed a cruise in the Caribbean. She is now planning for the Alamedian Gala Concert IX to be presented June 25 at Liberty High School.

Keep our WMC Library Fund in mind! What better way to keep '27 and all our classmates alive for all time! My love and best wishes to you all. Blanche Ford Bowlsbey 1600 Green Mill Road Finksburg, MD 21048

32 As I prepare this column for the Class of '32, we are in the midst of the mildest winter on record. I am sure we all hope it stays that way until spring. You will note that the Class of '32 is one of the oldest alumni groups that report to *The Hill*. I regret to say that each time I write there are some of our classmates who are no longer with us. First, we have lost **Mildred Horsey Harrington** from Laurel, Del. She was always faithful to our mini-reunions in Dover, Del. Our class president, **Bob Etzler**, also passed away. **Virginia Stoner** and **Evelyn Kauffman** Wal attended Bob's funeral. I quote Virginia: "It was most impressive to hear how much he had accomplished and how many persons were inspired by Bob and of his

great patriotism." Our sympathy to you **Ann Johnson Etzler** '33. We always felt that you belonged to '32.

While Evelyn Kauffman Wall was visiting from Santa Barbara, Calif., she came to Fallston with Virginia to see me. We had lunch and spent a delightful afternoon together. Virginia has sold her home in Westminster and is moving to the Carroll Lutheran Village.

Margaret Myers Tucker lives at the Carroll Lutheran Village. She has had some health problems. In spite of that she volunteers in many ways at the village.

Joanna McKinstry Hesson, like so many at our age, has had a knee replacement. She is getting along just great and is happy to have a new great grandson.

Mary Humphreys is quite involved with proofoffending. She does a weekly, monthly and quarterly paper. Mary is an avid birdwatcher and reports that a painted bunting returned to Berlin, Md. birdfeeders for the third year.

Allice Evans Walters stays active in her bridge and garden clubs. Allice was pleased to have her River House on the Pocomoke River registered in the National Historic Trust.

Margaret Lee Nelson Tawes is having some problems with her hip but she has a lot of will power so she keeps on going. She plays an active role in her church activities and serves on several board of directors for various organizations.

Edna Heall Willing writes that she has many happy memories of her days spent at WMC. She misses our mini-reunions in Dover, Del.

Thelma Snader Replogle writes that she doesn't do all of the things of past years. However, in Bridgewater, Va. she does all that needs to be done.

Katherine Leidy Unger from Hanover, N.H. writes that their winter has been a mild one. She is waiting anxiously for spring when she can start exercising her green thumb.

Howard Amoss is completing his 10th year as part-time chaplain at Harbour Retirement Center in Fort Myers, Fla.

Alveta Dillon lives in Garrett County, Md. There is plenty of snow and temperatures in the teens. Alveta had a black bear visit her beehives and he also enjoyed the birds' suet.

I was pleased to receive **Muriel Bishop Livingston's** State-of-the-Bish-message. I'll quote her message: "Greetings to fellow '32ers, Messagerians, All, yes! Health, good, although normal attrition continues. Had a wonderful Christmas wedding anniversary gala. Adjusting to snow here. This week reminded me of snowy winters that we all spent at WMC." Lots of fun back on campus.

Dr. Fidelia Gilbert enjoyed a good year in 1994. The highlight was a visit from the medical superintendent of the hospital in Bangladesh where Fidelia served for 33 years. The medical and evangelistic work continues to grow. In November, Fidelia visited Fresno, Yosemite and the Great Sequoia National Park.

My life goes on just about the same. I am blessed with good health. I attribute much of that to my two-mile walk every day. I am a member of several civic organizations where I serve as secretary. My mini-farm keeps me busy. There are peafowl, guinea, bantam chickens, a huge black Labrador and an orange cat. My son and daughter are not too far from me. I see them quite often which means so much. Last summer, my grandson, John III, had a freak accident. While mowing, a piece of metal flew up and lodged in the pericardium sac surrounding his heart. He was rushed to shock trauma where his life was saved. We all went through some terrifying moments. He recovered and was graduated from York College, Pa. He was a team leader with the National Civilian Community Corps with headquarters at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Md.

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37 **Grayson Fleming Clarke** had a tour of Morocco and the Sahara Desert. She had bilateral cataract surgery.

Ralph Luman took short trips. He is busy in wood shop making copies of Irish Chippendale. He has five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Charles Williams M.D. took a trip to England, Wales and Scotland. He located his ancestral home, 400 A.D., in England and stayed overnight. He is lobbying with United Nations of Maryland, took a canoe trip on Tuckahoe River, and is a leader of SHHH (Self-help Hard of Hearing).

Madalyn Blades Angel celebrated her 50th anniversary cruising on the Queen Elizabeth II. She is active in church and gardening.

Albert Dunstan had a stroke and is now in Good Samaritan Nursing Center.

Robert McKenzie took an exotic trip to the Far East visiting Singapore, Hong Kong and Seole. He has had good fishing in Long Island Sound, and is a deacon in his church.

Janet Smith Wampler's whole family is occupied with furthering their education.

Isabelle McWilliams Drugash is playing good bridge and recuperating from a viral infection.

Sophia Meredith Libman will celebrate her 50th anniversary with a cruise of the Greek Islands and Turkish Coast. She will exhibit her art works on Alumni Weekend.

John Reifsnider has had several strokes and is in Meridian Nursing Center, 400 North Avenue, Frederick, Md.

Rowland Armacost is now designing a golf course and travels to Carolinas and Canada.

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42 It was great to hear from so many of you — 32 out of 106 — but how sad that we have lost so many members since I last wrote my column! They were **Harry Baker, Henry "Bing" Miller, Catherine "Kitten" Gross Butz, Mary Stevenson Borchers and Mildred Bradley Frosch's** husband. **Caroline "Cyn" Rudisill Mather and Margaret Rudy Niles** attended the lovely memorial service for Mary. Mildred had been married for 50 years. In the near future she hopes to put the farm on the market and when sold move to her home at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Dottie Attix Meyer and Duffy suddenly lost their elder son to heart dysrhythmia in January 1994. He was a 45-year-old bachelor, former *Time* magazine photographer, and author of three books. He had a "short, happy, happy life as a photojournalist all over the world." Dottie and Duffy hope to take a Tauck Tour from February 2-23 to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji.

Anna Robey Weis is still having health problems, and while **Shirley Belle Reese Brown** has breathing problems she still gets around a lot.

Gene Belt still plays the organ at the Park Avenue location of Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church. What he didn't mention — and was supplied by **Wilbur "Cap" Kidd** — was that Gene was recently honored at a special service at Brown Memorial in Baltimore for his 40 years of service as church organist. "It was a grand occasion properly honoring his service. Gene, in a thousand years, would never mention this but I would!" Gene did say that he travels to Anchorage to visit his daughter Gina (a lawyer with the Justice Department on the Valdez oil spill) and daughter Hallie in Yokohama (teaching English to Japanese high school students). His son is in clinical psychology graduate school at the University of Virginia.

Last night I had a surprise call from **Harry "Bud" Ricker**. When **Edna Bandorf Ricker** died on Halloween 1993, Bud was already in the hospital with pneumonia. He went into shock and was in intensive care and the psychiatric ward until the 8th of December. Consequently, he was never able to acknowledge cards, flowers, and donations to the college in Edna's memory and asked if I would let everyone know how very much he appreciated them all. He read me a lovely poem and also a Valentine letter which Edna had sent him the year she died.

Ruth "Dickie" Dickinson Phillips is busy with the care of her sister. She loves to travel but has done little of it as she can not always get a driver. She misses Edna. They used to keep in touch. Her 12-year-old dog, **Marci Girl**, "keeps me living."

Ethel Erb Wilhide and Earle '40 are to be in Florida from January 4 until the first of April. Their oldest granddaughter is a sophomore at Taylor University in Indiana, second is a junior in high school. Two boys are still young — 11 and 8.

The Herb Weavers and Don Griffins were able to get together in Hagerstown, Md. in October for Herb and Emily's 50th anniversary. Don had married them. The Griffins had a wonderful trip to Israel and Egypt last winter. He rode a camel in a caravan.

Edna Trisler Jess thinks that moving and trying to get settled in a new place is "not for sissies." She's going to relax now and try to enjoy the remaining years. Her brother **Henry Trisler '41** still loves Arizona and in spite of some medical problems still "hops around like a teenager."

Ed and Louise Young Thomas celebrated their 50th anniversary August 13 in Shreveport, La. with family and friends. In October, they toured the Journeys of St. Paul in Greece, Ephesus and several of the islands in the eastern Mediterranean.

Good to hear from **Ed Lewis**. "I'm still alive at 75. My business life was great and I retired at 60. My family life is special. My daughter lives in Edinburgh, Scotland. I have two grandchildren. Visit often. We live at Sawgrass — lots of golf and good weather."

There is no special news from **Jane Frayle Robinson** but it's great that she keeps in touch.

Jean Ayres Cardwell is a real world traveler. "Since I've moved back to Maryland from Florida I seem to live with 'one foot in the road.' I've been to Hong Kong, through the Panama Canal, to California three times (to visit my daughter), to Florida, to Ireland, and just this fall spent a month in Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. In between my travels I manage to keep a household going as well as time for friends and organizations. Being retired definitely has its advantages."

Jane Fleagle Frisell makes cloth monkeys for children who enter U.N.C. hospital. She and a group of 14 meet every week and work on them. A friend said of Jane and Bill's home that, "This is an art gallery with a house build around it." Her husband paints water colors as well as oils. Their son, **Bill Jr.**, recently composed and played the music for a TV program of Buster Keaton's movies and for cartoonist Gary Larson's CBS program. "It was a thrill to hear Bill interviewed on public radio." Their granddaughter, **Monica**, is almost 9 and they see them once a year. Son **Bob** is doing well as golf pro at a college in Chapel Hill. "He loves teaching the seniors, and we seniors love having him drop in for supper every week."

Jim "Bete" Townsend had a family reunion for four children, wives and 11 grandchildren over Thanksgiving week. It was the first time in 25 years all the family was together — traveled from Phoenix, Ariz., Lake Belton and Port Aransas, Texas, Norman, Okla., and Marietta, Ga. They had a great time.

Jan Yentsch Ellenberg spent three weeks in Bali, Indonesia in September with 19 other artists on an art workshop. "Bali was fabulous — exotic foods and landscapes plus marvelous art. It was a trip of a lifetime." She's

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had a painting accepted into the Georgia Watercolor Society's 15th International Exhibition.

Ike Rehert sounds happy. He is taking courses for fun now. He defines fun as "matters I undertake because I want to, not for any practical reason. So now I'm studying poetry, art history, fiction, sculpture, and I've even taken a course in swimming (not that any amount of instruction can turn this nonaquatic swimmer's ear into an Olympic silk purse swimmer). Somebody has said "The golden years suck." Wrong! For as long as they last, they're pure diamond."

Elmer Evans regrets that he didn't retire sooner (it's been almost four years now). "Travel isn't my bag...a garden and a boat are my most rewarding hobbies, with an occasional visit to the casino."

Bob Bricker and Louise Shuckhart '44 are still enjoying retirement, spending winters in Florida, summers on the Chesapeake Bay and in Blue Bell, Pa. He played golf several times this past summer at WMC with **Bob Beglin '43**, **Fraser Scott '43**, **Bill Robinson '41** and **Lee Lodge '43**. They don't set any records but have a great time reminiscing about their days at WMC.

Lee Kindley and Mary would love to see classmates when they pass through Myrtle Beach. They took a Mediterranean cruise visiting Nice, Monte Carlo, Rome and other exciting places. Future plans include a Panama Canal cruise and a long tour of Scotland and Ireland. Their daughter Cathy and family have been transferred from California to Oak Ridge, Tenn.—much closer to Myrtle Beach. Their son George and family are in Fairfax, Va. Jack and I visited Lee and Mary in June when we were in Myrtle Beach for a week.

Wes Sheffield returned to retirement in October after his one-year stint as interim minister at Sayville L.I. UCC Church. "Our winter here is Nockomis, Fla. where we both pursue fresh air, the beach, swimming and writing. **Laise "Judy" Grow '43** enjoys a bit of marble carving as a hobby. And, she has a dream of writing a book about "Our Ten Years on the Road for OFFS." If it materializes it will tell the story of living in motels across the country as we directed fundraising campaigns."

Bill Vincent and Dor have enjoyed monthly cruises with the Rotary Yacht Squadron on the Chesapeake Bay and had a nice vacation in Newport in September.

George Marshall is thankful for doctors who brought him successfully through by-pass heart surgery. Their big news of the year is the safe arrival of their second grandchild, Christopher Hahn, now 8 weeks old and keeping company with his 15-month-old sister, Reagan Elizabeth Hahn. "We help our daughter Ruth with her five days a week—a what a joy in our later years."

Carol and Frank Tarbutton went to Europe just in advance of the D-Day celebration. The 76th Infantry

Division met and went from London and Bouremouth (England—the staging area) to Cherbourg to Paris, then Luxembourg and on to Berlin. "It was a moving experience," they write. They were given medals in Luxembourg and Belgium and visited many small towns and areas (river crossings, etc.) where they participated. Their older grandson was selected on the Vermont State soccer team for his age group.

Emily Linton Carnochan and John '40 are fine and busy in their community. Most of their travel involves visiting children in Los Angeles, Boston, New York City, and Austin, Tx. They also visited friends in Spain and the Northwest. They had lunch with **Marie Crawford '43** and **Harry '40 Lowery** on New Year's Day.

Pat White wrote that her husband became "instant" great-grandparents when their oldest grandson recently married a delightful young lady with three children.

The July flood was the tragic story of 1994 for **Glady's Crowson Cabb** in Americas, Ga. Two of her former students were among the victims. Glady's was grateful for all the calls and letters she had from relatives and friends among whom were **Anna Robey Weis** and **Norris, Jane Harrison**, and **Larry Brown** and **Ellen**. In October the city fathers held a memorial service and victims' families came from as far away as Indiana for an inspirational service. "I've been back to California twice this year—once for granddaughter's first communion and secondly for grandson's baptism. We are busy in Americas planning for my mother-in-law's 100th birthday. Oh, yes, I also visited my oldest grandchild who seems to have settled in Colorado. The altitude didn't bother me. Maybe I've always been light-headed."

Cameron Orr was his wife's secret of good health is to be active. Their travels include Lake George, Lake Placid, a cruise (St. Thomas, St. Lucia, St. Martin and Martinique) and the Naval Academy (first time since 1938). They bowl, swim, lift weights and jog. His wife volunteers in the Chimes Program (Medicare).

Lynn Berthoff Weston's son, John, and his wife flew from Springfield, Ill. and her daughter, Anne, her husband Tom Bailey and their 17-month-old son from Hamilton, Mass. for an early Christmas and to help celebrate Dr. Berthoff's 95th birthday. Lynn's mother and father are fine and very independent. Mrs. Berthoff just got her driver's license renewed—and they are as busy as six people. Lynn is working part time (three eight-hour days per week) as case manager of Healthy Moms/Healthy Kids program with a county health department. "I enjoy it but get rather frustrated when able-bodied, mentally competent clients would rather stay on public aid than support themselves. Several clients are college graduates and one has a master's in special education. She says child care is so expensive she can't afford to work."

Most of **Ruth MacVean Hauser's** and **Herman's** traveling was in October—one week to visit "Mac's" sister **Janet MacVean Baker '38** who has moved to a new nursing home since her son Bruce was transferred to a new church this year. The last two weeks in October they took a Tauck Tour to Portugal and Spain. "It was a great trip (but I should have read up on my ancient history beforehand.)"

Eloise Wright Morrison's highlight of the summer was a mini-reunion in Frederick when **Dottie Attix Meyer** and **Duffy, "Mac" and Herman Hauser**, **Eloise** and **Bob** spent a few days together. "It was great fun. Had an early Christmas card from **Dorothy "DT" Turner**. She's off to London for December. She surely enjoys life!"

Ethel Hale Talbert, Libbie Tyson Koether, Kathryn "Tip" Tipton Kerr, Mary Crosswhite Ringwald, Jean Ayres Cardwell and I get together about once a month for lunch at a local shopping center. **Margaret Daughton '44** often joins us. Ethel always has a funny story. Most of the rest of us can't remember them.

Barbara Zimmermann Cressman just got in under the wire. Three-and-a-half years ago she and **Harry** moved to the Asbury Methodist Village in Gaithersburg, Md. where they are very happy. She has seen **Roselda Todd '28**, our physical education instructor at WMC, who has been happy there for about 20 years. She has also run across **Ed Retzer '41** and his wife **Ruth Beard '41**, **Isabelle Zimmermann Martin '41**, **Barbara's** sister, **Eleanor Brown '41** and **Betty Shaeffer Cissel**. She occasionally sees **Harry '40** and **Marie Crawford '43 Lowery** who live in Gaithersburg. **Barbara's** son **Barry**, a Presbyterian minister, is married to a lovely English teacher. They have three adorable children. Her daughter, **Sue**, a home economics graduate, is now a full-time wife and mother married to a dentist. They have two beautiful children. Their daughter, **Pam**, is an art teacher with her master's and almost a doctoral degree and is married to a former teacher and presently a computer specialist.

Sister Lauretta McCusker's latest news is that she has been elected vice president/president-elect of the National Catholic Life Association. She will take office at Easter time this year. "I'm teaching two courses this spring so am a bit busier than usual."

To quote **Emily Linton Carnochan** — "Hope you are well and we'll see you at our 55th!" I'm looking forward to it. The 50th was so much fun!

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47 Apologies to everyone for the lateness of your cards which was due to the flu and the U.S. Post Office. Would you believe I was unable to secure one-cent stamps for over two weeks?

As you all know we have lost our

president **Sig Jensen** and our vice president **Arthur O'Keefe** to their original class of 1944. **Don Woolston** wrote that he also requested to be included in the Class of '44. It was nice having you gentlemen all these years, we felt you were a part of us.

Emajane Hahn Baker's card arrived too late for the last column. She had suffered two broken wrists in 18 months and had to live with Hoffman devices for eight weeks at a time. I am delighted to report her latest news is that her wrists are healed. She and **Holmes** were flying to Arizona to visit his brother.

Another late card came from **Margorie Dare Poore**. She has been elected president of the Delaware Chapter of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America for a three-year term. She is active in the D.A.R. and has been taking oil painting classes for five years.

Since I last heard from **Mary Gene Kennedy Carr**, she and **Walter '44** went to his 50th reunion, on a trip to Amsterdam, to Maryland for Christmas and are hoping to go to Switzerland. They attended the January alumni luncheon in Orlando.

Janet Crawford Barrett is still busy in craft work. **Ralph** has returned to Charlotte Hall Veterans' Home as a volunteer after a three-month leave. He also serves as a substitute preacher in his tri-county area. They are anticipating Asbury Solomons Island Retirement Village residency when it is completed in mid '96. They say they are "healthy, happy and hopeful!"

Traveling in their motorhome is a joy for **Louise Brown Barnes** and her husband. Westminster is always one of their stops. Their grandchildren, **Geoffrey**, 15, and **Ashley**, 10, are their other great pleasures.

Mary Davies Carson says she must be the Veteran Administrators' oldest living employee. She enjoys her work and will quit when she is ready. Her biggest news of '94 was a three-week trip to New Zealand and Australia.

After 41 years in the active ministry of the United Methodist church, **Ed Langrall** has retired. He is now chairman of the board of directors of Quality of Life Retreats, a program in the Baltimore-Washington Conference providing retreats for persons with HIV/AIDS.

Marion Stoffregen Thorpe and husband **Peter** were late returning to their Florida home due to medical treatment **Peter** was receiving in Maryland. By the time you read this we hope he is better.

Due to the winter of '94 **Nan Austin Doggett** and husband **Carl** '45 spent this January and February in Florida. They loved hiking on the beach, swimming in the heated pool and exploring the sights. When they return to Maryland the Great Decisions groups and the Frederick School of Religion will be "in full swing." There will be a trip to the Holy Lands and Vermont. On June 18th a 50th wedding anniversary.

Anne Little Dole's family was deeply saddened when daughter Gloria lost her baby Christopher soon after birth. Daughter Janet is now working for an environmental firm in suburban D.C. Anne and husband Charlie are deeply involved in the Masonic Shrine. Charles drives one of those funny little cars in parades.

Received my annual phone call from **Betty Blades Wines**. The usual group of **Natalea Pumphrey Thumel**, **Thelma Evans Taylor**, **Violet Carr King**, **Betty Miller Lechlitter** and **Betty** had their September trip to Nags Head. At the end of October she attended an occupational therapist conference in Kentucky and in May she was at an occupational therapist workshop for a seven-day cruise to Alaska. She attended the alumni reunion in Boca Raton.

Betty Miller Lechlitter also wrote about the "reunion group" in Nags Head. The first two weeks in November she had a wonderful trip to the four main islands in Hawaii. She still enjoys her volunteer work at the hospital and Meals-on-Wheels.

Also attending the Boca Raton reunion were **Fred Brown** and **Mary Frances Willard Earhart '58**. In April they cruised the Panama Canal and several South American countries. Their winter haven is "The Bluffs of Sebring." Fred says they are responsible for five other Maryland couples being there.

Herb Doggett is still serving as trustee for the Community Foundation of Frederick County which provides support for the homeless, youth-at-risk, scholarships and the arts. In October they visited New Mexico and the Grand Canyon.

Not much news says **Ken Volk**. He and his partner are ranked number 1 in the mid-Atlantic states in the 70-plus in tennis doubles and number 15 in the U.S.A.

Raymond Mills said no new news — still enjoying retirement.

Going to England twice a year plus several days in Paris on the spring trip are only one of the many things that **Anna Lee Butler Trader** does. Music, community theatre, and retired teachers' associations are a few other interests.

Would you believe that last summer was **Al Resnick's** 33rd trip to Israel? He says he is still enjoying his law work.

Thelma Evans Taylor says they took a three-week trip last summer to Branson, Mo., Salt Lake City, Yellowstone Park, and Mt. Rushmore. A granddaughter's wedding took them west.

Carlton Mendell has to be the "fit" of fitness. In '94 he ran 72 road races and his 100th marathon. He qualified for Boston for '95 and '96 on October 2-4. On October 23 in D.C. he took second at Marine Corps race, 70-plus group with a time of 3:52. Another second on November 26 in the 60-plus race in Sparks, Md. "A young guy, 63, beat me. I am now 73."

Just loved my card from **Bill Hall**. The four of us had a wonderful reunion last January '94 and they plan on returning in March. We will have a rematch in golf.

This job has some great rewards such as a seven-page letter from **Si Ehrlich**. What an exciting life they have. Phyllis has appeared in the new TV show, *ER*. She is an associate professor at V.S.C. as well as an actress. Their younger daughter is a deputy DA in Los Angeles County and is involved in a very important trial which is being overshadowed by none other than the O.J. Simpson case.

Retiring from teaching at the end of this school year is **Betty Burgee Bishop's** plan. She raises and shows boxers and is proud to say she now has two champions.

Bettie Shockley Altfather has reasons for being very happy as all her children are now within 110 miles. Harriet is back in Maryland after 17 years in California. Kathryn is in New Jersey. **Elizabeth Altfather Michael '74** in Severna Park, and her son built a home on the family farm. Their grandchildren ages 3 to 12 are often there being entertained by her mother **Elizabeth Carey Shockley '22** who now is in residence.

My freshman "roomie" **Elaine Horsey Cannoles** is on job hunting. Retired last year. Her children think she has worked long enough. She keeps busy volunteering at the local police department, working at home, in her garden and playing golf until she finds the next job.

It was wonderful to hear from the **Twiggs** for the first time. **Ernest** is serving as pastor of Davidsonville United Methodist Church. **Glady Schlag Twigg** works at North Arundel Hospital in Glen Burnie, Md. as an R.N. She retired from teaching elementary school at Gibson Island and then returned to school to study nursing. They have one daughter, two sons and eight grandchildren ranging in age from 25 down to identical twin granddaughters aged 18 months. They camp every summer for three weeks at Cape Hatteras, N.C. with the family.

Joe "Mike" Altfeder says all is well. They spend their time between working in New York and playing in Palm Beach, Fla. All seven grandchildren are fine. He is looking forward to many more years of fun.

1994 was a good year for **Janice Divers Twitchell**. They added two more grandchildren to the family. She and Bob visited daughter Becky and grandchildren Elizabeth, 11, and Peter, 8. Becky had spent her junior year at Smith in Florence so was a first-rate guide of Rome, Pompeii, Venice, etc., lots of history, art, music and natural beauty.

Fred Holloway says everything is much the same for him — directs a super choir and is director of a business school in Canton, Ohio. No plans to retire. He said he unfortunately hasn't much contact with WMC grads. He enjoys working and life.

My card found **Lee Beglin Scott** on a six-week vacation in Florida. They

had a family vacation at Frapp Island, S.C. in August. They really enjoy daughter and family. They see lots of WMC grads each fall. Lee says "she is trying to beat off the aging process." If you find the secret let us all know.

Only heard from 33 this time so I was disappointed. I just wish each of you would return your card when you receive it. WMC would like to hear about me and so would your classmates.

We enjoyed our first summer in Florida — no warmer than Virginia. We did take a month to visit our daughters and their families in Ohio. The Cahills live in Cincinnati and are loving their new home. Kevin, 15, made the golf team at his new school and was undefeated in his 17 matches. He also is on the school paper and the academic team. Kyle, 13, made his school's golf team. He is an honors student as is his brother. He was accepted as a member of the renowned Cincinnati Boys Touring Choir. This spring they will sing at Carnegie Hall. The Harris family lives in Lancaster and also are very busy. Kenton, 8, was Tiny Tim in the community's *Christmas Carol*. He and his brother, Tyler, 11, are honor students and champion swimmers. (They wanted to see their names in print.) In November, **Bill Finck '48** and wife **Ethel Gurtub** '49 visited for three glorious days. It was wonderful. Husband **Bob '49** and I continue to lead a life full of tennis, golf, bridge and swimming. (From our lanai, we just watched the space shuttle Discovery go up on its night flight, February 3rd. Glorious!) I would like to thank my fellow classmates for selecting me as your new class president. I accept with pleasure this honor bestowed upon me.

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52 Although the new year will be well on its way when you read this, a happy and healthy 1995 to each of you.

Messages too late for the 1994 deadline came from **Dottie Schmidt** Retaw telling of their three-week tour of western Canada with an old friend from London. This included guided tours from Vancouver to Calgary including the Rocky Mountaineer Rail-tour to Banff. From there they explored Banff, Lake Louise, and Jasper by foot and by car. No new news from **Huck and Peg Sisler Hayzlett** except "hi" to all.

California classmates don't give up on the work scene. **Sally Ray Santmyer** continues to run the two remaining sea sports stores, but hopes to have only her original one at Laguna Beach soon. Then she will feel like she is retired with more time for diving trips and golf. She ended the year with a week of scuba diving in Grand Cayman and is looking forward to a similar trip to the Fiji Islands in the spring. She has just taken a seat on

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the board of their International Trade Organization that will meet in New York in March. That's after a week of skiing in Park City in February, a visit to San Francisco in January, and planning a trip to New Zealand for the fall. Keep it up, Sally! Sounds great!

Both Ward and Betty Lou Brandenburg Glasy continue to work at Glasy Maintenance Supply Company in Anaheim. Daughter Pam manages the business and has just published a book, *Making Cleaning a Successful Business*. Pam is sales manager and has three children of whom two have been used as greeting card photo models. Parts of five cities are visible from their home in Chino Hills. Ward graduated from Talbot Theological Seminary in 1988 and has published Christian study materials from Granada Heights Friends Church's high school department. *Proverbs: Obedience for Successful Living* is used by 90-100 high schoolers every week. Ward plays golf two to three times a week and encourages golfing classmates to meet him at Alta Vista Country Club in Placentia, Calif. He can be reached during working hours at (714) 738-5121.

Mary Hawkins Hackman is becoming reacquainted with the "Hill" as she teaches a graduate course and supervises school library interns for the library media master's program. Mary sees the young people as bright, concerned for others, and generally good students. She and Jim enjoy their grandchildren, Bethany Beach, and traveling which took them to Florida, Arizona, California and England in 1994. Alaska is on the agenda for 1995. Mary finds, as many of us do, that it is easier to be busier than ever but agrees that it is good.

As part of **Michael Chirigos'** consulting work, he and his wife traveled through Italy, Spain, and Jordan. They were impressed by the Jordanians in Amman and overwhelmed by the city of Petra, a city carved out of mountain stone. He attended the D-Day anniversary celebration in France with memories of Omaha Beach at 7 a.m. and the comrades he left behind. Michael Jr. had a heart transplant in October 1994 which interrupted his medical school education until April. Enjoying eight grandchildren—five girls and three boys.

Pat Crawford Dejean's sister also had a heart transplant in November after being very ill for a long time, but thankfully she was at home with her family for Thanksgiving.

Bill Callas is rapidly recuperating from a heart attack and quadruple bypass in October. He is not quite retired as a manufacturer's representative, but knows he is going to hate playing golf every day. A grandson finally joined his five granddaughters last August.

Donald Phillips reports that he gave the eulogy for **Jay Regdy '51** in Ocean City, N.J. last year. **Gil Clough '51** and his wife Gil and Jay have been close since they were business partners at WMC—selling food in the dorm.

Don and Kathryn remain active in music through the church. **Charles Albert** is looking to retirement at the end of the year when he plans to write a book, *The Voting History of Carroll County* tracing the politics and all election results since 1837. He's looking for volunteers who might enjoy researching this topic. **Suzie Chambers Albert MS'87** lost her bid for Judge of Orphan's Court in the November election but is looking forward to the next election.

Our sympathy to **Katharine Bliss Wassman** and her family on the death of her husband, **Rev. Donald Wassman** on November 9, 1994. Retirement has given **Pam Welliver** the opportunity to follow the modern dance career of daughter Gwen. This year will take her to Paris as well as the Joyce Theater in New York, the Annenberg Center in Philadelphia and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. How thrilling it must be to see her perform!

Tom '53 and Katharine Wiley Pearce are enjoying the easy life in Manoa, N.C., but do return to Maryland to visit their "adorable" 6-year-old grandson.

Bob and Helen Wiley Millar welcomed their first grandchild, Nicholas Tyler Bowles, on January 10, 1995. Since Bob retired in December, they plan to do some traveling this spring and summer.

Betsy Patterson Hughes reported that they began the year with their whole family together. That doesn't happen too often with families scattered all over the world. In spite of a lower back condition Betsy uses her NordicTrac and continues walking. She has Bible study and volunteers at a church thrice a week. Howard is semi-retired and plays golf when he can—often with **Vic Makovitch**. **Anna Lee Park** and Vay have become grandparents for the first time to a "beautiful granddaughter."

After a year of retirement, **Mary Siegel** returned to work for the State of Maryland in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services in Pikesville. Traveling is postponed for a few years.

Lou Kellner Nau is busy with church, garden club, miniatures, and Federated Women's Club locally, in the Baltimore District, and in the state.

Jillie Danuth Whidden's husband and two sons went to France in June where he jumped as he had on D-Day 50 years ago.

Barbara Faye Webster Collins left a very short retirement to work for Salisbury State University as a supervisor of student teachers part time. She and her husband vacationed in Garrett County during the "deep freeze" last January and in Vermont during their July heat wave.

Joe and Peggy Eline's third granddaughter born in September evened the granddaughters and grandsons. They traveled the Alpine countries last year and are planning a trip to Alaska this year. They enjoy attending Elder-hostels around the U.S.A.

Joan Montague Schane sends greetings while she enjoys the Florida sunshine.

Eileen Sturgill writes that **Carl** has been home for a year following his stroke. Although therapy has ended he continues to improve. With all of their trauma they are thankful for their two sons who are doing well in their chosen fields.

Herna Nixdorf Benjamin sends regards as she and her husband enjoy retirement with plenty of time to do the things they never had time to do. **James and Olivia Cox** have four children and six grandchildren. All are well and healthy.

Dorothy Lien England retired two years ago as an administrator of an adult day care center—a challenging and rewarding experience. She is finally able to spend time painting and drawing. Now that **Forrest** is retired, they have an opportunity to travel. Their four children and two grandchildren live nearby and visit frequently.

Charlotte Reed Cushing says, "retirement is terrific!" She and **Ray '50** plan a winter escape to London and Paris in March, fly fishing in Montana in July, while taking advantage of the museum and orchestra in Cleveland.

Paul and Janet Preston May enjoyed their first summer of sailing so much that they are planning to trailer their boat to Florida to do some Gulf sailing this winter. They plan genealogy trips to Boston, Maryland and Pennsylvania, Paul's military reunion to Georgia, and St. Thomas for pleasure.

Rev. M.S. Jan Ports is finding joy in experiences of Ocean City, Capacan State Park, and at the Carmelite Monastery near Towson, Md. He sees **Lynn Goldberg '51** regularly.

Roger Ault is still enjoying full retirement. Occasionally his former employer breaks up his routine by calling him back when the work piles up. He ran unsuccessfully for Judge of Orphan's Court, but in the middle of the campaign took a two-week vacation to Hawaii. He plans a week in Fort Lauderdale and the Grand Bahamas Island in late January. He swims three times a week and continues to build a video tape collection of notable old movies.

Mitch Tullai conducted two lectures on the three-day Battle of Gettysburg and two bus tours of the Battlefield at Gettysburg at the Academic Homecoming last fall. It was a "You Are There" experience for those who were able to attend. We are signed up for the next time it is offered! Mitch also was one of those participating in the ceremonial coin toss preceding the kickoff of the 100th anniversary game between WMC and Johns Hopkins last November 12.

Audrey Myers Buffington reports that she has retired a second time in June and this time it is final!

Ina Grice Bourdon retired from teaching over 4 years ago and is busy with church activities, tennis and swimming, but when husband David retires at the end of this year they plan

to move aboard their new 41-foot Tartan sailboat. Sounds like fun! Keep in touch.

Ed Footie's most distant venture was New York City to see two plays, Radio City at Christmas, Ellis Island, and the Statue of Liberty. They also visited the Kennedy Center, Union Station, and the National Arboretum at Christmas, but Alaska is on the agenda for next year.

Chuck Hammaker sends regards from Jacksonville, Fla.—the home of the new Jaguars—as he continues as director of Blue Cross and Blue Shield's Health Care Fraud Unit and as a member of the executive committee for the National Health Care Anti-fraud Association, and the board of governors for the N.E. Florida Safety Council. A granddaughter arrived in '94.

Bill and I plan to attend the Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas in June and to spend a week in Stone Harbor, N.J., with our family in July. We've never tried a family vacation since there have been so many of us. We'll see!

Til next time.
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57 Let me start with left-over news from our last article. **Mike Savarese** is working again after retirement helping educators with retirement planning and tax deferred annuities, working in Howard and Carroll school districts. **Peggy** is a reading specialist in Baltimore County. **Mike**, 30, has a new job with a graphic/printing firm. **Debbie**, 28, is an attorney in Dallas. **Denise**, 26, is living and working in Maui, Hawaii. All are still single. **Mike** says they vacationed last year in Charleston, S.C., **Kiawah Island** and Sunset Beach.

Peggy Simon Jurf sells real estate in Carroll County. **Amin '59** is spending his retirement as a real-estate appraiser. All four children have flown the coop. **Robert** is married with three children and lives in California. **Alice** got married in 1993. **Sue** and **Fred** are still on the loose.

Frank and Ginny Quinn Lesnock have moved to Parker, Colo. **Linny** hasn't worked outside the home for several years so she had plenty of time to unpack boxes. She was eagerly looking forward to spring. All her children are great. One lives in Florida, one in Georgia and one in New Jersey. How did they get to be grown so fast?

Last spring found **Dick Buterbaugh** and wife **Jeannie** recovering from an accident that totaled their car. Their big news was that **Dick** was to retire in April from his part-time chaplaincy at the Barstow Veteran's hospital. That gave them a chance to take their third trip to Europe. Since it could be the last time, they planned to visit daughter **Dorothy**, stationed in Würzburg. Then they were to do the grand tour from Luxembourg to Poland to Vienna to Rome and points in

between. They still dance and roller skate and have added some German clubs for the food, music and the dancing.

Herb Sell retired as choral director at Westminster High School in 1992. He is still directing the Carroll County Choral Society. Their spring concert was to be the music of World War II. He also directs his church choir in Lit-tlestown, Pa. and plays jazz piano on weekends.

Emily Trevett White plans to retire from her nursing career in 1996 but will probably continue her part-time job opening the local church for Saturday services.

After 24 years of teaching English, **Grace Fletcher Pipes** has retired. She and **Buddy** celebrated with a trip through the Canadian Rockies, Washington and Oregon. This fall was so beautiful in Vermont they decided to stay there permanently, except for a Caribbean cruise in December with son **Daniel '87** and his wife Mary. Any visitors to Vermont are welcome to stop by.

Life stays busy for **Charlie '85** and **Ginny Tull Phipps**, she writes. They're thankful to be relatively healthy. They enjoy traveling, but the light of their lives is 6-year-old grandson Charlie. He had a nice visit with **Bob Radcliffe** and new wife Diane, and saw **Frank '96** and **Lillian Fowler Benson** frequently. Look for them at Charlie's 40th reunion in June.

Abby Wainwright reports a good year with the publication of his book on business officers in higher education. An excellent sophomore, he says. Travels took them to Palm Beach, Martha's Vineyard, and Toronto, to France in September and Scotland, Ariz. for Christmas. Their two wonderful, single children joined them.

The parents want them to have spouses. Any takers? **Abby** and **Ronnie Ann** were to meet **Jim** and **Sally Lackey** in Marco Island.

NIH has found a reason for **Dot Clarke's** chronic pain. We hope they'll be able to help. In the meantime, he is in his second year of education for ministry and has already qualified as a licensed pastoral visiting lay eucharistic minister.

The country and western dance craze keeps **Karin Schade James** busy. It's such good exercise and great fun.

Marc Meyers claims to be a semi-retired golf-bum dentist. His son **Lee '84** is in practice with Marc in Bowie, Md. Grandson Sam, 1, has not made a life choice yet.

Peggy Whorton Everly commutes to work in Walkersville, Md. It gives her time to think. Her daughter is still unattached.

Brant Vittek reports a slow year: a trip to Tanzania and the birth of two new grandsons as well as the completion of a 31-year project as son Brant joins him in the practice of orthopedics.

After 25 years John and **Jeanne Blair Kreisher** are still working on their 1750 farm house and enjoying their grandchildren. Two sons live nearby. Steve is with IBM and lives in

Hebron, Conn. with Cindy, Kelly, 7, Lindsey, 4, and John, 2. Keith is editor-in-chief of *Nadara Plastics* and lives with wife Anne and Jacqueline, 2, in Westport, Conn. Bill, who is with MCI, lives in Marietta, Ga., their favorite place to be for Easter. If in Connecticut, give them a call.

Ann Hershfield Lau still likes teaching English in the Philadelphia suburbs, perhaps because it's her second career. She just finished 51 months commuting each week to Chicago and other cities before that. Frequent-flier miles have brought visits with out-of-town children and exotic vacations such as China last summer. Students who have chosen WMC report back loving it.

In October 1994, **Earle and Sara Price Finley** relocated from Raleigh, N.C. to the Blue Ridge mountains of Hillsville, Va. Three of their children are married and the remaining daughter is to be married in June. There are five grandchildren.

When he wrote, **Ralph "Dusty" Martiniell** was recovering from a prostate cancer operation, yet another bump in life. He did not need chemo or radiation therapy. He took a cruise in November and had a week in Palm Beach, Fla. visiting his stepdaughter. **Dusty** and **Bob Butler** still call each other and enjoy talking together.

Ron Strasser, youngest son graduated in December '94 from Ball State University with a B.S. in elementary education. He is substituting while looking for a regular position. David and Jeff are doing well. Ron and Bobbie hope to retire in three years and plan to travel and cruise around.

Anna Jarrell continues to enjoy retirement. A 14-day tour of England, Wales and Scotland is planned for May.

Betty Ely May is looking forward to the same trip to celebrate their 39th wedding anniversary. Betty retired in '94 and settled in to enjoy a relaxed time. Her mother died in November but grandchildren Kristen and Alex continue to delight them.

Frank Robey is still working at his fifth career as an investment executive and retirement plan coordinator at Legg Mason in Baltimore. He also serves on the WMC Board of Trustees. **Son Andrew '86** is a court commissioner in Baltimore City. Matthew teaches at Kalamazoo College.

June Wise Winkler is director of volunteers at University of Maryland Medical System. She recently had a chance to work with a number of WMC pre-med students. They were a fine representation of the school. June plays bridge, knits, reads and sings in her church choir.

John Goode Stahl is in his 18th year with the senate committee of the general assembly of Maryland. Bob is retired and actually enjoys housekeeping and family matters. They found time to cruise the Caribbean and take a two-week trip to this year's destination: Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales. **Son Bobby**, a Chance Enterprise manager, and his wife have their only grandchild. Daughter Lori is to

graduate in June from Ohio State's Vet School and goes on to a year-long internship.

Jim and Joan Durno Bradfield have been busy using their acting skills. Jim was in a play for six weeks, they were both extras at Arlington National Cemetery for *Clear and Present Danger* and Joan's big chance was in a supporting role in a February *America's Most Wanted*. Jim also was to appear in February as the minister in a TV movie called *Tad*. Meanwhile, they continued their murder mystery trains, boats and busses. Joan's home economic endeavors introduced her to Mary Lou Retton, an Aunt Jenna promotion and judging recipe contests. Their trip to Alaska taught them something too. When they paid for their rental car someone copied their number and charged \$3,000 in airline tickets around the world.

Frank and Lynda Skinner Kravitz visited daughter Terry in Switzerland and continued to Italy and France. **Son Frank '90** has passed the Maryland bar exam.

Ruth Ridinger Varner is spending two months in Florida and hopes we don't have the kind of weather we had last year. She and Bob now have two granddaughters, Amy and Rachael, who add a lot of joy to their lives.

Jack and Marianne Scheder Goette are getting envious of our retired classmates. They love their grandchildren who keep life moving in the fast lane.

I heard from **Marilyn Eccleston Boor** who had seen **Bob Butler** when he was in town. Bob was in a car accident, but recovered fine. **Marilyn** visited with **Norma Fulghum Kunkle '58** who came to show her new granddaughter and 2-year-old grandson. **Wayne Boor** was inducted into the Potomac State Athletic Hall of Fame.

Marlin Roser surprised me with a response from Hanover, Pa. Life is good, one day at a time. He enjoys being a suburbanite in pleasant Hanover.

Fred Rausch is still dreaming of that 45-foot boat they plan to live on after his wife retires. They'll spend the good weather on the Chesapeake and buy a small house on the west coast of Florida for winter and a place to retire.

Tom Braun is already in Florida, loves it and is probably waiting for Fred to get there.

I've saved the southern gang for last. **Patsy and Gene Jenkins** celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary last June. They've taken up golfing together (learning humility). Church is growing and they are enjoying their four grandchildren.

The Kohl family retired to Delray, Fla. in October. They have enjoyed visiting the town for six years. Their new house is two miles from the beach. **Del and Barbara Moreau '60** attended a WMC dinner in Boca Raton and found several WMCers in the area.

Joyce Harrington Stottler is still teaching English literature and composition at Florida Tech. All their children are married; her son has a computer software business near San

Francisco and has two daughters. Her older daughter has temporarily retired to chase after a 2-year-old boy and 9-month-old girl. The younger daughter manages several shops on the pier at Cocoa Beach.

Jim '54 and Carolyn Redden Leary are still enjoying Florida, its environment and people and their backyard pool. Kentucky is the home of their son Allan and two grandchildren, Heather and Elizabeth. Jim says he has been led for 10 years to be a channel for God's love to others, trying to perceive His presence every where.

Bruce and **Mary Lease Nagle** are enjoying the Jacksonville area. They spent Christmas in Pensacola with their son's family, their 2-year-old grandson was a delight. Their daughter joined them.

After almost 22 years in Florida, **Carol Bingham Prendergast** is not adjusted to the perpetual vacation weather. A business/pleasure trip took her to Richmond, Va., Silver Spring, Md. and New York City in October. She loved the brisk, clear air and may just retire to Maryland. She got to see her children and grandchildren less this year. In summer of '95, Carol and her youngest plan to trace their family roots in Ireland. Her job with the American Cancer Society developing staff and volunteers gives her great pleasure.

Howard and Janet Perkins Zimmerman are enjoying a warm winter in Gulf Shores, Ala. Howard is golfing almost every day. Janet enjoys bridge, crafts, reading and walking on the beach, as well as sewing for their three granddaughters. Karen has two, Anna, 1, and Caroline, 4. Brian has Kelly, 6. They don't travel much, it's too hard to leave this paradise. They did make a Christmas trip to Gaithersburg, Md. to visit Brian and other family in Baltimore.

Jan Cline reports that winters can be bad in Birmingham, Ala. In 1993 they had more snow than she ever saw in Maryland. Trees were down and power out for a week. In 1983 the city was shut down for days. Winters can be harsh, but they are short-lived. You just remember the bad ones.

Kline and Martha Lewis Johnson are both retired from Troy State University in Montgomery, Ala. She was vice president for academic affairs, and he vice president for student affairs. Retirement is great. They travel a lot. She loves cruises. They took two last year, to the western Caribbean and Bermuda. Plans include DisneyWorld and a cruise to Belize and Honduras.

We have greetings from **Margie Pott Enginger, Dave Bailey and Janet Thompson Manuel**.

My own news is that I've been feeling much better since I started hemodialysis last January. It keeps me close to home, but I've had my trip to Paris and there are cruises I can go on that provide care. Some other travel is possible with advance arrangements.

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Greetings friends! Responses came from points north, south, east and west. It is good to hear from so many of you.

Bob Wolf writes from Olympia, Wash. that he and Sandy have adopted the northwest as their permanent home. Bob has been substituting in the secondary schools and working in community organizations. In their free time, Bob and Sandy enjoy the peaceful waters of the South Sound aboard their boat, The Wolf Gang II. Bob also visits occasionally with **Bill Bergquist** and family who are also in the Olympia area.

We have a number of classmates in Colorado. **Bill Dickey Thomas** writes that she and **Jim '60** have traveled quite a bit in the past year and Mil has been shopping in Chicago, San Francisco, Seattle, and Honolulu. Mil continues as director of music/wedding coordinator/organist at a Methodist church in Denver.

Mary Sue Trotman Mundorf and husband Armit continue to enjoy winter skiing and summer hiking in Basalt, Colo. Mary Sue writes that she commutes to the top of Aspen Mountain in a gondola and then skis one third of the way down to her work at Bonnie's Restaurant where she cooks.

In Colorado Springs **Charles Snyder**'s one-man income tax business is growing. The barbershop quartet that Charles sings with sang the Canadian National Anthem at a Colorado Rockies vs. Montreal Expos baseball game at Mile High Stadium in Denver before more than 50,000 fans. Charlie said it was the thrill of a lifetime.

Another West Coast classmate, **Carole Gordon Smith**, brings us up-to-date on her family's activities. Daughter Heidi is in Athens, Ga. where she is doing her missionary service. Daughter Armo and husband and son live in Provo, Utah, and son Derek is living in Draper, Utah with his family. Carole and Ken live in San Rafael, Calif. and travel quite frequently to Utah to visit with the children. On one of those visits last year Carole and I had a chance to have lunch in Salt Lake City where Gary and I were visiting with our daughter Holly. What fun we had catching up on 30 years' worth of WMC and family news! Carole is as pretty as ever.

What a surprise to hear from **Maureen Filley Sitter**? She and **Bill '63** are settled in Garden Ridge, Texas where Maureen works with Bill in Jordan-Sitter Associates, an executive search business. They traveled 100,000 miles last year including a nine-day trip to Japan. Daughter Cheryl lives in Austin, and son Chris, daughter-in-law Theresa and grandson David are in San Antonio. Maureen and Bill are thankful for the many blessings they received in 1994.

From Dallas, **Harry Runberger** reports that he is looking for new challenges since his work as a Scotch Whiskey ambassador ended in December. Harry's wife Janie is a licensed counselor at Employee Assistance Company. Son Brian and daughter

Janine have finished undergraduate school and are pursuing careers.

On the East Coast several classmates have embarked on new careers. **Patricia Fox Olson** has become a full-time teller at Plymouth State Bank in Plymouth, Mass. After eight-and-a-half years as a part-time employee, and husband Bob has started a new job as interim director of the Craigville Conference Center for the United Church of Christ in Cape Cod. Pat's son Scott graduated *magna cum laude* from Bentley College in May 1993 as an accounting major and is now working for a small company in Easton, Mass.

Betsy Fontaine Plantholt has rejoined the work force after being a housewife and mother for 31 years. She is working with the Child Protection Team to prevent child abuse. She is also (after 32 years) back in school pursuing a master's degree in counseling. Betsy recommends school for people in their fifties. (Surely she doesn't mean us!) Betsy lives in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. where, she says, every day is a holiday.

Kay McKay Ward has also embarked on a new career. She is a legislative aide for Virginia State Senator Warren E. Barry. Kay works in his Fairfax, Va. office except during the legislative session when she works in Richmond. Kay is enjoying her involvement in local, state, and national politics and says she tries to keep the politicians honest!

John McKenna sends greetings to the class from New Jersey and reports that he visited with **Herb and Janet Fallin** in Virginia and played some pool. The McKennas' son David graduated from Old Dominion University in June of '93, and daughter Kim is a junior at Villanova.

Ruth Ann Mason Maertens continues her work as a psychotherapist at a mental health clinic and private practice in Carmel, N.Y. and is still singing. Both sons, Christopher and Tyler, have graduated from college as finance majors. Tyler was married in October. Daughter Beth is a junior at the University of Montana. Husband Hank celebrated 30 years in the ministry last year.

Several classmates noted that it seems incredible that we were at WMC have passed since we were at WMC together.

Judith Lorry Murphy writes that the years have spun by and her two boys are men. Doug, 25, is still in the veterinary field, and Cliff, 19, is a sophomore English major at St. Joseph's University. Judy is still teaching second grade, now part time, and loves the reduced hours but not the reduced salary!

Louise Stache Rainis reports that her daughter **Terry Knead '87** married Donald Imm in October '94. Louise and husband's blended family keeps growing and they now have six grandchildren. Louise is still traveling the Washington Beltway from her home in Alexandria, Va.

Rachel Wentz is still teaching at Westminster High School where she is department chairperson of the Foreign

Language Department. Rachael also teaches part time at WMC. This past August she had a total knee replacement, but has recuperated very well.

Betty Beall Rommel is also still involved in public education. Betty is a counselor and team leader at Cockeysville Middle School. Husband John operates Rommel Builders and builds townhouses and condos. Daughter Anne, 21, will graduate from Towson State University this May. Johnny, 19, is a sophomore at Elon College in North Carolina.

Marie Black Sasse has been retired from teaching for two years now, and has spent most of those two years caring for elderly relatives. Marie was responsible for cleaning and selling homes for two of her relatives that needed placement in nursing homes. She and husband Ron hope to take a well-deserved rest to enjoy their retirement.

Carolyn Bowen Thuerber keeps herself busy helping others. She volunteers at a soup kitchen, delivers food to needy families and helps families plan budgets. In addition to researching her family history, Carolyn has also become interested in folksmashing and does a 10K walk about once a month. The Thuerbers' children are involved in higher education. Son Kent graduated Phi Beta Kappa from MIT in May '94 and is now working on a Ph.D. in physics at MIT. Daughter Karen is completing her second bachelor's degree at the University of Maryland in mathematics. Husband Bob has worked at NIST for over 30 years as a physicist. The Thuerbers are travelers and recently spent several weeks in the Great Lakes region and plan to visit Newfoundland in '95.

John '63 and Janet Pricer Warman have also been traveling. They visited New Zealand in March and Scotland in July. They're planning their ninth trip to Disney World soon. In the meantime the Warmans are enjoying country dancing every week.

Perhaps these travelers should contact **Nancy Anthony Schmidt**. Nancy works for a travel agency and takes advantage of the "perks." She went on a Caribbean cruise in '94 and spent a week at Club Med in Cancun, Mexico. Nancy is happy to be back in the D.C. area renewing old friendships and spoiling her five grandchildren who range in age from 2 to 9 years.

Some of us continue in the same careers. **Judith Meredith Reichard** is still at the U.S. Postal Service in Washington as a logistician. Judy's husband Dale Magnusson has a stock data corporation in Annapolis supplying stock market data to subscribers. Judy helps with the company. She and Dale traveled quite a bit this past year visiting Paris and the Chateau country and Germany. They also traveled to Alaska and Canada with **Carolyn Powell Walking '61** and her husband.

Jim Wadded writes that he is still editing Navy publications at Vitro Corp. in Rockville, Md. and avoiding computers as much as possible. He and **Carolyn deGraw '64** live in rural Woodbine, Md. and occasionally have

hot dogs at Harry's Lunch, get apples from Baughers, and drive through "the Hill" and remember the good ole days. Most weekends the Waddels spend time in Laurel, Del. exploring Delmarva.

Carl Strein is president/owner of CVS Painting Services, a home improvement firm. He enjoys golf, traveling, and reading. Carl and **Barbara Meincke** have recently purchased an Ocean City, Md. vacation condominium from classmate **Bob Warfield**. Carl's new avocations include restoring boats and VWs.

Dick Phoebeus writes from Hagerstown that he and Dale have moved to a townhouse condo with no grass to cut and no leaves to rake. Dick is president of Home Federal Savings in Hagerstown and has retired from the Army Reserve after 36 years. Dale still plays a lot of tennis. Son Rick is a pilot with COMAIR in Orlando, Fla., and daughter Paige is a flight attendant with US Air and married to a Marine aviator. They live in North Carolina.

Gary and I enjoyed a few trips this year as well. We visited our daughter Holly in Salt Lake City and in October celebrated my fifth year of being cancer-free by spending a week in Honolulu. Boy has Hawaii changed since we lived there 30 years ago! Holly and her fiance were here from Utah over Christmas; it was good to have her home. Wendy is working on her teaching certificate in art education in Richmond, Va.; maybe when she's ready to teach, I'll be ready to retire from teaching.

Many thanks to all of you who responded. I look forward to hearing from more of you next time.

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Our freshman class president, **Wayne Curry**, was elected the first black county executive of Prince George's County in November '94 of a lead of two to one. Curry won his first bid for public office as a Democrat. According to the *Washington Post*, "Curry's campaign capped a two-year effort by the son of a county school teacher to trade in a comfortable, private life as a well-connected lawyer to lead a county of 753,000 people." Upon winning, Wayne told the *Post*, "Prince George's is showing the nation how a multi-ethnic population can work together. I feel proud to be an instrument of change and progress in Prince George's County." As he inherits a budget deficit, he added, "The real challenge is not for Prince George's to just make history, but to make sense." Often on the campaign trail Wayne brought his wife and infant son.

John and Pat Saunders Gerstmer lived in Cape Town, South Africa with their three children from January to July in 1994. "We were proud to be there when they had their elections (Visa Mandali), they write. They toured Southern Africa going on

safari, visiting Victoria Falls, and taking a cruise on the Zambezi River. They also toured Europe for 15 days. They arrived home in August after visiting numerous countries and having 13 air flights and one helicopter ride (over the falls). John was on sabbatical. Pat is now teaching at York College.

Ué Lindsay wrote, "Good riddance to 1994. It was a devastating year for the '72 Preachers. In a period of 10 days we lost **Joe "Joey" Zick**, **Barry Teach '69** (1969 president of the Preachers), and **Larry Garro**. Words here (Hunt Valley, Md.) cannot express my sadness and how much I will miss them. It was a time for gathering, those days in October, and I saw many wonderful friends I hadn't seen in many years — **Rick Coburn '69**, **Alan McCoy '71**, **Tom Botts '73**, **John Mosca '70**, **Bob Watson '73**, **Bill Corley '74**, **Bill Thomas '75** and other Preachers." Ué also wrote he was lucky to visit **Greg Barnes** in San Diego this year.

When **Larry Garro** died of cancer, October 21, at Greater Baltimore Medical Center, he was a senior systems analyst for the Social Security Administration and the holder of several powerlifting records. Larry took up powerlifting when he was 32 and won the Maryland championship in 1989. In 1991, he established four world records at the World Masters Powerlifting Championship in St. Louis, bench pressing 440 pounds, squat lifting 649 pounds, and dead lifting 699 pounds, for a total of 1,698 pounds. In 1985, he founded the American Drug-Free Powerlifting Association. He leaves his wife of 18 years, Diane Baker, and a daughter, Kristin, born of Cockeysville, Md.

Susan Wells Barrett, of Bethesda, Md., says she has been meaning to write for years, "but somehow the column comes out and the card is still in my 'to do' stack." Her greatest pleasure in life is her children, Megan, 10, Michael, 7, and Scotty, almost 2. Susan and the baby were selected to be photographed for the cover of the Washington Hospital Center's Annual Report last year. Professionally, she started her own consulting firm in organizational development. Husband Lee is executive vice president of an educational travel company.

Jay McCabe, of Cockeysville, Md., has been promoted to vice president of CES Security, Inc., and is responsible for the sales, marketing, and direction of security services, particularly those relating to events of the Baltimore/Washington area. Daughter Jennifer is a senior at Perry Hall High School and is excelling in the gifted/talented program. "I am elated that her first choice of colleges is Western Maryland, where her major will be psychology!" Jay is also a travel consultant in his spare time and continues with his own company, JAM Productions, specializing in the planning, marketing, and direction of public and private events.

Don "D.I." Mohler and wife **Linda Stevens '70** find it hard to believe that both their children are in

college. Jennifer will be graduating in May from Towson State, and Jeffrey is a freshman at St. Mary's College. Linda teaches French at Carver Center for Arts and Technology in Baltimore County. Don is principal of Catonsville High School.

John Dayhoff, of Hagerstown, Md., received a master's degree in business administration from Hood College in May 1994. He was also re-elected to the Board of Trustees of the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts to serve as assistant treasurer. In August, he and wife Jitka vacationed at Snowshoe with **Jim Devise '73** and family, where they attended special performances of the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra.

Nancy Becker Miller still teaches 9th and 12th grades at Westminster High School. "In fact," I've taught some of our classmates' (**Joe '73** and **Mary Connor Carter '74**) children. That really shows your age!" She lives in Cockeysville with her husband and son, who is in 9th grade and keeps them busy with Scouts and track. "We can't wait for him to drive." Her husband is on an experimental drug for M.S. with good results. "I've also had some student teachers from WMC for the last few years — it's hard to believe we were there." The Millers are planning another trip to DisneyWorld to check out the new attractions.

Ruth Howell, of Frederick, is still director of the Family Intervention/Early Intervention Department of Maryland School for the Deaf, and gives guest lectures for the teacher-training program at WMC. This year she had 12 days to tour Washington state, Montana, Idaho, and the Canadian Rockies. It was 100 degrees in parts of British Columbia. "I flew over the terrible forest fires out there in July. Scary but fascinating!" In November, she spent 10 days in England. On a regular basis, she hears from **Kay Canoles Moore**, **Nancy Watson Matthews**, **Nancy Lee Porter**, **Sue Ball Carew '71**, and **Cathy Petzold Cottam**.

Kay Canoles Moore, of Placerville, Calif., is president of the California Reading Association (12,000-member organization). In April, 1994, her second children's book, *If You Lived at the Time of the Civil War*, was published.

Barb Schull and **Jim Chilton** continue to enjoy a good life in Londonderry, N.H., with most activities centering on children, Jimmy, 10, and Rachel, 6. Jim coaches soccer and basketball. Barb is a club scout den mom, kindergarten volunteer aide, soccer and baseball team coordinator, and chauffeur kids to gymnastics, dance classes and sports games. "We got a new Pentium computer last year, and I'm not trying to become 'computer literate' — not by a long way!"

Connie Lep Beutelspacher teaches art at Frostburg State University and at Allegany Community College. She and Barry have been married almost 20 years (Wow!). They live in LaVale, Md., with daughter Sarah, 16. **Linda McGregor** and **Randy '70**

Klinger still live in Leavenworth, Kan., with eight children. Randy is retired from the army and works as a computer systems analyst. They continue to home-educate the children and this year have six in grades K-12. Nathan, the oldest, will graduate this year, and University, where he wants to pursue a broadcast journalism major. "Spare time" is spent with church, scouts, sports and music, "with occasional time for eating and sleeping. I feel called to the role of full-time home-maker and wouldn't have it any other way."

Dawn Campaigne Miller, of Millington, Md., is writing, looking for publication, riding and homeschooling. She is interested in contacts from other members of the class.

Rebecca Jones, of Westport, Mass., wrote that her name is back legally to Jones. She is working on a master's in expressive therapies at Lesley College, "a whole new world."

Linda Downes and wife **Linda "Lenny" '73** celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary this summer. "I'm not sure we were predicted to 'go the distance' in the marriage journey," he wrote. "I can only attribute this to Lenny's patience. I'm almost housebroken! Healtwise we have all taken our nicks in 1994 — we're hoping for better in 1995. If anyone gets to Ocean City this summer, call us — we'd love to hear from you." Dave recently saw **Ron Athey** at Washington College. Dave's 13-year-old son played. "Ron has three beautiful children. I met 'Eddie' for the first time, and he is adorable. He could dunk a basketball. I'm sure, except he doesn't palm the ball."

Lily Chen is still a gym owner — and still quite active in freelance graphics (16 years). She traveled to China and saw her father's hometown, Hongchow, and her mother's, Fujian Province. Then she went back to Burma after 25 years, which was "quite emotional."

Bonnie Green Camden is practicing law at Dinsmore and Shohl, the largest law firm in Cincinnati. She specializes in estate planning and probate administration. Her oldest daughter, Jenny, will be going to college in the fall. Libby is a freshman at Indian Hill High School, and Jim is in 5th grade.

Jesse Houston is still planning director for Ocean City, Md., and **Barbara "Bonnie" Kimmel** is a systems analyst for Piedmont Airlines. They live in Salisbury. Daughter Lisa will be attending Elon College in North Carolina next fall and plans to major in sports medicine. "The college search routine was a real experience!" Younger daughter, Jamie, 14, is still competing in gymnastics and is in middle school band. Golf is still Jesse's passion, but that hook is killing him!

Steve Byrne is still chef at Patuxent Greens Country Club in Columbia, Md. "Anyone else is welcomed to drop by and challenge the golf course!" he wrote.

Martha Hardisky Lippy is still married to **Bruce '73**, and they have three children: Colin, 15, Caroline, 12, and Becky, 9. They live in Catonsville, "where we've been for decades." After years of teaching, Martha wants to try something new. So she bought her own arc welding rig, which she takes on site to repair construction equipment.

Julie Kline finally finished college with a BSN and is working as an oncology nurse in Cincinnati. Husband Steve is studying history and philosophy, and daughter Jenny is studying science.

Paul Ebrandt is working for CDC, assigned to North Carolina as section chief HIV/STD section. Paul enjoys life in North Carolina and hopes to retire there.

Careerwise, this has been a great year for me. During September and October, I was the campaign photographer for Congressman Steny Hoyer. I photographed him with two sons and a daughter, and I photographed the 1994 and the sample ballot, which is sent to all Democrats. I also did brochure photography for the 21st District Democrats. Last spring, Election Electric Institute hired me to photograph Hazel O'Leary, Secretary of Energy, receiving a check for \$2.3 million from electric utilities around the country to study LEMP (electro-magnetic frequency). My photographs of Jim Wirth, State Department undersecretary for global affairs, speaking at the United Nations appeared in *Planet Earth*, a subsidiary magazine of *Sierra Club Magazine*. I am treasurer of Prince George's Historic and Cultural Trust; assistant chairman of College Park Metro/Town Center Committee; second vice president of Tooping Castle DARR; and serving on the (Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission) Environmental Advisory Committee, College Park's 50th Anniversary Committee of incorporation (although my great-grandfather actually founded College Park in 1890), and Prince George's County's Tricentennial Committee.

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News-wise, it seems to have been a slow year for our class. I have not heard from very many of you so I do not have much to report. One very sad piece of news, however, is that **Terry Wassner** passed away November 6, 1994. Our condolences go to his parents and family. He will be missed.

William Cochran has been painting a mural on a bridge in Frederick County to depict community spirit. The modern bridge is being painted to

look like an historic span bridge, with stones, arches, metallic gate and ivy. Frederick County residents were asked to come up with ideas as to objects that represent community to them. The objects are to be depicted in the mural as illusionary stone carvings in the bridge. The project is a cooperative effort between the city and Shared Vision: Public Art for Community Transformation. See the November 1994 issue of *The Hill* for a great article on Bill and his work.

Randy Day was appointed vice president to Quality Assurance and Product Development for Perdue Farms in Salisbury, Md. His responsibilities include new product research and development, quality assurance management and labs, packaging, and corporate grading standards. He has worked for Perdue for the past 14 years. He and his wife Debbie live in Salisbury with their three children.

Nan Hollinger Gangler wrote that **Nancy Schwarzkopf Gaffney, Beth Heckert** and **Brenda Record Dellinger** met at Nancy's last summer for a three-day party. Nan has three children, Becca, 12, Nick, 10, and Kurt, 1. Kurt was born March 10, 1994. Nan is teaching at Southern High School in Garrett County. Along with her husband Dave, they all enjoy skiing at the Wisp Ski Resort and camping.

Jeff Hunt turned 40 this past year. I'd like to hear how the celebration went. I had a good chat beforehand with his wife Brenda. The Hunts have a son and a daughter.

Cynthia Louger Kehr is currently working on her master's in computer science at Hood College. In March, she left COMSAT to work for the Watkins-Johnson Company in Gaithersburg, as software administrator. She sings with the Choral Arts Society of Frederick. Alan keeps busy with work, biking (bicycle and motorcycle), fishing and helping take care of things at home. Emily, 15, is in the 10th grade and runs track. She ran JV last fall and came in first place in the Frederick County Championship.

Lianne is in seventh grade, plays clarinet and piano, and has been asked to join the People to People Student Ambassador program on a trip to Australia and New Zealand this coming summer. Alan and Cynthia recently celebrated their 17th anniversary.

Harry Malone and wife Deb are very busy with their sons, Greg, 7, and Brian, 4. The boys are involved in lots of activities. This past year gave the Malone family experiences with tonsillectomies, appendectomies and chicken pox. Harry is still working as an Army congressional liaison. He has escorted senators and staffers on various trips around the world (Korea, Norway, Russia, and former Soviet republics). The highlight of the trips was getting to meet with Gorbachev in Moscow. Harry was promoted to LTC in April and will most likely stay in D.C. until he retires in three years.

Mike May is still busy doing the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Shop windows. He does part-time work with

Nadine Brewton Designs, works on his house, and teaches full time. His major project this year was to "refurbish" his basement, after he had some trouble with a "little" water pipe. Mike took a trip to DisneyWorld last summer, the timing of which coincided with the World Cup in Orlando.

Ellen Pierce wrote that the past year was good for her. She started a new job last January and likes it a lot. She also has done some catering. She says it's hard work, but fun.

The Gicker family keeps busy, as always. Home schooling takes up a lot of our time. Things are going well in that area. Polly graduated last year and is working at Home School Legal Defense Association while saving for college and deciding what she "really wants to do." Becky moved out last year, again, and now works for the Madison Project. Jacob is in 11th grade, Anna is in third grade, and Katie is in first grade. Katie is a typical 6-year-old — full of energy and giggles. She recently broke her arm just below the shoulder. The confinement has been rough on her. Anna spends her time reading and taking care of our dogs. Jacob is interested in airplanes. Ken and I keep busy with our computers. He plays lots of games and I do newsletters, among other things. I am currently on the board of directors for Life Line, the Leesburg Pregnancy Care Center.

Please write to me with your news, no matter how trivial you think it is. We'd all like to have more to read next year. Since many of us either are turning or have turned 40, how about writing to me with news about how you celebrated! (It could be interesting reading if it is printable.) For those of you who have written, thanks for all your encouragement and kind words. I hope 1995 brings more of us in contact with each other.

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82 "1994 was interesting," writes **Jay Wingate**, "as our division of Bristol Myers Squibb was sold to Bracco, an Italian firm." The transition seems to have agreed with Jay, as he is now eligible for one of the company's top performer awards. Jay says that Chicago is a great city but "you just have to get away in the winter!" He traveled to Bethany Beach, Del., Florida, Arizona and California in addition to keeping a very busy travel schedule for work.

With a smile on her card, **Vicki Kessler Poole** writes that things have really changed around the Poole household with the arrival of Megan, last October 29. Vicki is still on the faculty of the department of education at Gallaudet University and keeps in touch with **Jill Abbott Schultz**. Vicki also notes that **Doug and Kathy Basti DiVello** have a new baby, Sarah Catherine.

Brian '83 and Virginia "Ginnie" Eisenbeis Zawacki checked in from Westminster where Ginnie is now working two days a week in the Carroll County schools as an ESL coordinator. Brian has a new job in sales and marketing with GANN Corporation. Anna, 6, is in first grade, Daniel is 3-1/2 and Kara is 2-1/2.

Susan Landry's husband sold his business, Susan took a leave of absence from her Juvenile Services job last October and the two of them took a seven-month cruise down the Florida Coast Waterway to the Florida Keys, then all around the Bahamas and back. Still living on the boat at White Rocks Marina in Pasadena, Md. Susan sees **Karen Lane '84** frequently.

Also down by the water, **Terry Stauffer** Nolan writes from a new home in Annapolis. The Nolans welcomed third child Christine last May and are in the process of finishing a summer home in Bethany Beach. "I can't remember how many kids I had on my last note to you," writes **Kim MacLean Blevins**. Well Kim, you had four kids. Kim has entered her eighth year teaching part time in both the psychology and education departments at WMC. The Blevins can continue to make annual vacation trips to Williamsburg, Va. and Kitty Hawk, N.C.

Wedding bells were ringing for **Jenny O'Neill**, married in May 1994 to Tim Goertemiller. Jenny relocated to Cambridge, Md. to become "mom" to Adam and Sara, Tim's twin 3-year-olds. Jenny telecommutes from her study to her job as a researcher at UMBC, conducting statistical analysis of program impact on target populations and continues working toward her doctorate.

Lisa Segal and husband **Jay Rosenfeld** have decided to stay in Houston at least a little while longer. The Rosenfelds have bought a house and are learning about decorating by doing with the "help" of Zachary, 3, and Olivia, 1.

Beth Williams will be changing continents as of June 1995, moving to London. This move will put her closer to a certain British rugby player who is stationed in Germany with the Royal Air Force.

Andrea "Andie" Staisloff Youngk is still working with exhibits at the Chesapeake Children's Museum in Annapolis, a hands-on museum for kids of all ages. When not running after her three children, she is running 10K races, most recently, the Bay Bridge Run last spring.

Les Martin checked in from San Diego, where he has been promoted to lieutenant commander in the Navy Supply Corps and serves as the supply officer for Commander Explosive Ordinance Disposal Group One, just a few yards from the Pacific Ocean. Wife **Nessie** works for the Navy at NAS Miramar, and son **Andrew** is busy becoming computer literate. Les also sent news of brother **John Martin '86**, a U.S. Army captain, serving as company commander at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland.

Checka Leinwall is still a full-time doctoral student studying higher education administration at the University of Virginia. Checka is also minoring in law, and working as an administrative intern in the UVA executive vice president's office. Checka visited the Outer Banks this summer and traveled to Canada during Christmas break. Two cats and a dog keep Checka company while she burns the midnight oil.

Nancy and **Robert Landsman** now have four children; Matthew was born in April 1994. Robert continues as pharmacy supervisor with CVS and lives in Mt. Airy, Md.

Lori Keen Snyder is still a stay-home mom and now pre-school class parent for Matthew, 3, Melissa, 6, has entered first grade. Lori wrote of seeing **Dr. Jenny Filbey** in a recent copy of *US News and World Report*.

Craig '81 and Sherry Bennett Rae are keeping the movers happy. The Rae family moved to Buffalo, N.Y. in December 1992 and not even two years later, have relocated to Memphis, Tenn. Talk about culture shock! Sherry writes that she has no time for a real job, too busy redecorating and keeping up with her three children's schedules.

James Spivey is a lawyer and public defender living in Crawfordville, Fla. James writes that he argued in front of the Florida State Supreme Court in 1993, and finished second in a race for court judge in 1994. James is married to eighth-grade teacher Katherine Parrish and has two children, Timothy, 5, and Thomas, 2.

Same old, same old from "**Corbie**" **Simmons Tarleton**. Corbie writes they are anxiously awaiting news of a transfer back to Maryland to be closer to friends and family.

Change was in the wind this past year for **Sue Frost Lund**. Sue was divorced and moved with 3-year-old daughter Teresa to Folsom, Calif. Sue reports they are happily settled in, to a neat house with a backyard landscaped like a forest with a river bed in it. Sue is now a director in the software firm she has been with for 12 years and is building a new technical services and special projects department.

Jill Abbott Schultz, husband Bob and children Michael and Matthew are enjoying their new home on a hill in the woods of Westminster. Wildlife in the area includes deer, owls, foxes, squirrels and chipmunks.

Bruce '81 and Laura Dick Snett moved to Salisbury, Md. in March 1994, buying their first house and a counseling business to boot. Bruce has completed his degree in clinical social work and both Snetts have now undergone the transition from parish life to full-time counseling. Daughter Christina is in sixth grade, and Katherine is in second grade.

Kevin Darcy has joined the practice of Peninsula Eye Surgeons in Salisbury, Md. which will prompt a move to the Eastern Shore for he and **Jane Vickers**. Jane plans to take a hiatus from working to oversee the construction of a new home and hopes friends will stop off for a visit on the way to the beach.

Carl "Skooter" '81 and Nan Sadler Neely have settled in Williamsburg, Va. and were glad to see so many friends at Homecoming this past fall, especially former roommate **Kathleen Timmins O'Loughlin** and husband **Mike '80**. Nan adds that **Julie Just '86** married her brother Tim, just April.

And speaking of Nan's roommate, **Kathy Timmins O'Loughlin** writes from Westminster where remodeling continues on their house — a never-ending project, she fears. With Thomas in fourth grade, and Patrick in first grade, Kathy has joined the cost accounting department of Random House, even meeting a few other alumni there.

Eric and Karen Hoch Walker are happy to report the birth of their second child, Mallory Elizabeth, born just 48 hours shy of Christmas Day 1994.

Maj. Charles Tangires graduated from the U.S. Army's Command and General Staff College in June 1994 and has been assigned to Fort Lewis, Wash. The Tangires recently built a house in nearby Leary.

Kelly Lieschmidt made the move to a single-family home in Perry Hall, Md. this past year. Kelly writes she is still searching for that "Mr. Right."

Lauren Paton Summers is currently working as coordinator of the Eastern Shore (Virginia) Interagency Coordinating Council, a provider of services to young children with developmental disabilities and delays. The rest of Lauren's life is spent on PTA, scouting, play groups and Little League with Justin, 9, Maria, 7, and Shannon, 4. The Summers family continues to renovate a turn-of-the-century farm house in the Blue Ridge Mountains on free weekends.

Claire Morris North writes of seeing **Melissa Pruitt Cockerill** and son, Daniel, on their way back to Hawaii. Also joining Claire and Melissa were **Veronica "Ronnie" Destito Simpson** and daughters Mary and Anne. Another recent visitor was **Pam Damon Kenworthy** who dropped in from New Jersey while in town on business.

Tammy Wase mailed a card chock-full of alumni news. **Michael O'Neill '80** was spotted in New Orleans at Jazz Fest. **Cathy Beedenberger Willey**, **Maria Hutchinson**, **Frank '84** and **Becky Gitt Freeman**, **Leslie Thomas '83**, **Martha Voss Gannon** and **Martha Hayner** joined Tammy at an annual spring lady hat party where the men wait on and cater to the ladies all day. **Hunter '81** and **Katherine O'Dwyer** were spotted at the Fells Point Festival. Tammy has also seen **Cindy Wyatt** several times recently. Cindy married Paul Delaney and lives in North Carolina with new baby, Victoria Lee. Tammy took a trip to Italy and five other countries at the end of 1993 and says the profession of real estate has good for her.

Brent and Dr. Barbara Hays Stevens are in the midst of some extensive remodeling to their home. Barbara says it's exciting but scary to rip the roof off in the middle of winter.

Son James is 4, and Deanna is approaching her first birthday.

Paul and **Jay Davis Moore** spent two weeks in Arizona last January, visiting Phoenix and taking in the awesome splendor of the Grand Canyon, the Painted Desert, Mt. Humphreys/Flagstaff and Oak Creek Canyon/Seidiana. When not at work or on the road, Paul serves as church treasurer, and Kay teaches Sunday school in the youth department.

Tara and **Greg Peterson** are living in Clovis, Calif. in the San Joaquin Valley. Greg works as a production supervisor and is half-way through the MBA program at Fresno State University. The Petersons have two daughters, Natalie, 4, and Janie, 2, and enjoy working on a '67 Corvette and a '69 Camaro for hobby and show purposes.

Jeanette Summers '84 and **Thomas "Moon" Smith** checked in from a new house in Howell, N.J. Along with new house came new baby, William Patrick Smith, born September 10, 1993, to the delight of 7-year-old big brother Tommy. Thomas is a senior specialist with AT&T EasyLink Services in Lincoln, N.J.

Pam Peterson and **Dennis Yanchewski** were full of news from Abingdon, Md. Dennis is director of administrative services for YSI of Baltimore, the operating company of the Charles Hickley School. Dennis misses army life. Pam writes, but seems to be enjoying the private sector. Dennis recently caught up with Marlene and **Joe Impallaria** who are stationed in Charlottesville, Va. Pam was promoted to vice president, human resources for Youth Services International, overseeing programs for 1,400 staff in seven states. Pam continues to juggle full-time working with the school and wrestling activities of Steven, 8, and twins Tommy and Ben, 5. Pam recently saw **John and Christy Huffman Garman** and **Brigitte Sharpness Mahan** and hopes to catch up with more college pals soon. As time goes on she continues, "I understand that what it's all about."

I'm sure I saw the back of art director **Meredith Traugott's** head in a recent ABC evening news story about Forensic Technologies International, Inc. and their involvement with simulating events in the O.J. Simpson murder trial. Meredith traveled to Australia for vacation last year, New Orleans this year, and was planning Italy and Greece trips for next fall.

Jenny Henningsen was honored as teacher of the year at the middle school level of the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind where she has taught since graduation from WMC. Jenny has also served as assistant track and field coach and assistant swim coach. Recently, Jenny and Dan have taken up canoe kayaking and love it.

Dan and **Betina Youssef-Hatch** welcomed baby girl Nadine Erin '94 3, 1994, and moved in November '94 to a new home in the country, New Palestine, Ind., to be exact.

Also in a new home are William, Benjamin, 7, Anne Elizabeth, 4, and **Kathy Rosvold Beasley**, who wrote

of moving to Mechanicsville, Va. Kathy is a special education specialist with the Henrico County Public Schools and is completing post-graduate courses in administration.

Brad Robertson sent a handsome family photo and card full of RE-ally good news. Brad RE-married in August 1994 to Cindy, and now has a son, Kevin, and step-son, Roy. He RE-located back to Ocean City, N.J. He is RE-tail sales manager for Sport Dodge in Atlantic City. And last but not least, Brad sent RE-gards to all!

In the "can you top this strange story" files, from Valrico, Fla., **Bob Uphaw** would like everyone to know he is offering a WMC discount to anyone interested in a tattoo or body piercing job. Bob goes on to say he has turned his life around with the help of wife Pam, his best tattoo customer.

Paul '83 and Nancy Turner Parlette wrote from Hawaii of seeing **Leigh Broderick '81** on a recent visit. The Parlettes also heard from Melissa and **Jeff Morrison '83**, now proud parents of baby Alex. Paul is a senior computer scientist, and both Parlettes are involved with a young and growing Presbyterian church. Two-year-old Andrew is on the run, while first-grade Wesley continues with home schooling. Nancy adds, "As worn out as I sometimes get from parenting, I try to remember to enjoy every moment since childhood is fleeting and once they are grown, I'll have plenty of time to pursue my own interests." Words we could all live by, I'm sure.

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87 I don't know about you all, but I never get tired of reading about classmates and their adventures in the "real world." Thanks to everyone who wrote. Next time I challenge everyone to fill all the white space on this letter postcard!

Last spring, **Donald Parker-Burgard**, his wife, Kate, son Jacob Stephen, and brand new son, Eli James, born in May, moved to Woodbridge, N.J. Don is still working as an assistant editor at Friendship Press in Manhattan.

Debbie Karr Codd married Tim, a local Baltimorean and graduate of Gilman, on September 18, 1993. The newlyweds lived in New York City while Tim (an orthopedic surgeon with a specialty in shoulder surgery) completed a fellowship at Columbia Presbyterian University Hospital. In July 1994, they moved to the Federal Hill area of Baltimore where Tim joined a private practice, and Debbie began looking for a new job.

Matt Dunne traveled to Budapest, Hungary, in March 1994, to officiate the European National Hockey Championships. He and his wife, Tracy Buckman '88, also visited the

Dominican Republic with several other couples including **Dave and Maria Fiskide '89**, **Douglas, Steve and Lucy Purcell '86**, **Lutche and Jeff '88** and **Ledell Brooks '89** Rink.

Margaret Genski moved to Columbia, Md. in 1994, and she says, "Life is good!" She's now been working for Phillips Publishing for six years and still hangs out with **Stephanie Wagner** and **Bill Brewster**, and **Cassie Schneebarger** and **Brian Felch**. Her WMC "network" also includes **Anne Baker '88** and **Rich '86 Metz**, **Sandy Smith**, **Chris Mattox '88**, and **Tania John '88**.

Beth Austin Goldsmith lives with her husband, Gregg, in Richmond, Va. She is still selling real estate part time, but spends most of her time at home with Gail, 4, and Bradford Owen, born February 8, 1993.

After graduation, **Michael Hogan** worked at a law firm in Washington, D.C., and then attended the University of Baltimore School of Law. He graduated in May 1991 and passed the Maryland Bar Exam in July. In November 1991, he began active duty in the U.S. Navy as a judge advocate and was assigned to San Diego, Calif. where he saw fellow WMC graduates **Dwain Woodley '86** and **Randy '86** and **Cathy McNeill Blair**, and their son, Tyler. In 1994, Mike was deployed with four ships stationed off the coast of Somalia, but was hoping to return to San Diego mid-year.

Dawn Helges Hoffman, currently with the second grade at Thurmont Elementary, has been teaching in Frederick County for seven years now. She and family (husband Adam, Samantha, 4, and Kuriis, 1) live in Fairfield in the home they built four years ago. It's also home to their three German shorthair pointers, Maggie, Jack and Nick. Dawn keeps in touch with **Ann Rice Dunn** and **Pam Bruffey Aiello**, who keeps her up-to-date on other Omegas and their families.

Lynn Fangermyer Koert had a baby boy, Matthew Thomas, on November 20, 1994 and is now a stay-at-home mom. In 1993, she and husband Jesse, who is director of finance at a Washington, D.C. consulting firm, bought a house in Hamilton, Va., a town of only 1,700 people, just outside of Leesburg. They see **Leigh Filer Fangermyer '88** (who is married to Lynn's brother), along with Lynn's nephew Jack, who is 9 months old. She also keeps in touch with **Holly Morgan Facemire**, **Cassie Schneebarger** and **Brian Felch**, **Stephanie Wagner Brewster**, **Linda Marriot**, **Renner**, **Linda Ashburn Sarsony**, **Leslie Stinchcomb Dolan '86** and **Allison Lertora '88**.

Eric and Kim O'Dea Landgraf have two children, Ashley, 4, and Brandon, 2. They say they moved last May to accommodate all the kids' toys! Kim stays at home and provides child-care part time. Eric has moved into the commercial lines area of his family-owned insurance agency, Landmore Agency, Inc. Kim and Eric are part of two dinner clubs where they sometimes see WMC alumni **Joseph Calla-**

han and his fiancée, Jill, and Anthony Callahan and his wife, Diane.

Sally Sabo Lang lives in Hampstead, Md., where she is raising her two daughters, Emma, 5, and Hannah, 2. She says she would love to hear from **Stacie Hemphill Forrester '88**. **Janelle Crosby Longtha**, who lives in the Cleveland area, had an exciting 1994! Sarah was born on May 26, and she has been keeping Janelle and her husband, Tom, on their toes! Janelle gave up her work to begin her "career" as a mom and is loving every minute of it. She is also involved in the community as a volunteer for the Junior League.

No major changes in 1994 for **Ginger Mahle**, she's still teaching fourth grade in Elliott City (her eighth year) and still flies about once a week so she can work on her instrument rating. She began skydiving last year and hopes to get her Class A license this year. She jokes she has "no husband, no kids, and no time!"

Julie Bugg Maher and husband, Ed, bought a house in New Market, Md. last year. She was recently promoted to director of marketing for ELM Services, a software development and consulting company, and the booming business of Fannie Mae keeps Ed busy. Julie often sees **Ferren DeBolesta**, Laura Ahalt Heck, Kris Twiford Guyton '88, Karen Kinningsham Morris, Susan Pinto Keen, and Kim O'Dea and Eric Landgraf.

The **Gilbert Mack** family has had a busy year. Not only did Gilbert's wife, Angela, receive her medical degree from Wayne State University, but the Macks also had their first child, Jasmine Krystal, in April. And, besides being appointed director of marketing and sales for J.J. Custom Auto World, Gilbert is also currently an associate minister at First Mt. Olive F.W.B. Church in Baltimore, is in his last year of graduate work at Howard University School of Divinity (specializing in Christian counseling), and is a founding member of NIA (Purpose) Ministries, a non-profit group that assists teens in self-discovery! He has been in contact with **Nicole Gaines-Thompson**, **Dwain Woodley '86**, **Rodney Joyner '88**, **Andre White '88**, **Paul Watts '86**, **Dwayne Milam '89** and Rev. Kirk Monroe.

Greg Merrill and the company he started after graduation, High Technologies (HT) are going places! With its focus on the use of supercomputers for 3D medical visualization, HT is revolutionizing medical education, enabling surgeons to practice procedures without risking lives! Last July, *Fortune* magazine listed HT as one of 25 "cool" companies. Greg was honored to be the youngest person elected to the board of directors of the State of Maryland's Information Technology Center. He still hangs out with **Aaron Zajic** and sees **Luca Crispi '86**, **Barry Goldmeier** and **Suzanne Meadows** occasionally.

Karen Kinningsham and **Chris '89 Morris** are busy with their brand new baby girl Hailey Brooke. They also

love their house in Crofton, Md., which is on a golf course! Karen is still an account executive with The Communications. She keeps in touch with **Julie Bugg Maher**, **Ferren DeBolesta**, **Luiza Vozella-Bell** and **Cathy McNeill Vaz**. In March, they vacationed in Arizona — lots of sun for Karen and golf for Chris.

Joe and Laura Nattans have been living in Florida for three years now and Joe is in his seventh year working for Great Western Financial Services as a consumer loan manager for Palm Beach County. He's looking forward to getting together with **Todd Nicusanti** and **Johnny Walker**, who both live in south Florida, and wants to know if there are any other WMC grads in the area!

And speaking of **Todd Nicusanti**, he relocated to Naples, Fla., two years ago and loves fishing, scuba diving, and the great weather (most of the time). **Barry Bartholow** visits him frequently. Todd is now in the import/export business, concentrating on wines and lenses.

Doug Nolder and **Wendi McQueeney '88**, announce the arrival of Austin Douglas on July 14, 1994. Their daughter, Chelsea, 4, loves to help with her new brother. The Nolder family is still living in Troy, N.Y., but looking to relocate south as soon as possible.

Dawn Holman Pfaff and her husband, Rob, live in Reisterstown, Md. with their three dogs. She is still working at Alex. Brown & Sons in institutional sales and has been doing a decent amount of traveling and fixing up the house.

After a year spent doing freelance editing and desk-top publishing from her home in Rockville, Md., **Amy Ratcliffe** is now assistant director of education for the Mortgage Association in Washington, D.C. In her new position, she produces and promotes publications.

Linda Marriott Renner currently works as assistant director of education at Sylvan Learning Center. Her husband, **Doug '86**, is coaching at WMC and teaching elementary physical education. His teams have fared well, she reports...Conference Champs (women) and three All-America Athletes last spring! Linda and Doug spend most of their free time chasing after their two-year-old, Colin.

In June 1992, **Suzanne Brazis** married **Chris Rossi**, a graduate of Randolph-Macon, and their son, Nicholas, was born on August 10, 1993. Nicholas, says Suzanne, is a wonderful boy and very athletic. Now director of admissions at Maryvale Preparatory School in Brooklandville, Md., Suzanne coaches lacrosse in her "pre-Nicholas" days. They recently bought a home in Perry Hall and Suzanne still keeps in touch with **Sandy Metz '89**, **Sandi Stevens '89** and **Julie Katceff Maseritz**.

Arkansas is home for **Pam Hamm Sherwood**, who takes care of her two sons while her husband teaches chemistry at Arkansas Tech University.

Sandy Smith works in the finance

department of Bell Atlantic in Arlington, Va., where she is responsible for filing various studies with the FCC. She stays in touch with many alumni and last year spent a week at the beach in Duck, N.C. with **Stephanie Wagner** and **Bill Brewster**, **Margaret Genski**, **Chris Mattox '88**, **Tania John '88**, **Jonathan Favorite '89** and **Anne Baker '88** and **Rich '86 Metz**. She also sees **Nancy Sekira '86** from time to time at Bell Atlantic.

Dave Stroud is currently a commander of a Tropical Signal Company in Karlsruhe, Germany. He and his wife, Lesley, spend their free time skiing and traveling around Europe. Dave says hi to all the Betes "fossils."

All is well with **Carole Ulrich Swinn** and husband Mark. Carole still works for Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Maryland, but recently accepted a new position as a systems coordinator. She keeps in touch with **Peter Hausler '88**, **Tim McGawlin '86** and **Adrian Gaudin**.

MaryBeth Angus Taylor started a new job last July as vice president/loan officer in the Residential Construction Lending Division of the Bank of Baltimore, now First Fidelity. She also began tutoring adult non-readers with a non-profit literacy program called LIFT in East Baltimore near her home in Canton. She and her husband, Josh, regularly see **Margie and Theresa '88 Guiterres**, **Tracy Kennard** **Im**, **Michelle LaVina '89**, **Melinda Milburn '88**, **Sarah Kimel Lemon** and **Amy Parr '89**.

The children at Lil' Blessings Daycare keep **Nicole Gaines Thompson** quite busy. Her business is soon to be 2 years old and she has started to do workshop presentations on different aspects of operating a daycare and how sign language can be incorporated into its curriculum. Nicole continues to take her son, Jerry, 5, to New York for modeling work. He recently completed a magazine ad for Playkool In-line Skates and is breaking into commercials — Jerry's sister, Nicalia, 3, awaits her big break, too! And, have no fear, Nicole is still singing and acting — she was recently cast in a production of *Finian's Rainbow*.

According to **Richie Wheatley**, "the mortgage business is slow" and says to call him for the best interest rate. He works as a vice president/budget manager for Chemical Residential Mortgage Corporation in Easton. He's enjoying his daughter, Claire, 14 months, and life on the Eastern Shore. Oh, and by the way, the Annual Crab Feast will be in August and all are welcome!

Todd Wolf is currently a captain in the U.S. Army, serving a two-year tour of duty with the Army Reserve in Salt Lake City, Utah. He and his wife,

Anita Butler '88, enjoy time spent with Marshall, 13 months, exploring the scenic areas of the American West, and skiing in the mountains of Utah.

Jennifer Beahrs Wummett, husband Mike and Stephen, 4, are happy, healthy and enjoying the warm weather in Phoenix, Ariz. In May, Jennifer will graduate from law school and

in the fall will begin working in the Phoenix office of the Milwaukee-based law firm, Quarles & Brady.

The Yates family, **Marc, Wendy Allen '85** and Megan are on the move again — from Fort Hood, Texas, back to Fort Rucker, Ala. Marc will be working for the U.S. Army Technical Test Center (ATTC), Flight Systems Test Directorate as an AH-64 Apache Test Pilot. They expect to be in Alabama for three years. Wendy keeps busy taking care of Megan, running back and forth between pre-school, dance, and tumbling, and continues to volunteer her time to the family support group within the unit.

Margaret Miller is still living in the New York City area and working in divisional human resources at Macy's doing training in sales development for store employees. She's excited about designing a set for a Verdi opera which will be performed in the city, but actually made its premiere at Western Maryland on March 5, 1995. Margaret misses all her WMC friends, especially **Patrick Shank**, **Cindy Boyer Thompson** and **Elaine Pappas**.

I finally decided I'd been away from singing and performing too long, and joined the local chapter of Sweet Adelines International. I am enjoying learning the fundamentals of the barbershop style and preparing for our competition in the spring. My husband, Ron and I, were to see the big Elton John/Billy Joel concert last July courtesy of **Eric '88** and **Bev Kreidler McEachern** (thanks, guys), along with **Jeff '88** and **Tracey Ann Tokar '88 Smith**. In 1995, I'll be busy with weddings, weddings, and more weddings as my friends continue to follow my lead! I sent an overdue hello and congratulations to **Michelle '89** and **Amy Hochner '88 Davis** on the birth of their son, Christopher. Enjoy your summer everyone and please stay in touch!

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92 Congratulations to **Michael and Carrie Ward Accardi** on their marriage which occurred on July 23, 1994 at the Strong Mansion on Sugarloaf Mountain. The best man was **Tom Fullem '91** and two of the bridesmaids were **Shannon Smith** and **Nancy Flowers**. There were lots of friends from Phi Alpha Mu and Gamma Beta Chi present.

Janet Alcorn is now the Eastern Regional Children's Coordinator/Deaf Services in North Carolina.

Carrie Arbaugh is a stockbroker for Legg Mason in Baltimore.

Robin Askins has just started a new job as an admissions counselor at Manhattanville College in Purchase, N.Y. and she travels often while recruiting. Congratulations to **Matt Ballard** and **Tanya Kabel '93** on their one-year anniversary on November 27, 1994. They spent a wonderful New Year's Eve at the Inner Harbor in Bal-

timore with **Heather Wakefield '93** and **Bill Spire '93**.

For three years **Dianne Bankard** has enjoyed teaching first grade in Baltimore County.

Amy Barrett will finish her two years in the Peace Corps-Paraguay in August. She hopes to find a teaching job in Vermont when she returns.

George H. Bell is the regional director of operations for Abbott Laboratories Pharmaceuticals in Columbia, Md.

Kim Bergen is working in a public relations firm in Boston.

Gale Bowman-Harlow stays busy with selling a few pieces of her artwork, spending time with her family, which now includes two grandchildren, and working in Loudon County, Va. at the Job Training Agency.

On June 19, 1993, **Beth Basler**

Busch was married to Lt. Matthew Busch. Beth teaches third grade for Newport News Public Schools in a magnet school for at-risk students. They currently reside in Chesapeake, Va.

Rick Callan was married to wife Amy in October 1994. **John Turner '90** and **Walt Effe** were in the wedding. Rick lives in Owings Mills, Md. and works as a claims adjuster at Kemper Insurance Company.

Leslie Clowser Carbaugh teaches second grade in Carroll County and attends graduate school at WMC. She and husband Bruce enjoy living on top of the mountain near Ski Liberty.

As a second-year law student at the University of Baltimore, **Todd Cioni** received the prestigious honor of being inducted into the *Who of American Law Students*.

Mary Beth Craig will be finishing her third year of medical school at the University of Maryland at Baltimore in May. She is still considering a career in a primary-care field upon graduation.

Brett Cohen is a stock broker with Paragon Capital in Columbia, Md.

As **Christian Conklin** finishes his second year as women's tennis head coach at WMC, he will also be completing his teacher's certification. He was the assistant coach for the girls' basketball team at Francis Scott Key High School in Uniontown, Md.

John Conrad is now a business analyst for EDS in Wayne, Pa.

Christine Contri is working for Dun and Bradstreet as an account manager in New Jersey.

Melissa Denney is now living in the Guilford section of Baltimore City with **Valerie Shearer**, **Jeannine Laurence**, **Susanne Page '93** and **Felity Tucker '93** and having a blast. She works for Fibertech Medical in White Marsh.

Fred Duncan is now a member of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange.

Cheryl Dishon has returned to Baltimore from California and is hoping to begin teaching on a master's soon.

Joe Embry is in his second year of teaching while **Stephanie Hunter '90** is in her third. He would love to have class penpals with other teachers' classes.

Jill Evans is pursuing a master's in reading at Towson State while teaching second grade in Howard County at Bushy Park Elementary.

Thomas Falotico received his B.A. in political science at William Paterson College after transferring from WMC. He works as a police officer for the Mahwah Police Department. He is pursuing a career change to the DEA, FBI, or the New Jersey State Police and working to complete an M.A. in criminal justice.

At WVU, **Constantine Frangos** is finishing up an M.A. in computer science. He enjoys teaching a couple of undergraduate courses in computer science.

Valerie Funk is a R&D chemist and quality assurance rep. at G. Whitfield Richards Co. in Philadelphia.

Norris Garrison says "howdy" from sunny Florida where he is now an admissions rep. at the University of South Florida in Tampa. If anyone wants to take a break from the cold, look him up.

Tami Macri Grabowsky is a school nurse at Friendship Valley Elementary School in Westminster, where she cares for approximately 750 individuals. She began courses at WMC in '94 to obtain a master's in counseling education.

Stephanie Grau will be graduating from Towson State grad school in May 1995. She stays busy working for Alexander and Alexander of Owings Mills, Md. and volunteering for the Susan Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Buck Hartzell received his MBA from Wake Forest University in May 1994. He is currently the director of marketing at HSI Company in Lancaster, Pa.

Philip Heavner and **Marielle Ainsworth '94** were married on May 28, 1994 and now reside in a rural area north of Charlottesville. He is in his third year of med. school as they look forward to spending two months next year at Fort Defiance, Ariz. volunteering on the Navajo Indian Reservation.

Kristin Hegna is currently working at AGORA, Inc., a publishing company in Baltimore with **Tracy Eagan** and **Karen Litishin '94**. She also works part time at 98 Rock radio.

While working on a Ph.D. in developmental biology at the University of Cincinnati, **Claudia Henemyre** coaches a girls' soccer team and plays on various recreational teams. She vacationed in the Bahamas this January and would like to toast PA 191 housemates by drinking an extra strawberry daiquiri in their honor.

Now a married woman, **Sharon Holloway** is studying for her master's degree in social work.

Stephanie Hosier is currently teaching English and drama at Linganore High School in Frederick, Md.

Kimberly Howard-Harner will complete the master's program in social work at UMAB in May 1996. Her son, Clifford James, is the apple of her eye and will be two in April. She works part time at Family and Chil-

dren's Services in the Family Violence Program.

Glen Jackson is currently employed at Legg Mason investment firm. He is working toward his Series 7 which will enable him to buy and sell securities.

Jonelle Leith Jozwiak and husband **Mark '90** moved to upstate New York and encourage all who love snow to visit. She is now a licensed PT stationed at Fort Drum, N.Y., and Mark is coaching defense at St. Lawrence University.

Kelly Schoen Kilduff still works at T. Rowe Price doing marketing and high net clients.

Michelle Kloss received her master's in art history from the University of Maryland at College Park in December 1994 and is in the midst of her Ph.D. coursework. She shares an apartment with **Trevor Wysong** and **Leona Sevik**.

In between golf games, **Andrew Krevolin** works as a physical therapist at Craven Regional Medical Center in New Bern, N.C.

Mike Kubacki is a veteran's claims examiner at the Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office and Insurance Center in Philadelphia.

Tammy K. Lee just graduated from Drexel University with a master's in arts administration. She is currently working with The People's Light and Theatre Company outside of Philadelphia. Tammy is living in Philadelphia in a 19th-century Victorian home with her fiancé Robert and four cats.

Deborah "DJ" Housley teaches ninth grade in Palm Bay, Fla. She will soon be moving to New England with her boyfriend Neil and their two dogs.

Alicia Clarke is working as a part-time research assistant in the behavioral medicine/psychiatry department at Johns Hopkins Hospital and as a preschool teacher for children with developmental disabilities at the Kennedy Krieger School. She is pursuing a graduate degree in psychology at Towson State.

Jessica Barlow is now teaching fifth grade at Westminster Elementary School and loves it.

Sarah Biggs will receive her education degree from Towson this May and will begin the job hunting. Hello to "friendz" on the west coast!

Due to limited space, please contact the Alumni Office if you have any inquiries or messages for certain people in our class. We want to let you know that it is the policy of *The Hill* not to include engagements or pregnancies until after these important events have occurred.

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A Grateful Memory

In celebration of the 100th year of Baker Chapel, the history of Western Maryland's most remarkable building has been published. Researched and written by Dr. Ira G. Zepp, Jr., the 130-page book features the Chapel as the campus shrine, and includes testimonies and memories by WMC alumni,

faculty and friends along with full-color pages of the lovely stained-glass windows. A *Grateful Memory: History of Baker Chapel* is available by mail order for \$16.50 (shipping and handling included). To order, call the Office of Public Information at 410-857-2290.

ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs: (410) 857-2296.

Saturday, May 20
Commencement and ROTC Commissioning, 2 p.m.

May 26-28
Alumni Weekend.
Classes of 1915, '20, '25, '30, '35, '40, '45, '50, '55 celebrate their reunions.

Sunday, June 4
Wedding Vows Renewal Service.
Baker Chapel, 2 p.m.

June 13-23
Alumni Grand Tour of the Canadian Rockies with Tauck Tours, 11 days. Additional details available from the Alumni Office at (410) 857-2296.

Monday, June 26
Baltimore Alumni Luncheon, Towson Sheraton.

July 28 through August 19
Theatre on the Hill presents *Barnum*, *Tartuffe and Hare*, *Bedroom Farce*, and *Camelot*. For ticket information, times and exact dates for each performance contact the WMC Box Office (410) 857-2448.

Thursday, Aug. 17
Lower Shore Alumni Luncheon.

Saturday, Oct. 21
Homecoming.
Class Reunions for 1960, '65, '70, '75, '80, '85, '90.

Saturday, Nov. 12
Sports Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremonies.

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Commencing In Style

*James Lightner '59
Strikes Regal Pose
for May Graduation*

Expression. Dignified princely smile masking the year-end euphoria by both faculty and staff.

Mace. Symbolizes authority and carried by the college marshals who also sport the gold shoulder braid; WMC's were made from walnut newel posts from Old Main building. Unruly graduates beware!

Gown. Undergraduates wear black with long, pointed sleeves; master's degree candidates' sleeves are closed with an arc appearing near the bottom and a slit for the arm; doctor's gowns have full, round open sleeves and sport velvet trim both on the sleeves and front. Dr. Lightner's crimson red signifies his Ph.D. from Northwestern University.

Footwear. Polished to a mirror glaze, these elegant oxford-style shoes are slipped on at the last minute (morning details require the comfort of running shoes).



Mortarboard cap. Dating from the 16th century, its origin is debatable—cap is square like a scholar's books, or derived from the master workman's mortarboard, or patterned after the Oxford quadrangle. Today's grateful wearers fashion their own "messages" favoring white adhesive lettering.

Tassel. Black for bachelor's and master's degrees; gold for doctors. Often impedes vision.

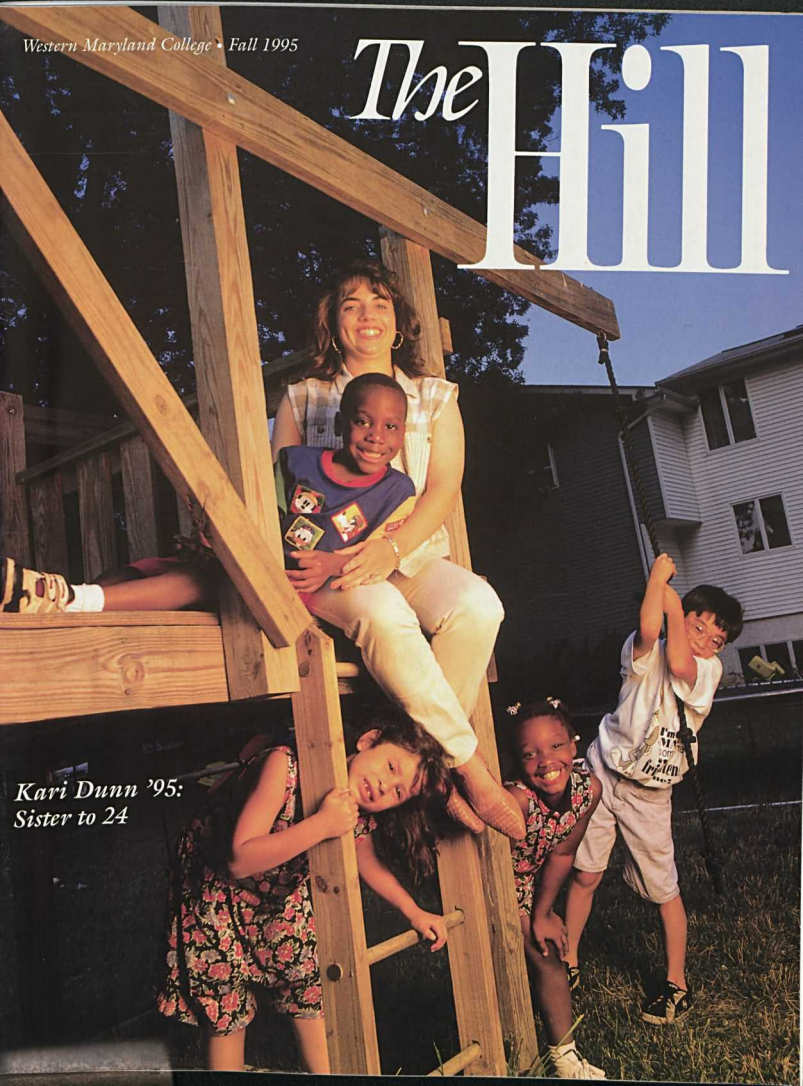
Hood or cowl. This shoulder cape is where modern scholars carry coin purses, sunglasses and Tic Tacs and (in Dick Clower's case) a stop watch for timing the annual ceremony. Bachelor's hood is three feet long, with a two-inch border; master's degree is three-and-one-half feet with a three-inch border; and a doctor's hood is the longest at four feet with a five-inch border.

Hood colors. Inner lining of the hood is the official color of the institution conferring the degree; e.g. WMC's green and gold. The color of the velvet border indicates the field of learning in which the degree is earned. White for liberal arts; brown for fine arts, green for medicine; and scarlet for theology.

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The Fall

*Kari Dunn '95:
Sister to 24*





A child in Sarajevo drew this picture depicting life in that war-torn city. As the former Yugoslavia settles into an uneasy truce, Jay Taylor '93 writes about what it's like to live there. (see page 11)

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WMC Honors Graduate Kari Dunn finds home is the natural place to practice-teach where she is sister to 24. Photo by Mark Swisher.

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News

From The Hill



Governor Signs \$3.5 Million Grant

Ten out of ten alumni doctors recommend that a WMC undergraduate degree is scientifically sound for future success. And that's what a \$3.5 million record state grant will further guarantee to incoming new students seeking pre-medicine education.

This capital improvement grant signed by Governor Parris Glendening in May will fund 30 percent of a minimum \$12.5 million project. Legislators Richard N. Dixon of Carroll County and John A. Cade of Anne Arundel County submitted the bills in the House and Senate, respectively.

A new 42,000 net square-foot building will be constructed to adjoin Lewis Hall of Science, which was built in 1914 back when Phillips Lee Goldsborough was Maryland's governor and Babe Ruth pitched for the International League

Gov. Parris Glendening signed a record \$3.5 million grant to fund WMC's capital improvements.

Orioles. The new facility will be state-of-the-art, with wet laboratories for the chemistry and biology programs.

In order to earn the state grant, WMC must match it by June 1997 with donations from private sources. Trustee and orthopedic surgeon Larry Blumberg '67 is heading a committee to identify and raise those matching funds. •

Surf the Web for Sports News

Over the past two years, the Centennial Conference has become one of the nation's elite small college athletic conferences. Now it also has the distinction of being the first to go "on line."

Through the Centennial Conference Home Page on the WorldWide Web, Green Terror fans can access up-to-date information on scores, standings, schedules and more. The Web links the user to a series

of interconnected pages that include graphics, sound, video and text from all over the Internet. The Home Page will also provide access links to additional information about each member institution, including course offerings, admissions information and alumni events. The address is: <http://www.centennial.fandm.edu/>

The Centennial Conference welcomes feedback on its new initiative. The E-mail address is CNC_SFU@admin.fandm.edu. •

Pool Named New Dean of Graduate Affairs

Dr. Kenneth Pool has been named the new Dean of Graduate Affairs. A series of teaching and administrative posts have prepared him well to head the graduate program, which boasts 5,000 students on its roster with 1,100

enrolled during any given semester.

Prior to taking this new post July 1, he was director of Graduate Studies and assistant dean in the School of Education at Kennesaw State College in Marietta, Ga.

Pool began his career in academe as an assistant professor and project development coordinator for a national mathematics project at the University of Georgia. He continued with his faculty and administrative responsibilities holding a variety of positions at both the University of Evansville and Berry College.

He earned an Ed.D. in elementary education from the University of Georgia, a master's in curriculum and instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a bachelor's from Carroll College.

Pool continues his active involvement in teaching as a professor of education and will teach one course each semester in the graduate program. •



Dean Kenneth Pool will lead the graduate program toward a bright future.

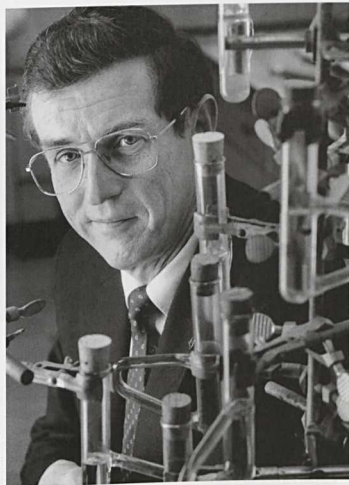
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Smith Named Chemist of the Year

An outstanding record of teaching and research has proved a winning formula for Western Maryland College Chemistry Professor Richard H. Smith, Jr. who has been named Maryland Chemist of the Year by the state section of the American Chemical Society (ACS).

Established in 1962 the award is presented annually to a member of the Maryland Section of ACS in recognition of noteworthy achievement in pure or applied chemistry, chemical engineering, or chemical education.

Smith joined the faculty of Western Maryland in 1973 and has been a visiting scientist at the National Cancer Institute Frederick Cancer Research and Development Center, where for the last 15 years Smith and his student colleagues have performed research. His work on substances that could contribute to the fight against cancer has established his national reputation as an organic



PETER HOWARD

chemist and earned him three substantial National Science Foundation grants. Since 1990 he has had 16 articles published in the most reputable scientific journals; eight of those listed 15 student authors, six of whom appeared on two or more papers.

"Being involved in cutting-edge research means you have perspective not only on where science is going, but you have perspective on what it really means to do research and expe-

Rick Smith successfully mixes teaching and scientific research. He was recently named Chemist of the Year.

rience working on problems that you don't know the answers to. You need that perspective not only so that you can teach your students what research is all about, but also so that you can understand what they are going through," says Smith.

In 1992 Smith received a \$60,000 award from the presti-

gious Camille and Henry Dreyfus Scholar/Fellow Program and served for two years as a mentor and tutor to a recent Ph.D. in chemical science who joined the WMC faculty to experience teaching and research in an undergraduate setting. This award was one of only eight presented that year to colleges and universities across the country.

An additional NSF grant of \$68,000 received in 1993 enabled Smith to establish a state-of-the-art molecular modeling laboratory and enhance students' understanding of the chemical and physical properties of molecules. Concepts previously conveyed only verbally now can be modeled on computer work stations and then results checked in the laboratory. WMC is the first institution on the East Coast to introduce molecular modeling across its science curriculum. Western Maryland is first among the state's private colleges in the number of degrees granted in biology and second in the number of degrees granted in chemistry.

A native of Hagerstown, Md., Smith earned his bachelor's degree in chemistry from Washington College and a doctorate in organic chemistry from the University of Virginia. Among his many awards, he has been signed up three times for a Special Achievement recognition from Western Maryland College, and six times he has received the college's Scholarly Publication honor for his published work in science journals.

Smith was to be the featured guest speaker at the dinner meeting of the Maryland Section of ACS scheduled for December 13, at UMBC. ●

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1995 FALL SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Post-Season Individual Honors
Men's Cross Country			*9th/9	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Women's Cross Country			*6th/10	1 All-CC 1st Team
Field Hockey	10-4	6-3	T3rd/10	2 All-CC 1st Team; 2 All-CC 2nd Team
Football	5-3-2	3-2-2	4th/8	3 All-CC 1st Team; 2 All-CC 2nd Team
Men's Soccer	6-10-2	1-8	10th/10	
Women's Soccer	10-4-1	6-2	T2nd/9	3 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team
Volleyball	12-26	7-3	T3rd/11	1 All-CC 2nd Team

*-Conference Finish based on post-season championship race. T-Tied.

Hill People

Recent Retirees to Reject Armchairs

Four long-time members of WMC's academic community officially retired in 1995, but plan to continue their research and scholarship—this time pursuing exciting new hobbies and business endeavors.

The group includes three alumni—Drs. Glen Ashburn '53, professor of sociology, Dr. Donald Rabush '62 MED'70, professor of education and Ms. Katherine Falconer '52 MLA'83, circulation librarian—plus Dr. Robert Hartman, professor of philosophy and religion.

Ashburn's association with WMC spans almost half a century, beginning with his arrival as a student in 1949. After graduating in 1951, he headed south for a master's at North Carolina State University and then a Ph.D. at Florida State University. In 1964, he spent a year at the University of the Philippines on a Fulbright Scholar Exchange. Before returning to "the Hill" in 1971 to teach in the sociology department, Ashburn held the positions of director of the Baltimore City Police Department's planning and research division and administrative assistant to the Police Commissioner. He amassed three commendations for his outstanding service to the criminal justice system, one from the City of Baltimore and two from state governments. During that time, Ashburn was also an adjunct instructor in law enforcement at American University and consultant to the International Association of

Chiefs of Police. He has published numerous studies concerning gang dynamics, police departments and corrections facilities and has been sought out to speak to the press, as well as community organizations, about crime issues.

In his retirement, he plans to devote more time adding to and categorizing his collection of Japanese Netsukes, tiny figurines sometimes carved in ivory and often representing religious icons. He also plans to write a book about the changes in the Baltimore police department between 1965-1975, one of its most tumultuous decades.

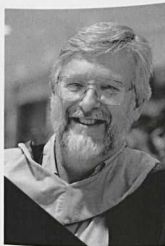
Rabush earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees at Western Maryland in 1962 and 1970. In 1973, He returned to teach in the education department after receiving his Ed.D. at the University of Denver. Rabush's vision and expertise in the field of special education inspired him in 1983 to found TARGET Inc., a non-profit organization that provides residential, occupational and recreational services to people with developmental disabilities.

In 1992, Rabush was named the first to occupy the Laurence J. Adams Distinguished Chair of Special Education. Trustee emeritus Adams and Rabush raised the \$1.3 million to fund both the position and the scholarship pool for graduate students in the community-based human services. This is the only fully funded chair in the college's history and cements the relationship between TARGET and WMC's graduate program, a nationally-recognized model.

Rabush has received numerous honors and awards con-

nected to his work, including Outstanding Citizen of the Year in 1992 by the Westminster Rotary Club, the Western Maryland College Special Achievement Award in 1990 and 1987 and Outstanding Professional of the Year by the Carroll County Association for Retarded Citizens in 1986. Besides early-morning walks at Cranberry Mall and playing golf, Rabush plans to pursue various business ventures, including collaborating with his son Mark on instructional videos geared to the disabled.

Falconer earned her bachelor's at Western Maryland in 1952 and completed her Mas-



Dr. Donald Rabush will continue to exercise his body and his business savvy.

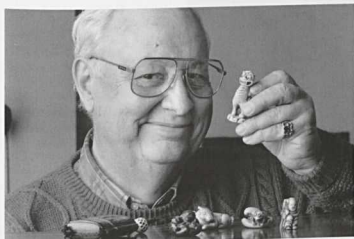


MARK SWISHER (ALL)

ter of Liberal Arts degree in 1983. She began working at WMC in what is now called the Hoover Library in 1968, assisting students and faculty in their research endeavors, while staying on top of new technology and techniques to keep operations updated and efficient. Few have seen their job responsibilities go through such transformation, beginning with the fairly simple matter of cataloguing issues of journals as they were received and

Katherine Falconer will explore sites beyond 'the Hill.'

checking out books to students and faculty. As she retires, however, she is in charge of a sophisticated automated system which manages an inventory of 190,000 volumes and a patron database of 3,500. In addition to her campus responsibilities, Ms. Falconer has worked closely with a variety of professional organizations, in particular the Cooperating Libraries of Central Maryland



Dr. Glen Ashburn will increase his incredible Netsuke collection.



Dr. Robert Hartman will work on his golf game, as well as his writing.

and the Maryland Library Association.

She and her husband Paul took a trip to Spain the day after Commencement and hope to see more of the world in the coming years.

Hartman has taught philosophy and religion at WMC since 1969. Before his arrival on "the Hill" he taught at Simpson College and held several pastoring positions at churches in Ohio and Illinois. Hartman has made a positive difference in the life of the mind, conveying to generations of students the grand heritage of European history from the pre-Socratics to the 20th century. Few on campus can equal his record of service. He has been the tireless chair of the department for almost two decades and has worked

both on and off campus to educate students about leadership and social issues.

He has worked with Head Start of Carroll County and is a founding member of a program to provide affordable housing to low-income families. The Western Maryland Interfaith Housing Development Corp. was formed in 1990 with the goal of building 1,000 units of affordable dwellings in five western Maryland counties by the end of the decade. Hartman also started a new course in 1993 called "Poverty and Economic Justice" to help fulfill requirements for a three-year \$250,000 Jesse Ball DuPont Educational Fund grant which WMHDC received in 1992. He has been a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership society, since 1970 and of Phi Sigma Tau, the philosophy honor society, since 1974. He received his bachelor's at Oberlin College, then received his seminary training at Boston University School of Theology before earning his Ph.D. at Northwestern University.

Hartman recently took up golf and plans to spend a lot of time on the campus course, as well as reading and writing on the social issues that have defined his career. ●

Dalton Gets Scoop at Poynter Institute

English and journalism professor Terry Dalton was selected by the Poynter Institute for Media Studies as one of the teaching fellows for the summer institute's coveted Journalism Education Workshops.

Located in St. Petersburg, Fla., the Poynter Institute invites between 50-75 journalism educators from across the nation each year to take part in workshops offering instruction in a variety of teaching areas, ranging from journalism ethics to grading and evaluation to redefining the news.

Dalton established the minor in journalism at Western Maryland in 1992 and is adviser to the student newspaper on campus, *The Phoenix*.

Prior to beginning his career as an educator, he worked as a professional journalist for 13 years. ●

Galambos Tackles Age-old Question

For a 39-year-old, Colleen Galambos spends an awful lot of time thinking about aging. In fact, the assistant professor of social work is an expert on the topic and was one of only 300 professionals in the nation invited to participate as a volunteer at the White House Conference on Aging last spring.

More than 2,000 delegates converged on the nation's capi-

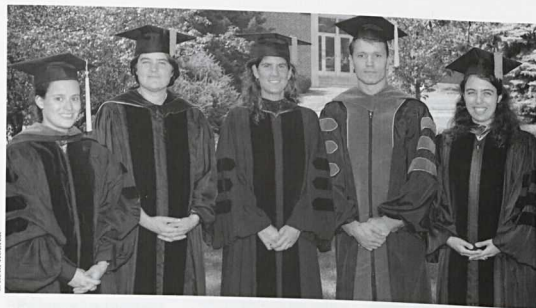
tol to develop resolutions that will influence the country's aging policies over the next 10 years. Among the outcomes were resolutions calling for greater assistance to grandparents who serve as primary caregivers to their grandchildren, preserving social security and increasing funding for Alzheimer's research.

Prior to accepting her faculty position at WMC last fall, Galambos was the executive director of the Maryland Gerontological Association. She also works with support groups for people who take care of elders experiencing memory loss and she is a consultant on long-term care issues.

As the population of elderly grows, Galambos says, aging issues become increasingly pertinent.

"I'm concerned about the fact that our country is not keeping pace with the needs that will be generated by our changing demographics. We need to create policies and services to address these changes, as well as changes occurring within the family structure," she says. "We need to develop services that help the elderly remain independent for as long as possible."

Galambos, who was recently asked to participate in a national group that examines the changing role of social workers in health care, acknowledges that her work can be difficult. "I think you have to come to terms with your own mortality before you can be comfortable working with the elderly," says Galambos, who enjoys boating and rollerblading. "One of the neat lessons I've learned is there comes a point in time when death is OK." ●



New Faculty Hit the Hill

A talented new class of full-time faculty hit "the Hill" this semester, including two of Western Maryland's own.

Brian Wladkowski '88, who earned his doctorate from Stanford University and worked at the National Research Council, has returned to his alma mater to become an assistant professor of chemistry. And Carolyn Bouma '82, who earned her Ph.D. at The Johns Hopkins University and worked at the National Institute of Dental Research, is back as a visiting assistant professor of chemistry for one year.

In addition, seven other outstanding teachers have joined the college's academic community.

Robin Armstrong, assistant professor of music, earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at California State University and a Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. She specializes in fifteenth century instrumental music and most recently held the position of visiting assistant professor at Bowling Green State University.

Mary Bendel-Sismo, assistant professor in English, earned her bachelor's from The College of St. Catherine and her master's and Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Binghamton. She specializes in Colonial, 19th and 20th

Mary Bendel-Sismo, Robin Armstrong, Julia Orza, Brian Wladkowski '88 and Rebecca Carpenter arrived on campus this fall.

century American Literature and Southern Literature.

Rebecca Carpenter, assistant professor of English, earned her bachelor's at Amherst College and her Ph.D. at the University of California, Berkeley. She specializes in modern British literature, Victorian literature and theory. Prior to accepting her position at WMC, she was an instructor in composition at University of California, Berkeley.

Julia Orza, assistant professor in Education, earned her bachelor's from Clark University and her master's and Ph.D. at The University of Connecticut. She specializes in counselor psychology, empathy and counselor education.

Delores Voskuil, assistant librarian, earned her bachelor's and her master's at University of Maryland. She specializes in a circulation and reference librarian.

Kathleen Lauber joins the biology department as a visiting assistant professor and Matthew Burke joins the military science department as an assistant professor. •

Twenty-five Years and Counting

It doesn't take a behavioral psychologist to understand why Stephen Colyer, associate professor and chair of psychology, and Robert Boner, professor and chair of mathematics, have stuck around for 25 years. If it feels good, do it. Right?

"I like teaching," Colyer says simply. "Western Maryland College is a good school and the quality of students here has always been good. It's much more fun when you have high caliber students."

In 1987 his students returned Colyer the compliment by recognizing him with the Distinguished Teaching Award. His contributions to his department have included organizing and developing the experimental laboratory where he has directed student research in the studies of comparative animal behavior and of human learning.

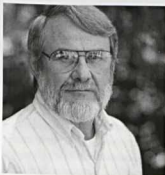
He has also arranged for student participation in training programs and research projects with profoundly retarded children. In particular, his work for TARGET, Inc. won him acclaim as that organization's professional of the year. An adult runner who is never content to be still, Colyer has sought to continually enhance his professional development and passed the state and

national license exam in October 1991, becoming a licensed psychologist.

Boner has fulfilled his earliest goal of making his career as a professor at a liberal arts college. Teaching has always been his top priority, as well as active participation in his field as a current member of the Western Maryland College Problem Solving Group. Over the past three years that group has submitted over 100 solutions to problems in the *American Mathematic Monthly*, *The Mathematics Magazine* and the *College Mathematics Journal*.

Seeking new ways to help students learn math more effectively, Boner spent his last sabbatical leave learning the complicated *Mathematica* program, as well as producing a lab manual for *Mathematica* to update the teaching of finite mathematics.

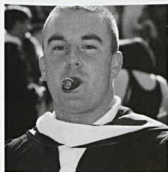
As first director of the College Honors Program in 1986, he took the concept from ground zero to an important and respected part of the college community. He also introduced the first photography course into the curriculum. •



Math professor Bob Boner celebrates 25 years at WMC.

This Magic Moment

WMC Sends Off the Class of '95



IT'S A B.A.!
Kenny Williams revels
in the moment with a
celebratory cigar.



NICE GRADES, TOO Not only do these graduates of the Honors Program have great legs, they have also earned outstanding grades. They are (front row) Susan Sommer, Emily Snyder, Kari Dunn, Lisa Tanehill, Rebecca Mathis, Michelle Sabourin (back row) Robert Brown, Jared Ebenreck, Ed Navarre and Colin Clark.



TIME FLIES Four fun years on "the Hill" go by in a heartbeat, but the Commencement ceremony set a record time at 2 hours, 50 minutes and 16 seconds. Official time-keeper, physical education professor Dick Clover, checks his watch and declares German professor Mohammed Esa the winner of this year's faculty pool jackpot, totaling \$63.



THREE EARN A PERFECT 4.0 (from left) Kelly Kathleen Maher, Emily Jean Snyder and Lisa Anne Tanehill garnered the Argonaut award, the college's most coveted academic award, for their perfect grade point averages.



TEACHER'S TRIBUTE J. Larry Haniffee (third from left), a biology teacher at Kent County High School, made all the difference in preparing these WMC students for college science courses. They easily picked the 27-year veteran for the Distinguished High School Teacher Award.



HONORED GUESTS Besides the 224 undergraduate and 75 master's degrees handed off, three honorary degrees went to (middle three, from left): Philanthropist Harvey Meyerhoff, chairman emeritus of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum; Supreme Court Associate Justice Harry Blackmun, author of the Court's 1973 ruling on Roe v. Wade legalizing abortion; and Marcellus Alexander Jr., vice president and general manager of WJZ-TV and an active leader in several civic and business organizations.

Alumni Profile

In the Cards

Scott Grocki '95 always wanted to be a magician—he learned to be an artist at WMC

BY KIM ASCH

While many of the Class of '95 sat in the audience of Gill Gymnasium anxiously waiting to graduate into the "real world," Scott Grocki stood smiling with confidence on stage. He had already devoted his life to illusion and make-believe.

A charismatic entertainer and consummate conjurer, the 25-year-old worked his way through a "six-year plan" at WMC pulling chickens out of hats at children's birthday parties, making company big shots disappear at corporate workshops and scaring the sarcasm out of high school students in Halloween haunted houses.

But this was his biggest, most momentous, gig yet.

Standing before a crowd of nearly 3,000 people, shoulder-length blond hair slicked back in a pony tail, a cap-and-gown-clad Grocki implored his classmates to seek "real magic" when they venture out beyond "the Hill."

The occasion called for an old trick with a new thematic twist. Grocki displayed the May 20 copy of the *Carroll County Times*—featuring a front-page story and picture of the rising star with his assistant Jenny Brown '95—and began tearing the paper into pieces as he spoke.

"Open any of today's newspapers and you can plainly see that there is a host of seemingly insurmountable forces which threaten to tear our world apart.

"These forces cause rifts along lines of race." *Rip*

"Along lines of gender." *Rip*

"Along lines of politics." *Rip*

"Along lines of religion, *Rip*, and countless others," Grocki said, crumpling the strips of paper into his fist. "In my estimation, one of the reasons for a lot of this conflict, a lot of the chaos in society, is the close-mindedness of many of its members.

"We, however, are a unique group of individuals. We have been given, and have freely accepted, the gift of education. The knowledge we have gained in our past years here at Western Maryland College from our faculty, from our family and from our friends is the magic through which we can affect change in our troubled times.

"It is with this power that we go forth today. These diplomas behind me are not merely pieces of paper, but they serve as a symbol of the power that we all now possess, and I challenge each and every one of you who go forth today to use that power to help put the world back together again.

"Just like magic."

And then the magnanimous Merlin, with the intense gaze and a grin as broad as his shoulders, opened his hands to reveal the front page of the newspaper—completely restored.

A videographer editing a tape of the commencement program declares that he played the newspaper trick backwards and forwards, watched it frame by frame, and still can't figure out how Grocki did it.

Ray-Mond the Magician, a local celebrity and Grocki's earliest mentor who watched from his seat in the bleachers said simply, "He did a fine job. That's a tricky fold." He added that the particular version of the illusion Grocki performed requires a preparation of 84 proper folds.

Of course, Grocki won't reveal any secrets. He just chuckles a little mischievously, obviously satisfied to have mastered the routine. For him, the real thrill occurs when he sees the expressions of wonder on audience members. "It's the moment of astonishment, it's when the floor drops and you think, 'That can't happen!' and then you go, 'Whoa, But it did!' That's the purest sense of what magic is."

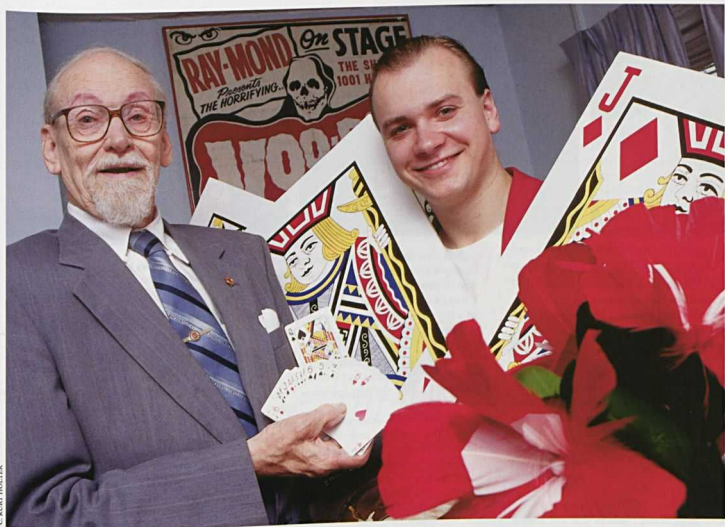
Grocki is as excited about his art as he was when he received his first magic set. A few simple tricks and a couple of how-to books had the 6-year-old hooked. Immediately, he became a student of illusion and began inventing routines he could perform for family and friends.

"I'd make my sister (Amy '95) disappear out of the back of a refrigerator box and then I'd throw my mother's butter knives into it," he recalls.

Then, when Grocki was in the seventh grade, he saw Raymond Corbin, known by his fans as Ray-Mond, perform at WMC. He thought, "I've got to meet this guy. He's doing everything I love."

*"Anybody can do
a trick. To be a
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to be an artist."*

—Ray-Mond the Magician



That year Ray-Mond was president of the Society of American Magicians and was in the process of founding a Carroll County chapter of the Society of Young Magicians. Grocki was elected its first president and eagerly attended monthly meetings until he was old enough, at 16, to join SAM—after he passed the audition, of course.

"That's to prevent the curious from joining up just so they can see how the tricks are done," explains Ray-Mond, who was inducted into the Magicians' Hall of Fame in Hollywood.

But learning the secrets is just the beginning of a successful career in the business. "Anybody can do a trick. To be a magician, you have to be an artist. You have to enter-

tain them as well as fool them," explains Ray-Mond, whose dramatic presence is still tangible even at 70-plus years old, with his penciled eyebrows, manicured nails and penchant for impressing visitors with a quick card trick or illusion.

"Scott is really blessed with talent naturally. He's outgoing, he's charming—he's almost brazen—but he's a hard worker," assesses Ray-Mond.

Through college, Grocki apprenticed himself to professional performers, mingled with successful magicians as a demonstrator at Barry's Magic Shop near Washington, D.C. and continued to perfect his craft while earning money to pay for most of his tuition at Western Maryland. He took a little longer to complete his studies, but earn-

Magician's Hall of Fame inductee Ray-Mond continues to give Scott Grocki a hand with his career.

ing his bachelor's in theatre arts was worth it, he says.

At college, he learned how to be a truly magnificent magician, taking classes in elocution, directing and acting. He found another mentor in theatre professor Ira Domser, whose characterization of Grocki as "one of our most persistent students" comes off as both praise and gentle criticism. During his extended stay on "the Hill," Grocki has been nothing if not tenacious.

Domser did his part to encourage his student's interest in the art of trickery, teaching that magic is a genre of genuine

"...I challenge each and every one of you who go forth today to use that power to put the world back together again. Just like magic."

—Scott Grocki '95



Scott Grocki wows his classmates with this illusion.

Board.

Beginning in the fall, Grocki and Brown—who also majored in theatre—will load up their van with props and sets and begin a tour of colleges. Eventually, they hope to get more gigs at corporate functions, where the earning potential is befitting of two graduates from a distinctive liberal arts institution. "It's not the glamour or the glitz of Las Vegas, but it's a market that can reach people and where plenty of magicians pull down six-figure salaries," notes Grocki.

Not that the duo doesn't dream of becoming famous. But Grocki and Brown are willing to pay their dues, while learning from their mentors.

"Show business is a terribly competitive field. He needs even more boundless energy, he needs to spend even more time rehearsing and thinking up new acts," says Domser. "You have to want it so badly that you're always working at it."

But while Grocki continues to invent new ways of amazing and entertaining his audience with tricks and illusions and make-believe, he'll be wise to remember the lesson of his oldest mentor Ray-Mond, who points out that there is such a thing as real magic.

"There's real magic everyday," he reveals. "The sun comes up, the stars come out, a beautiful tree grows. We just forget to take notice of it sometimes." ●

theatre.

"Theatre is illusion," he explains. "It involves the basic suspension of disbelief that has thrilled audiences for years. To experience drama, you have to accept that it's Abe Lincoln on stage, not just a guy playing a role. Magic works on the same principle, the tricks work because the audience wants them to work."

Grocki honed his acting skills by performing in many Domser-produced Theatre on the Hill plays—in fact, he met Brown while playing opposite her in the fairy tale farce *Into the Woods*. Both also tweaked their technical skills while working backstage and running the sound equipment.

Meanwhile Domser collaborated with Grocki to devise routines that will distinguish him from other young performers.

"I argue that you've got to have some kind of angle, some new way of presenting illusions," Domser says. "I'm Scott's think-tank. We discuss ideas and then he goes off into the shop and tries to build it, put it together, work it out."

Developing new routines is essential. As Ray-Mond observes, "The things that were exciting in my day are no longer exciting. You have to keep up with the times."

Grocki specializes in fresh with a flair. Last fall, he made a John Deere tractor disappear from the stage in Alumni Hall. At a fifth-grade graduation ceremony in June, he "cut" Brown in three for the Zig-Zag Lady Trick to the popular tune "Keep Them Separated."

And now he and Brown, a brunette beauty with a brain, are working on a routine in which Grocki catches a paint ball—a sort of ink-filled "bullet" that is shot out of a toy pistol—between his teeth. Anyone who is familiar with this latest craze in adult recreation will know that the magician stands to get splattered with red paint on impact. "It's going to be comical because I'll miss the first few times," he says.

The duo is also devising routines with a theme that could be presented at motivational workshops. In the latest one, Grocki builds the "perfect assistant" and then destroys her when she disappoints him.

"Basically, it's the idea of how we try to mold people into what we want them to be, but how that doesn't work because no one can ever meet every single one of our expectations," Grocki says.

Explains Brown, "We're constantly coming up with ideas sparked by the lyrics of a song, or pictures in a magazine. I'm the kind of person who looks for a message in every kind of art—I look for something to grasp."

They are counting on these themes to give them a marketing edge and set them apart from the other acts. They've already performed theme-oriented illusions at workshops on the power of persuasion for Carroll County General Hospital and on leadership for the Carroll County School

Sarajevo:

What the Cameras Can't See

BY JAY TAYLOR '93

Jay Taylor graduated *summa cum laude* from Western Maryland in May 1993 with a degree in mathematics and chemistry. After a semester of graduate studies at Cornell University, he decided to journey to Sarajevo in Bosnia and Herzegovina, where war continued to tear that region apart. He stayed for eight months with the family of Bosnian native Naida Zecovic '96, whose mother heads the pediatric clinic at Kosovo hospital. Jay taught in the University of Sarajevo's math department and experienced first-hand the terrifying reality of life in a city under siege. These are his impressions:

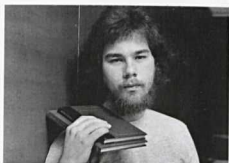
To journalists and their corporate masters, nothing makes a better war story than that sort of instantaneous horror

which leaves blood splattered on the pavement and perhaps some limbs torn from the body.

The mathematics department where I taught during the last three months of my stay in Sarajevo was located along a particularly dangerous stretch of road called "Sniper's Alley," its name perversely apt and well known to the foreign press corps stationed in the city. I had the privilege to intimately observe the vulture-like phenomenon in that setting: teams of two or three reporters sat shielded by their armored vehicles with cameras mounted on tripods and aimed at the very same places targeted by the rifles and machine guns of snipers. Not having witnessed this, you cannot comprehend the sick irony of a camera following an old man on

Shelling has become a familiar danger for Sarajevo children.





"What most penetrated me were the weariness and the decay of curiosity that have been wrought upon Sarajevans by a war not of their own making."

—Jay Taylor '93

a bicycle as he pedals for all his life past a spot where that life might quickly end. Then two small children and the same motions of a carefully trained camera. And finally myself.

That time all made it alive. But often someone has not been so fortunate and CNN has had its 40-second story, which most of you forgot in about 20 seconds.

As a Bosnian columnist once remarked, wouldn't it make more sense for these foreign journalists, if indeed they cared about the lives of Bosnians, to use their armored vehicles to at least ferry the children across the dangerous spots, rather than wait for yet another small body to be felled?

Above, Jay Taylor '93 experienced life in a city under siege during his eight-month stay in Sarajevo. Below, this ruined Sarajevan building and the math department where Jay Taylor '93 worked share the same road, 'Sniper's Alley.'

The terror of a bullet or a shell is quick and sharp, and that much more quickly forgotten by the media and its audience. I observed a slower and more persistent horror, the incapacitating vestiges of explosions that kill in nine seconds but whose consequences are deep and remain for months and years and decades. There is terror which cannot be captured by the professional's camera, a pain that is engraved on the wrinkled faces of youth aged three decades in three years, a terror that need be portrayed by ink on silk. To be sure, I witnessed deaths, I stepped over puddles of blood, and was myself shot at.

But what most penetrated me were the weariness and the decay of curiosity that have been wrought upon Sarajevans by a war not of their own making.

From my saddest memories: Among my students at the math department was a bright young woman, Saida, one of the few to persevere through a semester of

point-set topology. Topology is a difficult subject in peace time for students whose teachers speak their native language—how much more difficult for Bosnian students who must also worry about their next meal, whose classroom is within 300 feet of sniper positions (as I lectured, I could look out the window and see the top floors of the skyscrapers in Serb-occupied Grahovica, from which snipers every day claim the lives of still more Sarajevans), and whose teacher must hold class in a language foreign to them because his grasp of their language is so very far from fluency! There were days when we endured class wearing winter jackets because the room temperature was down to 50 degrees, and there were other days when we could barely hear ourselves think for all the noise of shells exploding nearby. The entire back of our department, facing the line, has had large holes blown through it.

That Saida managed to keep with the



course through all of this is by itself impressive, and the sort of bravery and humanity that you will never see depicted on CNN, but she also showed herself to be an adept mathematician, able to grasp and solve not a few interesting problems. Just before I left Sarajevo in May, we shared a cup of coffee (somehow the ubiquitous kafanas have managed to remain open in the midst of war) and I encouraged her to continue her studies of mathematics, to complete the two remaining years of her undergraduate studies in Sarajevo. (It's very difficult for Bosnian students to receive sufficient financial aid to study as undergraduates in American colleges, including WMC, even though such opportunities could well save some lives.) I suggested she then apply for graduate studies in Europe or the U.S. Her answer: "Ne znam." I don't know. When I asked why not, she answered that she no longer planned.

Saida's experience and response is not isolated. I met many others—students in several fields, doctors, nurses—so many who have ceased to plan, whose curiosity and desire to create has itself been maimed, sometimes completely killed off. Why wouldn't Saida plan? Because she, like all the others, has had friends and relatives killed or maimed during the war, perhaps personally witnessed the deaths, and has lived a world turned utterly on its end and ripped to shreds. This is what I mean when I write that terror has many dimensions, many scales. A death ripples on through the years, an explosion has ramifications long after the rubble and blood has been cleared away. You see such a death and move on unaffected, but for those who survive in Sarajevo the hell does not end there.

If Saida were killed by a bullet through the head, perhaps you would glimpse a picture of her on CNN or on page A20 of *The Washington Post*, and then you would forget her, just as you probably cannot recall a single name of the more than 200,000 already killed in Bosnia under watchful, but deeply uncaring eyes. So the injury and violence done to Saida in the course of this war, whose effects are painful and real but not sufficiently graphic for the reporters, are largely unknown to you. And they are

JAY TAYLOR '93



Top, a classroom in the University of Sarajevo's math department that has been blown apart by shelling; below, a Sarajevo child seems to see some hope through the U.N. peacekeeping force.

outside the bounds of thought possible for Western politicians, to whom Saida's life or death, no matter how lived or how died, means utterly nothing. Whether she survives to create beautiful mathematics or is compelled by the horror to stagnate in the usual confluence of sanity and madness is irrelevant to our elected officials and, in truth, to us as well. Such creatures we are, such a world we have made.

People often ask me what will become of Bosnia and I tell them: the war will continue for several years, eventually be declared by the West to be over, and Bosnia will be partitioned in one form or another between the fascists in Beograd and their

cousins in Zagreb. Western bureaucrats and politicians will then laud the great wisdom and management skills that perhaps will have left only 200,000 and not 300,000 dead.

Human pain, however, is not so neatly manipulated. The dead will remain dead, the maimed will live lives without a leg or arm or eye, the families and friends of the dead will again and again be reminded of their grief, and this generation of youth, Saida's generation, will grow up to who knows what sort of future.

As for me, I am left simply exhausted. Once I felt anger towards the Western power brokers who have choreographed this and so many other tragedies of momentous proportions. Now, even this anger seems largely to have dissipated, replaced by an empty desire for the silent non-being of a rotting Western world. ●

Memorial Hall Rededication

Martin K.P. Hill Hall

Preserving the Past for the Future

BY KIM ASCH

Western Maryland College recognized Carroll County builder and businessman Martin K.P. Hill by rededicating its central academic building in his name on Oct. 13. A college trustee and the proud father of a 1993 graduate, Hill demonstrated impressive leadership by contributing \$1.5 million—the largest gift ever made to the college by a single living individual—to support WMC's building program and annual fund.

The historic building, formerly known as Memorial Hall and opened in 1929 as Science Hall, will be known to future generations of students and faculty as Martin K.P. Hill Hall. It is a monument to education as impressive as the gift that made it possible.

Now the president of Masonry Contractors Inc. and recognized as Carroll County's largest builder and listed among the state's top 10, Hill's relationship with the College began 30 years ago when he returned to Westminster from a two-year tour of duty in the Navy.

Although he was awarded a renewable \$1,000 scholarship—and Western Maryland's tuition was about a quarter of its current cost—he explained, "I looked at everything and convinced myself I couldn't make it financially. And so for the next five years I attended various classes at night, but never quite finished my bachelor's degree."

When he began receiving mailings of *The Hill* magazine in the late 1970s, he says he decided it was "subliminal messaging." More overt attempts to bring him back to campus came about 10 years later when he was contacted first by then-Vice President of Institutional Advancement Walt Whalen and then by President Robert Chambers to join a small group of local business people who meet a few times a year to discuss WMC and its relationship with the community.

In 1990, his daughter Jennifer transferred in as a sophomore and Hill was hooked on WMC. It wasn't long before



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positive influence on the lives of so
many people than through WMC?"*

-Martin K.P. Hill



Preserving



C. KURT HOUTER (BOTH)

Top (from left) M. Lee Rice, Joan Develin Coley, Mark Lancaster, Mary Ellen Elwell '50, Gov. Parris Glendening, Victor McTeer '69, Ray Phillips, Tim Collins '96, Holly Roback '96, President Robert Chambers. Right, President Robert Chambers presents Martin K.P. Hill with an illustration of his namesake.

he began assuming important positions of leadership, first on the Parents Board as chairman of the Parents Fund for which he provided challenge grants in 1991 and 1993 for senior class gifts to the annual fund. In 1993, he became a trustee at the college and was recently named to chair the college's first-ever comprehensive fundraising campaign. Hill's voice cracked with emotion as he described the enormous pride he felt at Commencement 1993. "My always independent outspoken little girl was now graduating from WMC, an articulate confident young woman prepared to face life's challenges," he recalled.



"Inside these halls hopes are realized, dreams are chased, and careers are started."

—Tim Collins '96

"I even had the great joy of presenting her diploma. Where else but at WMC?"

Reasoning that "You can't ask people to follow where you're not willing to go" Hill took a deep breath and committed himself to making this substantial gift to the College. He explained, "Where else in my life would I have more of a positive influence on the lives of so many people than through WMC?"

His namesake 66-year-old building has certainly benefited from Hill's efforts. The \$4.5 million building project—partially financed by low interest federal loans and part of a \$1.9 million grant from the state of Maryland—has improved the infrastructure, retained its character as an intimate setting for study and discussion of the humanities and social sciences.

Blackboards have been replaced by specialized marker boards that are designed to accept any writing material and can also be used as projection screens, classroom configurations enable teachers to become facilitators rather than lecturers and desks are equipped with data communication ports. The entire facility is now handicapped accessible and central air-conditioned.

Still, classrooms were kept small to preserve class sizes of around 30 so students continue to reap the benefits of personal attention from their teachers. Even the two amphitheatres featured on the first floor seat only 40 people, the perfect venue for a



political debate or poetry reading.

As Tim Collins, a senior majoring in sociology remarked, "Inside of these halls hopes are realized, dreams are chased, and careers are started. Now we have a building that will provide us with the same opportunities as before, but in ways that were never possible." •

Victor McTeer '69, now an attorney, recalls years spent in then-Memorial Hall.

Hill Hall Makes the Grade with Students

BY SUSAN VANDENBERGE '96

Senior English major Catherine Coakley remembers all too well the shortcomings of Memorial Hall. In desperate need of renovation, the largest academic building on campus was a beautiful, historic brick facade whose insides had become antiquated without appreciating with age.

The 66-year-old building groaned with all of its ailments—creaky floors, musty odors, dirty carpets, paint-peeled walls, rattling windows, dark hallways and cramped, dreary classrooms. Its absence of air conditioning during the warmest

months made the place almost intolerable.

Now that's all changed with the \$4.5 million renovation project that transformed an out-dated Memorial into an outstanding Martin K.P. Hill Hall. "I'm really amazed at the improvements. It's good to be back in here," Coakley enthuses.

"It's much more spacious and modern," observes junior Kevin Bernhardt. "I like that it's so fresh and new inside. It makes me appreciate how nice this school is and how much money they spend to make it more comfortable for us."

Sue McDowell, a history major in her second year, never experienced the former

Memorial Hall because the renovation project prohibited classes from meeting there last year. "I'm glad I'm here to use this new facility and I know I'll get my money's worth out of it," she says.

Even senior art/biology major Sarah Ensor, who learned to love Memorial despite its problems, says she was immediately taken with the rejuvenated building. "I love the brightness of the rooms, the bigger windows and the white walls. It keeps me awake," she quips.

Her only complaint? "It's too bad I won't be here much longer to enjoy it."

Cover Story

*Sister to 24 Has Lots of Practice
Helping Others Learn*

Natural-Born Teacher

BY JOYCE E. MULLER

The envelope carried the desired Cambridge, Mass. return address but it appeared too thin to be an acceptance letter. She had been checking her campus mailbox two or three times a day in hopes of sighting an oversized envelope from the top-ranked graduate school, stuffed with information for new students.

Kari Dunn, the sharp-as-a-tack mathematics major and Honors Program student, initially applied to Harvard for the fun of it, believing her chances for acceptance were slim. Still, she couldn't bring herself to open the potentially disappointing letter.

"I was all by myself and I couldn't quite believe what I read," Kari recalls.

All day, she carried the letter around with her and in the dining hall she asked her friend Laura Viese '96 to immediately open and read it too. "I wanted someone else to read it and make sure that I was not dreaming. I was thrilled," she enthuses. "I got in, got housing, everything!"

If Kari ever doubted she would make the grade and get into Harvard's Graduate School of Education, her family back home in New Jersey had more faith—Dad, Mom and especially all 24 brothers and sisters, many of whom she helped to raise.

Everyone cheered big sister Kari, the second oldest of the Dunn children. Since the age of 11, Kari and her natural-born brother and two sisters have become the adored older siblings to a family which grew by leaps and bounds because of their parents' commitment to adopt at-risk children from around the world and provide a home and a family that cares for and loves them.

Once Kari and her brother and sisters entered elementary school their mother went to work as a volunteer for an adoption agency. "She was always looking through the [adoption] catalog, particularly the hard-to-place section," says Kari, whose petiteness and easy manner is inherited from her mom. At the beginning children from Korea including twin brothers were adopted followed two years later by another brother and his two sisters. At age 10, the eldest of this group was

Kari Dunn '95 spent much of her spare time last summer with her 24 brothers and sisters.





One of eight bedrooms in the Dunn house, every night's a slumber party here.

the oldest child ever placed by the coordinating agency.

For a brief time the family numbered an extraordinary 11. Then the Dunns got a call that a 5-day-old girl needed a home. "Dad rented a U-haul and we loaded up in the car, drove 40 hours to El Paso to bring her home," says Kari.

And still the Dunns weren't done. Mrs. Dunn began providing foster care. "Everybody that came into the house always stayed," Kari points out, doubtful that the family has stopped growing even at its current size. "Every time I say we're done, we're not done."

After working each day as a general contractor Mr. Dunn returns to his family home which is situated in an ordinary neighborhood, just a few miles from the Jersey Interstate and a couple blocks from fast-food restaurants, gas stations, churches and schools.

Driving into the tree-lined block you can easily miss the blue two-story colonial-style house, but if the weather is agreeable you might spot the trampoline and sandbox in the front yard, and catch a glimpse of kids running in and out of the front door. A short walk around to the rear of the house takes you past dozens of bikes, swings and playground-style teeter horses. Much of the backyard is taken up by a sparkling new in-ground pool lined by enough lounge chairs

for a grand-scale swim party.

Inside the home a trip to the kitchen provides visitors with clues on what it must be like to feed a family of 26 daily. The kitchen is the largest in the eight-bedroom house and resembles a small restaurant with its four long tables each encircled by vinyl padded chairs. Several of the children are busy preparing dinner, working between the oversized kitchen island and wall of appliances.

"We never have a set list of things to do," says Kari. "We all just do. I feel like everyone has always been here. Most days it's fun. While I was at WMC I was the only person who spoke to a family member every day and at college I shared a bathroom with fewer people than at home."

The Dunns encourage their children to do all the things they like. Kelly sings and plays the piano, Robbie enjoys sports. The house rule only dictates that extracurricular activities never interfere with schoolwork. For Kari, her mother was her cheerleading coach and at every ballet recital her father worked backstage. On a typical summer evening's visit at the Dunn home you'll learn that six are going off to T-ball. Scheduling is tight and everyone plays chauffeur.

All adopted family members are celebrated twice a year—once on their birth date and a second time on the day they came home. Three have birthdays in March, four in January; two others share a birthday week in December, two days before Christmas and two days after Christmas.

On Christmas morning no one is permitted to get up until after six and the order in which you get up is the order you open presents. All attend church every Sunday.

"If I want to see life I just have to look around. I can't imagine not having my family around. It feels wonderful to come home and be greeted everyday by hugs and kisses and there's always a baby to hold," says Kari, explaining that most new additions to the family arrive as infants. She dismisses the question on sibling rivalry with a question, "How can you be jealous of a baby?"

The Dunns also succeed as parents to teens, an impressive distinction since at one time there were six high schoolers at home.

"It takes a brave boyfriend to come to our house. No one dates before they're 16. Dad's job was to instill fear," Kari says. Even though she is now 22, her father still insists that her dates come into the house first where he can remind them of their obligation to bring his daughter home in one piece.

"Everyone loves to spend time with us because our home is always so full. The only drawback is that sometimes you don't

"Her family is bigger than some of the classes she taught."

—Math professor Jim Lightner

get rid of old boyfriends who get caught up in the family ties."

Kari saved money for college expenses earned from summer jobs and scholarship grants received as a New Jersey Junior Miss finalist. Her high school academic achievements were rewarded by a Western Maryland tuition scholarship and she borrowed money for room and board. During her senior year she worked as a residence hall adviser. And Kari's uncovered costs for the first year at Harvard were paid by her older sister who contributed her stocks to the cause.

"I don't remember ever not wanting to be a teacher," says Kari. "Early on I played dress-up in high heels and stood on a box. My uncle Jimmy found us a blackboard and I would put soda in a coffee mug and talk to myself."

"One of my earliest teachers was like a grandmother to me. She would unbraid her gray hair and permit me to brush it. I had switched from public to parochial school and I was really scared and missed my old friends. She made me feel so special. Early in the year she assigned each of us to write an essay about a very special person who would be revealed to us in the classroom closet. She told us to keep our heads down until we entered the closet and only to look up once the door was shut behind us. One by one we took our turns, promising to not reveal to anyone once we had seen the special person. Inside the closet I looked up and immediately saw myself reflected back by a mirror."

Such lessons in building self-esteem were remembered when Kari faced classroom students of her own during her senior year as a student teacher.

Her high school algebra students were struggling with quadratic equations so Kari purchased and distributed shiny new pencils. "I told them that these were power pencils. When you don't think you can finish the problem, just pick up your power pencil and keep trying." The pencil incentive worked and soon word spread and all of Kari's classes were clamoring for power pencils.

WMC mathematics professor Jim Lightner offers words of praise for Kari's classroom creativity and organization. "She was amazing and always perfectly in control,"

noting that her family background probably gave her an edge. "Her family is bigger than some of the classes she taught."

Kari's senior honors paper on the century's reform movements in mathematics education was directed by Lightner and included field studies she conducted at the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics' headquarters in Virginia. Lightner singles Kari out as one of many exceptional mathematics majors he has taught in his 30-plus years on "the Hill" and is proud that she plans to become a teacher. "Goodness knows that the public schools need teachers [like Kari] who are skillful in content. I want the best ones out there to teach."

At Western Maryland Kari is unanimously admired for her exceptional emotional

ington. In Palmer's honors class on world literature, Kari joined by another classmate gave a creative presentation of the trial depicted in *Crime and Punishment* which went far beyond the typical student-led discussion and included acting the roles relative to the protagonist Raskolnikov.

Such outstanding potential was quickly recognized and Palmer recruited Kari to serve as the first student liaison for the Honors Program. "She served so well, so efficiently, that we were able to solve practically all our problems... and I became a better director. I could always depend on her," Palmer notes. "She has helped to create a much more unified group of students who have worked hard to improve the Honors Program through community service, tutoring, peer mentoring, and other activities while maintaining high individual intellectual goals."

Palmer asked Kari, one of two Honors Program students, to represent the Program at the National Honors Conference on multiculturalism in San Antonio, Texas held in October 1994. "Her project revealed the dimension she has gained from her family life. She took her classroom experiences, where her views were challenged, and her research material, with which she did not always agree, and developed a project to open the minds of her audience—to get them to questions their own attitudes and their own readings," says Palmer. "Her challenges to her audience were always at the highest level, since her own experiences have caused her to develop a tolerant, calm style rather than a confrontational, debating style."

But when Kari approached Palmer and expressed her interest in pursuing the teaching profession, Palmer hesitated.

"What has always impressed me about Kari is that she is a good student across the board. All my academic background tells me to push people like her into graduate school to pursue a life of scholarship," Palmer explains. "Kari made me stop and think and reconsider my motives. She is a natural-born teacher. She has the intelligence and the ability to be both dedicated and responsible. She possesses the affection, concern and care that young children need today. People like Kari should be allowed, encouraged to go in this direction." •



The Dunn family arrived en masse to celebrate Kari's graduation. Younger siblings are dressed to match so they are easier to find.

maturity. According to Honors Program Director Nancy Palmer, Kari is one of the few students whom one sees in a lifetime of teaching: "While I wish for her all kinds of awards and renown, she doesn't really need any for her own sense of self. She carries within her all that she needs and is a wonderful role model for us all."

An experienced family chauffeur, Kari was quick to volunteer to drive the college-owned van for the Honors Program group excursions into Baltimore and Wash-

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Student Profile

Lisa and Her Sisters

Going Away to College is a Family Affair

BY KIM ASCH



One of the toughest things about going away to college is leaving your closest friends behind. So the Kairis sisters decided to come to WMC together.

Identical twins Stephanie and Michelle, 18, and their 19-year-old sister Lisa arrived on "the Hill" Aug. 24, checked into separate rooms in the same residence hall and, with help from their parents, uncle, Stephanie's boyfriend and college staff, started unloading.

"I hate unpacking at the freshman girls' dorm," grumbled Paul Charbonnier '98, a brawny football player and member of the team of student orienters who assist new WMC'ers through their first few days of life on campus. "They have boxes that stack up to the ceiling on every side of the room."

The Kairis sisters were no exception. The four cars they brought to bear the load were packed tight with TVs, clothes and curling irons, cleaning supplies, toiletries and teddy bears—three of everything a young woman needs to survive a semester away from home.

"I was so scared I would have to go away by myself," confided Michelle, who was coaxed into applying to Western Maryland by her uncle Art Morrison, a 1984 graduate. "I'm still nervous about being away from home for the first time, but having these two here will definitely help."

Stephanie suspected her twin sister had ulterior motives for persuading her to go to the same school. "She couldn't go away to college alone—whose clothes would she wear?"

Lisa decided to join her sisters and transfer in from Elizabethtown as a sophomore, but was still to live in the dorms reserved for first-year students. "I hate being a freshman again," she said, rolling her eyes.

Meanwhile, Mom and Dad were just happy to have all their girls at one college, rather than at three scattered up and down the East Coast. "It's going to be great

having my daughters in the same place. I had visions of one in North Carolina and one in New Jersey," enthused Mike Kairis.

"The college has been so helpful. What a relief just having to deal with one admissions office and one financial aid office," added Sharon Kairis.

Morrison, a former chemistry major with an MBA from Southeastern University, beamed as he seemed to breathe in the view of the place where he said he experienced "the best years of my life."

His wife Michelle, who attended Shepardstown College, "spent more time here and was kind of adopted by WMC." They were married in Little Baker Chapel and have since relocated to Bloomington, Ill. But they still return almost every year for Homecoming.

Morrison says he always dreamed that his nieces—"they're more like little sisters to me"—would follow in his scholastic footsteps and become Western Marylanders. "But it's a fine line between being supportive and interfering." So he decided to get them hooked on "the Hill" by taking them to football games and on campus tours. Michelle fell in love with the new library and Lisa liked the feel of the place. Stephanie had her heart set on community college so she could stay near her boyfriend, but her sisters convinced her not to split up the threesome.

Saying good-bye was the tough part. Stephanie and her boyfriend Nick Skorobatsch, 19, hugged each other, then the rest of the family, then hugged and kissed each other again.

Mike Kairis displayed that mix of emotions unique to fathers—both relief and panic—now that his little girls were out of the house and embarking on their adult lives.

"I'll have to go through withdrawal," he predicted. "There's probably going to be an eerie silence because now there's constant teenagers running in and out and the phone's constantly ringing off the hook. But at least the bathrooms will be straight for a while." ●

*"I was so scared I
would have to go
away by myself."*

-Michelle Kairis '99



From left, Michelle, Stephanie,
and Lisa brought everything
they need to survive at college,
including each other.

Development

NEWS



MARK SWISHER

Assistant Director of Annual Giving Vanessa Berger

Annual Fund Assistance

Vanessa Berger, formerly of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Maryland Chapter, has assumed the position of assistant director of annual giving. Together with the director of the annual fund, Kimberly Stevenson, she will work to strengthen the college's annual giving program.

Berger will collaborate with students and alumni volunteers as she manages the college's phone center, oversees the class agent program, faculty/staff campaign and the senior class gift campaign.

Her most recent position with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society was as a fundraising specialist. Berger coordinated two statewide fundraising campaigns, recruited and supervised a staff of volunteers and was responsible for creating newsletters and brochures.

She is a 1994 graduate of the University of Maryland Baltimore County, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in American studies. •

Scholarships Change Lives

Todd Bickling accomplished a family first in May—he graduated from college. The biology major said it would have been an impossible feat without the Bishop James H. Straughn Scholarship he received.

As a high school student, Bickling's parents encouraged him to seek a bachelor's degree but told him they couldn't afford to pay his way. The Sheffield, Pa. native was prepared to work alongside his father on an assembly line until he learned that he could receive financial aid through a scholarship at Western Maryland. He planned to begin dental school in August.

Bickling represented all scholarship recipients when he publicly thanked the donors of 119 Endowed Scholarships at a special luncheon last spring. Featured speaker, Provost Joan Develin Coley, pointed out that those who support these funds are appreciated—and needed—now more than ever, since about 80 percent of Western Maryland students receive some form of financial aid. •



C. KURT HOUTER

John Payne, Hoover Scholarship recipient Albert Wooten, Payne Scholarship recipient Kristin Vick, Chip Payne and Bishop James H. Straughn Scholarship recipient Todd Bickling.

Bidding for a Bit of Nostalgia

A silent auction of old Lewis Hall lab equipment raised more cackles than cash during the cocktail hour of a day-long program to give alumni and friends the big picture on the sciences at WMC.

Antiquated tools like the Galvano Cautery Device, a.k.a. the "Old College Seal," and the Rubicon Portable Potentiometer (good for a jolt) provided some comic relief to an otherwise information-packed and educational day.

Faculty and students dazzled

the crowd of about 80 with details of their collaborative research into AIDS, cancer, gene transfer in Zebra fish and the way extreme conditions affect human fatigue, as well as their work using lasers and computer modeling. Alumni panelists involved in medicine and research, as well as in science-related careers such as law and pharmaceutical sales, spoke of their experiences while students at WMC and credited faculty for starting them off successfully.

Guest speakers included infectious disease specialist Theodore Woodward, professor emeritus of the University of Maryland School of Medicine, who is estimated to have taught over half the state's practicing physicians, and Johns Hopkins Hospital neurosurgeon Dr. Benjamin Carson. Celebrated for separating the Binder Siamese twins in 1987, Carson encouraged those in attendance to follow his motto and "THINK BIG."

Of course, Western Maryland College trustees are doing just that with plans to break ground on the brand-new, \$12.5 million science building next fall. •



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Alumnus Fred Eckhardt enters bid at Sciencefest auction.

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News

From Alumni

Galloway Would Have Made Bailer Proud

Gertrude Galloway MED'72 overcame a lot of obstacles to become the first woman superintendent of any of the nation's 50 state schools for the deaf. She was recognized for her many accomplishments with the Joseph R. Bailer Award July 19.

The prestigious award, named for one of the college's most highly respected career educators, is presented annually to master's alumni who have made an important contribution in the field of education.

In addition to herself, Galloway's parents, her brother and her sister were all born deaf. At age 15, Galloway graduated from Kendall School for the Deaf and entered Gallaudet University where she starred in many dramatic productions opposite the now-famous actor Bernard Bragg.

When she later moved to Maryland, she entered Western Maryland's education of the deaf program where she also taught sign language for several years. Subsequently, Galloway was hired to teach math by the Maryland School for the Deaf (MSD) and in 1973, she was named assistant principal of MSD's Columbia campus. In the meantime, she earned her master's degree and during her seven years in that position completed her Ph.D. at Gallaudet University.

Feeling that improvements were needed in deaf education for precollege students, she accepted a position in 1990 at



(From left) Margaret Bailer Sullivan presents Gertrude Galloway with the award named for her first husband.

Katzenbach where she became the first woman superintendent of any of the nation's 50 state schools for the deaf. At Katzenbach School for the Deaf, she oversees students ages birth to 21 who are able to learn business training, graphic arts, drafting, food services, construction trades, service occupations, manufacturing, and mechanical/metal trades.

"Western Maryland has really played a large part in my life. It's one of the first colleges to invite the deaf in, to set up a teacher-training program for the deaf," Galloway said. "I'm still grateful to Western Maryland College, and I commend it for leadership in deaf education."

The Joseph R. Bailer Award was established by the family of Dr. Bailer to honor his educational career as chairman of the WMC Education Department and director of its graduate program from 1949 to 1971. Dr. Bailer, who died in 1974, was a primary contributor to the growth of the pro-

gram during his more than two decades of service.

Both as a mentor and an outstanding example of an educator, he influenced the lives of hundreds of Western Maryland graduate students, many of whom have gone on to leadership roles in educational programs both in Maryland and beyond.

In this spirit of dedication and professionalism, the Bailer award is given to a recipient of a master's degree from Western Maryland who subsequently made a significant contribution to the field of education. The award rotates among the college's various certificate programs, and this year the award is given to a graduate of the program in education. •

Working for Their Alma Mater

Five WMC'ers were honored at the Alumni Banquet May 27 for their demonstrated devotion to the college and the Alumni Association. Meritorious Service Awards went to: Anna Rose Beasman Anderson '45; Richard "Dick" Clower '50; William "Bill" Dulany '50; Charles White '55; and Frederick "Fred" Smyth '80.

As class reporter for the last 12 years, Anderson has diligently gathered and shared the news about her classmates and their busy lives. She has served on the class reunion committee and is a regular at alumni functions at the shore.

Clower has served his alma mater as director of athletics, head of the physical education department, coach and alum-

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nus volunteer. He received the Western Maryland Distinguished Teaching Award in 1965 and is a faculty member of Phi Beta Kappa. He also served as chairman of the Sports Hall of Fame ad hoc committee in 1978; was a panel member of the 1980 Alumni Leadership Conference; a moderator for the Alumni Panel on Physical Fitness in 1983; a consultant for the Sports Hall of Fame Committee in 1993-96; and a member of the Class Reunion Committee this year.

Another WMC'er in the Class of '50, Dulany has worked tirelessly as a member of the Board of Trustees since 1976 and was named Alumnus of the Year in 1986. He is a past president of the Carroll County Alumni Chapter; was Class Fund chairman in 1962; a participant in Career Information Programs in 1971 and 1972; was a member of the Board of Governors of the Harrison House Committee from 1972-74; and was chairman of the College Center Campaign in 1976-78. Dulany often hosts reunion gatherings at his home.

A 1991 Sports Hall of Fame inductee, White began his service as a Class Agent in 1963 and since then has volunteered as Class Fund Chairman and phonathoner in 1965; as a

1968 Executive Committee member of the D.C. Alumni Chapter; and member of the Sports Hall of Fame Committee since 1992. He was also a member of this year's Class Reunion Committee.

Smyth received the Young Alumni Service Award in 1990. He has served as a member of the Alumni National Fund Committee in 1981-82, 1984-85, 1986-87; as Class Chairman 1981-83; admissions volunteer in 1982 and 1991; phonathoner in 1985 and 1986; member of the Young Alumni Affairs Committee in 1988-91; and as member of the Awards Committee in 1992-93. •

Students Take Action Against AIDS

A peer education program promoting AIDS awareness is in full swing, thanks to Elizabeth Valuet, this year's winner of the Griswold-Zepp Award in Volunteerism. The annual prize provides a \$1,250 stipend and is named for two influential WMC professors, Ira Zepp '52 and the late L. Earl Griswold.

Valuet, a freshman majoring in political science and biology, founded ASAP, or AIDS: Support, Awareness & Prevention, when she discovered Western Maryland currently had no ongoing AIDS education program. Under the guidance of Medical Services Coordinator Bonnie Bosley, Valuet and a handful of classmates quickly formed the new organization and outlined its goals of AIDS

prevention and fund-raising for research and support of AIDS patients.

She says the money will be used to pay for a benefit concert, an information center, an AIDS conference with speakers and consciousness-raising materials. It will also provide resources to train students to become peer educators.

"ASAP is an organization we created in response to our concern about the AIDS epidemic and its disastrous effects on our generation," Valuet says. "Educational programs about AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases must be established in order to counteract the alarming promiscuity and carelessness on college campuses. Without an increased awareness and a shift to more responsible behavior, the possible effects of the AIDS epidemic are incomprehensible."

Last semester, ASAP established free and anonymous AIDS testing at the college's health center and sold student-designed holiday cards and donated the profits to AIDS research. Through its Peer Education Program, ASAP performs skits and engages students in frank discussions designed to outline the risks of contracting HIV, the virus generally believed to cause AIDS.

"Essential to education is explicit talk about sexual behavior," explains Valuet, adding that all peer educators are trained by professionals to present accurate AIDS infor-

(first row, from left) Elizabeth Valuet received the Griswold-Zepp Award for the AIDS awareness program she started with other concerned students including Dina Awad, Nazhin Beiramee, (second row) Emily Grant, Tameka Collins, Scott Lee, Kristina Benson, Brian Peltier, Cori Lawrence and Andreas Kalisperis.

mation and statistics. Still, talking to other students about sex can be difficult.

"We get out the giggles and embarrassment during rehearsals. If you feel comfortable with the information, it's easier to talk about. We want to be as professional as possible and not make anyone feel silly when asking a question."

The Griswold-Zepp Award for Volunteerism, conceived by alumni of the liberal arts college, honors a student or team of students who propose a volunteer service project. Recipients of the award may carry out projects during January Term or over the summer and they may receive academic credit for their work. Winners of the award are chosen in mid-April by a faculty committee. All full-time WMC undergraduates in good academic standing are eligible.

The award is named for Drs. Earl L. Griswold, professor emeritus of sociology who died

in 1992, and Ira G. Zepp Jr., professor emeritus of religious studies. These educators were indispensable resources for scores of WMC students in the 1960s who were searching for opportunities to volunteer for social service projects. The two served as faculty sponsors of a pair of historic student groups, Student Opportunities Service and Operation Hinge. •

Thomas Eaton Dies

Thomas Eaton '27, who was honored by the college in 1986 with a Doctor of Humane Letters, died May 15 at his home in Easton. He was 90.

Born in Reedy, W. Va., Eaton lived with his wife in California, Canada, Louisiana and New York during his 38-year career with the Johns-Manville Corp., where he worked as a chemist, quality control supervisor, superintendent of quality control and plant manager. From 1955 to 1969, he served as vice president of the company. Following his retirement, he moved to Royal Oak, Md. where he was engaged in grain farming in Talbot and Caroline counties.

Eaton was elected honorary trustee of the college in 1978. He was active in many service organizations including the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, as well as the Royal Oak United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Catherine Welker, whom he married in 1931; a sister; one niece; and two nephews. •



C. KURT HOUTER

Sports Hall of Fame Class of 1995

Western Maryland College's top female athlete of 1982-83 and most outstanding male athlete of 1941-42 were among the five Green Terror greats inducted into the College's Sports Hall of Fame in November.

Anne Glaeser Hubach of Thaxton, Va. and Robert E. Bricker of Blue Bell, Pa. joined E. Carter Baum of Arlington, Va. and LuMar Myers Slocum of Hagerstown, Md.—two of the most notable women from the pre-intercollegiate era—and football and wrestling standout J. William "Bill" Kern Sr. of Westminster in the Hall's Class of 1995. The five new inductees, who comprise the 18th class to be enshrined since the chartering in 1978, increased the Sports Hall of Fame membership to 109.

Hubach, a member of the Class of 1983, was an All-Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) recipient twice in volleyball as a Green Terror student-athlete. As a senior, she was captain of the team, which went 39-5-1 and competed in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III national championship. The 1979 and 1980 teams of which she was a member won the MAC championship.

She was also a three-year member of both the women's swimming and women's lacrosse teams. In 1981, she earned Division III All-America recognition in swimming as a member of the 200-yard medley relay unit which placed 11th at



Sports Hall of Fame: (from left) LuMar Myers Slocum '39, J. William Kern '50, Anne Glaeser Hubach '83, Robert E. Bricker '42, E. Carter Baum '55.

the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women national meet. Her achievements were culminated when she received the Women's Alumnae Athletic Award in 1983, given annually to the most outstanding senior female athlete.

The athletic activities did not stop after college for Hubach, who was active with United States Volleyball Association clubs as a player and coach in Reston and Roanoke, Va. for more than five years. She continues to play volleyball on the recreational level and served as a volunteer coach and clinic instructor at North Carolina Wesleyan University in 1992. Hubach is married to Kurt Hubach, a fellow member of Western Maryland's Class of 1983, and is the mother of four

daughters. She is employed as a missionary, and is currently preparing for medical missions among the Quechua Indians in Bolivia.

Bricker, of the Class of 1942, was that year's winner of the John Alexander Medal, presented annually to the senior male with the best record in intercollegiate athletics. In his final season with the Green Terror football team in 1941, he was selected to the All-Maryland and Associated Press Little All-America units.

In addition to his football exploits, Bricker also participated on the Western Maryland basketball and baseball teams. As a senior, he not only captained the baseball team, but

also was the squad's coach. Bricker also was the coach of the Green Terror freshman basketball team in 1942.

Shortly after graduation, he entered into the U.S. Army. In 1945, Bricker was wounded in France and was released from active duty the following year with the rank of captain. From 1950 to 1952, he was recalled during the Korean Conflict as an operational officer with the 3rd Armored Division.

Bricker retired in 1988 from the international contracting firm of Henkels & McCoy Inc. after over 30 years with the company. He was a member of its board of directors for more than 20 years and was elected executive vice president in 1972.

The Sports Hall of Fame induction is just another in a

long line of recognitions Bricker has received from WMC. He was the College's Alumnus of the Year in 1978, received the Alumni Association's Meritorious Service Award in 1992, and was presented with an honorary doctor of laws degree in 1984. Bricker has been a member of Western Maryland's board of trustees since 1974, and served four years as chair in the early '80s.

The husband of Louise Shuckhart Bricker, a 1944 Western Maryland graduate, Bricker has one son and one daughter. The son, Robert G. Bricker, earned his bachelor's degree from Western Maryland in 1967.

Baum excelled athletically while at Western Maryland and for many years in many different settings following her graduation in 1955. Although there were no women's intercollegiate sports at Western Maryland during her time, she was very active in intramural athletics and "play day" activities during her undergraduate career. Throughout her four years, she participated in basketball, field hockey, badminton, softball and volleyball.

Baum was outstanding in badminton and was the school champion from 1951 to 1954. In her senior year, she was elected president of the Women's Athletic Association, the organization which directed intramural play, and was awarded the prestigious 'M' letter.

She continued her education at the George Washington University Law School, earning a juris doctor degree in 1958. Following four years with the District of Columbia police force, Baum began a career of more than 25 years with the



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Receiving the first Richard C. Johnson Memorial Spirit Award was first baseman and designated hitter John Freitas '95 of Newton, Mass. This long-standing award was renamed in 1995 in memory of the 1984 Western Maryland graduate and four-year starter on the baseball team, who died in 1991. Johnson's parents, Ejner J. and Grace Johnson of Severna Park, Md., were on hand to present the award to Freitas, and several other family members also attended the banquet. Shortly after Johnson's passing, his family, classmates and friends established a memorial fund at WMC in Richard's name which supports baseball team activities.

federal government. She started her federal service with the National Labor Relations Board, moved on to the House of Representatives' Education and Labor Committee and retired in 1988 from the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

The list of Baum's amateur athletic accomplishments is impressive. She participated in six Amateur Athletic Union (A.A.U.) national basketball tournaments in the '50s and '60s with teams from the Federal Bureau of Investigation or Washington-area clubs. In softball, Baum was the Most Valuable Player in the 1958 Amateur Softball Association slow-pitch national tournament and was inducted into the Greater Washington Softball Hall of Fame in 1976.

Slocum, a member of the Class of 1939, also was active in intramural athletics for her four years at Western Maryland. She participated on the field hockey and baseball teams and was selected to the school's honorary basketball all-star team in 1939. Slocum qualified for the 'M' letter and also received the

green blazer, symbolic of athletic accomplishment, spirit, leadership, service and scholarship.

For nearly 40 years, Slocum was a physical education teacher in the Washington County (Md.) Public School system, mostly on the middle school level. Outside of teaching, she was one of the top female amateur golfers in the area.

Slocum began her golfing career as a member of Fountain Head Country Club in Hagerstown, Md. She was the Ladies Club champion at Fountain Head 10 times before moving to Beaver Creek Country Club, just south of Hagerstown, where she organized the ladies' program and added seven more club titles to her collection.

A 1988 inductee into the Washington County Sports Hall of Fame, Slocum has won three age-group titles in Maryland State Senior Olympics golf tournaments. She also won the fourth flight in the 1985 Maryland State Women's Amateur

tourney.

Slocum, who also is an avid gardener, has one stepson. Much like Bricker, Class of 1950 member Kern also was both a coach and an athlete while at Western Maryland. He spent four seasons on the football team, as well as three as a heavyweight on the wrestling squad. During his wrestling career, Kern lost only one match, that loss coming in the 1948 Mason-Dixon Conference championship. The following year, he captured the Mason-Dixon title. Kern missed his senior season on the mats after suffering an injury during the 1949 football season.

Since Western Maryland did not have a wrestling coach when Kern arrived on campus in 1946 after graduating from Southern High School in Baltimore, he filled the position during his entire time there. Following his graduation, Kern spent a year in the U.S. Army and another with the Laurel (Md.) Police Department. He entered the University of Baltimore Law School in 1953, earning a juris doctor degree in 1956.

Kern spent the next 23 years working for the U.S. Treasury Department's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. From 1972 until his retirement in 1979, he was the chief of the Bureau's Firearms Enforcement Branch at its Washington, D.C., headquarters. For the next eight years, Kern continued to teach seminars on criminal conspiracy and white collar crime at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

Kern and his wife Gloria are the parents of one son and one daughter. The son, John Kern Jr., is a 1980 Western Maryland graduate. •

In Memoriam

Miss F. Anna Wilson '23, of Gaithersburg, Md., on August 1.

Mrs. Margaret Wenner Oliver '24, of Denver, Colo., on March 27.

Mr. John E. Yingling '24, of Ellicott City, Md., on May 16.

Mrs. Miriam Jones Boerick '25, of Houston, Texas, date unknown.

Mrs. Louise Thomas Farlow '25, of Berlin, Md., on March 27.

Miss Mary L. Rice '26, of Reedville, Va., on April 2.

Mr. Thomas H. Eaton '27, honorary doctor of humane letters '86, honorary trustee, of Easton, Md., on May 15.

Mr. Alvin T. Albright '28, of Alliquippa, Pa., on August 10.

Dr. Allan M. Lankford '28, of Brooklandville, Md., on December 6, 1994.

Mrs. Laura Campbell Sterling '28, of Newport News, Va., on March 1.

Mrs. Betty Spicer Cannon '29, of Bear, Del., on April 29.

Rev. James Melvin Jay '29, of Finksburg, Md., on March 11.

Mr. William G. Eaton '30, of Westminster, Md., on April 24.

Mrs. Florence Vicle Harry '30, of Pylesville, Md., on May 23, 1994.

Mr. Albert M. Reed '30, of Naples, Fla., on August 12.

Mrs. Mildred Horsey Harrington '32, of Laurel, Del., on September 28, 1994.

Dr. Leslie E. Werner, Sr. '33, of Baltimore, Md., on July 24.

Mrs. Doris Fowble Ailing '34, of Hagerstown, Md., on August 27.

Mrs. Kathryn Mellor Leahy '34, of Westminster, Md., on July 21.

Miss Frances B. Miller '34, of Westminster, Md., on April 18.

Mrs. Eileen Waybright Weber '34, of Gaithersburg, Md., on May 17.

Mr. George Reed '35, of Crown Point, Ind., on March 9.

Mr. S. Edward Corbin, Sr. '36, of Camp Springs, Md., on May 31.

Mr. Rodman M. Haynes '36, of Morrisville, Pa., on February 25.

Mrs. Margaret Gillean Brennan '37, of Temple City, Calif., on July 25.

Mr. Albert I. Dunstan '37, of Monks, Md., on February 5.

Mrs. Mary Isabel Elliot Griffith '37, of Hagerstown, Md., on March 10.

Mrs. Edith Hansson Himler '37, of Westminster, Md., on March 10.

Col. George F. Spiegel '37, of Champaign, Ill., on July 22.

Mr. Sherwood H. Balderson '38, of Baltimore, Md., on July 15.

Reverend Harold B. Wright '38, of Hagerstown, Md., on January 12, 1995.

Dr. Robert A. Elderdice, '38, of Salisbury, Md., on February 5, 1995.

Violet Gibson Pratt '38, of Eastham, Mass., on February 9, 1995.

Mr. Charles R. Rinehimer '38, of

Sun City, Calif., on December 2, 1994.

Mrs. Alice Schneider Larson '38, of Eugene, Ore., on June 11.

Mr. Philip J. Lanasa, Jr. '39, of Beaumont, Texas, on February 7, 1994.

Mrs. Clara Creager Schumann '40, of Thurmont, Md., on April 12.

Mrs. Elizabeth Huffman Bossart '41, of Hagerstown, Md., on February 8.

Mrs. Mabel Greenwood Myers '42, of Ridgeway, Pa., on January 29.

Mr. Clyde V. Hauffe, Jr. '44, of Abingdon, Md., on June 15.

Mr. William J. Burgess '45, of Wilmington, Del., on March 30.

Miss E. Lucille Miller '48, of Hagerstown, Md., on March 23.

Miss Mary E. Robinson '48, of Cockeysville, Md., on December 24, 1994.

Dr. Iris E. Amos '49, of Fort Worth, Texas, on April 24.

Miss Betty Jean Minnis '49, of Bradenton, Fla., on May 30.

Mr. Walter J. Hajduk '50, of Medford Lakes, N.J., on October 22, 1994.

Mrs. Elizabeth White Covey '50, of Peoria, Ill., on November 11.

Mrs. Doris Reick Saunders '52, of Towson, Md., on August 2.

Dr. H. Sterling Townshend '53, of Winter Park, Fla., on March 25.

Mrs. Jane Collins Hill '54, of New York, N.Y., on January 13, 1993.

Mr. Rubin F. Bard '55, of Wausau, Wisc., on June 10, 1993.

Mrs. James A. Harrison '55, of Laurel, Md., on June 29.

Dr. John R. Marsh '57, of Fairplay, Md., on May 26.

Mr. Hugh S. Correll '58, of Ann Arbor, Mich., on December 28.

Mr. William S. Jenkins, Jr. MED '59, of Woodbine, Md., on March 17.

Col. Marvin B. Sterling '61, of Crisfield, Md., on July 25.

Mr. Francis C. Noonan MED '62, of Hanover, Pa., on July 18.

Mr. Leo F. Kuhn, Jr. MED '63, of Hampstead, Md., on August 3.

Mr. Frank H. Barrier MED '65, of Baltimore, Md., on October 14, 1993.

Dr. Howard Mitchell, Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts '66, of Jacksonville, Fla., on June 15, 1988.

Mr. Elton R. Abel MED '71, of Centre Hall, Pa., on March 27.

Mr. Andrew J. Shaw '72, of Beltsville, Md., on August 22.

Mrs. Kathy Pierce Patterson '73, of Laurel, Md., on April 5.

Mr. James H. Penton, III MED '73, of Westminster, Md., on December 26, 1991.

Rev. E. William Hall, Sr., Hon-

orary Doctor of Divinity '60, of Williamsport, Md., on March 14.

Miss Michele A. Sampson '90, of Egg Harbor, N.J., on February 22.

Miss Jennifer J. Searing '90, of North East, Md., on July 16.

Marriages

Joseph Bakewell '90 to Amy Morgan on September 17, 1994. They reside in Towson, Md.

Bill Corley '79 to Suzanne Mayer on April 25. They reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

Corynne Courpas '76 to Scott Markle on May 14, 1994. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Elise Shurie '90 to Andy Groebner on May 13. They reside in Wheaton, Md.

Ken Fox '84 to Shelly Wentzel on May. They reside in Reading, Pa.

Terri Scarborough '85 to Mark S. Brown on June 25, 1994. They reside in Bel Air, Md.

Debbie Cooke '86 to Eric Kleinsorgen on November 20. They reside in Succasunna, N.J.

Kelly Wilson '88 to Richard Jester on July 16, 1994. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Katherine Ertz '89 to Bill Gloyd on August 20, 1994. They reside in Chevy Chase, Md.

Eric Fairfield '89 to Lisa Corbett on June 24. They reside in Haletts, Mich.

Dan LaGruta '89 to Cathy Romanoff in September 1994. They reside in Marlton, N.J.

Barbara Picerantonio '89 to Rich McCaughey '90 on May 13. They reside in Fort Deposit, Md.

Joseph Bakewell '90 to Amy Morgan on September 17, 1994. They reside in Towson, Md.

Lynn Johnson '90 to Keith Iké in September 1994. They reside in Mr. Washington, Md.

Melissa Ridgely '90 to David Covalesky in January 1994. They reside in Fayetteville, N.C.

Deborah Ashline MS '92 to Bradley Hammond on October 1, 1994. They reside in Burlington, Vt.

Tracy Lynn Patton '93 to Royce E. Day '90 on April 8. They reside in Columbia, Md.

Demetrius Lambros '93 to Elaine Boucher in August 1994. They reside in Dunwoody, Ga.

Maria Lafferty '93 to Aaron Hopkins in August 1994. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Tracy Raynard '93 to Jed Waddell in September 1994. They reside in St. Paul, Minn.

Lisa Brennan '94 to Joseph Ciatolla '94 on May 27. They reside in Columbia, Md.

Janet Penhagen '94 to Daniel Bischoff in June 1994. They reside in Millersville, Md.

Tammy Barnes '95 to Kevin Jenkins

on June 17. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Angela Graybill '95 to Jason Wild-hed on June 24. They reside in Taneytown, Md.

Births

Forrest Patrick Douglass, on May 22, to Tom '54 and Lisa Green-Douglass.

Lindsay and Sarah Farrell, on February 7, 1994, to Michael and Debra Melvin '75 Farrell.

Emily Jeanne Handly, in November, 1994, to John and Nancy Eichelman '75 Handly.

Johanna Charnonay Metzger, on May 5, 1994, to Mark '79 and Janine Metzger.

Alexander Stephen Nickol, on January 23, to Lawrence and Cheryl Migl '75 Nickol.

Grace Elizabeth Reed, on January 6, to Larry '77 and Blanca Reed.

Andrew Welch and Matthew Bauer Caple, on May 2, to Hank '79 and Catherine Caple.

Abbey Lauren Margiotta, on April 10, to Michael '77 and Kim Margiotta.

Stacy Anuszewski, on August 20, 1994, to Steve '80 and Carol Anuszewski.

Katherine Pavlos, in January, to Stephen and Mary Anna Rice '79 Pavlos.

Brady Kaelin Robinson, on November 5, 1994, to Jeffrey '79 and Deirdre Robinson.

Mara Kathleen and Reed Anders Walker-Wait, on April 12, to Mike and Amanda Walker-Wait '79.

Savannah Jean Myers, on July 24, 1994, to Tom '80 and Katherine Myers.

Tobin William Griffin McGilligan, on June 9, to Mary Louise Griffin '81 and Dennis McGilligan.

Samantha Ariel Marks, on March 30, to Nancy Casey '81 and Arthur Marks.

Alison Ann Stickle, on June 10, to Andy and Lisa Brandau '81 Stickle.

Andrew Brusby, on October 5, 1994, to Michael '83 and Laurie Jackson-Grosdale.

Steven Dale and David John Cock-critt, on February 21, to Mark '83 and Melissa Pruitt '82 Cock-critt.

Holly Joy Dunn, on March 2, 1994, to Robert and Heather Lee Johnson '83 Dunn.

Derek James Dashiell, on February 8, to David and Stacie Matzorkis '83 Dashiell.

Ian Andrew Eichelberger, on March 23, to Dwight '83 and Brenda Jones '83 Eichelberger.

Kevin Matthew Guy, on April 27, to Dan '83 and Jennifer Gill '83 Guy.

Lindsay Anne Heckle, on December 31, 1994, to Bob '83 and Sherod Bair '84 Heckle.

Katherine Anne Holman, on March 31, to Scott and Laurie Brown '83 Holman.

Austin Patrick Saunders, on April 4, to Gary and Eileen Gunzelman '83 Saunders.

summer theater at the Totem Pole is a "must" for the West. Miriam and

Polly Phillips Best visit each week by phone. I wish the residents at 3458 a happy summer.

From Westernport and Bill Roberts some discouraging news. Bill had major surgery and still has to visit the hospital every three months. He would enjoy hearing from some of you (306 Minnetonka, Westernport, Md. 21562).

Lloyd Elderidge lives in New Oxford, Pa. and sees his family often. There are some old Westminster friends also at the retirement center. Lloyd has nine great-grandchildren, three nearby and others in Florida. Lloyd wishes the best for the remaining members of the class of '33.

Elizabeth Andrews Herbst has been plagued with a bad back which has curtailed some of her activities. She has been playing bridge and reading a lot. Her daughter is moving from Atlanta to Charlotte so Andy is happy about that.

I was delighted to hear from **Ann Wolverton Layton**. She wrote that her husband Gordon had passed away in March; our condolences to you, Ann. Ann and Gordon were married for 58 years and their children live nearby. Ann has five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Gordon and Bob Erzler '32 were good friends and the two '33s will see each other a lot, I'm sure.

Dorothy Billingsley Linzey's poetry has been published in the monthly publication of the retirement community in which she lives. The **Werners** live there also. Son, **Donald Linzey '61** has just had his fourth book published, *Mammals of the Great Smoky National Park*. Grandson David Linzey is a practicing veterinarian. Another grandson received his law degree in May '95. Dot ended her report with "I'll see you in '98."

After extensive surgery, **Les Werner**, our "cheerleader," is recuperating nicely. He is again able to resume some of his pastoral duties and is quite enthusiastic about the retirement community where he lives—no lawn mowing, snow shoveling, maintenance, nor cooking. Enjoy Les!

From the Zearks and Arkansas came a card and phone call from **Toivo and Mary Puro**. They moved from Indiana to Mountain Home, Ark. They love it, especially the trout fishing.

The confederate flag still flies in Mt. Home and Whitey says, "If it's good enough for Hilary, it's good enough for us." Their door is open to any of you who would like a change of scenery.

Little Polly Phillips Best reports her husband is in a nursing home following a massive stroke. Polly keeps in touch with Miriam Fogle West, Mary Hobbs Phillips and Mildred Fowble Mullinix. Good to hear from

you, Polly. A special treat for Polly this year was to see a performance of *Sound of Music* on ice in which her granddaughter skated.

A change of pace for **Kathleen Moore Raver** was a wonderful trip this winter with daughter Anne. They visited Montserrat, one of the Leeward Islands in the West Indies. Kathy said it was magical. The people were friendly, the weather was good and they feasted on exotic fruits.

After a mild winter, Alabama was abloom as **Mary Ellen Sent Dixon** departed for an Easter vacation in Monterey, Calif. Mary El visited her daughter Mimi and while there saw first-hand some of the drastic effects of the spring floods. After summering in Ocean City, N.J., Mary El and Mimi were to have a fall trip to Austria and Germany. Blame it on my age, but at this writing I recall when Mary El was our May Queen. I also recall later when the boys had a mock May Day.

At Easter time I was delighted to receive a tiny nosegay of fresh Texas bluebonnets from my WMC roommate **Mildred Burkins Connolly '34**. It was so thoughtful of her.

A late note from **Mildred Fowble Mullinix** stated husband Cecil had a vision problem with which I can sympathize. Despite some physical problems Mil manages to keep up with many activities. She is grateful for her family support.

Springtime in the Rockies left several wicked snow storms behind. This weather report comes from **Gertrude Sherman Francis** in the Denver area. The Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated their 100th anniversary in March. Gertrude, a DAR member, was there!

Football took priority this fall with **Harold "Koppe"**. We hope all will be well with you and yours.

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34 Twenty-two classmates responded to my request for news for this column. From this number the following were the "early bird dozen" (listed in order of reply):

Roland Sliker, Arlene Guyton Runkles, Bill Wright, Rosa Lee Wathan, Kenneth Rhodes, Elizabeth Mellor Johnson, Richard Kiefer, Henry Kimmy, Mildred Burkins Connolly, Maurice Fleming, Sarah Fadel Stevens, and Katherine Timmons Leitch.

Let's see what these and the others have to report. **Roland Sliker**, in his hurry, I guess, to be the first one, didn't have much to say: "Same old stuff: travel, tennis and tinkering." But we'll give Slike the blue ribbon for first to reply!

Arlene Guyton Runkles sends a "hello" to all. She says she has no news, but enjoys life with friends and local activities.

Bill Wright, whose new address is 1762 Clover Ct., Minden, Nevada 89423 writes, "Another lap around

the calendar, and still loving every minute of it." He says his biggest news is a great-grandson; now he has two. He and his wife spend winters in Yuma, Ariz. and love it; then seven months back home in Nevada. He and Mary still keep up with golf, fishing, hiking and activities at his favorite high school. He extends an invitation to anyone WMC to visit.

Rosa Lee Wathan, who still lives in Waldorf, Md., says it has changed a great deal since she moved there 54 years ago. She writes, "It is hard to believe that it was really 61 years ago that we graduated."

Kennard Rhodes tells us that he has been busy, busy, busy. At the end of January, he took a Caribbean cruise to celebrate his 83rd birthday. He said that from January to June he has lost 31 friends and relatives to death. Ken attended his 65th high-school reunion in Centerville, Md., then followed this by attending the Freenkness with the **Dexters and the Whittingtons**.

At the end of June, he spent a week's time share in Las Vegas during the Kiwanis Convention. In July he had another time share in Gatlinburg, Tenn. and in August another one at Beech Mountain, N.C. He also had plans to help the Whittingtons and his youngest brother celebrate their anniversaries. On the local scene, Ken is involved with a new civic organization.

Elizabeth Mellor Johnson, who now resides at Ft. Belvoir, Va., claims she is another "Grandma Moses." She admits she has been painting like mad to catch up and produce what she can. She does watercolors and mixed media, and also manages to sell some!

Richard Kiefer indicates that he was to retire as a partner in the law firm of Hooper, Kiefer and Cornell as of June 30, 1995. However, he is going to continue on a limited practice of law, working with wills, estates and estate planning at his office at 343 N. Charles St., Baltimore. Sue Cockey '33 and Dick have two daughters, three granddaughters and three great-grandchildren. They are both well and need to say keep busy.

At our last WMC reunion, class members present elected **Henry Kimmy** as our president, following the death of **Eugene "Stoney" Willis** who served us well for many years (detailed write-up in the fall 1994 AlumNews). Henry writes that the number of grandchildren in his family has reached 15. This keeps him and his wife pretty busy, but he says that he still finds time for Florida in the winter and Cape May in the summer. "Time marches on!" he writes.

I am happy to let everyone know that **Mildred Burkins Connolly** writes that her health has improved since her by-pass surgery. Her husband, Ed, who hasn't been too well, has been in a private-care home for two years. On June 22 they celebrated their 59th anniversary. It is difficult for Millie to make future plans under the

circumstances, but one daughter and she were talking about revisiting her "Maryland roots" in the fall when the leaves change colors. It will be nice to see her again.

Maurice Fleming began his note with, "The Golden Years?" Then he went on to state, "Yes, with the enjoyment of having the time and desire to reflect on people known, places visited, experiences recalled, and memories acquired—all of which result in a time of great pleasure and satisfaction." In closing Maurice wrote, "As an old salt was once heard to say: I wish for all of you, and for each of you, smooth sailing in fair weather, with favorable winds, and following seas."

Sarah Fadel Stevens enjoyed being with all of her classmates at the reunion banquet in 1994, and she is already looking forward to our next one. Sally writes that she keeps busy helping with the children in her church. She also drives women who can't drive and need transportation to the beauty parlor, church meetings, etc., and frequently takes them out for luncheon. When she sent her news to me, she said that she was just going through her first hurricane (Allison). They got lots of rain, wind, lightning and thunder and lots of beach erosion.

Katherine Timmons Leitch expressed her appreciation for our 1934 columns in *The Hill* all these years. She said she has enjoyed them immensely. Timmie's North Carolina School of the Arts friend married and moved away, but in honor of her Timmie was given two Arts Cards which grant her free admission to the NCSA performances. Now Timmie needs a "kindred soul" (living in Winston Salem, N.C.) who can drive and go with her to the shows.

Elizabeth Humphreys Mahoney says that she is feeling very well and starting quite busy. She is planning a fall tour of Nova Scotia and the Maritime Provinces. She ended her message with "hi" to all her classmates.

Joe McNally writes, "College years seem more like ancient history to me, but history helps keep us alive." Jack says he has seen only a few members of the class of '34. He also says he is now looking for the miracle 100 Anniversary. Jack and **Henry Kimmy** see each other frequently. "Henry is my only classie, and Helen and I visit him as often as we can," he says. His "fun pastime" is writing poetry, and he has been chosen the Society of Poet's Poet for the year of 1995.

Elise Kalb Chapin's reply was postmarked June 28. She wrote Dick Seaman, vice president of Institutional Advancement, visited her while he had been attending a meeting near Saranac Lake, N.Y., where she lives. Daughter Gail joined them for lunch. Elise made two visits to WMC this year and she said that they made her college days more alive for her and gave her some wonderful memories. From time to time she treks with friends to Vermont, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Montreal for a day or two at a time, poking and exploring. She admits it is

lots of fun! In the past winter she scheduled a chair caning class and helped a dozen people reclaim cherished chairs. Other activities in which she is involved are gardening, bridge and volunteer work. She keeps real busy.

Lillian Boughton devotes much time to working for the Allegheny County Retired Teachers Association, the American Association of University Women, several church organizations, and the Allegheny County Historical Society. She says keeping her house and yard in good condition takes time also.

James Richard Myers writes that he has been retired from dentistry since 1988 in Westminster. His son, Jim, practiced with him for a number of years and now continues to do so with another dentist at the same location. Dick's granddaughter, **Jenny '95** graduated from WMC in May. His younger granddaughter, **Jessie '96**, will graduate next May. We were sorry to hear that Dick has Parkinson's disease, which affects his walking, talking, writing and just general slowing down. We hope he will improve in the future.

Charles Whittington, our world traveler, and his wife Carolyn toured the U.S. this year visiting El Paso, Carlsbad Caverns (including "bat flight"), Roswell Museum and Art Center, Santa Fe, Durango, Mesa Verde National Park, Grand Canyon, Cedar City, Zion National Park, Salt Lake City (missed Cedar Breaks National Park — too much snow), Jackson, Wyoming, Yellowstone National Park, Cody, Mount Rushmore, Rocky Mountain National Park and Denver.

Before I continue with news from other class members, let me (**Lillian Frey Dexter**) tell you what I've been doing. On October 15, 1994, Ed and I went to WMC and joined with some of our classmates to see **Fred Malkus** receive the Alumnus of the Year award. On hand for this ceremony were: **Sue Cockey '33** and **Dick Kiefer**, Irene and **Al Sadusky**, Mary and **Mary McNally** and **Mary and Henry Kimmy**. How proud all of us were for Fred! In May, Ed and I attended the Preakness. Every year some of us from our class get together at this event. In addition to the Dexters, there were **Ken Rhodes**, Carolyn and **Charles Whittington** this year. In June, we attended my 65th Catsville High School Class Reunion. Also on hand for this were **Dick and Sue Cockey '33 Kiefer**. Dick and I graduated in the same class at Catsville and also at WMC, so we always manage to be together for such affairs. Since 1930, when we graduated from high school, I have been instrumental in getting each of our five-year reunions organized. Our next one will take place in 2000. I am still active in many organizations: The Retired Teachers Association of Maryland and of Anne Arundel County, the Woman's Eastern Shore Society of Maryland (am currently chairman of the Caroline County chapter), the Delta Kappa Gamma Society Interna-

tional (have chaired many committees and have served in every office plus that of being State President). In August we were in Buffalo, N.Y. at the Delta Kappa Gamma North East Regional Conference. Sandwiched among all these activities are trips to our condo in Ocean City, Md. and visits from relatives and friends. Recently we enjoyed having **Janus Yentsch Ellenburg '42** and her husband Bob visit us from Birmingham, Ala.

A letter from **Fred Malkus** told me how much he appreciated the favorable attention that he received in October '94 from his Alma Mater. He said, "One will never know how I felt when **Lillian Frey Dexter** and **Dick Kiefer** came to the bleachers and sat with me during the Alumnus of the Year presentation." Fred added that he elected not to run for re-election to the Maryland Senate but that he will continue to practice law on a limited scale. He and Maggie attend most of the local WMC gatherings, and Dr. and Mrs. John are with them often.

Robert Holder sent me his business card. On it he is listed as a graphologist, author and rare book dealer. Bob says his daughter Victoria is now competing with him as an author, having just published a book *Grammar on the Go* (circulated internationally). Bob has five books to his credit, one of which is also circulated abroad. His new book that he is currently writing is a simplified dictionary of handwriting analysis. Bob tells the story about himself: years ago he was the manager of passenger activities on the French Line where that Bob would be hearing from him soon about cruising with them as their first graphologist. However, it didn't work out because Bob did not speak French! Bob and Betty still spend their summers at Chautauqua Institute in New York State, where he has been platform editor for many years of *The Chautauquan Daily*. In winters they always go to sunny Sarasota, Fla.

I hate to close my column on a sad note, but our class lost **Eileen Waybright Web** or on May, 17. Expressions of sympathy in the form of contributions to the Eileen W. Weber Memorial Fund may be mailed to her daughter Susan at 17 Misty Dale Way, Gaithersburg, MD 20877. **Kathryn "Buffy" Mellor Leahy** passed away on July 21 at Carroll County General Hospital after a lengthy illness. Cards of sympathy may be sent to her daughter Ellen and son Brooks, c/o WMC Alumni Office. Our sympathy goes out to the families of these beloved classmates.

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37 Sue Smith Wingate reports that she and Philip are still alive and active, but in slow motion.

38 My last news-seeking card requested what activity or accomplishment in your lifetime has been the most rewarding. Here are your responses.

Lt. Col. Samuel F. Baxter, of Sparks, Md.: "I felt most rewarded when I retired for the third time after spending 27 years in the U.S. Army, 15 years with the railroad and five years as a consultant in transportation. I could look back on 47 years in three different careers, all of which I enjoyed. My four children are raising their families more or less successfully. I am able to have a vacation home at Hilton Head Island, S.C. which the whole family enjoys. Most importantly my wife Helen and I are in reasonably good health and can travel somewhere each year. The fruits of a lifetime of enjoyable work are the most rewarding accomplishment."

Stanley Benjamin, of Hallandale, Fla.: "Having my wife of 54 years say yes, and four great kids to follow, has been my greatest accomplishment."

Julia Connell Blough, of Cumberland, Md.: "I consider teaching 34 years at Allegany High School as a rewarding experience. Of course my marriage ranks first above all!"

Allie May Moxley Buxton, of Damascus, Md.: "One of my greatest joys has been to watch God increase the size of my family from just two to 13 including four precious great-grandchildren. We have had an average number of ups and downs but I have found that all that happens is for our good if we love God."

H. Leroy Campbell, of Westminster, Md.: "My rewarding accomplishment was to be able to come to WMC, play football, meet a young lady I married in 1937, have a daughter and serve as sheriff of Carroll County for 20 years. I would say I have had a good life far from the steel mills and coal mines of western Pennsylvania."

Marlowe M. Cline, of Frederick, Md.: "My most rewarding accomplishment was graduating from WMC with a B.A. degree and a Second Lieutenant Commission from the ROTC. My reasons are: I was the first in the Cline family to graduate from college; I found out how wonderful WMC is; and I have had as a result a very successful career in the military and civilian service."

Dr. Eugene Cronin, of Annapolis, Md.: "That's easy! Marrying Alice 50 years ago, June 23. She made life worth living, gave me three fine sons and supported everything else I have done. Secondly would be when I wandered down to the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory in 1940 to take some courses and fell in love with the Chesapeake Bay. It has been my career base which led to interesting research, participation with many fine scientists, travel, and a degree of recognition I never expected."

Marie Park Crooke, of Seattle, Wash.: "Giving birth to a beautiful baby boy, sharing his years with love and delight, and now having him as

my best friend! I have had a full and wonderful life!" Since June '93 Marie has been fighting to save her eyesight and she will never give up hope. She still loves Seattle and the beautiful Northwest.

Caroline Smith Dudley, of Hanover, Pa.: "My most rewarding accomplishment has been raising three caring, well-adjusted, responsible children. Also my WMC music degree prepared me for rewarding activities teaching school, private piano lessons, singing in choruses, and directing children's church choirs. Now at the tender age of 78 and living in Homewood Retirement Center, I organize musical programs and play for Sunday church services."

Dr. Charles R. Ehrhardt, of Sun City West, Ariz.: "From the perspective of all the years, before, during, and after those 1934-1938 ones at WMC, I am able to affirm that the totality of all of life's experiences has been the most rewarding; the good and bad, the pleasant and difficult, the crises and their resolution; faith, family, friendships, financial sufficiency, educational, vocational, cultural opportunities—all things have indeed worked together for good."

Kirk Fallin, of Skyville, Md.: "I am proud of the many things I have accomplished in my 76 years. By far the greatest was to persuade Henrietta to be my wife. We enjoyed 54 years of married life until November 10, 1993. She lives on in our wonderful children who kept me from coming completely unmoored in the following months; and in the nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren."

Martha Wilmer Forthman, of Skyville, Va.: "You do ask the impossible! I would say that, as a widow, the rearing and education of two fine children has been the most rewarding. I can think of numerous situations in my employment that were challenging and rewarding. I could write a book instead of this postcard!" Martha has recently given up her position as organist of her Eastern Star Chapter after serving 31 years.

Col. Clayton N. Gompf, of McLean, Va.: "My most rewarding accomplishment was when I commanded the Sixth Armored Cavalry Regiment deployed to Washington, D.C., to restore order during the April 1968 riots. Thousands of people were out of control, looting and burning. The army was the last force available to restore order in the capital of our nation. We did it!"

2nd Lt. Leonard C. Graham, of Elliptic City, Md.: "Marrying Jane 48 years ago has been my most rewarding accomplishment. She is a loving, warm, understanding lady without whom I could not have survived this long. Everything else that has happened to me pales in comparison to her."

Lillian Gore Heaps, of Bel Air, Md.: "I believe the most rewarding accomplishment was educating our daughters and preparing them for life

on their own. At this stage of the game it is rewarding to take care of myself and to do at least one thing each day to help someone else. My husband died 10 years ago and facing problems alone is not so easy."

Alice Schneider Larson, of Eugene, Ore.: "I consider my main accomplishment was my marriage June 6, 1941 to Cecil B. Larson, a wonderful man. We had 52 years together. He died in '93 from emphysema. We had two fine sons and I now have six grandchildren." Unfortunately Alice has Parkinson's Disease, her left hand is paralyzed and her eyesight is diminishing daily, but she finishes on this note. "I've had a good life filled with many happy memories."

Marion Millender Malone, of Merritt Island, Fla.: "My most rewarding accomplishment was being a member of the first graduation class of the University of Maryland School of Social Work in June 1963. There were 12 of us and what a thrill when the school was accredited and we received our degrees! This ranked up with the return of my husband Paul from overseas with the 34th division in 1945 and the birth of baby Paul. Babies are accomplishments. Today my husband and I live at Merritt Island, Fla., on the Banana River and watch the shuttles and satellites depart from Cape Canaveral."

Brig. Gen. Alvan N. Moore, of Falls Church, Va.: "After considerable thought, I would choose as a most rewarding accomplishment my 33-year service in the U.S. Air Force. I was fortunate in having drawn exceptional and interesting assignments including command of one of the first B-29 squadrons in the WWII campaign against Japan in which I flew 35 combat missions; command of the 43rd Bomb Group which planned and executed the first non-stop air refueled flight of the "Lucky Lady" around the world in 1949; command of the 6594th test wing (Satellite) and the Sunnyvale Satellite Test Center in 1960 when we successfully launched and recovered the first man-made object ejected from an orbiting satellite using an aerial recovery technique. It was a privilege not only to participate in these pioneering activities but also to serve my country in maintaining its strength and security while fulfilling a deep personal belief in my patriotic responsibility."

Dolly Taylor Moore, of Denton, Md.: "My most rewarding accomplishment in my lifetime was capturing Charlie and raising two wonderful children and four grandsons. It has all been great, just wish we could do it all over again. Charlie is now retired and we take little trips which we are really enjoying."

Henry B. Reckord, of Towson, Md.: "I guess my most rewarding accomplishment is being in good health at 77 and active in WMC alumni, church, Rotary, and the Masons. I am looking forward to going to Hawaii for the first time."

Ellen Hess Sklar, of Ocean City, Md.: "I sat here and tried to figure

out what the most important part of my life could be. I feel that it's raising my four children to adulthood and looking at their lives. I'm proud of each of them, they are all married, own their homes, have children, own their own business, and are being good citizens." Ellen still has her sewing business and looks to the day when she can read all the magazines and books waiting for her.

Roland E. Watkins, of Ellcott City, Md.: "My most rewarding accomplishment? Finding a wonderful wife and seeing our children grow up, establish their own families, and take their responsible places in the world."

Mildred Wheatley, of Clinton, Md.: "My years working with students as an Executive Associate Dean of Students was challenging, fun, and rewarding. I could not have had more interesting young people who planned a special day and testimonial dinner when I retired." Mildred retired after 27 years at East Stroudsburg State College in 1979. She was honored in many ways by students and faculty and even the mayor of the town, who proclaimed a Mildred Wheatley Day. Then, in 1990 the alumni of the now East Stroudsburg awarded her "The Great Teacher Award" for her contribution to the school. Mildred was called feisty, yet warm and always thoughtful of the students. (She did not write this letter, I have her record in my file.)

Several other noteworthy notes are as follows:

1st Lt. Kenneth Baumgardner of Gainesville, Ga., just missed the last column about D-Day and WWII. He graduated from O.C.S. Ft. Benning, Ga., in 1942. Had various assignments in the States and then was sent to Italy. Joining the 142 Infantry, 36th Division he fought on the Anzio Beachhead and later in the Southern France invasion. Fighting up through the Rhone Valley he was wounded about 20 kilometers from the Belfast gap. He then spent over a year in an American Army hospital. Recently, in 1985 Ken retired from faculty and staff of Brenan University, Gainesville, Ga.

Kathleen Messenger Sherman, of Melbourne, Fla. was meeting her daughter, husband, and four boys to our Washington, D.C. in April, then later to visit nephews and families in Laurel and Ellcott City. She was to end the trip on the Eastern Shore in Federalburg where the boys would see the home in which she grew up and meet more relatives and childhood friends.

Col. Frank Malone, of Salisbury, Md., had a bout with pneumonia last January and says he joins George Meany who said "I know I'm old, and I'm trying as hard as I can every day to get older!"

Col. Anthony Ortenzi, of Maitland, Fla., will have completed 25

years of college teaching since his retirement from the army in 1970. "I am 20 years old with 60 years experience."

Eloise Chipman Payne, of Baltimore, Md. is recuperating from a hip replacement. Husband Bill has had some heart problems. We wish them well.

Paul A. Nelson, of Dallas, Texas on D-Day was at Camp Croft, S.C. He had been in the North African invasion in November 1942. A few weeks after D-Day he was crossing Omaha Beach. Through the years he has kept up with his combat units. Since last December Paul's life has been changed as his wife Cathy died after a battle with cancer. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Paul.

The Elizabeth Lintz Burkhardt Memorial Service Award was established in 1993 in loving memory of Libby Burkhardt by a devoted family. This award recognizes an outstanding senior who has demonstrated exceptional and persistent giving of time and service to others in the college and to the community at large.

Again I regret to report that four of our classmates have died.

Reverend Harold B. Wright of Hagerstown, formerly of Linthicum, died January 12, 1995. He was 77. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving as chaplain in WWII and in the Korean War. He was formerly secretary of the annual conference of the United Methodist Church and served in Lions, Kiwanis and Rotary clubs in addition to being pastor in various locations. He and wife Nettie have one daughter, one son, and five grandsons. He was a member of the Fellowship of Champions playing soccer and tennis at WMC.

Dr. Robert A. Elderdice, age 77, of Salisbury died February 5, 1995. He was professor emeritus of English at Salisbury State University. He retired in 1980 after 25 years at the university, where he served as chairman of the English Department. During WWII he served in North Africa, Italy, France, and Germany. He attained the rank of Chief Warrant Officer. After the war he earned a master's degree at Brown University and a doctorate at the University of Maryland. He taught at College Park, then Frostburg State University before joining the Salisbury faculty. He is survived by wife Virginia, a son, daughter, granddaughters and a great-grandson. He was a member of the Fellowship of Champions playing football, soccer and track at WMC. Dr. Elderdice's mother, father, four aunts, two uncles and two cousins attended WMC. The two cousins were Sarah Adkins '38 and Dorothy Elderdice '11.

Violet Gibson Pratt, age 78, of Eastham, Mass. died February 9, 1995. She grew up in the town of Queen Anne on Maryland's Eastern Shore. She graduated from Blue Ridge College in 1936 and from WMC in 1938 majoring in music at both. Violet taught music and married a

teacher, George Pratt. They had a daughter and son. The daughter was born profoundly deaf, so she was enrolled in the Clarke School for the Deaf in Northampton, Mass. Her father served as president of the school from 1950 until 1981. Violet earned professional certification and taught deaf upper school students for 20 years. They both retired in 1981.

Charles R. Rinchimer of Sun City, Calif. died December 2, 1994. He had been vice president and general manager of Almax Inc. Upon retirement he pursued a second career in real estate. Charles flew B-24 bombers in WWII. He wrote last July of this and said he was having a hip replacement. I remember him as a football player during our time.

I know you join me in sending our condolences to the families. I do write to each.

As for the Singsongs—Ray '36 has retired from taking groups overseas. We both have been active with our church's capital campaign fund presentation. Keeping house and garden in shape is getting to be a "between jobs" job. Thanks so much for your responses. We are an interesting class to write about so I shall continue.

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39 "I am alive" was on the first card I received. It was from Grace MacVean and it set the tone for this column. After reading your cards, I have decided that we are not survivors but "alivers" as everyone seems to be involved in some activity. Thank you for responding to my question. "What were you doing in '39 and '45 and what are you doing today?"

In 1939, Larry Strow was looking forward to a fifth year; not sure whether it was because of no teaching jobs or to be near Margaret. In 1945 he was working between test labs in Philadelphia and Oak Ridge separating and improving uranium 235 in Japan. At present he is gardening and fruit growing and getting rid of his beekeeping equipment to which he was introduced by Dr. Bertholf, a beekeeper.

In 1939 at graduation, marriage was on the minds of several of our women graduates — Marge McKenney Slayman, Gwen Heemann Woodbury, Louise Lester Hailey. Those good looking roommates, Marge and Gwen, had been captured by two handsome upperclassmen Clarence "Peck" Slayman '38 and Jim Woodbury '36. Marriage and army life was in the future for them. Marge and Peck are living in Hampton, Va. Peck's health keeps them close to home, but Marge enjoys her exercise class and the activities of the Hampton Falls Retired Teachers Association. Gwen is a retired Latin teacher and lives in Crofton, Md.

In 1939, graduation, a first teaching job and marriage filled **Louise Leister Hailley's** life. In 1945, a first son and the move back to Carroll County. Today, 1995, she spends her time between Longboat Key, Fla. and Carroll County. In the summer she flies up to Manchester, Md. where she visits with her two sons and her twin granddaughters, 15, and their ponies. They give riding lessons. In October, she flies back to Florida where they visit her during spring break. The best of both worlds.

1939 was a great year for **Bill and Anne Stevenson Klare**, for after four years of college they finally discovered each other on a choir trip to New York. Besides graduation, this discovery led to a marriage that has lasted for more than 50 years. Now, they live near their son and his family and thoroughly enjoy their grandchildren.

Walking up to get his diploma, **Bob Sherman** was thinking "what kind of job am I going to be able to get?" In 1945, 50 years ago, he was trying to adjust to his job with the Dupont Co. in Searfield, Del. after three-and-a-half years of military service, two years in the European theatre away from **Mary Brown '41** and his two daughters. "It was great being home." Today, he is retired and he and Mary live in Spruce Pine, N.C. playing golf and visiting with their children.

Beulah King South was a little sad on graduation day in 1939. She was leaving a very select WMC family—the waiters and waitresses in the dining room. They were a special group and enjoyed a close relationship. She lives in Glen Burnie, Md. and keeps in contact with **Elizabeth "Cris" Crisp Rechner**.

On graduation day, **Joe Drugash** was smiling remembering his freshman year. The winter was so cold that the men in McKinstry Hall received a rebate of \$5.00 because the thermometer registered 22-degrees below zero one night. Lots of snow that year, great sledding on dining room trays. And how could he forget his fraternity initiation — to keep the campus dark four nights, which he did with help from his friends. In 1945, 50 years ago, Joe was in Czechoslovakia with the 90th Infantry Division celebrating the end of the war in Europe. Today, he feels he is in pretty good shape, and although **Ilabelle McWilliams '37** is recovering from a stroke, they are making out fine.

Emil "Ed" Edmond was with the 16th Infantry, First Infantry Division commanding the 1st Battalion in a post-war mission of training outposts in the American Zone of Occupation opposite similar Russian outposts. "Lots of interesting experiences." Today, Ed is enjoying his "dull" life doing things that he really enjoys doing and looking forward to their annual visit to Palm Springs, Calif., where it will be golf! golf! golf!

Charlie "Hep" Wallace, Emil's roommate, is a regular at our Baltimore alumni luncheons and we always enjoy his oneliners: "God wasn't worried about the apple on the tree, it was

the 'pair' on the ground."

Roland Stonessifer, 50 years ago, was in the U.S. Army Air Force stationed at Buckingham Army Air Field located outside Ft. Myers, Fla. He was an air-to-air instructor. He is retired now and lives in Taneytown, Md.

1945 was really a happy year for **Helen Frey Hobart**. The war was over, Al came home, they moved to Long Island, N.Y. with Jeanne, their young daughter, who was soon followed by Jim, their son. They settled in very quickly with their many families — church, birding friends, school — and they both were teachers and students. In 1995, Helen lives in Columbia, Md. near both Jeanne and Jim and their families. She loves spoiling her grandchildren, Heather, Sarah and Addie. Most exciting experience of this year was her Elderhostel trip where she studied the Impressionists of Normandy, the Seine and Paris. The high point was Giverny where they visited Monet's home, gardens and lily ponds. The last week was a cruise on a barge up the Seine and the canals. "The thrill of a lifetime."

In 1945, **Charles "Don" Trader** was on the other war front, the Pacific, during those last desperate days of the war with Japan. He was in Nakagasaki Wan (Okinawa) and was the physician for the amphibian ships. He remained in Okinawa until the Japanese surrender but it wasn't until December that he received orders to leave and arrived in Cumberland, Md. on December 26. See **Jean Lynn Scott '40** and meeting his son made it the best Christmas ever for him and his family. 1995 finds both Don and Jean (a hip and two knee replacements later) still active. Don says it is the social half of the family while he enjoys some golf and writing. They are still living in their home they built in 1979 in Pocomoke Forest, Md.

It is always good to see **Glady's Coppage Hendrickson** at our Baltimore alumni luncheons. Thinking back to 1939 must bring smiles to her face as she remembers as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the IWCA she sponsored a series of three dances held in the Blanche Ward Gym. Admission was 10 cents per person and no profits were expected to be made.

Laurie Linthicum Wildman Ph.D. after completing the diploma program at Western Maryland entered School of Nursing in '40 and was a nursing instructor at West Baltimore General Hospital for a year. Then she joined the Army Nurse Corp. and was stationed in England. Following her army discharge in '45 her life became very interesting. She entered a fine arts education program at the Maryland Institute of Art in Baltimore, met and married Paul and completed her bachelor's degree at Hopkins. She received her Ph.D. in human development and continued her nursing career in many areas as an instructor, consultant in youth services, family therapy and con-

sultant in schools. She received her certification as a clinical specialist in '88. She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, ANA. In '95, she is still living with Paul in the house they built in Linthicum and enjoys having her daughter, a physicist, who lives nearby visit her often. She stays busy gardening, reading and visiting with friends and relatives.

George Grier has led a varied life these past 50 years. In 1945 in Europe he was finishing a drive across Germany to Salzburg, Austria (a favorite vacation place these days), back to the states in '46, married Betty in '47, had three children, whom he still enjoys being with. He was 37 years in county government, retired in '83, but has lobbied in Annapolis for Maryland Aggregates Groups for seven years. He also worked with College President Bob Chambers and WMC from '84 to '91. It's Florida in winter and his farm on Uniontown Road, Westminster in spring, summer and fall. Sounds great, doesn't it? But what makes it more so is the recovery George has made since his heart surgery in '91.

Fifty years ago, **May Snider Clagett** and Royal were both active in the war effort — May worked as a chemist in a defense plant and Royal was with the Flying Tigers. And, just as then, they are still alert and active having returned from a trip to Texas. According to May, "A big state where they live up to their size." Between gardening, lawn care and trimming shrubbery, they manage short trips to which they look forward.

Talked to **Clara Bricker** on her birthday. She was getting ready to go out to lunch to celebrate. One of the pleasures of her retirement is her close relationship with her nephew, **Samuel Bricker '74**, and his family. He has a daughter, 12, and a son, 5. They are the light of her life.

Jay Mowbray was also in Germany, 50 years ago, as a captain of the 271st Infantry Regiment in the 69th Infantry Division. They had just met the USSR Army on the Elbe River and were celebrating the end of WWII in Europe. Today, he and Sheila are planning to end their 20-year vacation in the beautiful Hawaiian Islands and return to the East Coast in '96. They will settle in a retirement community closer to his family. "We have loved it here but our needs are changing." Judging from comments from all of you who are now in retirement centers, they won't regret it.

1945 found **Al Ford** working for NDRC of the Office of Scientific Research and Development until the war ended. Then he went to work for Allied Chemical in Syracuse, N.Y. In 1995, he worked briefly, went to South America—Brazil, Argentina, Chile, and Peru. Now he is enjoying skiing and golfing.

Reminiscing — does **Jimmy Stoner** remember when he was the leader of a nine-piece band that played for class dances? And **Bill Thomas** was called "Chunky" Thomas, drove a Ford and with other '39 cohorts stole chickens

from a farm, stashed them in Horner's room while he was away for the weekend. Was he shocked when he opened the door!

In 1945, **Kitty Foltz Bookbinder** and **Mary Jane Honemann Rinehimer** were doing the same thing — selecting wedding dresses and picking out invitations for their marriages. 1995 is the golden year for both of them. Also, 1995 finds Kitty (Dr. Kathryn) like many of us making plans to attend our 60th high school reunions. Kitty will be traveling back from Florida, where she now lives, for hers.

I'm sure that in 1945 **Edgar '40** and **Mary Jane Honemann Rinehimer** were giving no thought of celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. But that is just what they did! A joyous occasion for family and friends who came from all over the country to help them celebrate at a party given by their children at their son's home in Monkton, Md. The highlight was a video done on their life which brought happy tears to everyone's face. A fruitful life, four children, 10 grandchildren, successful careers in education and lots of travel.

Where was **Rose Barrow Barkdoll Tower** in 1945? At Kerler Field in Biloxi, Miss. with a baby boy, John Hollingsworth Barkdoll, Jr., anxiously awaiting their return to Maryland. In 1995 she is truly busy with her family and social life. Like Kitty and me, she, too, was working on plans for her 60th reunion and attending her granddaughter's graduation from Slippery Rock University, who will be teaching special education classes in Richmond, Va. Rosa has two other granddaughters in college and two other grandchildren in elementary school. Graduations are in her future. She is enjoying lunching out at various places with various groups and also is an avid bridge player. "Now you know I'm alive because I have written."

Gene Ackerman at 85 is still gardening and filling in frequent preaching engagements keeping as busy as he cares to be. He says, "Time for reflection allows for increasing appreciation for associations that have enriched my life including those, of course, of college days at WMC."

Jeanne Lang Myers LeDoux and I flew to Melbourne, Fla. where Woody and **Kay Rudolph Reedy** picked us up and took us to their retirement community, Indian Creek, in Vero Beach. We had a wonderful visit with them. They are so happy with their new home and friends, they look like a "million." In fact, Jeanne and I agreed they were the youngest looking couple in the whole complex.

We hope our next trip might be to see **Norma Keyser Strobel** who is still living in Conway, S.C. and was awaiting her first great-grandchild. Her granddaughter Kim, who has always called her grandmother "Reds" (which Norma loved, of course) was expecting. Kim has red hair, too, so there may be another "Reds" in the family.

Frank Sherrard sent pictures of his lovely home, gardens, farmland and a beautiful pond stocked with wild ducks. No wonder he writes that he is still "enjoying his farm, airplane, law practice, loyal friends and occasional contacts with old friends of long standing. Reminiscing is also good since there is more of the past than the future at this point. We realize how precious the WMC years were to all of us."

Did not receive a card from **Betty Shunk Bottom Rhoten**, but learned that she too helped to plan her 60th reunion from Westminster High School and was seen playing golf at the Halger Beach Golf Course in Palm Coast, Fla. by **Bill McWilliams** who was spending the winter in Palm Coast. In April, Bill's daughter, Rita, had a baby girl and named her Maria after her mother.

I always look forward to seeing **Dot Harman LeFebvre** and **Jim and Woodrow Peeling** and Agatha at the Carroll County Old Timers Baseball Dinner held in Taneytown in November. Best fried oysters you ever want to eat. No cholesterol!

Thelma Yohn Lockard really enjoyed the 60th Reunion of Westminster High School along with **Betty Shunk Rhoten** and both were happy to see **Edna Nordwall Bowman '30** who taught them her first year on the job. Thelma wrote she was on her way to Ocean City for five days with books because of the weather forecast. Still plays tennis daily (sometimes twice a day), feels she is lucky that she still can do this, "No great news; just hanging tough."

Another very busy person is **Aileen Williams Hutchins** who is writing was looking forward to having her annual crab feast — crabs are caught right off her shore. In the meantime, she is writing a history of her church, volunteering at the adult day care center, taking care of a number of old fashioned roses (ones with a lovely fragrance and lots of petals), writing her own history for her children and participating in a pastoral care program at her church.

Julia Berwager writes that, "Life goes on," but for her it is not slowing up one bit. She, too, works at the historical center, also in church archives, town activities, nursing home visits and most of all socializing with friends and playing pinocle. No wonder **Sheriff '36** and **Julia** were such good friends. He was a pinocle player too.

Nancy Getty Hailley and **Dot Cohee Harris** will have to get together. Nancy loves being a resident of the Charleston Senior Campus Living Retirement Center. She is enjoying being part of a community in her two-bedroom apartment with access to stores, a library, two banks and a health center. This year they published their first yearbook, "haven't had one since '39." Besides recreational activities, there are also many interesting classes scheduled. Fortunately, she has her husband, an invalid, nearby in the Catron Manor

Health Care Center and can visit him via a shuttle bus as she wishes. The death of her eldest daughter and the illness of her son, she has been able to handle and she ends her card with, "I'm fine."

Dot Cohee Harris has moved into Oakcrest, a retirement community in northeast Baltimore County. She loves her new home, but getting there was pretty hectic. Moving out of a home where she lived for over 40 years was no picnic. She still has unpacked boxes and she said some may remain "unpacked."

Our lunch "bunch," there are six of us, trekked over to Oxford, Md. to visit **Wyn Harward Howell** for, what else, lunch. We traveled via **Mary Jane Honemann Rinehimer's** new van driven by **Dot Cohee Harris**. A beautiful day in every way. Winnie was enthusiastic about their trip from New Orleans to Memphis on the Delta Queen — a childhood dream fulfilled. She also enjoyed the visit of **Dorothy Mitchell Keel '35** (one of her bridesmaids, her husband Sidney was an usher) from Winnetka, Ill. who had just attended her 60th at WMC.

"Great memories revived."
Bill and **Louise Jameson Whigg** will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary in Bermuda and were also looking forward to visiting Bill's sisters in Minnesota in the fall. They had just returned from their oldest granddaughter's graduation from Bryn Mawr College.

Carroll Cook and his wife took his daughter and her children to visit his wife's sister in California. A real family reunion.

California is still a popular place to visit and live. Just ask **Charlotte Drechsler Greffin** who has lived in San Diego for nearly 40 years and is still enjoying life there. She was also happy to hear that **Jim and Martha "Mots" Yocum Ferris** have moved back to the San Diego area where they are also living in Chula Vista at a retirement community. Sadly, I have to report that **Jim** died in July. I extend our sympathy to **Mots** and the family in their bereavement.

Thelma Weaver Center, too, was looking forward to her 60th high school reunion, amazing, we're now the "older generation!" Family reunions for **Thelma** involve 26—children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren. Says she feels like a matriarch. Besides her family she is busy volunteering with church activities, but paces herself because of a heart problem.

Lee Adrance is definitely "still alive" having just finished a bowling tournament and planning to start the senior golf league. His eldest daughter **Kathy** and family live in Wilmington, N.C. where she is an elementary school teacher. His son **Richard** is a physical education teacher and **Nancy** his other daughter is a social worker with Red Cross and child care. His six

grandchildren and three great-grandchildren keep him busy in his retirement.

Aaron and **Phyllis Schaeffer** had just returned from a trip to St. Marren and Novis — "superb vacation spots" and are planning another trip to Paris. He met **Rosalee Silberstein Sauer '36** at a meeting where Mrs. Sadat (Egypt) spoke. He'll be able to keep in touch with **Larry Freeny** whose grandchild is one of Aaron's patients.

Larry in the meantime is staying busy gardening, lawn care, reading and traveling to the Eastern Shore. It was good to hear from **Mary Olair Stark** and also **Emeline "Steve" Newman** who is almost a next-door neighbor to **Emil Edmonds** in Tucson.

Doing the best he can to "stay out of mischief" **Mike Lefferts** is playing lots of golf and looking forward to a family vacation in Maine.

Happy to hear from **Lois Rowland**, who is pretty much confined to her home because of respiratory problems.

Elizabeth Crisp Rechner is now at the Meridian Nursing Home in Severna Park, Md.

Sadly, I have to report the death of **Phil Lanasa**, who died in Texas where he and **Sally Price '37** had made their home over these many years.

Bill Cronin is enjoying retirement as a staff oceanographer from Johns Hopkins University. I had to write to ask him "howdoyoudoat?"

Many of you, I'm sure are like **Becky Keith Smith** who feels that she is doing very mundane things but is so busy that her children have to make appointments with her to get on her calendar. Her daughter said to her, "You're the busiest person I've ever seen to be doing nothing." Both granddaughters are settled in marriage and careers — one in marketing at State College, Pa. and the other a GYN doctor in Colorado Springs, Colo. An "alwiver!"

Life for me this year has been great! I was able to go to London, my first trip out of the country other than Canada. Loved it, but the biggest barbuts I ever saw, you could drown in them just asking a bath. Then my Florida trip where I saw the Reddys, my visited friends in Lady Lake and ended my anniversary of the 50th wedding anniversary of **Bob '40 and Betty Brown '41 Stepp** planned by their three sons. It was a fun weekend at the Holiday Inn on Clearwater Beach with friends, family and 20 WMCers. I'm still connected with Youth Baseball Program and the team this year represents the 50th year team playing for the organization started by **Sheriff "Sheriff" '36** in 1946. The name of the team is Harbor Federal in the 16-year-and-under age group classification. A fine group of young men with very supportive parents. Sheriff would have loved them. We are having a 50th celebration dinner in November to commemorate this important milestone not only in my life but the lives of many young men who played

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for us. A Fowle Foundation has been established for the support of Amateur Youth Baseball and its participants and for the support of sports as a vehicle to help youth. As you can see baseball and Sheriff have been a strong force in my life. I, also, am very busy volunteering at the visitor's center at the Inner Harbor and doing church work. I just completed a 32-week Bible study course. Of course I sandwich social activities in between. Twenty-four hour days are not long enough.

This has been a fun column to write hearing from all you "alivers." A happy column, 1939—graduation; 1945—end of WWII; and 1995—the present. But we also can look forward, as the Class of 1939, to the future. We will remain "alive" and continue to bring happiness through our Endowed Scholarship Fund. We have reached two of our goals — \$5,000, our 50th reunion gift and this year \$1,000 you added through your extended giving to our Annual Fund solicitation. We would like to add \$1,000 each year to this Endowed Scholarship Fund to perpetuate the future of our very special class — The Class of 1939!

I'm with **Frank Lesinski** who at 80 is looking forward to the new century. A true 1939 "aliver."
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43 Thanks to all of you who answered my cards, sent 102 cards, got 36 responses, two phone calls and one blank card back.

From the "not heard from in years" category I am glad to report that **Jim Wrightson**, of Pasadena, Calif. is a retired newspaper and editorial writer for the *Sacramento Bee*. Jim has heard from **Jim Snodgrass**, a painter living "well" on Staten Island, he also hears from **Harper LeCompte '41** (as I did, he called me from the panhandle of Florida—thanks Harper) and also from **Isaac Robert '42**. **Tom O'Leary '47** made a trip from Pennsylvania and stayed with Jim for a week, after 20 years, he says all of the above are "retired comfortably and are alert and involved." Thanks Jim.

Bob and Margaret Waugh **Siemon '45** wrote from West Palm Beach, Fla. and said they spent time on the Keys and were to summer at their farm in Wisconsin with a trip now and then. China may be next as their daughter will be teaching special education in Saipan for two years.

Earl Schubert has been nominated as "Poet of the Year" by the International Society of Poets 1995-96, for his poem *The Other Room*. They go to Stockholm in June, as guests of Ambassador to Sweden to talk on American education. Earl said they enjoyed the Anne Arundel County Alumni dinner. Nancy and he have nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Thank you for your nice card **Don Bunce**. Don and his wife had two trips to London in '94 and saw 22

plays. In between they did grandparenting in Ann Arbor and Berkeley.

Got a card from **Fray and Lee Beglin Scott '47** giving me a pep talk on the great things derived from WMC's contact, don't I know it.

Bill Myers says Irene does the planning and they conduct trips—September to the West, November through Panama Canal. Bill says they can always accommodate WMC's.

A busy card from **Bob and Franny Ogden Moore** from the Eastern Shore, were getting ready for grandchildren's visits last summer. Son Frank is now president of the roofing business in New Jersey; youngest daughter **Allice '83** is also in New Jersey; the middle daughter is in Montana; and the eldest daughter lives in Idaho. Fran is still active in genealogical societies.

Virginia "Pip" Phillips writes from Austin, Texas that in 1994 she was in Maryland for Christmas and saw **Maud Lee Wilson Shirey** and **Sara Belle Vaale Walker**. Pip went to Paris and the northern part of France and on a Panama Canal cruise in October, 1994.

Lee and Pearl Bodmer Lodge reported that they are taking a tour of Alaska in June; they finished reading James Michener's book so they're ready.

Benjamin "Bud" and Jeanne "Diefy" Diefenbach Smith '44 called me when I was ill, surely great to hear from them. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in February and will have a party later when grandchildren are home from college. Ann, their youngest, is a Lt. Col. and will attend Air Force War College. Bud and Diefy have their first great-grandchild. Son Mike is building houses in Rocky Mount, S.C.

Louise "Judy" Grow and Wes '42 Sheffield were in Florida in mid-November, 1994 (except for Christmas in Atlanta, Ga. with family). They went back to Vermont in mid-June. Louise has been leading a women's group and volunteering at estate sales. They plan to go to Australia for their 50th in 1996 and also to Rio as delegates to the World Methodist Conference.

Mary Miller Engesser wrote that she and Bill celebrated their 50th in December, introduced by **Joan West Gundlach**.

A nice note from **Ridge "Doggy" and Thelma Young Friedel '45**. Doggy said December wasn't a good month, healthwise, for him, but after the new year started, things improved. Glad to hear that. In January they celebrated their 50th with a party thrown by the children. In February their grandson Kyle of Houston, Texas, married a beautiful young lady and they were there. They were planning a trip to Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria.

Bert Bell Fallows writes from Florida that **Warren '44 and Dorry**

James Earl visited them in January and she has talked to **Debby Bowers O'Keefe** in California. Bert is active in church work and says **Grace Smith Dougherty '40 and Helen Armacost Depp '40** attend the same church.

Francis "Bud" and Gerry Blair from South Carolina reported that usual activities continue. The Senior Men's Tennis Team qualified for South Carolina finals in May. They serve as docents for a number of house tours for the National Charleston Foundation and planned a trip north in August.

Milt Huber wrote that he and **Ruth Miles '45** planned a trip to Los Angeles, Calif. to visit their youngest son then to WMC for Ruth's 50th reunion, on to Ocean City, N.J., then to their lake home in Michigan for the summer, where the "welcome mat" is out.

Five grandsons, various preservation and community projects, Sunday school teaching and singing in the choir plus tennis and a weekly newspaper column kept **Eleanor Healy Taylor** busy. Her late husband George, received a posthumous award, election to the Middle Atlantic Golf Hall of Fame.

Betty Smith Yingling planned to be at WMC in May for the 60th class reunion of husband **Dennis '35**. They are planning a river cruise in the fall—Vienna to Amsterdam.

Bert Jones wrote that last year he had major bypass surgery and that he and Anna both had gall bladder surgery, but they are fine now. They plan a trip to Israel in May '96.

Elizabeth "Ibby" Ebaugh Feather says her retirement home in California was spared all the disasters out there. She is close to her daughters by phone and in person and she talks frequently to **Doris Lane Linton**.

Mary Frances Hawkins Galbreath can get more on a card than anyone. In 1994 she went with her granddaughter Elizabeth, who was invited to sing in Tampa, Fla., in an "All World Childrens Choir (for ISME)," the only one from Oregon. Mary Frances and **Sam '40** were to visit their son in Oregon in May, then to WMC for Sam's 55th reunion. Mary Frances has recovered from an ankle injury and is walking again.

Thank you **Virginia Suffern** for passing along word of **Frank**. He has had a rough couple of years, he has been in the hospital four times. We all send you our best Frank.

Harriet Smith Wyman is also in Westminster and enjoying WMC activities. She is going to be a grandmother for the first time this year.

Clarence "Mac" and Jeanne Eckhardt McWilliams '44 wrote from Florida. They are building a house in Naples, they have 18 grandchildren (can anyone beat that?) so they're busy babysitting in Maryland and Arizona. They enjoyed the WMC luncheon in Naples in January. Had a good visit with **Janith Horsey Collin** also saw **Dick Baker '42**. They see Edith and **Sig Jensen '44** often.

Mary Virginia Walker Metger writes that they are still ready to travel when they can. Fall of '94 they had a nice trip West. In June they were to be at the beach for two weeks, in July they go on a tour of Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

News from **Joe Workman**: he married a lovely lady (her name, Joe, so we can welcome her) Spring of '94, congratulations! For several months they were at their place in Stuart, Fla. and are now back at Durham. They saw **Mac and Jeanne Eckhardt McWilliams '44** in Naples in fall '94 and Joe hoped to see more of the class of '43 last summer at Ocean City.

Winnie Wareheim Conner says she keeps busy with garden, church and lodge. She was planning a trip to Nova Scotia in June with her daughter Amy.

Emma Jane Martin McCauley says their traveling has slowed down since her husband had a knee replacement in March. They hope they will be able to travel to their cabin in Maryland and enjoy it.

John "Nemo" Robinson wrote that he and Lucia visited **Lee and Pearl Bodmer Lodge** in March. They had a nice 40s group at Anne Arundel County alumni dinner in April. Among others they saw **Tom '44 and Mary Ruth Woodfield Tereshinski '48**, **Earl and Nancy Schubert**, Chapter President **Kay Kaiser Frantum '45** and **Ted, Donna DuVal Sellman '45** and **Russ '44, Anita Twigg Slama '41 and Dot Scott Atkinson '48**. Nemo has happily recovered from surgery in August.

Marty Hodgson Honeman and Don '41 are still traveling. In Orlando they met up with **Keycey Reynolds '42 and Bill '41 Adolph and Betty Brown '41 and Bob '40** stopping. The Honemans were planning a trip to Europe in July with children and some grandchildren.

Dotty Cox Liebno confirmed that she met my son Jeff in Harrisburg at an awards ceremony where her granddaughter and Jeff's daughter received awards—small world! Dotty just got home from Atlanta in time for spring in Maryland.

Marie Steele Cameron wrote that she planned to take her 15-year-old granddaughter to Hawaii and Australia in July. They were to visit a 1970 South African exchange student (who moved there). Marie visits family in Colorado, Florida and New Jersey annually.

Janith Horsey Collin evidently had a similar experience to mine (a bleeding ulcer in January from Naprosin) and she gave me some good advice. "Horsey" has curtailed her travels some but she's going with the flow. She has visited with **Jeanne Eckhardt '44 and Mac McWilliams** in Naples and the **Honemans** at WMC. **Vern Wiesand** just made it with his card. He was just back from Florida with **Shirley Jones '47**. They had dinner with **Mary "Jackie" Jackson and Bill Hall '47** at New Smyrna

Beach and were to leave in May for Colorado Springs for an "eat and drink in" with the International Wine and Food Society—he says the Eastern Shore WMC is alive and well.

Had a call from **Jo Daniel Bair** saying Chuck had some bad times but things look better and they hoped to go to Stone Harbor this spring.

Also had a long call from **Phyl Cade Gruber**. She said Werner is fine and Phyl had all the news. It was good to talk to both Jo and Phyl.

One last card came from **Muriel Harding Nicholson**. She and Dick have been married 52 years and love their homes in North Carolina and Vermont on Lake St. Catherine. They will be heading north soon, stopping to visit son Bob, a PGA pro, and will also be seeing their daughter Nancy.

My boys were all here when I was sick in January, Doug from Illinois, then Don from State College, then a follow-up visit from Jeff. I'm feeling better. I hope it continues. Thanks for your responses.

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44 Never before have I received so many wonderful congratulatory notes for my part in our 50th Reunion—you really know how to make a person feel good. Thank you! I'm ready to do it again, but I'll just have to wait a few years for our 55th Reunion.

Since our 50th Reunion we have lost three of our classmates—**Clyde Hauff**, Jr., **William E. Pennington** and **Ann Carter Price**. Softly may our warmest memories remain of Skeets, Bill and Ann. "College ties can never be broken."

DeWane Bills took a trip down to the Grand Old Opry last fall, then in April of this year he went to Ohio and visited the Football Hall of Fame. In August, he went back to Painted Post, N.Y. for his 55th high school reunion. Now he is enjoying the golf season.

Sig Jensen has sent in the "real scoop." In June, he had back surgery at the Air Force Hospital in San Antonio. "I'm becoming the 'bionic man' with a new knee last year and a new back this year." He and wife Edith remember with great joy the reunion. The opportunity to see the great number of classmates was a real boost to our lives.

Paul and Phyllis Hess Mannino celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 28, 1994. A wonderful weekend party was planned and paid for by all eight children plus 13 grandchildren. "We still think about it as our best married weekend."

Wilbur "Woody" Preston writes, "No news except—life goes on!"

In addition to his volunteer work as court appointed special advocate for abused and neglected children, **James Griffin** has become involved as a tutor for Motivate Our Minds. This program is for first-through-sixth-grade children who are at risk of fail-

ing in school because of lack of parental support.

Kitty from Salt Lake City, alias Kitty Voss Getz, and husband recently returned from a trip to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. Two people on the trip had Western Maryland College connections: **Bob Billingslea MEd'75**, cousin of **Betty Billingslea Scott** and **Emily Billingslea Wirth**, and **Jesse Horsman MEd'75**. Small world!

Arlic Mansberger, emeritus chairman and emeritus professor of surgery at the Medical College of Georgia, is still working but his time commitment has been greatly reduced, as has the stress. He's teaching students, overseeing the curriculum in the research lab for residents and fellows, doing research and some lesser administrative duties—a greatly reduced commitment! **Arlic and Ellen Piel '46** will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in July 1996.

Jeane Diefenbach and Benjamin "Bud" Smith '43 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May with a party. Their three children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, plus a "few" WMCers—the **Begins, Scotts, Grubers, Leisters, Ensors, Lodges, Robinsons, Rawlins, Margaret "Smitty" Smith-Cassell, Gen Spry McGee** and **Mary Turnley** and **Paul Gipe** joined the celebration. Their first great-grandchild, **Alex Michael Joyce**, was born on December 14, 1994. "Diefie" and "Bud" have moved to an apartment and love the career living, still keep busy golfing and taking side trips.

Rebecca Larmore Griffith recently returned from a wonderful Inside Passage cruise in Alaska accompanied by her daughter, **Lee Ellen Griffith '74**. Both found that the incredible scenery lived up to all expectations.

Lucille Gischel Norman sent me this note, "No news but bad news. MS has taken over my entire body—I can't even write my name."

Wallen L. Bean is still working full time as Protestant Chaplain at St. Luke's Hospital and as assistant director of the Interfaith Counseling Center in New Bedford, Maine. His wife continues full time as an artist. Both are well and having fun.

Bill Keeffe and wife visited their daughter, **Nancy**, in Winterhaven, Fla. for Christmas 1994 and were joined by son **Jim** and his family. "A different experience with flowers blooming and no snow!" **News Year's 1995** was spent in Brunswick, Ga. and they visited the historical sites on St. Simon's Island where the Wesleys preached. **Bill** has recently been serving as an interim pastor in Manchester, N.H. where he served as pastor at the church from 1955 to 1967. "While at the Northeast Conference of the United Methodist Church at Amherst, Maine in June a lady stopped me and asked if I was Bill Keeffe. It was **Anna Avers Hastings '45** and she had just

returned from her 50th Reunion."

Reese Scott and wife **Jane** announced the birth of their 11th grandchild, a girl named **Georgia**.

Doris Himler Markley and husband **Ray** cruised the Caribbean this past winter. They have been blessed with another granddaughter. **Kristian** and **Alexandra** are the daughters of **Paula Markley Burger '80** and husband **Brent**. **Doris** keeps busy as a docent at the Baltimore Museum of Art and with bridge, photography, swimming and walking—but most importantly with family, friends, home and pets.

Grace Figue Wilson has moved to Westminster close to WMC and near her son and daughter. She enjoys seeing old friends again. In March, **Grace** had a wonderful time in Florida and hopes to travel more in the future.

Viron Diefenbach continues to enjoy recalling memories of our 50th Class Reunion and running his video pictures of the occasion. "Learning many things about the Civil War here in Galina, IL, because General Grant and eight other Union generals came from this once thriving town on the Mississippi."

Tom Tereshinski reports of a reunion held at Fred's Restaurant in Annapolis, Md. on June 26, 1995. Also present were **Ed Mogowski, "Woody" Preston** and **John "Nemo" Robinson '43**. They had lunch with **Charles Matley** and **Frank Zeigler**. **Charles** came up from Denton, Md. while **Woody** has seen Frank on occasion in Denton, the others had not seen them in 52 years. A great time spent reminiscing was had by all.

Margaret Smith Cassell writes that she's seen no greater display of WMC friendships than at **Jeane and Bud Smith's 50th anniversary party**. The Preachers were there en masse! **Smitty** visited with **C.R. '49** and **Phyllis Gen Schaeffer** at their lovely Easton waterfront home, a special lunch with ex-roomie **Doris Himler Markley**, and an evening with **Gen Spry McGee**. "Friendships make life pretty special."

Warren Earle spent a portion of last winter in Florida and had a number of get-togethers with WMC friends while there. He still enjoys the monthly meetings of the Baltimore Alumni Chapter and the opportunity to meet faculty members. His eldest granddaughter will enter college this year due to some medical problems, but hopefully 1996 will permit a more active schedule.

Ann Meeth Klingman's oldest grandchild isn't a child anymore, but a lovely young lady entering high school. "Our bunch—**Beverly Slacum Agnoli, Margaret Daughton, Bertha Hall Maloney, Dottie Clarke Schafer** and I will be going to see **Lucille Gischel Norman** in August for her birthday. She is a true inspiration! And all of us including **Jo Branford, Lois Corbett Higman** and **Anita Rue White** miss our

dear friend **Ann Carter Price**. Ann's delightful sense of humor and sincere interest in helping other people made her a wonderful friend, mother and grandmother."

Beverly Slacum Agnoli had no earth shattering news to share with us. "Just a little older and a few more aches and pains, but oh so thankful to be alive and enjoy our wonderful children and grandchildren. Art and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary in September. It has been a wonderful marriage—better than I could ever have hoped for!"

Lois Blocher Dashiell and husband have spent 40 very happy years living in Severna Park, Md. They spend their time traveling, gardening, playing tennis and seeing lots of the family. Their oldest son is a dentist in Severna Park and lives with his wife and two children. Another son and family live in Pennsylvania and their daughter and her husband live in North Carolina. They have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. In August, **Lois** and her husband will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary.

Marjorie Strickland Green writes that after the "fiasco" at the reunion last year, she is on a new medicine which, so far, is working well. She thanks everyone who responded to her problem. Her husband is still pastoring the Newberry Circuit (9th year), and she is still doing music at two, sometimes three, services each Sunday. **Margie** and her oldest daughter, **Rebecca**, a professor at the University of Maryland, went to Israel in May and she "preached" one Sunday about their trip. At Christmas time, they will be going to California with her daughter, **Mary Anne**, and her husband to see **Jon** and his family there.

Our travelin' man, **Russ Sellman**, has been on two big trips so far this year. He took an air flight to Tahiti for the Princess Line cruise to Moorea, Bora Bora, Christmas Island, three Hawaiian islands and back to Los Angeles and then a 10-day trip to the Canadian Rockies. He was looking forward to a trip to China and Hong Kong in the fall. There have also been little side trips to Ocean City, Williamsburg and Annapolis. **Russ** and wife **Donna DeVal Sellman '45** celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary in June. Daughter **Maura** has two children and son **Tom** has one child. **Russ** still finds time for the Rotary Club, the Westminster Municipal Band, the Salvation Army and the Westminster Methodist Church. **Russ's** 94-year-old father is in good health and still drives his car.

Cordelia "Corky" Price Turk and husband **Cal** hosted a three-day Price family reunion. All 40 members came, including **Corky's** three brothers and their wives, 16 nieces and nephews and 16 children, ages one year up to

16-and-a-half years. Most family members came from Maine, Massachusetts and Florida. Son, Matthew came from Washington state where he does research for Microsoft. The reunion was such a success, everyone wants another one in two years. "Maybe I'd better take a sip from the Fountain of Youth!"

Mary Turnley Gipe writes, "Our family is our life and we celebrate anything and everything, even the selling of our granddaughter's old car! She graduated from Gettysburg in May and moved up carwise." She and husband Paul celebrated 51 years of marriage, their daughter and son-in-law 25 years of marriage and their son and daughter-in-law two years. Paul retired from the church treasurer's job after 25 years of service and the church had a big reception for him. They traveled to Salisbury to help "**Dieffie**" and "**Bud**" **Smith** celebrate their 50 years of loving together. "We do some traveling and we are reasonably well, considering we are 'seasoned' citizens. Life is good, our good not very!"

I'm still a full-time volunteer with the Baltimore City Public Schools coordinating special activities. What can I say, I like my job!

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48 "Around the World with the Class of '48." A travel agent's dream! I keep telling you that you are all going to catch up with one another overseas somewhere—before our 50th reunion.

A unique adventure for **Betty Little** **Morey** and **Earl** began in St. Petersburg, Russia and continued on a waterway cruise through lakes, rivers and locks; by villages and towns to Moscow. A second journey found them on a train from Oslo, Norway to a sailing vessel for "2,400 miles along the awesome coastline, into magnificent fjords, past 34 cities and the Arctic Circle, Russia." They have been to Switzerland on 40 trips to visit their son and family. At home they are involved with 15 grandchildren and many rounds of golf.

Anneli Glockler Liebelt was in Germany and Russia before a trip through Greece following the journey of the Apostle Paul—a fascinating experience with interesting people. She enjoys so many trips throughout the Washington, Virginia, Pennsylvania region, including tickets to the Benny Goodman Show with the McGuire Sisters and local chamber music, that I don't know when she has time to be a bell-ringer, serve as VP of NARE (federal employees), dedicate time to WMC and initiate a Montgomery Co. Alumni Chapter. With a son in North Carolina, she is drawn in that direction—perhaps in the future.

Joe Thompson and his lovely wife were also in Russia, as well as Wales. He traveled from Florida via Savannah, Ga. and was reunited with his old buddy, **Jack Spicknall '49**. Joe and

Mary attended the spring "Top Of the Hill" program at WMC. (Call the college if any of you would be interested, very worthwhile.) As class president he says we should start planning for '98 NOW.

Back in Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland were **Bob Wagner** and wife soon after **Mary Dom Brown** was in all but Holland. She gave up her weekly swimming and tennis to see the sights. Bob has been appointed to the Carroll County Commission on Aging and will be in Las Vegas, Nev. as a delegate to the Kiwanis Convention.

If you looked to the north you'd have seen **John Tull Radtke** and **Norman** in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. Having seen that part of the world, they set out for Beijing and Hong Kong with a stopover in San Francisco, Calif. and then to visit Yosemite.

Meanwhile, **Lyle Johnson Willson** writes that they have returned from Singapore, Bali and Australia. Their summer home is in Friday Harbor, Wash. on an island which our ferry passed en route to Victoria, B.C. Wintertime finds them in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Bob and **Yvonne Matties** visited Australia and New Zealand. They have also toured Spain and Portugal, as well as Switzerland, Austria, Germany and Mexico. For the past 20 years, Bob has dedicated himself to the WMC Board of Trustees and as classmates, we are very proud of his contributions. Retired from Black & Decker, he is now doing consulting work.

Mary Lou Parris Weber has shopped in Louisiana, New Zealand, Hawaii and Fiji. She recently "did the shoppes" in France. She is retired as a reading specialist and resides in Doylestown, Pa. Look for her at our reunion, but look carefully, 'cause she's the "Glamor Gal," as we noticed at our 40th.

After 32 cruises, **Bill** and **Bonnie Gubub '49 Finck** celebrated their 45th anniversary (married in Little Baker) by taking the whole family to Hawaii for a golf vacation. They have seen **Bob** and **Anne Cain '47 Rhodes** in Florida and live in La Habra, Calif. They are coming to "the Hill" to be with everyone in May '98.

Over in hula-land were **Peg Buhrman Smith** and husband attending the convention of the Retired Maryland Teachers Association. They have three grandchildren—two boys included.

Think North! In Anchorage were roommates **Dotty Wilder Williams** and **Mary Frances Keiser Bradley** and husbands. While the "boys" were salmon fishing, the girls went sightseeing and "caught up." They returned by ship through the Inner Passage. Glad to hear that Bradleys' son is selling heart pacemakers—a much needed item for many. Their granddaughter is on the championship basketball team (tall like her grandfather Dan) and their daughter is vice principal of a high school.

While we're "on the waterways,"

Betty Armiger Maas was in the Bahamas on a Sailing Club Cruise with nine chartered sailboats, but had to get back home to welcome their new granddaughter, the second grandchild.

On the Intercoastal Waterway was **Jan Ganz Greenwald** taking the relaxing mode all the way to the west coast of Florida and sailing back to their Maryland marina.

Viewing the fabulous Canadian Rockies was **Betty Jean Ferris Morgan**, who enjoyed visiting **Irma Eney '49** and **Jesse Myers '49** and remains active in her church and as a volunteer in the library system.

Clarabelle Blaney Price announces she is a resident, part-time, at Charleston Retirement Center with several others from "the Hill." Clarabelle is still improving her tree farm in Ohio, so she stays busy in both places.

Jim Grose is at a new address—Sun City, Ariz. where his buddy, **Frank Middleton** came by to say "hello." Jim had his second hole-in-one, while his wife just chalked up her first! Congratulations.

Fred Eckhardt continues his interest in the college as president of the Carroll County Chapter, as well as other endeavors, like the refurbishment of "Little" Baker Chapel (project is worth all of our commitment). Fred is supposedly retired from the ministry, but he "serves as needed" in a small rural church and as chaplain for the State Police, State of Maryland Legislation and Fire Department. He still maintains his oceanfront cottage in Fenwick Island and their spacious and gracious marble house on old New Windsor Pike. Hope Nancy will put our 50th on their social calendar.

Audrey Clendening Foster is in Media, Pa. and enjoying many new friends in a retirement community near their previous home. She is active in her church, sings in the choir, teaches Sunday school and Bible study. Like the rest of us, she says, "Praise the Lord for our many blessings."

Bill Anderson reports how happy and healthy he and his bride are in Mays Chapel, Md. Their granddaughter made the lacrosse team at Princeton as a freshman. Proud grandpa!

Phil Schaeffer states it very simply—"Happily retired" in Westminster, Md. That says it all—for so many of us.

Eleanor "Bobbie" Lee Kunkle says they are "really retired" now. The kids have taken over their stores and even opened a Training Center in Harford County, Md. Time is filled with golf and grandchildren. She talked with **Anne Murphy Wilson** in St. Augustine, Fla. and is glad to say that Anne is much better. Bobbie is currently involved with a new alumni chapter starting in Harford County. Glad to hear so many of us are still interested in our alma mater.

Mary Jane Corbett Mason is in Florida and had a delightful luncheon with **Katherine "Kitty" Brown Ross**. Mary Jane also toured around Mexico. It was nice to hear from you.

George Pivais vacationed in Michigan with all their family for fishing, boating and enjoying the beauty of Lake Huron. All their children have their master's degrees and we share in the Pivais Pride. George was looking forward to a reunion of the 82nd Airborne Div., Parachute Regiment in Boise, Idaho. These service get-togethers take on more meaning, just as college gatherings do, as we age!

From Red Bank, N.J., **Jean Silcox Cahill** talks about how much she enjoys being close to the ocean. She is a volunteer at her local hospital, just like **Naomi Harper Morgan**. Jean now has 15 "grands."

Naomi Harper Morgan continues her hospital efforts, but is now into computers. Says "maturing," as opposed to aging, is not too bad after all. Keep thinking young, as long as the body says OK (but not too young). She did Canada and is going "country" to Tennessee this year.

In the singing mode is **Betty Dickson Shreve** from Florida where she "sings on the road," is making a CD and travels around in a huge RV. Is Betty the first with a GREAT-grandchild?

Gladys Sause McLeod is enjoying her work with the handicapped elderly at the adult day care center. Her son spent 10 years in Germany and is now stationed at Ft. Knox.

Back to Austria to look for **Betty Sauter Garlock**—they vacationed there with their base in Innsbruck. At home Betty completed the "Master Gardener" program and is now relating her knowledge to the fourth graders in their 4-H program.

Marty Witter Hawkins says you were missed Betty, at the Catonsville High 50th party. Others from our class who attended were: **Don Brohawn** from the Shore; **Jim "Squire" Conner**, Baltimore, Md.; **Claramay "Onion" Garlock MacNamee** from California and **Jack Spicknall** from Georgia. Meanwhile, **Marty** is happy at Heritage Harbor in Annapolis, Md. She is close to **Betty Armiger** and **Lou Maas** and attends their church where Betty served as an Elder. Witter is enjoying the activities of the church circle, "Wids and Widows," plus her golfing experiences. The latest is weight lifting. She hardly has time for all those trips to the grandchildren—all over the eastern U.S.

Charles Fleming and his wife have precious memories from their 50th wedding anniversary where they added up the anniversaries of all their children with a total of 99 years! One grandson was not at the celebration because he was playing high school football in Hawaii. Their girls graduated from University of Virginia and Mary Washington College.

Kenneth "Doc" Bouchelle always sends his greetings to our class and messages to me. Thank you for your continued interest and our best wishes.

Dorothy Scott Atkinson lives in West River, Md. but she really enjoys those trips to Atlanta, Ga. where her granddaughter is already a big 3. Dorothy and several others have alluded to the pattern of "adjusting" as we are left without our spouse. We read of all your many involvements and consider the lifestyle adjustments you have made as great role-models for the rest of us.

Ed and Helen Lingenfelter
Cushen are in a good spot (outside Washington, D.C.) to take care of Ed's favorite topic: "reduce all taxes by at least 50 percent." Go for it Ed. The nice part of saying "Yes" to requests from "the Hill" is that I get to talk with nice friends, old classmates scattered all over—like **Betty Little**, **Phil Schaeffer**, **George Plavis**, **Fred Eckhardt**, and **Bette Mason Fissel** in Gettysburg, Pa. She is always so busy that it's simply fun to chat with her and hear all her golf and tournament commitments. What a capable gal. Her lifestyle is awesome and so is her attitude.

In Florida I always call **Mary "Toddy" Todd Griffiths** in Vero Beach. She and Bill are moving into a new house, not too far from their older farmhouse near Reading, Pa. The proximity will afford Bill an opportunity to still garden in what was his own back yard. Toddy is active in so many groups, all diverse and interesting, both in Florida and Pennsylvania.

Louise "Scotty" Scott Widdup, **Marion "Stoff" Stoffgren Thorpe** and I really had to catch up in a hurry, while husbands chattered quietly together as we raced on and on (good O'Kelly wasn't there, she wouldn't have gotten a word in!). Both Scotty and Stoff are into tennis; Scotty is still singing in choral group and they look wonderful. We had luncheon in new University Country Club east of Sarasota—highly recommended for those of you in the area.

Meeting with European royalty in The Prince of Prussia's castle, located in Germany, is an annual honor for **Doug Beakes** and his wife. Having landed at Omaha Beach with General Patton's 3rd Army in '44, Doug participated in the 50th anniversary ceremonies and met the President. Last year he was honored to receive the WMC Trustee Alumni Award. The Beakes are retired and reside in Wiesbaden where Maria does wood painting in the fashion of ancient Bavarian art while Doug authors a novel and wrote an epic poem, recognized by the National Library of Poetry.

Spoiling her grandchildren in Florida and Virginia is **Phyl Houck Smith** who is church secretary and a recent tourist in the "awesome national parks of the West." Also in those parks was **Betty Jean Ferris Morgan** who writes, "It's a beautiful world!"

River cruises appeal to **Jean Anzulovic Shaw**. She has been back to Egypt, Greece and Turkey and on to Italy. Peabody music and art courses fill her time.

Pat Brown Zello also traveled to Egypt, Israel and the Suez Canal. She is involved with Laurel hospital auxiliary. Their Senior Friendship group has 800 members and many associated activities.

Looking at a little more than 500 years B.C. was **Robert Moore** in Turkey and writes that while grandchildren of classmates doesn't turn him on, he admits that "WMC brought me from darkness into light—that's sometimes dim." He found his way to medical school and is still practicing urology in California.

Visiting with **Wally Raubenheimer '47** and wife in a fantastically beautiful spot in Caskill Mountains was **Wayne Cowan**. He moved to the academic region in Massachusetts surrounded by Smith, Amherst, University of Massachusetts, Hampshire and Holyoke.

"Alive and well in Frederick," reports **Lucile Olson Soper**. She recommends Elderhostel after classes in France and the Netherlands. She took a fascinating trip with "homestays" through Japan. She and Elgar have one great-granddaughter. Lucile is deeply involved at Calvary United Methodist Church, retired teachers group and in her garden.

"Researching her roots," is **Kitty Brown Ross**, traveling by car through Ireland, staying at bed and breakfasts. Summers in Maine and winters in Venice, Fla., with a cruise in between keep them on a busy track.

In July Don and **Charlotte "Wally" Haile Smyth** headed for Alaska with son Fred '80 acting as tour guide and sky cap. Their grandchildren write freelance articles on hunting and fishing, while achieving excellent grades in college and working full time.

Retirement living—can't believe we have passed so quickly from Albert Norman, McDaniel, McKinstry and Blanche Ward to a new and quieter pace, better suited to our interests and lifestyles. It's called "retirement living" and every one of you who have made the change highly endorse the concept. Your happiness is conveyed through your notes and it's delightful to know that Naomi's maturing idea is so easily accepted and that everyone is "moving right along." Let me know your new addresses so we may keep in touch as we plan for a great party in three years.

Josh '43 and I are "hanging in there" with terrific friends, both old and new, at both ends of the spectrum—Bathany Beach and Cocoa Beach. These friendships have become even more cherished as the years have passed. Your comments on your cards of response are most kind and appreciated. I'm collating all this by the pool, so it really isn't such a chore! May you enjoy good health and happiness till we meet again.

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49 Hello everyone!
Word from **Anna Englar Martin** is that she's enjoying retirement by volunteering, traveling and trying to catch up on her reading.

Dan Pinholster continues part time as hearing officer for the city of Phoenix and plays lots of tennis. In May, Dan realized a long-time dream and flew to London for a bus tour through Belgium, France, Germany, Austria, Italy and Switzerland.

Mary Anne Thomas Stazesky mentions her first granddaughter, an 18-month-old girl. Her younger son at 36 is a junior at the University of Delaware majoring in history education. Her 32-year-old daughter has just completed her first four years at Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine, a part of Virginia Tech. Mary Anne says her husband plans to retire in three years. She keeps busy with volunteer work in three organizations and enjoys WMC reunions every five years.

Bill Seibert was surprised and pleased to learn that he had been elected into the South Central Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony was held on Thursday, November 2, 1995 at the Light House Restaurant, Chambersburg, Pa.

Word from **Jack Spicknall** is that he and **Ginny Hale '52** are well and enjoying retirement at The Landings in the Savannah, Ga. area where they play golf four or five times weekly. After attending the 45th WMC reunion in May 1994, he enjoyed his 50th at Catonsville High School in October and saw **Claremary Garlock MacNamee '48**, **Marty Witter Hawkins '48**, **Don Brohawn '48** and **George Winfrey '50**. Jack and Ginny also enjoyed a visit in March with Mary and Joe Thompson '48 recalling the "old days" at WMC.

Betty Dison Moreland writes from Galesville, Md. that after 40 years in the Anne Arundel County School System, 27 of them as principal of Lethian Elementary, she planned to retire as of June 30. Betty says she'll miss her school family but will have wonderful times with children and grandchildren.

Bob '48 and **Jane Conway Wagner** went on a marvelous Scandinavian trip last year with a group including 10 WMC people. In June of this year they planned to attend a Kivans International Convention in Las Vegas. And then in July a vacation was planned with children and five grand-children at Smith Mountain Lake. Jane Singers' group called "Spirit" and civic activities fill spare time.

Bob Rhodes and **Anne Cain '47** report from Harbor Hill, Lady Lake, Fla. of good health and an active 19-year retirement of golf and tennis. They enjoyed a visit from **Bill '48** and **Bonnie Gurbuth Fink** with lots of golf and "chit-chat." **Bill Hall '47** and family also visited. Both of Anne and Bob's daughters live near each other in Ohio so visits are fun with

families and four grandsons, 15, 13, 11, and 9.

George and Louise Stagg Spittel spent their annual beach vacation at Wild Dunes on the Isle of Palms in South Carolina with son Mark and family now including two grandsons, Justin, 14, and Grayson, 2. George continues to enjoy golfing and attended golf school last winter while Louise basked on the beach. Activities with church, home, gardening, civic organizations and children's literacy continue to fill their time.

Marian Greifenstein Nash sends news of first grandchild Maryellen Frances Martin born in November 1994. The parents are **Ellen Nash '83** and **Samuel Martin**. Marian enjoyed a visit with **Jesse and Irma Enay Myers** in Frederick and plans another get-together soon.

Word from **Frank Stephenson** is that he's now completely retired after six years consulting work for NASA. He spent over 40 years in the rocket science field (32 with NASA). "A real blast," he says. They celebrated by taking a Caribbean cruise which included the Panama Canal. In the Spring of 1994 they enjoyed their sojourn to Fairbanks, Alaska, including a train trip across Canada, the ferry ship ride from Bellingham, Wash. to Juneau and a five-week stay with son David and his family as he graduated from the University of Alaska. Dave has since become a CPA. Frank's two daughters and their families live in the area and can visit often. Pat enjoys needlepoint, Frank plays golf and she's a "computer nut."

Allice Brodick Selliappi writes that she and Bob are enjoying his retirement and especially their five grandchildren. Alice attended her 50th high school reunion in Baltimore recently and hopes to attend the next WMC reunion.

Word from "**Tata**" **Twigg Welliver** is that **Dan '50** is still practicing full time as well as continuing to cover WMC student health center and athletes. Their seven grandchildren, ranging in ages from 2 to 14, all live in the area. This year they are celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary with a trip to Hawaii. Tata regularly enjoys duplicate bridge. Also Woman's Club, church and family responsibilities keep her busy and active.

Carolyn Brown Volpe reports that she is now national vice chairman North Central Division—Membership for NSDAR.

Caroline Benson Schaeffer was looking forward to her 50th reunion at Westminster High School in July. She and Bill planned a month in Jackson, N.H. with visits from family including four grandchildren, 19, 6, 5, and 2.

Jim Ogden continues to do church and other volunteer work. This year he hopes to finish a history of his WWII infantry company which he's been researching since 1987.

George Walters reports that on May 6, 1995 he and his wife attended a VE anniversary event in Hyde Park, London. Also in May, he was cited by Qestor: The Queens University Belfast and UK industry officials for "Significant contributions to industry-research and development programs in environmental science and technology" 1989-1995 and for "joint programs with the U.S. National Science Foundation Research Centers."

Ann Shuppert Schwarzkopf writes that, "After 40 years in New England, Jerry and I burned our bridges and moved year-round to Sarasota, Fla. We've been here about a year and love the city and all its offerings in every conceivable field of interest." Anne plays cello in the Sarasota Pops Orchestra and in a string quartet, and is also singing in a community chorus. They are active in Rotary Club (foreign visitors exchanges), Power Squadron, golf, biking and swimming and are beginning to feel nicely settled in their new community.

Rev. George Pfender had a four-day by-pass about the first of May and says he's getting along pretty well but hated to miss the Verville reunion. (See *The Hill*, May 1995, "Verville," pps. 12 to 17.)

Another Verville alumni couple **Margaret Ann Simpkins and Tom Larsen** reminisced about the good times in Verville in an article which appeared in the *Carroll County Times*, June 26, 1994.

Louise Coleman Roberts writes from Odessa, Del. that her 17-year-old grandson has been elected to the National Honor Society and planned to take the exam for a National Merit Scholarship. Five younger grandchildren are involved in Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, karate and riding lessons. Louise says they continue to farm and pray for rain for the crops.

On June 9, 1995 the first meeting of the WMC Harford County Alumni Chapter was attended by 17 people including Thelma and **George Davis**, Paul and **Emily Coale Hines** and **Deborah Pfender** '77 daughter of **George Pfender**. Dr. Linda Dudley spoke about the WMC Northeast Branch and graduate program.

Paul and **Emily Coale Hines**'s Churchville, Md. farm is mentioned in *Modern Maturity*, May-June 1995, "Alternative Farming," p. 15, because they raise buffalo. The meat tastes good, is high protein, low cholesterol and is in demand. The Hines' buffalo were shown by Tony Pagnotti on TV Channel 2 on October 24, 1994. Also an article about buffalo appeared in *National Geographic* for November 1994 as well as February '95 *Hill*, in which the Hines' herd was mentioned.

Gay Smith Mullican writes from Frederick, Md. that she and **Charlie '50** keep busy with Maryland Ornithological Society meetings and she helps in The Literacy Council. They were anticipating their third annual family vacation at the beach at Avon, N.C. on the Outer Banks with son, daughter-in-law and step-grandson.

In September 1994, **Bill and Doris Ritter Ensminger, Fletcher** and I enjoyed a marvelous 23-day guided tour of England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland conducted by a very knowledgeable and entertaining Oxford University graduate in near perfect weather.

Members of the Class of 1949 express sincere sympathy to the families of **Joseph Shallenberger** who passed away January 6, 1994, **Simon Tullai** who died February 23, 1995, **Dr. Iris "Betty" Amos** who passed away April 24, 1995 and **Betty Jane Melms** who died on May 30, 1995. Thanks to everyone who sent news. Maradel Clayton Ward 203 Star Pointe Ct. 3C Abingdon, MD 21009

53 Ye Gods! They say that the mind is the first to go! Can those of you who are in the prime of life—poised on the brink of retirement or already there, can you believe that I received back three blank message cards! This is a first for your secretary and is, perhaps, an omen of things to come...so be sure to take your vitamins, work the *New York Times* crossword and keep on the move!

It was so good to get so many newsy replies from classmates who want to keep in touch through *The Hill*. **Carroll "Pete" Warner** wrote that "Life moves a pace and is good..." His four little grandchildren (the oldest is in first grade) are a delight and a joy. Retirement has been good and he is presently serving as the assistant minister at Fallston Methodist Church in Maryland. Surgery for a detached retina in February '95 has "slowed him down a trifle." We wish you well, Pete.

News from Delaware and **Harold "Mac" McTeer** who is "enjoying retirement and following Delaware Tech's baseball team." He has just returned from Florida Spring training—the team is now 12-1! Side visits to see the 10 grandchildren keep him busy, but he and his wife hoped to visit **Roland Fleischer '52** and his wife this summer.

Ray Faby, in nearby Lutherville, Md. wrote that "we are the proud grandparents of seven grandchildren—five from her team and two from mine. When we reach nine, we will field a baseball team."

Ellen Rudolph Marsh, who lives in Takoma Park, Md. is "looking forward to retirement this spring. God willing, and three months at our place in Maine." Continuing to enjoy those three delightful spirits our grand kids! What a loving way to describe grandchildren Ellen.

Ernie and Rachel Early Green '51 are busy! Ernie is going to sing with the Cleveland Opera chorus for their May production of *The Meistersinger*.

"We continue to return to the Baltimore area to see our son who is an orchestral conductor for the Annapolis Choral...and our new grandson. Daughter Rachel is still in California with a post-doctoral research project in molecular biology."

I was delighted to hear from **Deb Wilbraham Raver**, who wrote that she and Gordon are fine, "enjoying our lives in Fallsbrook, Calif." Debbie is teaching apiculture in a local quilt show and selling patterns that she has designed. Gordon is busy making custom cabinets and furniture. They both are active in their church and busy with their family which includes three grandchildren. This summer they are planning a trip to Great Britain with the church choir.

What a pleasant surprise to get news from **Harlow "Skitch" Henderson**, who wrote from Baltimore that "after 38-and-a-half years with the *Sun*, I decided that was enough time working, so I joined the retirement ranks in July '94...and I really like it!" **Shirley Rickards '55** is still working in financial aid at Essex Community College.

Gil Stange gave a quick rundown of his news...he retired in 1991 from teaching in Baltimore County for 36 years. He still substitutes "on occasion and manages to keep busy." He and **Nancy Sadofsky '55** have visited Naples, Fla. and still make the annual pilgrimage to Ocean City. Their daughter, Kim, and her husband teach in Baltimore County. Two grandchildren keep them busy watching soccer, lacrosse and wrestling. Their son, **Gil '86**, teaches at Towson High, and coaches indoor and outdoor track and cross country. He and his wife recently moved into Rodgers Forge. Gil and Nancy still see **Shirley Rickards '55** and "Skitch" Henderson, **Mike Rentko**, **Dwight Scott**, and **Ginny Tull '57** and **Charlie Phipps**. Gil ended with this: "I had a great time at our reunion and would like to help with our next one." **Asby Collins**, take note, please.

Janet Wagner Taylor and her husband, Richard, are one of the couples who renewed their wedding vows on June 4, 1995 in Little Baker Chapel where they were married on September 7, 1957. Janet wrote that she had the thrill of her life when she was able to be present at the birth of her newest grandchild, Richard Chapman Hall, Jr., born to her daughter, Jane on January 21, 1995. Also, Janet and Richard thoroughly recommend the Elderhostel experience! The last one they attended at Shaker Village, Pleasant Hill, Ky. was just great!

Ed Shattuck and his wife Shirley continue to enjoy Ed's semi-retirement. Ed retired as a microbiologist in 1992, but the tax preparation business continues full tilt. Both are active in the local food pantry which serves ever increasing numbers of people: the local church, as well as the District and Conference. Their older son, wife and two children have moved to Huntsville, Ala., and the younger son is in Boulder, Colo., so more travel is planned.

Mary-Ellen Earl Perry continues to enjoy her work as curator of Textiles and Art (new title) at The Strong Museum. She would be happy to give a tour of the museum to any who are in the area. "Rochester has a nice Lilac Festival in May. Why not come and take advantage of both?" Mary-Ellen lives in Walworth, N.Y.

Elmer Richards retired in 1990 from Westinghouse after more than 30 years. He and Lorraine celebrated their 40th anniversary in March. Their favorite trip since retirement was to New Orleans with a side trip to Elmer's hometown of Monroe. He is planning to attend two family reunions in Texas this summer, as well as the 50th reunion of Forest Park High Class of 1945 in Baltimore.

Jo Althouse Hulse's main news is still the excitement of her job as assistant to the General Director of the Opera Company of Philadelphia. Dealing with internationally renowned singers, she is "immersed daily in the intricacies of putting together first-class opera productions, which are selling out, in Philadelphia's historic Academy of Music. The Company won Philadelphia's 'Arts Excellence Award' last year."

Jim Voss continues with his responsibility to administer Federal Farm Programs in Maryland for Bill Clinton. An unexpected, and busy, short-term responsibility came his way shortly after the election in November, 1994. Parris Glendening asked Jim to serve on his 12-member transition executive committee to offer advice and oversight in putting together his administration for Maryland state government. "Pretty heavy activity for a little over two months, but a challenging and enlightening experience. In spite of what many have been encouraged to believe, there are still outstanding people in the private sector, and in public administration, who want to assume leadership roles and to prove that government can be effective," he reports. He enjoys two granddaughters and spends family time between Denton and Bethany Beach. Jim and Nancy **Caskey '54** have been married 40 years.

Ray Stevenson lives in Marion, Ohio and doesn't anticipate a change of residence in the near future. He is vice president of human resources for the Mining and Specialty Equipment Division of INDRESCO Inc. and was making plans to retire as of May 1. "Golf is my passion. Little did I know when **Mike Rentko** and I decided to teach ourselves to play golf back in 1952 at the WMC links, I was exposing myself to a disease that would haunt me all my life. I think Mike is also suffering." Ray and his wife Lorraine have three sons living in New Jersey, Ohio, and Illinois.

Bill Shoemaker is enjoying a career with AT&T Corp. procuring and contracting for corporate software licenses. He is involved in preserving railroad history documentation arti-

facts, restoration and operation of rail-road vintage equipment and railroad excursions of contemporary and historic significance. He also bicycles locally and participates in various sponsored bike tours and races in the Eastern U.S. Bill lives in Greensboro, N.C.

Marian Martin and John Hall '57 are "professional travelers on a teacher's income." They have traveled to Japan, Philippines, Europe, Singapore, South America, Alaska, Canada, and most of the U.S. and elsewhere! "We're having a grand time! We have seven grandchildren, John is retired, and I will retire from teaching in June 1994 of this year, but I will keep running a piano studio and teach at Beth Tiflosh summer camp for the fifth year. P.S. We've been caught at sea in two hurricanes!"

Three cards that arrived too late to put in this year's class news were from: **Ruth "Rudy" Lee Roberts** who reported a third grandchild and that she and her husband, Allen are both retired.

Tom Dryden has moved to Orlando after retiring from Rohm and Hass Co. in Philadelphia. He and his wife, Leah have two sons, John, a University of Florida graduate who works for Florida-Marietta in Orlando, Fla.; and Jeff, a 1990 Georgia Tech graduate who is pursuing an academic master's in the theology at Covenant Seminary in St. Louis.

Mike Rentko had knee surgery and was "making a remarkable recovery."

Ginny Bond Norwood retired on February 1, 1995 after 41 years with the Carroll County Board of Education. She was a teacher, librarian, and media specialist for 31 years, and substituted for 10 years in the Mt. Airy schools. She loves being retired and free from the school schedule. Her son Richard is a band director for Randolph Co. public schools in Elkins, W.Va. Her daughter, Barbara and husband live in Odessa, Texas where she teaches music in a year-round school. Ginny has two little grandchildren.

Ted Samakouris is semi-retired! He and Esther are making the rounds visiting their four daughters and 10 grandchildren. They are planning to visit Greece for seven weeks to celebrate Ted's mother's 100th birthday. They will stay in the house that Ted's father built in 1910.

It was delightful to hear from **Dee Friedrich Aliff**. She wrote "I missed the last reunion because of terrible back pain. I had extensive back surgery in August of '93 and now I am pain free! My husband, Larry, who retired in February '94 and I have traveled to Florida, California, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, North Carolina and Massachusetts. We will go to England and Ireland in May. It is so wonderful to be able to walk comfortably and at last to travel!" They live in Raleigh, N.C. Daughter Nancy and her husband live in Massa-

chusetts. "More traveling ahead" since Dee and Larry live in Haddonfield, N.J.

A public relations release from Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Ga. gave us news that President **Donald Stanton** has been elected chairman of the board for the University Center in Georgia. Founded in 1938, the University Center in Georgia is a consortium of 19 public and private colleges and universities which make the Atlanta/Athens community a national education center. Don's new responsibilities include chairing the board's executive committee, the regular board meetings and advisory council. He will serve as chairman through the 1995-1996 school year. Your classmates at WMC are proud of you, Don!

Dick Hockstein, who lives in Cheltenham, Pa., retired from active medical practice in January after 37 years as a generalist. He has been married for 37 years and has three children. His son is a physician in Washington, D.C. and has two little ones. His two daughters work in the legal field in Philadelphia. He plans to work two days per week as a consultant for five months each year and hopes to spend the rest of the year in Florida with his wife.

Nancy McMath Clayton and John enjoyed a wonderful trip to London during Christmas week of last year with members of "The Chorus of the Chesapeake." John sings with them as well as the Harford County Chapter of Barbershopers. They took their son to Ft. Carson, Colo. for his next tour of duty and continued west to visit their youngest daughter and her family in Seattle, Wash.

Barbara Long Craig wrote "1994 was a big year for my husband, Lee, and me. In June we celebrated our 40th, in July our oldest son and family returned from the mission field in Thailand and our three children gave us a party. It was the first time that our whole family had been together in 10 years! Our seven grandchildren got to meet each other, many for the first time. In December, our son Howard, the missionary, and his family spent their first state Christmas with us."

Jeanne Weigle Dyke and Julie '50 are thoroughly enjoying retirement in the hills and lakes of Arkansas. They have done lots of traveling in the States, and have time now for some favorite things like stained glass, sewing, tennis, golf and grandchildren in Pine Bluff and Kansas.

My WMC roommate, **Estelle Zies Edwards** who lives in St. James, N.Y. on Long Island, wrote that now she is a semi-retired librarian working a 10-hour week. "I love the freedom to do other things from lunch to Bread for the World committee meetings to work for Planned Parenthood. Bill is still very much a full-time minister, and our three grown children are living along the East Coast from Ithaca to Princeton to Philadelphia."

Lillian Topalian Dalton and her husband, John, had a wonderful 10-day trip to Mexico. They enjoyed

the Yucatan ruins, the sunny beaches and the cuisine. Next comes their son's long-awaited graduation from Columbia Medical College in May. Their daughter, Irene, was married in Rockville in September '94 and many WMC friends and sorority sisters were in attendance. Irene lives in Atlanta and is working on her Ph.D. in clinical psychology.

Claud Ashcraft wrote a letter from Palestine, Texas. He was back on the WMC campus last fall to participate in the Top of the Hill program. While in the East, he visited his younger son and his wife and grandson in Clarion, Pa. Since the death of his wife in 1991, Claud has been "too engulfed in a big old house and if all goes well this summer, I will sell and move to Seattle, Wash. where I spent several years of my youth and where my oldest son and his wife and two daughters live." He is looking forward to our 50th in the year 2003!

Jack Urion and his wife stay very active, he says. They visited Disney World with their daughter and her family in January, spent a week in Branson, Mo. enjoying country music, vacationed in the Bahamas, and went to Germany for the fourth time in three years to visit another daughter. Somehow, he finds time to work, because he says he is still not retired!

Nancy Wagner Phillips continues to work at Prince Georges Hospital Center and is counting the days 'til retirement. She has two new grandchildren (10 months and 17 months) that really keep her stepping in her spare time. She is a moderator of the Women's group at her Presbyterian church and is active in A.A.U.W. Nancy stays fit with aerobics and line dancing classes.

Tom Page has just retired after 30 years with NASA. In May he was to take part in the U.S. National Senior Sports Classic V in San Antonio, Texas where 8,000 participants were expected. Tom and his wife had an enjoyable ski trip with the Goddard Space Flight Center Ski Club at Banff, Canada before his retirement in March.

Karin Nowack wrote that she is still working full-time doing clinical work in Hagerstown, Md. "I hope to build up more of a private practice so I can semi-retire one of these years." Tom's age she was licensed in the Benzeiger Whole Brain Thinking Styles assessment and has been giving workshops. Son David and his family are still in Germany with the U.S. Army, daughter Laura is living across the Potomac in West Virginia. She spends time with friends, family, gardening and church and does some painting.

Ruth Cahlander Marmel and Bev Warner Hensler and she get together regularly.

Patty Ray Guckes still lives in Huntington Valley, Pa. but she and her husband, Jim, spend most of their time in Ocean City, N.J. where she planned to have a show of her large paintings at "Renior's Nephew." She was to teach a course in acrylics at The Ocean City Art Center starting May 15. Patty's miniature paintings are still being shown at the Hagley Miniatures Museum in Wilmington, Del. Her show last year was a great success!

Nell Hughes Ogden had news of the "ultimate Christmas present" her daughter, Polly, as a surrogate mother for close friends of her and her husband, Tom, gave birth to triplets—identical twin girls and a little boy, all weighing about 5 pounds each! Polly has two children of her own so this was indeed a gift of love...Nell and Bill had just returned from a fabulous two-week vacation in Hawaii. They had originally planned to go earlier, but Nell had to have major surgery at the end of January. She wrote "It was worth the wait; we loved it!" The trip included a raft trip along the Kona Coast, sailing on a catamaran to Lanai, experiencing "the whale watch," and snorkeling in calm harbors.

Pat Spessard Witmer suffered a heart attack in June of '94 and had angioplasty for a 99 percent blockage. She was home for just two weeks, when her husband became ill and had to have his 5-12-year-old bypass grafts renewed. "We have survived!" Pat wrote "and on the plus side also, a new grandchild in May of last year makes a total of four of the world's greatest grandchildren."

A chance meeting in the supermarket in January gave two of us "old pals" a wonderful renewal of our friendship and I ended up taking a course at Notre Dame here in Baltimore with the most enjoyable of teachers—**Betty Walter**! The college has a Renaissance program for "enrichment of those nearing or at retirement age." Betty's thought-provoking and stimulating course was on writing memory pictures of our past to pass on to our descendants. Having taught for many moons at Towson High School, Bet really got us "moving right along." This spring she appeared in a Vagabond Theater production, *Light Up the Sky*.

As my last bit of news, I want to tell you about the heart-warming visit **Barbara Winters Lambert** and I had at the end of April with Dr. Allen Macdonald and Glen Ashburn. Those two grand gentlemen treated us to lunch at Rudy's in Finksburg and all the many years rolled back as we laughed and reminisced about college life during our all-too-brief four years on "the Hill." Dr. Mac, forever so young at heart, still has his "puckish" sense of humor! My tennis buddy, Glen, is still down-to-earth and unassuming, even as Dr. Ashburn, chair emeritus of the Sociology Department. They walked together in their last Professional, retiring at this year's commencement from careers in academia. What they each have planned in the

future doesn't sound as though they are ready to rest on their laurels!

"The Hill" was beautiful, as we remember it in the spring. In the 40-plus years since we've left the campus, much has happened to us. Aside from the happiness of marriages and children and grandchildren, many of us have lost spouses, children, and one or both parents. Many of our dear classmates have died and many of us have experienced serious illnesses, so all the more reason for us to remember and continue to live with "gusto" our WMC motto: CARPE DIEM! Sally Fisher Cartwright 226 Brackenwood court Timonium, MD 21093

54 The class of '54 salutes **Tom Douglass** who announced the birth of Forrest Patrick, born on May 22, 1995. Tom's son Matt is a math professor at North Texas University, David is a teacher and Suzy works at the University of Iowa. Tom is enjoying retirement and at-home fatherhood with Alex, 4, and the new baby.

George Antonas retired as a teacher, coach, department chair and athletic director at Patapsco High School in Baltimore. In 1993 he became a grandfather to Gabriella and 10 days later his other daughter presented him with twins, Paul and George.

Donna DeCourcy Connors has had two successful by-pass surgeries and is still teaching at community college. Her daughter, Erin, lives in Taneysville, MD, and Stephanie lives in West Virginia. Donna has a grandson, Jared, 10.

Patricia Fecho Hart and Walt '52 moved in August to the Myrtle Beach, S.C. area. They will be living in a private golf community just steps from the course. Their daughter, Cindy, completed her Ph.D. in June and lives in Chicago. Everyone is welcome to visit them at 4590 Carriage Run Circle, Wachusett Plantation, Marrells Inlet, S.C. 29576.

Aileen "Lee" Gongloff Callender reports that since Clark '53 has retired after 41 years in the ministry, they have moved to their retirement home in South Seaville, N.J. Lee will be director of music at the North Wildwood United Methodist Church.

Nancy Caskey Voss is thoroughly enjoying retirement and her summer home in Bethany Beach, Del. She keeps busy with WMC, church activities and her granddaughters. Nancy reported to the college that **Lita Rollins Robinson** died on August 14, 1994, just two and a half months after attending our 40th reunion. Lita attended reunions frequently and always stayed for the Remembrance Ceremony. This year we will be remembering her. Our deepest sympathy is sent to her family and friends.

News also arrived that **Jane Collins Hill** died of cancer on January 6, 1993. Jane was living in Golden, Colo.

Donald Lurie's dental practice in Parkton, Md., is active with a subspecialty in implantology which requires some teaching responsibilities. Don and his wife, Leslie, are busy with their three grandsons, 5, 3, and 1.

Joan Kellogg Patterson says that life in Farmington, Maine is wonderful. She sings with the community chorus, travels with the Chamber Choir and has acted with some community theater groups. The Pattersons have their veterinary practice up for sale and are on the verge of retirement. In August all nine children and 22 grandchildren met in Maine for a family reunion.

The German translation of **Jane Hutchinson's** book, *Albrecht Dürer: Eine Biographie* was published in Frankfurt and is now on sale in bookstores and museums. Jane was invited to give one of the plenary lectures at the April meeting of the Paint County of America. She is now preparing her fourth volume for the Bartsch Series (reference works on old master prints) and co-authoring a survey of art history text. Jane was elected secretary/treasurer of Historians of Netherland Art, which is an international society.

Gwen Blohm Tisdale is still involved with Baltimore County Public School System. As a volunteer she chairs a number of committees. Her husband, Stan, teaches at Harford Community College.

Shirley Woodruff Hicks moved back to Tallahassee as a project secretary for the federally-funded deaf/blind assistance project for the state of Florida. Daughter Jeanne was married in April and is living in Jacksonville. Her youngest daughter, Lois, was a winner in this year's Artist's International Carnegie Hall Auditions. She will present a New York debut recital in January in the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie. Shirley enjoys being the organizer for a local Methodist church.

Dick and Doris Tuckwood '55 Linton continue to enjoy retired life in Sarasota, Fla. Bridge, cultural functions and various sports are top on their list of activities. In August they traveled to Norway. Friends are always welcome at their Florida home.

Charles "Chick" Silberstein's biggest news is that he bought a house in Rehoboth Beach, Del. and has become an avid seashore gardener. Since he retired as the Baltimore Orioles' orthopedist, he is now working 13 instead of 19 hours a day. Chick's patient load is now 70 percent orthopedic management of developmental disabilities and 30 percent medical problems. He still enjoys traveling to Western Maryland for pediatric clinics several times a year.

Retirement in Rockville, Md. is coming soon for **Betty Niemann Lohr** and husband Bob. They have five children and 12 grandchildren. Bob works in personnel at Applied Physics Lab and Betty has been a secretary/administrative assistant. She has also worked in the music field as organist, piano teacher, choir member, director and pianist. Her current music love is playing handbells.

Ava Ann Spears Vecchioni enjoys retirement on the Outer Banks, N.C. Ava and Peter love company and welcome WMC alumni. She asks that you call (919) 480-2305 to let her know when you will be visiting.

In July **Bill Harvey** began his 12th year as senior pastor at Church of the Savior United Methodist Church in Canton, Ohio. He led a group of eight to Africa University, Zimbabwe in August. His church established an endowed scholarship there. Bill was elected to the North Central Jurisdictional Conference to be held in July 1996.

Jean Hendren Shaffer moved from Florida to Colorado in June. She is looking forward to cool weather and mountains instead of heat and fall terrain. Jean's sister lives in Boulder and her mother is in a nice nursing home nearby.

Carol Bauer Shattuck was sorry to miss our reunion. Son Chris is attending his freshman year at Guilford College in Greensboro, N.C. and Marcey is going into 10th grade. Husband Bill is still full time at National Public Radio. Carol is in the midst of a massive reorganization project in her home in Potomac, Md. She wants to know if there is life after children.

Barbara Plasket Toman and Ed '52 are both retired and looking forward to some pleasant trips around the U.S. She enjoys seeing classmates and catching up at our reunion.

Though **Adeline Allen Parker** says nothing is new in Bellevue, Wash. she sends a warm hello to all.

Patricia "Patsy" Herman Douglas says Jim has retired but she is still teaching pre-school. Her 95-year-old mother is doing well and lives with them in Rockville, Md.

Lois Cermak Runnels also has her mother living with her. She resides at Bethany Beach, Del. during the summer and looks forward to the grandchildren's visit in July.

In January **Richard Titlow** retired from the federal government after 40 years. He has been busy traveling and catching up on home maintenance in Bethesda, Md. He returns to WMC for the January '96 term to teach another course on the history of Japan. His wife, Tove, continues at the Federal Aviation Agency. Son Christian is a research scientist at Harvard and daughter Karen is a physical therapist in Washington, D.C.

David "Nick" Gwynn is looking forward to retirement in '97. Nick and Lucille live in Upper Marlboro, Md.

The past year **David Hottenstein's** travels included Florida, Duck, N.C. and the Greenbrier in West Virginia for their anniversary celebration. Janu-

ary will find them at the Panama Canal.

Robert "Spike" Dennie enjoyed a summer visit from his grandchildren, ages 2, 5, and 9. His daughter and son-in-law are involved in Teen Challenge and Four-square Church. Spike's son and daughter-in-law are with Youth for Christ. **Charles and Charlotte Davis '56** Wheatley spent a week last December with Spike and Sandra in Bradenton, Fla.

As Cubic Corporations' chief scientist, **Joe Ravisini** is still working hard and traveling around the world. Joe has put aside golf and skiing for the next few years until they can be done with full dedication and not the sporadic interludes that work allows. Joe and Liz are enjoying six grandchildren who arrive frequently in San Diego for visits. Joe talked with **Jim Toney '55** after the Kobe earthquake and found out that they had been in Tokyo at the time, but were dealing with home and office damage.

Nancy Ann Bayliss Fogler writes that she very much enjoyed our 40th reunion. Nancy and **Lon '55** have traveled to Myrtle Beach, Hollywood, Fla., the Outer Banks, Quebec's Sheep Dog Trials and New England and Nova Scotia. Nancy says that traveling is much more fun since Lon retired. She is thinking of resuming the more leisurely life style of creative and community services in the near future. When in New England their son, Clay, and family joined them.

In a Christmas letter **Shirley Jefferys Strong** announced the birth of her first grandchild, Anna Marie. Shirley had long since replacement surgery on her left leg in '74. Since her left leg had been doing much of the work for 60 some years it became crippled with arthritis. She has been working for 17 years for Goodwill Industries and is looking forward to retirement.

Things are great in Tyler, Texas according to **Betty Wale Dalhoff**, who is still working as a middle school librarian. Betty and her husband, Frank, will retire at the end of '96. They have been busy building a retirement home on Lake Fort, which is about 50 miles north of Tyler. Daughter Kathy is a nurse and son Mark has just opened a business, Wrap-It-Up. Their three grandchildren keep them active and young at heart.

I am more than happy to report writer's cramp after the wonderful response to my post cards. **Ernie '50** and I had an unusually rip-packed year which included Rancho Bernardo, Calif., Marco Island, Fla. and Ireland. We are now in the throes of renovation and an addition to our home in Towson, Md. I am thinking about writing a book about survival. Loved hearing from each and everyone of you. Till next time—God bless.

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58 Mary Frances William Earhart and Fred Brown '47 continue to enjoy their villa in Florida during the winter months.

They took a week cruise to the Panama Canal in April, via Aruba, Cartagena, San Blas Islands and Curaçao. Upon arrival home, they became ill with a flu-like virus and it seemed forever to get rid of the bug. In early May they returned to their summer home in Maryland to start planting flower beds and see family and old friends missed while in Florida.

Natalie Warfield and Dick '59 Palmer continue to enjoy their 200-year-old home west of Frederick, Md. Natalie's antique business, "The Glendale Collection" is doing well and she has dug three baskets of shards and artifacts, which is very exciting.

Clarence "Jack" and Malinda Burgess '61 Fossett visited recently, as did Ardie and **Jan Lambertson Hort**. Their children and their families remain in Texas but Natalie and Dick did make their annual Christmas visit. They continue to love life in Middletown, and are having fun exploring the area. Dick continues as the Director of Economic Development for Hagerstown and Washington County. He does a great deal of public speaking and enjoys his work.

Nancy Lindsay Beideman is in her 19th year working for government contractors. Now she is with Lockheed Martin, but is starting to think about retirement. She continues to enjoy reading, music and her children.

Dan Miles and his wife, Jean, are planning a really big 40th wedding anniversary celebration! "And they said it wouldn't last!"

Gertrude Powell celebrated her 81st birthday on Easter Sunday. She believes she is the oldest member of the class of '58. Her fourth grandson graduated from the University of Michigan this year. She and her husband don't travel much these days but are in relatively good health for octogenarians. In the closing line of her note she wrote: "Thanks to WMC for letting an old woman wish her college work in '58."

Billye and Tony Sarbanes moved into a new home in July, 1994. Tony ran in the general election for County Council, but lost by 63 votes—"perhaps that was a signal!" He is the director of Business Development for George, Mills, and Buhr Architects and Engineers. Billye is running her own business and is active in the community. Their daughter is teaching kindergarten in northern Virginia, while their son, who lives in Delaware, entered law school in August.

Wray Mowbray completed his annual wilderness trip along the Snake River in Idaho. He also has completed his solo and cross-country requirement for a private pilot's license.

Patty Krell Yates remains semi-retired, although she does do part-time consulting for various local social service agencies. She spends a lot of volunteer time with the Washington Humane Society helping get cats and

dogs adopted. "Please, all classmates: spray and neuter your animals!" Her latest trip was a three-week trek via train and boat from the east coast of southern India to the west coast, and back.

Dick Brawley accepted a managerial position with American Properties, a fairly new real estate firm in Eldersburg, Md. At the '94 Alumni Day, he had a great time playing golf with some of the '57-'58 WMC golf team—**Pete Urquhart, Andy Urquhart '59 and Gene Miolen '59**. He even got a few dollars from Andy in the process.

Ron Glaeser continues to live in Anchorage, Alaska. He enjoys his orthodontic practice, fly fishing, floating rivers, snowmobiling, yoga and Mexico.

John Hort remains retired and is still trying to win the lottery. He continues to do volunteer work for the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service. He has done some camping in South Dakota, Montana, and Wyoming.

Gloria and Roger Schelm traveled to Alaska in June 1994 aboard a 99-foot-long catamaran out of Seattle, Wash. In October, 1994 they took a 12-day tour of Portugal and in February toured the Keys of Florida, from Key West to Duck Key. Their youngest daughter, Ginger, was married in September, 1994.

Richard Davidson has learned that his lymphoma has returned, "No treatment planned—"The Lord is in control." Our best wishes to you, Richard. His son and family returned to Pennsylvania in May, as he joined the staff at Hershey Medical Center.

Don and Gail Mercy Getz remain in Pennsylvania. Gail is still enjoying working on county historical society projects and is doing some writing on local historical subjects of interest. She recently had a short pictorial article published in the Spring issue of *Common Ground*, a regional magazine of the Juniata Valley. She enjoyed attending the annual meeting of the Costume Society in Detroit, and the Bethany gang get-together in April. Don is still in the barrel business. They have had pretty good luck health-wise this year and are enjoying their two grandchildren.

Everett Fesder wrote "same old stuff, different day." I'm a retired Baltimore County schoolteacher, active in church, condo in Ocean City, no wife, no children, no dog, no plantation in Jamaica, etc." He enjoys reading *The Hill* and looks forward to each edition.

Mary Hotchkiss Miller continues as executive secretary of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship. She coordinated the whole Episcopal Church's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II. Ron is associate

rector of St. James Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square, Baltimore. He's secretary of the coalition to Empower Harlem Park, the community organization responsible for administering federal "empowerment zone" grants in that part of the city. In his spare time, he is a member of the Baltimore Symphony chorus. Their son, Tim, is a sophomore at William and Mary.

Buzz Lambert continues as principal of the Westminster Middle School, two blocks from the WMC campus. He is in his 37th year with the system. In April, Buzz was inducted into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame. Buzz and his wife, Ginie, raise Angus beef cattle on their Runnymede Farm west of the college.

Anne Acree and Kenneth "Casey" Day '59 are enjoying retirement and their grandchildren. Volunteer work is keeping them very busy. They have made many new friends and are enjoying the beautiful area. They attended their first "Elderhostel" in April.

Vi Fonner Carrick went skiing every week this past winter at White-tail, the newest resort near Mercersburg, Pa. "At 60 I think that's quite an accomplishment!" She continues to write the Bethany Beach newsletter for those who head to that beautiful seaside village every year.

Mary Love Wallace is working as church secretary/administrator for four congregations of different cultures, but the same denomination, that meet in one church building. It is really a challenge. Two of their three sons are married and they have two grandsons.

Bob and Marsha Reifsnnyder '59 McCormick have lived in Santa Fe, N.M. for almost 30 years doing their "Mom and Pop" practice of medicine in changing times. Bob took his family practice boards in July. Their son is a lawyer working with a business group under contract to the Navajo tribe in Arizona.

Ray and Arlene MacVicker '61 Wright became grandparents in October, 1994 when their daughter and son-in-law presented them with a grandson. Their eldest son was recently married in Tyler, Texas and their youngest son will graduate next year from Elon College in North Carolina. Following that, they will think about retiring to their cabin in West Virginia. Ray continues as Director of Budget Analysis at the Maryland Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning and was recently elected to the executive committee of the National Association of State Budget Officers. Arlene is the pupil personnel worker for Queen Anne's County Board of Education.

Dave Harper was granted "Fellow" status with the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and has received certification with the Connecticut Counseling Association. He and Linda had a great time at our 35th reunion and are looking forward to '98 and our 40th.

Fred Stonestifer continues to enjoy retirement. His weekend horse farm has now become his full-time resi-

dence and he is enjoying life in the country and racing his Appaloosa horses in Oklahoma.

Ardy Campbell Darlington is still working for Aging-Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. She travels frequently, and was in California earlier in the year to visit her daughter. She went to Arizona in February and recently returned from a European trip.

Florie Willis and Bill '55 Binestefee have spent the past year in building their "last home, as in everything you ever wanted in a home, in exactly the location you wanted to be!" They spent seven years working with engineers, architects and Howard County to get it all done their way. Now they can sit back and relax and enjoy the view around them. Florie and Bill recently welcomed their fourth grandchild. Florie is still in real estate and Bill is a food broker.

Jean Lambertson Hort has been in the Washington area for the past six years. The first two years were spent working for the Air Force, and the last four have been with the Navy. She is now director of the Navy Department Library, one of the oldest federal libraries. Jean became a grandma in September—Bradley is adorable.

Jane Roeder and Jack Anderson took several nice trips in 1994, and then Jack had a trip-of-a-lifetime in October and November when he traveled to Mongolia to visit their son who was on a temporary project there. Jack would love to talk about Mongolia to any interested parties.

Dick Gardiner enjoyed a trip to England and Scotland with **Jim Lightner '59, Ray Stevens, WMC** students and their oldest son. He recently attended an International Dwarf Tree Conference with their youngest son who continues to manage the farm, with approximately 7,000 dwarf apple trees. Dick, in order to keep in touch with the academic world, recently contributed to an article, "Memories of Ralph Tyler," published in the winter '95 *Curriculum Teachers Newsletter*, Vol. 9 No. 1. Fran continues as organizer for the First Presbyterian Church of Troy and her work with Habitat for Humanity.

John Coolahan retired from the District Court of Maryland as an associate judge in 1994, and he and Joanna headed south for the winter.

Our condolences to the family of **Hugh Correll** who died December 28, 1994.

In February, Herb and I took care of our darling grandchildren, visiting from Texas, age 4, 2, and 1, for five days while our daughter-in-law Chris attended a convention in Anaheim. We had a grand time, but were glad to see bedtime come so that we could collapse quietly to gear up for another day of activity.

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It was wonderful to hear from so many of you. Travel, retirement and grandchildren seem to be our main interests.

Betty Edington Haworth writes from Jupiter, Fla. where they have been for the past 12 years. Her daughter has just received a Ph.D. in music education from the University of Florida. Her son lives in the Washington area with his family.

Joe Shilling has retired after 34 years in education including three as state superintendent of schools in Maryland. He and his wife live on Kent Island. Their youngest of seven children will be a junior at UMBC. They enjoy their five grandchildren and he says that they had almost forgotten how "wonderful" the "terrible threes" can be.

A trip to France, two granddaughters and a volunteer work at church keep **Kitty Bond Allen** busy. She also continues to work as the administrative assistant to the dean of the Peabody Conservatory.

Jim Lightner made his 10th study tour to England with **Ray Stevens '58** in January. He is involved in many campus activities in addition to his teaching and advising responsibilities. He is currently working with the College's long range plan.

Phyllis Emily Renner and her husband traveled more than 7,600 miles touring the Canadian Rockies and several U.S. national parks. They are both semi-retired and enjoy the 15 grandchildren in their combined families.

Karen Helbig Whiteside is still teaching music. Her daughter was married on July 8, her 34th wedding anniversary. Karen's husband recently became chairman of the Howard County General Hospital Board of Trustees.

Salmon fishing in the Kenai Peninsula of Alaska was the destination of **Marianne Shears Poston** and her husband this past summer. They are both attorneys in Tucson. One of their sons is a second-year law student and the other is working on a research project at home.

Ginni Pott Braunwarth and her husband live in Summit, N.J. and continue to be very active in church, doing all kinds of volunteer work. Their son and his family live nearby and they enjoy seeing their granddaughter. Daughter Sue was recently married.

Don D'Angelo and his wife went on a combined land and sea cruise to Alaska in June. Don has completed his first CD titled *Baroque Music for Trumpet*. He has copies available if you are interested. He also writes that his son is busy with his own software company and that his daughter was to enter medical school in Stanford in the fall of '95. They live in Sunnyside, Calif.

Dick Palmer is the director of economic development for Washington County and Hagerstown. He and Natalie Warfield '58 enjoy living in Middletown where they are avid gardeners and has opened a small

antique business. Their three grandchildren continue to live in Texas.

Eileen Richmond Sauerbrey is, of course, familiar to all as the Republican candidate for governor of Maryland in the last election. After losing a challenge to the results of that election, she began a new career in February as a talk-show host on WBAL radio. She currently is chairing the Maryland-Gramm for President campaign. In her spare time, she and her husband plan to continue the renovation of her pre-Civil War house.

In his second year of retirement, **Warren Schwartz** writes that skiing and golfing vacations are taking up his time. He still coaches football at City College and is doing some volunteer work. He and his wife are planning to go to the World Figure Skating Championships in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada in March 1996.

Ron Litto and his daughter, Alyssa, are now in dental practice together in Cherry Hill, N.J. She received her D.M.D. from Temple University in May.

Ann Hisley Soliman writes from Egypt where she and her husband live. They spend weekends at their vacation place between the Red Sea and the Mediterranean. Their daughter, **Nora '92**, is working in an international consulting firm and their other daughter, **Dina '91**, is working on her master's in elementary education.

It was nice to hear from **Elaine Bartley Wells**. Her husband has been ill but she hopes that all will be well by our next column.

George Schaeffer is living in Westminster where he is active in the AARP, the Shrine and the Republican Party. He recently went to Arizona and Palm Springs. He really enjoys traveling but that that nothing looks as good as the lights on "the Hill" when he returns, especially the lights of Baker Chapel.

Allen and Eileen Galvin Gilmore are living in Keene, N.Y. where he is co-director of the Good Samaritan Counseling Center and she is the administrative assistant of a retirement center. Their older son, Mark, is a Ph.D. candidate in plasma physics at UCLA and was married this past summer. His wife is a doctoral candidate at the California School of Professional Psychology. Al and Eileen's younger son, Jonathan, works as a senior counselor with severely troubled adjudicated delinquent youths at the Eckerd Family Foundation youth program in the Okaloosa National Forest in Florida.

Sue Fulford McAdams and her husband have retired and moved to Mandeville, La. which is across the lake from New Orleans. They expect to do some traveling to see their son, Bill, who recently married and is living in Austin. Their daughter and two grandchildren live in Houston, and their son, John, lives in Alameda, Calif.

Another of us who loves retirement is **Dorothy Gross Grim** who is living in Lake Granbury, Texas. She broke her ankle in February and had a very long recovery which really curtailed her activities. They recently purchased a jet-ski which they love.

Sherry Phelps Jackson retired after 21 years of teaching. She was honored by being listed in the '94 edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. She is enjoying all her "free" time by visiting her seven grandchildren, reading, gardening, quilting, antiquing and traveling. She is now planning a trip to visit her son Michael, a major in the Army, stationed in Darmstadt, Germany with his wife and two children. She's sorry she missed the last reunion but says she'll be at the next one.

Bob Fothergill and his wife, **Lou Clark '58**, are living in Colonial Heights, Va. She has retired as an elementary school principal after 31 years in public education. Bob plans on staying in the purchasing business for a few more years. Their two children and three grandchildren live nearby. He says their doors are always open to WMC friends who are traveling I-95 into Virginia.

Pat Cooper McCoy and her husband live in Las Cruces, N.M. where she is a counselor at New Mexico State University and he is teaching in the computer science department. She says that the lure of a move back East becomes stronger every year as their children and two grandchildren live here, one in Birmingham, one in Delaware, one in Gaithersburg, and another in our area.

"Buenos Dias" is the greeting from **Bruce and Melba Nelms Lee** who continue to live in Mexico City where Bruce works for IBM Mexico. Melba says that a whole page would be needed for all the recent adventures of the Lee clan. She has become the family jet-setter with numerous trips to California, Texas, Maryland and Florida, visiting children, grandchildren and her mother. Their daughter Cheryl and her husband live in Novosibirsk, Siberia, where they are missionaries. One son lives in Tampa and their other son lives in Owings Mills. She invites any of us interested in a Mexican vacation to come visit them as Helen Twining and Ken Kadlec did recently. When Bruce retires they plan to return to Tampa.

Sonja DeBey Alcon and her husband David continue their church and Masonic activities in Spring Grove, Pa. He retired three years ago and she may do so soon. They traveled to Reno and Alaska this past year and are planning a trip to visit their son and his wife in Germany and then travel to India with friends later this winter.

Gail Armstrong Petersen is living in Muscatine, Iowa where a hobby has developed into a cottage industry. She makes and hand-colors embossed cards, gift-tags, bookmarks and other paper items. She really enjoys it and says it's fun and rewarding.

Eva Lallas retired three years ago and lives in Kingsville, Md. She trav-

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eled to Glacier National Park and Canada and also to Greece. She was involved in **Ellen Richmond Sauerbrey's** gubernatorial campaign and subsequent challenge.

During the second of three sub-annual segments from his position in Seattle, **Manfred Joeres** and his wife made another European trip last March. He stayed near Moscow and presented a paper in St. Petersburg as the guest of the Independent Psychiatric Association of the Russian Federation on his work in a health maintenance organization. Then a stop in Germany to visit his mother and friends, and then on to Paris and the Loire Valley. He also attended a conference on the French medical system in Nantes, which they were treated to a number of social and cultural events. Back home, one son moved away from home and another moved back while continuing his pre-med courses at Evergreen State College. Another son lives in Seattle and is a childcare worker while preparing to return to college. Manfred expects changes in his work as he leaves hospital treatment to concentrate on outpatients. A move to a new clinic was a bright spot as now all his co-workers are under one roof.

We have been continuing our travels. During the summer of '94 we went to Germany, Austria and Eastern Europe, visiting Prague and Budapest. While in Budapest, we met parents of present and former students of mine who showed us many of the fascinating sights of that lovely city. This past summer, we spent three weeks in Italy, seeing many of the beautiful cities and spending time driving through Tuscany. Our older son, John, is working and plans to be married in August 1996. Our other son, Mark, is a foreign service officer with the State Department and his first overseas assignment is London. I'm sure you can guess where we'll travel next! Our daughter, Mary Beth, has finished her second year working with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, living most recently in Mobile, Ala. where she did social intake work at Catholic Social Services. She is now living at home working with autistic children as an instructional assistant in Montgomery County Schools and plans to go to graduate school. Dan and I are still working, he as principal of St. Bartholomew's School in Bethesda, and I teach English as a second language in a Montgomery County school which has children from about 35 different countries who speak about 20 different languages. It is a wonderful job which I really enjoy. Please let me know all your news!

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63 Our 25th reunion established a scholarship fund that serves to memorialize members of the Class of 1963. It provides scholarships to students who demonstrate academic excellence. We've received correspondence from President Robert Chambers thanking us for our generosity and noting the recipients' backgrounds. Most recently our class assisted **Jennifer Myers '95**, a graduate of Westminster High School. She majored in psychology with a minor in elementary education. Janice represented the class at an endowed scholarship brunch, April 23.

For those whose mental acuity permits, you'll recall we congratulated **Otto Guenther** for achieving the rank of Major General. We're prouder than ever to tell you that Otto has now attained the rank of Lieutenant General (three stars) and with it an appointment as Director of Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications and Computers in the Office of the Secretary of the Army in Washington, D.C.

Marsha Gellar Berman was cited as one of nine Howard County, Md. business owners and government officials honored for their commitment to equal business opportunity. Marsha in particular was cited as the outstanding business owner of "Cover to Cover Books." Marsha reports that she and Perry, after putting five children through college, have finally decided on what they really want to do, Perry Publishing. More on that in a later column.

The better half of the "G-Ray" combination, **Janet Walker Gray** received Teacher of the Year for high school teachers in the Catholic Diocese of Central New Jersey.

Your secretaries sought "memorable moments" on "the Hill" and did you ever respond!!!! **Claudia Fretow Whitmore** says, "Eyesight has been going for years...hair is graying...don't move as fast as I used to...I still have my own teeth!" Claudia just can't remember anything else now that 35 years have passed and feels lucky to have been able to write the card.

On the other hand, **Wayne Whitmore** recalls he and **David Humphrey** returning to their dorm after assiduously applying their minds at Hoover Library. They recall walking down the sidewalk toward Daniel MacLea Hall and noticing lights on in their dorm room. "Boy were we surprised to find our fraternity brothers having a party and we weren't invited! We got 'reprimanded' and didn't even have fun."

Bob Manthey's vivid memory was the time when day students, faculty, administrators and staff all joined together to carry books from the old library to Hoover. Bob continues in his eightieth year as senior pastor of Calvary Church in downtown Frederick, Md. and was to serve three Welsh churches as part of a ministerial exchange during the summer of '95 when in Great Britain.

Ricky Jones's precise memory goes back to graduation day when he forgot his undergarment. Better yet, he recalls at finally receiving a letter for football after four years of third-string participation. We all take our hats off to Rick, who finally retired after 31 years of teaching in Prince George's County.

Mary Lee Nuttle James describes memorable moment No. 1 as the morning a group of WMCers dressed up like Audrey Hepburn, went downtown equipped with sunglasses, donuts, etc. and did "Breakfast at Tiffany's" act in front of a local jewelry store on Main Street Westminster ("really huh!!").

Dee Pettigrew Strickland can't remember 1963 but reminisces about her return to Baker Chapel in October of 1994. Dee was fortunate to have known **William "Sparky" Eaton '30** who generated her spark and love of teaching as he did for numerous other educators. We are sorry to report that Mike Eaton passed away.

Ginger Rumsey Ward sends a "montage" of memorable events as follows: Required chapel! Senior folies, Marianth's phone call home to Greece, basketball games, 8:00 a.m. Saturday classes, the library move, kindly professors and some fierce ones, glorious spring and fall on campus and my surprise reaction to Dr. Baile's endorsement of my Peace Corps application.

Peggy Reynolds reports her most memorable event as having occurred April 1 of this year when she married Vincent Arillo. **Eileen Wheedleton Bell**, her roommate, was in attendance and we all congratulate Peggy.

Howie Wagner's "most" moment was a basketball experience with Coach Clower. Team meeting at the beginning of each year found all players sitting in the bleachers ready for a lecture from "Tricky Dick" (Corky). Of course, the first person Dick picks on is "Little Howie." Coach wanted to know how Howie could play basketball and smoke cigarettes at the same time. "I was crushed. I couldn't believe he knew I was smoking. I never would forget the moment. Of course I wasn't the only one smoking at the time." Joanne and Howie continue their successful corporate service business in New York and Delaware.

John Warman's memories are so vivid we quote his letter in its entirety: "**Bill Sitter** once told me that when someone asks him a question he knows the answer to he speaks right up on account of he doesn't know when another question like that might come along. I have asked me just such a question. I remember my first and last moments on campus as a student. I remember seeing my sweet **Janet Prier '62** the first day of freshman week. I saw her for the first time within 30 feet of where my father saw my mother for the first time on their

first day on campus. I had dumped my worldly goods in the dorm. **Charley Snyder '62**, then a sophomore back early for freshman week, said, 'Let's go to the dining hall for lunch. I'm meeting my girlfriend.' I walked up with him and this pretty blonde approached. Charley said, 'Here's Janet now' and with that, Janet grabbed him in a headlock and walked off with him. When they broke up the first time, I asked her out for the first time. We wrote letters over the summer and have been together ever since. I remember the time between my senior year final exams and graduation as the most absolutely carefree days of my life. I had a wedding scheduled for late June and a job lined up to start in July. I was through with exams and had at least a week to wait for graduation. I had nothing I had to do but eat and sleep and hang around with friends—all the benefits of college life without the work. In between those two memories, I remember the year **Homan 'Hap' Kinsley** was recovering from his back operation. Hap had found some old wooden golf clubs from the days when the clubs had names like "madish" and "niblick" and "mushie niblick." He had polished them up so they looked good and those clubs were great. They were great for Hap because he could really hammer a golf ball with them. They were great for me because I could pretend that I really could have done well if the clubs hadn't been so old. I remember when our basketball team beat Mt. St. Mary's when the Mount had some horrendous winning streak going. It is still one of the most enjoyable nights of basketball I have ever seen. I thought about that game again when the Mount made it to the first round of the NCAA tournament.

Fran Bunnell Kirkman's (wife of **Hunter Kirkman '62**) most memorable moment came when she slid down "the Hill" from chapel to the football field on dining hall trays in a heavy snowstorm. Fran writes "You know when you do something like that at the time it isn't all that great but it always has been a real nice memory of a beautiful area and a beautiful time in my life."

David Selikowitz, G. Allen Jones and **Judith Reinhardt Lantz** all write in common. **Dan Allen, Judy, Jim Lomax '62** and **Eli Buckner '61** all write with David Selikowitz in Paris at one and/or different times. In fact, Allen proposes our 35th reunion in Paris so long as Dave can secure discounted rooms and airfares for all of us so start to save your pennies, we're serious about this Paris reunion. Let us know how you feel about the proposed location change. The Paris reunion is proposed for October of 1997 and the irresistible Mr. Selikowitz has reserved a ballroom at the Louvre for our first night dinner and the main drawing room at the Palace at Versailles for a formal dinner dance. Those of who are interested should respond to the class secretaries ASAP so that planning for this venture can proceed. (We're really serious!!)

Judy Lantz commented that moments on "the Hill" seem so far removed from *now!* "Hiding our Bermuda shorts under trench coats seems such a contrast to what comes into our living rooms on the evening news. Even eating dinner all at one time is a shocking event! Oh the simple life..."

Boyd Myers reports his 30th trip last year to the University of London for medical seminars there and in Prague and Budapest. Joyc treasures his moments, experiences, friendships and education at WMC.

Jerry Siegel reports that he and wife are still in York teaching at York College and that his book, *Business and Professional Writing* is now in its second edition.

Judy Callahan and Rich Klitzberg are residents of Boca Raton, Fla. and encourage visits from their many friends. Rich now has an office in Boca as well as Princeton, New Jersey. By the way, Rich is a member of the WMC Board of Trustees.

Joyce Brown Layman reports living at a new house for over eight years. Great news Joyce. Joyce continues her public work by giving tours to all who arrive at the Maryland Historical Society and works with the curatorial staff at Hampton National Historic Site in Towson, Md.

Jack Day is busy developing new managed primary health care clinics and recently spent a week with his father, **Rev. J. Wesley Day '31**, traveling to Louisiana and then to Washington.

Mariam Evans Corbett is in Mission Hills, Calif. managing information systems for IBM and reports not only it is fun being a grandmother but that her great grandmother, **Gloria Thornburgh Evans**, is a member of the Class of 1930.

Ray Wockley put a postcard through his computer with three-and-a-half point type that Janice and I had difficulty reading. We were able to discern that Ray's children and wife are successful and that Ray and his family had a fascinating experience in Russia and have returned safely. He invites all who are in Bethany Beach, Del. to spend some time at his summer home with him.

Sandy May Fitzgerald enjoys a unique experience in that she and her son teach "togetherness in the geography field and computerized cartography."

Jan Engle Ober MEA'73 couldn't think of a memorable event but did report that she, Alex and their youngest son were in Italy visiting their daughter.

Marsha Bendermeyer Irner, who has become a pastor in the Lutheran Church, has been installed as pastor of Atonement Lutheran Church in Onconia, N.Y.

Last, but not least, your reporters continue to get older and grayer. Keep the news coming.

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68 Time to grope around and find those leading glasses (or get longer arms) it's updating time for the front of the alphabet.

First to send in his card was **Al Feigelson**, whose firm now represents Nations Bank instead of MNB. In my 20 years of writing this column, this was the first time anyone ever sent the postage-paid postcard in a legal window envelope with its own stamp. Anyway, daughter Sherri is now at the University of Delaware but wants to transfer to Tulane. She's earned more A's than Al ever did.

Howard Goldberg is managing partner of Smith, Somerville and Case. Robin got married last year and is in her third year of law school, while Richard just began law school. Flash—Howard was spotted at Camden Yards by several members of the Class of '68. He was seen sitting near the famous celeb de jour Kato Kaelin, most likely serving as his counsel and/or personal bodyguard.

Harvey Broodno takes pride in the fact that WMC has never lost a nationally televised sports event, even before TV was invented. When Hary's not presiding as emperor of Wyoming, he handles interstate cases for the Philadelphia Probation Department and doing initial interviews.

Finances and difficulty in finding corner cabinets are forcing **Charlotte Hannemann Bennett** and family to sell their handsome hexagon house in French Lick, Ind. Charlotte is director of a small library in Kansas, Ill. plus she volunteers at a Head Start center and a GED tutoring program. Drew's going to college in the Fall, and Jake, 12, went to a gifted math and science program in Chicago last summer.

Sue Mason Kareiva reports that her ex-roomie, **Kaye McCoal Krebs** was in six different reunion concerts with her group, *The Pleistocene*. Several other 60's groups were there, too, including Bobby Vee. Every February for the last two years, Sue and some friends go to Puerto Vallarta for two weeks to chase dark, handsome men and soak up the sun.

Joanne DeBernardo Conlon and her best friend, Debbie, were on a "Thelma and Louise" adventure, hopefully without the sidearms and the final scene. They're exploring the pueblos of New Mexico and Arizona while escaping the tyranny of testosterone back home. So far they heard the sound of one hand clapping, re-named the May pole dance, and have redefined life in Jungian philosophy.

After being a single parent since 1982, **Ellen Reinhart Kidd** got engaged on Tennessee's highest peak last year and got married to Doug Izard this spring. They're moving up

to the D.C. area soon, with both girls at the University of Tennessee. Ellen's the vice president of a large health care system and Doug is dean of a school in Washington, D.C.

Bill Gibson continues to teach biology and human anatomy at South Carroll, while assisting the Westminster lacrosse team. Jonathan's developing into a great golfer and began the college search this season.

Nini Sloan is teaching 20-25 riding students. They're expecting as well—a foal and a litter of Dalmatians.

Barry Ellenberger is hoping to keep pace with son Dana, 13, at Philmont Scout Reservation this June. Candy and Beth, 11, are into Girl Scouts to keep pace. Barry's using his WMC chemistry background as a civilian contractor for Uncle Sam.

Holding a title in need of some PR work is **Tom Fowler**—he's manager of Corrosion for South Jersey Gas Co. Amy is assistant field hockey coach at Dartmouth while Jen is a communications major at Trenton State, where she's president of Lambda Pi Eta, an honor communications fraternity.

Janet Martin Kelly and Bill are teaching in Carroll County. Janet's teaching English at Westminster High School and enjoys the occasional student teacher from WMC. Jennifer's a senior at Frostburg and Kathryn's a junior at Randolph-Macon Women's College.

The **Evlers** enjoy living in the Hill County of central Texas, where John is president/CEO of Seton Health Plan and director of Seton's physician/hospital network. Wife Mescal is executive editor of secondary language arts for Holt, Rinehart Winston. John invites anyone near the area in for some Texas hospitality and rattlesnake chili.

Linda's back with a letter, minus her last name. She's working for the USMC at the MCTSSA, Camp Pendleton. Call **Barry Ellenberger** for a translation, but she says it provides software support for Marine Corps tactical systems. Mike and Linda spend most of their free time with the Hash House Harriers, some sort of running club for drinkers that meets all over the world for running, drinking and friendly public humiliation. I think the rest of Linda's name is **Flinner Collier**.

After 18-and-a-half years at Brown and Williamson, **Steve Jones** got "downsized" and spent the next eight months finding a new job. He's now with National City Processing with a nifty pay cut. Time for another vacation.

My two weeks of backpacking in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in the Arctic Circle of Alaska was the experience of a lifetime. Ask me sometime about the relationship between rocks and toilet paper. **Barbara Payne '70** continues as chair of the Education Department at Villa Julie College, when her back permits. Dianne's a senior at Lehigh University, Wade's a freshman at Colgate, and Drew writes

50-page short stories just because he feels like it.

Thanks for all the cards. I'll bother you again next year.
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69 This came too late for your reunion column, but **Anne Read Ward** shares that her father-in-law, **Albert N. Ward '35**, passed away. Husband **Michael '68** is an administrator for the American University in D.C. Their son Jeffrey is living in Durango, Colo. Daughter Sarah spent a semester at sea as part of her studies at William and Mary and Katherine, their youngest, is in middle school.

In the year since our 25th reunion, **Judy Burst**, the daughter of **Mark Schenckledecker**, sadly reported that her dad has passed away. Also, it is a shock to many of us that Barry Teach died a few days after attending the reunion.

Members of the class of 1969 express sincere sympathy to families of classmates who have passed away.

Catching up with happier news is easier to do. **Judy Elseroad Parks** was the first to write to me last year and did it again! Judy has returned to school. She's working on a master's in music in piano performance at Catholic University because she wants to teach college piano. **Tom '67** is celebrating his 25th year at Bechtel Power Corp. Their son Andy graduated from the University of Delaware with a civil engineering degree and is job hunting. Daughter Jessica is a third-year student at University of Virginia.

In the same batch came another regular correspondent, **Jim March**. For the last three years he's been an additions counselor with the Howard County Health Department.

Linda Osborn White came in third. They have moved into a log cabin built in 1770. Son Jay graduated from The Citadel in '93 and is attending William and Mary after spending four years in the United States Coast Guard. Matt saved a man's life for which he was awarded a medal. Linda is busy with her company and is a member of the board of directors of local preservation society. Husband Jay is the director of marketing for White House Food Products.

Judy Massicot-Fisher is still with the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute at NIH. She and husband George are remodeling their home at Cobb Island to use as a weekend getaway.

Gaye Meckins teaches middle school art at Key School, a private school in the Annapolis area. As always, she's still doing watercolors, painting ceramic tile murals and gardening.

Linda Lee Robbins enjoyed the reunion. She started working for Bell Atlantic selling Yellow Pages ads.

This past winter **Howard Russock**

and wife Chris traveled to Russia and adopted a little boy, Victor Michael, 3, is from Cherkessk about 150 miles west of Gherkesk in southern Russia. "The trip was exciting and memorable, but not really dangerous," Howard noted.

After Dupont's downsizing in Delaware, **Ray Simpson** still has a job. He was transferred from chemical productions to computer operations. He added, "I've gone from dumping drums to dump drums." Ray's also having lots of fun with his new Kawasaki motorcycle.

It was wonderful sitting next to **Robin Siver Snyder** at the reunion. We remembered carpooling our senior year. Her concern, Painting by Robin, is doing great. Last March she went scuba diving in Bonaire. In July she traveled to Alaska.

Pat Petry Vasco's daughter, Karey, graduated IU in May and was married in June. Pat works at the VA Medical Library in Indy trying to keep up with the automation.

Jan Pfeleider was the last correspondent. She had an excuse since her card found her in Bath, Ontario right on Lake Ontario. Jean and son Andrew, 9, have become Canadian "landed immigrants." After many years in Colorado, they moved to be with Jean's partner, Ann Macellain, who is Canadian. Ann is "the village potter" in Milford, Ontario, as well as a counselor at Interval House, a battered women's shelter, in Kingston. Jean is writing fiction while she and her son are getting used to their new country.

Another year has passed and our youngest Mike turned 16. Now we are a four-car family. I had a mid-life crisis of sorts and let my husband Bill talk me into buying a little red two-seater five-speed T-Top for myself. I sure blows my staid image with my students. Summer 1994 Bill and I stayed at a bed-and-breakfast in Prague, the Czech Republic. Last summer, I visited my sister, another landed immigrant, in Montreal. We went whale watching with her family. Bill went scuba diving in the Keys.

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73 Thank you for your cards and letters. I appreciate your keeping in touch. Remember the old Chicago lye, "Time passes much too quickly..."

Wayne Backes in Metairie, La. and his family visited with **Dave Petrucci**, **Lynn Coy**, and **Alan Baker** in 1994 during the Thanksgiving holiday. Wayne's sons Gregory, 6, and Nathan, 4, are well. Wayne is still at LSU Medical Center.

Kent Gompert teaches seventh grade and is an adjunct at Northern Arizona University. His wife is leaving her job as principal of a Christian school to spend more time with Jordan, 5. Kent reports that **Vernon Mummert '78**, is athletic director at Yavapai Community College in

Prescott, Ariz. Kent sends regards to Barbaleys members.

Richard A. Houck, Jr. was appointed chief U.S. probation officer for the District of Columbia on January 23, 1994. Richard says he is the second of three WMC graduates in his family—preceded by **Dick '49** and followed by **Michael '78**.

Debbie Bel Crozier's family has moved to Green Bay, Wis. Dan is with Scott Paper and Deb is with Nielsen Marketing Research as a customer service executive for two of its offices. The children, Luke, 14, Karen, 12, Adam, 10 and Christine, 7, are doing well in school and sports.

Sharley Lee Chen, a supervisor with the National Health Service Corps, and her husband Ken, a manager with Systems Solutions, had a scare last year when Brandon, 7, "decided to spice up our dull routine by having a burst appendix." Kathleen is now 10. In February, Sharley got together for some reminiscing and catching up with **Belinda Bonds '74** and **Connie Ehrhart '74**.

Bob Buchanan and **Rhonda Dahl '76** have settled into the new home they built last summer. "We continue to work hard and enjoy our son Zack, 6, (a yellow lab) who demands and gets our undivided attention," he writes.

Mitch Graham enjoyed the dream of every golfer by achieving a hole-in-one on the fifth hole of Carroll Park Golf Course last New Year's Eve. He lives in Gatonsville, Md., has taught biology at Morgan State University for the past three years and has found great satisfaction in volunteering with both Habitat for Humanity and the Maryland Special Olympics.

Katey Carter, eldest daughter of **Joe and Mary Connor '74**, will be a sophomore sports medicine major at West Virginia Wesleyan with a 3.0 GPA. She's a varsity cheerleader and member of the track team. Erin, a freshman at Francis Scott Key High, is starting on the J.V. team in three sports; Meredith, a sixth-grader, is a member of the championship Westminster Tornadoes, a traveling basketball team. Coach Joe "is now transitioning to softball where Meredith and 12 others will comprise the Rockets, a team destined for the NSA World Series. 'It's more fun than working!'"

Brenda Noble Gorman and her husband Barry are deeply involved in son Trevor's U-12 Nittany Quasar soccer team. Barry coaches; Brenda manages. They were in Florida for a tournament at Christmas, in Texas at Easter, and in Canada this summer. In Arizona '94, the family vacationed in Arizona.

Jeff Jones is moving to Ashton United Methodist in Montgomery County after 10 years in Cockeysville.

Nora Waugh '74 will be seeking a teaching job in Montgomery or Howard Counties when the Joneses move closer to Jeff's dad and his brother. **Bruce '76** Andrew graduated from high school this year.

All is well with **Joan Rudrow Kaplan** and **Steve '71**, Seth and Sara. They were hoping to travel to Baltimore this summer but "timing is so hard."

Cheryl Welch Hancock writes: "Kristen will be 17 in September, a senior, who plays field hockey and lacrosse for Severna Park High. Lauren will be 16 in November and plays field hockey, basketball, and lacrosse. Erin, 14, hopes to play either field hockey, basketball or lacrosse. Katelin, 11, is entering Severna Park Middle. She plays soccer, basketball and lacrosse. Woody and I are very involved in our church's missions program and have been to Jamaica, Alaska, and parts of Appalachia to help build homes and churches. We are also involved in the Emmaus community in Westminster." Cheryl substitute-teaches art and makes crafts with doll dollars and other shells, while Woody continues to build homes in Anne Arundel County.

Debbie Byron and **Bob Carswell** celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary. Summer 1994 they went on their seventh trip out West, visiting Yellowstone, Utah, and living on a houseboat on Lake Powell for several days. They see **Mark '74** and **Penny Parsons '74** **Gole** often; they and their two boys are fine. Holly and Becky are both at North Carroll High School where Debbie substitutes, and Kevin is at Manchester Elementary. "We are all healthy and happy."

Libby Elife-Johnson works as a physical therapist anywhere from 15-30 hours per week "depending on who needs me the most—Valentine's party or the rehab clinic." She is doing lots of home care which gives her the flexibility to chauffeur Nat, 13, Bryce, 11 and Christy, 7, to soccer, baseball, basketball, scouts or orchestra. Bruce is still working for the government. She saw **JoAnn Bischoff Day**, who was in D.C. for a conference in January. Jo is doing great as are her kids and her husband Michael. Libby and family are planning a cross country trip this summer in a rented Winnebago and hope to make it all the way to California for a visit with Libby's sister.

Patricia Hirt and husband John Tam traveled back to John's homeland, the Peoples Republic of China in October, 1994. There in Changzhou Jennifer Yen Hua, then 10½ months old. Their three-week trip began in Beijing where they visited the Great Wall, the Imperial Palace, and were also on hand for the elaborate celebration of the 45th anniversary of the P.R.C. After the adoption, all three visited Hong Kong for several days.

Adele Gung Gill writes from Boonsboro, Md. that Meredith, 14 and Caleb, 9, are into school and other sports, and take music lessons. "Normal stuff." Adele works for Computer Data Systems, Inc. as a manager on a large software services contract at the Department of Energy in Germantown, Md. Don is owner/broker of Help-U-Sell Real Estate of Freder-

ick, Md. Adele is also working on her MBA at Frostburg and really enjoying it.

Frederick "Richie" M. Banning relocated to the Boston area in March, 1994 to assume an organizational development post for a large company's human resources department. While retaining her Maryland roots, she lives on an island north of Boston. Her elderly mother lives with her almost all the time. Explorations of Cape Cod and points north are keeping her busy and enamored of New England. "All come visit me anytime!"

Last August, **Chris and Diane Smith Cikanovich** moved the family (Marilyn, 16, Ken, 11, and their two Labradors) to Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China. "What an incredible adventure! Chris is the VP and senior executive with Martin Marietta in Taiwan. The kids go to Taipei American School which is K-12 with 2,200 students. I get to use all my coping skills as I run a household in a foreign country. I'm studying Mandarin, but it is a slow, laborious process. Driving here is a true challenge as the street signs are only in Chinese and the drivers make the New Jersey Turnpike seem like a relaxing drive in the country. As of February, we had already visited Hong Kong and Guam, while Marilyn also went to Okinawa to cheer for a basketball tournament. We're due to be here 3-5 years, so if anyone wants to see China, you're welcome to visit us!"

John "Slugg" Armstrong is busy coaching three teams—seventh-grade basketball, eighth-grade basketball and assisting with the Bishop Walsh High team. J.C., 13, plays point guard for the seventh-grade team. "The two basketball junkies extend the season into summer where Slugg is a coach and J.C. a camper at the WMC and Duke University camps. Slugg still teaches algebra and geometry at his alma mater, Beall High, in Frostburg. We visited Cancun in January and hit the ski slopes during February and March. I hustle to keep up with them and Rachel, 8." Slugg's wife, **Barb Vose '76** is kind enough to keep us posted.

Midge Wright Ingersoll, our freelance artist, has recently done several historic murals in dining rooms, constructed another miniature model and won her third blue ribbon and silver bowl at the 1994 Philadelphia Flower Show. She, Jon and the boys (now 12 and 15) moved to a new house build to look as if it is 200 years old and they still have their place in Cambridge, Md. If you're on your way to the beach, you're invited to stop by.

Carol Whitmer Empie left the school system to work as a computer trainer for ExecuTrain, an international company. She's gratified to be working with her adults, can play competitive singles and doubles tennis, even with her reconstructed knees, at the 4.0-4.5 level. Steve, Lauren, 14

and Meredith, 12, are all fine.

Jeff Abbott has opened his own law office in Media, Pa. after 18 years as a partner with a Philadelphia law firm.

Gill Bossard reports: "Following (and as a result of) Hurricane Andrew, our family business went into Chapter 11. Awaiting the winding down, there was nothing to do but sail the ketch through the canal and on to Hiva Oa. As life was slow in the Marquesas, Linda and I enrolled in a Khosian class taught by a South African gent who was on sabbatical (walkabout) from the University of Johannesburg. While Linda and I were slow learners, Thai and Sasha now speak Khosian like native Hottentots. All's well that ends well."

It is difficult for me to report the death of our classmate, **Kathy Rose Pierce Patterson**, on April 5, 1995 at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington. Kathy had worked as a publication specialist at Gallaudet University but more important, was the mother of Julie and Matthew and the wife of our fellow classmate and friend, **Tom**. A fund agent for our class in 1982, Kathy attended the C.C. Alumni dinner cruise in 1987 and our own class reunions in 1983, 1988, and 1993. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Tom, Julie, Matthew, and Kathy's mother, Mrs. Jessie Pierce.

Please keep well and keep in touch. **Joan Donnelly Pilachowski**
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74 Hi, everyone.
It was wonderful to see so many of you at our reunion last October! I hope all of those in attendance had as much fun as I did. Thanks again to the committee and to those at the College who worked so hard at making the evening such a success. And for those of you who missed this special occasion, I will look forward to seeing you at our 25th! Let's get to the scoop!

Mary Connor Carter is counselor at Francis Scott Key High School and has a private practice in divorce mediation. Husband **Joe '73**, in addition to teaching at WMC part time, is president of Sales and Marketing Effectiveness.

Tim Karman MED'75 has been teaching at the Columbia campus of the Maryland School for the Deaf since completing his B.A. and MEd at WMC.

Mary Kay Nevius-Maurer was chosen as English Teacher of the Year for Advanced Placement (AP) classes. She received her award at a conference in Pittsburgh on February 9. Mary Kay also Carroll County Teacher of the Year two years ago. She lives in Manchester and has taught at Westminster High School for her 20-year career. She is now chairwoman of the English department at that school.

Cathy Rees Lenhoff teaches German I and II at her local community college and lifts weights in her spare

time. Her son, Peter, 18, graduated this spring. He's going to University of Maryland at College Park and considering majoring in architecture. Cathie finally (!) quit smoking, but says that she is still sunbathing! She writes that sister **Ruthie Rees Bilas** teaches 7th grade at Mt. Aviat Academy, a private parochial school. Ruthie's daughter, Megan, is a second grader at that school.

Dennis Kirkwood has just finished his first year as assistant supervisor of science for environmental education in Harford County. His wife, Jean, and daughters Heather and Kristin visited Belize this summer for their first trek to the rainforest. In between, Dennis continued work on his doctorate in education, managing the family farm and serving as an elder at his church.

Scott Krieger was promoted this year to senior vice president at his bank. His wife, Becky, is a nurse instructor at Essex Community College and works one day a week at Franklin Square Hospital. Their daughter, Kelly, 14, started on the Bel Air JV soccer and softball teams and earned her varsity letter in swimming. She also maintained an A average in all honors courses. Their son, Jonathan, 12, is a good student who is playing recreational soccer, baseball and lacrosse. Scott has been coaching both of his kids for 10 years and claims that this will be his last!

Ed Humphreys has retired from the Army, and as of May, was looking for a job as a training manager/developer. In the meantime he is playing "Mr. Mom" and has gained a whole new respect for stay-at-home parents! He also worked for H&R Block during the tax season and continues to help on a school district advisory group. His wife is a librarian at the local middle school.

Glenn Fell is still in Florida working in computers. He is in charge of the Care Provider computer systems for a small chain of hospitals. He plays golf and tennis whenever time permits. His kids, Brian, 8, and Julie, 10, both play sports all year long, so all of Glenn's spare time is spent driving them to games and coaching their teams! His wife, Missy, is getting closer to completing her master's degree in counseling.

Kathy Rigger Angstadt has been enjoying many outdoor activities like biking, volleyball and white water rafting. She finds them all exhilarating and a release for the joys and challenges of raising her two children! They are both growing and maturing and into their own things.

Jane Monment Jordan lives with her husband of 16 years, Larry, and their two kids, Paul, 13, and Julia, 10, in a pleasant suburb of L.A. She is a freelance medical writer who turns out medical-journal chapters for books with titles like *Courtroom Medicine: Death!* She also covers medical conferences for physicians' periodicals and writes pharmaceutical training and nursing continuing education. Larry is now

running his own company, producing CD-ROMs of conference proceedings. Their kids are healthy and wonderful!

After 10 years in Cockeysville, **Jeff '73** and **Nora Waugh Jones** moved to Ashton in Montgomery County. Their son, Andrew, is a freshman at West Virginia Wesleyan College while son, Casey, is a sophomore in high school. Summer 1994, Jeff and the boys enjoyed the year Annual Boy Scout camping trip to the Adirondacks in New York. Before moving, Nora was involved with a group who made banners for their church. She is hoping to find a teaching job in their new neighborhood.

Pete and Linda Wootton Hutchinson took a trip to Italy with another couple in April (Venice, Florence, etc.). She absolutely loved it and did not want to come home! Erin turned 16 in May and got her driver's license. Kyle, 12, played lacrosse for the second year and enjoyed it, even though his team did not win many games.

Maria Weinstein Bowman transferred to the Research Triangle Park office of Parcel International and loves living in North Carolina. Her horse and dog love it, too! Maria took a two-week camping vacation through New Mexico and Arizona this spring and hoped to take a trip to Yellowstone National Park in September.

Connie Hutson still collects taxes for the IRS in southwest Florida. She enjoys the year-round vegetable and herb gardening and weekends of playing beach volleyball. She hoped to travel to Europe last summer and to a high school reunion in D.C. in the fall.

Debbie Huffer '76 and **Kenny Bates** are still alive and well in Ocean Pines, MD. Their son, Nathan, 14, attended Franklin & Marshall College last summer to take astronomy.

Nathan has been attending college for the past three summers as a participant in Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth. Their son, Cody, 10, has been involved in soccer tournaments in three states as an all-star goal keeper.

Their daughter, Katie, 6, loves the Eastern Shore and started first grade in September. The Bates have attended the Lower Shore alumni luncheons. They also see a lot of Dr. Ralph John. (Say "hi!" for us, Kent)

The DuLanays are still doing fine down in Miami. **Don and Carol Ensor's** '73 boys, 7, 10, and 13, all got straight A's and made their All-Star teams in basketball, football, baseball and soccer. Don attended the 8th annual WMC Phi Delta Theta golf trip to Myrtle beach this past spring. Some of the other attendees were **Lawrence "Chet" Walker, Randy Dover and John "Chip" Graber '73**, among others.

Jane Cacciola graduated in December 1994 from York College with a B.A. in secondary education (English). She took time off for some home remodeling before pursuing a teaching position and/or graduate school. Sons Grant, 10, and Dean, 7, are deeply engrossed in baseball and Nintendo.

Nellie Arrington had her best year ever in real estate in 1994. Hubby Bob is starting his own technology management consulting firm, working with new companies or those planning growth plus some investigative engineering. Elvise, 10, and Meredith, 7, are great. Elvise and mom started a new 4-H club in Howard County with another mother-daughter pair.

Anne Stuebelfield Dill still lives in Annapolis with husband Harry and kids, Ben, 15, and Sara, 13, who are both into sailing and soccer. Anne passed the CPA exam in November 1992 and is now in private practice. She loves the flexibility of self-employment, but hates the discipline! Anne was looking forward to seeing **Liz Barlow Johnston** this past summer, when Liz visited her sister who lives near Anne.

After 12 years as sergeant in charge of the Ocean City Police-Boardwalk Division 1, **Ray Land** has transferred to the police mounted division. He rides a 7-year-old quarter horse, Mr. President! His wife, Michelle, is doing well after opening her own nail studio at the Sheraton Hotel in Ocean City. Their sons, Joe and David, helped their little league team win the championship, 20-0.

Bill Corley continues to practice law in Jacksonville, Fla. In April, Bill married Suzanne Mayer. Suzanne is an interior designer at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida. The girls, Lauren, 13, Lindsay, 10, and Kristin, 7, are growing up fast.

Roy and Barb Anderson Angberger are doing just fine in Walkersville, MD. Roy continues to teach physical education at Walkersville Middle School. He will have Mark this year as he enters 6th grade. Mark keeps his parents busy attending his baseball and basketball games. He loves playing tennis and golf, too, "just for fun!" Barb is still at Frederick Community College as coordinator of the psychology department. She loves teaching at the college level.

The **Cowan** are all fine! Brett turned 16 in August. **Jackie Deakryne** says that she is partially panic stricken and partially ecstatic now that Brett can drive himself to all of his activities. **Jamison** is almost 13 and played on **Joe Carter's** '73 traveling softball team this past summer with **Joe and Mary Connor's** daughter, Meredith. They all went to South Carolina for a national tournament.

Life is about the same for us. Drew started kindergarten this year. He is attending one of Baltimore County's Regional Magnet schools—Cromwell Valley Elementary. We enjoyed a wonderful trip to Disney/World in April and a lot of Ocean City time this summer (including a few fun days with Mike and Debi "DL" Lanius).

Cameron '75 and **Ben and Steve**. I have been enjoying bimonthly breakfasts with **Karen Bickmeyer Ermer** and **Susan Ward Jones**, too. I am thoroughly enjoying my job with Bell

Atlantic, in the distance learning group. I spend a lot of time in the high schools, community colleges and four-year public colleges and universities around the State of Maryland working with the teachers and administrators. I hope I am lucky enough to run into some of them in the future!

Since I sent out cards this year to the members of our class whose last names begin with A-L, next year I will catch up with the rest of you! However, you can always send me news at anytime—I love hearing from you. Take care, have a great 1996, and I hope to see or hear from you soon.

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78 Since graduation, **James Leece** has retired from the Maryland State Police and is working as a criminal investigator in the Carroll County State Attorney's Office. This year has seen the formation of a corporation with the development of an Investigative Service Bureau in Westminster. Bradley John Leece was born on February 6, 1995. Jim, Sue and Brad live in the Westminster area.

Rich Warfield remains administrative director of the Wholesale Transport Division of Tri-Gas & Oil Co., in Federalburg, Md. Loretta continues to publish the *Caroline Review* and enjoys crafts and interior design. Kyle, 10, Melinda, 8 and Ben, 7, are home-schooled and enjoy the flexibility and personal attention this alternative method allows. Camping brings joy to the Warfields and has become the recreational activity of choice for the past two years.

Linda Rickell Stiegler and Carl '75 are still enjoying life in Houston, Texas. Linda is the band director at Welch Middle School. She has 200 sixth, seventh, and eighth graders in her program. Each spring she takes a group of her students on the trip; this year they traveled to Washington, D.C. for the Cherry Blossom Festival.

David Taylor is enjoying practicing family medicine in Burlington, Wis. and raising three sons with wife Sue. Dave started piano lessons two years ago, is an elder at his church and teaches Sunday school. He also enjoys cooking and tries to find the time to exercise.

Jeanne Ripley has been practicing real estate law in Bel Air, Md. for the last 10 years. She is entertained by her daughter Caroline, 2. She still swims during her lunch hour and stays busy with her church.

Jeff Whittaker sends us a original note. He and confere Susan, daughters Alexa and Bailey, have been cascading through home births, home school, deep genealogy, foreign field trips, and home stays from Snoqualmie to Peripignan. They hope to join in the Great Migration later this year. Favorite "home" school assignment: girls give life to newly C-sectioned puppy by pulmonary massage, in Florida veterinary operating room, a la

101 Dalmations.

Jeffrey Potter is a manager at CPA firm in Bel Air, Md. He and wife Luanne have two daughters, Amanda, 12, and Andrea, 7. Jeff enjoys playing golf and participating in the girls' sporting activities. He and Luanne are kept busy with their involvement at Slate Ridge Presbyterian Church.

Bruce LaMonica continues to enjoy waterskiing and other water sports all summer on Candlewood Lake, Conn. He is an obstetrician/gynecologist with Physicians for Women in Danbury, Conn. He and Kathy have two children, Nicholas, 3 and Alexander, 2.

Tom Maskell and Darlene Monaco were married in April 1994. They purchased a new house in Millsville, Md.

Sara Liddell Vincent and Michael graduated from Nazareth Bible College on May 29 and are looking forward to working in the ministry together. Their four children (ages 12, 9, 6 and 4) keep them busy with church and social activities. Sara still plays the flute and piano.

David Rae is currently stationed at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. after returning from Korea from a one-year tour. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in November 1994. He is currently a tactics instructor at the Army's Command & General Staff College. He shares an office with **Bob Ramsdell** '75.

George Metz has accepted the position of principal at St. Michael's School in Frostburg, Md. where he began his teaching career. He and Earlene travel frequently to the Kennedy Center and New York to catch Broadway shows. He hopes that alumni traveling through the area will stop by.

Jerre Lynch and Beth are kept busy with son Kyle, born in June 1994, while trying to design a workable addition to their house. Jerre still plays as much golf as possible when not changing diapers. Beth teaches second grade in Snio Hill and Jerre is still with the Frito Lay company.

Cathy and Robert "Skip" Seidel became the parents of Emily Joan on May 29, 1991. She has both of her parents twisted around her little finger. The Seidels moved to their new home in May 1994. Their new neighbors are **Pam Noll** and **Bill Brazis**. Skip works with Bell Atlantic Federal Systems and Cathy is an attorney with the Federal Communications Commission. Skip spent some time skiing in Colorado in March. In September 1994, he made it to the semi-finals of the Columbia Association's 4.0 Tennis Tournament, losing to the eventual winner, his doubles partner, but beating the number-one seat along the way.

Nancy McKenzie and son Matt, 10, live in Westminster with their two dogs, cat, two guinea pigs, and a parakeet. Nancy is in her 10th year at TMC, where she is a senior analyst working on law firm accounting soft-

ware and collecting lawyer jokes! She spends her non-working hours doing mom stuff and volunteering with 4-H in Carroll County. Nancy regularly has lunch with **Norma Edie Campbell**.

Bruce Lefew and family moved to Nashville, Tenn., where he is the director of the Health and Fitness Center for Baptist Hospital. Bruce recently ran into **Judd Miller** who is working at another hospital in Nashville.

Father Costa and **Pauline Hayes Pavlakos**, along with Christina, 9, Andrew, 6, and Christopher, 4, are settled in Central New York State where Father Costa is the head priest at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church in Syracuse. Pauline is busy doing desktop publishing and volunteering as a Girl Scout leader, Tiger Cub Scout organizer, school helper, Church School P.T.O. president and fill in for just about anything at the church. The Pavlakos recently purchased a home where they were frequently seen snowmobiling and where they plan to boat, fish and waterski as soon as the ice melts!

Andrea Augugliaro Welte's son Matthew was born December 20, 1994 and joins brother Christopher, 3. Linda is a stay-at-home mother for a while after teaching vocal and instrumental music in public school. Linda has started teaching a preschool music program part-time and is having a lot of fun.

Peggy and Rick Norris have two children—Christopher, 3, and Kelsey, 2. Rick is the MIS Manager for a division of B. Braun Medical, Inc. that manufactures medical devices and accessories. Keeping their computers running optimally is putting his degree in philosophy and psychology to good use. They moved to a new home in Loretto, Minn. August 1994 and are enjoying their third year in the yard and enjoying their pond.

Chris Dryden and **Jamie Mosberg** have been living in Wilmington, Del. for eight years. Sons Jake, 14, Jason, 12, and Josh, 9 attend Sanford School where Chris teaches. The boys played soccer last fall, keeping Jamie busy coaching two teams. This spring Jamie taught Jason and Josh into trying lacrosse and coached their team. Last summer, the Mosbergs climbed to the summit of Grandfather Mountain, N.C.

Jeff Smith and family are still living in Germany where Jeff is working as an assistant liaison officer for the army. Jeff recently completed two weeks of active duty as a major in the USAF.

Geri Lane Wu and family are in constant motion. Min-Li, 11, is in middle school while the boys, Andy, 10 and Paul, 7, are in elementary school. Music, scouts, athletics, and 4-H keep Geri and her husband busy working as a long-term substitute at Mt. Airy Middle School this past year. She found it very exciting and worked with a great group of people.

September marks 6 years in the Pacific Northwest for **Linda Water-**

meier Landis and family. Margaret, 5, and Eva, 2, love the rain and puddles and don't know what humidity feels like. Linda is a full-time mom and her husband is a full professor at Western Washington University. Their spare time is limited, but they use it to the maximum in exploring the Olympic peninsula and Washington Coast. They had plans to visit Maryland last summer—they haven't been to the "other coast" since 1991.

Phil Masters is quite busy in his faculty position at Penn State's College of Medicine in Hershey. **Rebecca Bloyer Masters** '75 will be completing her residency in internal medicine at the Hershey Medical Center later this year. Their 2-year-old son Benjamin continues to be a source of great joy. Spare time is spent fixing up their house in downtown Hershey.

Sally Stanfield continues to show her Arabian and recently earned Top 10 honors at the Scottsdale Arabian Championship show. She is relocating to her family's farm in November to live a substantial part of the year. She expects to continue living in Seattle for a few months each year.

Thanks for sending in your news—keep your cards and letters coming! I continue to enjoy my life in France. I had a short trip to the U.S. at the end of May to celebrate my grandmother's 90th birthday with my family. I hope to vacation in Greece in September. Georgann Morekas c/o ICF Kaiser Engineers 9300 Lee Highway Fairfax, VA 22031

79 It is always nice to hear from you. **Patti Boehke McQuad** has accepted a position on the forensic team at Springfield Hospital. She is busy traveling, sewing and with volunteer responsibilities. Her family traveled to Ireland for a two-week coastal tour. Patti sees more and more classmates resettling in the Westminster area.

Gail Bowman and **Tom Mathes** live in Illinois where they own and operate a transmission repair shop. They took two trips to Russia, in October 1994 and March 1995, to adopt biological brothers. Antonne is 3 years old and Sam is 2. Gail writes that they are learning fast and furiously in their instant parenthood, but they are having the time of their lives!

Mary Gately Bodley opened her law office in Towson on June 1, 1995. Her concentration is in civil litigation.

Henry Harris truly is now a tax accountant for a CPA firm in Bethesda, Md. She recently bought a house bordering beautiful park land where she watches deer and Canadian geese. Amy stays busy with gardening and watercolor painting and has just taken up golf.

Chris Holmes had his picture in the *Baltimore Sun* at Easter time, carrying a large painting into his church.

Mary Thomas and **Bob LeSueur**

are busy with their three children. Mary and the kids got to Fenwick Island this past summer for two weeks of sun and sand. Bob is still at Cubix, selling the world's best computers, trying to get ahead.

Michael and Missy Bain Lewis are great! They are watching Jessica and Billy grow with something new and wonderful each day.

John Little is working for the Texas Workers' Compensation Insurance Fund. He has been in the insurance claims business for 10 years now. He has owned his home for five years. He misses being able to attend Homecomings and alumni functions. He did attend the Grateful Dead Mardi Gras '95 in Oakland, Calif.

Carol Littmann and Steve '78 Pfister have relocated to Delaware since Steve's transfer with SCOTT to their corporate headquarters. They are thrilled to be back on the East Coast, close to family and friends. Raising their pretens is always something new!

Michael Margiotta and Kim had a baby, Abbey Lauren, on April 10, 1995.

Dave Meyer is keeping busy at the Nature Conservancy with a new job of his own creation. He is director of data "visualization" in the science program. He is building an on-line network for ecologists through the Internet.

Marcia Polk Meyer '78 continues to work at FDA and their daughter, Beth, 9, won most-improved player on her soccer team.

Pat Mosser-Noto began working on a master of arts in education at Goucher College in June. She will join David and Christie on their school schedule in another year. Tom and Pat bought a house in Dewey Beach, Del. and love getting down there with the children as much as possible. They continue to run a business that provides residential services to 60-plus disabled adults.

Sharon O'Connor Ross and husband Larry have been anxiously awaiting the completion of the new thoroughbred race track in Augusta, Wash. Their horse farm will only be 10 minutes from the new track. Larry has had to work in California and Sharon in Washington, so by 1996 they should be able to live in one house!

Diane Orozco Smothers has moved four times in five years due to her husband's job. They have settled in Palmyra, Pa. and bought a home. Diane works for a vocational rehabilitation facility in Lebanon. Her family enjoys traveling to Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the West Coast and seeing family in New Jersey, South Carolina and Iowa.

Chris Parr, Diana, and daughter Alyssa returned to their Columbia, Md. home after four fun years in windy California. Chris has accepted a key position with a Bethesda investment management firm.

Rick Powell is busy with his three boys and work.

Sabrina Racuglia is working towards certification in elementary education at Loyola. She is working

for USAir at BWI and still finds time for crabbing and fishing.

Mary Anna Rice and **Stephen Pavlos** are very busy after the birth of their fourth child, Katherine, in January. Mary Anna is at home with their four girls, ages 7, 6, 2 and the baby.

Jeffrey Robinson and his wife, Deirdre, had their first son, Brady Kaelin, on November 5, 1994. The entire family is doing well.

Mark Rosenberg has been busy traveling for business. He has been to Denver, Arkansas, England, Scotland and Iceland, where he could play golf at midnight. He recently played in the Senior Series, a minor league of Senior Tour.

Jeanne Ryder-Shine has been with Bell Atlantic for 16 years. She is currently a program manager for federal government accounts in Washington, D.C. In her spare time she is working on her master's degree at the University of Maryland College Park.

Susan Fairchild and Tony '77 Sager are back in Maryland after a two-year stint in Albuquerque. She is working part time in special education-motordevelopment in Carroll County. She sees **Julie Vaughan Donovan** who substitute teaches in the county.

Ellen Scroggs and Kip '77 Walton returned to Elizabeth City, N.C. after their duties in Alaska. They are building a house just north of the city, but must become used to the heat and humidity of the East Coast. They are home-schooling their three girls, so they will be lots of flexibility while they build their new home.

Robin Seiland and Scott Trenner visited Cancun this past spring. Sons, Chris, 8, and David, 5, are involved in baseball and karate. Robin performed in the play *Nannette* with the Heritage Players, as *Sister Mary Nyopia*.

Elise Shurie writes that her free time last spring was spent planning her wedding to Andy Groebner on May 13 in Silver Spring, Md. **Joan Angelos Hayes '78**, who was Elise's roommate during freshman year at WMC, was her matron of honor. After a wonderful cruise in the southern Caribbean for their honeymoon, she can't wait to go back! Andy is a telephone operator employed by CSC at NASA, and Elise is completing her fifth year at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Rockville. Employed by Allied Management Systems, she is a computer analyst for custom applications support.

Amy Turner has been an attorney for the Legal Aid Society in Louisville, Ky. for seven years. Jim, a potter, and Amy spend most weekends at art fairs in their area. She is also active in a group called Jobs With Justice, a coalition of labor and community groups dedicated to the rights of working people. Raising Jim's teenage daughters, Wendi and Abbie, is always a challenge.

Amanda Walker-Waits' twins, Mara Kathleen and Reed Anders, were born on April 12, 1995. After 15 years

without children, she and her husband have made major changes in their lives. She is now working part time as a psychologist and full time as a mommy.

Cheryl Jane Walter and David Range write from Limerick, Ireland that opportunities are busting out as they, and their churches, grow in acceptance in the Limerick and Shannon communities. They pray for lasting peace in Northern Ireland and focus their vision for the future. Their preaching has taken them out of their normal church parameters and into the surrounding areas to speak to support groups and community service organizations. Children Micah and Benjamin are enjoying school, "in so far as school can be enjoyable." The family had a vacation in County Kerry, where they enjoyed the seashore and collecting rocks.

Janis Weimar Wheat and George moved to Florida in August 1994 for their new assignments at U.S. Central Command. Janis was selected for lieutenant colonel in October. She is a military intelligence officer. They live one hour from DisneyWorld and visit at least once a month with daughters Laura and Amanda.

Life in the **Chapman** family is as hectic as always. Sarah is in school full time now, as she attends morning kindergarten. Matthew will be attending St. Mark's Nursery School three mornings a week. (A little peace and quiet for mommy!) I am serving a two-year term as co-chairperson of the advisory board of the nursery, so those quiet hours will be readily filled! I am also still active in a local service organization and do tutoring and before-and-after-school care for Sarah and Matt's classmates. Carl is busy at school and as president of our Homeowner's Association.

Write any time you have news. I enjoy hearing from all of you.

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83 I decided to take a break from landscaping the backyard to fill you in on what all the busy people in our class are doing.

Bob and Lata Thomas celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in lovely Hawaii. Bob has been busy buying and selling apartment complexes.

Lynn Goldstein Phillips has two children—a boy Shane, 3 and the new baby, Samantha Marie. She and her husband still live in the great state of Washington. Lynn is director of marketing for a telecommunications company G-ST Telecon.

Robin Erickson Staub has a 2-year-old named Rachael and is still teaching social studies at North Carroll Middle School in Hampstead, Md. She and her husband Joe built their dream 5,000-sq. ft. log cabin and moved into it right before Christmas 1994. Their project this year is to work on landscaping the 3-acre lot!

Stephen Sturiale moved into a new house last November. He is a manager with Bell Atlantic and is working on his MBA from Loyola.

Shelley Haydak Sweeney had a house built and moved in last December in Sykesville, Md. She and husband Neil have two children—Molly, 4 and Matthew, 2. The kids are enjoying having a neighborhood full of other kids.

Stacy Proctor Shaffer's daughter Kelly is in kindergarten now and sister Katie is in preschool and has potential as a theater major. Clark and she have bought a house on the other side of Westminster from a WMC connection, **Don '62 and Carol Westerfield '60 Rabush**. The house has lots of nice woods around it for the kids and dog to play in. She sees **Erin Bell Danz** and her family often.

Cyndy Brault is still in Alaska getting plenty of northern exposure. She is a stay-home mom. Her husband works for BP. When she wrote this in December 1994 they had 65 inches of snow, which is a lot for Anchorage but not for Valdez, where they lived before. They take trips "outside" Alaska two or three times a year but after living there for five years they really feel it is home. She writes that it is the most beautiful place in the world.

Lynn Sanders Vidmar, who I run into at **Peggy Stoneback Beardmore's** all the time, is enjoying her children Christine, 7, and Joseph, 4. She is a Brownie leader, first grade volunteer, substitute teacher for preschool and is editor of the monthly newsletter for the Dorsey Search Women's Foundation Howard County Charitable Organization. I also ran into **Jane Krug** and **Kathy Norris** at the Beardmore's. Jane is working for an up-and-coming medical testing company. Kathy continues to work in dental research.

After Desert Shield and Desert Storm, **Michael P. Jackson** finished up his tour of duty in July of '92. He has two children, Joshua and Hailey. He went to Joint Readiness Training Center as an observer controller. He and his wife Lynda are now in Europe on his second tour there.

After 10 years of living in Frederick, Md., **Linda Mapp Malcolm** moved to Adamstown, Pa. with husband **Adam '84** and children Nicholas and Ashley. Linda is now a full-time mom but works every other Friday for a graphic design company to keep her sane. Her husband is currently working for EDS in Washington, D.C. Linda now lives five houses down from her parents.

Joann Kroat Luckenbaugh is the director of music for five church choirs at St. David's Lutheran in Hanover, Pa. She also teaches privately in her home.

Susan King Wandishin has a 2-year-old named Rachel. She has a new practice with Drs. Andersky, Finkelstein and Cardin in Owings Mills. She

works one-and-a-half days in the office and gets to spend more time at home. **John '82** continues at HCFA and is now a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, which is a big deal because there are only 6,000 in the U.S.

Greg Shockley is beginning his eighth year as owner of Shenanigan's Irish Pub at 4th Street and Boardwalk in Ocean City, Md. He plays a lot of golf and still plays and coaches soccer.

Julia Rosenblom Miller is a homemaker taking care of her two boys. She and her husband also breed persian cats and golden retriever dogs.

Robin Blaker is still protecting the streets and highways of New Jersey as a homicide detective in the New Jersey State Police. He and his wife moved into a large, older, colonial home that they are painstakingly fixing up. They have one son and would like to fill the home with more children.

Along with working like a minister is a permanent chauffeur for numerous activities such as scouts, ice skating, and music lessons.

Elise Armacost is an editorial writer and columnist for the *Baltimore Sun*. She married Sun reporter John Morris in '92. She is now on maternity leave from the paper.

Beth White Werrell is now an account executive/copywriter at Ann Burnside Love and Associates, an advertising agency in Frederick, Md. She does a lot of writing about medical topics. Her daughter Katie is 3.

Kaki Brusca Wynn left her job at DISC to help start a new software company. She is working and traveling a lot and has two children: Colleen, 4, and Brian, 1. Her husband Patrick has been playing basketball in an AAU league and has been up against WMC.

Elaine Lippy Wheatley teaches at Marley Middle School. She and husband **Craig '81** have two boys, Tyler, 5 and Travis, 4. She recently spent 12 days alone in Paris while Craig stayed home with the boys. They just bought a ski boat and plan to use it a lot this summer.

Elizabeth Smith Miller stays home with daughter Sarah. Her husband Shane is very busy with his business, Southern PA Contractors. **Marzi Daroowalla** visited them last year.

Debbie Armsworthy Shifflette added another male to her family—James weighed in at 9 pounds, 3 ounces when he was born on February 2. He joins brother Joey, 4. Debbie works as tax manager at Yuasa Exide.

Jay Krause is still living in New Jersey and enjoys seeing the Techs from time to time.

Paul Parlette enjoys umpiring his son Wesley's baseball games. He wrote to me in the middle of February when the temperature was a balmy 80 degrees in Hawaii.

Robert Wassmann got married in '95 and vacationed in Venezuela. He works for MITRE Corp. in the area of chemical demilitarization in Bethesda, Md. He sees **Matt Baker, Scott Lohmann** and **Chris Scott** when ever he makes it back from his new

home in the UK.

Michelle Neuman Seburn and husband John have an adorable little daughter Laura Kate, 2. They live happily in Greencastle, Pa. with their black lab Molly. Michelle works at Citicorp Credit Card facility in Hagerstown. John is self-employed and owns his own video mail order/production business called Vintage Video.

Paul Lewis started a new career with Eli Lilly and Co. He and his wife **Laura Mackay '85** have two sons Ryan, 4 and Kyle, 1.

Shawn Warner Denton moved to South Carolina. She has been teaching freshman composition part-time at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, S.C. She and her husband have a son and a daughter. Teaching, mothering, and decorating their new home has kept her very busy. She recently met **Mollie King** in D.C. at the National Gallery where they ran into WMC Professor Julie Badier.

Stacie Matzorkis Dashiell has a new baby boy, Derek James, born on February 8. He joins his sister Nicole, who is only 18 months older. She works part-time as a user analyst for Cole National Corp., so she can spend more time with the kids and loves it.

Jeff Morrison is a Ph.D. student at Georgetown University and works at the American Enterprise Institute in D.C. He and his wife Melissa have one child, Alexander.

I'm grateful to **Paul Rutherford's** parents who sent news about Paul. He married Laura Krivin last June and they left for a 10-month journey around the world! When last heard from they were enjoying India and on their way to Nepal. I can't wait to hear about his adventures!

Well Liz Macsherry Moag has done it again! The grand total now is one boy and three girls. Liz is a stay-home mom. She lives in Cleveland, Ohio which she says is a wonderful place in spite of its reputation. They get to visit family and friends in Baltimore and keep in touch with Nancy Reid Caspari, **Cheryl Harrison Offutt**, **Cyndy Brault**, **Jennifer Gill Guy**, **Laine Gillespie** and **Betsy Mayer Kleger**. It was wonderful to see you at the reunion Liz!

Eileen Riley Richardson has two sons and lives in New Jersey. She and her husband added an addition to their house last year and this year plan to paint the exterior.

Peg Houghton Nunn is running after daughter Melissa Taylor, 1 and son Jared Robert, 3. She still facilitates for PFLAG, administering the pastoral care group at her church and has started a Discovery Toy business. She says the toys are really fun. She loves being a full-time mom but sometimes it makes her want to run screaming through the streets.

Laurie Brown Holman and husband Scott welcomed into their new home a baby daughter Katharine Anne born March 31.

Mark Cockerill and wife Melissa are still in Hawaii where Mark has an interventional Radiology Practice at Tripler Army Medical Center. They

have a son Daniel. Mark would love to hear from other founding Sig Fps.

I have been taking two classes at the local community college to be re-certified to teach. I never realized how easy we had it going to school full time with no other responsibilities. I also am flooded with memories as I walk through the campus of our own colors, blue sky, and steep paths. Remember when you could walk anywhere and know almost everyone you saw? Of course, I can't remember the couch burnings the Bete's did on the quad freshman year and the roaches and mice thumbed back to the bulletin board in the Preacher section. As I said, it brings back a lot of memories not all of them pristine! It was, as always, enjoyable hearing from you and writing about the incredible things everyone is doing. Keep in touch and God Bless. Tracy "Breeze" Holland Anderson 875 Willys Drive Arnold, Md. 21012

84 **Ivy Silverman Allgeier** writes that she is teaching second grade in Skyview, Md. and her husband Steve '83 continues to restore houses. Ivy still is riding horses and her son Harry is now joining her.

In May of '95 **Darcy Smith Austin** completed her master's degree in environmental science from Hopkins. She continues to work for the Maryland Department of the Environment and after 10 years still enjoys the work. Enjoying life as a stay-at-home mom with her daughter Kendall and husband Todd, is **Robin Garland Bair**.

While continuing to teach and play club lacrosse **Troy Barnes** finds time for Civil War reenacting and is planning to be a battleguide at Gettysburg.

Last year was busy for **Audrey Adams Bigelow** with moving from temporary to permanent quarters at Ft. Monroe. Her husband Mike is now a major in the U.S. Army. Audrey writes that this summer was spent on rollerblades chasing her children Michael Jr. and David Andrew around.

In May of '95 **Katrina Davis Birkelen** graduated from Messiah College with a B.S. in nursing. In June she was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant and will be stationed in Honolulu.

Linda Block has a new job as program director at Shaver's Creek Environmental Center which is affiliated with Penn State. This past summer she and Dr. Sam Alsop conducted a two-week environmental program for Baltimore City high school students.

Andy Bowers was recently promoted to major and has begun a new job as Post Executive Officer of Ft. Eustis.

Recently moved to Columbus, Ohio

Michael Baum and wife **Laura Smith '86** write that life is hectic yet fun with their children Cody and Kyle.

Yellott Canby is raising crops on a share crop basis with his neighbor in Ohio. He also drives part time for a TV production company based in Pittsburgh through which he met his fiancée Ann. Yellott also makes ornamental wrought iron fences and gates.

Steve Carr will now be a pilot for the F.B.I. His training should be completed by December 1995. Steve's entire family (wife Michelle, children Andy, David, and Caroline) is very excited about the change.

Patricia Troy Cammerzell intends to work for Lenox China in design/product development. She and husband David spend their weekends on Maryland's Eastern Shore for a relaxing change of pace.

Adjusting to sleepless nights again with her newborn, **Michelle Hutschentruber Conner** continues to stay at home and coordinates the Sunday school for her church.

She writes that since her son is older she has entered the world of school and little league.

Counting herself as one of the multitude of people at the Indy 500 this year, **Becky Bankert Cook** is a full-time mom to her sons Ben and Kevin.

Vic Culatta has created an auxiliary enterprise to manage the dormitory revenue fund, via a foundation, for the California Maritime Academy; which is a campus of Cal State.

Stanley Dill has been named manager of O'Connor, Piper & Flynn, Hampstead, Md. office. Stanley is president-elect of the Carroll County Association of Realtors and Secretary-treasurer of Mid-Annapolis Real Estate Information Technology.

Kathy Lyhus Dixon's family (husband Don, and children Janet and Sam) recently visited DisneyWorld. She writes that work and the children keep them very busy.

Ken "Chip" Fox is now a shift supervisor for PRC Environmental Labs in Reading, Pa. Chip spends his free time fixing up his new home with wife Shelly, playing league volleyball, and drill design for a local high school marching band.

Greetings from Montana is the word from **Charles Franke**. He continues his dual career as a bakery manager and pet psychologist and in his free time sings barbershop, ballroom dances, bicycles, and gathers mushrooms.

After working in the industry for 10 years, **Kathy Gobbel** has opened her own travel agency, Horizon Travel, in Columbia, Md. Kathy says it's been fun learning the ins and outs of being a business owner and manager.

Children and football seem to keep **Bruce and Tracy Woodard Gregory** busy. Bruce continues to coach at Bowling Green State and Tracy is working part time as a bank teller.

Susan Matthews Harris and husband **Greg '83**, along with children Emily and Billy, have moved to a new home in Columbia, Md. Susan stays busy as a licensed child care provider.

Anne Shortess Hauprich is currently teaching deaf and hard-of-hearing preschoolers in Montgomery County Public Schools. She resides in Laurel with her husband Don and daughters Kelly and Katrina.

Now that **Sherod Bair Heckle** has finished the courses for a master's in policy sciences, all that is left is a thesis and comprehensive exam. Children Zachary and Lindsay and husband **Bob '83** are enjoying their pool.

Joe Hedrick writes that he's still with Hewlett-Packard and his wife Leah is with DuPont.

Working as her husband **Eric's '83** assistant in his investment advisory practice **Betsy Mitchell Henning** wholeheartedly recommends marriage and pet ownership, yet questions home ownership. She also enjoys baking, painting and herb gardening.

Myles Mules Herbert, husband and daughters Emilee and Samantha enjoy swimming last summer. She and her husband were looking forward to having two children in school this year.

Once again enjoying the sites of Carroll County writes **Trish Feaga Holmes** and husband **Lee '87**. They now reside in Eldersburg, Md.

Deb Hildebrand Hoover and husband Carl recently attended the Little Baker Wedding Vow Renewal Service and can't believe that it's been 10 years since the first time around. Deb is recreation director for the East Manchester (Pa.) Township and works with children in two school districts.

While continuing to teach biology and chemistry, **Ann Hilton Horn** is preparing to send her two children off to school. Ann has also been involved with the EPA dealing with getting students to rest the quality of water in surrounding reservoirs.

Laney Fisher Howard is teaching basic college writing courses at Wor-Wic Community College. She writes that her daughter Alexis enjoys the role of big sister to her brother Cole.

Writing children's stories and books and hoping to be published is what keeps **Linda Lang Hubble** busy these days. She and husband Larry vacationed in Tennessee and North Carolina this summer.

Denise Humphrey still works for the government and has been transferred from the Pentagon to a position at the Defense Information Systems Agency Headquarters. Denise is currently pursuing a master's degree at George Washington University and continues to teach karate classes.

Mary Lynn Schwaab Husey is still teaching kindergarten at Hampstead Elementary. She along with husband Bill and daughters Kristen and Katie traveled to the Outer Banks earlier in the summer.

Recently achieving the status of chartered financial consultant **Christopher Imbach** is principal in the firm of Patterson-Imbach, an insurance and financial management brokerage firm in Baltimore. In his spare time he continues as a fire-fighter/paramedic. Chris has begun an addition to his home to make room

for his family (wife Debi and children Spencer and Luc).

Greetings from Texas writes **Paul Jacobus**. Paul writes that his son Nicholas is only 18 months old and is already 3 feet tall. Paul is still with AT&T and his wife Cathy will finish her Child Psychiatry Fellowship in June '96.

Mike Jamborsky writes that he is currently working as a Mental Health counselor with Pathway Homes, Inc.

After 10 years in the banking industry **Courtney Quinn Jones** left it to be a full-time mom to her daughter Rachel. She and husband Dave recently celebrated their third wedding anniversary.

Homeschooling her five children **Deborah Neely Kennedy** is also an educational consultant for her homeschool group. She has also started a home business selling math curriculum.

Richard King has been named assistant professor of military science at the University of Scranton. He is currently a captain and plans to obtain a master's while there. Rick and wife Lisa look forward to living in the Northeast where they'll be closer to friends and family.

Working as a legal assistant **Gail Leek Klaking** is glad to be free of the D.C. rat race. Gail and her husband are in the beginning stages of building their own home.

Living in Columbia, Md. with husband **Mark '83, Jennifer Eiseberg McCullin** is a child therapist with the University of Maryland Medical School. They enjoy spending time with their son Eric who has a passion for steam locomotives.

As for myself, I have been busy the past year. I accepted a position with the Howard Hughes Medical Institute at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. I am researching the molecular genetics of retinal degeneration. In just one year I have filed three patent applications on genes I have cloned. In my spare time I continue to study flute with Emily Controuls, the principal flutist with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Thanks for all the news. Philip Michael Smallwood 5022 Woodbine Road Woodbine, MD 21797

88 Tina Smith Barretto is living in Abingdon, Md. with husband Joe and daughter Lauren. She is working as an engineering consultant for Booz, Allen and Hamilton in Baltimore.

Captain Nancy Boore assumed command of HQ and HQ Battery, 31st Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas on March 10. She is also a veteran of Desert Storm, having served in the 307th Military Intelligence Battalion in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Gary Goldberg and new wife Carla just returned from a trip to Maryland and WMC just before their wedding on April 29th. Gary said it was great

seeing Drs. Olsh, Law and Phillips. He and Carla were married in Annapolis. Their "family" continues to grow as they now have three dogs and two cats. Gary was recently promoted to contract specialist with the Bureau of Land Management.

Austin Isemann has owned the Quail Ridge Inn since June 1993. He is on the Board of Directors for the Restaurant Association of Maryland. He keeps in touch with roommate **Chris Ibertson '87** who is currently living in Florida. Austin's wife is a senior vice president with Storage USA and their three kids, Jason Shipley, Meghan Shipley and Linnet Isemann are growing up too, according to him.

Renee Allen Combs graduated with an M.A. in school guidance counseling in May '95. She has 4-year-old Katlyn and 2-year-old Miles. She and her family are enjoying their new home in northern Maryland County.

Kris Teyrer moved to South Dakota and bought a large farm house with a garage and barn on 5 acres of land. She lives there with her dog Bijou, cat Sara, boyfriend Rick and his two horses. She is working at Gateway 2000 as a technical writer. She is loving the country life.

Lynn Stone is still living in Westminster and teaching science at Liberty High School in Eldersburg. She spends her extra time as an assistant coach of WMC's women's soccer team. She sees **Deb Weber Kiley** and **Cindy Jarkowicz Knies** often.

Jeff Stewler just began his third year as co-owner of Fastbreak Courier, a local delivery company in the D.C. metro area. He is presently living in Bethesda, Md.

Linda Ward Terry is a fourth-year medical student at the Medical College of Wisconsin (in Milwaukee). She keeps busy with rotations and applying for residency. She has not decided between pediatrics or family practice. She has also not decided between Milwaukee or back East. She and her husband have enjoyed the Midwest—living all over Wisconsin, Chicago and Minneapolis, but they miss their family and friends back East. They will celebrate their first anniversary in September.

Jeff Rink is currently working at Great American Insurance Company in Columbia, Md. He and wife **Leslie Brooks '89** have been vacationing with **Steve '87** and **Lucy Purcell '86 Lutche, Dave '87** and **Maria Filshie '89 Douglas, Richie '87** and **Martha Wheatley** and **Matt '87** and **Tracy Buckman Dunne** in Duck, N.C., Vermont and Dominican Republic.

Cpt. Raymond McDermott is stationed at Fort Rucker, Ala. He has completed the Army's OH-58 Instructor Pilot Course and is teaching Aeroscout Basic Combat Skills. In September '95 Ray will be flying AH-64 Apaches and taking command of an attack helicopter company somewhere—probably in the United States—after January '96.

Tara Stevenson is teaching second grade in Baltimore and is a few credits short of her master's degree in guidance

counseling. She still keeps in touch with **Michelle Hubbard Mairano**.

Cherie Thompson Conrad is still selling real estate, but is also a full-time mom to daughter Chelsea, who was 2 in April. They just moved into a great, new home in Silver Spring that was built by her husband Terry. She sees her sister-in-law **Cindy Boyer Thompson '87** and lots of old Phi Sigs—they are still getting together every month. She said many of them had a blast at Bethany Beach in March.

Dawn Deffenbaugh Anderson welcomed the arrival of Caleb Joshua Anderson on December 11, 1994. He keeps Dawn and her husband very busy and is lots of fun. She is almost half-way through nursing school and can't wait to graduate next year.

Laurie Levin is still working for the IRS and just received a promotion which caused her to change her post of duty to Wheaton, Md. She still lives in Owings Mills so she is making a long commute each day.

Jessica Diller Graves received her M.S. in counseling in 1990 from WMC. She married Edward "Ted" **Graves '90** in October 1993 in Stone Harbor, N.J. Wendy Wilson '90, Lori Clow '90 and Roland McCahan '89 were in attendance. She is currently employed by Frederick County Public Schools as an interpreter. She does freelance interpreting during the weekends and summers. She and husband Ted recently restored an 1880 farmhouse in Feagville, Md.

Alice Schwarzkopf Gwin and husband Neil '87 will be celebrating their fifth anniversary in April. She is currently working for Booz, Allen and Hamilton as an instructional designer. She too enjoys the get-togethers with the Phi Sig "Thirsty Thursday" gang. She and Neil spend some of their spare time playing with Meghan, 2 1/2, and, of course, still find time to play basketball and soccer throughout the year.

Lloyd and Nancy Shaw Hart adopted a dog, Annabelle, from the humane society in February. They can hardly remember life without her. In April, Nancy traveled to San Francisco to present a staff development workshop at the National School Age Child Care Alliance Convention. She was just elected secretary of the Maryland School Age Child Care Alliance, too. (Nancy always did take great notes!) In May, Lloyd received his MBA from Mt. St. Mary's. Lloyd has been working hard for the past few years as his business expands and he goes to school at night. They celebrated their anniversary in June by going to Martha's Vineyard.

Tammy Graf Angel and husband **Mike '87** have been volunteer fire-fighters for the Hamburg Fire Department since they moved to Hamburg, Mich. On November 1, 1994 they had their first son, Gregory Ian, one month premature. He is doing fine. Tammy and Mike really like living in Michigan. Tammy says that being a new mother brings a whole new

meaning to "sleep deprivation" and "all-nighters."

Mary Beth Kepner is enjoying life in Elkton, Md. She plans to take a trip to Seattle, Wash. in September by motorcycle.

Susan Bruder had lots of good news to report. She just got a promotion at work. (She does public relations for TTC, a telecommunications company in Germantown.) She also recently purchased a house in Rockville. She moved in at the end of May. Susan claims she is bankrupt now, but is loving every minute of it. She struck a deal with her little terrier, Daisy—Susan gets the house, Daisy gets the backyard.

Blake Austensen has given up making tacos for a living. For the past 18 months he was working as a manager for Taco Bell in Frederick, but has quit to return to school and earn his master's degree in human resource development. Prior to that, Blake was teaching eighth-grade history in Bowie. He and wife **Stacy Hermann** '91 recently moved to Woodbine.

Jim Fultz has been busy since obtaining his teaching certification in social studies last year. He has been teaching alternative education in Pennsylvania as well as doing merchandising for Wal-Mart. He dove into the waters of matrimony in late July and has moved to Tennessee. Jim wants to know what all the old Bachelors are up to.

Tom Kehoe and **Jon Bouit** are owners of Yards Brewing Company, a small micro brewery in Philadelphia. They were licensed early this year and had hopes that Yards Extra Special Ale would hit the market in early May.

Mike Martinovich '90, a new inductee to the Haddonfield Social Club, anxiously awaited his first mug—"was it worth the wait, Mike?"

Michelle Hilbert is in the midst of a major career change. After six years in the business world, she left MCI last July. Although her job was interesting, she always wanted to teach kids, so she is currently working on a master's of education at Loyola College in Baltimore. She should be certified to teach secondary level Spanish by January 1996. At the beginning of the last school year she had a few opportunities to be a long-term substitute in both a high school and a middle school in Calvert County, Md. and loved it. For the time being, Michelle is enjoying being a full-time student again.

Tracy Harris is teaching morning kindergarten at Crofton Elementary and hoping a full-time position will open up for her in the fall. In the meantime, she spends her afternoons working in the infant room at a day care center in Millersville. She loves her one-bedroom apartment in Glen Burnie and is glad to finally be without roommates.

Pete and Dawn East Farquharson are enjoying life in Hampstead, Md. Pete is still a senior claims representative at All State Insurance. Dawn is teaching second grade at Manchester Elementary. Their daughter McKenna is 15-months old and keeps them very busy. She is

walking and talking and getting into everything. They see **Jeff, Rita, Krista** and **Amanda Cantwell** a lot.

Stephanie Golski is living in Baltimore City, but is dreaming of getting out to country living. She has a post doc at National Institute on Aging in Baltimore doing research on aging subjects who are great role models on how to age. Steph has observed that basically being smart and rich makes for great golden years. She also teaches undergraduate classes at Hopkins occasionally. She is enjoying both, but misses life as a perpetual student. Her son Tyler gets smarter, cuter and funnier every day. He is 3 now. She goes to Dead shows whenever she gets the chance and recently went to see Vinnie's in Westminster for tattoos.

Mary-Martha Peel Bahn is living in Denver, Colo. these days—working for Janus Funds. Fortunately, business brings her back to Maryland at least once a year, so she can keep in touch with **Susan Malkus** '86 and **Austin Isenman**. Depending on the season, she and her husband spend their spare time skiing or long distance cycling. No kids yet, but two dogs and a cat are giving them good practice.

Amanda Wanamaker Boddien is doing great. She is having fun staying home with daughter Chloe and running her own graphic design business.

Debbie Hauser Athey is a part-time CPA at the National Institutes of Health and a full-time mother of 20-month-old Kevin Joseph. She enjoyed being a bridesmaid in **Kristen Mowery Barth's** '90 wedding in September 1994.

Jeff '84 and **Deb Weber Kiley** play a lot of golf with **Lynn Stone** and **Scott Kohr** '83. They have also been traveling extensively. Last year they visited London, New Orleans, and San Francisco. This summer they were planning to visit Sweden and other European destinations. She is still teaching fifth grade at Sandymount Elementary.

Bob Ballinger is still employed by the Boy Scouts of America in York, Pa. as a senior district executive. He also continues to referee amateur and professional soccer games in Maryland and surrounding states.

Janice Hess is currently practicing optometry at Pearle Vision Express at the Columbia Mall. He spends time fishing with **Matt Jackson** '87 and took a fishing trip to the Outer Banks with his wife **Cindy Robey Hess** '87 and the rest of the family including **Rob Hess** '91 in June.

Lori Ebert has been working for T. Rowe Price since getting her MBA. She and her fiancé purchased a home in Owings Mills last year and are busy with home projects.

Richard Gruber, his wife **Stacey Pucci** '87, son **Nicholas**, and their three cats moved to Hampstead. They are living back in the woods and enjoying their stream and yard work.

John Eiker and wife **Michele** have started their own insurance agency in Frederickburg, Va., Cornerstone

Insurance Service, Inc. They took a cruise to the Western Caribbean in January 1995. Their son Paul will be 4 in July, their daughter Rachel is 2. They moved to another house within Frederickburg in July 1994.

Amey Heebner Davis is vice president in the Credit Division of MBNA, America. When she is not working, she and Jamie spend most of their time chasing their 16-month-old son Christopher. They spent a week in DisneyWorld last December and can't wait to go back.

Leigh Filer Fargmeyer and husband **Bob** have an adorable son named Robert "Jack" John, who was born on March 15, 1994. Leigh is enjoying the role as a stay-at-home mother.

Heather Murtagh Hopkins has two sons, Joshua, 4 and Brandon James, 2. She is working part-time in the accounting department of Snyder, Crompton and Associates, Inc.

Kelly Rembold Hoke loves being a housewife and mother of 10-month-old twins Morgan and Chad.

Jonathan Arnold is married and has three beautiful girls. He is living in Colorado and is a computer contractor for Google/Excel. He received his master's degree from the University of Denver.

Patricia Yingling Keane is proud to announce the birth of Sean Patrick on April 28, 1995. She is looking forward to new experiences with him.

Traci Parker Salvo is busy staying at home with Ryan, 3 and Brenden, 2. She enjoys taking business trips with **Dru** '87 to Hawaii, Florida and Maine. They are still living in Parkville, Md. but are looking forward to moving to rural Kingville, Md.

Linda Greenwald is selling advertising for the *Maryland Pennyquirer*. He says six years of branch management was enough. His son, Shaun, is 22 months and keeps her and wife

Lauren Williams '89 on the move. He and Lauren vacationed on Paradise Island in the Bahamas to celebrate their fifth-year anniversary. Fortunately he won enough gambling to make up for Lauren's losses. They keep in touch with **Dan O'Connor** and **Betsy Nichols** '91.

Gayle Adamec Pichardt completed her fifth year of teaching special education in Howard County. She was married in July 1993. She and her husband bought a house in Catonsville, Md. with a nice yard for their yellow lab puppy.

Jill Grabowski Klein and her husband **Ed** live in Edgewood, Md. They became proud parents on August 30, 1993 to Dylan. Besides taking care of Dylan, they frequently spend their time outdoors with their black lab Zach. Jill regrets not being able to make it to the reunion.

Scott Watkins graduated from the WVU School of Medicine in May of 1993. He did a family medicine internship from July '93 until June '94. He began residency in radiation oncology in July '94 at Albert Einstein and Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa.

Kelly Wilson Jester had a big year in 1994. She graduated from the University of Maryland Baltimore County

with a master's in instructional systems development. On July 16, 1994 she married Richard Jester and they purchased a home in Karly. Kelly is the cross country and indoor track coach at Franklin High School.

Wendi McQueney Nolder and husband **Doug** '87 are still living at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where Doug works. Their daughter Chelsea is 4 years old and they are proud to announce the birth of their son, Austin Douglas on July 14, 1994.

Julianne Saunders lives in Vienna, Va. and works in Alexandria as an analyst at a health care research and consulting firm. She is exploring alternate careers in interior decorating and/or sewing and crafting where she can use her creative talents. She is hoping to move away from the city soon, maybe out West somewhere where there can appreciate nature and there are not so many people! She has fond memories of WMC and hopes all her old friends are well and happy.

Daniel Seabold is still plugging away on his Ph.D. thesis in mathematics at the University of California at Berkeley. Daniel also wanted everyone to know that **Dan Nuro** '89 is over at UC Davis studying chemistry.

Maryann Rada is still working at Johns Hopkins University Press and loving the book publishing business. As an assistant to the marketing director she gets some interesting work compiling sales reports and negotiating for paperback reprinting rights. She still plays around with **Carin Michel** regularly.

Mari Rood Kaplan is very busy doing day care, substitute teaching, and painting furniture and floorclothes on the side. Mari and husband Doug also became new parents in February 1995.

Julie Murn Smith and husband **Ted** bought a new house in October 1993 and have been busy fixing it up and doing yard work. Last spring they went to London for a week and spent lots of weekends at the beach in Cape May, N.J.

Kathy Murphy traveled to Cancun, Mexico in May 1994 with **Tim**. In June 1994 she and **Tim** went to Ocean City with **Laurie Levin** and her significant other. Kathy is still working for O'Connor Piper and Flynn as a staff accountant and benefits administrator.

Dennis Snyder bought a townhouse in Hampstead and recently completed his sixth year of teaching at North Carroll Middle School. He coached soccer at WMC as well as basketball and baseball at North Carroll.

Julie Ann Younger graduated from UMMS Medical School with a master's of physical therapy in May.

That about sums it up for this year! Hope everyone is doing well. Remember to drop a note to me or to the Alumni office whenever you have a special event or news worth reporting. Tracy Buckman Dunne 7814 Breakestone Ct. Ellicott City, MD 21043

89 Hello class of 1989! I hope that 1995 has been an exciting and fun-filled year for everyone. Many thanks to those of you who wrote. It is always so great to hear from fellow alumni. Our class column uses the half-class format, so if you were not included this time you will be next time! Let's keep that news coming.

Tina Lambert is as busy as usual. Her career is going well. She is the marketing manager for May Ambulance Company. She keeps in touch with **Heddi Shifter, Sheri Harris '88, Joyce Lee and Karen Baldrige '88, Moskowitz '90.**

Frank Gerardi and his wife **Valerie Mays** are living in Frederick. Frank has been appointed to sales representative for Janssen Pharmaceuticals of Washington, D.C. district.

Steven Hegna and his wife **Mette** are living on the New Jersey shore. They traveled to Norway this summer to visit **Mette's** family and to enjoy the beautiful sights.

Heather Willver has been very busy for the past few years. She left Washington, D.C. after five years of graduate school and history work to start a Ph.D. in the history of science at the University of Wisconsin. But **Heather** said that the weather and the wacky ways made her leave for the sunshine and the palm trees of California! There she worked for Governor **Pete Wilson** as a research analyst. Then she rushed off to Indiana in December of 1994 where she is currently an archival historian for the Indiana State Archives.

Irenna Zubal is now working for SAIG, providing contract support for the office of research management at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington, D.C. She is living in Silver Spring, Md. **Irenna** plans to go back to school to start a master's program.

Beth VanPelt bought a house in Frederick and says she really enjoys decorating it. She has been spending her time teaching, going to graduate school and traveling.

Bryan Lynch was to be at the State Police Academy in New Jersey for 22 intense weeks.

Leslie Brooks and husband **Jeff Rink '88** traveled to Hilton Head Island this summer with **Maria Filshie** and her husband **Dave Douglas '87**. **Leslie** has been working as a school psychologist in Cecil County. She completed her master's degree last summer and is finishing a second degree, both in psychology. **Maria and Dave** have moved to Long Island. They bought a house in Huntington and are really enjoying working on it in their spare time.

"Things are awesome!" writes **Dave Sweeney**. He is working as a senior account executive for Dun & Bradstreet, out of Parsippany, N.J. He also owns a large interactive distribution

company that is really taking off in the Northeast. **Dave** and his wife **Cathy** welcomed the arrival of their second child, **Daniel Joseph**, on November 11, 1994. Their daughter **Elizabeth B. 4**. **Dave** hopes that all the **Betes** are going great and if any of them are in New York City or North Jersey they better give him a call!

Dan Moskowitz, his wife **Karen Baldrige '90** and daughter **Lisa** live in Baltimore County. **Dan's** corporation, **Crystal Fitness Inc.**, recently expanded into the tanning industry by opening **SunWolfs** Tanning in Linthicum, Md. **Dan** says that **Steve Hollander** cheats at golf but not to worry because the whole class of 1989 already knows it!

All is well in Westminster. **Beth Yingling** assures us. She is living there and is very busy with the family business. **Beth** has been traveling to San Francisco and Nashville for work. She attended the Indy 500 last year and said it was a blast! She and

Kevin Resh completed sailing lessons this summer and claim to know enough to be dangerous. **Beth, Debbie Reynolds, Cresson Walsh and Kim Bechtel Stonebraker** spent a crazy week at the beach this summer.

Debbie Reynolds is very close to completing nursing school. **Debbie** says life in Towson is great even if she hasn't moved, her job is the same and she isn't getting married anytime soon!

Susan Shoumer and husband **Chris Newman '88** have moved into a brand new house in Timonium, Md. **Sue** is still in advertising working for **RM&D**. **Work** keeps her busy but allows her to see **Linda Pianowski** at the various advertising functions. **Chris** is still very happy working for **T. Rowe Price**.

Stacy Strohecker Liddick has been working at **Aldred** as a program specialist. She helps to supervise eight offices, write grants, and train others. The organization provides employment services to persons with disabilities. She also started a craft business last year making handpainted items and much more.

Dan Pika graduated from the physician assistant program at Essex Community College. He received his certification and license following a two-day test. He is now a certified physician's assistant with **North Carroll Medical** in Hampstead. **Michelle Meacham McDonnell** also graduated from the physician assistant program. Even more exciting is that **Michelle and John '88** had a baby girl, **Haley Ann**, on June 10, 1995. They are so excited about the new addition to their family.

Renee Yeager Yingling and husband **Edgar** moved into a house they built in Finksburg in February 1995. **Renee** continues to work at the University of Maryland School of Trauma Center as a senior physical therapist. **Renee** keeps in touch with fellow classmate and sister-in-law **Beth Yingling** and **Kevin Resh**.

Mary Lou Gallis Townsend writes that, "Life is wonderful!" She and her husband **Tom** stay very busy with their two sons, **Ryan** and **Gavin**. **Mary Lou**

is still teaching math at **Stephen Decatur High School** in **Bethesda, Md.** The last few years have kept **Dan LaGruta** very busy. He went mountain biking throughout Southeast Asia and the Philippines. He married **Cathy Romanoff** in September of 1994. **Cathy** is a trauma nurse in **South Jersey**. **Dan** has gone back to school in order to apply to dental school. **Dan** suggested that perhaps fellow classmate and dentist **Kevin Resh** would be interested in giving **Dan** a job. Just a suggestion.

Christa Keen and husband **Jack Markey** are living in **Frederick, Md.** **Jack** was promoted to sergeant with the **Frederick County Department of Fire Rescue Services**. He is finishing up a second degree at the University of Maryland in fire service management. **Christa** finished nursing school and is working as a psychiatric nurse for **Way Station, Inc.**

Bev Megenhardt Thomas bought a townhouse in **Hampstead** which she shares with her two cats. She is teaching middle school in **Carroll County** and has begun a doctoral program at the University of Maryland.

Norman D. Young is a captain in the Military Intelligence Branch. He married **Kittie Mae Loe** in June 1995. Unfortunately, he will have to leave his new bride in **Troy** in Korea. He completes a one-year tour in Korea. He completed his master's of science in international relations at **Troy State** in **Dothan, Ala.** in December 1994.

Katherine Erzt Gloyd and husband **Bill** are really enjoying the married life. They were married in August 1994. They had such a great time on their honeymoon in **Kauai** that they visited it again! **Katherine** and **Bill** had a great summer. They made it to the beach almost every weekend.

Eric Fairfield is no longer a bachelor. He married **Lisa Corbett** in **Greensboro, N.C.** last June. **John Fitzsimmons, Bill Butz and Mike Schmall '90** were all a part of the wedding party. **Eric** and **Lisa** now live in **Haslet, Mich.** Both work in **Lansing**. **Eric** works for **Binding Unlimited, Inc.**

Beth Trust is currently working for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in **Port Jervis, Fla.** She is involved in a project using bioremediation to clean up some hazardous waste sites across the U.S. Watch your speed while driving through **Fairfax County, Va.** **Mike Nicholson** is a patrol officer there.

He is also a part-time mug shot artist and works river patrol on the **Potomac River**. During the winters **Mike** has been spending his time playing ice hockey and snowboarding. In the warm weather he can be found racing motorcycles or fishing. He keeps in touch with **Gary Goldberg '88**.

Chris Schaber received his master's degree in pharmaceuticals last winter from **Temple University**. He is currently the assistant director of regulatory affairs for **Ohmeda Pharmaceuticals** in **North Jersey**. He and his wife **Cathi Frantzen '90** are busy

with their 1-year-old daughter, **Alyssa**, and with decorating their new home in **Burlington Township**.

Elizabeth Burkitt is living in **Bethesda, Md.** and enjoying the D.C. social scene. She is working hard as an account executive for **Henniger Media Services** in **Arlington, Va.** This past May, **Elizabeth** enjoyed catching up with several **Bete** and **Phil** **Alph** friends at **Rich McCaughey '90** and **Barbara Pierantozzi's** wedding.

Joyce Lee is living up north in **Middlebury, Conn.** She works for the Department of Children and Families as the social work supervisor. She is responsible for training foster and adoptive parents. During **Joyce's** visits to **Baltimore** she manages to see **Tina Lambert** and **Sheri Trivani Harris '88**. **Joyce** is finishing her master's degree in child welfare and looks forward to spending more time with her 3-year-old son and trying out the **Skip Baur Racing School**.

Amy Parr is living in the "Big Apple." She says she loves living in **New York City** and has met several interesting people. She works for **Citibank**. **Amy** manages all marketing for the **Citibank Photocart**.

Keep your eyes open for movies produced by **Deborah Ridpath**. **Debbie** completed her first film as a producer called, *If Lucy Felt*, in **New York**. It stars **Sarah Jessica Parker** and **Ben Stiller** and will be released by **TriStar** next year. She is living in **Los Angeles** and working on another film with more in the development stage. She calls herself an independent producer. She is hoping to direct a film she has written next year, too. **Debbie** sends a special hello to **Dr. Hartman** and wishes him well.

Well, I think that's everyone. I am still teaching second grade at **Our Lady of Hope/St. Luke's School** in **Baltimore**. I am also working towards my master's in the field of education at **Loyola College**. Between weddings and other various social events I get to see plenty of **WMC** alumni. Several of you wrote to me about engagements and pregnancies, sorry I can't include them until the actual event takes place. Drop me a line anytime and give me some news. I hope all is well with the class of 1989 and that this next year is a happy, healthy and safe year for all! Thanks again for the news!

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93 From the overwhelming response I received, it is obvious the Class of '93 is alive and doing extremely well after **WMC**. To begin, **I, Michael Razez**, am working as commercial insurance underwriter for an agency outside of **Atlantic City**.

Tracy Baynard Waddell was married in September '94 to **Jed Waddell** of **Westminster** and is working at one of the largest and last greenhouses in the **Twin City** area. She still sees **Tony Petrocchio, Allison John '94, Maria Lafferty, Martha Shaver, Rick Wag-**

man '91, and **Kathleen Hatcher**. **Jamie Hitchner** is working as a physical education teacher in Carroll County.

Cindy Bair has recently returned from London with **Brett Cohen '92** and is working at Maryland's largest credit union as an investment representative.

Jennifer Dean is now going into her second year at Boston University School of Law and is a cast member of the musical theater show, *Legal Follies*.

Demetrius Lambros was married to Elaine Bocher in August of '94 and is living in Georgia. Demetrius is working at the Cartoon Network and finished up work on a Civil War movie called *Andersonville* for TNT in December of '94. Elaine was also in the wedding party of **Carol White Blackford**, who was married in May of '94. Also there were **Rachel Snyder** and **Michela Patterson**.

Robby Dodd has completed his certification at WMC as an elementary school teacher.

Coleen Klasmeyer is nearing the end of her second year at the Boston University School of Law and will return to Texas in May for her second summer at the Texas Civil Rights Project. Coleen still sees **Kim Bergen '92** and **Deborah "DJ" Hestley '92** and keeps in touch with **Tricia Duffy**.

Kendra Harbaugh is living in Middletown, Md. and is working for the ARC of Frederick County helping people with developmental disabilities. She keeps in touch with fellow Omegas and is planning a visit to the West Coast this summer.

Tanya Kabel Ballard was married to **Matt Ballard '92** in November of '93. **Sandra Hoele** and **Heather Wakefield** were bridesmaids in the ceremony which took place in "Big" Baker. Tanya and Matt also spent New Year's '95 with Heather and **Bill Spire**. Life in the army has been very busy for Tanya who was deployed twice to Saudi Arabia.

Sandra Hoele is a VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) volunteer in San Jose, Calif. and helps with education and counseling programs. Sandra plans to stay in California when her service is over in July.

Trisha Darmstead is working at Prince George's Community College as an interpreter during the day and attends Carroll Community College at night to get her certification interpreting for the deaf. Trisha keeps in touch with **Kendra Harbaugh** and plans to go back to WMC to enroll in deaf education.

Will Dator lives in the WMC commune in Boulder, Colo. with **Sara Karr**, **Steph Flood '94**, **Hap Purcell '92**, **Meleah Becker**, **Pat Buchanan**, **Hillary Tollette '90**, **Mark Beshore** and **Glenn Apprahamian**.

Mary Knust Bartell is living in her mountain home in Pennsylvania—a bird watchers haven.

Franco Frisone is currently managing a night club and will graduate in May with his MBA. Franco plays a lot of golf with **Kevin Henneman**.

Alex "Big Al" Batson has received

his certification to become a network engineer and is working for Allied Signal Aerospace in Columbia, Md.

Christine Keiner is an administrator in the department of Biological Sciences at UMBC.

Rob Brevetti is presently working as a financial adviser with American Express Financial Services in Harrison, N.Y.

Meg Gobrecht is finally leaving "the Hill" and working as the coordinator of injury prevention at the Carroll County Health Department. Meg hasn't completely severed her ties with WMC—she is still working part-time until the end of the semester.

Ken Hes is staying busy working for an advertising agency in Frederick as a writer. Ken is also working in television production for a cable station part-time and playing in a fusion rock band called "The Desert Cave Dogs" which is currently cutting a CD.

Kelly Schoen Kilduff is still employed by the marketing department at T. Rowe Price.

Brenda Christensen is working in the accounting department of an insurance agency in Taylorsville, Md. She is still with her boyfriend, Brian Musselman, and still keeps in touch with **Anna Myers Palmer**, who was married in October 1993.

Jennifer L. Disney is finishing her Ph.D. in political science at the City University of New York Graduate Center and is working on a project for the UN Fourth World Conference of the Status of Women which was held in Beijing, China in September of '95.

Erica Spunier is teaching fourth grade at Spring Garden Elementary in Hampstead, Md. This past summer Erica directed a math camp for at-risk students.

Maria Lafferty was married to Aaron Hopkins in August '94 at WMC. Maria will graduate from the University of Maryland at Baltimore with her master's in physical therapy.

Scott Lyon is currently doing an internship with the University of Maryland Athletic Department and is house director for Greek Life.

Amy Hackman trained at the Northeast Montessori Institute just outside Boston and now teaches at the Julia Brown Montessori School in Columbia, Md. Amy teaches children who are between 2 and 6 years old.

Carla Castagna is the director of marketing for Carlos R. Leffer, Inc. and CR's Friendly Markets in Pennsylvania. Carla is in charge of the advertising and all computer-related projects. In her spare time, Carla works out at a local gym and does a lot of traveling.

Linda Chu is currently working in Human Resources Department of the Radisson Plaza Hotel at Mark Center in Alexandria, Va. Linda will keep close contact with **Julie Rife**, **Kendra Harbaugh**, and recently went on a trip to Florida with **Dan Dias**, **Malin Jonsson**, and **Mark Long**.

Nancy Despres is in the process of building a home. Nancy misses all her sisters.

Janette Nidecker is working at E.J. Krause in Bethesda and is in the process of also buying a home with the Richard Vanston in Rockville, Md. Rich is a vocational counselor for Autistic Adults at C.S.A.A.C. in Rockville.

Claudette Gasch is now enrolled in the Mortuary Science Program at Catonsville and will graduate in May. Former WMC punter **Paul McCord** got a call from the Dallas Cowboys and signed a free-agent contract in April. He attended a mini-camp in May and began another in July, but was later released from the team.

As for my fellow Phi Deltis, **Ron Chesney** is working in the Internal Control Department for Legg Mason and plays professional soccer for the Baltimore Bay.

Todd Knellinger is teaching students and enjoys keeping in touch with the brothers and playing ball.

Scott Aquila has moved back north to Maryland from Florida and is working as a law advocate for Smith Company while going to school for his para-legal degree.

Thank you to everyone who sent their cards to me and we all look forward to hearing from the rest of you next year.
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94 Greetings and welcome to the first column for the first column for the Class of 1994! Many thanks to all who sent news. Please send any news of your activities to us. Everyone wants to hear who is doing what.

Camp Casca, Korea is the current assignment for **Sherry Albright**. She is serving as the administrative officer for the 2nd Infantry Division troop medical clinic.

Jennifer Bowles received her graduate degree in social work from the University of Maryland at Baltimore in May 1995.

Mary Lynn Edelmeyer Creek is currently training to be a computer specialist/systems analyst for the Social Security Administration in Woodlawn, Md.

Lisa Brennan Ciatolla spent the past year working in neuroscience research at the Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore, Md. She planned to start medical school at the University of Maryland in June 1995.

Marilee Ainsworth writes from Charlottesville, Va. of her May wedding to **Philip Heavner '92**. While Phil is finishing a medical school, Marilee is applying to graduate programs in English. Marilee and Phil plan to spend two months in the spring of 1996 doing volunteer work on the Navajo Reservation in Arizona.

Janet Fenhagen now works at the Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore as a cytogenetics laboratory.

Sarah DuVal has completed her first year of a four-year optometric program at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, pursuing the doctor of

optometry degree.

Linda Stofberg Cuner writes that she successfully managed the political campaign of Robert Frank (Democrat, Baltimore County) for a seat in the Maryland House of Delegates. She also worked as a session aide to Senator John Hafar (Republican, Western Maryland).

Joanne Johnson Engler enjoys being an accountant for the Bon Secours Spiritual Center in Mariottsville, Md. She also sat for the CPA exam and is still awaiting the results.

John L. Faris III is now attending the University of Baltimore School of Law while living in Eldersburg, Md.

Joy Giggins has moved to Wake Forest, N.C. where she works as a research assistant at the Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company in Research Triangle Park, N.C. In the fall, she starts graduate school at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in the ecology program.

Andy Grimm says, "Grimm here!" on Main Street, Westminster. He is successfully teaching English at Francis Scott Key High School. He also plays rock-n-roll with **Dr. Ira Zepp's '92** son.

Amy Grove worked as a summer intern for Maryland Cracker Barrel. She wrote commercials and news stories for WQCM-WIAG Radio, and voice-overs for Maryland Public Television. Now she has hit the high seas! She got promoted to human resources co-ordinator of the Delta Queen Steamboat Company in New Orleans, La. She is responsible for all crew activities and paperwork. She rotates her time between working on the boat and working at home.

Writing from active duty in the army, **John Hampton** has attended Rangers School and will be stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. with the 82nd Airborne unit.

Congratulations to **Linda Sue Harrison** on her new arrival, a daughter weighing eight pounds, 15 ounces. Linda has been traveling, visiting friends in England and family in Arizona. She is continuing the candidacy for ordained ministry in the United Methodist church.

Susan Head teaches elementary physical education and coaches basketball in Carroll County. She is still in contact with **Chris Conklin '92**, **John Carney '92**, **Todd Leskowski '92** and **Allice Smith '91**.

It is the policy of *The Hill* not to publish engagements and pregnancies until after these special events have occurred. Let us know any updates so we can keep the rest of the class informed.

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Formal dedication of these stained glass windows depicting the seven liberal arts was held at Hoover library May 27. (From left) Clara Schaeffer, Jackie Hall '43, Annabel Glockler Liebelt '48, Marjorie Lippy '77, Helen Bell '49, President Robert Chambers and Jim Hackman '50.

ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs: (410) 857-2296.

Thur., Jan. 18.

Carroll County Alumni Chapter Luncheon, Westminster Conference Center, 12 noon. Program: Vernon R. Simpson '36.

Mon., Jan. 22.

Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

Fri., Feb. 23.

Southern Pennsylvania Alumni Chapter event.

Mon., Feb. 26.

Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

Sun., March 3.

Evening With The President for young alumni campus leaders, McDaniel Lounge.

Mon., March 25.

Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

Sat., April 3. Academic Homecoming. Topic: "The Creative Process."

Fri./Sat., April 19, 20.

Board of Trustees meetings. Sat., April 27. Alumni Association Board of Governors meeting of alumni leaders.

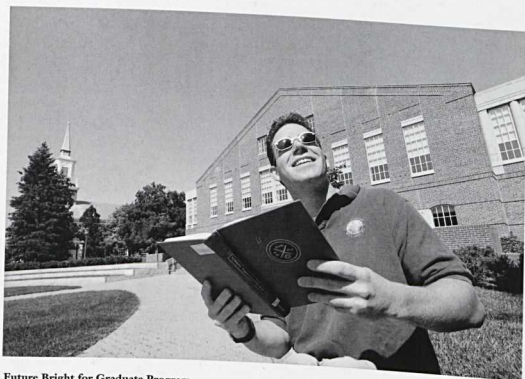
May 31, June 1, 2.

Alumni Weekend for reunion classes 1916, '21, '26, '31, '36, '41, '46, '56, '61, '66.

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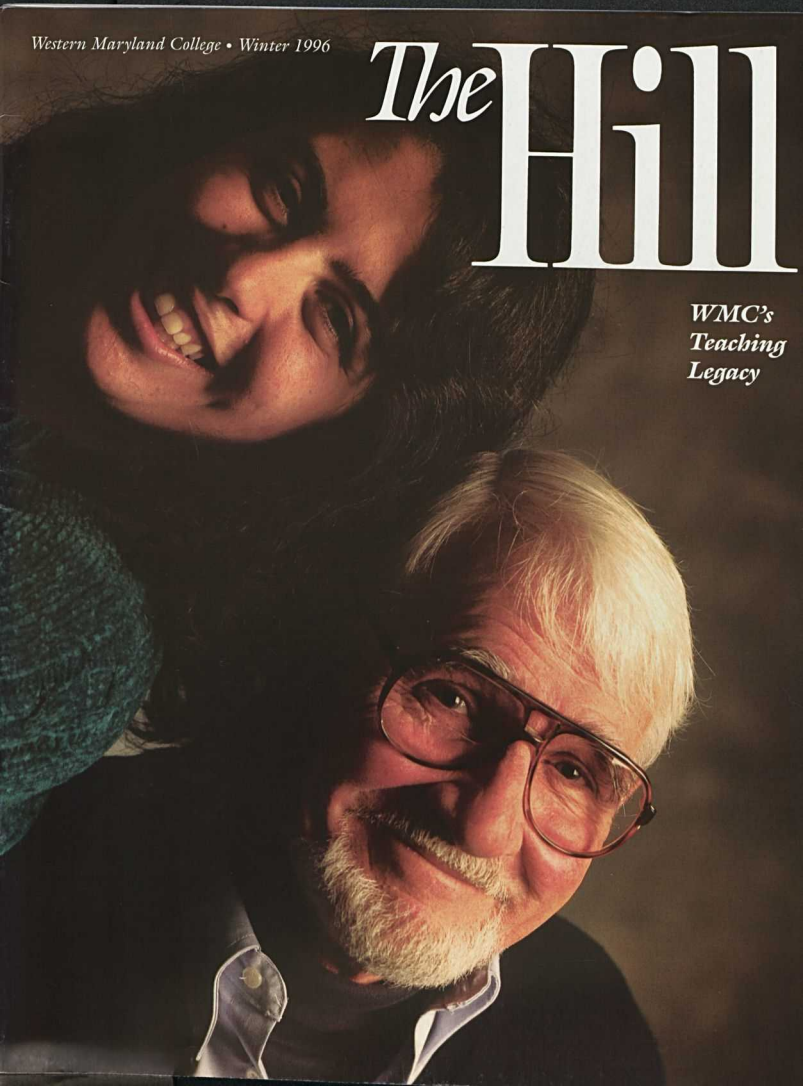
Future Bright for Graduate Program

Steve Gray is pursuing a master's degree in counseling education, one of the hottest graduate programs currently being offered. In fact, WMC's entire graduate department is heating up, with a record of 1,419 taking summer school this year. With some students attending more than one course, total enrollments for the summer session hit a sunny high of 2,331. Surely a signal of great things ahead, especially with a new Dean of Graduate Affairs to usher in new initiatives and bolster innovative programming. (See page 2 for story on new appointment.)

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Political Science Professor Robert Weber inspires discourse and debate from the middle of this classroom-in-the-round, one of two amphitheatres located on the first floor of Hill Hall. As Western Maryland undergoes a transformation in physical appearance, as well as a changing of the guard in the professoriat, teaching remains the college's top priority. (See page 8 for story.)

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New Assistant Professor of English Becky Carpenter continues the teaching tradition of campus greets like Professor Emeritus of English Del Palmer. Photo by Peter Howard.

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News

From The Hill

Rock Concert Was Really 'Something'

In the '70s, the WMC campus got down and boogied with the Commodores, grooved to Melba Moore and swayed to the sounds of the Pure Prairie League. In the '80s, Face-dancer and Boot Camp drew the crowds.

It's been a long time since a big-name band—the kind that gets radio play on more than college stations—has rocked “the Hill.” But after the success of the Deep Blue Something concert March 7, which sold 900 tickets for \$8 to students and \$12 to fans from the community, there's already talk of an even bigger and better event next year.

“This kind of turn out proves that people really do want live entertainment—MTV hasn't killed its appeal,” says Director of College Activities Mitch Alexander '80, MEd '86, who attended campus concerts as an undergraduate. “Having a live show with a big name come to your college, that's something you talk about for years.”

Best-known for its hit single “Breakfast at Tiffany's,” the band performed in the Gill Gymnasium where much of the audience clustered in front of the stage, bobbing to the music. In the lobby, vendors sold tee shirts for the headline act, as well as for the opening band, Adam's Farm.

The event was funded by the Student Government Association and CAPBoard's main-stage committee, which joined

together to form the Campus Concert Committee (CCC). Rock station WGRX sponsored the concert.

Last year a less ambitious event brought an obscure band called Soul Coughing to campus. It wasn't nearly as well attended, but it bolstered the confidence of student organizers.

“We found out that we could pull it off,” says SGA President Brandy Mulhern '97, adding that the success of the event exceeded her expectations. “Just phenomenol.” •

—Jonathan Shacat '98

Dining Hall Cooks Up Tasty Changes

Students' appetites picked up when treated to meals in the newly renovated Englar Dining Hall during second semester. The \$800,000 renovation project completed in a record six weeks was designed to move from a traditional cafeteria-style service to a cafe-styled restaurant. New smaller-sized tables, platform dining areas, carpeting and a self-service food court offer students a warm comfortable atmosphere with convenient, fast and hot-cooked foods.

Englar Dining Hall was last renovated 11 years ago and its staff, managed by food contractor Sodexo, Inc., averages 1,800 meals a day. According to Auxiliary Services Director Barry Bosley, “We're excited and pleased with the way we can offer both improved service and menu selections.”

Family-style served meals, once a tradition in the college's Memorial Hall dining room,



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are out-of-step with the new generation of students who demand variety and self-serve food stations. Students can even dial up the campus menu and information phone line to check out what to eat and upcoming special events.

Special events this spring range from the surf and turf nights to a celebration of Levi Strauss's birthday complete with a blue-jeans contest. The second annual Beach Bash features giveaways to include a mountain bike, roller blades and a trip for two to Ocean City and the “Stuff Your Skins” night with potato fixin's and “Wings Galore” will satisfy students' appetite for food and fun.

Dining Services Director Mary Roloff plans to keep adding quantity and variety. A new lunch time food station “Vegetarians' Revenge” offers an eight-foot-long table with cold food items including specialty salads, pita bread, tortillas and hummus or vegetarians may choose from two specially prepared hot entrees.

“We survive on students' input,” says Roloff, who per-

Ethan Seidel, Mary Roloff, contractor Gene Schwandtner of Roy Kirby & Sons and Ed Sell taste success as the dining hall renovation nears completion.

sonally screens student-critics' handwritten reviews on paper napkins posted on the Englar bulletin board. Among the messages Roloff notes: “Give us pizza every night!” •

Tennis Program Nets New Coach

Jim Lopez of Crofton, Md., a successful high school tennis coach in Florida in the 1980s, has been named the head coach of Western Maryland's men's and women's programs.

Lopez will replace Dr. Alex Ober '63 as the men's head coach. Ober resigned after 15 years, but remains at the college as a professor of exercise science and physical education. Christian Conklin '92 resigned after two seasons as the women's head coach to take a position in the Carroll County Public Schools system.

The new Green Terror coach began his career at Cardinal Gibbons High School in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. His boys' teams won five consecutive state championships from 1981 through 1985, while the girls were consistently ranked among Florida's top five squads. Lopez was recognized as the *Miami Herald* Coach of the Year five times.

From the high school ranks, Lopez moved to collegiate coaching at Nova Southwestern University in Fort Lauderdale. Among his accomplishments with the Knights' women's team was engineering improvement from a 2-12 record in 1988 to an 11-9 mark the following year.

Lopez brings plenty of additional experience to "the Hill." The Newark, N.J. native is a coach for school-age teams sponsored by the Middle Atlantic Tennis Association in United States Tennis Association national tournaments. He also offers private lessons in Anne Arundel and Howard (Md.) counties to players from throughout the region.

As a player, Lopez competed at first singles and doubles at

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Rutgers University-Newark from 1973 to 1975. He earned a bachelor of arts degree from Rutgers-Newark, after receiving an associate of arts degree from Essex County (N.J.) Community College.

Lopez, who writes music in his spare time, and his wife Tricia have an infant son born in November 1995. •

Mah-Jongg a Sure Bet with Students

After just one January Term course learning to play Mah-Jongg, the Chinese game using 144 tiles, sophomore Cameron Chesnick took on "the girls" at a nearby senior center and emerged a champion.

January Term Mah-Jongg students, including Kerri Reyelt '97, took on local senior citizens and came out tiles ahead, thanks to expert instruction from Susan Milstein.

The tournament against the veteran Mah-Jongg players who meet every Tuesday and Thursday at the Reisterstown Senior Center was this year's added feature to the popular class, "The Game of Mah-Jongg," taught by Susan Milstein, associate professor of business and economics.

It might become a tradition. At least Mae LeWinter, the Mah-Jongg teacher and guru at the center, hopes so. She wants to give her girls another chance to win. Some of her players did finish second and third, but Chesnick jumped out to an early lead at his table and won the overall title by more than 200 points.

"We enjoyed it," Ms. LeWinter said. "They are good, very good. But we'll get them next year, I hope."

Even Milstein was a bit surprised by the victory. Although the 20 students were immersed in Mah-Jongg daily from the beginning of Jan Term, she noted, the seniors in Reisterstown spend several hours twice a week playing the game at the center. Some meet in private homes for a third game when the more daring play for money. After all, Mah-Jongg was brought to America in the early 1900s by a traveling businessman who became fascinated by the game that thousands were playing in China's gambling parlors.

Milstein's class was born out of her love for Mah-Jongg. The goal of the class is to play Mah-Jongg and play it well. But the students also study

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1995 WINTER SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Postseason Individual Honors
Men's Basketball	4-20	2-11	*5th/5	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Women's Basketball	17-7	10-4	T2nd/5*	1 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team
Men's Swimming	4-6	2-4	5th/7^	
Women's Swimming	1-10	0-7	7th/8^	
Men's Indoor Track			5th/9^	
Women's Indoor Track			4th/9	1 All-CC 1st Team
Wrestling	6-9	3-3	3rd/7^	1 All-CC 1st Team

*Centennial Conference-Western Division. T-Tied. ^Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championship.

Mah-Jongg's influence and how deeply the game is woven into Chinese culture. They read Amy Tan's *The Joy Luck Club*, a bestseller that highlights the game, and watch the full movie version, too. Students also write a paper detailing an interview with someone who is familiar with Asian culture. The last day of class is spent at a local Chinese restaurant for lunch and an afternoon of playing Mah-Jongg.

And, of course, playing Mah-Jongg is much more than just playing a game. The intricate contest makes the students think, study options and make decisions quickly, Milstein notes. •

Teenage Prodigy Takes a Bow

Violinist Hilary Hahn is only 15, yet is already recognized as one of the top players in the world.

Dubbed a musical prodigy when she was 4, she has performed in the greatest recital halls including the Kennedy Center and Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. Now, thanks to cosponsor Peggy and Yale Gordon Trust, she is coming to Western Maryland College on Sunday, April 21, at 2 p.m. in McDaniel Lounge.

Ms. Hahn's recital is the final concert in the 1996 Yale Gordon Sundays of Note series, an afternoon program that brings outstanding young instrumentalists and vocalists to the college three times a year. A Baltimore native, she now attends the prestigious Curtis Institute in Philadelphia.

The concert is open to the



Dubbed a musical prodigy when she was 4 years old, violinist Hilary Hahn will perform at WMC April 21.

public. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and free to students. For more information, call 410/857-2599. •

Professors on Sabbatical

Biology Professor Sam Alspach loves oysters anyway you cook 'em—and even if you don't. What he just can't stomach these days is the molusk's high cost and the supply-and-demand economics underlying it: They're dwindling in number.

With hopes of increasing annual oyster production, Alspach worked last semester and will continue this spring reconstructing oyster beds with the Department of Natural Resources' Artificial Reef Program. The goal is to bring oyster beds back to the way they existed 100 years ago, when the annual oyster harvest was

15 million bushels instead of today's paltry 100,000 bushels.

Alspach is one of five WMC faculty members who took either semester- or year-long sabbatical leave, beginning last fall, to pursue their scholarly passions. His colleague in the biology department, Louise Paquin, took time from teaching to research how genetic defects have been depicted in art through the ages.

"Artists, to some extent, mirror societal attitudes as to how persons with various genetic defects are perceived," explains Paquin. "Over the centuries, these people have been depicted as everything from gods and goddesses to mythical creatures to court jesters and circus sideshow freaks."

Associate Professor of Education Herman Behling read more than 4,000 pages of court documents during his sabbatical before writing a 340-page paper based on 86 appellate (previously appealed) court cases in the field of education titled *Recent Legal Deci-*

sions in Education: A Casebook of Appellate Court Decisions from 1985-1995.

The casebook includes such ubiquitous educational issues as attendance, separation of church and state, curriculum, desegregation, student rights, drugs, free speech, search and seizure, discrimination, and teacher dismissal.

It was primarily developed for the benefit of school administrators who, in doing their jobs, make difficult decisions on a wide variety of educational topics. The casebook will also be used to enrich the subject matter of a school law course that Behling currently teaches.

Herb Smith, political science and international studies professor, skulked around Maryland libraries doing research for a book he is collectively writing with Linneal Henderson and Larry Thomas, professors at the University of Baltimore, and Secretary of State John Willis.

The book will be the Maryland edition of the series *Politics and Government of the Ameri-*



MARK SWINER

Biology Professor Sam Alspach is on sabbatical researching ways to boost the Chesapeake Bay's oyster crop.

can States. It will be submitted in manuscript form in about two years. Smith may use the book in a course he currently teaches at WMC called "State and Local Government."

Linda Eshleman, math and computer science professor, traveled more than 10,000 miles to visit 22 small liberal arts colleges, located primarily in the New England area, in order to examine their computer science programs and compare them to the courses offered at WMC. She submitted a comprehensive report advocating that the college consider expanding computer curriculum.

Much of the research conducted by faculty members on sabbatical will be published in scholarly journals. Alspach, for example, will write about his findings that oysters seem to prefer to settle on man-made reefs constructed from a natural material called coquina marl, a limestone rock formed from clam shells found in southeastern waters. •

—Jonathan Shacat '98

Student Groups Get Grants for Drug Prevention

Three student groups at Western Maryland College have received mini-grants from a Carroll County drug treatment program to implement drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs.

Junction, Inc. of Westminster has awarded prevention grants totaling \$1,070 to Rouzer Association of Governance (RAG), a

new student government organization in freshman residence halls; the WMC student chapter of BACCHUS, a national alcohol education organization; and to students producing Choices, an audience participation play about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

"Many students are getting tired of the effects of drugs and alcohol on their campus," says Phil Sayre, dean of student affairs, who submitted the proposals for the student groups. "They are part of a growing segment on all college campuses who have pledged themselves to drug-free and alcohol-free lifestyles. They want to have a greater impact on the whole student population, and these grants will help accomplish that goal."

"It's a wonderful reflection on our student body," he continues. "They rejected the negative or fatalistic view that there was nothing that could be done or that drugs and alcohol were always going to be a part of college life. Instead, they see a solution through students helping other students. We think that is a good answer, too, and will support them in their efforts. These students want to make a difference."

Choices has been presented as part of WMC's orientation program for new students for about eight years, Dr. Sayre says. The current cast of 14 members plans to rewrite the play to appeal to upperclassmen and to address the needs of juniors and seniors. The play was to be presented during the college's Wellness Week in March. Choices received a \$500 grant.

RAG was formed in Rouzer Hall, home to first-year male students, to help them cope



Ira Zepp and family were honored at the dedication ceremony of Memorial Plaza, where the professor emeritus of religious studies has his name engraved along with those of other retired faculty and staff.

with the many challenges and problems of being away from home for the first time, including peer pressure on alcohol use. The mini-grant will be used to develop alcohol-free social programs and creation of the RAG Room where students can socialize and take part in various activities without alcohol. RAG received a \$370 grant.

The BACCHUS (Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) chapter will use its grant funds to implement a Safe Spring Break Pledge program and to conduct surveys of student drinking patterns and alcohol education/awareness levels. The Safe Spring Break Pledge will give students an opportunity to make a promise to themselves to commit to an alcohol-free break. The pledge program will include booze-free survival kits for each signer, including soda or juice, recipes for mocktails (alcohol-free drinks), instructions for how to host a responsible party and other goodies. The 1996 Spring Break was scheduled for March 11-15. The BACCHUS chapter received a \$200 grant. •

WMC's Own Sidewalk of Stars

They devoted their careers to Western Maryland students and now these teaching giants are remembered in the college's own version of Hollywood's "sidewalk of stars."

During Homecoming Weekend, the area between Hill Hall and Hoover Library was renamed Memorial Plaza. Nicknamed "Red Square" because of the decorative bricks that form its focal point, the area has become the campus hub where students meet between classes or over lunch to study and relax.

Its new name honors the Old Main complex, whose bell and cornerstones from the eight original buildings anchor this space. And a new feature of the plaza pays tribute to living and deceased emerit faculty and staff who have served with distinction during the college's 128-year history.

The names, departments and years of service for each of the 83 honored are engraved on granite stones encircling the plaza, reminding everyone who passes of the talented people who helped shape the lives of generations of students. It is a lasting memorial made possible through the generosity of two anonymous donors. •

Alumni Profile

Lasting Lessons

Luther College English Professor Nancy Barry '77
Takes Cues from WMC Mentors

BY KIM ASCH

"There was a range of approaches to teaching, but the thing that stuck with me was that each of them in their way took me seriously as a writer and reader."

—Nancy Barry '77

A thousand miles away from Westminster on the campus of Luther College in rural Decorah, Iowa, English professor Nancy K. Barry '77 feels closer than ever to her alma mater.

Teaching at a small liberal arts college which sits on the bluff of the Upper Iowa River, it's no coincidence that she is often reminded of "the Hill." Her own undergraduate experience played a big part in her decision to move there.

"It's really important to me to live and work in a place that's not just scenic but part of a natural landscape with personality and beauty. That's what Western Maryland was like for me and I made it part of my life," she says. "I enjoyed that sense of being in a place that was small and contained. It didn't seem isolated so much as it seemed worthy of study—it fostered a sense of place. Where I am now has that same sense of beauty and quirkiness."

After graduating summa cum laude with honors in English, Barry earned both her master's and Ph.D. in English at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In 1990, she gave up a seven-year teaching stint at the University of Iowa for a position at Luther College.

"I really am happier teaching at a liberal arts college," she says of the school, which enrolls 2,300 undergraduates. "It's easier to get to know students over four years and to work with them as a kind of intellectual mentor."

Just like her own mentors in the English department during her years on "the Hill"—Del and Nancy Palmer, Keith Richwine, Leroy Panek and Bob Sapura—she relates to her students as colleagues embarking on their own exploration of the pleasures and the possibilities of the written word.

"There was a range of approaches to teaching, but the thing that stuck with me was that each of them in their way took me seriously as a writer and reader," Barry recalls. "The faculty really fostered in me a love of books and a serious attention to writing."

But it is outside the classroom when Barry's memories of Western Maryland are most vivid.

"I feel the influence of the college most strongly during those extracurricular activities—when I arrange for a writer to come and speak or during a spring picnic for English majors," she says. "When I'm standing there I think to myself, 'If this were 20 years ago, I'd be the student and we'd be in Bob Sapura's or Del and Nancy Palmer's living room.'"

More than any lecture or nuggets of knowledge that may have been imparted to her as a student, Barry says it was the consistent encouragement of her professors and the relationships they formed that sparked her interest and fueled her growth as a writer.

"As a teacher now, I feel when students come to college it's not about the knowledge we give or sell or market to them, it's a matter of people at a very formative stage of their lives being taken seriously while they discover what they can learn," explains the 40-year-old.

"We sometimes fool ourselves into thinking we give students kernels of truth, a fistful of ideas they'll pull out of their pockets like money to spend just at the right moment, when the stakes are high. In the end what we give is less useful, but more necessary: the healing power of art; large thoughts phrased in very small words; a glimpse into other people's souls."

Now a published writer and regular contributor of non-fiction essays to newspapers and magazines such as *The Milwaukee Journal*, *Iowa Woman* and the *Baltimore Sun*, Barry continues on her own creative journey. She often gets together with other artists to produce a unique piece of work that combines their talents.

Last spring she collaborated with a dance professor who choreographed her autobiographical essay called "Lessons." Sixteen dancers performed the 15-minute text-based piece at a college concert last April. She also collaborated with an art professor who designed and hand-printed chapbooks from two of her essays.

"All of that comes out of the influence of folks like (former drama professor) Bill Tribby and Nancy Palmer, who taught a first-year interdisciplinary studies course. They gave me a sense of how disciplines can and should work together," Barry says.



"When I lecture, I bring in relevant pieces of art or music and talk about history, too, so students can see literature within its cultural moment."

Her constant quest for ways to improve her teaching—and to help students learn—reaped a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. It will eventually yield \$500,000 for Luther College to design and equip two computer-networked classrooms for teaching writing and introductory humanities courses. In 1994, her professional efforts were recognized with the Literacy Award, presented by the Iowa Council of Teachers of English and Language Arts.

She is also recognized for her exceptional writing talent. Freelancers flock to Barry's summer workshops held for the past five years at the University of Iowa's Summer Writing Festival. There she encourages her students to put a fresh perspective on ordinary things, something she has achieved success with in her own essays. Her pieces on being a displaced and disappointed Orioles fan in Iowa and about the annual week she spends hawking souvenirs at the State Fair transcend the commonplace.

On the sights and sounds of the fairgrounds, she writes: "Last year, at the children's barn, I saw a baby chick poke and scramble its way through a shell. Thousands of people walked by, moving toward

One thousand miles away from WMC, English professor Nancy Barry '77 carries on the teaching tradition she experienced as an undergraduate.

other enthusiasms—bungee jumping, funnel cakes and cold beer—but the real business of that hour was a creature breathing raw air for the first time, scratching its way toward life."

"It's important for me to pursue my own creative expression, while assisting students in finding theirs," she explains. Because, when done well, "both writing and teaching can help us discover and sustain the beauty and truth embedded within our daily lives." •

WMC's Teaching Legacy Lives On

Great Exodus,

BY KIM ASCH



Annual pilgrimages back to WMC used to mean two things for Ray Albert '62: a chance to relive the memories of the most remarkable four years of his life and an opportunity to reminisce with the professors who helped shape them.

But during a campus visit in the fall, it suddenly occurred to Albert that he had very few friends left on the full-time faculty.

"I was roaming around Memorial Hall—Hill Hall," recalls Albert, still adjusting to the latest change at the college: The building housing humanities and social sciences was recently renamed in honor of College Trustee Martin K. P. Hill.

"And I felt that there was only one professor whose office I could still barge into and feel comfortable. That's Ray Stevens '58; he's one of the last ones."

Albert is feeling the effects of what some on "the Hill" refer to as the "Great Exodus." Over the last two years, nine campus celebrities have retired including Del Palmer and Keith Richwine from the English department, Charles "Chap" Herrman and Glen Ashburn '53 from sociology, Bill Achor from math, Evelyn Hering Winfrey from music and Robert Hartman and Ira Zepp '52 from philosophy and

"I would suppose that each of us who has been there would say that WMC was the best when we were there."—PATRICIA WELK WOLF '60

"I'm not one of the old alumni who says everything was rosy back when I was a student and nothing's as good now. I think the new faculty are pretty good. Now there are some changes I disagree with but I figure that's due to the changing times."—BECKY GROVES SMITH '37

"Western Maryland is not the same college I went to—the curriculum has expanded, the buildings have changed and only Dick Clower '50 is left on the faculty—but the overall spirit of the place remains."
—MATHEMATICS PROFESSOR JIM LIGHTNER '59

Top photo: Del Palmer, professor emeritus of English, is famous for his conversation circles in which students gain confidence to contribute to the literary discourse.

Bottom photo: First-year assistant professor Becky Carpenter is already establishing her own teaching style, while taking cues from Palmer and other mentors.

Great Expectations



Campus Culture Was Lure for Debra Lemke



PETER HOWARD

When new sociology professor Debra Lemke stood up at last spring's closing faculty meeting to recognize retiring department chair Glen Ashburn and became so emotional she had to finish her remarks through sentimental sniffles, the gruff but tender honoree couldn't believe it.

"We haven't even worked together that long!" Ashburn barked when she was through singing his praises.

But for him, the feelings are mutual. In fact, the 1953 alumnus and 24-year teaching veteran was initially so impressed with Lemke, he claims he knew just from a telephone conversation that he would hire her to fill the post left vacant when longtime sociology professor Charles "Chap" Herrman retired two years ago.

Close to 100 people had submitted resumes and letters of application for the job, but the tenacious redhead called to ask some pointed questions about the

Sociologically speaking, Debra Lemke fits right in at WMC.

position and—as Ashburn suspected—to get an edge on the competition by making contact with a key member of the search committee.

"I was impressed that she called. She asked me what theory books we were using and that kind of thing. The questions were not really crucial, but just by the way she was talking I thought, 'Uh Oh. We've got a good one here,'" recalls Ashburn. "When we hung up I told (department secretary) Ginny Gent 'Well, I've picked the next one for the department.'"

Ashburn's positive first impression of Lemke panned out during the in-person interview, when she delivered a sample lecture to students and faculty and adroitly answered a barrage of questions from members of the search committee. There was just one catch—Lemke had

another offer and was leaving WMC to go to another college for a round of interviews.

"I told her I hoped she had a horrible weekend there," Ashburn recalls saying in his characteristically candid style.

In the end, Ashburn and the department won out. Lemke, a prolific researcher with a Ph.D. from Iowa State University and on-the-job teaching experience, chose "the Hill" as her new home.

After short stints in a full-time temporary faculty position at Western Carolina University, at Iowa State University, as academic adviser to 160 sociology majors and at University of Northern Iowa, Lemke took the word "home" to heart.

Lemke and her then-2-year-old daughter Monika moved to Westminster in July 1994, a month ahead of her husband Klaus, a Ph.D. in statistics who works for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, so that "by the time classes started in September she already knew a lot of faculty members and others on campus," Ashburn observes. "I really think that was smart and indicative that she had made her selection and was fully committed to it."

When Ashburn prepared to retire last spring, he recommended that Lemke replace him as department chair. "She's good," Ashburn says simply. "Everybody likes her and everything I've heard from students has been positive. She's like a breath of fresh air."

College Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Joan Develin Coley was quick to approve. "She's already a seasoned teacher, so she knew how to be a faculty member before she set foot on campus," says Coley. "The kind of person she is, is exactly the kind the campus needs."

And "the Hill" is just what Lemke was looking for, sociologically speaking. "There is a familial feeling here of being close to and responsible to one another," says the 35-year-old, whose daughter Monika is playmates with Biology Professor Esther Iglic's daughter Maxine and Physics Associate Professor Bill Pagonis' daughter Zoe. "It's a comfortable place and you really get the feeling that people are interested in you personally and not just what you can do for them today."

In fact, Lemke says it took some time to adjust to the kindness of her col-

leagues. "I really had to do some re-socialization to get used to the supportive nature of my department and the campus community," she admits. "I'm really used to people having an agenda and I had learned to expect people to want to advance themselves over me."

Instead, Lemke says she's found WMC to be true to its advertising. "From day one, Glen was always making sure that everything was OK to the degree that it was a mentoring process. He really wanted to see me succeed and have roots here," she says.

"We spent Thanksgiving with Julie and Heshmat Badiee and Christmas with Chap Herrman our first year. And Ginny Gent, the department secretary, is a godsend. When I used to walk my daughter to and from daycare, she would call and offer to drive us on rainy or bitter cold days. That's not in her job description."

Lemke goes above and beyond her responsibilities in the classroom, always making students her primary concern.

Like other professors, she volunteers for extracurricular activities, taking first-year students on field trips. She and the others show up on campus several evenings a week to support special events such as lectures, concerts and book reviews.

"I think it's important to do something in the discipline that extends beyond the classroom, and what's amazing with the new faculty is that they've done that right from the start," Coley says.

But, as with the college's other faculty, teaching comes first in Lemke's book. It is what she most enjoys.

"I started out in theater, and I think all teachers are partially hams. We like the spotlight," she confides. "And I really like impacting young people. I've always enjoyed being able to share information with others. I don't care whether they agree with me, but if they can see my point of view, I've accomplished something."

That's easy to do at Western Maryland College, says Lemke, where students are "bright and interested" and the culture is "a type of solidarity."

"It's not just lip service when we say we care—we really do care," she says. "When you realize students really are first and that no one is going to penalize you for spending time with them, it's liberating." —KA

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—Assistant Professor of English Becky Carpenter

religious studies. (Donald Rabush '62 MEd'70 and Helen Wolfe retired from the education department in the graduate program, which will be featured in the Summer '96 issue of *The Hill*.)

Their departure from the full-time undergraduate faculty (some still teach one class per semester) has prompted a "changing of the guard" in the professoriat. In all, the retirees represent 257 years on "the Hill" inspiring and mentoring students, who credit these and other WMC giants with everything from their lifelong appreciation of literature to their individual worldviews.

"Most alums, were they to take a few moments of serious reflection, would readily admit that their careers—even their paths in life—were indelibly affected by a faculty member," asserts Albert. "College is where you build the foundation of who you are."

Which is why even recent WMC graduates are jarred by the changes, prompting them to lament that, "It's just not the same anymore" and to wonder, "How will these professors ever be replaced?"

Of course, there will never be another Ira Zepp or Del Palmer, just like those men didn't supplant the beloved teachers who came before them: Jean Kerschner, the late Ralph Price, Esther Smith, John Makosky, Lloyd Bertholf, Earl Griswold and an honor roll of others.

"What you do is try to find people who will be to the next generation of students what these professors have meant to our alumni," says Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Joan Develin Coley, who became responsible for hiring faculty just as the big turnover began two years ago. "I look for people who are equally talented, equally committed and who will eventually have their own shoes that are impossible to fill."

The new crop of professors are a class unto themselves, all with Ph.D.s, plenty of enthusiasm, energy and fresh ideas. Most importantly, they share their predecessors' commitment to teaching.

"I made a point to hire people who wanted to be a part of the kind of tight-knit college community we have here at

Western Maryland College," Coley notes. "When you have hundreds of applicants for each position you can really emphasize teaching in a liberal arts environment."

Great Works

Becky Carpenter spent most of her spare time over the January break studying—except now the 28-year-old with a Ph.D. in literature from the University of California at Berkeley was preparing to teach the class, rather than take it.

"It's always a little intimidating knowing how much professors have meant to students in the past and how they've defined their WMC experience," confides Carpenter, who in one semester has already started to form her own bonds with students. "I try to think of it as a driving inspiration—it's something to work toward."

One of the English department's two new full-time faculty members, Carpenter got a tough assignment for the spring semester: In addition to two sections of Composition and Reading for freshmen, she's got one section of Great Works, an upper-level Honors course traditionally taught by Del Palmer.

And he's still teaching the other section.

"It's one thing knowing the course will be willed to you when the teacher retires," remarks Carpenter with a laugh, her green eyes widening, "but I'm doing this while he's still doing it!"

Billed as one of the department's most grueling, and in turn most rewarding, the course will focus on great works of literature in French, Spanish, Russian, English and German. "That's a challenge for me because I've never taught a course before where six out of eight pieces are translations," says Carpenter, whose area of expertise is British Literature.

Despite the pressure that comes with having the person who set the precedent for the class teaching it simultaneously, she says Palmer's continued presence and eager collaboration have been invaluable.

Guerra Brings Physics Back to Earth

Dave Guerra is kicking around names for the new one-of-a-kind holographic laser radar system that will soon be mounted on the roof of Lewis Hall of Science, thanks to his tenacity and his ties to NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center.

There's "Goddard Space Flight Center at Western Maryland College" or possibly "Western Maryland Space Flight Center." Better yet, he suggests with a mischievous grin, how about "Guerra Space Flight Center?"

Of course, this last suggestion is offered in jest—and it always elicits lots of laughs. The Light Detecting And Ranging (LIDAR) system that will be used to probe the Earth's atmosphere isn't likely to be dubbed in honor of Guerra, but it has his name written all over it.

For a new guy who teaches one of the most feared subjects on campus, the good-natured, down-to-earth 32-year-old sure is popular: He's taken off like a rocket in the year-and-a-half since he hit "the Hill."

"He's doing great," enthuses Physics Associate Professor Bill Pagonis. "He's great with students and his colleagues and he's a great teacher. Having him here is like pumping new blood into the department."

The LIDAR project at WMC will continue the research Guerra conducted during the four-and-a-half years he worked at Goddard while pursuing his doctorate at American University. The laser sends out light pulses that interact with the atmosphere and can measure what's in it and how it works. It will also collect information which pertains to pollution levels, pollen count and more. It may even be used on satellites to give researchers a more complete understanding of the Earth.

The entire system, which uses the world's only holographic telescope, will send a beam of green light out into the atmosphere from its perch on top of Lewis Hall.

"When I left, I offered to take it with me and to continue testing it," says Guerra, who built the laser and conducted simulations to assess its accuracy. "The college couldn't afford the equipment, so it's a nice way for the students to be able to do research."

Guerra also gives students the chance to collaborate with him on projects at Goddard's high-tech complex in Greenbelt. Junior Dan Wooten says he advanced light years while working alongside Guerra

there for three weeks last summer.

"It was awesome; I loved it. I was like a child in a candy store," says the honors student, who decided to be a physicist when he was 8 years old. "Here I am, an undergraduate from a 1,200-person liberal arts school with labs from the turn of the century. Then all of a sudden I am transported to the highest-quality labs in the world with equipment you can only dream about even at larger universities."

Immersing himself for a short time in an environment of like-minded scholars was also good for his psyche. "Coming from a college where there's not a lot of physics majors, it was amazing to be in a place where everybody is a scientist," explains Wooten, a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, Western Maryland's chapter of the physics honor society founded by Guerra last spring.

"My friends normally think I'm a dork," he quips. "But on the other hand, I enjoy it when people say, 'Oh, you're a physics major so you must be really smart.'"

Combating students' misconceptions about and decided disregard for science—especially physics—is Guerra's mission. "It's true, physics is one of the toughest courses and that's one of the reasons we have a small department," he acknowledges.

But too many otherwise well-educated people don't understand basic scientific concepts, he contends. To make his point, he cites a documentary filmed during graduation day at Harvard in which brand-new degree holders are asked to explain why the seasons change. No one gets the answer right.

Wooten isn't surprised. Some of his friends don't know how rainbows form, why the sky is blue or how radios work.

"The priorities of the world are strange. What a scientist accepts about the natural world as common knowledge, really isn't," Guerra laments. "People will admit happily that they can't do math or that they don't understand science. To me, it's like going to the history department and saying, 'Who's that Lincoln guy?'"

Guerra says teachers are partially responsible for turning students off of physics, a sentiment that several years ago ruffled the feathers of some of his colleagues at a convention of the American Association of Physics Teachers. "It was sort of stupid, but I did it," Guerra recalls. "Most of the teachers were blam-

"If I had to teach this class without having help from Del and Nancy (Palmer), I'd go insane."

That transfer of knowledge from veteran to rookie—like a relay racer passing the baton—is a tradition at WMC. "These people are wonderful resources we don't want to let go," Coley says of the emeriti faculty. "Retiring doesn't mean that we forget them. We have made a concerted effort to keep them involved."

Mentoring of new faculty is a priority with Coley, who instituted a more formal program a couple years ago to coincide with the influx of new faces.

"I deliberately find a match outside the department," she explains, so that novice teachers feel free to ask questions and express concerns without worrying that their performance will be evaluated. Also, it's an opportunity to gain teaching tips from a colleague trained in another discipline with a different perspective.

A trained educator herself, Coley talks a lot about "teachable moments," those golden opportunities when someone is ready to learn. "New faculty, especially in the first few years, are very teachable," she says. "The problem is that talking about teaching and doing it are different. So what Becky's doing with Del is really the best kind of on-the-job training."

The Next Generation

While they have a lot to learn, the new faculty members bring even more with them to energize the college. Already, they have taken positions of prominence and leadership within their departments and the entire community.

"They're darned good," says Coley. "It's good for the rest of us to have all these new ideas from elsewhere."

Sociology's Debra Lemke arrived on campus in the fall of '94 already a seasoned teacher and self-assured expert in



ing everyone else for the problem, so to stir things up I said, 'Don't you think it's our fault that kids are scared of physics? We teach them from the start that it's so difficult and then they're afraid to take another class.'"

Yes, physics leads to complex mathematics equations—even quantum mechanics—but you don't necessarily have to be a world-class mathematician to understand the underlying concepts. In fact, Guerra says math isn't his strongest suit, either.

"There are two types of physicists—the one who wins all the math contests and the one who likes to take apart their parents' radio," he says, quoting the book *Genius* by James Gleick. "I took apart the radio."

Curiosity and an adventurous spirit—he and his wife Megan have driven across country and sometimes take midnight sledging runs down the snow-covered golf course hill—are what motivate Guerra to tackle tough problems and find their solutions. He hopes to unleash those forces in his students.

According to Provost Joan Develin Coley, he's already doing that. "He is so excited about his subject and teaching, it's contagious," she says, noting that his introductory physics courses, such as astronomy which satisfies a Basic Liberal Arts Requirement, are filling up. "His idea of teaching is you want to get everybody excited, not just the majors."

His passion for teaching physics is in some ways as surprising to Guerra as it is

to those science-phobic students who steer clear of Lewis if they can help it. In fact, he accepted his first teaching position at the Bullis School, a private coeducational school in Potomac, with altogether different aspirations.

"I always wanted to be a football and lacrosse coach—that was my goal—and I took the teaching job because it offered the chance to coach varsity football and lacrosse," admits Guerra, who played linebacker and goalie at Middlebury College in Vermont, another selective small liberal arts school. "Then I learned that I really liked teaching physics."

Wooten, who served as student representative on the search committee that hired Guerra, says his professor is a natural mentor.

"He's patient and he's discovered easy ways to explain difficult concepts. And he makes himself available to give extra help. He's always here until, like, seven at night. He blows my mind: I come back into the lab to do some work and he's still here."

Even when Guerra goes home, he's still at work, since he and Megan live adjacent to Lewis in McDaniel House. With President Robert Chambers next door and his students as neighbors, Guerra finds it easy to mesh his work and social lives.

The Guerras attend just about every musical concert, play and cultural event held on campus and are loyal Green Terror fans. During a particularly snowy winter, they could often be spotted just after din-

Avid Green Terror fans and cultural event regulars, Assistant Professor of Physics Dave Guerra and wife Megan have already settled into the campus community.

ner cross-country skiing on the athletic fields. And it's not unusual to find them out sharing a meal with students—it's a chance for them to know Guerra as a well-rounded person rather than just a one-dimensional authority figure who leads the class.

"He's like the older brother I never really wanted, but now I'm glad to have," says Wooten, who learned to play golf with Guerra's help last spring. "You can see that he's not this ogre who's out to get you. He's more of a friend, and I'm not intimidated to go to him when I have a problem."

Teaching high school first was good training, he concludes. "It gives you a viewpoint that is important because you know where students are coming from. It's good to know how much they know."

Guerra teaches students at all levels, from his intro class to an advanced modern physics course, which last semester consisted of four whiz kids who huddled around a table figuring problems that filled the blackboard. He is as capable of complex calculations as the next mad scientist, but to his credit Guerra is especially adept at putting concepts into simple terms for his more skittish students.

Through activities, experiments and demonstrations, he helps students understand the concepts they read in the textbook. His favorite is an interactive demonstration he actually devised for elementary school kids to illustrate how lasers work. "It's helpful for all ages to visualize what's going on," explains Guerra.

Students are assigned to play a particular component of the laser, and as they act out their roles, the laser seems to come alive. It's a fun way to learn.

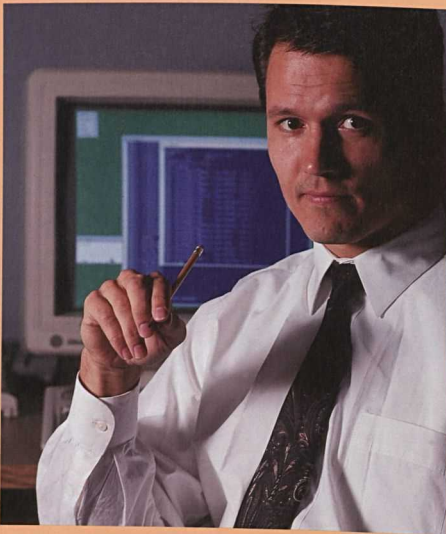
That, Guerra says, is the point. Physics can be a blast.

"Just like any other subject, like poetry or history, physics enriches your life," says Guerra, the guy who should know. "It makes the world make sense."

Note: Guerra just published "The Human Laser," an article about his innovative method of illustrating how lasers work in The Physics Teacher, a national publication of the American Association of Physics Teachers. This is the same group that sponsored the meeting where he challenged teachers to take responsibility for students' fear of the subject.

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Welcome Back Wladkowski



C. KURT HOUTER

Brian Wladkowski '88 is poised to achieve great things in his career as a chemistry professor at Western Maryland College: He is next in a select line of alumni who have returned to their alma mater to continue its teaching legacy.

The 29-year-old joins the ranks of campus legends like Dick Clower '50, professor of physical education; Ira Zepp '52, professor emeritus of religious studies; Jim Lightner '59, professor of mathematics; Sam Case '63, MED'66, professor of physical education; and Carol Rouzer '76, associate professor of chemistry.

"I'd say without exception, the people who are our own graduates and have come back to us are among the most accomplished and revered," says Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Joan Develin Coley. "I can't think of any alum who hasn't been a real star."

Wladkowski is already shining bright. He earned his doctorate at Stanford Uni-

Brian Wladkowski '88 returned to his alma mater to join the ranks of an elite group of alumni teachers.

versity and worked with the National Institute of Standards and Technology at the Center for Advanced Research in Biotechnology before he took the position teaching physical chemistry in the fall, replacing one of his most memorable mentors, David Cross.

But the old college ties didn't make it easier to snag a coveted spot on the full-time faculty. "Sometimes there's almost a bias against hiring alumni because we don't want to look too inbred here," says Coley. "However, Brian was so clearly the best candidate we had. I said to myself, 'How bad would it be to have another one like those alumni who are teaching now?'"

Not bad at all, says Chemistry Professor Rick Smith, who distinguishes Rouzer and Wladkowski as two of the

"most promising and outstanding students" he's seen in his 25 years at WMC.

"They were tremendously productive people who went off to stellar institutions and then, because of their love of teaching, returned home here to be a part of the faculty," Smith enthuses. "It's really exciting to be able to work with these two young people."

Wladkowski (Wa-Cow-Ski) lectures in the same room of Lewis Hall where he took all of his chemistry courses. "I look around and the same books are in the room and the same overhead projector. Just being in the room reminds me of what it felt like to learn the material for the first time. I use this to my advantage when I teach," he says.

"I remember when I took the class and the particular concepts that I didn't understand at first. Slowly, though, things would fall into place and I try to think about that process, about what was done to help me come to understand those ideas."

Like almost all of the new faculty members, Wladkowski laments that graduate school trained him to be a specialist in his field, but not how to communicate his knowledge to others. "There's no Teaching 101 in graduate school," he says. "They teach you how to be a scientist but nobody teaches you how to be a college professor."

"It's a lot harder standing up in front of a classroom full of expectant students than it is to sit among them taking notes," he says. Nobody tells a new professor what to write on the chalkboard, whether it's OK to sit or how often to ask questions.

"There are a dozen things that hit you squarely in the face when you stand in front of the room. Those are things few people are prepared for and that you really just have to learn on the job," he says.

Wladkowski reaches back to his undergraduate years and recalls the successful methods of Rick Smith and others in the chemistry department who are now his colleagues. "When I think about who I emulate when I'm teaching, they're my professors at Western Maryland not Stanford," he says.

"With Rick as a teacher, I not only came away with an understanding of the topic, but with an appreciation that Rick knew I didn't understand and found a way to help me gain an understanding. I came away with a sense of how to teach."

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—Provost Joan Develin Coley

Wladkowski didn't always want to be a chemistry professor. In fact, he wasn't even sure he wanted to go to college.

The youngest of six children from Wor-ton, Md., Wladkowski says he enrolled because his mother really wanted him to, since none of his brothers and sisters continued their studies after high school.

"To me, college was this strange place where people went off to and more often than not came back stranger than when they left," he recalls. "I thought I would give college a try for my mom's sake."

A true believer in the benefits of a liberal arts education, Wladkowski says he arrived on campus with no clue about what major he wanted to pursue.

"When I came here, I was so young and inexperienced and naive—a lot of students are, but I was particularly so—I had no idea of what I wanted to do," he says. "I clearly did much better in chemistry than in anything else, and I let my abilities and interests take me there."

By the time he graduated, Wladkowski had performed cancer research alongside Smith and published a paper for which he is listed as primary author.

He'd also taken a stab at teaching one or two introductory course sessions.

His then-girlfriend and present wife Beverly Templon '91 Wladkowski, an art student, happened to be in the Essentials of Biological and Organic Chemistry course for nonmajors. "I walked in and lo and behold, there she was," says Wladkowski with a chuckle. "It was disconcerting, but she said I did a pretty good job and that she learned something that day."

Since then, the young professor has learned a lot about teaching. "The really good teachers, rather than those who are just mediocre, are those people who are relentless, who have never-ending ways of looking at a problem," he says, noting that being an accomplished scientist and an effective teacher don't necessarily go hand in hand.

"I know scientists who are the best in the world in their fields, but they don't have the knack of helping someone understand something," says Wladkowski, already sounding like the integral member of the chemistry faculty he is. "That's not what we want here at Western Maryland—we want people who care about both."

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her field—she now chairs the department. Ditto for Dave Guerra, physics department chair, who left a full-time job at NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center to come to WMC at the same time. He taught high school physics for several years where he learned the art of communicating complex concepts to his students.

Jasna Meyer joined the Communication department last spring as the only faculty member with a Ph.D. specific to the field. Fluent in the Croatian language and a specialist in cross-cultural communication, Meyer already has a burgeoning group of advisees in one of WMC's most popular majors.

New in music, Robin Armstrong is striking up a new set of ensembles under the rubric of Collegium Musicum, which refers to groups devoted to performing music written before the 1700s. The revival of an ancient music ensemble to be called "The Voice of the Turtle" will bring vocalists from the general community together with campus singers.

Having worked at as many as three institutions at the same time as an adjunct faculty member, Armstrong enthuses, "To have an office and one place where I can devote all of my energies and talent is really nice."

Becky Carpenter and Mary Bendel-Sims are setting the English department on fire. During their first semester last fall, both taught sections of the department's newly-offered First-Year Seminars. Bendel-Sims took the theme "Growing Up in America" and covered the coming-of-age books; *Catcher in the Rye*, *To Kill A Mockingbird*, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* and others. The new flexible session that comes with the four-credit courses was used as a forum to address issues freshmen face when they transition from high school to college, such as when to decide on a major and how to deal with a rude roommate.

Bendel-Sims takes a special interest in

helping new students adjust to college, since she is also just getting acquainted with the campus. "Everyone has been so welcoming and helpful. We all complement each other very well," she says. "I'm surprised because I've never been in an English department where everyone got along. I think everyone has a love of literature and agrees that students come first. It's important to publish to stay current in the field, but the goal is to make thinkers and readers and writers."

Brian Wladkowski '88 is one of those stellar students WMC turned out. He went on to earn his doctorate at Stanford University and worked at the National Research Council before following in the footsteps of chemistry professor Carol Rouzer '76. He left a prestigious position in research to return to his alma mater where he teaches in the same department alongside his mentors.

Already a top-notch researcher, Wladkowski is exploring ways to hone his teaching skills. "The number of ways people learn something are as many as the people in the room," he observes. "Good teachers have the ability to express the same topic from many different angles until a connection is made and their students understand."

If his predecessors are any indication, Wladkowski and the others will excel in doing just that. Coley has no doubts.

"I predict that these new faculty members are going to be with us for a long time," says Coley. "And in 25 years, alumni will be saying, 'You can't possibly replace Dave Guerra or Debra Lemke or any of the others.'"

She's Not Just Talk

Communication Expert Jasna Meyer Takes Teaching to Heart

BY KIM ASCH

She had anticipated this moment since the first day of class. But Jasna Meyer—that's Assistant Professor Jasna (Yas-na) Meyer with a Ph.D. from the University of Missouri in Columbia—had to laugh and roll her eyes anyway. At the end of a Foundations of Communication class early on in the fall semester, two of her more industrious male students announced the findings of their self-assigned research project.

"We figured it out," they told her with satisfaction. "You are 24."

Meyer, slender and smartly attired with curly brunette tresses and a bright smile, delivered a little math lesson as she corrected them. Even though she earned her degrees back to back without a break, there's no way she could be that young.

In fact, she just turned 29 years old. That still makes Meyer one of the youngest full-time, tenure-tracked faculty members on campus next to Assistant Professor of English Rebecca Carpenter, 28, who is also new to Western Maryland this year. It is a distinction that Meyer says helps her teaching, rather than hinders it.

"Because I'm close in age to my students, I can relate to their perspectives," she explains. "I know what it's like to be a student, because I was in their place not too long ago."

Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Joan Develin Coley, who began teaching at Western Maryland when she was 28 years old, concurs, adding that Meyer and the other young faculty add an important dimension to the teaching team.

"It's important to have a range of ages. These are the kind of people who are young and idealistic and ready to contribute an entire professional life at a place like this," she explains. "It's important for students to have experience with the venerable Al Laws and Ira Zepps and also with the younger end of the spectrum."

Her students agree. "Dr. Meyer can understand what we're all going through. She's a little more hip to how we all think, and it really helps us out with our learning because she knows how to reach us," says Jim Gross '98.

Adds Morgan Gregory '98, who chose Meyer for his adviser: "It's refreshing to



have a young professor. She's very approachable and unintimidating. She really inspires participation and makes class fun."

That doesn't mean Meyer's a pushover. She establishes her authority early on in the semester, reasoning that she can always relax the rules later, but it's almost impossible to regain control once it's lost.

She forbids eating or drinking in class. "It's too distracting," she tells the group that meets at 1:20 p.m. "Either eat your lunch before you come or plan a snack for later."

And no hats are allowed. "This is a communication course and I want to be able to see your faces," she tells the miffed young men. When they complain about exposing their mussed hatheads, she retorts, "I don't mind if your hair is messy, that's not part of the rule."

Then some students ask, what if they turned their hats backwards so Meyer could still see their faces? "I had to appreciate the creativity in their problem-solving," Meyer laughs. "I told them OK, but actually now many of them don't wear hats at all."

Specializing in interpersonal communication and conversational analysis, Meyer often cracks jokes or interjects relevant

Assistant Professor of Communication Jasna Meyer, 29, says her young age helps her relate to her students' perspectives.

anecdotes to keep students engaged. "We all communicate with each other in many different ways," she tells her classes. "Let's learn how to be better at it."

Stories of her own graduate research make theory more relevant, giving students a picture of what it's like to collect data out in the field. And Meyer makes it a point to show how classroom material relates to real life.

"We can see that these aren't just theories in a book. Dr. Meyer helps us realize that these theories are happening all around us," says Gross. "I've gotten a whole new appreciation for what goes on when we're not even talking, which is important since 91 percent of our communication is nonverbal, like slumping in our chairs or allowing our eyes to wander during a conversation."

During a discussion of ethnographies—a close-up and personal study that requires scholars to immerse themselves in the environments of their subjects in order to get an insider's perspective—Meyer talks about the technical components to conducting such a project, but also the emotional side. She describes what it was like during her

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research on a group of pre-teenage girls who would meet at a different house every Friday night for a slumber party.

Each week for an entire semester, Meyer showed up for the sleepovers. She collected hundreds of pages of field notes while participating in young girls' rituals, spending hours styling hair and applying makeup, eating junk food, discussing boys, watching movies, dancing and singing to music—and never, ever going to sleep.

"It was a big-time commitment and a lot of work going through my field notes and finding patterns—speech genres—in the data," she tells the class. It was also difficult to separate from the group when she completed her research because after so many weeks together, her subjects began to think of her as a friend.

"I was interested in them as objects and as people," she says, pointing out the pitfalls of long-term qualitative research.

"When I told them that my work was over and that I wouldn't be joining them for any more of the slumber parties, I know I hurt their feelings."

Meyers explains that the disengagement process is delicate and gradual in ethnographic research because human relationships don't just start and stop.

That's why researchers should always provide subjects with some sort of compensation, she concludes, such as the gifts she presented to the girls. "They let you into their group and into their lives and they should get something out of it. You don't get anything for nothing—even in research."

Meyer completed her most ambitious research project—a 416-page dissertation on the structure of conversational storytelling of Euro-Americans and Croats—in the fall of '94.

She has since published an article in a professional journal based on her findings which show that although differences exist, similarity in the story structure of speakers from these two different cultures strongly prevail. Meyer makes the argument that storytelling structure may be a basic part of conversation that shares similarities throughout cultures.

The most prominent differences she found include: simultaneous talk being a dominant feature of the Croatian storytelling and Croatian recipients displaying several competitive behaviors that were absent in the Euro-American data, suggesting that Croats are more difficult "story critics."

Reviews of this work have also appeared in the Croatian press where significant interest motivated linguists to translate the dissertation into Croatian so it can be published as a book.

The daughter of two college professors, Meyer grew up in St. Louis speaking Croatian before she spoke English. Being bilingual from the start added a bit of a European lilt to her speech and many mistake her for Greek or Italian.

Actually, her father—Arthur C. Meyer, a communication professor at St. Louis Community College—is a Missouri native. Her mother Naja Boskovic Meyer, who teaches Croatian language and culture there, is from southern Croatia just across the Adriatic Sea from Italy's boot heel.

"Sometimes when I'm in St. Louis, I drop by to watch my parents teach. I'm continually surprised and excited by their creative approaches in the classroom. I like to see them in that dimension," says Meyer, whose 18-year-old brother Mato will have a chance to see her teach when he enters WMC as a freshman this fall. "It's so great because they're my teachers through life and now I can follow their example in my profession."

Meyer also picks up tips from German professor Mohammed Esa while she sits in on his class to prepare for a spring break trip to Germany, Austria and Switzerland with a group of students.

Travel is integral to Meyer's life. She spent most summers in Croatia as a child, as well as a year during grade school and a year in high school in the city of Split. She also studied at the University of Zagreb, in the country's capital, for a year.

"I go back often because it's like another home to me," says Meyer, who interviewed for and was offered a job as communication specialist with the Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in Washington, D.C., but turned it down to teach at Western Maryland.

Last summer she returned to Croatia for a two-and-a-half-month sojourn and got a glimpse of life in a country at war. Removed from the front lines, none of her family has been killed. But they live with an alternating sense of caution and complacency.

"I was with some friends and they were telling me how just three weeks earlier they hid in the bomb shelters as Serbs shelled the city. It was very real for them, very immediate," she says. "They pointed out the shelters for me because we were all supposed to be aware of their location at all times in case of another attack. They told me that you really become close to total strangers when you're with them for two days straight in the shelters, sharing your life."

"But it was such an exciting time to be there. When Croatian soldiers freed Knin, a town that was occupied by Serbs since the beginning of the war, there was singing and partying on the street—the people were just ecstatic. I felt I was watching history happen and Croatia was moving forward."

Meyer is quick to share these stories with her students, relating them to the theories of intercultural and interpersonal communication. "I want people to always bring in their own experiences so they can apply what they've learned," she says.

After class, several students stick around so they can discuss some of their latest revelations with their teacher. Some want to talk about complicated communication concepts and some want to guess her age or ask about Croatia. Others seek advice on graduate schools and careers. "I look up and it's sometimes an hour later and I'm still in the same room of Winslow," she says.

Meyer exalts in her students' enthusiasm. "These people are bringing together really complex ideas and already applying them to their own lives. I can't help but think I inspired that in part by my lectures and that excites me," she says, and then adds, "We inspire each other." ●

Development

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Building for the Sciences

Fundraising for the new science laboratory building is the top priority for a blue-ribbon committee of alumni, faculty and friends of the college who seek to match a one-to-one state challenge grant of \$3.5 million by June 1997. With an estimated total cost over \$12 million, the planned facility is the largest capital project ever undertaken by the college.

The new 42,000 net square-foot Science Center will literally transform science teaching and research at WMC. Achieving success in such an ambitious undertaking is especially dependent upon the giving leadership of the college's alumni and friends. The Committee, under the leadership of Dr. Lawrence Blumberg '67, especially encourages leadership gifts from the medical and scientific communities whose members have been enriched by superb science instruction at Western Maryland College. Dr. Jean Kerschner, professor of biology emerita, is serving as honorary chair of the fundraising effort.

Western Maryland stands among the top 50 institutions in the United States in the per capita number of our graduates who earn doctorates in the life sciences. In addition, of all the undergraduate degrees granted in Maryland between 1977 and 1990, WMC ranked first among all independent colleges in the per capita number of degrees granted in biology and second in chemistry. And WMC students traditionally outperform their peers from larger, better known schools on the medical school admissions test.

Advanced science technology, including electron microscopes, chromatographs, spectrometers, and other sophisticated scientific instruments are now routine parts of both teaching and student-faculty collaborative research. Yet they are used in a building that was designed when William Howard Taft was president of the United States and in which Madame Curie could have worked for 20 years!

Lewis Recitation Hall was built in 1914 and although a wing was added in 1966, today's Lewis Hall of Science is woefully inadequate and lacks the instructional facilities that are essential to contemporary science education. Some of the fume hoods and benches are original to the building, as are the electric, plumbing, and ventilation systems.

"We must provide better instructional equipment and educational facilities for the sciences. How else can we assure today's generation of students and faculty—and tomorrow's—that WMC will continue to be the excellent place to learn and teach," said Blumberg.

The new building will contain space for science courses that form a vital part of the college's general education curriculum as well as specialized laboratories for upper-level courses in biology and chemistry.

To learn more about this pacesetter project call the Office of Development at 410/857-2250. •



College alumni-physicians (from left) Daniel Welliver '50, Michael Weinblatt '71, Larry Blumberg '67, and Hubert Fiery '72 recall medical lessons well taught by Dr. Ted Woodward (center).

Healthy Future for Docs

University of Maryland School of Medicine professor emeritus Dr. Theodore Woodward spoke to gathered guests on campus at the October ScienceFest, a day-long educational program focused on WMC's science program. His address entitled "Health: The Physician and Society" argued that trust and respect were gained by the medical profession late in the 20th century. This relatively new public posture toward physicians "was not bought by dollars alone, but by phenomenal advances contributed by the minds and work of men and women." The answer to the managed [health] care issue, Woodward maintains, is "a physician well grounded in the fundamentals and clinical skills, who is intelligent and has empathy and good judgment. Society will always trust and honor such a physician. The patient will find [that] physician."

He concluded that the college has provided firm foundations

for many physicians throughout this century and predicts a bright future for liberally-educated students who aspire to join the medical profession.

To request a copy of the entire speech, readers please call the Public Information Office at 410/857-2290. •

Gallery Named for Faithful Artist

M. Lee Rice, chairman of the board of trustees, has committed a \$400,000 gift to assist the college in its building program and to honor his wife with the naming of the art gallery in Peterson Hall. Dedication of the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery will be held during the spring trustee weekend with a special reception in Peterson on April 19 at 5 p.m.

Esther Prangley Rice's "Crucifixion" isn't a Michelangelo. But then, she never meant it to be.

The artist in whose honor the Peterson Fine Arts gallery will be named instead illustrates the source of her inspiration—her Christian faith—in her fresh, almost abstract style.

"I continue to believe that new and modern forms of religious art are badly needed to supplement the classic religious art of history," explains Rice, whose paintings will be on display in Western Maryland's newly dedicated gallery April 1-21. "Modern religious works are, however, not easily accepted as meaningful inspirations or expressions of faith. 'Crucifixion' is an example of a modern painting of a classic subject and I am extremely proud of it."

Not all of her work depicts biblical events. Rice paints landscapes and city scenes, such as her interpretation of the northern waterfront in San Francisco viewed from high on Nob Hill. But she sees it all through the prism of her faith and with her art seeks to record "the workings of God" in the beauty of nature.

"The world around me provides visual images—colors, motion, light and its effects—that call out to be rendered in a permanent way through the work of my hands," she explains.

Rice set her sights on becoming an artist when she was 12 and began formal training in drawing, water color, mural painting, stage design and book illustration and design when she reached Eastern High School in Washington, D.C. She went on to study commercial art and became a commercial advertising illustrator at Woodward & Lothrop, where she specialized in black and white renderings of top-line furniture.

"This form of commercial art has all but disappeared from today's advertising except in the New York Times, on rare occasions, and in furniture and

home specialty magazines," she laments. "Perhaps more information is contained in a photograph, but the art value is substantially less."

During the Second World War, she worked as art director for what is now the Department of the Army producing manuals and a massive project chronicling the history of the war. She married M. Lee Rice '48, a member of Western Maryland College's Board of Trustees since 1980 and chairman since 1991. They had 4 children, then she went back to work as advertising art director for a D.C. firm.

Rice left commercial art to study fine painting and drawing with such noted artists as Ralph de Burgos and Eliot O'Hara and later, while the family lived in New York for several years, she studied portrait painting with Stephen Peck.

In the early 1970s, she learned of two Japanese art forms—the woodcuts of Japanese masters and the Haiku form of three-line, unrhymed poetry. "Interestingly, many Japanese woodcuts share similarities with my acrylic paintings, while I found the Haiku form of expression to be a fitting approach to describing my paintings."

Rice used to show her art work at various exhibitions, but over the last several years has discovered "it requires much less effort and that it is quite rewarding to show my work in more or less permanent spaces in the corporate environment."

Her paintings have been continuously displayed at the headquarters building of Versar Inc. in Springfield, Va. since 1983. From 1980 to 1986 she had works on exhibit in the Washington, D.C. office of Ogden Corporation and at the Ship-

builders Council of America from 1983 to 1991.

The lifelong artist continues to create, taking her cues from the beauty of the world around her and finding her inspiration from her faith. She's never sure what's going to be next, her only desire is that it be "good," she says. •

Thanks for Lifelong Lessons

Alumni Charlie '71 and Carol Hoerichs '70 Moore remember well the lessons learned from WMC professorial giants, and last fall the Moores established an endowed fund in honor of Ira G. Zepp, emeritus professor of religious studies. Their \$50,000 challenge grant will fund two special awards: The Ira G. Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award and The Ira G. Zepp Teaching Enhancement Grant. The teaching award will be made for the first time in this spring's Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation. In 1997, faculty in their first decade of service at Western Maryland will be eligible to apply for the

teaching enhancement grant designed to support projects involving teaching innovation, attendance at competitive seminars which will directly result in enhanced teaching, purchase of equipment to be used in working with students to improve learning, or support to help with book preparation or publication. The Moores challenge all of us to support this fund to keep teaching alive and well at WMC. •

Annual Fund Drive Needs More Fuel

With three months left in the college's fiscal year the Annual Fund has far surpassed the halfway mark as it looks to raise \$1.2 million in unrestricted gifts. Gifts to the Annual Fund support such current budget needs as library acquisitions, financial aid for students, and faculty compensation.

As a result of the dedicated work of Annual Fund volunteers the college has received more than \$850,000 in gifts and pledges from alumni, parents and friends, representing a 4 percent increase compared to this time last year.

Last year the Founders Society, a special group of donors contributing \$1,000 or more, raised more than one half of the Annual Fund goal. With this year's largest Founders gift totaling \$50,000 the group is well on its way to setting another record-breaking figure.

The Fund year closes on June 30. •



Charlie Moore '71 (right) is grateful for professors like Ira Zepp. Charlie and wife Carol challenge alumni to support the WMC legacy of teaching.

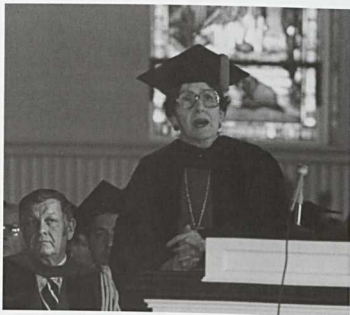
News

From Alumni

Developing Students Was Her Leading Role

Esther Smith, professor of dramatic art, died on January 18 at Traces of Tiger, a retirement home near her beloved Georgia mountaintop home, at age 96. Professor Smith's remarkable talents were cultivated through studies at Bard-Avon School of Expression, at Yale University and at the University of Southern California, as well as through various institutes and academies in her field, including the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. She came to Western Maryland in 1926 as an instructor of speech and rose in the ranks to chair the Dramatic Art Department and won the college's Distinguished Teaching Award in 1968. In 1979, she was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Fine Arts by Western Maryland, at which time President Ralph John noted her "unpretentious sophistication, intellectual power, and creative genius; [she is] a person whose gentility, empathy and unfailing affection for those she served, as well as those with

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Esther Smith was known for her creative genius and unfailing affection for those she served.

whom she served, endeared her to successive generations of this campus."

Esther Smith announced her own departure.

Late in the evening of January 18/19, less than two weeks after her 96th birthday, she touched the buzzer at her bedside, and staff members from Traces of Tiger came to her room.

Esther spoke calmly and simply: "I'm dying."

And did so.

turning, smiling, giving one of those squeals of surprise and delight at the scene she had just exited, stage left, near the light panel, down the back stairs, through Understage, mending the seam in Mrs. Alving's dress, entering her studio where we, how many hundreds of us from 1926 to 1970 to now, move cautiously through the minnet, becoming water, marchers for Selma and a national quilt, sand, economists, living sculpture, doctors, fire, dancers, seeds, ministers, Portia, musicians, J. B., teachers, stained glass, directors, clouds, painters, volunteers in Appalachia and India, characters we never encountered before she birthed them out of us with drumbeats from Old Screamer naming our children after her filling the archives and her cabin with visits, tapes, photos, letters laughing at the suddenly imperious voice of Lady Bracknell, her lifelong doubts about things Republican, dogs sticking

to sidewalks, regionalized voices twisting international phonetics, propelling struggles against inhumanity because in some undated lesson or rehearsal or performance she had spoken with such ferocious grace of the horrors of Amsterdam and Peking, Birmingham and Chailot, McCarthy and Salem and Kew Gardens, that we were never again comfortable without conscience, assuring ourselves that when we were thanking the Academy and the Nobel committee, we would announce through the cameras to the millions watching: "And, finally, my deepest gratitude to Esther Smith, who, more than anyone in my life..." The funeral on January 22nd we imagine and experience is simultaneously in Grover's Corners and Clayton black umbrella, rain, on a bare stage



A memorial service in celebration of her life is scheduled to be held on Sunday, June 2, at 1:30 p.m. in Baker Chapel.

College alumni Ira Zepp '52 and Bill Tribby '56 are planning the June 2 service and inviting alumni, current and former WMC faculty and staff to share their memories of Esther. These memories will be edited into a script for the celebration of this great lady and teacher. Please mail your remarks by April 30 to the address below. If you are able to attend the June 2 service and wish to personally present your memory, please note this in your letter; otherwise Ira and Bill will arrange for someone who will be attending the service to read it on your behalf. Bill Tribby, 615 S. Hawthorne Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27103.

the north Georgia mountains
glistening in the sunshine
with frost which sweeps from the
ground into the tall
grasses and hangs like lace from
laurel and pine
Esther asking that a passage from
her sister Lillian's Journey be
read:

"Death can kill a man; that is all
it can do to him; it cannot
end his life.

Because of human memory.

Because of..."

Emily breaking through the
umbrellas into the jewelled frost,
whirling
toward the Stage Manager in
New Hampshire and to us in
places unchangeable:

"Oh, earth, you're too wonderful
for anybody to realize you.

Do any human beings ever realize
life while they live it?

—every, every minute?"

"No (pause). The saints and poets
maybe..."

Lights fading to an area near the
top of the raked stage

Esther
urging us away from the legends
with which we have unintention-
ally frozen her

back to the center
for why "more than anyone in our
lives" —

"I loved the students. I always
thought

each one had something special
within much more

rare than he or she dreamed of or
knew about.

And I was never disappointed."

Yes

(no pause)

Emily

yes

Bill Tribby '56

Thoughts About Growing Old

Old age took me by surprise.
It was not wanted.
It was not expected.
It was just prepared for.
It was just suddenly here:
An unwelcomed piece of
inevitability.

Like a child to be succored
It was here.
A mewling infant
Shakespeare said.
Well, not that exactly,
But needing constant minding.
"Take it easy now," "Don't
fall."
"Chew your food." "Check
the stove."
"Use your magnifying glass."
"Turn the TV up—a bit
more."
And it holds me back
Like a child.
I am no longer free
Free to come and go
As I please.

Traveling once was a pleasure
Even at seventy, as I remember.
But at ninety?
The thought of locomotion
Sickens me.

Newspapers are to be read
By headlines
Editorials to be cut
To fit the magnifying glass
Magazines are mostly scanned
And looked at.
The clumsy book
Falls to the floor.

But, wonder of wonders,
The height of my day's joy
Is just to sit!
Next to my bed at night,
My favorite chair
Is the place I would rather be.

Just to look at it
To know it is there
Gives me the feeling of being
blest.

Is this what old age is for?
To make us treasure the incon-
sequential things?
A restful chair
A magnifying glass
Silence
A gentle breeze
A view of the sky
A lived-in room
Soft lights at night?

Oh yes, people
Of course people
We treasure
Their voices
Their interest and caring
The laughter
Their cheery visitations
They are the sunshine on a
dark day
The oases in our desert.
They are the one thing
Necessary
For our well-being.

But old age has another side
A less visible side
A kinder side.
We are given the gift of time
Time to think, to sort things
out
To understand
Time to meditate, to
appreciate
To wonder
And time to ponder
To ponder the imponderables:
The miracle of life
The power of love
The acceptance of death
The life everlasting of the spirit
And the mystery of memory—
The sweet, sweet mystery
Of memory.

Esther Smith
April 1990
Old Screamer Mountain

TO CONTACT WMC CLASSMATES FOR WHOM YOU HAVE NO ADDRESS:

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son c/o WMC Alumni Office,
Two College Hill, Westmin-
ster, MD 21157. The letter
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rent address is in our files.

Editor's Note

At the completion of this issue
of *The Hill* we learned that
Keith Norton Richwine, profes-
sor emeritus of English, former
Director of American Studies
and former chairman of the
English department at Western
Maryland College, died March
15 at age 65 following a brief
illness. His devotion to the col-
lege and to its generations of
students spanned four decades.
A tribute to Dr. Richwine will
be published in the next issue.
A memorial service will be held
Friday, April 12 at 4 p.m. in
Little Baker Chapel with a
reception following at the Pres-
ident's House. Memorial con-
tributions may be made to
Hoover Library at Western
Maryland College.

Class of 1946 To Celebrate its 50th Reunion

Be sure to be there! To the
Class of '46: Imagine, our 50th
reunion. Can it be possible?

Make plans for a great lun-
cheon reunion party at Perk
Haller and Bob '43 Beglin's
lovely home in Westminster on
Saturday, June 1. Circle the
date on your calendar!

Most of us arrived on cam-
pus in September 1942 fresh
out of high school when the



The WMC "six" who started it all! (l-r) Jack Rawlins '43, June Rawlins, Jean Eckhardt McWilliams '44, "Mac" McWilliams '43, Phyllis Cade Gruber '43, Werner Gruber.

nation was involved in a terrible war, but we were full of hope and optimism.

Here we are in 1996, still feeling much the same as we did at graduation 50 years ago. Bodies have slowed for most of us, but hearts and minds have changed little. Our enthusiasm for favorite things, our love of family and our concern for others near and far are with us still.

Let's come together to celebrate those years in which we grew up and formed these lasting ties and friendships.

Sure hope to see you on the first Saturday in June.

Barbara "Bobbie" Randall
Pease

(May 2-Oct.31)
700 Pacific Ave., No. 101
Leonminster, MA 01453
(Nov. 1-May 1)
22 N. 18th St.
Haines City, FL 33844

The WMC Friendship Alumni Jamboree

Our annual dinner (that's what it's called now) met for its "23rd" on Saturday, July 29, 1995, at the Carousel Hotel in Ocean City, Md. There are three words to describe this informal get-together: fun, talk, reminiscences.

As in the past, we met on the same day, same place, same room, but different year.

We are getting well into the "senior citizen" class. So we do have problems trying to attend all the dinners because of grandchildren, optional jobs, volunteer groups and health care. Speaking of the latter, we hope that the following will read this and know that we all send our heartfelt wishes to those that were absent, namely: Charlie Chlad, who was recovering from a severe heart attack; Warren Earll, who was busy taking tests so he can

attend next year; Joe Roe, who was recuperating from bypass surgery; Martha Hastings, who was working out of a "Shingle" attack; and Mary Miller Engesser, who was trying to be a nurse to her husband who is recuperating from brain surgery.

Then we had others who were absent due to other activities: Bob and Eloise Morison, who were traveling in Alaska; Bob and Perk Beglin, who were with their family in Stone Harbor, N.J.; Janith Horsey Collin, who was entertaining folks from England; Verna Cooper Preston, who was in New York; Bill and Mary Jackson Hall, who were traveling in West Virginia; Gen Spry McGee, who was traveling in New England with family; and Bub and Gerry Blair, who were attending their family reunion.

This year we had a private room in the Carousel with a great buffet, plus local entertainment. Of course, I must tell you the happy hour looked

normal with talk everywhere, small groups laughing, and Donna Sellman busy taking a lot of notes on napkins.

Now, with all the "high jinks," I don't want you to think I'm trying to sell this dinner to you; just wanted you to know there was plenty of activity and no one went home hungry.

Those who were there included Bud and Dieffie Smith, Margaret Smith Cassell, Klein and Mary Lee Leister, Ted and Kay Kaiser Frantum, Jim Elliott, Neil and Eileen Eckenrode, Bill Robinson, Tim Lewis, Jack and June Rawlins, Mac and Jeannie McWilliams, Lee and Pearl Bodmer Lodge, Burt and Mildred Grumbine, Josh and Pat Ensor, Charlie and Virginia Willing Elliott, Don and Sara Lee Larmore Brohawn, Werner and Phyllis Cade Gruber, and Vernon and Shirley Wiesand.

Guess what? We met this year on Mac's birthday. He had to stand and take a bow as we sang to him. The camera fiends took pictures to show the first set of WMC'ers that met back in 1972. They were Jack and June, Mac and Jeannie and Phyl and Werner. We have been meeting ever since. The 10th year we had 26, on the 20th we had 72. I hope that we all can meet in 1997 for our 25th year.

And so Virginia "there is a Santa Claus," for we have discovered ourselves all over again.

Aloha,
Phyl Gruber

President's Letter

Dear Fellow Alumni,

My 7-year-old daughter recently queried, "Mommy, if I go to Western Maryland College, will I have to go to all those meetings when I get out?"

How do I explain to her what it means to be an alumna? What makes people like Bill Hawkins '48 literally drag his girls' basketball teams to WMC games and sponsor recruiting sessions in his hometown of Catonsville? What made Bob '43 and Perk Haller '46 Beglin move from Pittsburgh to Westminster upon retirement? Why did hundreds of alums show up for a Homecoming football game that could have been termed the "Mudbowl?" Even the horses were too smart to show up for the Homecoming parade! The answer is not easy to articulate.

I asked my daughter why she waves to her elementary school every time we drive by, even if not a car is in the lot and the lights are out. And why did she choose to attend her school's Oktoberfest instead of riding in the WMC Homecoming Parade with me? Why is she reluctant to sleep without her worn stuffed puppy or to give up that favorite dress that fit two years ago? Sometimes things just become a part of you. The elementary school reminds her of the friends she made there, of the puppy of the grandparents who gave it to her, and the dress of the fun times she had while wearing it.

It's all about people. I guess that's my answer to her. If she goes to Western Maryland College (and if she's anything like her mother), she'll want to go to those "meetings" to see and remember the people and to help ensure that the college will be there for future generations to share the same experiences.

As president of the Alumni Association for the last two years, and as president-elect for two years before that, I've been to lots of meetings, dinners, lectures, dedications and parties. I've written lots of letters and reports. I've met lots of people, whose names I'll probably forget, and learned more about the college than I thought there was to know. I'm getting a little tired, but certainly not bored. My husband, the able babysitter, is counting the days until my term is over. He says I should stop pretending I'm still in college, that my purse and nylons are a dead giveaway. I guess I'll have to start carrying a backpack to meetings.

My daughter's Christmas list included this entry—"Let my mommy stay home for a whole year." Her number one wish, a real pony, is sounding better all the time.

Sally Keck Gold '78
President, WMC Alumni Association

Academic Homecoming to Spark Creativity

From computer composing to fabulous filmmaking to truly inspirational teaching, learn how some of Western Maryland College's finest faculty and alumni employ the creative process to do their best work at Academic Homecoming on April 13.

Dr. Brian Lockard MEd'69, superintendent of Carroll County Public Schools, will present "By Book or By Crook: Finding New Ways to Educate Students" from 9:30

a.m. to 11 a.m. Physics professor David Guerra will talk about how he gets "Imagination Down to a Science" from 11 a.m. to noon. After lunch, at the President's House, music professor Glenn Caldwell will educate participants on "Sound Bytes and Symphonies: Computer Composing" at 1 p.m. and Margaret Boudreaux, music department chair, will speak about "The Conductor's Magic Wand" at 2 p.m.

Art professor Wasy Paliczuk will show returning students "How to Fill a Canvas with Strokes of Genius" at 3:15 p.m. and alumnus Jonathan Slade '88 will detail how he broke into scriptwriting and producing in "I Survived Doogie Howser and Other Horror Stories of Film and Video Production."

The cost is \$25 for the morning programs through lunch, \$35 for the afternoon programs and dinner and \$50 for the entire day. Call Beth Harlow Buckalew at 410/857-2264 for information or to register.

On-line with the Editors

Feel sufficiently inspired by something you read to respond? Send a Letter to the Editor via E-mail to be published in the next issue of *The Hill*, or simply share your personal comments. The address is kasch@ns1.wmc.car.md.us

RESPONSE TO MID-DECADE INTEREST SURVEY

Classes of 1950s, 60s and 70s

The alumni office sent out 4,430 interest surveys to the three decades of classes and received 679 responses. Surveys were identified by the alumnus/a for each decade as follows:

1950s—192

1960s—179

1970s—297

Unidentified decade—11

Surveys returned with an alumnus/a signature—532

The committee will study the results and a formal report will be given at the April 27 Alumni Leaders Conference. I thank each of you who took the time to respond.

Donna Sellman
Director, Alumni Affairs

In Memoriam

Mrs. Eloise Dyson Archbold '16, of Leonardtown, Md., on July 30.
 Mrs. Mabel Ward Williams '22, of Prince Frederick, Md., on Nov. 5.
 Mrs. Kathleen Langrall Poffenberger '23, of Virginia Beach, Va., on Aug. 22.
 Miss Mary Jane Buchan '25, of Richmond, Va., on Oct. 17.
 Mrs. Margaret Limes Fletcher '26, of McLean, Va., on Oct. 27.
 Mrs. Anna Hull MacLea '26, of Baltimore, Md., in March 1995.
 Mr. Kendrick E. Brown '29, of Sarasota, Md., on Sept. 26.
 Mrs. Thelma Sandbower Rice '29, of Westminster, Md., on Sept. 19.
 Mr. Edwin E. Brown '31, of Westminster, Md., on Oct. 2.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews Herbst '33, of Charlotte, N.C., on Oct. 14.
 Mrs. Caroline Reed Von Eiff '33, of Union Bridge, Md., on Oct. 26.
 Col. George S. Bare '37, of Westminster, Md., on Nov. 21.
 Mrs. Elva Hawkins Ayers '38, of Bowie, Md., on April 10, 1995.
 Mrs. Janet MacVean Baker '38, of Monmouth, Ill., on Dec. 1.
 Col. James D. Cattington '40, of Sumter, S.C., on May 25.
 Mrs. Jean Cox Flagg '40, of Falls Church, Va., on Oct. 11.
 Miss Sheila M. Young '42, of Westminster, Md., on Oct. 6.
 Mr. Nelson J. Wolfshiemer '44, of Berlin, Md., on Nov. 5.
 Mr. Fred W. Shirley '45, of Harrisonburg, Va., on Feb. 2, 1992.
 Mr. Paul L. Footen MED'46, of Barton, Md., on Oct. 2.
 Mrs. Dorothy Schubert Matthews '47, of Fayetteville, N.Y., on May 12.
 Mr. George F. Stephens '47, of Kingwood, W.V., on Aug. 20.
 Mr. Joshua V. Zia '47, of Richmond, Calif., on Oct. 4.
 Rev. William G. Cook, Jr. '48, of Baltimore, Md., on Sept. 29.
 Mr. Eugene Feldman '49, of Cherry Hill, N.J., on Dec. 23, 1994.
 Mr. Robert E. Keys '49, of Baltimore, Md., on Sept. 6.
 Mr. Alfred R. Yaglinski '50, of Bellear, Fla., on Aug. 15.
 Miss Amy A. Chamberlin '51, of Silver Spring, Md., on Nov. 13.
 Mr. Albert T. Grimes, Jr. '51, of Johns Island, S.C., on Nov. 6.
 Mrs. M. Virginia Engle Hazel '51, of Broad Run, Va., on Nov. 19.
 Mr. David H. Sandler '52, of Stevenson, Md., on Sept. 13.
 Mrs. Della Myers Rickell '53, of Westminster, Md., on Dec. 2.

Mr. John F. Duhl '55, of Santa Ana, Calif., on March 28, 1993.
 Mrs. Margaret Artigiani Sanders '56, of Baltimore, Md., on Nov. 26.
 Mrs. June Morrison Childs '58, of Downingtown, Pa., on July 12.
 Mrs. Caroline Lewis McIntosh '60, of Timonium, Md., on Sept. 9.
 Mr. Charles B. Reisenweber '61, of Baltimore, Md., on Oct. 8.
 Mr. Robert W. Haight, Jr. '68, of Mt. Airy, Md., on July 7, 1994.
 Mr. Frank P. Chase '71, of Perry Hall, Md., on Oct. 11.
 Mr. Raymond S. Costantino MED'74, of Columbia, Md., on March 3, 1995.
 Mrs. René Stoutenborough Penhalligon MED'75, of Dalton City, Ill., on Jan. 1, 1995.
 Mr. Richard L. McNear MED'76, of Baltimore, Md., date not known.

Marriages

Glenn Hopkins '71 to Christina Jeon on Sept. 9. They reside in Los Angeles, Calif.
 Cynthia Wilcox '84 to Ken Pascal in Aug. They reside in Panama City Beach, Fla.
 Steven Bailly '87 to Paula Campitelli in May. They reside in Westminster, Md.
 Dennis DeMatte, Jr. '87 to Laura Perugini '91 on Sept. 24. They reside in Vineland, N.J.
 Jennifer Walsh '87 to Jonathan Hawes on Jan. 15, 1995. They reside in Beaverton, Ore.
 Tracy Kennard '87 to Donald Imm on Oct. 1, 1994. They reside in Reisterstown, Md.
 Kim Holtzinger '87 to Doug Whitely on Nov. 12. They reside in Eldersburg, Md.
 Luc Levensohn '87 to Sara Barker on May 20. They reside in Charlestown, Mass.
 Wendy Vanscoy '90 to Dave Johanson on Aug. 20. They reside in Westminster, Md.
 Dana Marie Fangmeyer '91 to David VanMettere, Jr. on Aug. 26. They reside in Baltimore, Md.
 Barbara Elizabeth Baker '94 to John Andrew Murphy on Aug. 5. They reside in Union Bridge, Md.

Births

Brielle Corin Hohne, on March 22, to Bruce '76 and Carolyn Hohne.
 Bethany Joelle Gickner, on Sept. 24, to Kenneth and Donna Armstrong Gickner '77.
 Matti and Malin Muhlemann, on Feb. 27, 1995, to Daniel and Karin Keagy Muhlemann '77.

Sharon Leaf, on July 3, to Bob and Dawn Reedy Leaf '78.
 Savannah Ashley Miller, on Oct. 2, to Judson '78 and Loreli Miller.
 Williams Worthington Calvert Peters, on June 19, to Dennis '78 and Louisa Peters.
 Kevin Andrew Barlow, on Sept. 8, to Glen '79 and Deborah Wooden Barlow '81.
 Robert Palkovitz, on Nov. 18, to Jeff '79 and Jill Palkovitz.
 Shannon Kayla Scott, on Aug. 6, to Harold and Karen Dubach Scott MED'80.
 Jesse Kathryn Smyth, on Oct. 16, to Fred '80 and Kathy Smyth.
 Emma Christine Holderred, on Sept. 14, to Barry and Rebecca Weller Holderred '81.
 Julia Alexis Streett, on Aug. 2, to Timothy '81 and Cheryl Streett.
 Kyle Martin Zimmerman, on Aug. 26, to Walter and Ann Sowers Zimmerman '81.
 Jonathan Boeri, on March 23, 1995, to Louis '82 and Lauren Boeri.
 Amanda Michele Conner, on May 25, to Michael '82 and Michele Hirschreuter '84 Conner.
 Matthew Adam Gerb, on Sept. 6, to Andrew and Judith Mitnick Gerb '82.
 Daniel Joseph Halpern, on May 3, to Howard and Risa Bush Halpern '82.
 Michael Collin Hendricks, on Feb. 1, 1995, to Michael and Karen Dulle Hendricks '82.
 Maddie Grande James, on Nov. 3, to Stephen '82 and Sydney Deeds '82 James.
 Mats Douma Kleb, on Aug. 11, to George '82 and Tina Volpe '85 Kleb.
 Michael Dennis Norton, on May 20, to Michael and Claire Morris Norton '82.
 Rebecca Marie Wandishin, on July 24, to John '82 and Susan King Wandishin '83.
 Benjamin Joseph Feeney, on Jan. 6, 1995, to Scott and Judy VanDuzer Feeney '83.
 Katherine Marie Knies, on May 5, to John '83 and Cynthia Jarkowicz '88 Knies.
 McKenzie Christine Murray, on Sept. 20, to Stan '83 and Chris Murray.
 Alycia Clawson, on Jan. 29, 1995, to Kevin '84 and Janet Clawson.
 Clayton Ellis Conner, on May 11, to Rick '84 and Elizabeth Goodnow '87 Conner.
 Alexander Logan and Joshua Daniel Freel, on Nov. 22, to Chris and Lisa McKinney Freel '84, MS'94.
 Jacob Ramsey Horn, on May 17, to Edward and Lisa Turner Horn '85.

Michael Richard Kline, Jr., on Feb. 25, 1995, to Michael '85 and Denise Kline.
 Kamber Elizabeth Parker, on Sept. 23, to Al and Carrie Miller Parker '85.
 Jack Peter Horton, on June 17, to Michael and Joan Lemeshow Horton '86.
 Jerald Anthony and William Timothy Pyle, on Dec. 5, to Tim '86 and Linda Bancroft '86 Pyle.
 Dylan James Ensz, on April 13, to Don and Wendy Haug Ensz '87.
 Mallory Felch, in Feb. 1995, to Brian '87 and Cassie Schneberger '87 Felch.
 John Sullivan Gerety, in Feb. 1995, to Richard and Jill Dauer Gerety '87.
 Hannah Elizabeth Longtha, on Sept. 6, to Tom and Janelle Crosby Longtha '87.
 Caitlin Elizabeth McDermott, on Oct. 14, 1994, to Raymond '88 and Elizabeth McDermott.
 Megan Brooke Rink, on Nov. 20, to Jeffrey '88 and Leslie Brooks '89 Rink.
 Matthew McClellan Smith, on Nov. 19, to Jeffrey '88 and Tracy Ann Tokar '88 Smith.
 Matthew Foster Nicholson, on Aug. 2, to Michael and Kathryn Taylor Nicholson '89.
 Mallorie Laura Johansson, on May 21, to David and Wendy Vanscoy-Johansson '90.
 Matthew James Linck, on May 10, to Robert and Kimberly Anson Linck '90.
 Sarah Elizabeth Rodriguez, on April 7, to James '90 and Melissa Rodriguez.
 Thadeus Bryon Benner, on April 28, to Bryon and Laurie Cook Benner MS'91.
 Grace Theresa Kerr, on Feb. 8, 1995, to Damien and Darlene Kramer Kerr '91.
 Taylor Louise Picard, on Oct. 8, to Peter and Wilhelmina Hazen Picard MS'91.
 Jonathan Edward Forrest, on June 21, to William and Kathleen Forrest MS'95.

Master's News

Eugene Childs MED'62 retired from the Baltimore County Board of Education in 1984 and as a consultant for SHA Engineering in 1995. His daughter will complete her master's in library science at WMC in December.
 The Most Rev. Robert J. Godfrey MED'65 has been elected a new Presiding Bishop and Metropolitan at the Anglican Orthodox Church in Stateville, N.C. Currently Bishop Godfrey is professionally affiliated with

the Outreach Hospice of Michigan, American Association of Pastoral Counselors, National Certified Counselor, National Certified Gerontological Counselor, Licensed Professional Counselor (Michigan), and the American Counselor Association.

David Alexander MD'78 earned his Ph.D. in special education administration from Gallaudet University in May 1995. He and his wife **Felicia Mode Alexander MD'79** and three children live in Bucks County, Pa. David is principal at Katzenbach School for the Deaf in West Trenton, N.J.

Anne Shortess Hauprich MD'84 teaches pre-school deaf and hard-of-hearing students in Montgomery County, Md. She lives in Laurel with husband Don and daughters Kelly, 5, and Katrina, 2.

Florence Seltzer MD'87 is substitute teaching and looking for full-time teaching in special education in the State of Maryland. She is a part-time secretary to Gettysburg Historic Architectural Review Board, a water-color artist and a TWCA coordinator for Elderhostel programs.

Carol Wolford MS'88 retired from the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind in 1993. Since retirement she has participated in her local church's community activities in West Virginia and has done some writing.

Matthew J. Robinson MS'91 is an assistant professor of sports administration at Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales College in Center Valley, Pa. He completed his doctoral degree in sports management from Temple University in August 1995. Matt also sits on the editorial boards of the College Athletic Management and the National Soccer Coaches Association of American Soccer Journal. He has had articles published in the *NSCAA Soccer Journal* and will have one published in the spring issue of the *Intercollegiate Athletic Forum*. Matt made a presentation on his dissertation, *Job Satisfaction of NCAA Division III Athletics Directors*, at the North American Society for Sport Management's Annual Convention in Athens, Ga. in June 1995 and will present his findings at the same convention in New Windsor, Canada in June 1996.

Larry Barnes MS'95 who has been with the Carroll County School System for 26 years, will be the principal for the Oklahoma Road Middle School in Eldersburg, Md.

Class Notes

27 "Classmates all so loyal!" It is nice to again have the opportunity to keep in touch. I only wish that everyone had returned my card. I did not hear from **Hilda Blomquist Byers**, **Hazel "Fran" Bratt**, **Anne Lauder Logsdon**, **Em Jones Rothel** or **Catherine Parker Moriarty**. I did not call them again this time and hope they are well.

Our mini-reunion was special. **Joy Reimnuth**, **Ginna Wilson Shockley**, **George and Alma Sullivan**, **Catherine Spensler Thomas** (and her son who brings her from Florida to all our events) **John and Polly Wooden** and I had a wonderful "gabfest" and really enjoyed the delicious luncheon, arranged by **Donna DuVall Sellman '45**, on the sunny, glassed-in dining porch. We so much appreciate her interest in 1927 and her invaluable assistance for all our functions. Our Library Memorial picture was placed beside our table where it could all visit it for a silent moment in memory of those dear classmates who had gone home before us. A short time before, we were saddened to hear that **Tommy Eaton** had passed away. His name was added to our Memorial and a card of sympathy was sent to **Kitty MH'90**. We are so glad that after so many years we found him. He added much to our affairs as long as he was able. We all appreciate Kitty's devotion to him until the very end.

The program for the luncheon was presented by **Ira Zepp '52** who had just completed a book, *A Grateful Memory*, a history of Little Baker Chapel from its beginning in 1894. He discussed the book and the impact the Chapel had on the students and called on members of the audience to share other anecdotes which had occurred when they were on campus. It brought back many memories. If you have not purchased a copy you should; it is well worth being in your library. Contributions to the Baker Chapel Fund are welcomed.

Velma Richmond Albright reported sad news. At 28 died August 10. They would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on September 29. Many of us can empathize with her. We know that she spent most of the last years taking care of him and our thoughts and prayers are with her. She is grateful for the support of her children and grandchildren. Her youngest granddaughter had begun graduate work at the University of Delaware. She sent her love to us all.

Henry "Reds" Phillips is still living with Vada and Harold Jones, who have "adopted" him. He is content and enjoys being a part of their family. He still goes to water aerobics three days a week, "which keep me mobile," and is happy that he can attend church and other social events.

Joy Reimnuth was very excited about the celebration for Baker Chapel

and has made a pledge towards its restoration. Her summer activities at Asbury included teaching Sunday school, acting as Wing Representative for the Resident Council, and hospital-ity hostess to help orient new residents. She has been handicapped by an eye infection and foot surgery "which required an enormous amount of time and energy." Now that both ailments are cured, she has time to "delve into a summary of the Old Testament which is taught by my favorite Bible study teacher."

Virginia "Ginna" Wilson Shockley wrote "our mini-reunion was special to the six of us who attended, and the rest of you were missed so get in training for 1997." She is happy that her granddaughter has returned from China, having taught for a year at Yanan University. Her two daughters live nearby and keep watch over her so she can maintain her home alone. She added, "I cherish our friendship and love you all."

George "Sully" Sullivan and **Alma** have spent the summer in the North Carolina mountains and plan to return to Georgia in January. They no longer travel extensively but make short trips to visit family and friends. They are delighted when their children and grandchildren come to visit. George wrote: "Looking forward to our 70th. Hope that you, and we all the others make it too."

Catherine Spensler Thomas' son again brought her to a '27 activity from Florida. This time it was our mini-reunion. She wrote: "It was so good to see you all again. We enjoyed it so very much!" Her activities, bridge and volunteer service, remain the same. Her granddaughter is now in college and her grandson will graduate from boarding school this year. "Hope to see you at our next gathering!"

John Wooden wrote: "Thanks to Blanche, six members of the Class of 1927 (plus two spouses and a son) met in May to chat and attend our 68th reunion. We are happy to hear from some others." He was glad that he and Polly live close to WMC and can attend some college functions. They still live in Carroll Lutheran Village (Westminster) and remind us that the latch-string is always out for '27."

I was involved in three important events this year: the Little Baker celebration, the 68th mini-reunion of the Class of 1927, and the Alamedian Light Opera Company Golden Days Gala Concert IX. I always detested speaking in public and usually avoided it by stating that I preferred to "say it with music." In October (1994) I did both simultaneously. A year before, the ALOC concert was scheduled for Oct. 20 under my direction. I was asked to speak about my recollections of Baker Chapel on the same day at the same hour. I "got around it" by making a videotape for the Little Baker celebration. Among many mem-

ories, one of the most vivid was practicing on the organ in the late afternoon while the sun streamed through the unbelievable gorgeous stained-glass windows. At the same hour I was "saying it with music" at the Westminster High School with the Alamedians for the benefit of Target, Inc. Then in May I so much enjoyed being a part of the 1927 reunion, and was so sorry more classmates could not attend. Begin now to prepare for 1997!

ALOC Gala Concert X, Westminster High School, June 23, 1997.

Keep our 1927 Library Memorial in mind. In the not too distant future it will be the only monument of remembrance that the Class of 1927 passed through WMC. Did you know that you (or anyone) can make a gift to our Endowment and receive the interest on it for their lifetime after which the principal will revert to our fund? Gifts may be made by anyone in honor of or in memory of a dear one.

For further information contact Sharon Bean, Director of Major Gifts, WMC, (410) 857-2258.

May good health and contentment be yours until we meet again.

Blanche Ford Bowsley
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32 Can you believe that we have been away from "the Hill" for 63 years? There are a few members of our class who find the time to send me a message. Some of us have health problems but that can be expected. That is better than the alternative, I am sure you agree.

Catherine "Cappy" Baumgartner related an interesting story. Professor Saxmip composed for Dr. Bonnette a hymn *Gaudeamus* (a beautiful melody). It was sung in St. John's Church on Easter Sunday. Cappy's mother was the organist. Cappy has the original copy of the hymn. She is planning to give this to WMC for their archives. A few years ago, Cappy took a fall and fractured her hip. She has a good friend who takes her shopping, to the doctor and to lunch.

Vivian Shockey Clapper enjoys reading, bridge club, church, and traveling over the mountain roads in Washington County. She has three grandsons in college and keeps busy by writing to them, making telephone calls and sending them cookies.

Thelma Snader Replogle and her sister, **Reba Snader '35**, are enjoying a quiet life in Bridgewater, Va. For years Reba taught music in Bel Air High School where I taught.

Henry Caple's wife Frieda wrote a note saying, "Our best news is that we are still here." Henry has a problem with his eyesight. Their four grandchildren, all under three, help to keep Henry and Frieda young.

Ella Weir Queen and **Queenie** live in Sarasota. They have been fortunate when the hurricanes hit Florida. They stay on the alert when the storms come. Ella says that is the price you

pay to live in paradise. They have five grandchildren, two in college, one is 12, and two are babies.

Alverta Dillon writes from Accident, Md. that the summer was so very dry that the springs and wells went dry. It is not unusual to see bears on her property. I often see deer.

Katherine Leidy Unger lives in New Hampshire. She was enjoying driving through the country, viewing the New England landscape with the brilliant fall foliage.

Muriel Bishop Livingston was enjoying a lovely Carolina fall. Bish and Larry enjoy time spent at their beach home. She enjoys her bridge club, reading and her work as the librarian at her church.

Mary Humphreys continues to proofread several local publications. In August, Betty Scott from the administrative office of WMC visited Mary in Berlin. They toured the town's museum, an 1832 federal-style home.

Calvin B. Taylor, an 1882 graduate of WMC, was its third owner. The museum bears his name.

Margaret Myers Tucker enjoys her life at a retirement village in Westminster. Her growing family brings her much pleasure. She has three daughters, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. As we grow older little ones bring us much enjoyment.

Margaret Lee Nelson Tawes had a hip replacement on Aug. 3 at Eastern Memorial. After the operation, she spent some time at Chesapeake Rehab Center in Salisbury. On Sept. 6, she returned to her home in Crisfield. In October she went to Peninsula Hospital. On Oct. 28, to tell me that she is home again and hopes to stay there. Margaret Lee will be returning to her various activities — choir director, bridge club and several organizations.

Howard Amos continues his work as part-time chaplain at Calusa Harbor Retirement Center, Fort Myers, Fla.

Catherine Hitchens Marvill lives in Lewes, Del. When she wrote her message she was very sad. They had just lost their black Labrador. He was 14 and had been so very close to Hittie; we do become so attached to our pets. Jim is not too well. They enjoy going out for lunch and taking rides in the country. Hittie's older grandson is married and lives in Rehobeth. The younger grandson is a senior at the University of Miami. He is there on a swimming scholarship. During the summer he is a lifeguard at Rehobeth Beach. I like the way Hittie signed her note — "as ever, Hittie (exclaimed older)." Aren't we all!

I am still a busy lady. I do my daily walk of two miles, mow my three acres — a riding mow of course — care for Jack, my 5-year-old black lab, my orange cat, my pea fowl and bantam chickens. My four grandsons are past the age of needing my help with school work. John III completed a

year with Americorps and now he is working with the EPA in Annapolis. In September I had a great trip to New England. I traveled with my daughter, my son-in-law and a grandson. We spent some time in Quincy, Mass. where we visited the Adams' home, the church and lovely gardens. We spent time on Cape Cod visiting the places connected with the Kennedy family. The New England states are so lovely in the fall. The fall foliage was just beginning to change to gorgeous colors.

I am hoping to hear from more of our class for our next issue of *The Hill*.
S.A. Robinson Sullivan
P.O. Box 35
Fallston, MD 21047

37 Rowland Armacost and wife are proud grandparents of a baby girl — with a taint of North American blood. Rowland also designs golf courses and plays frequently.

Nellie Hoffman Lantz's husband died after a long illness. Since then she has been traveling extensively in Europe and finished in Ocean City, Md. in September.

John Reifsnider has been in Meridian Nursing Center in Frederick. It is very weak, but would like to see some company. John was class reporter for many years.

Margaret Harman Fleming had cataract surgery in June and in August took a fall. She has attended the annual Phi Delta Gamma luncheon and the Day Students' reunion. Her brother, a dialysis patient, lives with her.

Louise Shipley Fillion is busy in her church library and other libraries. She also enjoys her daughter and her granddaughter, who recently married a doctor.

Lillian Moore Bradshaw is busy with travel, politics, library affairs and community development activities.

Isabelle McWilliams Drughas had a stroke complicated by arterial fibrillation and a swallowing problem. She has to be fed by a tube. She is also troubled with Myasthenia Gravis. But she still plays bridge and enjoys her many friends.

Sue Smith Wingate made several trips in the U.S. including New York City, the Rockefeller estate on the Hudson, Florida, Colorado and even Baltimore! The Colorado trip was fascinating. The whole family, ranging in ages from 2 to 82, went to Colorado Springs to attend the graduation of a grandson.

Grayson Brandenburg Clarke and Frank '35 report there was no overseas trip this year. Frank was hospitalized in April (with diverticulitis) recovering at home with home care nurses through June. However, he was able to attend the 60th reunion of the Class of 1935. They decided to move to Fairhaven Retirement Center. They are settled now and all is well.

I traveled to England and visited ancestral home circa 400 A.D. at Hut-

ton Hall, about 40 miles east of London. We were guests of present owners, stayed overnight and heard a historian give a lecture about the property. Also toured Scotland and Wales. We have a granddaughter in Nepal teaching nursing for the Peace Corps. Four grandchildren have finished college and five are college students. We now have 18 grandchildren — the last arrived May 20, 1995. We will be having a family reunion in Kanai during the Christmas holidays. I am a member of United Seniors of Maryland representing Charlestown Retirement Community and try to influence legislators to vote for senior-friendly bills. I also founded MAC-CRA (Maryland Continuing Care Residents Association) Chapter at Charlestown. Biggest news — our granddaughter, Amy Williams Weir, has just been accepted in the pre-med program at Western Maryland College.

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42 Shirley Belle Reese Brown, who has been on oxygen 24 hours a day for a few years because of emphysema, carries her tank with her for volunteer work at the hospital and for lunch and cards with friends. She has "eight grandkids from two younger than 2 to 25 years — the oldest just married. So soon we'll start a new generation!"

Gladys Crowson Crabb in visiting managed to hit record heat everywhere — 108 in northern California, 108 in the 90's in Loveland, Colo. with Tennessee with her son and second grandchild. When she visited cousins in Richmond on Memorial Day week-end **Jane Harrison** joined them.

Jim "Pete" Townsend timed his visit to the Florida Panhandle well — the week before Hurricane Opal. It was his first visit back to the Army Recreation Area in 30 years. "Quite a change in the great amount of construction but beaches still relatively undisturbed by construction and still interesting part of country to visit."

Zach and **Agnes Ebough** should be back from the 50th anniversary of Zach's 1010 SS war outfit in Los Angeles. Agnes is active in her art association and they are both involved in the China-Burma-India Veterans Association. They have survived their bouts with cancer for three years and are in pretty good health. They go ballroom dancing at least once or twice a week.

Wes Sheffield reverting to his journalistic roots teaches creative writing in Florida. "Summertime in Vermont I get to preach now and then." **Louise Grow '43** leads a women's counseling group in Florida and indulges her art-

sculpting in Vermont. "We plan a Caribbean cruise to celebrate our 50th in January! We both enjoy our many friends in both locales."

Edna Trieler Jess spent the summer trying to recover from a stroke and hasn't been completely successful yet. **Henry Trieler '41** continues to do well in Arizona.

Dottie Attix Meyer and Duffy spent the month of February in New Zealand, Australia and Fiji. Duffy liked New Zealand best because of the mountain (South Island) — Little Switzerland. Dottie liked Australia, especially the Great Barrier Reef, Ayres Rock and The Outback. "Each is a unique part of the earth's landscape and all in one country — plus much more! The people of all three steps were the best thing of the trip. They still seemed to retain an innocence we have lost in this country." Duffy and Dottie are well and can't get used to the fact that their first attempt at grandparenting is now 17 and a high school senior.

Despite a mild heart attack on Mother's Day, **Pat White Wroten** still makes quilts in her spare time, teaches a few piano lessons, is active with the Dorchester County Historical Society and the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Easton. "We have season tickets for the plays at the theater in Baltimore. Just found a 58-inch snake skin in the cellar and are anxiously watching for the snake."

Ruth MacVean Hawser and Herman took a Trek Tour to Nova Scotia the last week of August that was "delightful and refreshing" after the summer heat and humidity.

Two of **Louise Young** and **Ed Thomas's** destinations for Elderhostel programs were chosen because they were also able to visit family. They were located in Maine at the University of New England, California University of Pennsylvania at Uniontown and Lake Powell in Page, Ariz.

Jan Yentsch Elderhostel, her roommate **Ruth "Rudy" Caltrider Frank** and their spouses motored through New England in June enjoying the late spring flowers and visiting Ruth's son (and Jan and Bob's daughter), his wife and darling daughter. In August Bob and Jan took courses in print making. Jan's watercolors are exhibited at the Glynn Arts Gallery, St. Simon's Island, Ga., Hallman-Smith Gallery, Huntsville, Ala., and the Tennessee Valley Art Museum.

Jane Fralley Robinson is still the "newsless wonder" — nothing going on worth relating. For **Robbie '41**, it's golf, tennis, Rotary and alumni activities; for me it's hospital volunteering, church family and friends. Thankfully there's not too much excitement — I'm not old for very much of that — but it's very fulfilling.

From **David Osborn** — "Hi! No news is good news! Good health to all!"

Gloria Salerno Adams is finally settled at Deer Crossing Pond in Maspee, Mass. after having expected to move into another condo in the

same town in Connecticut. "However, I really like where I am so it all worked out for the best. Son Doug and family are content in Iowa — he's been busy this summer building their vacation home. Son Randy and his wife are happy in New Hampshire — he's in real estate and they're still active hang gliders."

Another first **Earl Clifford** graduated from the University of Chicago with a professional degree, entered Midshipman School, Columbia University, Navy. Then he served in the Bering Sea. He left service after serving as a Lieutenant (S.G.) during World War II. He married and had three daughters and had a successful professional practice in suburban Pittsburgh for 37 years. Now he is retired and enjoying life in Florida with his second wife.

The "traveling Kindleys" — **Lee** and **Mary** — did it again! Their family reunion was aboard a Caribbean cruise ship for four delightful days with children and grandchildren. In July they toured the British Isles for two weeks.

Don Griffin's family didn't get any farther away than Canada this year. Their daughter was home on furlough from Africa and they wanted to spend as much time as possible with her. Don and his wife were to celebrate their 50th anniversary on Oct. 9. "The kids are planning some kind of a wing-ding for us."

Last November, Brown Memorial Church in Baltimore celebrated 40 years of **Gene Belts's** tenure as choir director and organist. A musical service included several former soloists and a choir of former choir and church society members. **Wilbur Kidd** came out from Waynesboro, Va. for the occasion.

George Marshall reports: "Our beautiful and smart granddaughter, 2, and grandson, 1, are our delight. Our care service is mainly to sick relatives and close friends. Our wonderful medical doctors are even closer friends! Elizabeth and myself have each had successful surgery this year. We are very thankful for God's blessings. Special greetings to classmates."

After serving on the school board for nine years, **Cameron Orr** recently did not run for the office. He and his wife hope to spend the month of March in Ft. Myers, Fla. His spare time finds him bowling and playing shuffleboard.

Sister Lauretta McCusker continues to teach part time at Rosary College. The National Catholic Library Association has kept her busy as president-elect. The high point of her summer was a three-week Interfaith tour to Israel plus a couple of days with friends in Haifa, Mt. Carmel.

Mary Crosswhite Ringwald's news is that they now have three great-grandchildren. They acquired another daughter-in-law who has four girls. "Big families are fun. Owen and I are fine and still living in Wilmington, Del. for 37 years. Owen loves gardening — mostly flowers and shrubs."

Since **Jean Lamoreau Baker's**

back surgery in 1991 they've had to curtail their foreign travels but are having fun visiting areas of "our country we haven't seen and revisiting many others, including The Golden Isles (Jekyll, St. Simons and Sea Island, Ga.) St. Augustine, Orlando (Epcot) and Mount Dora, Fla." She and **Dick** recently celebrated 53 years of marriage. Their daughter **Jeann** (Bunny) and her husband have two sons, Rick, a recent graduate of Princeton, and Rob, a junior at the University of North Carolina and a Morehead Scholar. Being recently retired, Bunny and her husband have bought a home in Naples for wintering near Jean and Dick after all the years they have lived apart.

Carolyn "Cym" Rudisill Mather's life is full with volunteering when at home and traveling and visiting children the bulk of the time. She had 10 days in June visiting friends in Portugal. "This week I head for California to spend three weeks with my son Frank and his lovely family. He is an artist who carves in slate — his work is quite different and very attractive." She spent some special days recently bonding with and babysitting her first great-grandson, Colin. "What a thrill!" She had two weeks on Cape Cod with Frank's sister. Eight of her grandchildren are either preparing for college, attending college, or married and working so she's here and there at graduations or weddings. "A full, happy and rewarding time for me."

Elaine Wright Morrison and **Bob** had perfect weather for a two-week visit to Alaska and the Yukon Territory in July. In September they flew to London for the groundbreaking ceremony of the American Air Museum in Duxford which is being built next to the British Air Museum to house American World War II planes. Bob saw his beloved B-17 fly once again — not only at that ceremony but also later at the Duxford Air Show. They went to Portsmouth where ships assembled for the D-Day mission and to Salisbury, Stonehenge, Bath and Gastonbury. They may return in 1997 (among the 180 American founding members of the museum) when the museum will be dedicated.

For the third time **Lynn Berthoff Westcott** retired June 1 but fills in for friends' vacations. October 16 she planned to drive her parents (Lloyd and Martha Berthoff, 95 and 97, and in pretty good health) to Kansas for a family reunion. Lynn's grandson is her pride and joy. He and Lynn's daughter and son-in-law live in Hamilton, Maine. Her son Jon and his wife are in Springfield, Ill. Lynn is busy with United Methodist Women, choir, church committees, and upkeep on a 10-room house which she lives in alone. "It's a real blessing to feel so well at my age; I was 73 on Oct. 2 and never even have a headache. Best wishes."

Esther Roop Hough's youngest daughter **Martha** has returned to Catholic University for a degree in architecture. Esther's only granddaughter is to be married in December. She

and Clay also have six grandsons.

Larry Brown, happily married and enjoying children and grandchildren, "seizes each day at a time."

Jean Ayres Cardwell spent October cruising from Vienna to Amsterdam on a riverboat with tours into cities along the way. On the same cruise were **Dennis '35** and **Betty Smith '43** Yingling who now reside in Florida.

A recent article by **Michael Olesker** in the *Baltimore Sun* reports that 350 of **Irv Blast's** boys from Patterson High got together in October to honor him as their coach.

Our big news is that **Jack** has finally retired from working for the Federal government at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Hopefully now we'll be able to get in some travel and recreation too.

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46 Class of 1946 to celebrate its 50th reunion! Be sure to be there. Imagine! 50th

Reunion! Can it be possible? Yes! Make plans for a great luncheon reunion party at **Park Haller** and **Bob '43 Beglin's** lovely home in Westminster on Saturday, June 1. Circle the date on your calendar!

Most of us arrived on campus in September 1942 fresh out of high school when the nation was involved in a great and terrible war but we were full of hope and optimism.

Here we are in 1996, still feeling much the same as we did at graduation 50 years ago. Bodies have slowed for most of us but hearts and minds have changed little. Our enthusiasm for favorite things, our love of family and our concern for others, near and far, are still with us.

Come together to celebrate those years which helped us — and which gave us lasting ties and friendships.



From Lewis Hall classes to the dual M.D.-Ph.D graduate program at Rockefeller University and Cornell University Medical School, **Carol Rouzer** linked liberal arts to liberating discourses.

Her brief, brilliant career as a chemical researcher with a renowned pharmaceutical firm revealed that she missed human interaction. She charted her path back to Western Maryland where she inspires students through teaching and excites them about science. Quality faculty members like **Rouzer** are supported by the Annual Fund. Call 410/857-2289 for more information.

Sure hope to see you on the first Saturday in June.

Barbara "Bobbie" Randall Pease
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47 After sending out 89 postcards I received only 30 replies. Thank you to those who took the time and effort to answer.
Jo Altfeder says "nothing new to report at present — hope to see you soon."

Exciting news from **Jean McDowell Barrett and Ralph**. Their new home in Asbury Solomons Island will be ready July 1. They are busy trying to decide what to take with them and what to get rid of. They celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary with a trip to Mammoth Cave. Ralph has been named Chaplain of Rehabilitation at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. Jean is still busy as treasurer of her women's church group as well as a worker for the Christmas Bazaar.

Margaret Statter Blayney sent her post card late last year with the good news of a new grandson, Zackery. The latest card said she and a friend took a trip east to seven states and a part of Canada. They spent five days at her daughter's in Maine. Zackery, now 13 months old, and grandson Eric who is 11 is taller than her 5-foot-8 inches.

When **Fred Brown** got my card they had just returned from Mt. Desert Island in Maine full of lobster. During their cruise to the Panama Canal last spring they had a camera and other things stolen from their luggage. "You learn a few things not to do when traveling." He says, "No new grandchildren, everyone is fine, so life goes on."

A trip to France in August with a WMC group was thoroughly enjoyed by **Mary Davies Carson**. They traveled so fast they were to return at a slower pace. She still is enjoying her work at the VA hospital in Augusta and activities with their daughters and their families.

Jean Murray Clarke and Donald '50 have five children and seven grandchildren. She enjoys gardening and playing the piano for her teacher son David's musical productions at a public school in Philadelphia. Daughter **Elizabeth** '87 teaches nearby and daughter Mary teaches in Tokyo. Jean hopes to see some of her classmates at our 50th reunion.

Just back from two very interesting weeks in Russia are **Betty Joy Morris DeHoff** and her husband Harold. They have one son in New Mexico but they see the one in Pennsylvania and their three grandchildren more often.

As I wrote this **Herbert Doggett** has headed to Williamsburg to rejuvenate. He was exhausted from a four-month interim pastorate in a congregation he served 29 years ago.

Another card too late for the May edition came from **Fern Hitchcock** telling me about their travels to Elderhood in Montana for trout fishing, to Greece for their youngest daughter's wedding and more fishing in Arkansas. The latest communication tells of his new home — just one mile farther from the college. "No more steps to climb."

Just loved **Fred Holloway's** response — still the director of a business college in Canton, still a choir director, still likes a martini before dinner, still living and breathing and still goes to see his younger daughter in Naples, Fla. twice a year.

Martha Libis Hitchens stays busy as she is on the board of the Delaware Epilepsy Assoc., lay delegate to the Peninsula Methodist Conference and mission chairman for the Epworth Church in Rehoboth. Her one grandchild Christopher comes to her home after school. "Life near the beach gets more congested every year but I guess that's called progress."

Surviving hurricanes Aaron and Opal was a big accomplishment for **Frank Jamout** this past season. He plays golf five days a week and travels to a lot of tournaments. Jean stays busy as a church elder and volunteering with the United Way of South Mississippi.

Violet Carr King's husband is recovering well from his cancer surgery. Their Nags Head group in September was greatly reduced due to illness. **Natalie Humphrey Thumel** and **Betty Miller Lechlitter** were the only ones able to join them.

Church work, volunteering at the hospital and Meals On Wheels keep **Betty Miller Lechlitter** on the go. In November, **Natalie Humphrey Thumel**, Betty and two other friends went on a 10-day cruise through the Panama Canal. She says hello to her WMC friends.

Helen Frantz Loper has it made. Her daughter lives next door and her son 10 miles away. She concludes, "It doesn't get any better."

It has been an Elderhostel year for **Anne Klein May**. Lewes, Del.; Rockland, Colo.; New York, Wisconsin and Valley Forge, Pa. They also managed to make the 95th Division reunion in Chicago. They had a nice visit with **Ginny Voorhes** '46 and **Joe Ward** '48 at their home in Connecticut.

Carlton Mendell is still "running around." October was the Marine Corps Marathon and November the Northern Central Trail Race. He also uses the time to visit his children in Woodbridge, Va.

Paul Miller says he is having a great time in retirement. He enjoys the theatre in Baltimore, Washington and New York, bridge, one-day bus trips, horse races at Pimlico and Laurel, movies, reading, gardening and eating out. In his spare time he maintains a house and grounds.

I received my usual phone call from **Betty Blades News**. Since we last talked she has been to occupational therapist conferences in Arkansas, Denver (in a blizzard) and a workshop course to Alaska. She has a new hobby — looking up friends from grade school. She calls it "excursions into my past." Life is going well.

Tom O'Leary, since retiring in '93, has been practicing Tom Peter's "Thriving on Chaos" via consulting, real estate and keeping up with his offspring Barbara and Tom. He cannot help but wonder if "Thriving on Chaos" can be applied to the environment.

In a remote location in North Central Maine live **Wally and Krist Raubenheimer**. Moosehead Lake is where they ski, hike and ski. December you could find them in Antarctica. Their son is a physicist at Stanford and daughter is getting her doctorate in coastal sciences at Scripps.

Jeannette Millholland Rostyn and husband Ray have five grandchildren. She assures me, "they are the smartest and most beautiful in the world." They love living on the Magog River. She does lots of crafts and has become computer literate. "Life is good — just slower."

Jane Collier Shauk is checking on places for us to have our luncheon on Sept. 7. Doesn't that sound great! Homecoming weekend was a big affair for the Beglin family according to **Lee Beglin Scott** with brother **Bob Beglin** '43 receiving the Alumnus of the Year Award. Wonderful.

It was sad news from **Marion Stofren** Thorne. She lost husband Pete on Sept. 2 after a long battle with cancer. A month later a son was born to her youngest daughter Stacy. As she said, "Life does go on." Middle daughter Sally broke her ankle two-and-a-half weeks after Pete's passing, so "Stof" had to care for her 4-year-old grandson. Having him with her was a blessing.

Natalie Humphrey Thumel was late with her card last spring. She enjoys doing things with her family, nine grandchildren, friends and church workers. She was looking forward to Hawaii in April, Ocean City in the summer, Nags Head, N.C. in September and a Panama Cruise in November.

The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs was the setting for a high-flying wine and food function according to **Shirley Jones Wiesand**. Going from 5 feet to 9,000 feet was a bit debilitating but they managed. When she wrote she and **Vernon** '43 were going to a WMC luncheon the next day in Ocean City. We hope to see **Jackson** '48 in March.

George Wilson. In November his book **Stephen Girard: America's First Tycoon** was in the bookstores. It took George seven years to research and write working full time. You can order the book by toll free number 1-800-732-3669. The biography is 409 pages, 575 notes, 22 illustrations,

\$27.95 hard cover. Great George!

In 1996 **Janet Breeding Yost** anticipates a seven-week car trip to California, the Northwest and Canada. She is close to getting her Life Master in bridge. Her beginning was at WMC.

Josua Jia passed away on Oct. 4th according to a card received from **Doris Pan**. We also lost **Oren H. Scott** Jan. 23, **George Stephens** Aug. 20, and **Dorothy Schubert** Matthews May 12.

Just received a card from **Anne Little Dole** saying things are hopping in the Dole household. She and Charles attended a Shrine convention in Indianapolis on July 4th. In August their older daughter Janet was wed in Athens and honeymooned on the Aegean island of Santorini. That same month their younger daughter Gloria gave birth to a baby boy. Charles has been retired for 10 years but they still are busy, busy. She is looking ahead to our 50th!

Last March while our daughter Barbara was visiting I broke my left wrist going back for a job. Thank goodness she was here — did not know I could be such an invalid! After she left husband **Bob** '49 took excellent care of me. Needless to say I could not defend my golf championship. However, the end of April I won the biggest tennis tournament of the year. Really was thrilled! In November we are to go on a "Big Band Cruise" for 10 days. What fun it should be. Ray Anthony, Larry Elgard, Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman will entertain us — just like the good old days. Can hardly wait! We are to be home in time to get ready for Christmas and our eight guests — both daughters and their families. We plan to have a week of fun and games. Everyone plays golf, tennis and cards so there will be no dull moments.

In May you will receive a "Call for Volunteers" mailing concerning our 50th reunion. We have already contacted several of you and you were gracious enough to accept. We will have a full year to plan and prepare. Hope you each will answer the call.

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52 We have just set our clocks back! As I write this column and drift back to the early fifties, I am so appreciative to those of you who share your news with us.

Libby Schubert Wright was appointed as the pastor of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Hampton, Va. as of July 1, 1994 when husband **Ed** retired. **Libby** and **Ed** were two of the three 1995 recipients of the John Wesley Award at Wesley Seminary, Washington, D.C. **Libby** was the first of two women elected of 15 delegates from Virginia

to the 1996 General Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Marvina Munch keeps busy with classes at George Mason University's Learning in Retirement Institute and with wildlife photography. This year will make her 13th showing at the Eastern Waterfowl Festival and the National Air and Space Museum has chosen one of her photographs for inclusion in their "How Things Fly" Gallery that will open in the summer of 1996 in honor of the museum's 20th anniversary. Congratulations, Marv!

Besides working a few hours in fine jewelry at Hecht's in Richmond, **Peggy Samples Sullivan** stays busy with church activities, taking a history course, book club discussions, traveling with her husband who is now retired and playing tennis. She went to the regional tournament for USTA 50's team and she and her partner never dropped a set all season! Of their eight grandchildren, six are in Richmond enjoying her sewing for them and walks in the park.

Roberta "Bobbie" Lang sends warm wishes to all. She is now a full-time painter — something she has always dreamed of doing. Most of her paintings are exhibited at Main Street Gallery in Annapolis. Last summer she spent several weeks in France and this winter she plans to visit Russia. Most of her paintings are from sketches done while traveling. She still finds time to spend with her three beautiful grandchildren. Bobbie spent time in Ocean City, Md. over Labor Day with **Retsy Patterson Hughes, Jean Curi Merritt, Susie Rinehart Elgin, Anna Lee Park and Vic Makovitch.**

Bobbie's new was a worsened back problem that she is trying to relieve with acupuncture. She replaced aerobics with reading and continues Bible study and volunteer work. Vic and Anna Lee went on a two-day cruise from Acapulco to Ft. Lauderdale with a day in Panama Canal transit on the Crown Odyssey of the Royal Cruise Line. They enjoy entertaining WMC friends in Ocean City. They find time to spend with their three grandchildren.

Ken Shook played B.J. Biggle in *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* — a role he played 21 years ago. He directed the formation of a new Rotary club in Westminster that has been named Bond's Meadow Rotary Club and is pleased to see its great success.

Ira Zepp says "hi" but assures me that there is information about him elsewhere in *The Hill*.

Nancy Lawson Altier retired from teaching after more than 32 years and life in Maine is beautiful. Although she visits her three children and seven grandchildren in Maryland, she added a trip to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick this year.

After more than 33 years of service to the English department of St. Lawrence, **Donald Makosky** was to retire on Dec. 31, 1995. After 10 years of a commuter marriage, he will move to Ohio to join his wife who is

vice president and academic dean of Hiram College.

Mary Siegel has retired but keeps busy with volunteer work. In November he visited his daughter in California.

This is a quote from **Marsha Beebe Green** in Beaverton, Ore. "After five years of nurturing our daughter who has Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome (CFIDS), she has moved out on her own again. She is active on the local board and I chauffeured a group of CFIDS friends to Salem in May to set up a display at the Capitol on International CFIDS Awareness Day. The press was busy covering the noisy state workers out on strike so CFIDS got no coverage but we met many kind people! Our grandson, now 6, and his parents add just to our lives when they visit from Minnesota. Gordon and I had the fun and challenge of renovating another apartment in Honolulu last February. English is a Second Language tutoring is still my favorite hobby."

Joe and Peggy Elmer toured the Alpine countries and Alaska. They continue to attend several Elderhostels a year. The addition of Emily Elmer in 1994 gave them three grandchildren and three grandsons.

Art and Peggy Press enjoy three seasons in the Pocono Mountains and winter in Florida. "Retirement is wonderful!"

Katharine Wiley Pearce enjoys retirement on the Outerbanks and adds that she and Tom make excellent tour guides and welcome visitors. They were relieved that the hurricanes have bypassed them.

Bob and Helen Wiley Millar are enjoying their grandson and have done some traveling. They met Jim and **Pat Crawford Dejean** and **Morton and Herma Nixdorf Benjamin** in Havre de grace, Md. for a great catch-up time.

Paul and Janet Preston May trailed their boat from Kansas to Naples, Fla. and sailed in the gulf for a couple of weeks. She found that it truly is a small world when she overheard a conversation about Maryland between two people and discovered that they were our friends and neighbors in Westminster.

Bill and Patty Burr Austin spent some time in Florida visiting friends and renewing acquaintances with former IBM co-workers. In July they attended a conference in Boston at New England Society. Their mountain-top home and swimming pool looked good after the heat of Boston. They made several trips to the New York State Finger Lakes Wine Country — a favorite vacation spot for them.

Last March and April **Roland Fleischer** spent six weeks in England and Holland doing research, and next April Alice and he will host a Penn State Alumni group to Holland, Belgium, and London. He has found that "there are simply too many fish in the

Chesapeake and Florida Keys waiting to be caught" so effective July 1, Roland will retire. Son Ted teaches snowboarding and skiing in Vermont in winter and leads outdoor activities in summer. Rick now lives with them.

Paul Welliver's major retirement project is managing an 80-acre woodlot in the mountains of central Pennsylvania. "It is interesting to work on an activity which will not fully yield results for another 50-75 years!"

Kay and Ed Foote took a cruise-boat to Alaska this year. With not nearly enough time to explore, they hope to return sometime to explore at their own pace. He also was able to get in a glider flight. "Sort of reminds you of sailing."

Brent Wood has plenty of time for fishing, hunting and gardening now that he is retired. They took a trip to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick and intend to travel more of the U.S. and Canada. Vermont is their home, but they have bought a condominium in Sarasota, Fla. on Crescent Beach on Siesta Key for the winter months.

Dottie Keesacker Walters spent her first year of retirement entertaining guests from Australia, France, Norway and Japan. She was able to enjoy a September vacation to Italy, Switzerland, Germany and Austria. It was her first trip back since living in Vienna in the late 60's. Husband Ernest stays busy with his Daedal Fine Arts Gallery in Fallston Md.

Phyllis Scott Pugh sends greetings to former classmates! After raising three children and a successful career in insurance in Chicago and D.C., she and her husband of 45 years live in rural Indiana. She helps her husband in his consulting business and finds time for volunteering at the local hospital, for church work and traveling. She loves being around her nine grandchildren of which two are in college.

Charlotte Reed Cushing loved her first trip to Paris in March and loved London as usual. She enjoys the round robin that she shares with **Lida Birdsall Hale, Ginny Hale Spicknall, Jane Buettner Stevick and Donna Kohl Gullickson**. I learned from a mutual friend that **Char and Ray '50** lost their youngest daughter in the summer of 1994 after a courageous bout with cancer. She was an inspiration to all who cared for her. Our sympathy to her husband and the Cushing family.

Lionel Lee is looking forward to our 1997 reunion, but in the meantime visits his daughters in Oakland, Calif., David, Calif., and Yonkers, N.Y. His oldest got her first novel published by Berkeley Books, and is hard at work on numbers two and three in a series about teen girls in New York City. We'll keep our eyes open for them!

Jim Sullivan lives nearby but they haven't visited recently.

Dottie Schmidt Rettew and her family visited the Bavarian part of Germany, the home region of her ancestors. They visited Switzerland and Austria and enjoyed "magnificent

churches, splendid places, quaint villages, and beautiful scenery. The people couldn't have been nicer, and best of all, we found we could make ourselves understood with our limited German."

Walt and Pat Fetscho '54 Hart have moved to Wascshaw Plantation in South Carolina where there is lots of golf and tennis. They also became grandparents to daughter Cindy's little boy. Cindy lives in Pittsburgh and has just completed her studies for her Ph.D. in Chinese Area History and is writing her dissertation. Walt welcomes all to their new home.

Jan Ports continues to enjoy music (piano), hiking in West Virginia, discussing theology with Roman Catholic religious (Carmelite Monastery, Towson) and observing nature and people. He sends best wishes to all!

Mary Lou Mumford Manning has retired from teaching but is active in community affairs. She enjoys granddaughter Ashley Marie Manning born to Paul and Dawn Manning in February. Daughter Katherine Haller is a computer manager in South Carolina.

Corinne Schofield LesCollette continues her part-time job assisting a veterinarian in Salisbury, Md. as well as her volunteer activities in many civic areas. After foot surgery in November, she hopes to be relieved of the discomfort that has recently curtailed her travels on foot.

Dick and Anna Smith visited son David in his new home in Miami, Fla. in October. He has rented for three years since Hurricane Andrew when he lost his home, car and personal belongings. Dick had hoped for his return to Maryland but his dedication to his teaching job will keep him there while the families of his other four children remain in Maryland.

Our sympathy to the **Mike Chirigos** family on the death of their son Michael who had had a successful heart transplant in 1994 and was able to resume his third-year classes in medical school, but developed complications and passed away in August 1995. While Mike and his wife attended a conference on AIDS in Italy, he was notified of his brother's death. Mike finds his solace with their eight grandchildren — particularly Michael's 3-year-old and 9-month-old.

Our sympathy also to the family of **Doris Reck Saunders** who died August 2, 1995 in an automobile accident at Shrewsbury, Pa. She taught mathematics in Baltimore County public schools for 41 years.

David H. Sandler, owner of Sandler Systems Inc. which has about 160 franchises in the United States and Canada, passed away September 13, 1995 at Stella Maris Hospice of complications of kidney disease. Our sympathy to his wife and children.

Mary Hawkins Hackman reports that she still enjoys teaching at WMC. Jim does some community theater and is very involved in Barbeshop Chorus singing. They traveled to Alaska in August to visit family and fell in love

with the place. For contrast they visited Bermuda in October.

After 42 years of dentistry **Hillard "Huck" Hayzlett** is retiring. He spent two weeks in August fishing in Alaska and went hunting in west Texas in November. He is "still sleeping with the same woman," **Peg Sister Hayzlett**. Peg has been "back to work" for two years, helping Huck as his office manager-secretary. While Huck was fishing in Alaska Sue joined Prof. Sue Bloom on a 10-day trip to France. They are active in tennis, golf, gardening and bridge. They see their kids and grandkids often — "a real bonus in life!"

After a trip to Las Vegas, Grand Canyon and Arizona with a group of Kiwanis, **Bill** and **I** spent a week with our family at Stone Harbor, N.J. We enjoyed visits from our grandchildren the remainder of the summer. September brings an increase of peace with church activities and service club responsibilities for both of us. You should take time to visit the campus to see the latest changes! Our Science Hall with the cafeteria is now **High Hall** and has an entirely new look. This is the most recent of many up-dates.

Till next time!
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57 Hurricane Opal visited some of our friends.
Howard and Janet Perkins Zimmerman had to evacuate Flk Shores to their son Ted's house west of Mobile, Ala. Everyone was safe and sound. Tons of sand were moved off the beach and onto the roads. Still, they love the hectic beach life and would love to have visitors.

Del Kohl says none of the storms bothered them in their first year of retirement in Delray Beach, Fla. They wish they had started earlier. They too ask us to give them a call.

Mary Lease Nagle says son Tim's family had to evacuate the Pensacola area but all are safe. She is a little weary of the rain but excited by the Jacksonville, Fla. Jaguars.

In Cocoa Beach, Fla. **Joyce Harington Stottler** is still teaching engineers to write at Florida Tech. She has five grandchildren, two in California, two in New York and one nearby. They are able to visit all of them.

Bob and Helen Boardman Radcliffe are back on Oak Island year-round. Youngest son Keith was married in September. They enjoyed seeing **Earle** and **Sara Price Finley** at the wedding. Their grandchildren are Ryan, 7, Andrew, 5, and Kasey, 3. Bob and Helen were at WMC in June to renew their wedding vows in Little Baker Chapel. The family was to get together at the farm in Virginia for Thanksgiving.

Sara Price and **Earl Finley** write they are enjoying life in the mountains of Virginia right off the Blue Ridge Parkway. The last of their four children married in June. They have five

grandchildren. Son Bill is to graduate from Gordon Conwell Seminary in May.

Buddy and Grace Fletcher Pipes are enjoying their renovated cabin in Vermont and invite WMC friends to visit. Four of their five grandchildren are in Westminster and Columbia, Md. so they travel a lot. At home they see deer, raccoons, porcupines and groundhogs in the field and spectacular stars away from city lights. They had snow in October and can't wait to don their cross-country skis.

James Retzer made a trip to Munich, Germany for Octoberfest. Retired from Carroll County schools, he retains his tax practice and real estate business in Glyndon, Md. His sister **Nancy Retzer Stockdale '56** is in the House of Delegates from Carroll County. They are already working on the '96 presidential campaign.

Ginny Tull and Charlie '55 Phipps are fine after a trip to San Antonio and two wonderful weeks in Bethany Beach, Del. with family and friends. It was their 12th year there. They have one grandchild.

Dorothy Clarke reports her photograph won three awards at the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. She is in the third year of educational ministry with one more year to go. Dor was honored for 50 years with the Girl Scouts of the USA.

Peggy Whorton Everly writes from Hagerstown of the May death of our classmate **John Marsh** from lung cancer. It was a great loss for the community. He was a great surgeon.

Joan Durno Bradford works for the "turkeys," the National Turkey Federation, and other food-related jobs. Look for her as an extra in movies shot in the D.C. area. She lists "First Kid," "Shadow Conspiracy," "Twelve Monkeys," "Home for the Holidays," as well as "Homicide: Life on the Street." In one episode she played a corpse, body bag and all.

Rev Parsons Carter has just completed 32 years as organist at Woods Chapel United Methodist Church in Randallstown, Md. She and Cliff went to the southwest in June and plan to spend some time in Sarasota, Fla. this winter. They traveled to the Eastern Shore of Maryland to visit family every few weeks.

Quincy Polk is a consultant for N.C. Facility Services advising 12 counties on their rest homes and family-care homes. She expects to retire in January and spend her time visiting her three sons and touring.

John Kauffman and **Janet** spent Labor Day in Ocean City, Md. with their two daughters and families. They still like Ocean City even though they live in Indiana. John still works as business manager at Indiana University East and Janet is the local civic newcomer representative.

Anne Gettings and **Dick**

DeCoursey spend lots of time on the road between home and their summer home in Woolford, Md. Anne plans many exotic trips for clients but has

only gone to DisneyWorld this year.

Bill Muhlenfeld feels far away from WMC in San Antonio, Texas. He hasn't been back to campus since 1957. He is retired except for handling family affairs and writing for military publications. He and Sharon are in good health. Their three children are married and have given them two grandchildren.

Jack and Marian Scheder Goette both serve on the New Windsor Committee to Revitalize Main Street. Marian serves on the WMC committee for the new science building, hopefully visible by our next reunion. Their wonderful grandchildren occupy their spare time.

Frank Robey feels fortunate to be writing to us after two heart attacks and open heart surgery (quadruple bypass). Son **John '86** was to be wed in October. Frank still puts in a full day at Legg Mason as an investment executive.

Brant Vittek is proud to have Brant Jr. join him in orthopedic practice, the completion of a 31-year project.

Canoing and hiking at Sagamore Camps in the Adirondacks highlighted an Elderhostel week in the fall for **Mary Jane Thornley Wilson**. My husband Pat met Mary Jane at the funeral for the **Rev. Leslie Werner '33** father of **Pat Werner Callender** and **Leslie Werner '56**.

David Meredith decided to retire this year taking advantage of an early retirement incentive. Though he hasn't zeroed in on the focus of this after-life he is repositioning himself (moving) to a place congenial to it.

Mary Weber and **Jim Mehring** enjoyed a cruise-and-land tour of Alaska last year. Jim is semi-retired but considering a retirement home on the Chesapeake Bay north of Solomons Island. Mary Ellen is active in church choirs and drives the church bus. Susie lives in Crofton, Md. and works for Sallie Mae in the finance department. Dave is at home and working for the justice department.

Jack Osborne shouts about the birth of their first grandchild in October. Now they understand how the grandparents feel.

Barry and Audrey Pierce Maberry are their first grandson, Jackson Nicholas Maberry. That makes three and lots of fun. Barry is counting down to retire but Audrey is still in the real estate business and it is starting to take off again.

Dennis and Nancy Caples Sloan were in Key West, Fla. to avoid the winter weather. They now have seven grandchildren to visit at home and on the road.

Frank and Ginny Quin Lesnock are in Colorado. Ginny sorts out and fixes problems in Union Camp Corp's box plant in Denver. When they get back east they visit family. There are seven grandchildren. How did it happen so fast?

Herb Sell is presently director of a church choir in Littlestown, Pa. and of the Carroll County Choral Society. He still performs as a jazz pianist. **Charlie and JoEllen Outerbridge**

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DeMarco took a wonderful Elderhostel cruise last summer on a Russian ship traveling the Viking Heritage Trail from Iceland to London. They spent another 10 days touring Britain in sweltering heat. Their red-haired granddaughter has been joined by a new girl born to Charlie's son in California. JoEllen's son Kevin is in Philadelphia and Patrick is in Siesta Key, Fla. All nice places to visit.

Chuck Smith wrote that last year's snowfall brought the best skiing ever to the foothills of the Sierras in California. He represents Far Eastern travel and tourism companies in 11 western states. He had his 60th birthday physical and asks we are all really turning 60?

Jane Wise Winkler works full time at the University of Maryland Medical System as director of volunteer services.

Margie Pott Ensinger says life is good and busy with church and family activities.

Everyone is fine in the **Strauss** family says **Ron**. He and Bobbie are planning to retire in a couple of years now that they can spend their money on themselves. Their oldest sons are on their own in Chicago and Indianapolis. The youngest has graduated with a teaching degree.

Fred Rausch is still waiting to buy that boat. Cathy retired but they played with her to return for 13 more weeks. Present plans are to sell their Pasadena, Md. home and move to the Eastern Shore but nothing is definite. They have nine children and 10 grandchildren all in the area so they will be some place near. Fred will see us in '97 if he's still kicking.

On a TV show called "Great Country Inns" I saw **Beth Crompton Granger** and the inn she and her husband run near Fogsleville, Pa. She sent me some brochures and a newspaper article about how their chef was invited to cook for the James Beard Foundation in New York City last September. This is the equivalent of an Emmy award. Glasbern was featured as "Heaven in a Hayloft" in *Country Inns* magazine October '94 after it was rated one of the top 16 inns in the country by the American Bed and Breakfast Assoc. Beth says they love it and have been doing it for the last 10 years to the exclusion of everything else.

Hellos came from **Betty Nicklas Pearce**, **Janet Thompson Manuel** and **Dick Kline**.

Everything is going well with me and mine. They are all out of the house and I get to sleep late. I'm still working on that cruise.

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62 Greetings friends! The word for today is retirement! I can't believe how many of us are either retired, planning to retire in the near future, or dreaming of retiring. And now the news.

From those retired... **Ned Cueman** writes that he had completed 33 years of public service when he retired from county government in June of '95 serving as Carroll County Planning Director. Ned had also served in Worcester County, Md. as planning director from 1965-71. Ned writes that he's not ready for the rocking chair yet; he and "Trinka" **McGibbeny '63** had many plans for the fall.

Ed Corbin has a second retirement in the works, this time from the Maryland State Highway Administration. Ed plans to continue his pleasure and charter services on his 40-foot power boat, and has promised himself that he'll set aside time to complete his 25-year labor of love: the compiling and publishing of his book of poems, *Lonely Beach Sand and Other Journeys*.

Joining the ranks of retired teachers is **Susan Beeler** who has been retired for two years from teaching physical education at Towson High School in Baltimore. Susan writes that she is still coaching girls' soccer and lacrosse and enjoying going to auctions and flea markets.

Many of us are thinking of retiring. **Susan Morton Lohman** was planning to retire in December of '95 after 32 years at Washington County Department of Social Services. She has spent her last 15 years working in child protective services. Susan won't be idle for long; she'll be babysitting a new grandchild.

Barbara Wolozin Craig and husband John are still working on their retirement home on the Chesapeake Bay outside of Chestertown, Md. In the meantime Barb and husband continue to teach English in Newark, Del. Daughters Susan and Elizabeth are busy with careers. Barb enjoyed the Monet exhibit in Chicago this summer while visiting her daughter.

David Littlefield is still trying to decide about retirement from the Library of Congress. He writes that he has published a part of music books and has a start on two more. David reports that he has a ball playing piano and banjo for weddings, parties, store openings and hotel receptions, leading his own band and playing with other bands. His family is busy also. Son Chris is in London working; David has graduated from the School of Visual Arts in New York. Melissa passed her Ph.D. comps, and Katie plays harp in the D.C. and Montgomery County Youth Orchestra.

Another classmate eligible for retirement, but not ready for it yet is **Jerry Gore**, who writes that he's not quite ready to give up the best job in the Navy. Jerry directs developments in advanced technology for reducing the observable signatures of naval ships from his post in the office of the Chief of Naval Research. Jerry's children are busy as well. Daughter Gretchen is now working in Charlotte, N.C. where she places temps in jobs with compa-

nies needing specialized help. Son Daniel is planning to graduate from the University of Maryland with dual majors in history and German. He spent two years in Germany as an exchange student.

Those of us who are not retired, and in some cases not even thinking of retiring, send news of many activities. **Connie Kay Johnson DeMott** visited the British Isles this past summer where she saw former President Jimmy Carter at the military tattoo at Edinburgh Castle, Scotland. Both of Connie's sons are Randolph Macon graduates. Rusty has returned to the East Coast after working in Hawaii for nine months, and Gary is doing computer work after graduating as a physics major in May.

Jim and Sue Hogan Lomax are still working hard. Sue teaches eighth-grade English and still finds time to perform. Presently she is rehearsing for "Hello Dolly." In Sue's words, "The old girl doesn't want the parade to pass her by." Jim is working at Rohm and Haas and travels quite a bit. Son Paul is in Westminster and daughter Tricia graduated in May from James Madison University and is now teaching in Richmond. After attending **Ned Cueman's** retirement party, he says, "We're all too young for that!"

Mary Lemkau HORN says her psychology practice is going well and there is no retirement in sight. Charlie is still revitalizing old houses and both children are in California. Daughter Sarah is deputy district attorney for Alameda City. Son Erick graduated from Harvard Medical School in June and is doing an internship at Stanford University in Palo Alto.

Another Florida psychologist who writes about more accomplishments than this column could hold is **Carol Latham Philpot-Jensen**. Carol's impressive achievements include serving as full professor, associate dean and associate director of clinical training at the School of Psychology at Florida Institute of Technology. She has just returned from a sabbatical in Greece and is writing a book to be published by the American Psychology Association in the spring entitled *Bridging Separate Gender Worlds: An Ecopsychic Approach to Male/Female Relationships*. Carol's husband enjoys his second career as a tour boat captain. Carol's children's credentials read like a college faculty index. Son Dan has his doctorate in clinical psychology; daughter Angie is graduating from the University of Pennsylvania with a doctorate in neuroscience and son Rex is pursuing his Ph.D. in experimental psychology. Carol writes that her life is full. She says that being in her fifties has freed her from "...all those self-imposed cautionary rules that keep one from really living life." She hopes all of us are experiencing the same sense of liberation.

Paul Grant and Sally report that they are "liberated" in Aberdeen, Md. as they adjust to the empty nest after their third child left for college. Paul is the state chaplain for the Maryland

National Guard and has been promoted to the rank of Colonel.

Louise Loffler Dean took a trip to Canada this summer on her own after her husband injured his back and was unable to accompany her. Louise was looking forward to a mini-reunion with **Manetta Willert Pusey**, **Louise Styche Rainis** and **Nancy Gardner Gastons** and their families.

Lucy Tucker Lotz isn't retired yet, but husband Dan is. After retiring from Baltimore County Board of Education, Dan works part time as an intake counselor for ARC of Carroll County. Their son Christopher is working for Baltimore Gas and Electric and daughter Stephanie and son-in-law Rob will keep Lucy busy mind-girding grandchild number one. Lucy will have to make time in her teaching for some babysitting.

Nelson and Nancy Turner Berigold are still working. Nelson continues as field manager for Big Brothers and Sisters of America, serving a territory from Maryland to Maine. Nancy is a caseworker for the State of Maryland at Harford County Department of Social Services. Daughter Amy, having just returned from six months in England, will complete her master's this year. The Berigolds are restoring an old country home, the new part of which was built in 1860.

Harry Bacas has managed to stay abreast of his tax consultation work despite a severe fracture of his right leg. Harry says he could write a book on the pursuit of a deadbeat creditor; his work is both challenging and exciting.

Helen Buchn Crumppacker's challenge is coming this year as daughter Julie graduates high school! Julie will be attending the University of Texas this fall. Helen and Harry's twin sons are settled and working in the Dallas area. Helen continues teaching English as a Second Language at a community college in Dallas. She reports that she and Harry have become Cow-boys fans but have not developed the Texas "twang" yet, and miss the rolling hills of Maryland.

Several of our class had no news but want to say "hi." **Mary Bess Wood Keeney** sends greetings from Finksburg, Md. **Pauline Lastowski Layton** sends word of a new address in Texas: 7013 Inglenook Drive, Frisco, TX 75034. **Warren Watts**, whose postcard arrived too late for the last column, sends word that he has just moved to a new home in Winchester, Va. Warren is director of counseling services and chaplain for police and FBI.

Judith Lorry Murphy is teaching second grade in a private school. Son Doug is working in veterinary medicine and ultrasound, and son Clifford is a junior at St. Joseph's University.

Thanks to all who took the time to send messages. Congratulations to all you retirees, and to all of you who are still working, to paraphrase Garrison Keillor, "Do good work and keep in touch."

67 Greetings to you all. Thanks to those who wrote. **Barry and Kathy Stoner '64**

Canas' son, Steve, graduated from University of Richmond and will probably take over the family financial affairs after becoming a CPA. Son, Greg, plans a future in architecture and will then build them a house after graduating from Virginia Tech. There are plans to travel abroad now that they have some free time.

Alice Cherbonnier completed a move to a house without steps to accommodate husband Larry Krause's growing mineral specimen business. Alice is learning new computer tricks to accommodate her newspaper and graphic arts business.

Dr. Frank Groshyne sends greetings from Yuma, Ariz., where he is in his 12th year as vice president of Arizona Western Community College. His wife Madeline received her master's degree in multi-lingual languages from Northern Arizona University. His daughter, Marjorie, is at Arizona State University, where she is both a beauty queen and a Regent's scholar. Son, Brian, is an outstanding drummer at his high school.

Nancy Pugh Hollywood is now with a property management firm. Her daughter, Beth, is a sophomore at Franklin and Marshall. Daughter, Jennifer, works for Comcast Metromedia.

Charley and Pat Folz Miller have moved back to their home in Lake Ridge, Va. After three years in Kentucky, Charley is now Army liaison to the Marines at Quantico, Va. He was surprised to find **Lee Asadorian** there as a Marine LTC! Because of the move Pat wasn't working so took advantage of her free time to accompany her mother on a tour of Europe during the last weeks of summer. Now that they are closer, both are hoping to get back to "the Hill" for more frequent visits.

After several mini vacations during the summer, **Ron Gunderson** and wife Cindy were ready to settle back into a new school year. Ron continues to teach at the University of Maryland dental school and spends his "spare" time keeping up with the very active schedules of his children and being a long-distance grandfather to daughter Dianne's perfect son in Texas.

David Carrasco writes that he had taken his daughter, Lanna, to Stetson University in Florida where she will attend on an academic, athletic scholarship. Second child, Octavio, starts high school, is an orator and writes.

John Greenleaf survived Hurricane Felix while on vacation in Bethany Beach, Del. last summer. Wife, Linda, is a paralegal with a Harrisburg, Pa. law firm. Son, John, is a sophomore at James Madison University and daughter Jennifer is in eighth grade. John still plays tennis but is starting to think more seriously about golf.

David Christliff got married and is working in Baltimore with the Maryland Insurance Administration.

Larry Blumberg had a busy year scuba diving, boating and preparing two of his sons for college in the fall. His practice is still surviving the onslaught of managed care and HMO's. He is also the chairman for the Science Center Campaign Committee at WMC.

Jim Gibson is Finance Director for Baltimore County. Nancy retired and is doing some travel-agenting. They traveled to Montana during the summer and planned to go to Germany in November. He gets together with **Bill Chace** for vacations and NASCAR trips.

After living in Paris and Rome, **Darlene Justice Claypool** is back in California working for a federal penitentiary as an employee development specialist and wellness coordinator. Her youngest daughter graduates from California State in June '96. In addition to her 2-year-old grandson, two cruises—around the Hawaiian Islands and from New York to Bermuda on the Queen Elizabeth II—have kept her on the go. Like most of us will or already have, she just turned 50 and says "It's old enough to know better but too young to care!"

Connie Vander Loo Yost was selected as New Jersey's Outstanding Customer Service Representative. The award was presented in Atlantic City, N.J., at the statewide convention of the Professional Insurance Agents Association of New Jersey on June 12, 1995. Connie also placed in the top five finalists at the national level of competition.

I received a letter from **Bert Horton**, who is now living in Tokyo with his wife Micko. It explained that Bert is presently president of Asia Pacific for Mead Packaging. He oversees Mead's operations in Japan, Korea, Hong Kong and Australia/New Zealand. He writes, that he has "continued personal challenges with the language, fluctuating currencies, tax headaches and the absolutely incredibly high cost of living in Tokyo." Micko is an artist who has had showings in Tokyo and Tishuoka, Japan, Valencia, Spain and Toronto. Son, Byron, is in graduate school at Emory. Frequent flyer miles allow them more frequent visits to Atlanta or Japan. He invites any WMC folks to look them up if they get to Tokyo.

Dave Fisher, still at Bell Atlantic, is learning how to think like a criminal. He is now manager of the fraud prevention center. His daughter, Meghan, is a senior in high school with college and a teaching career in her future. David suggests this outcome is probably a result of dad's academic puns rubbing off on her. The bunji cord business has finally taken a great bounce for **Gordon Digby** with his Pacific Rim partner, Winton Sum. He visited WMC in September and mentions that campus

seemed dead. There was even a funeral in Big Baker. He didn't even see a green tractor and suggests this may still be effects of the negative vibes from the Clinton era.

Somehow I missed reporting that **Bill Rees** was married in December '94. He planned to retire from the Army Reserve in July of '95. Wishing him and his new wife a wonderful extended honeymoon.

Ed Kasmeyer writes he has a son, 27, who is still going to school, a daughter, 25, who is married, a son, 17, who will go to college next year and another son, 15, who I presume is in high school. Ed was elected back to the Maryland State Senate last year.

Carolyn Seaman Scott has served Carroll County's Board of Education for seven years. She has been recently elected president of the Maryland Association of Boards of Education, which offers services and training to its members on education issues. In a *Carroll County Times* article she is quoted as "My feeling is, whatever I do for the state that benefits the state, benefits the county. And things I learn about at the state level can sometimes be applied to Carroll County."

Finally, I received this correspondence from **William Fezer, Jr.** "No, I wasn't killed in Vietnam. Yes, I remember Capt. William Moore. No, my life didn't end in 1965. Yes, I am married and have two wonderful kids. No, I haven't kept in touch with WMC people. Yes, I wonder about everyone who touched my life at WMC."

Charles Miller Jr. is currently serving as chair of the math department at Camden County College. He will be delegates to one of New Jersey's four Conferences in Little Rock, Ark. In May, he received a NICOD national award for Excellence in Teaching in Austin, Texas.

And so, with a half century under our belts, the class of '67 continues with life passages. Both of my children have jobs, are on their own, and pursuing master's degrees. Retirement continues to elude me. Wouldn't it be nice to stay 50 until one does retire? Until next time, carry on happily while you're 50 or beyond.

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77 Response has been better for this news column, I am happy to say. It has been good to hear from so many of you, especially those of you who have not written for years. Some of you did respond with how you celebrated your 40th birthday. Let's hear from more of you for the next column.

Robyn Furness is now the vice president for financial development for the Metro Atlanta YMCA. She says that Atlanta reminds her of Baltimore except that with the Olympics less than a year away everything is under

construction. Moving from one warm location to another allows Robyn to continue biking and learning to play golf. She travels a lot, mostly in connection with her job. However, she gave herself a trip to Spain for her 40th birthday present! The other celebratory activity for the 40th is a spa weekend with three of her friends who are also turning 40. Robyn says that if any WMC friends go to Atlanta for the Olympics, she would love to have them get in touch.

Stephanie Lambert lives in the foothills west of Denver with her family: Anne, 15; Lisa, 5; Joel, 2, and husband Mitch Berida. Stephanie has a part-time practice as a clinical psychologist specializing in women's issues. Mitch is also a psychologist and a partner in a managed care firm. Stephanie writes that she has a great visit with **Sue Snyder LaHatte** when she passed through on a ski trip last year.

Clayton Dannenfield and Jerry Landsman write that Jerry is a senior security auditor in the Internal Audit Department at USF&G in Baltimore. He does a good bit of traveling besides his daily commute from Boonsboro to Baltimore. Cathy stays busy keeping the family organized. Danny, 13, Andrew, 10, and Amy, 6, are involved in a variety of sports, scouts, and church activities.

Kathy McLaughlin is teaching sixth grade in Ventnor, N.J., and is also teaching basic skills to inmates at the Atlantic County Jail. Kathy's 40th marked a busy and eventful year, full of many life changes—including job, personal and educational changes. She has started working on her master's. She spends a lot of time on the beach, which is a block from her school, and on the golf course.

Harry Malone is still on Capitol Hill. He went to Bosnia, Croatia, Serbia, Macedonia and Italy with a congressional delegation last May. He says they saw incredible damage from combat in Bosnia although the cease fire was technically on. His boys are doing well. Brian, 5, is heavily into soccer and kindergarten. Greg, 8, is enjoying 3rd grade, boy scouts and go-karts.

Gregg Mason is taking a respite from dentistry and is teaching at a Christian Academy along with his wife, Stephanie. Their three children, Drew, Gregory and Margo attend the school as well.

Nancy Dean Mattingly and her family moved to Fairfax, Va. last year. She stays busy with church, boy scouts, girl scouts and being the volunteer coordinator at 9-year-old Megan's school. Greg, 12, is in junior high, Curt is at Fort Belvoir and has quite a woodworking hobby. He went on CAM (Cycle Across Maryland) this past summer; the whole family plans to go next summer.

Karen Miller is in her ninth year at

St. Paul's School for Girls where, she teaches Spanish, chairs the foreign language department, and serves as Upper School learning disabled specialist. The big events of this past year, for her, were having an addition put on their house and (temporarily) coping with life in a wheelchair. She fell at school and broke her left foot and sprained her right ankle. **Loretta Thornhill** was fortunately able to come help her through the first week-end while husband Todd was at work. She says that teaching high school students from a wheelchair was an interesting experience. Karen says that she is only a few miles from the White Hall Station on the NCR bike trail and welcomes WMC visitors.

Donna Troyer Oliver is branch administrator for the Taneytown Bank and Trust, busy opening new branches. She stays active with her son, Justin, 9, who is involved in sports. She and her husband operate two cattle farms — in Taneytown and Gettysburg.

John Olson writes that he "found new life at 40" when he joined the Ponce de Leon baseball league. He is pitching for Carroll County. They won the Spring 1995 tournament beating Baltimore County. He says he is really enjoying the fun and exercise and that his respect for Ripken's streak has increased.

Chris Peeler writes that their twins, Charity and Faith, 3, keep everyone busy. Hope, 15, and Joy, 13, are a tremendous help. Hope traveled to Ghana for a month-long mission trip last summer. Wife Deb home-schools Hope, Joy, and son Christopher and she serves in their church. The church Chris pastors continues to grow, both physically and spiritually. Over the next two years, they plan to construct a new church building which will seat 500 to 600 people.

Karen Zawacki Pillets is enjoying life in the Midwest. She had the opportunity to see **Mary Honeman** last summer when they went back East. She writes that this fourth decade has been terrific so far. Her children Trish, 15, Kelsey, 4, and Connor, 2, are healthy and growing fast.

Larry Reed writes that he has a beautiful little daughter named Grace Elizabeth (born Jan. 6, 1995) and a 20-year-old step-daughter, Avi. His wife, Blanca, is from Monterrey, Mexico. This November they will have been married nine years. Larry has been working as an assistant city attorney for the City of Fort Worth, Texas, for the past 13 years. After four years doing civil litigation and real estate law, he is back as the chief prosecutor for the Fort Worth Municipal Court.

David Reinecker writes that all is well with him. His son Jonathan is a guard/linebacker on the seventh-grade team and Andrew starts both ways as a tackle and center on the eighth-grade team. Cheryl teaches senior government/sociology and student government. Dave enjoyed a surprise visit at the farm from **Fern Hitchcock '47** last spring.

Jay Rodstein is working for Hon-

eywell's R&D facility and coaching K-1 soccer — a game he's never played himself. He says that the kids are patient with him. Wife Sheila is in her last year of residency in family practice. Son Matt is in first grade and loves riding the bus to school. Abby is in preschool. The Rodsteins are 20 minutes from the Minneapolis/St. Paul airport and welcome drop-ins.

Eric Rosenberg writes that he, his wife Anita, son Sam and daughter Michelle are currently living in Port Angeles, Wash. He is executive officer of the Coast Guard cutter ACTIVE, a 210-foot ship which patrols the Pacific, with a crew of 80. He says that Port Angeles is a great place to live, bordering the Olympic National Park and the Straits of Juan de Fuca. Seattle is just over two hours away and Victoria, B.C. is an hour-and-a-half by ferry. Eric is due for promotion to commander in the spring of 1996 and will be transferred in the summer of 1996.

Paul Rowley has been the administrator of a 127-bed nursing home in Baltimore for the last year-and-a-half. Chris, 14, started high school this year and is playing on the JV soccer team. Jonathan, 11, is in the sixth grade and Katie, 9, is in the fourth. Jon and Katie are playing soccer in an Anne Arundel County Rec league. Paul is coaching Jon's team. Paul had lunch with **Jerry Landsman** in the summer. Jerry treated for Paul's 40th birthday.

Kathy Lane Showmaker is now working full time as the recreation director for the Gettysburg Area Recreation Department. Last year she retired after 15 years as a licensed battlefield guide for the Gettysburg Battlefield. Her husband Craig is a CPA. Kathy and Craig are both very active in the community, especially scouts and soccer in which their children Peter, 12, and Andrew, 7, are involved. The Showmakers hope to begin building a house sometime next year. Kathy sends a special hello to all former PHI Zoots!

Wona Vanadit Silbert celebrated her 40th in May. Her daughters gave her a manicure and pedicure and breakfast in bed. Later they all went to the Inner Harbor for dinner and had a great time. Wona volunteers at the elementary school. Her son just started kindergarten. Last summer she went to Hot Springs, Ark. and Memphis, Tenn. She is hoping to celebrate her 40th again in Greece with her sister and **Kim Burnham**.

Debbie Greenstein Sober survived major surgery at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. She is president of the PTA at the day school where her daughter Molly, 6, is in second grade. She maintains a law practice in Pikesville and is working part time for the Women's Law Center. She volunteers for a 24-hour crisis hot line. She is married to Gray Sober, who is an architect.

Robert D. Smith is living in Germany again and works as an arm's control inspector for the "Conven-

tional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty," which is one of several arms control treaties the U.S. has with the former Soviet Union. The U.S. government agency he works for is called the On-Site Inspection Agency (OSIA) and is in Frankfurt, Germany. His wife, an army captain, is stationed in Heidelberg. They have a son, 8, and a daughter, 2.

Robyn Kramer Talbot is currently a sales director with Mary Kay Cosmetics (and, yes, she does drive a pink car — for free!). Guy is still a sports fishing boat captain. Their children, Guy IV and Ryan, attend a Christian Academy where they are both honor roll students, and Robyn is PTA president. Robyn is also Sunday school director for her church. She recently traveled to New Orleans, Dallas, and Atlanta with Mary Kay. She was honored for the third time with diamond jewelry for being in the company's Queen's Court of Sales.

Deborah Simmons Tasky has now been with the Census Bureau for 16 years. She was recently selected as team leader to produce a generalized system to process the Bureau's current economics surveys. She just received a bronze medal — the highest award Census can give. Her daughter Tiffany is in fifth grade and David just started kindergarten. She has been busy as PTA president, with other school activities and organizing events for families with young children in her church. She writes that she did not take turning 40 very well.

When **Loretta Thornhill** is not helping out former roommates in wheelchairs, she works as a paralegal and as a part-time instructor at Hagerstown Junior College. She travels every chance she gets.

Sara Waldron continues in her appointment as chaplain of Hood College in Frederick, Md. In addition, she is the Director of the Office of Intercultural Affairs and is responsible for program planning and development for the campus.

Roberta Candill Taylor is currently working as a certified physician assistant in Frederick, Md. After having taken time off to be with her three children — Hugh, 15, James, 13, and Mary, 10. Her husband David works to develop hospital services. They stay busy with work, kids, church and local music activities.

Mike Warthen currently lives in Lafayette, N.Y. outside of Syracuse. He and his wife, Mary Fran, have two children — Kelsey, 5, and Ryan, 2. After 16 years and seven jobs, he left IBM's Healthcare Division to join SMS, a company that provides software for hospitals and healthcare enterprises. SMS is located in Malvern, Pa. Mike flies down on Mondays and returns home on Thursdays. He has a town-house near work. He says that luckily this arrangement is only temporary. Their spare time is spent golfing, skiing or shoveling snow. (Syracuse averages well over 100 inches of snow per season, thereby laying claim to the dubious title of Snowiest City in the U.S.)

Eldon Watts writes that life is good

but busy. Last spring he participated on a team project building a house in Venezuela for his church. At work, he is administering an \$11 million program. He has been able to travel for work, presenting the program he runs for offenders with mental illnesses.

Jan Wilder is enjoying being back in Maryland. She has a managerial position with a corporate travel agency. She is currently working in downtown Baltimore, which has given her the opportunity to attend the Cal Ripken parade and tap-dance with Tommy Tune, among other things.

Patricia Long Wright is married to Bob Wright. They have two children — 5-year-old Katherine "Katie" who enjoys dance and Victoria "Tori" who is almost 2. Patty works for the State of New Jersey Treasury Department, Division of Taxation and deals with matters and policies involving local property taxation. Her husband works for Central Lewman Paper Company and is a sales manager. Last summer they spent a week in Dewey Beach, Del. and are planning a trip to visit family in Manhattan Beach, Calif. in the fall.

The Glicker family has had a good year. We are celebrating my 40th with the smiles and blessedness of our new little Bethany Joelle who was born September 24. (I mailed out the postcards to you and went to the hospital to have her.) Becky, 21, and Polly, 19, are both "working women." Jacob, 18, is working part time as Ken's assistant and finishing up his senior year on his "off" days. Katie, 7, and Anna, 9, are home-schooling and helping take care of Bethany. Ken is very active with the men's ministry at our church and has also started a boys' Bible study for boys and their fathers. He and Polly do a lot of bike riding. They recently participated in their fourth "Century" at Salisbury State. Besides doing all the regular things needed to run a house and home school (and have a baby), I am the secretary on the Board of Directors for Life Line Pregnancy Care Center, a crisis pregnancy center. My area of interest here is to develop support for parents and families of girls/women who face crisis pregnancies. I have also been doing the newsletter for this organization and maintaining their address/mailing lists.

I would like to encourage each of you to write to me soon and to begin making plans to attend our 20th reunion. It will be here before we realize it! I am still compiling the class scrapbooks, so remember to send me updates — photos, clippings, etc. May you all have a good year.

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As I sat here reviewing your cards with autumn leaves blowing across the deck on a rather blustery day, I came across the perfect start for this column, "I don't know about everybody else," writes **Christopher Hartwyk**, "but this time of year — sunny, crisp fall days — I miss the feeling I used to get at the start of a fresh new year at WMCC. I really miss 'the Hill' and Maryland's pace of life." Chris is practicing law with a partner and a bevy of associates in New York and New Jersey, focusing on criminal trial work but also representing local boards of education and municipalities. Chris is also a member of the town council in South Orange, N.J., where he lives with his dog, Thor, in a recently renovated home.

John and Brenda Green Jaworski wrote from Upperco, Md. John continues to care for numerous marine mammals at the National Aquarium, while Beth cares for their three mammals, Katelyn, 7, Alyssa, 5, and Bill, 1 1/2. John travels a lot in his work for the aquarium but did recently manage to squeeze in an adults-only vacation trip to San Antonio, Texas. Beth occasionally fills in as substitute teacher for Carroll County or Baltimore City schools.

Michael and Michele Hutchenreuter '84 Conner are getting reacquainted with baby-hood since the arrival of second child Amanda Michele, May 25, 1995. Son Philip is now in first grade and playing soccer and baseball. Michael is still with Cephalon, Inc., which recently announced the results of the Phase III clinical trials for the drug they have been working on to treat ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease. Cephalon is looking for FDA approval within the next year or so.

Diane Cavity Bohn is working nearly full time as a physical therapist for Plaza Rehabilitation in Eldersburg, Md., and spends the rest of her time playing soccer and coaching third-grade daughter Sarah's soccer team. Son Jacob is in first grade and is playing football under the watchful eyes of coach/Dad **Vince Bohn '81**. Jacob's team played against fellow WMCC and Bachelor brother **Ray Evans '85** sons' team not too long ago.

Randy Butzer should receive the longevity award for staying with the John M. Harland Company 12 years now! Randy and **Wendy Lucas '85 Butzer** have two daughters, Stephanie, 3, and Madeline Ann, born November 30, 1994.

Mark '83 and Melissa Pruitt Cockerill had quite a year. Melissa writes, "On Feb. 21, 1995, after seven weeks of me being in the hospital with pre-term labor and lots of prayers, our twin boys, Steven (3 pounds, 3 ounces) and David (2 pounds, 14 ounces) were born. 10 1/2 weeks early. Today, September 21, they are 7 months old and doing great!" The Cockerills also have son Daniel to "help" with the twins, and will be in Hawaii until July of 1996, when Mark completes his military obligation.

Sherri Linkoff Hoffman writes that being a full-time employee for Value Rx, and full-time mom is quite a challenge, but so far she hasn't exploded. Third daughter Rachel is ready to walk already while Melissa and Dara could be kept as tax service busy with activities ranging from soccer to art to gymnastics.

Colleen Barr Ford is teaching severely learning disabled students in Salisbury, Md., and just completed a certification program in administration/supervision.

Fred and Stephanie Opdahl Hubach are finishing up their last year of living in State College, Pa. and looking forward to heading back to Lancaster County, Pa. Steph survived three weeks of life as a grad student with two small children before deciding that a Ph.D. might be for another season. Fred continues to enjoy engineering for New Holland, and boys, Freddy, 5, and Timmy, 3, are doing great. Steph writes that she finds parenting to be rewarding, exasperating, challenging and humbling, all at the same time, but she loves being a family!

John Garman is in the process of opening a new dry cleaner in Hampstead, Md. and is also training for the Marine Corps marathon.

Christy Hoffman Garman has returned to WMCC to study for a second career, majoring in biology and getting another master's in secondary education. Christy writes that she's really enjoying school the second time around, even through the second time enough to be the freshmen's mother! The Garman girls, Emma, 3, Hannah, 5, and Meghan, 8, are enjoying soccer, school and gymnastics while work continues on their old house.

From the old house to the new, **Pat and Mia Detlef '81 Griffin** are now in Chester County, Pa. in a newly-built house on three acres. Pat is still flying for Federal Express, recently spending a lot of time in Paris for the company. Mia is busy with Patrick, in first grade, Meta-Lisa, in pre-school, and the other two Griffin "children", a 190-pound Saint Bernard and 10-pound Dachshund.

Karen Dulle Hendricks discovered she was pregnant shortly after the Phi Alpha reunion last April (no connection I'm sure!) and Feb. 1, 1995 delivered Michael Collin, another red-head just like mom! Karen also retired from life as a government economist and now enjoys a part-time position at a local store that caters to runners and triathletes. Karen is still doing a lot of running herself, huffing and puffing off Chantilly, Va. with her babyjogger.

U.S. Army Major Joseph Imparlaria, Jr. is managing a staff of 20 at the Hunter Legal Center, a military legal office at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah, Ga. Joe was awarded an LL.M. in law from the Judge Advocate General's School at the University of Virginia School of Law in May 1995. Joe and family made a trip to Bush

Gardens, Va. this past June with **Denise and Pam Peterson Yanchesk** and their family.

Ann Royston Davis is enjoying volunteering as a team leader for Maryland's Campaign for Kids' TV and is also helping with The Living Classroom. Son Bobby, 8, is attending Gilman School, daughter Jessica, 6, is in first grade at Roland Park Country School and daughter Blair, 3, is in a pre-school program at Garrison Forest.

Jim Dawson's Boca Raton high school basketball team finished with a best record in the school's history (25-4) and third place in the state of Florida. Jim has just accepted a new job as the South Palm Beach County Adapted Physical Education Instructor.

Barbara Peterson Dawson stays busy keeping up with Jenna, 9, Brian, 7, and Sara Brooke, 3. Jenna plays league basketball and made the school dance team. Brian is a typical coach's son, writes Barbie. "He eats, sleeps and drinks basketball and Sara is a baby one minute and the next minute 'I a big girl Mommy — don't help me!'"

Risa Bush Halpern has a new, more complicated life these days with the addition of Daniel Joseph, born May 3, 1995. Older brother Joshua is 3 1/2 years old and keeping Risa and husband Howard very busy. Risa is teaching first grade in Howard County, Md.

Karen Cook Harter has learned to re-prioritize and re-frame her life after a rather difficult couple of years. When son Graham was just 6 weeks old, Karen was diagnosed with breast cancer. After several big surgeries, six months of chemotherapy at Memorial Sloan Kettering in New York City, and two months of radiation treatment, Karen returned to work just this past September as a full-time elementary school counselor with a case load of 700. Karen's prognosis for survival is improving with each day and she was even planning to run her first 5K race for breast cancer this fall. Karen and husband Simon, daughter Kathryn, a kindergarten, and now "terrible two" Graham spent two weeks in Nantucket this past summer.

Brian Aucker will complete his master's in divinity in St. Louis at Covenant Theological Seminary in May 1996. He then plans to pursue a Ph.D. in biblical studies. **Pam Hufington Aucker** continues to tutor high school students in math while children Erin, sixth grade, Nathan, third grade, and 4-year-old Rachael are busy going to soccer games.

Dr. Kevin Darcy and Jane Vickers are adjusting to life on the Eastern Shore of Maryland where they are building a new home in Salisbury. Kevin is enjoying his position at Peninsula Eye Center and Jane is working part time at Peninsula Regional Medical Center.

Judith Mitnick Gerb writes of many changes in her life this past year, the most wonderful of which is the birth of son Matthew Adam, Septem-

ber 6. Matthew was born at Sinai Hospital in Baltimore where Judy was born. The Gerb's also moved to a home in Timonium, Md. and Judy left her job at Johns Hopkins Hospital to work as an occupational therapist for a smaller company, working with physically disabled patients in a nursing home.

Robin McCausland Forbes checks in from Georgia where she was busy planting spring bulbs and watching Atlanta prepare for the '96 Olympics. Robin writes that she talks with **Sherry Bennett Rae and Corbie Simmons Tarlton** a lot, experienced moms with three kids each can come in handy. Robin is still with the National Centers for Disease Control and traveling around the U.S. in her work.

"Any preconceived ideas I had about being a full-time mom have been completely dispelled since our daughter was born, July 1994," writes **Cathy Basti DiVello**. **Doug DiVello** was promoted shortly before Sarah was born and is now director, Clinical Ancillary and Support Services at his hospital.

Marcus Israel is still enjoying his job as administrator of neurology at University of Maryland. **Ann**

Landwehr Israel is staying home with their two boys, Ben, 3 1/2, and Stephen, 1, by day and teaching child-birth classes privately at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore by night. This fall Ann was to complete certification to be a labor support specialist for women during childbirth. Ann writes that they frequently see **Eric and Karen Hock Walker** and their two children, **Kathy Maibaugh** and her family, and **Scott '81 and Donna Butler Nichols** and their family. The Israel's also recently had a visit from **Bill and Janet Trainor '81 Byrne and Ken Ballou**.

Susanne Barnett Richter and husband Mark have retired from work in Indiannton, Fla. and are currently converting a hurricane-damaged 46-foot Heritage West Indies ketch into a "trawler" on which they will spend the next 10 years. The plan is to cruise the inland waterways, the Caribbean, South America and possibly Europe. The Richers' recently visited with **Ralph and Janet Kaeley Kaminski** who now live near Williamsburg, Va.

Carmen Delgado Chalek had almost a year off to recharge her batteries and is now working as a social work temp for various medical/psychiatric hospitals and mental health organizations in the Denver area. Carmen is also on-call for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and goes to federal disaster sites to provide stress management services to workers. Carmen and husband Matt are also preparing to open their first restaurant this fall. In spare time, Chalek's take advantage of the Colorado lifestyle — skiing, hiking the occasional "fourteener" (mountains over 14,000 feet) and enjoying the

beauty of the Rockies — quite a change from the San Diego ocean lifestyle, I imagine.

Mike Hardesty MS'88 dropped in from Union Mills, Md. where he continues to head up Flying Colors of Success, Inc., a non-profit corporation that provides community-based housing for developmentally-disabled adults. Mike writes that his master's in special education and human services management is really paying off.

Robert Kline III '81 is handling the company's legal work. Mike and wife **Janice Bollinger MS'88** have two children. Mike also recently went fossil hunting and camping in Allegany County, Md. with **John Jarkowicz** and **Mike Durkee '81** had a great time out in the boonsies. "Thanks to **Beth Green Jarkowicz** for letting John come out to play," writes Mike.

Helga Hein continues working as a unit claim manager for Allstate Insurance and is very active at Zion Lutheran Church in Baltimore City, which will celebrate its 240th anniversary this year. Helga serves as church council president. She also spent a fabulous week in London this past August.

George Kleb received a Dedicated Service Award and a Mayoral Communion Partnership Award from employer Bon Secours Hospital this year.

George adds that he still loves getting together with **Charlie Brown '81** to jam and again played for **Tim Stump's** pig roast party this year.

George, **Tina Volpe '85**, Bruce, 6, and **Cerie**, 3, recently celebrated the arrival of third child **Mats Douma**.

Larry and Linda Blackett Beyer wrote in from Catonsville, Md. where Larry continues to manage investments for Provident Bank and Linda continues teaching language arts at Notre Dame Prep in Towson. The Beyer's daughters Jessica, 8, and Andrea, 4, had a great summer vacationing at a lake in Maine and hanging out at the pool in Catonsville. Larry is coaching Jessica's 7- and 8-year-old soccer team.

Also hot off the soccer field, Lauren and **Lu Boeri's** twins Anna and Emily are playing soccer and loving life in kindergarten in Phoenix, Md. The Boeri's also welcomed Jonathan to the family on March 23, 1995. Lu is still with Merritt Leasing, plays basketball on Monday nights and golf at Hunt Valley Golf course whenever he can.

Jenny Henderson spent her summer vacation finishing up course work for an additional certification in science. Dan and Jenny are working on their 10th year together and celebrated by adopting Beau, a 5-year-old Newfoundland from Mr. Ayr, Md. This past spring, Dan is an aquarist at Marine Land, perfect for a science teacher in need of a spot for a field trip! Jenny also had three peacocks hatch this summer, but the peacocks are a little confused—it seems they could only get chickens to sit on the eggs so the hatchlings think their moms are chickens.

Deborah Shanady has been teaching elementary special needs at the

California School for the Deaf in Riverside. Debbie just purchased a new home and is busy being mom to a new puppy.

Jeff and Debra Bessman '81 Funk are on their way out of Westminster, Md. to Wisconsin where Jeff was recently promoted to vice president for Crum & Forster Commercial Insurance Co. Kaitlyn, 8, Kelsey, 6, and Emily, 5, are all cheerleaders for Westminster Optimist football.

Toni Edwards was kind enough to type her note from a new location in Idaho Falls, Idaho where she is working at the State University as assistant director of registration and records. Toni was married in September 1993 to Gary Leatherman, an engineer with a consulting company. Being just two hours from Yellowstone National Park and an hour-and-a-half from Jackson Hole, Wyo., the Leatherman's hike, ski and camp as much as schedules allow. Toni writes they had their first visitors this past summer when **Pat Bergquist and Ken Ballou** came through town on their way to Alaska, where Pat is rector of the cathedral in Fairbanks.

Michael and Lisa DelPrete Short continue to enjoy the challenges of teaching. Mike has taken on the additional challenge of coaching freshman football at the high school. They were fortunate to have had lots of "family time" with their 4-year-olds this summer. Vacations included Cape Hatteras, Nags Head and the Poconos. Mike also visited South Dakota, North Dakota and Wyoming with fellow social studies teachers.

Jane Burch Fridell's son is in a small church-school kindergarten in Norfolk with **John Lathroum's '81** son.

Vicki Kessler Poole MED'87 is taking a year's leave of absence from Galloway to stay home with Megan, 1. She sees **Cathy Basti DiVello** and **Doug** and their daughter Sarah, as well as **Jill Abbott Schultz** and her family.

Steve and I are proud to announce the birth of our daughter, **Madeline Grande James**, born Nov. 3, 1995.

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87 You know, there are a lot of '87 graduates I haven't heard from in a while. Is no news good news? Think you've got nothing to say? I bet your classmates would love to see your answer to "How's life?" in print. Thanks to all of you who respond regularly — you make writing this column fun and interesting.

Since last we heard from her, **Catherine "Kate" Sampsell-Taylor** graduated law school, passed the bar by July '91 and left the country to do some traveling. She lived in Scotland

and Cairo and pretty much saw half the world before returning in the fall of 1992. Kate worked as a legal aid attorney for a while, but has now quit her "day job" to be a fine art photographer. She's planning a book on the last stages of AIDS. Married to James S. Taylor (who's from the Yukon) in 1994, Kate teaches part time at Essex Community College and has talked recently to **Ruth Long Thomas**.

Margie Weiner and Elaine Pappas. **Dave Reith** is still working at Westinghouse. He keeps in touch with **Jerry Donald '86** and **Pat Shank** and also attended **Mark Johnson's '86** wedding in December 1994.

In September 1994, **Leo Ryan** married Katherine Graham, whom he met during grad school at American University in Washington, D.C. He's still working at Macro International, where he's been since Oct. '87. Leo keeps in touch with **Brian and Cassie Schneberger Felch**, **Doug Gardiner**, **Omar '86** and **Diane Hauser Cabrales** and **Chris Githen**.

Sandra Brandt Alvey, currently a medical entomologist and preventive medicine officer, is stationed in Hawaii. Germany with her husband **CPT. Alan Alvey '85** and their two children, **Doug**, 5, and **Greg**, 2. She's been doing a lot of deploying in response to the Bosnia peacekeeping mission, and has also been working toward a master's in early childhood education for when she finally leaves the military sometime in the future. Sandra keeps in touch with **"Hank" Honick**, **Brian Wladkowski '88**, **Cyndi Schafer Mann '88** and **Rossana Lombardo Burnham**.

Steven Baily was married Memorial Day weekend last year to Paula Campitelli, a 1991 graduate of Gettysburg College. Currently living in Westminster, Steve now works for Grout Thornton CIP in downtown Baltimore as a senior auditor. When he sent in his news, he was looking forward to the second annual Deep Creek downhill festivities with the gang.

Liz Fox Beaulieu continues to teach special education at the junior high level in North Hampton, N.H., but is currently taking a break from coaching volleyball to enjoy the puppy she received as a wedding gift. She and her husband, Tim, still do quite a bit of traveling — Paris, Florida, Quebec, Seattle — and manage to squeeze in golf, skiing and hiking when possible.

Last summer, Liz took three courses instead of teaching, which she enjoyed. She reports a great time was had at **Jen Walsh Hawes'** wedding in January '95, and they look forward to visiting Jen and Jon in Oregon.

Cathy McNiff Blair and husband **Randy** have another baby boy, **Austin John**, born Dec. 20, 1994. He and **Tyler**, 4, keep **Cathy busy**.

Still living in Frederick, Md., **Ferren DeMore Boles**, spends her time with **Mason**, 2, and as an at-home client liaison for Wolfpoth and Abramson Attorneys. Her husband, **Bob**, was promoted to sergeant for the Montgomery County Police Department.

Stephanie Wagner and Bill Brewster's daughter, **Sarah**, turned 2 last May. They both work full time — Bill as a sales manager for two Print-O-Star locations (Towson and Catonsville) and Stephanie for Carroll County Bank in Westminster. Stephanie also started a master's program at Johns Hopkins. The Brewsters enjoy annual ski and beach vacations with **Jon Favorite '89**, **Sandy Smith**, **Chris Mattox '88**, **Tania John '88**, **Margaret Genski and Anne Baker '88** and **Rick '86 Metz**. They also keep in touch with **Brian and Cassie Schneberger Felch**, **Doug '80** and **Linda Marriott Renner and Leigh Filer '88** and **Bob Fangmeyer** and have fun getting the kids together.

Along with working on a new home in Mr. Ayr, Md., **Liz Goodnow Conner's** days are taken up with **Ricky Chandler**, 3, and new baby **Clayton Ellis**, born May 11, 1995. Liz is still on a fellowship at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda. Her husband, **Rick '84**, continues to teach and coach, so they enjoy many high school football games.

The latest news from **Kelly Connor** is that she celebrates her sixth anniversary this year working for the National Park Service at Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site in Pennsylvania. As the educational coordinator, Kelly interacts with a lot of local students, educators and program directors. Last year, she spent two months on a supervisory detail at Sequoia National Park in California. Not only was this a great career opportunity for Kelly, but she was able to do some sightseeing, too.

Norm Dahl has been doing a lot of traveling to Minneapolis, Minn. to spend weekends with fiancée, **Maria Hey**. He's thinking about a move out there this spring.

Dennis DeMatte Jr. is still a newlywed after marrying **Lori Perugini '91** on Sept. 24, 1995. He reports that **Allen Mott** is in the wedding party and says it was great to see **Steve Baily** and **Brian Miller '89** there. **Dennis** and **Lori** honeymooned in Italy for two weeks.

Congratulations to **Matt Dunne** and his wife, **Tracy Buckman '88** on the birth of their daughter, **Courtney Diane**, born June 25, 1995. Matt is still theatre manager at Merriweather Post Pavilion. In his spare time he enjoys officiating ice hockey games and declares that it's great having a team in Baltimore again!

Melissa Durey is pursuing her master's degree in computer graphics from George Washington University and will graduate this spring. Currently, she is an art director for Autometric, Inc. in Alexandria, Va., where she manages a department of artists and animators. Melissa keeps in touch with **Ferren DeMore Boles** and **Mary Beth Angus Taylor**.

At the University of North Dakota, **Wendy Hang Ensz** is teaching "Music for Elementary Teachers" while she works on her master's degree in music education. **Dylan James**, born in April 1995, and his

brother Corey, 3, are a joy to Wendy and her husband, Don. While in Maryland last summer, the Enns family had a visit with **Karen Rex Lambert** and husband Ron, and **Jeff '88** and **Tracey Ann Tokar Smith '88**.

Brian and Cassie Schneberger Felch now have a baby daughter, born in Feb. '95. Mallory is a delight and has helped them with their grief over the loss of their infant son, Jordan, in April. Brian is enjoying his new job at BCL Atlantic, and Cassie continues to work for Andersen Consulting on a part-time basis.

A lot has happened in **Joan McKeeby Fritz's** life since she last sent in a postcard. In Dec. 1994, she completed her master's degree in general administration at Central Michigan University. And on Jan. 11, 1995, she and husband Jeff welcomed their son, John William, into the world. Joan is enjoying motherhood — so much so that she's now at home full time to further enjoy watching John grow and learn new things.

Jill Daurer Gerety is living in Bel Air, Md., with husband Richard and John Sullivan Gerety, born in Feb. '95. Since having the baby, Jill works part time for General Electric Capital Corporation in Hunt Valley, Md.

David Grodnick enjoys playing golf with **John Giza '88** and **John Chesock '88**. He and John Giza have taken their clubs across the country to places like Lake Tahoe and Hilton Head. Dave says attending **Steve Knight's '88** wedding last July was a memorable event.

Stacey Pucci Gruber is happy to be back in the woods! She and her family, husband Rich, and Nick, 4, hike and fish around the stream on their property in Hampstead, Md., where they moved last year.

Lynn Habicht is still teaching seventh-grade math at Mt. Airy High School in Carroll County, Md. She's also a volleyball official for the high schools in the area.

On Jan. 15, 1995 **Jennifer Walsh** started the new year off in a big way by marrying **Jon Hawes**. **Cresson Walsh '89**, **Debbie Karr Codd** and **Liz Fox Beaulieu** were attendees. In August, she and Jon moved to Beaver-ton, Ore. where Jon accepted a position in international sales and marketing. Still working in the healthcare industry, Jennifer managed to arrange a transfer with her corporation, Hill-haven, to another nursing home in Oregon. It's a big change from New England, she says. Their new house, which Jen had viewed only in a 45-second video, is great and they hope to have lots of visitors!

Lee and Trish Feaga '84 Holmes have settled into their new house in Eldersburg, Md. Their days are busy with their children, Zachary, who plays soccer, and Sara, who attends dance class. Lee's new job as a comptroller at Davis Instruments, his Army Reserves, and Trish's CPA practice keep them

on the go. They'd like get a chance to see **Dave Oravec '86** last summer at an Elton John concert and also caught up with **Missy Wagner '84** and **Julie Freinger Palekka '84** down in Virginia.

Steven Johnson, after spending eight years teaching at Westminster High School, accepted a job teaching foreign language in Lexington, Mass. He and his wife, Maria, along with their two boys, Matthew and Daniel, are now living in Nashua, N.H. and, at the time he wrote in, were looking forward to the New England winter.

Since last she sent in news, **Tracy Kennard** married Donald Lynn on Oct. 1, 1994, changed jobs, and moved out of Baltimore to Reisterstown. She now works for Baltimore Gas & Electric as a commercial loan analyst and really enjoys it. Tracy keeps in touch with a long list of WMC graduates, including **Kevin and Karen Scheidt Gromer**, **Janelle Crosby Longhita**, **Cheryl McNeil Blair**, **Beth Riffley Matsui** and **Helen Brennan Delfino**.

Susan Pinto Keen and her husband, Richard, are now the proud parents of a baby boy, Bradley Windsor Keen, born on Jan. 13, 1995. Susan's working part time as a supervisor/CPA with the same public accounting firm she's been with for eight years now. The Keens recently had a visit from Ed and Julie Bug Mahler and their daughter, Morgan.

Lynn Fangmeyer Koert, finding herself suddenly single and a new mom, has started her own desktop publishing, graphic design and editorial services firm based in her home so she can be with her angel, Matthew, 1. Through Advantage Publications, Lynn hopes to write and design flyers, newsletters, brochures, business cards and corporate identity pieces. She invites fellow WMC graduates to look her up in Hamilton, Va. for printed materials and media development needs.

Kim Holtzinger Whitley married Doug on Nov. 12, 1995. Hailing from Chesterstown, Md. Doug is a graduate of the University of Maryland and an aerospace engineer for RSCS Corporation. Kim and Doug also bought a house in '95 and now live in Eldersburg.

Married on May 20, 1995, **Luc Levensohn** and his wife, Sara Barker, live in Charlottesville, Mass. Luc is a network engineer with Software 2000 Professional Services and Sara is a tax policy analyst for the city of Boston.

According to an article in the Oct. 7 *Baltimore Sun*, High Technology Solutions, a Rockville company that develops computer-aided training programs, co-founded by **Gregory Merrill** and his brother Jonathan, has been awarded a prestigious science grant to break a technological barrier so that the emerging field of virtual reality can be used to train doctors in surgery.

After getting a long-awaited promotion, I changed jobs in 1995 and am now a Communications Associate in AT&T's new outsourcing and consul-

ing unit. My husband, Ron, continues to do well with ADP Brokerage Services. We got a kick out of finally meeting **Wendy Haug Enns's** two little boys last June and also had fun visiting with **Tracey Ann Tokar Smith '88** and her husband **Jeff '88** at their new home in Baltimore. As always, I relay your news, so please feel free to drop me a line whenever the mood hits! Enjoy your spring!
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92 Crystal Bogert Mack is living and working in Westminster, Md. with her husband David. She works for Target Inc. and part time for WMC catering.

Kristine McEljohn is teaching in the Toms River Regional District and is three classes shy of her master's degree. She is also building a home.

Mark Mills received his M.A. degree in mass communication at Towson State University in January 1995. He has been working as a news anchor/reporter for WAFY radio in Frederick, Md. since May 1995.

Thank you to the staff of WMC for mailing all of the school's information to **Yoshiko Osada** in Japan for the past six years. She has been traveling to the U.S. lately and wants to know that she would love to show any one around who comes to Fukuoka, Japan.

Anthony J. Petrocchi III is married to **Allison John '94** and teaching in Baltimore City. He enjoys life with his wife and stepson Zack who is teaching him all about fatherhood. He is pursuing a master's in curriculum design.

Ali Quigley is working in Falls Church, Va. as an agency director of Fax Casting and Model Agency. She lives in Germantown, Md. with **Tony Cleveland '94**.

While working the Clinton's vacation in Martha's Vineyard, **Lynn Thomas** met her husband Jack Ramsey, a navy diver. They married in the spring of '95 with **Janelle Leitch '92**, **Mark Jozwiak '90** and **Jim Kaufman '91** in attendance. Any help you could offer on being a stepparent of three teenagers would be greatly appreciated.

John Rapp is underwriting professional liability for Victor O. Schinnerer and Co. in Chevy Chase, Md. He and **Kerri Wagner '94** bought a home last August. It was great to see everyone at Homecoming.

Danna Reid is living at home in Camp Hill, Pa. where she is a management coordinator with KHP services. She attends graduate school at Penn State Harrisburg for public administration.

Drew Richards lives and works in Center City Philadelphia. He continues to work in the sales department of the family business so he travels a lot.

Congratulate **Drew Sexton** on passing the CPA exam in May 1994. He married **April Ommer '93** on July 9, 1994 in Little Baker and recently bought a house in the Greens of Westminster.

While living in Owings Mills, Md., **Jennifer Sheeder** is a sales/marketing representative for Fridgeaire Co. She spends a lot of time traveling and with **Dave Hurley '91**.

Maija Strenger is working at J.P. Morgan Special Events and living in Manhattan. She spends lots of time rollerblading in Central Park.

Mark Titus is searching for a job in the Montgomery County Public School System while living in Bethesda, Md. He traveled to Spain with his family. He has also been attending many professional football games.

Kristi Towers is still working for Dole Fresh Fruit and living in Columbia, Md. She is building a house in Ellicott City, Md. with her fiancé Glenn Schmidt.

While living in Baltimore with her sister, **Laura Walker** works for Sylvan Learning Center at William Pa. Elementary School. She says **Meg Arnold**, **Valerie Schacker**, **Jeanne Laurence**, **Felicity Thuermer '93** and **Melyssa Denney** on a regular basis.

After spending a semester abroad in Granada, Spain, **Kevin Wolters** is entering his second year as a Spanish teacher at Lake Forest High School in Kent County, Del. He received his certification at the University of Delaware.

Trevor Wyson earned his M.A. in political science at the University of Maryland College Park and is pursuing his doctorate at the same institution in the same field. He traveled to Romania this summer for language training with grant funding.

Beth Van Ness lives in Annapolis near **Kristin Branthover Bailly '92** and **Scott '90** where she teaches second grade at West Annapolis Elementary.

Roy Zipp is attending graduate school in North Carolina and eating a lot of pasta on late nights.

"Married life is great," says **Janet Alcorn Yankosky**. She lives in Wilson, N.C. with her husband. It was wonderful to see everyone at the wedding!

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ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs: (410) 857-2296.

Mon., March 25
Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

Fri., April 12
Anne Arundel Alumni Chapter dinner.

Sat., April 13
Academic Homecoming. Topic: "The Creative Process."

Fri./Sat., April 19, 20
Board of Trustees meetings.

Sun., April 21
Montgomery County Brunch. Program: Dr. Jim Lightner '59 will speak on the history of the college.

Sat., April 27

Alumni Association Board of Governors meeting of alumni leaders, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sat., May 11
Carroll County Alumni Chapter lunch. Program: Jay Graybeal, Director, Historical Society of Carroll County.

May 31, June 1, 2
Alumni Weekend. Class reunions for 1916, '21, '26, '31, '36, '41, '46, '56, '61, '66.

Sat., June 15
Psi Chapter reunion lunch, Harrison House, 11 a.m.

June 20-July 3
Scandinavian Cruise for alumni and friends.

Tues., July 9
Day Students' Reunion.

Sat., Oct. 19
Homecoming. Class reunions for 1971, '76, '81, '86, '91.

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He's a writer, director and producer—and a 1988 Western Maryland College graduate. Maryland Public Television's Jonathan Slade, creator of the Dr. Seuss-style special "A Vid Kid Fable: The Day the World Stayed in Bed," which aired earlier this month, will describe how the project came together at WMC's "Creative Thinkers in Action" Academic Homecoming to be held April 13. (See page 23 for program details.) Read all about Slade and other future Oscar Award-winners in the Spring issue of *The Hill*.

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Western Maryland College alumni put their liberal arts education to work in the creative field producing educational and entertaining programs at Maryland Public Television. (See page 16 for story.)

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As deputy director of the Maryland Stadium Authority, Ed Cline '70 keeps Oriole Park at Camden Yards a winner with baseball fans. Photography by Andrew Campbell.

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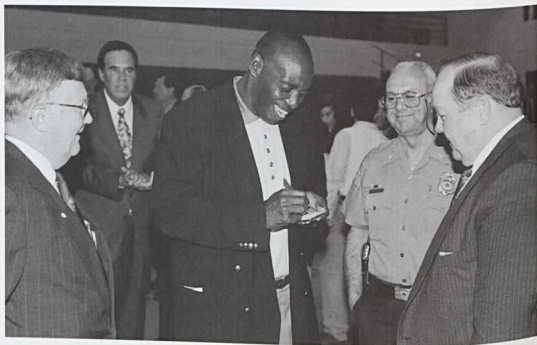
The Ravens have landed and it's a touchdown for WMC!

Baltimore's National Football League franchise, formerly the Cleveland Browns, will continue the tradition started by the Colts 47 years ago and conduct its 1996 summer training camp on "the Hill."

"Edgar Allen Poe himself would be delighted that the Ravens are coming to Western Maryland College, the city of Westminster, and Carroll County," said President Robert Chambers at a press conference held May 9 which brought out 250 people from the college and greater community. "Certainly we are ecstatic that the only NFL team to be, in effect, named by a poet will be on our spectacular campus. The Ravens' summer camp will provide sports fans from across the region an ideal site to enjoy professional football on a personal level. We are pleased to host such a fine organization, and very much hope that this relationship will become long-term."

The Baltimore Colts held summer camps at Western Maryland from 1949 to 1971. A highlight of the 22-year experience with the Colts was the bond that developed between the team and thousands of fans who annually journeyed to the college at some point during training camp.

The Ravens will encourage fans to renew that tradition, with two daily practice sessions that will be open to the public with no admission charge.



Ravens Director of Football Operations Ozzie Newsome signs his autograph after a press conference where President Robert Chambers announced plans for the team to train at WMC this summer.

Merchants and civic leaders expect the influx of fans to increase sales and tax revenue.

"I feel like someone who reached into the pocket of a sportcoat I haven't worn in years and pulled out a lottery ticket worth millions that I didn't even purchase," enthused Westminster Mayor Ken Yowan.

Carroll County Commissioner Ben Brown, a longtime professional football fan, said he anticipated "how good it's going to be when we whip the Indianapolis Colts."

Ravens Director of Football Operations Ozzie Newsome looked out at the faculty, college alumni, community leaders and cheering students and said, "I don't know how long it's been since I've been



part of anything like this kind of reception. It's great to see this kind of excitement just over a training camp; let's hope it continues into the season."

Though for now the Ravens have only signed a one-year deal, Newsome said, "We're very happy to bring training camps back to Western Maryland—we're glad to come back and pick up the tradition."

Chambers and community leaders are hopeful this summer will lead to a long-term relationship. "If we aren't married or even engaged yet, we at least feel we're going steady."

The complete training camp schedule will be available by calling the college's events line at (410) 857-2766. Ravens' rookies are expected to report July 10 or 11, with the remainder of the squad due in camp approximately a week later. The camp will last until August 15. •

Egyptian Ambassador Predicts Peace

Ahmed Maher El Sayed, Egyptian ambassador to the United States, expressed his country's rock-solid resolve to continue progress toward peace in the Middle East during a visit to WMC in April. But he didn't sound like a dove when he spoke of those who seek to undermine a truce between warring factions.

"I have to express anger at what is happening now," he said. "There are enemies of peace on both sides that are trying to destroy what we have been steadily building. They will only be happy if violence abounds."

The ambassador's visit was prompted by an invitation by Trustee Alleck Resnick, who has brought two other speakers to campus to talk about issues concerning Israel and the Jewish people. Last year, the Jordanian



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ambassador was a special guest, and the year before Holocaust survivor Halina Brune-graber Silber attracted the largest audience of any other special lecture during the fall '94 semester.

The Egyptian ambassador predicted that peace is still possible in the region, despite continued attacks from all sides including an outbreak of fighting in Lebanon between Israel and the Hezbollah Shiite Muslims backed by Iran.

No one thought peace could exist between his own country and Israel, he noted, but that bond cemented in 1979 is still holding fast.

"For the longest time we sat at the tables and looked at each other and exchanged nothing," he said of the accord finally struck between the two countries at Camp David, not far from WMC's campus. "Then Moshe Dayan of Israel got up and came over to the Egyptian

tables and we started talking. Some of the snow and ice that had piled up melted that day. It was a beginning."

He also pointed to the miraculous agreement between Israel and the PLO as evidence that the seemingly impossible can happen. It all takes time, he said.

Before becoming Egypt's ambassador to the United States, El Sayed also served as ambassador to Portugal, Belgium, the U.S.S.R., and Russia.

He was graduated from Cairo University Faculty of Law in 1956 and joined his country's ministry of foreign affairs. El Sayed served in the cabinet of the adviser of the president for national security affairs and as chief of the cabinet of the minister of foreign affairs.

The ambassador had to postpone a late March visit to the college because of involvement in discussions in Washington, D.C. on antiterrorism. The talks were organized after the February and March bombings in the Middle East. •

Captain Kangaroo, Roger Mudd Honored

Two of America's favorite, yet very different, TV personalities were awarded honorary degrees at this year's May 25 commencement.

Newsman Roger Mudd and Bob Keeshan, better known as Captain Kangaroo to millions of baby boomers who grew up with his daily show for children, were honored for their contributions to America and the world.

Keeshan, also known for creating Clarabell the Clown on "Howdy Doody" and playing the role from 1948-53, first opened the doors to his Treasure House as Captain Kangaroo on CBS-TV in 1955. Thirty years later it ended a run as the longest-running network children's program. After more than a year off the air, Keeshan took the Captain and the other characters of the Treasure House to public television for six seasons.

"Captain Kangaroo" won six Emmy Awards, three Gabriel Awards, two Peabody Awards, and in 1986 garnered the Ohio State Golden Anniversary Director's Award. Keeshan was named Broadcaster of the Year in 1979 by the International Radio and Television Society and in 1982 won the National Education Association's Award for Advancement of Learning Through Television.

He also hosted Saturday's "CBS Storybreak," a weekly series of adaptations of children's books, and was a regular on the news program "Up to the Minute." Mr. Keeshan also wrote and appeared on "The

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1996 SPRING SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Postseason Individual Honors
Baseball	14-15	9-9	6th/10	1 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team; CC Player of the Year
Golf			T2nd/6*	1 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team
Men's Lacrosse	10-5	3-3	4th/7	2 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team; CC Player of the Year
Women's Lacrosse	8-5	6-4	T4th/11	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Softball	22-7-1	14-2	2nd/9	4 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team; CC Player of the Year
Men's Tennis	1-9	0-8	9th/9	
Women's Tennis	7-4	6-4	T4th/11	
Men's Track			T6th/9*	1 All-CC
Women's Track			5th/9*	1 All-CC

*Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championship. T-Tied.

Subject is Young People," a daily five-minute show on CBS Radio that won two Gabriel Awards.

Besides work in broadcasting, Mr. Keeshan has always been an activist and advocate for children around the globe, especially in health care and child care.

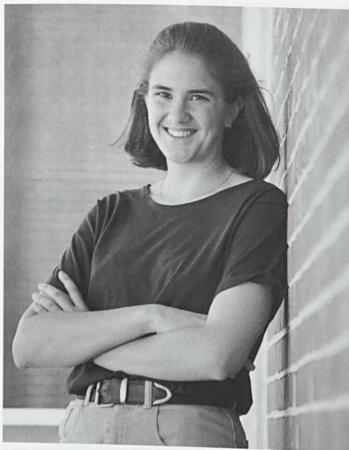
Unlike the Captain, Mr. Mudd is still on the air, hosting A&E Cable Network's History Channel. Through 1992, he served as essayist and correspondent for the "MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour," even picking up the 1990 Joan Shorenstein Barone Award for Distinguished Washington Reporting, but he still is best known for his work on the news programs at CBS and NBC. He joined CBS News in 1961 and for the next 20 years worked as the network's congressional and national affairs correspondent. He won five Emmys while at CBS, and in 1970 he received the George Foster Peabody Award for "The Selling of the Pentagon," and again in 1979 he took home another Peabody Award for his work on "CBS Reports: Teddy."

Mr. Mudd moved to NBC in 1980, serving as chief Washington correspondent, chief political correspondent, and coanchor of "NBC Nightly News," "Meet the Press," "American Almanac," and "1986."

He began his career in 1953 as a reporter in Richmond before moving to WTOP-TV (now WUSA-TV) in Washington, D.C.

In addition to his broadcasting experience, Mr. Mudd served as a visiting professor at Washington & Lee University in 1995, and as the Ferris Professor of Journalism at Princeton University in 1992 and 1994. •

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Math Senior Signs on for Six-Year Grant

For senior Kathleen Gaston, 1996 added up to a very good year. Both her academic and extracurricular accomplishments tally up in the dozens: WMC Honors Scholar; Mary Ward Lewis Prizewinner; Phi Beta Kappa; Who's Who; CAP-Board president; Omicron Delta Kappa; Trumpeters and Kappa Mu Epsilon to list a few. And all the hard work has earned her a substantial dividend too. Kathy is one of 19 students nationwide to receive a six-year National Physical Science Consortium graduate fellowship to attend a member university of her choice. This "portable" fellowship valued up to \$180,000 will fund Gaston's tuition and fees at her top-choice school: the University of Virginia where she will enter the Ph.D. mathematics program this fall. It also pro-

vides her with a substantial stipend for six years, a federal agency summer job this year and next, and promises that a two-year research position will await her as a post-doc.

"When I applied, I thought it was a long shot," said Kathy, who knew that without a grant her plans for graduate school would be put on hold. "Now every time I think about it [the award], I am really excited. My parents, too, couldn't be happier."

Kathy will also benefit from the NPSC's mentoring program and opportunities to present cameos of her research at national meetings.

Summer Theater Plans 'Ruthless' Season

For those who think there's nothing more ruthless than Maryland summers, check out Theatre on the Hill's production of an uproariously wicked musical comedy about a little girl who would kill (and does) for the lead in her school play.

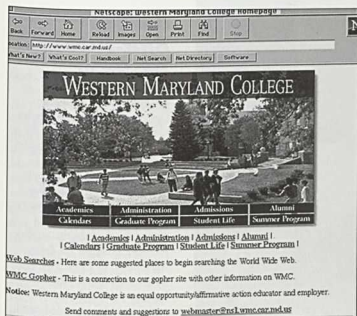
Kathy Gaston '96 earned a fellowship worth \$180,000 for graduate studies at a member university of her choice.

"Ruthless!" kicks off the 1996 season of the college's professional summer theatre company in residence. "It's a great season with something for everyone," says Ira Domser, Theatre on the Hill producer. "We're going to have a lot of fun."

This extremely funny show biz parody that begins its run in late June tells the story of Tina Denmark, a third-grader with talent, a big smile and way too much ambition. She wants to play Pippi Longstocking in "Pippi in Tahiti," but when she is cast as the dog and Pippi's understudy instead, she takes matters into her own hands to get the coveted part, Domser says.

Another side-splitting comedy, "Greater Tuna," opens in July. A lampoon of life in the extremely small town of Tuna, Texas, this farce centers around a host of wacky characters. "Much of the fun will be watching two Theatre on the Hill actors as they get the chance to shine in 20 different 'Tuna' roles," Domser says, noting that both "Ruthless!" and "Greater Tuna" were long-running smashes in New York.

The season concludes with the August opening of the Broadway hit "The Secret Garden," in which a young girl and her widowed uncle pull together as a family through the healing power of the late aunt's magical garden. Based on the children's classic of the same name, this treat for the whole family includes a score written by Pulitzer Prize winner Marsha



Norman and Carly Simon's sister Lucy.

In addition, Theatre on the Hill will present "The Princess and the Pea" for younger audiences on selected Saturday afternoons and "The Fabulous Post Show Revue" for late-night entertainment on some Saturday evenings. For more information on shows and times, call the Arts Management Office at 410/857-2599. ●

WMC on WWW

Efforts to design new "road-side attractions" on the information highway has linked the WMC Public Information staff with Information Services for the writing of virtual directions to the college's electronic location on the World Wide Web. Since February when the electronically transmitted WMC Home Page was launched,

Prospective students get the picture on WMC via computer by calling up its homepage on the World Wide Web.

Internet users can apply for undergraduate admission, learn about financing options, register for a class, send an Email message to a professor or check on the football practice schedule of the just-landed Ravens, all with a simple touch of a computer mouse. Already this new communication vehicle has attracted prospective students from points outside the college's driving area. "Many high school students and their parents are beginning their college searches using the Web. It's a great way to peak their interest," says Martha O'Connell, director of admissions.

A Web committee was formed, chaired by Christine Mathews, Information Services director, to organize and promote this new marketing tool. The WMC Homepage's site address to begin your own navigation: www.wmc.car.md.us.

Future development on the WMC electronic highway will include stops in the college's branch campus in Budapest, Hungary, molecular modeling in Lewis laboratories, and summer theatre in Alumni Hall.

Alumni are encouraged to send suggestions to the WMC webmaster via Email.

'Magnificent' Seven Elected to Board

Melvin Mills showed no signs of fatigue after his first grueling day of business and planning meetings held during April's Board of Trustees weekend. One of seven new members elected to the board in February, Mills instead seemed invigorated by the work that comes with the leadership role he's assumed.

The enthusiasm of the new class of trustees comes as no surprise. "The college has always had a special place in their hearts, and I know that they are committed to helping us meet any challenges ahead," says College President Robert Chambers. "They will be great additions to an already prestigious group of leaders at Western Maryland."

Mills, a graduate of the U.S. Army School of Radio Communications, is president of Mills Communications, Inc., based in Westminster. He is founding president and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Bonds Meadow Rotary Club of Westminster, immediate past president and now cochair of the

Mid-Maryland Private Industry Council and president of the Carroll County Tourism Council. He is active in the Carroll County Public Schools' school-to-career initiative, and he also served as chair of WMC's Carroll County Student Grant Program in 1994-95.

The additional new trustees: **George Russell Benson Jr.** of Annapolis is president of Benson Motor Cars, Ltd. He is the grandson and son, brother and father of Western Maryland College alumni. His father G. Russell Benson also served as a trustee of the college in the 1950s. A lifelong resident of Maryland, Benson is a graduate of Westminster High School and attended the University of Maryland before entering the United States Air Force. He is active in the Annapolis community, and his volunteer service earned him recognition as a prestigious Paul Harris Fellow in the Annapolis Rotary Club, where he has maintained perfect attendance as a member since 1972. He currently is a member of the Board of Trustees of Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation, including a term as chair from 1993-1995.

Francis Burch Jr., chairman and partner of Piper & Marbury, Maryland's largest law firm, presides over 275 attorneys and specializes in corporate, commercial and product liability litigation. He earned his bachelor's at Georgetown University and a J.D. with honors from the University of Maryland at College Park. He also studied at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland and has served in the U.S. National Guard. Burch plays an active role in numerous organizations, serv-

ing on the board of directors of the Greater Baltimore Committee Leadership Program, as a trustee of the Baltimore Museum of Art, as fellow of the American Bar Association and as member of the board of visitors of the University of Maryland School of Law, among others. He is listed in *Who's Who in the East*.

Sally Keck Gold of Towson is a real estate investor and manager in Baltimore County. She is a 1978 graduate of Western Maryland, and she also earned an M.B.A. in finance from Loyola College in 1984 and was formerly a vice president of First National Bank. She has a long history of service to the college and is currently serving as president of the college's Alumni Association through 1996. She also has served as reunion coordinator, president-elect of the Alumni Association, president of the Baltimore alumni chapter, chair of the reunion fund committee, visitor to the Board of Trustees, and was appointed to numerous other committees.

Carolyn Seaman-Scott of Westminster, a 1967 graduate of Western Maryland, is a member of the Carroll County Board of Education. She also earned a master's degree at Western Maryland in 1977, is a former chair of the Board of Education, eighth-grade teacher, writer, editor and payroll officer. She was one of the founders of Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen at Westminster United Methodist Church. Seaman-Scott is president of the Maryland Association of Boards of Education. Her ser-



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vice to the college was honored in 1987 when she received the Meritorious Service Award.

David M. Stout of Summit, NJ, a pharmaceutical industry consultant, is a 1976 graduate of Western Maryland. He is the former president of Schering Laboratories of Schering Plough Inc., also serving the company as vice president of pharmaceutical marketing and vice president and general manager of Schering Canada.

James L. Zucco of Bernardville, NJ, is vice president and general manager of strategy, development and operations for AT&T Business Communication Services (BCS) and is a 1973 graduate of Western Maryland. Before joining AT&T, Mr. Zucco was a senior executive at MCI Communications Corporation. He also held senior leadership positions in global consulting practices at Arthur Young and Company and at Nolan, Norton and Company in the United States and Europe.

Art History Professor Julie Badice is this year's 'peach teach.'

His industry leadership has been recognized by a number of leading organizations, including Carnegie Mellon University, American Management Systems and the Society of Information Management.

Effective July 1, Trustee **Jim Melhorn** will become chairman of the board. He is president and CEO of Episcopal Ministry to the Aging, the parent corporation of Fairhaven, an accredited, continuing care retirement community; Copper Ridge, a facility for people with Alzheimer's and other impairing disorders (both in Sykesville, Md.); and Buckingham's Choice, a planned continuing care retirement community in the Frederick, Md. area. He is also a board member of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. •

Badice is Blue-Ribbon Professor

Art History Professor Julie Oeming Badice whose creative classroom teaching brings life to old and new masterpieces alike captured the first-ever Ira G. Zepp Distinguished Teaching Award presented at the May 5 Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation. The award is named for the religious studies professor emeritus Ira Zepp, who retired in 1994. The award, established with a challenge grant from alumni Charles and Carol Moore, is dedicated to continuing the legacy of teaching established by professors such as Zepp.

Badice joined the faculty in 1978 and holds a B.A. in German and M.A., Ph.D. in the History of Art, University of Michigan. Her inspired teaching of both undergraduate and graduate students here at WMC and at Harlaxton College, England; extensive research in the cataloging of the college's art collections; and international scholarship in the areas of non-Western art have earned her the admiration of this entire academic community.

She teaches introductory as well as graduate-level courses in art history with emphasis on both Western and non-Western traditions. A member of the Baha'i faith since 1970, Badice has toured the world—across the United States to Panama and from Europe to India—in her study of the universal symbols and artistic expression of Baha'i houses of worship. Her illustrated book published in

1992, *An Earthly Paradise: Baha'i Houses of Worship Around the World* (George Ronald Books, Oxford, England), is sold worldwide.

She is a member of the Middle Eastern Studies Association, and the North American Historians of Islamic Art for whom she served as Executive Board Member from 1993-95. Both associations have engaged her in recent years for presentations of papers on Islamic art. Singing, too, has earned Dr. Badiee a spotlight as a longtime member of the college choir, and in 1993 when she was selected to sing soprano as part of the 400-voice World Congress Choir of the Baha'i Faith, held in New York City.

Dr. Badiee has tirelessly researched, catalogued and curated shows on the college's art collections. Her written analysis of 175 pieces of Egyptian, Greek and American Indian art in Western Maryland's permanent collection was published last year and unveiled along with the newly restored and renovated Peterson Hall. She also catalogued the impressive Albert and Eva Blum collection of pre-Colombian and tribal art pieces on long-term loan to Western Maryland. ●

To SERVE With Love

Spring break's usual dose of sun and surf just wasn't enough this year for four WMC students. So they traded in a sure tan for a hammer, a paintbrush, an early spring snowstorm and lots of hard work in the mountains of southwestern Virginia.

It was a labor of love, according to the students, who said they were disappointed they



couldn't stay longer.

"It was one of the greatest weeks of my life," said junior Dan Wooten, SERVE student coordinator, who was joined by juniors Rick Holland and Tiffany Metzger and graduate student Corrina Giglio.

"Students take a lot for granted," said Wooten, who had really wanted to stay another week. "I have the chance to go to college, earn an education and establish a good career. A lot of people don't have that opportunity, so I felt I could, and should, give up my free time to help out. I'll be back."

This group is WMC's first members of SERVE—Students Engaged in Rural Volunteer Service—an alternative spring break community service program put together this year by Residence Life Director Scott Kane, the group's adviser and also a mem-

ber of the working crew.

Kane and the students worked in Dungannon, a former coal mining town in Appalachia, where they put another bedroom onto a family's small mobile home and continued work on the town's new hunting lodge, part of a local effort to create jobs and bring more tourists to the economically depressed area.

Mr. Kane arranged the trip through the Dungannon Development Commission (DDC), a local seven-year-old group that brings about 800 volunteers into that region each year.

Eddie Vaughn of Hiltons, an even smaller town outside of Dungannon, was glad to see the WMC students. His family needed an extra room because the county ordinance mandates that children of different genders have separate bedrooms. The Vaughns didn't have the money for the addition and had

Residence Life Director Scott Kane (right) led students on a working spring break to Virginia where they helped a poor community improve its homes.

turned to the DDC for help.

The WMC group got the project started and it will be finished by another volunteer corps, Kane said. Students also worked on the Rikemo Hunting Lodge which is scheduled to open in May. It's expected to draw tourists to the area which will boost its economy. An end-of-the-week snowstorm blanketed the mountainside, but it didn't deter the students, who braved the sudden shot of cold weather, to continue working.

"I really saw these kids grow on that trip," Kane said. "This is a great program and it gives them an opportunity to see that they can really be a part of something special, and that helping others is fun, too." ●

Wayne Curry '72 Steers his
County Toward the Fast Lane

In the Driver's Seat

BY KIM ASCH



red toy Volkswagon Beetle sits on the desk in Wayne Curry's new office. It's a miniature of the car he bought when he was a student at Western Maryland, then drove on a cross-country odyssey after he graduated in 1972.

His brother Daryl gave him the replica to steer him through the tough days of his new job, reminding him, "No matter what you're driving, you've always gotten where you wanted to."

In his first try for an elected office in November 1994, Curry cruised into victory as Prince George's County Executive. He also achieved another first as the only African-American in 300 years to take the wheel of what is now the largest and one of the richest counties in Maryland, situated next to Washington DC.

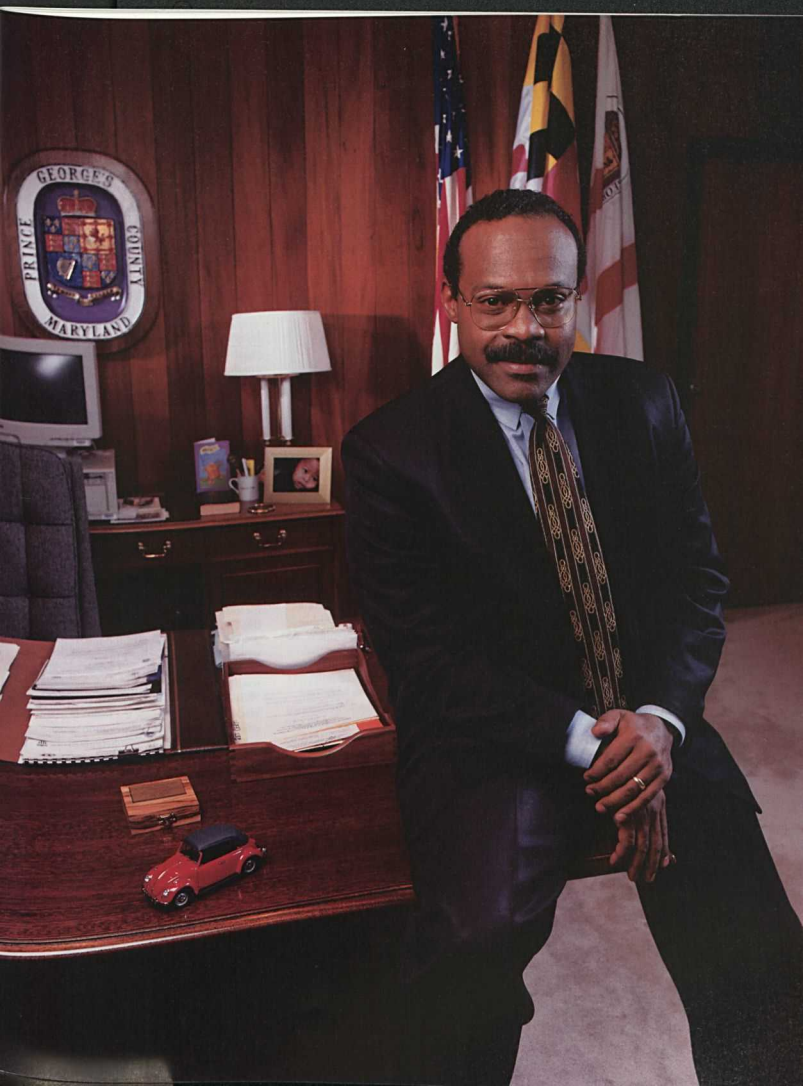
Prince George's is also demographically unique. Its population of 771,000 is 55 percent black with an average income of \$50,000 per year. It is the most affluent majority-black county in the nation, and as more African-Americans settle in, the income and education levels rise instead of fall. Still, the high-priced subdivisions are contrasted by poverty-stricken urban areas, as well as rural communities being squeezed out by suburban sprawl.

An inherited \$100 million deficit, a growing need for good-paying professional jobs within the county and a building boom that tests the tensility of current zoning regulations have presented Curry with some difficult moments.

But he remains in the driver's seat.

"It's been a rigorous 15 months," says the 45 year old, who has successfully navigated the county through the worst of its financial troubles. "I'm proud of what we've been able to accomplish."

Prince George's
County Executive
Wayne Curry '72
leads Maryland's
most populated and
demographically
unique jurisdiction.



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—Secretary of State John Willis

Cooke the Books

His big win came last fall when Prince George's snagged the new Redskins football stadium. Thanks to Curry's tenacity in negotiating with the churlish Jack Kent Cooke, the county emerged victorious from those grueling negotiations without having to contribute any of its tax money. Yet the deal ensures minority jobs, season tickets for some residents on the waiting list, \$1.5 million in scholarships and \$3 million toward a recreational complex to be built adjacent to the stadium.

"Wayne approached those negotiations very much like a lawyer representing a client—and Prince George's County is his client," observes Maryland Secretary of State John Willis, a part-time professor of economics at WMC. "He's not afraid to speak his mind and take a firm position. He's more direct, more willing to draw lines, whereas some politicians are fuzzy around the edges."

Indeed, Curry is not your typical politician.

His background as a business attorney specializing in transactional law uniquely qualified him to take on Cooke and to resist the pressure applied by some elected officials around the state who were eager to sign any deal that would lure the stadium to Maryland.

But without Curry on board, there was no deal. And Curry was unswerving.

"I had more bargaining experience than anyone there. I guess I should have felt all this tremendous pressure, but I devoted myself to what made sense in terms of the business deal because that's how I saw this: If it's a good deal, we'll do it; and if it isn't, we won't," Curry says. "And that was a novel approach among the political cadre involved and it was novel with Cooke—for a man with such a vaunted reputation of entrepreneurial success and savvy, it just seemed to me the deal was a lot harder that it should have been."

Curry says Cooke never employed one of the basics of bargaining he learned in Professor Steve Colyer's behavioral psychology classes. "You have to try and figure out what the other guy values," explains Curry. "They were all applying this pressure on precepts I didn't really

value. They were working on the theory that getting the stadium was some emotional consideration and what a thematic plum it would be—and I was doing the fiscal analysis."

Since state funding for the Redskins stadium was seen in the legislature as being in some part tied to funding for a new football arena in Baltimore, lots of people had their eyes on Curry.

"I was watching from the sidelines, thinking 'Come on Wayne, make the deal,'" admits Ed Cline '70, deputy director of the Maryland Stadium Authority, who is working on plans for the Ravens, stadium next to Oriole Park at Camden Yards. (See pg. 12 for profile.) "He came through."

If Cooke had pulled out, Curry's popularity probably would have suffered, observes Secretary of State Willis. But those who called Curry too stubborn in his negotiating techniques will forget their complaints once the stadium's built and the money starts rolling in.

"The first tax bill Jack Kent Cooke pays on the facility will be put on the front page of the newspaper and everybody will be happy," Willis predicts.

Curry seems unconcerned with how his actions will affect his relationship with other politicians. He looks back on the negotiations and nods with satisfaction. "All's well that ends well. It's going to create a lot of revenue and a lot of jobs. In particular, when you have such a sizable African-American population always hungering for mainstream participation, we've negotiated \$40 million of construction participation, 30 percent of general operations, a lavish sports and learning center that'll be pre-Olympic quality and internships for Bowie State in sports management. And I'm even more proud they were achieved through negotiations with a guy like Cooke."

It goes without saying that skyboxes for the county executive, the governor and various corporate honchos were thrown into the deal.

"Some of my detractors thought they would embarrass me by suggesting, 'Well,

he's holding out and being hard to deal with because I wanted a skybox,'" Curry muses. "It never was an issue to me, because I took it as a foregone conclusion. Every such negotiation includes a skybox. Who do you think you're dealing with hoss?"

Helping Out at Home

Curry insists his goal was never to become a politician. Someone who had worked behind the scenes for years, the native Prince Georgian says running for county executive is "something I did because it's right and because I want to give back."

Married with a 2-year-old son and a month-old daughter, Curry says he wouldn't take such a tough job if it wasn't to improve the place he's always called home.

"I think I've been blessed with the sort of background development that enables me to deal with a bunch of things, so I was willing to take the pay cut, sacrifice my privacy and risk the recriminations for being candid because it's home," he says.

"It's a much more emotional and intimate tie with the history and evolution of this county that motivates me. I certainly didn't come here to make money, but it's worth it because of what I'm able to do."

Curry grew up in Prince George's in a town called Cheverly, just off the Baltimore-Washington parkway near DC. Back then, blacks were certainly not the majority in the county and didn't benefit from the same opportunities as their white neighbors. But Curry's parents—both educated at Hampton Institute, a premier black college in Virginia—taught their five children early on to expect and demand equal treatment.

In 1959, when Wayne and his brother Daryl were in the fourth and fifth grades, their parents decided to send them to all-white Tuxedo-Cheverly Elementary School and signed them up for the mostly white local Boys' Club teams. The oldest Curry boys were among a small group of blacks who integrated Bladensburg Junior High and Senior High schools.

So why did he choose Western Maryland, where he was one of a handful of black students and no black professors were on the faculty.

"One of the essential requirements to be successful in this community is a recogni-

Wayne Curry '72 tells his son Julian, "Rolling Daddy's a lot like trying to eat a porcupine." You get a mouthful of quills.

tion that you gotta' be able to accept and work with people, and not necessarily people who are like you, because this is a very diverse community," he says. "Being in the minority cadre teaches you to try to think about where the other guy's coming from. When you're in the majority, you don't have to think about that, and you don't. So I've been advantaged by that numerical minority status. I enjoyed being exposed to new people, new things and an environment that was different from the one I grew up in."

Steve Colyer turned him onto psychology, and Curry originally wanted to become a behavioral psychologist—some might say he did.

"I have been eternally fascinated with Colyer's intellect and his ability to take a somewhat cynical and nonparticipatory guy like me and actually turn me on to something that I really enjoyed. I've always appreciated that," Curry says. "And there's been lots of opportunity to employ what I've learned about what makes people do what they do."

Political Science Professor Bob Weber remembers how he and Colyer empathized with Curry. "We both grew up in city schools and we had culture shock ourselves when we came here," he says. "Wayne was in a lot of anguish about what to do with his life. He felt an obligation to the community and how best to serve it, and it was a question of whether to work within the black community or go out and represent it. I think politics fit the bill to fulfill both goals."

Pressed Colyer: "One of the things that impressed me was that he wanted to get into politics for the best reasons—to help the people of his county reap the benefits of the American system," he says. "It never impressed me that he wanted to go into politics for power, unless that power would serve the people he represents."

Curry got a job in the P.G. County Executive's office as a "letter-writing grunt" after his cross-country odyssey in the VW Bug. He would look up from his cubbyhole every day and see well-suited



HARVEY LITTLE

lawyers wearing alligator shoes and carrying nice briefcases. "I met a few of them and concluded, 'My God, if they can do it, I can do it.'"

Curry graduated with honors from University of Maryland School of Law and established a practice in which he represented major corporations and famous athletes, including the late University of Maryland basketball player Len Bias.

And he doesn't just help out at home. A member of Western Maryland's Board of Trustees, Curry's résumé boasts a long list of civic activities in which he held positions of leadership, including past president of the Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce, board of directors of the Greater Washington Board of Trade, membership in the Black Democratic Council, director of the First American Bank of Maryland and more.

In 1991, he was awarded Prince George's of the Year, received the National Council of Christians and Jews Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award, the Central Child Development Center Service Award and the Prince George's County Public Schools Outstanding Education Leadership Award.

But he says the two jobs which best prepared him to be Prince George's County

Executive were the pet store he worked at in junior high and high school and the day-care that hired him after college.

"The day-care center job was something that reinforced your more or less pristine motivations—I enjoyed watching the kids learn, and it really was the pure form of doing something satisfying and productive," explains Curry. "The job in the pet shop was valuable because I had to clean cages by hand, and it's a perfect metaphor for what I have to do in terms of managing this government. You learn to deal with stuff."

Learning to deal with Curry is an education in the real world. "I try to give people a basis on which to figure me out, to show the right discriminators as Steve Colyer would say, and reward the right performances," says Curry.

But don't try to psych him out. At home on his own turf in his brand-new county executive's office, Curry looks down at his son Julian who has just toddled in and says, "Rolling Daddy's a lot like trying to eat a porcupine isn't it? You've got to get him on his back first. And then what do you get? A mouth full of quills."

Curry sighs and chuckles. It's been a tough road, and there'll be more challenges ahead. But he'll get where he wants to go. ●

*Ed Cline '70 Plays Pinch Hitter
Behind the Scenes at Oriole Park*

The Stadium Game

BY KIM ASCH



he game starts for Ed Cline a good two hours before pitcher Mike Mussina takes the mound. Behind the scenes, Cline is cruising Oriole Park at Camden Yards talking to vendors, checking out bathrooms, sizing up the parking lot and stealing a few seconds to watch batting practice.

If you are one of the 48,000 fans at today's sold-out game, you probably don't notice Cline, a trim guy in his forties dressed like many of the businessmen who cut out of work early for an afternoon at the ballpark.

But if you caught a ride on the train, satisfied your craving for an Italian sausage, found your seat freshly painted and the aisles free of trash, it's because Ed Cline and his staff are ahead this inning.

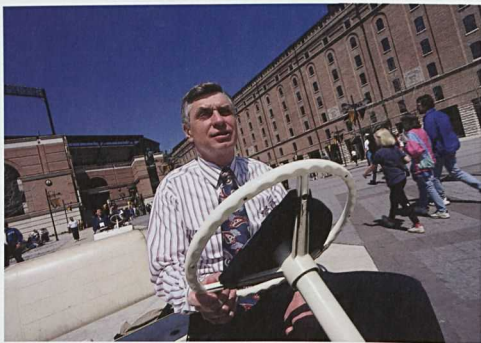
As Deputy Director of the Maryland Stadium Authority, Cline '70 is the star pinch hitter in an ongoing face-off with Murphy's Law. Third in command of the state organization, behind Chairman John Moag and Executive Director Bruce Hoffman, Cline supervised efforts to secure financing for the stadium and was a key player in each phase of the project. Now his team is responsible for maintaining this jewel of a baseball diamond and for making sure fans are dazzled by its good looks and friendly feel.

About 2,400 people work each ballgame. Like an All-Star coach, Cline pulls together disparate entities—the Orioles, the cleaning company, the concessionaire, the parking operator, security and the Mass Transit Administration—and motivates players to work together.

While you finish your first beer and throw your hands high as the human wave sweeps the stands, you're probably oblivious to Ed Cline. But he is watching over the stadium, anticipating the next curve ball.

Deputy Director of the Maryland Stadium Authority Ed Cline works in the field of his dreams as manager of Oriole Park at Camden Yards.





Ed Cline takes a golf cart to scout out the stadium before a game.

Winning Streak

From his perch on the bridge that connects the stadium's private club level to the Warehouse, behind the right field foul pole, Cline surveys the park and smiles with satisfaction. A sports fan since he saw his first Orioles game at age nine, Cline is a true believer in teamwork. He doesn't take credit for the Stadium Authority's successes since he was recruited in 1986 to accomplish two major goals.

"One was to try and get an NFL team back in the area, and the other was to prevent another city from stealing the Orioles," Cline recalls. "This was just two years after the Colts left, and it was fresh in everybody's minds that sports teams do move around. There were plenty of other cities looking for a baseball team."

Cline had been deputy secretary of the State Department of Licensing—at 34, the youngest deputy secretary ever appointed in Maryland—when he was asked by then-Governor Harry Hughes to create a new agency, the Maryland Stadium Authority. He rented space at the World Trade Center, hired a couple of secretaries and began scouting for talent to round out the team.

Ten years later, not only have Cline and his colleagues at the Stadium Authority kept the Orioles in Baltimore, but they've built a cozy nest that no bird would soon want to leave. The team at the Stadium Authority scored again this winter; overcoming an upsetting defeat in 1993 when it lost a bid for an NFL expansion team, it brought the Ravens—formerly the Cleveland Browns—home to roost.

But this latest victory feels more like a bases-loaded walk than a grand slam. "Our jubilation is tempered by the fact that it should have been an expansion team and

Baltimore should have been playing this past season," Cline says. "The NFL forced Baltimore to talk to teams from other cities. No one wanted to follow that route knowing what it felt like when the Colts left us."

Cline lived in Westminster for one year as a child and used to watch the Colts practice during the summers at Western Maryland. "I still have my little scrapbook with all the autographs I collected," he muses. As a WMC student, he would take breaks from summer school classes to watch the pros sweat through their lessons.

"It's great that the Ravens are going to the college for its summer camp," he says, referring to a recent one-year deal struck between WMC administrators and Ravens officials (see page 2 for story). "It's a chance for fans to get to know players one-on-one, and it's a good opportunity for people to get to know Western Maryland."

Cline believes having a professional NFL team back in Baltimore will be good for the state, as well.

"I have a real strong belief that cities are the foundation of all the activity in a region," says Cline, who earned a master's in urban planning from Morgan State University in 1975. Even then he believed Baltimore needed a new stadium and chose that topic for his thesis project. Later, in 1984, he earned a master of policy sciences in economics and completed all the course work for a Ph.D. at University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

"Cities are how people identify themselves—when I go away and people ask me where I'm from, I say 'Baltimore,'" continues Cline, who lives with his wife and three children about half-an-hour's drive from the city. "Professional sports teams do represent cities and help create the image of a city.

You can't put a dollars and cents value on it, but it is meaningful."

Now the Stadium Authority team eyes another trophy—the \$200 million football arena to be built adjacent to Camden Yards. "It will be similar in look and feel to Camden Yards, not quite a brother but a cousin," says Cline, who works along with architects and engineers on the project. "The expectations are so high after Camden Yards."

A Record to Beat

Small wonder, with the kind of emotional response the space evokes.

"Oriole Park at Camden Yards is a ballpark, not an impersonal concrete cookie-cutter clone of scores of stadiums with off-putting fortress-like facades which are pock marks on the urban scape of America," says Ira Zepp, professor emeritus of religious studies. He will include the stadium in a new chapter of his book on "sacred spaces," those places he defines as feeling different from the ordinary.

"You walk into that ballpark and you know you're in a different space," says Zepp, who officiated when Cline married Susan Robertson '70 one week before graduation. "The new old-fashioned park is a baseball village square, a return to the golden age of the sport when it was unashamedly our national pastime for kids of all ages."

On Eutaw Street, visitors are milling around Boog Powell's barbecue stand and the other food carts serving upscale treats like Italian sausage, microbrew beers, frozen yogurt and gourmet pretzels.

The concessions are staffed mostly by non-profit organizations whose members volunteer to work a game and donate the money they earn.

"Some of the great things about the stadium happened by accident," says Cline, who eats his fill of favorites like crabcakes and pizza during the season. "Nobody figured out that Eutaw Street would be this active. They were trying to figure out what to do there if we kept the Warehouse. It started with Boog's barbecue and every year more stands were added."

Ed knows everybody, it's incredible. From Peter Angelos down to the ushers, he knows every one of them.'

—Susan Robertson Cline '70

Parking spaces are filling up, so the lot umpire calls to make flip signs over the highway to direct fans to find alternative spots for their cars.

The promenade sports as much action as the field, a place to see and be seen. Cline wanders through, waving to vendors, ushers and security people. He stops to check the score on the enormous, electronic video board and winces. There's only so much Cline and his Stadium Authority team can do to please the crowd.

After so many seasons, some good and some bad, Cline hasn't outgrown his enthusiasm for the game.

"He's always been a fan of sports in general, but especially of baseball," says wife Susan, a high school math teacher. "He's extremely lucky to find a job in life that he truly loves. It's a job he's willing to spend hours doing because it's not really work to him."

Occasionally the Clines and their kids buy tickets—even an MVP like Ed doesn't get them for free—and catch a game together.

"I like to go to people-watch. I often don't know what's going on with the game," confesses Susan. "Ed's a real statistician and now our son is, too. They have these unbelievable memories for players' names and their career records."

Cline is also happy to share the stats on Oriole Park at Camden Yards, which show the stadium is a significant economic boon to Baltimore.

A survey by the Baltimore Planning Department revealed that nearly half of the fans at Oriole Park come from outside the Baltimore metropolitan area. About 60,000 people tour the stadium each year in addition to the 3.5 million who attend games. Each game fills 660 downtown hotel rooms and more than one-third of the people who go to games visit restaurants, bars or tourist attractions such as the Inner Harbor. Downtown Baltimore tourism increased by 12 percent when Camden Yards opened in 1992.

Now Cline heads down to the Stadium Authority's nerve center, below field level. It's a dreary space compared to the new digs in the Warehouse where Cline and some of his colleagues have offices overlooking the stadium. The place is buzzing



with game-time energy. Cline checks in with security then eavesdrops on dispatcher Jackie Forbes, who is fielding trouble calls.

"You have a bathroom that's flooding? Well have you taken your swimming lessons yet?" she jokes with a caller from the cleaning crew. "Oh, well, we'll come rescue you... Jerone we've got a commode that needs first aid, bring your water wings."

This is not always fun work. "People think I have a glamorous job, but much of it is worrying about the trash and clogged toilets," quips Cline, who recalls a water pressure problem the first opening day at Camden Yards when he had to deal with exploding toilets. He also took charge of a recycling effort prompted by a law then-State Senator Gerald Winegrad '66 helped pass. Now 22 percent of the 1,500 tons of trash generated each year gets recycled.

In the fourth inning, Cline takes a break from the rounds, ducking into an opening on the club level terrace next to the Governor's skybox. It's another of his favorite vantage points.

"This is a good place to stop and check out the game, maybe watch an inning or two, and see who the Governor's lending his box to. It might be somebody I know in state government so I'll stop by and say 'Hi,'" says Cline, who's on a first-name basis with top-level bureaucrats as well as

parking attendants.

"Ed knows everybody; it's incredible," muses wife Susan. "From Peter Angelos to the ushers, he knows every one of them."

Before this job, he would go to Memorial Stadium, buy a bag of peanuts and a beer and watch the entire game without budging. Now he rarely gets to watch the whole way through, but even for these few minutes all of his senses are devoted to the game. He groans when an Oriole strikes out. "We better keep moving," he suggests. "We're not bringing them any luck."

Fans begin to pack up during the seventh inning, already knowing how the game will end. The O's lose today. But Ed Cline and his team have won their contest, which won't be over for another hour or so.

Lost children will be matched with parents. The 100-person cleaning crew will create its own wave, blowing the trash from the stands down to the front row, then sorting and bagging it. And after the concessionaires pack up, most of the leftovers will be donated to a group that feeds the homeless.

Early in the season, Ed Cline likes to watch all the games, catching those he doesn't have to work on TV. "In another month I'm going to be tired of baseball," he predicts.

Just in time for football. ●

Four Stars

Alumni Give Thumbs Up to Public TV Careers



Jonathan Slade '88, Bonnie Grady '91 and Craig Singhaus '78 are members of the creative team at Maryland Public Television.



PHOTOS BY KURT HOLTZER

These are the stories of four very different WMC graduates who have converged under one roof at Maryland Public Television. Helen Jean Burn '49, now retired but still working on freelance assignments, has written and produced countless historical documentaries. Jonathan Slade '88 writes, directs and produces humorous yet educational children's specials. As coordinator of the station's internship program, Bonnie Grady '91 helps students get experience in the field while producing a live program which features events happening around the state. And Craig Singhaus '78 takes the wheel of everything from classic Mustangs to the Oscar Meyer Wienermobile as a feature reporter for *MotorWeek*. What they all have in common is a liberal arts education from Western Maryland College, an experience they say prepared them for creative careers.

Walking on Sonnets

Helen Jean Burn '49, known to classmates as Jan Riggs Rogers, went to work in television in 1963, first at WJZ and later at Maryland Public Television. Over the years she's collected two dozen awards, including an Emmy and a Special Gold Medal from the New York International Film, Television and Video Festival in the Best Writing category, which had 3,057 entries from 29 countries. She taught writing part time in the Johns Hopkins Writing Seminars, at Towson State University's mass communication department and in the TSU English department's Master's in Writing program. Burn has published two books and has sold fiction and articles to Redbook, McCall's, Seventeen and various newspapers. She has five children and four grandchildren and is in the middle of writing two books. She writes about her years at Western Maryland:

During my years at Western Maryland College, I had a recurring dream. Again and again I found myself traveling down from "the Hill" toward Ward Memorial Arch, moving over a marvelous pavement: The squares were incised with the words of poems. In some of the dreams I could recognize lines, "Earth has not anything to show more fair or Bare, ruin'd choirs where late the sweet birds sang." At other times I flew over the pavement too quickly, as if being rushed away from school and into the world. On those mornings, I awakened sad.

My entry into college had been untypical. After high school graduation, I'd been ill and wasn't able to begin freshman year until the second semester. My adviser was the English Department Chair, Dr. George S. Wills, a soft-spoken elderly man with a gentle gaze that made me want to do wonderful work for him. When he saw my high school grades, he told me to skip freshman English and choose another course in its place. In one of those seemingly random choices that career your life into a mad new byway, I picked his course in creative writing.

The dream began during that semester. After hours spent in exhilarating classes, it was not surprising to find myself, in sleep, wandering over paths of marvelous words. The lectures and reading aroused a voracious curiosity. Classics, history, art, music,



library science, I wanted to know everything, and fortunately Western Maryland's commitment to liberal education allowed students the freedom to explore the whole world of learning.

This freedom wasn't rampant; rather, it was monitored. When Dr. Wills sensed jeopardy, he insisted that I stop using every spare minute for reading and get some balance into my life. "Don't spend all your time in the library," he said. "Take up a sport." I shuddered, so he made me promise to start going for a walk every day. I did, but even then I was, in my own mind, seeing the words of sonnets as I moved. And I signed up for everything I could get, some semesters carrying 20 credits.

During one of my weekends at home, my father requested an explanation for the tuition bill trembling in his hand. He wondered what in the world I expected to do with music appreciation, astronomy, survey of English literature, Greek and folk dancing. How I long to slip back through that half century and tell him: "Dad, I really needed it. I have literally used every scrap."

Witlessly I was preparing myself for a job I didn't even know existed: public television documentarian. If my decades of TV assign-

ments came back to me in the form of that recurring dream, the paving blocks would say: "Write an hour special on comets by next Tuesday; do the pilot for a financial show we're going to call 'Wall Street Week'; write a classroom telelesson on the Bill of Rights in the form of a teenage drama; do a college credit course on world geography; document a family's voyage around the world; research, script and produce the history of Maryland from early settlement to the Civil War and the Great Depression; and on one of your vacations do five hour-long specials live from China, making sure to include the history, culture, education, art crafts, and T'ai Chi."

Western Maryland's liberal education did far more than teach me a broad range of subject matter; it taught me how to learn whatever I needed to know after I passed down "the Hill" and through that Memorial Arch. And I'm convinced that, no matter what the major, today's college students need exactly that sort of training. They may, like me, be unknowingly preparing for a job that doesn't yet exist. Further, whatever field they are consciously preparing for is going to have changed by

Helen Jean Burn says her liberal arts education taught her how to learn, an essential skill for researching and writing documentaries.

the time they get there, and it will change even more as they work in it. To be successful they will need to know how to educate themselves for the rest of their lives.

That's true in every discipline and especially in any sort of writing. Word processing as a computer function is a delusion. It doesn't matter how fast you can type if you haven't anything to say. Writing well requires a rich supply of ideas, and ideas spring up in brains that get plenty of exercise. Similarly, no spell-checking software comes complete with an ear for the beauty of a clear English sentence. The best writers are invariably compulsive readers of very good books.

Yet even the well-schooled and articulate may find life's path at times becomes a nightmare. For that we need another outcome of the truly liberal education: gleaming from the wise in library and classroom some sense of how to live. How to survive the stresses. How to keep the balance. When to close the book and take a walk.

HELEN JEAN BURN

Forest for the Trees: *Jonathon Slade '88 and His Big Picture*

We are in a grocery store, Los Angeles, 1991, late at night. Jonathon Slade stares at a wall of milk cartons. His hairstyle reveals his stress; too wired to relax in a pony tail, the blond strands fray out seeking new direction. Nothing has gone right for the aspiring filmmaker today. Slade grabs a quart of half-percent lite milk with one hand and a gallon of skim milk with the other, weighing them like the scales of justice.

SLADE (muttering)
I can't believe I'm agonizing over this.

**CUT TO: EXTERIOR
THE NEXT MORNING**
A Hollywood studio lot. Driving a beat-up 11-year-old Toyota, Slade circles several times before finally parking in a fire lane.

CUT TO: INTERIOR
Slade enters a production trailer crammed full of books and sweating interns. A nervous co-worker pulls him aside.

ASSISTANT PRODUCER
Jonathan, did you buy that milk in the fridge?

SLADE (annoyed)
Sure. You asked me yesterday to get it and I brought it in late last night so it would be here this morning when Ron wanted his coffee.

ASSISTANT PRODUCER
What were you thinking? You know the drill—it's a quart of skim milk, not half-percent lite milk. Ron's really annoyed. He'd like to see you in his office.



**CUT TO: INTERIOR
RON'S OFFICE**

RON (leaning back in leather desk chair)
Jonathan, I'm very disappointed in you. You're aware that with my high-stress job and family history I'm a heart attack waiting to happen. Your responsibility as production assistant is to make sure the producer is happy, which starts with my morning pot of coffee. And you bring me that artery-clogging *leche* that'll send me straight to the operating table for a bypass. I want a quart of skim milk in the refrigerator when I arrive on Monday mornings. Skim milk, not

Jonathon Slade left Hollywood to find creative freedom at MPT.

half-percent lite milk! And not a pint, not a gallon—a quart! Is that clear?

SLADE
Look, I'd just finished a 12-hour day and there were no quarts of skim milk at the store. What would you have done?

RON (Dead serious)
I'd have gone to another store.

'I told him that if he was going to be a first-rank filmmaker, he absolutely didn't need to make it in Hollywood—he could do his project wherever he could get his hands on a camera.'

—English Professor Bob Sapora

The scene, so absurd it could be straight from a Hollywood spoof, happened while Slade was working on "Doogie Howser, M.D.," a former prime-time television series.

After three years at University of Southern California, among the country's top film and television schools, Slade was a poorly paid, glorified errand boy. He put in 10- and 12-hour days and carried a beeper so he could be called upon to buy the producer Pepto Bismol or to rush to a used book store to look up a fact that may or may not have been included in a future script.

Most frustrating to Slade was that industry insiders and film school faculty told him he should be happy: His was a tough job to get and there were plenty of film school graduates eager to take his place.

Slade was miserable and his future had seemed so bright. Valedictorian of his class at Westminster High School, he attended Western Maryland on full scholarship and served as editor of *The Phoenix*, the student newspaper. At graduation, he received the Argonaut Award, the college's highest academic honor, and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, a national honor society. Then he successfully competed against thousands of applicants to earn a coveted slot in USC's school of cinema-television.

Before he left for California, *The Carroll County Times* printed a story about Slade predicting he'd follow in the footsteps of film greats like Alfred Hitchcock and Orson Welles. He felt the pressure.

This is how Scene one ends: Slade's life suddenly comes into focus while he is being scolded by his producer for buying the wrong milk. (If he were a cartoon character, a light bulb would flash over his head.) He realizes Hollywood—where everyone seems to live out of boxes with a temporary apartment lease, waiting for the elusive big break—isn't for him. He tells his boss to shove it, and just like in the movies, the producer shouts after him down the hall, "By the end of the week you'll be begging for your job back!"

The script of Jonathan Slade's life reads like a fable: Small-town boy pursues fame and fortune in Tinseltown but is disillusioned

along the way. He returns home to prove that cinematic "success" can be his. His way. Here.

"I called Bob Sapora from L.A. and told him I'd just quit my job," recalls Slade.

Sapora, upbeat and empathetic on the phone, asked, "What is it you really want to do?"

Voice quavering, Slade explained, "I really want to write and direct feature films. But I don't want to live in L.A."

Sapora, the teacher who turned Slade on to filmmaking, didn't skip a beat: "You can make a movie anywhere," he said. "Come home."

Small Screen Success

Sapora remembers that telephone call: "I told him that if he was going to be a first-rank filmmaker, he absolutely didn't need to make it in Hollywood—he could do a project wherever he could get his hands on a camera."

Slade packed up his car and drove back East. Producing an independent film requires money, so Slade took a job at Maryland Public Television, which employed him during summer breaks while he was in graduate school. He was hired in the development division to produce live, on-air pledge drives—a not-very-creative, but essential, job at a station that relies on viewers' donations.

But here Slade's talent was noticed and appreciated.

Soon he was producing occasional segments for "Outdoors Maryland." An episode that included his segment about local polo players won a regional Emmy Award in 1994.

He also cowrote, coproduced and edited "Gone But Not Forgotten," a documentary featuring Maryland's streetcars, old amusement parks and movie theaters from the 1930s through the 1960s. It was one of the highest-rated regional productions ever to air on MPT and helped raise more than \$80,000 in two weeks when it was used as a "thank you" gift to donors during a pledge drive.

The *City Paper* declared the program Baltimore's Best Locally Produced TV Show; it also won the Cine Golden Eagle for outstanding historical documentary and

was nominated for a regional Emmy. Its popularity prompted a sequel highlighting Maryland's sporting history from the 1930s to the 1960s.

When Slade came up with a zany idea for a half-hour children's special he wanted to write, produce and edit, programming manager Ann Engelman reserved valuable air time for a show about which she knew almost nothing.

"Sometimes when you see talent you just have to have some faith and go with your gut," says Engelman. "I believe in Jonathan, he's an up-and-coming producer. I went out on a limb and he rose to the occasion."

The special follows children's program host Bob the Vid Tech as he frantically searches for runaway pet Sid the Vid Fish at Baltimore's National Aquarium. It too was nominated for a regional Emmy.

In February, Slade completed "A Vid Kid Fable: The Day the World Stayed in Bed," a half-hour children's special, this time written in Dr. Seuss-style verse.

It might have taken 20 years of working in L.A. for Slade to be allowed the creative and technical freedom he is afforded at Maryland Public Television. But then MPT is as different from Hollywood as "Mr. Roger's Neighborhood" is from "Melrose Place."

"Everybody knows everybody and it makes for a nice work situation. I think you're much more appreciated at a place like this than in Hollywood," says 16-year MPT veteran Marilyn Phillips, who coproduced "Gone But Not Forgotten."

Slade was so appreciated after just several months on the job that he was granted a two-month leave of absence in 1992 for a stint as an Academy of Television Arts and Sciences writing trainee on "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine."

Slade struggled over whether to return to Hollywood, but the opportunity was too good to pass.

"I made a pact with myself that if I went out there and hated it, I'd turn around and come back to a place I like where I'm even paid more," says Slade.

'I'd rather work on something much smaller in scale and have it be totally mine. Here at MPT they leave me alone and let me do my stuff. Here they trust me.'

—Jonathan Slade '88

The "Star Trek" gig was a great experience. Each week he read between 10 and 15 unsolicited scripts sent by freelance writers and creative "Trekkies" and then wrote "coverages" on them, summarizing the plot and indicating whether he would recommend the writer or the story. He sat in on pitch sessions in which story ideas were presented and sessions in which plots were constructed on dry erase boards.

"It was really refreshing after 'Doogie Howser' to be treated like a human being," Slade says. But even though L.A. seemed OK to visit, Slade's second sojourn convinced him that he didn't want to work or live there.

"The writers there were more like court stenographers than they were writers," he explains. "The producer would come in and whack away at their scripts until they were shreds."

The lifestyle still held no appeal. "In L.A., I worked for a bunch of single, divorced people. They would send me out to buy birthday gifts for their kids and then have me ship a box off to Oregon without even seeing what I got," recalls Slade, who grew up on a farm near Westminster. "They were angry people, and I didn't want to end up like them."

Life at the quiet public television station—the nation's fourth largest—situated on a wooded lot in Owings Mills suits Slade fine.

"I'd rather work on something much smaller in scale and have it be totally mine," he says. "Here at MPT they leave me alone and let me do my stuff. Here they trust me."

They also expect big things.

"We always joke around here and tell Jonathan we want his autograph," says coworker Phillips. "He certainly has the talent to do anything he sets his mind to. He could be the next Ken Burns."

Big Picture

Talk of success and super stardom bothers a superstitious, sometimes insecure, creative type like Slade.

"I don't want to jinx it," he says about his film, on which he's worked every spare moment for the last year. He doesn't reveal much about "Forest for the Trees," not a

documentary, but a fictional story about a group of college friends who reunite for a cycling trip and discover truths about themselves, each other and life.

"The script shows the richness of Jonathan's understanding of the pressures and pains and traumas of the late 20th century for people of his age," Sapora says. "He also demonstrates his artistic confidence in the strength of his audience and doesn't at every turn choose a real simple stereotype. He's willing to create characters who are complicated and quirky and who have their own weaknesses as well as being one of us."

Shooting began last October after Slade advertised in Baltimore's *City Paper* recruiting actors who "aspire to be paid absolutely nothing but want to have a lot of fun" and actually got enough response to hold auditions.

Sapora volunteers his time as cinematographer, who operates the camera, and WMC students act as crew, carting equipment, building sets and prompting lines. This is not a mega-budget Hollywood blockbuster—there's no recent film school grad to make the coffee.

"It's all shot on my credit card because once somebody gives you money for a film, they have the right to tell you how to make it. I only answer to MasterCard and Visa," says Slade, who teaches film courses part time at WMC. "My mom cooks pasta to feed the cast and crew, and my uncle builds my camera dollies."

Sapora couldn't be happier for his former student, or for himself.

"Working on this film is like I've died and gone to heaven. It's the thing I look forward to most," says the teaching veteran. He even postponed a hernia operation because he didn't want to miss a weekend shoot. "Most other films don't share the excitement, joy and creativity that this one does."

As a director, Slade enthusiastically seeks input from everyone on the set. He doesn't let his writer's ego interfere and is willing to veer from the script to let the actors develop a scene. "He listens to suggestions and then makes his own call. He strikes a balance between creative invitation and

being in control," Sapora observes.

Slade hopes to finish the project by fall in time to enter it in Robert Redford's Sundance Film Festival, the big event where independent filmmakers go to be seen and find distributors. "The Brothers McMullen," a 1995 sleeper hit, was screened at Sundance.

"I almost want to be 100 percent low-key about the film before it comes out, because what if it doesn't?" cautions the fatalistic Slade, who is in the next breath self-assured. "It'll get done. And once it's finished and I show it, it's out of my hands. It's like a child, you have to let it go out into the world and let people react to it. That's the greatest feeling. Unless they start throwing tomatoes."

Sapora predicts many successful sequels to Jonathan Slade's first big picture.

"Some might say it was the wrong decision for Jon to leave Hollywood, but I think it was right," Sapora says. "He's done what I would wish for all young filmmakers. It's the healthiest thing—he's taking the risks and doing his film out of his own creative vision."

—KIM ASCH

Made for Television: Bonnie Grady '91 Lives Her Happy Ending

Bonnie Grady thought she was content with her successful leather goods business until she went to the cable access station run by WMC to make training videos for her employees and caught "the bug."

"I fell in love with television production. I sold my business and enrolled at Western Maryland College," says Grady '91. This was quite a step for the rather reserved woman who had always measured herself by what she believed she couldn't accomplish rather than what she could.

Grady grew up in a broken home during a time when divorce didn't happen, and if they did, certainly no one talked about it.

A short-lived marriage at 17 shattered her hopes for the perfect American family she missed in her youth. A newborn baby—she realized she was pregnant at her high school graduation—would certainly rule out any hopes of attending college.

But, here she was, 37 years old and a college student. She pursued her career goals with the doggedness of a survivor.

For the next several years she "lived, breathed, ate and slept TV," she recalls. "I joined professional organizations and did anything that would put me around TV. I knew I had finally found my niche."

The support and encouragement she received as a nontraditional student at WMC was key. "The professors were all wonderful, but in addition to the classroom experience, I was given the freedom to explore my craft beyond the boundaries of Western Maryland College," says Grady. In fact, an internship program for communication majors she spearheaded and a college-sponsored trip to New York for the taping of the "Cosby Show" ultimately led to her current success.

Her attempt to begin an internship program for WMC communication majors at Maryland Public Television (MPT) was unsuccessful but resulted in her first job in television.

The internship program fell through, "but they said they were so impressed with my presentation, they hired me for a temporary job as associate producer of a live three-hour telethon," she recalls. "It was the summer before my senior year. I was scared to death."

Her nerves didn't hurt her performance, however, because she was hired at the station after graduation and for the last five years has produced "MPT On Location." The show provides live coverage of events around Maryland, from craft fairs to historical re-enactments. Grady is responsible for selecting what to cover from the more than 100 invitations she receives each week. Then she sets and oversees the production schedule.

When she found herself in the position of needing employees, but without the budget to afford them, she began taking interns and now heads the internship program at MPT. She has worked with more than 200 interns over the last six years and

says it has been the most gratifying aspect of her job.

"Mentoring has such a profound impact on my success that I want to be able to do the same for others," she says. Of course, Grady admits that Western Maryland students are her favorite to place. "I know the caliber of student I will be getting."

In addition to her work at MPT, Grady also is co-owner of Baltimore-based Hey Hon Productions, Inc. "We wanted a name people wouldn't forget," she explains. Her partner is Donna Quante, a former "Cosby Show" camera operator and acquaintance of Grady's made through membership in Women in Film and Video of Maryland.

Bonnie Grady '91 mentors interns, some from WMC, who aspire to careers in television.

They recently completed a pilot for a national interactive country music video program that provides Internet access to celebrity information, related merchandise and video clips. Their latest project, a screen adaptation of a book, is a story about life lessons learned by two young boys in a rural town.

Grady has met many interesting people through her work, including a long list of celebrities, but that exciting aspect of her job isn't what she loves best.

"What's most rewarding for me is that I have a job I love, put out a product I can



KURT HOUTER

be proud of and through the internship program am able to provide experience to others just starting out," she explains.

She still lives, breathes and eats TV. "I am fortunate in that my work is also my hobby. It gets hectic sometimes, but I never grow tired of it."

As Grady sits in her newly-renovated Westminster home—which matches her refurbished life—she reflects upon her accomplishments.

"It took me a long time to get here, but it was well worth the wait," says Grady, whose happily-ever-after story couldn't have been scripted better. "Life is a series of dreams. All you need is the passion to achieve them. If I ever stop dreaming, then I'll know that it's over. I always want to have something to dream about."

—VALERIE MEHL

Editor's Note: As the completion of this issue of The Hill we learned that Bonnie Grady has accepted a new position as General Manager of Prestige Cablevision CV3 of Maryland.

'MotorWeek' Hot Dog: Planes, Cars and Wienermobiles— Craig Singhaus '78 Drives Them All

He's raced a truck over the Mexican desert, piloted a World War II fighter plane and tools around town in the classic cars.

He even cuts the mustard driving the Oscar Meyer Wienermobile.

His name is Singhaus, Craig Singhaus. The James Bond-like adventures are all in a day's work for the feature reporter from Maryland Public Television's nationally syndicated *MotorWeek*.

"I'm the luckiest person in the world because I've been able to combine my two loves—show biz and cars," says the gregarious daredevil, who hosts the program's "Taking the High Road" segment. "I've

gotten to live out most of my fantasies about automobiles and airplanes."

Produced at MPT's Owings Mills headquarters, *MotorWeek* reviews the latest offerings from the car industry, a kind of *Consumer Reports* for television. Singhaus' segments take a lively look at vehicles and the people who love them, reporting on everything from amateur racing school to airplane pilots who battle in simulated dog fights to the Oscar Meyer Wienermobile's national tour.

"Ironically, the thing I'm best known for is driving the world's fastest 28-foot-long hot dog," says Singhaus '78, who has just come off duty as a celebrity waiter for an American Diabetes Association event held in Westminster. "I still think it's hysterical that people think of me as a celebrity at all."

Singhaus is often recognized by automobile aficionados as he travels across the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe for *MotorWeek*, which airs on 124 commercial and 119 public stations. He's talked to hundreds of people in the course of his work, but he sometimes still catches himself gushing.

"I'm in awe of automobile personalities," he admits. "I try to be professional but sometimes I think, 'Oh my gosh, it's Stirling Moss.'"

It dawned on Singhaus that he'd hit the big time when fans started calling his Reisterstown home at odd hours to ask for car advice. But for this self-confessed ham, needing an unlisted telephone number is not much of a downside. His job wasn't always this much fun.

MotorWeek has been on the air for 15 years. For the first seven, Singhaus worked in a not-so-glamorous or well-paid spot behind the scenes. "I started out picking up cones and washing cars," he says, noting that he made \$13,000 in his first year.

Though he's still not getting rich on public TV—he supplements his income by conducting training sessions for car salespeople—Singhaus is incredulous at his own good fortune. Like a winner at Emmy night, he runs down a list of people he credits for putting his career in overdrive, starting with *MotorWeek* host John Davis, who gave Singhaus his shot in front of the camera.

Singhaus earned college tuition working summers and holiday breaks at the Westminster Coca Cola bottling plant. He was hired there by former owners Byrd and Allan Roadcap and Frank and Sophie Libman '37 Ex, "even when they didn't really need me," he says. "If it weren't for them, I wouldn't have been able to go to Western Maryland."

Professors Bill Tribby, Tim Weinfield, Max Dixon and Christian Wittwer in the theatre department, as well as English Professor Bob Sapora, were among the faculty who gave Singhaus the liberal arts education he says prepared him for what any all-American boy would agree is the best job in the world.

"These were some magic teachers who brought the curriculum alive. Their enthusiasm was infectious and carried over to me. I learned to learn," he explains. "So when the opportunity came to start writing segments and to be creative for the production side of *MotorWeek*, my abilities came from my liberal arts background."

Singhaus is one of three full-time WMC alumni currently working at MPT. Bonnie Grady '91 is a producer and runs the internship program, and Jonathan Slade '88 writes, produces and directs documentaries and children's specials, as well as the station's pledge drives. Helen Jean Burn '49 retired but continues to produce documentaries on a freelance basis, and the late George Gipe '55 started at MPT before hitting it big in Hollywood with a script for *Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid* starring Steve Martin.

"Maryland Public Television's philosophy dovetails very nicely with Western Maryland's philosophy," says Singhaus. "Both have a multidisciplinary approach. The nice thing about MPT is because it's a nonunion shop, anybody can do anything—from writing to producing to working in the scene shop. You don't get locked into one thing and very often you're called upon to stretch your talents. At WMC I learned how to be adaptable and in this business that's what you have to be."

Of course, he would have learned even more had he not been reading car magazines in the back row of some of his classes. "I'd listen to [psychology professor] Howard Orenstein give a lecture while leafing through my *Hot Rod*," he confesses. "Now

'Maryland Public Television's philosophy dovetails very nicely with Western Maryland's philosophy—both have a multidisciplinary approach.'

—Craig Singhaus '78

I wish I'd paid more attention because then I'd understand my boss better."

Orenstein, who remembers Singhaus for his keen sense of humor, sees it like this:

"I suppose if he didn't take my class, he wouldn't have studied his magazines so carefully, so I guess I had a positive influence on his career."

Singhaus has delighted in playing the part of the class clown since high school, when it became clear that he would not gain popularity as a sports star. "I failed at both wrestling and football," says the blond, fit 40 year old. "So if you can't be a jock and wow 'em on Saturdays, then make them all laugh in study hall."

Being a theatre major and a car enthusiast weren't considered the coolest hobbies on campus either, but Singhaus has never been afraid to be himself. "I was a serious gear-head and at that time—even though we weren't using the term yet—it was politically incorrect. We were in the middle of the gas crisis and it was environmental sacrilege to be driving a fast car."

He commuted to "the Hill" from his parents' home in Eldersburg in his 1966 Mustang, the same set of wheels with which he now competes in Sportscar Club of America vintage racing and automotive hill climbs.

Despite his association with life's fast lane, Singhaus' personal life is far from racy. He is sponsored by Pennzoil, but refuses money from any taverns or alcohol manufacturers. Once he turned down the opportunity to interview a high-profile racing team because its vehicles all carried cigarette ads.

"A lot of teenage boys hold me as a role model because they think I have the best job, and I try not to be associated with things I don't believe in," explains Singhaus. His 15-year-old stepson Christopher is also a racing enthusiast and has even helped with *MotorWeek* segments. "I don't believe in mixing alcohol with motor sports."

Married four years ago, Singhaus says for once, all aspects of his life are in gear.

"Eventually you think, 'Well I've got the fastest car on Reisterstown Road, but it's not enough,'" he explains. "The education is paying off, the professional training is paying off and from a personal standpoint, I couldn't be happier." •

—KIM ASCH



Craig Singhaus '78 says he's been a "gearhead" since before college.

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Seniors Fired Up About Gift

If you find yourself munching on a hot grilled hamburger served at a party in Harvey Stone Park, you'll have the Class of 1996 to thank.

This year's Senior Pride fund-raising effort will assist in the installation of a brick barbecue for the popular gathering place. Seniors were asked to contribute \$19.96, and gifts have come in ranging from \$5 to \$200. The goal is \$1,500.

Phonathons, dormitory-to-dormitory solicitations and special receptions have helped the class bring in the dollars. This year's efforts are led by cochairs Tim Collins and Kathy Gaston, and the committee includes seniors Chad Albertson, Virgil Cain, Jim Clarus, Anne Fuller, Kim Haker, Holly Roback, Mary Ellen Sheehan and LaVita Westbrook.

An annual tradition, the Senior Pride campaign provides an opportunity to celebrate the

many individual and collective achievements of the graduating class during its years at WMC.

Media Lab Dedicated to Denman-West

An anonymous donor's \$50,000 gift launched a multi-phase program to enhance library media and technology resources available to area teachers, library media specialists and students.

The creation of a media/library science computer laboratory in WMC's Hoover Library will honor Dr. Margaret Denman-West of Cleveland, Ohio, who is credited with the development of the college's graduate program in media/library science and served as the program's first full-time coordinator until her retirement in 1991.

New multimedia computers will link to the Internet and provide an on-line communication between Western Mary-



(from left) Provost Joan Develin Coley, honoree Margaret Denman-West, Assistant Professor of Education Mona Kerby and President Robert Chambers snip the ribbon of Hoover Library's new technology lab.

land College and its educational partners in Carroll County—including area public schools and the county library system—and enhance WMC's graduate-level instruction in information technology. This new center is one of several program initiatives undertaken by the liberal arts college to

train experienced and prospective teachers in the use and applications of technology for enhanced instruction.

The specially designated room, to be named The Margaret Woods Denman-West Technology Suite, is located on the library's second floor convenient to the Curriculum Materials Center where teachers and students find classroom instructional resources including lesson plans, textbooks and the children's literature collection.

In the early '70s, WMC first offered the master's degree program in school library media to train elementary and secondary school media specialists. As the program's first full-time coordinator, Denman-West led the program from 1977, during which time it tripled in size and earned a statewide reputation for graduating outstanding media specialists. Graduates of this program are state certified at Level II, receiving both Generalist and Specialist classifications,

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1995-96 ANNUAL FUND

(as of May 10, 1996)

1995-96 ANNUAL FUND GOAL	\$1,200,000
Gifts/Pledges Received	\$ 990,125
Needed by June 30	\$ 209,875
New Gifts	891
Increased Gifts	729
Number of Donors	3,504

The end of the college's annual fund year is quickly approaching, and we need your help in order to meet this year's goal of \$1.2 million! Gifts received by June 30 will be credited to the 1995-96 Annual Fund. Many companies offer matching gift programs to their employees. For more information contact your personnel office or call the Office of Annual Giving at 410/857-2299.

Elizabeth Cahill and Sydney Deeds James, both '82 graduates, are creative in motivating classmates to support their alma mater.

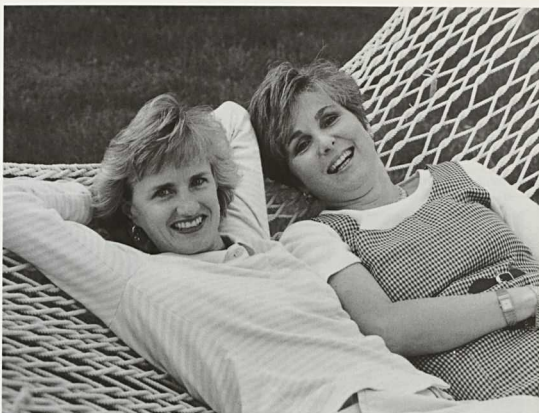
and are employed in school libraries throughout Maryland and southern Pennsylvania. Currently, more than 100 students are enrolled, and this program is the only one in the state to focus entirely on training school library media specialists in the K-12 environment.

Upon learning of this tribute, Denman-West said, "Actually the real 'heroes' are my students. Their encouragement and their enthusiasm for learning provided me with the fuel to try new technologies and to listen to their suggestions for incorporating new approaches to information. They opened the doors, I just entered them."

During her 14-year tenure, Denman-West held memberships on a wide range of committees, including the Library Advisory Committee for the \$10 million renovation and expansion of Hoover Library and as the Library's codirector from 1984-87.

She retired from the college in 1991 and was named to the honored faculty rank of associate professor of education emerita. That same year she also received the Maryland Educational Media Organization Distinguished Service Award. Denman-West holds degrees from both the University of Oklahoma and Central Missouri State University and earned her Ph.D. from Texas Woman's University.

She resides in Cleveland since retiring and enjoys being close to her son, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren.



MARK SWISHER

A Class Act

There once was an '82 grad who to the Annual Fund did not want to add. But the school needs dough, in order to grow, so please send in your checks, we'll be glad!

This is just one example of the continued creative efforts of more than 50 class agents who are responsible for soliciting donations from their classmates to support the needs of Western Maryland College. This year class agents have teamed up to raise \$1.2 million for the Annual Fund.

In order to recapture their classmates' attention and to keep the money coming in, these volunteers find themselves temporarily transformed into creative poets and novelists.

The limerick was penned by Class of '82 agents Sydney Deeds James and Elizabeth "Noot" Mathias Cahill. Classmates will recognize them for their creative, frequently humorous appeals for cash. We recently had an opportunity

to chat with them about their experiences as class agents on "the Hill."

How did you two get this job?

Sydney Deeds James attended a development meeting last year and volunteered for the

job. She then enlisted the help of her best friend since Whiteford Hall days, Noot Cahill.

"We are very happy to help out," Cahill says. "We still feel very close ties to WMC. The longer I'm out, the fonder I become of the people I had the pleasure of meeting there."



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Dedication of the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery was held April 19, when Chairman of the Board of Trustees M. Lee Rice '48 paid tribute to his artist wife. He has committed a \$400,000 gift to assist the college in its building program.



BETTY SCOTT

President Robert H. Chambers thanks Mary Huddle for endowing the David Huddle '52 Memorial Scholarship, awarded for the first time this year. Mary was one of many donors to attend the Endowed Scholarship Tea, an annual event that gives students a chance to meet their benefactors. About 150 such scholarships are awarded based on need to students who otherwise couldn't afford to attend Western Maryland College. For more information, call 410/857-2249.

James and Cahill still meet regularly for dinner with several of their former classmates and say they return to "the Hill" each year for Homecoming celebrations.

Why the funny letters?

"What else would you expect from us?" asks Cahill, who admits she and James earned a reputation for being class clowns.

Adds James, "Alums get so much mail from the college, we wanted to come up with a

way to make our letters stand out." It seems to be working. "Despite the financial pressure that many people our age face—mortgages, raising young children, etc.—our response rates are up."

An upcoming solicitation letter features some encouragement from a class agent impersonating Ravens football coach Ted Marchibroda: "It looks like the game is tied, there's less than a minute to play. It's fourth and one, and we have a chance to score. I'd be more than willing to allow the largest contributor in the Class of 1982 to have unlimited use of my personal skybox at any time. ..."

What brought each of you to Western Maryland?

Cahill's father, F. Kale Mathias, was a trustee for more than 25 years. "My three older brothers went to different colleges, so it was up to me," she jokes.

James, who lived in Columbia, Md., at the time, had narrowed her college choices down to Duke, University of North Carolina and Western Maryland. Both she and her husband Steve '82 are grateful she decided to stay closer to home, where they met on "the Hill."

What are your fondest memories of days on "the Hill?"

"Western Maryland College was its own mini community," says Cahill. "It was small enough that I got to know a lot of people very well. I remember Saturday mornings, we would all sit around and talk about what we did the night before. I got more than a good education at Western Maryland—when I look back, my days on 'the Hill' are among my happiest memories. I made lasting friendships."

James, a fine arts major, recalls her senior honors project of painting a 50-foot-long mural on the wall behind the swimming pool. Steve, then her boyfriend, "stood on the lifeguard stand holding an overhead projector that transferred my designs on the wall."

"And he still married her," quips Cahill.

What are you doing now?

Cahill, an English major, lives in Towson, Md., and is a part-time paralegal. She is married

to Robert E. Cahill Jr. and the mother of Dana, 6, and Emmett, 4. Sydney lives in Phoenix, Md., and works from home as a self-employed graphic designer. She has two children: Caitlin, 6, and Madeline, 6 months.

What impresses you most about Western Maryland College?

"It amazes me that a college with a comparatively small student body can produce so many productive people," says Cahill. "Everywhere I go I meet other graduates. They are doctors, chair the boards of prestigious companies, are excellent teachers or the vice presidents of successful businesses."

Adds James, "It makes you really appreciate what a good education we all received."

Any parting thoughts?

Cahill and James respond in unison, "Send us your check today!"

—Valerie Mehl

News

From Alumni

Tribute to Professor Richwine

Keith Norton Richwine, longtime teacher, a most valuable servant and dear friend of Western Maryland College, was born in Harrisburg, Pa., at the beginning of the Great Depression in a family of very modest means. Early on, Keith had to develop the habit of hard work, a habit that he continued his entire life. Following his graduation from Shippensburg University, from where he would go home every weekend to work, Keith served in the U.S. Army, then in the following years earned degrees from Penn State and the University of Pennsylvania. After teaching stints at West Virginia Wesleyan and Beaver College, he came to Western Maryland in 1962 to begin his 31 years as chair of the English Department. When I arrived in 1963, it was clear that Keith already had become a leader of the faculty who, over the years, would make varied and valuable contributions to the school: serving on major committees, directing the Freshman Colloquium, heading AAUP, helping to write the College's First Principles—on and on the list could go.

Keith had so many loves in his life that it is about a certainty that he was never bored. That he loved his wife Eleanor was always obvious. She was often the subject of his talk;



PETER HOWARD

Keith Norton Richwine, professor emeritus of English, is remembered for his hearty laugh, his enormous heart and his love of life.

she was the E of the K and E at the bottom of all those witty post cards that we received from their European vacations and American excursions.

Keith loved 20th century literature, especially American and British authors. Not only did he read these people, but he assembled a most impressive collection of their works. A new Updike novel appears, Keith buys it, reads it, and then adds it to the other first editions of Updike's works. He regularly kept up with *The New York Review of Books*, *The New York Times Book Review*, *The New Yorker* and *The New Republic*. Whenever he came across something intriguing, he would share it with you the next time he saw you in the faculty lounge.

The lounge was another love of Keith's. The self-appointed manager of the lounge, Keith supplied it with magazines and newspapers, he bought the

clock, he kept the coffee fund solvent, and, best of all, he dropped in several times a day to refill his coffee cup or to chat.

Keith loved to walk. Surely no one has walked the streets and alleys of Westminster more than he. More than once, he and Eleanor walked to New Windsor or to Reese to visit me or the Palmers. Keith delighted in the faculty hikes on the Appalachian Trail; he always bought apples and raisins for the children. Complementing his love of walking was his love of maps: town maps, county maps, state, national, world maps, old maps and new maps. Drive him somewhere—he was a driven man, since neither he nor Eleanor ever drove—and he would have studied the map ahead of time, and we would never get lost.

Keith loved to sketch, to design brochures, to arrange displays, that sort of thing, and he had that beautiful, forceful,

utterly clear printing that he used for handwriting. His drawing skills extended to caricature and to cartoons. About three weeks before he died, he handed me a small memo sheet of paper on which he had drawn two views of me—a gift for helping to move some books.

Keith loved fine food and drink. A gourmet, one who delighted in cooking, he was no epicure. He could whip up a velouté one day, and then, he once jokingly confessed to me, on the next day, he would slip into the privacy of his closet for some Velveeta on Ritz crackers. Herring with sour cream for an appetizer tonight, Harry's hot dogs for lunch tomorrow.

Keith loved to laugh. His laugh was a big laugh, a belly laugh, a throw-back-your-head laugh. No simpering from him, but lots of guffaws. Some of us heard these from Keith in his hospital room not too long before he died as he described a monologue by the comedian Jackie Mason.

Keith loved not to complain. His demeanor was unceasingly upbeat. You had cancer, so, you carry on: Have the raised gardens built, have the basement floor tiled, get the electrical service increased, live your life. He did not complain to me in all the past three months, not to me he didn't.

What is entirely clear, then, is Keith loved life. From the many ways he evinced this love, we, his friends and colleagues, as well as our students, were the beneficiaries. Keith Richwine, a most remarkable man. •

—Ray Phillips,
Professor of English

Group Recognized For Seeking Common Ground

Common Ground on the Hill, a nonprofit traditional arts and music center in residence at Western Maryland College, was one of two local groups to receive the 1996 Human Relations Award from the Human Relations Commission of Carroll County.

The award, presented during a celebration of Human Relations Week in Carroll County, observed March 17-23, recognized Common Ground's "achievement and commitment in fostering and promoting human relations." The second human relations award was given to "We The People," a multicultural club at Westminster High School.

"We seek common ground through the arts," said Common Ground founder and director Walt Michael, a WMC alumnus. "We are not looking at the arts as the answer to all of the problems, but I do think it helps us find a commonality which in turn helps to open communication. A lot of the barriers can be broken down when we can come together and just communicate."

Common Ground sponsors concerts throughout the year, including the Spring Gospel Extravaganza held in March. Also, Common Ground will hold a one-week summer institute July 7-13 featuring a variety of workshops on music, dance, visual arts, and other topics with lodging and meals

provided. Children's courses will be offered to provide families the opportunity to immerse themselves in this unique artistic community. A concert finale is planned for July 13 in conjunction with Theatre on the Hill, the professional summer theatre group in residence at the college.

For more information about registering for individual courses or the full week, call 410/857-2771 or 2772. •

Alumni All-Stars Named to County Sports Hall of Fame

Fern Hitchcock Jr. '47, former Western Maryland College baseball coach, and Becky Martin '80, MEd '81, women's basketball coach, were inducted into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame April 3.

During his 15 seasons as WMC's head baseball coach from 1963 to 1977, Hitchcock led his team to 10 Mid-Atlantic Conference divisional titles and compiled a 152-99-3 career record. He served as a trainer for WMC athletic teams from 1959 to 1984 and spent five years as a trainer at Baltimore Colts camps. As a baseball player, he was a member of eight different championship teams at the college and semi-professional levels.

Martin is an all-around athlete who holds multiple records at Westminster High School and Western Maryland College in basketball and the high jump. In 1980, she became the first woman in WMC basketball history to score 1,000

points. She was a two-time MAC high-jump champ and record holder, played on three MAC championship volleyball teams and was cofounder of WMC's women's intercollegiate softball program. During her 15 seasons coaching women's basketball, Martin has compiled a 176-162 record. •

Coach Havens Passes Away

Charles W. Havens, a war hero and former WMC athletic director and football coach, died May 12. He was 92.

Born and raised in Rome, NY, he became associated with the college in 1926 when he transferred from Colgate University. He played football from 1926 to 1929 and was named to the All-Maryland football team in 1928. The next year he was captain of the college's undefeated squad and an honorable mention Associated Press All-American.

After graduating in 1930 with a bachelor's degree in English and history, he played professional football, then joined WMC as assistant football coach in 1931. He was named head coach in 1935. His teams won the state intercollegiate title in 1936 and the Mason-Dixon championship in 1949. WMC was undefeated in 1951.

Havens joined the Army Air Corps in 1942 and became an intelligence officer with the 486th Bomber Group in Sudbury, England. On May 20, 1944, two B-24 bombers collided. Risking his own life, Havens ran to the wreckage and pulled out 22 men, 12 of whom survived. For his action,

he received the Soldier's Medal, the highest award for noncombat bravery.

After the war, he returned to WMC where he also coached baseball, basketball and boxing and taught physical education and health. He retired in 1956 and taught for 12 years in Carroll County public schools.

Known as the "Father of Recreation in Carroll County" because of his countywide efforts in establishing recreational programs, he was also a member of Westminster United Methodist Church, the Westminster Volunteer Fire Department and the Red Cross and was a charter member of the Westminster Rotary Club.

Havens was married for 46 years to the former Jessie Money, who died in 1981. He participated in the Senior Olympics until last year and lived at the Asbury Methodist Village in Gaithersburg, Md. He is survived by two sons and two grandchildren. •

—Fred Rasmussen
Baltimore Sun

Trustees Honor Alumni

Trustee Alumni Awards were given to two alums this year, including one member of the Board. At the May 5 Senior Honors and Investiture Convocation, chairman of the Board Lee Rice made presentations to Charles Eric Moore Jr. '71 and Lt. General Otto John Guenther '63 in honor of their outstanding lifetime achievements.

Moore, who lives in Davidsonville and is married to Carol E. (Hoerichs) Moore '70, joined the WMC Board of Trustees in 1993. He has served on the board of direc-

tors of the WMC Alumni Association and as national chairman of the Annual Fund, earning the WMC Alumni Association Meritorious Service Award in 1991. He also holds a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University.

He is vice president-finance for Bell Atlantic Directory Services, rising in the ranks from district manager, division manager, executive director, chief financial officer and controller for various C&P Telephone and Bell Atlantic business units.

While a student at WMC, Moore served as class president for four years and was a founding member, president and secretary of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He was named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities* and was elected to Omicron Delta Kappa and earned the Bates Prize for best all-around campus male.

Besides serving on WMC's Board, he is a member of the board of the General German Aged Peoples Home (Edenwald) and chairman of the finance committee at Community United Methodist Church in Crofton. He and his wife have two children.

General Guenther is the director of information systems for the U.S. Army at The Pentagon. He was promoted to three-star general in 1995.

Upon completion of the ROTC curriculum and graduation from WMC, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Signal Corps. He has had a diverse military career in both command and staff assignments in communications and information management, as well as being known as one of the Army's most experienced leaders in acquisition. He has won numerous awards and commendations, including the Defense Superior Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), and the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge.

His active military service began in Korea and includes stints in Maryland, Alaska, Vietnam, Kansas, Washington, DC, Germany, California, New Jersey, and New York.

General Guenther earned a master's degree in procurement/contract management from Florida Institute of Technology and has taken military education courses at the General Staff College, the Army War College and the Defense Systems Management College.

He is married and has two daughters. •

In Memoriam

Mr. Millard M. Rice '21, of Frederick, Md., on December 27, 1995.
Dr. D. Wilbur Devillibus '25 and honorary doctor of pedagogy '56, of Frederick, Md., on March 8, 1996.
Mrs. Hilda Bloomquist Byers '27, of Fairfax, Va., on February 19, 1996.

Mr. Thomas D. Braun '30, of Seminole, Fla., on January 31, 1996.
Mrs. Ann Raughley Ewing '30, of Lewes, Del., on March 16, 1996.
Mrs. Margaret Myers Tucker '32, of Westminster, Md., on January 27, 1996.

Mrs. Ann Wolverton Layton '33, of Berlin, Md., on December 22, 1995.

Mrs. H. Troy Hamsch McGrath '33, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., on January 18, 1996.

Mrs. A. Bernice Robbins Forthman '37, of Cambridge, Md., on January 9, 1996.

Lt. Col. Stephen E. Andrews '38, of Columbus, Ga., on January 2, 1996.

Mr. Kenneth D. Bollinger '40, of Westminster, Md., on February 15, 1996.

Mr. Edgar W. Rinehimer '40, of Parkton, Md., on January 11, 1996.
Mr. Victor J. Impicciato '41, of Atlanta, Ga., on February 12, 1996.

Miss Margaret A. L. Murray '41, MEd '50, of Westminster, Md., on January 26, 1996.

Mr. Harry V. Frushour '42, MEd '47, of Boonsboro, Md., on January 8, 1996.

Mr. John W. Stewart '43, of Timonium, Md., on December 23, 1995.
Mr. Frank P. Saffern '43, of Westminster, Md., on January 1, 1996.

Miss Mazie A. France '46, of Williamsport, Pa., in 1995.

Mr. John O. Seiland '51, of Berlin, Md., on February 1, 1996.

Dr. Albert T. Dawkins, Jr. '59, of Easton, Md., on December 13, 1995.
Mr. Paul E. Mullen '71, of Mantua, N.J., on October 20, 1995.

Mrs. Jenetta East Howard MLA '76, of Columbia, Md., on June 23, 1995.

Miss Esther Smith, professor of dramatic art emerita, of Clayton, Ga., on January 8, 1996.

Dr. Robert J. Waldorf, former head football coach, of Alexandria, Va., on February 5, 1996.

Dr. Keith Norton Richwine, professor emeritus of English, of Westminster, Md., on March 15, 1996.

Marriages

H. Kirk Fallin, Sr. '38 to Helen Bachman Hall on September 2, 1995. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Barbara Schaeffer Disharoon '68 to Don Horneff on February 14, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Allison "Lamb" Coffey '91 to Greg Holson on May 6, 1995. They reside in East Pines, Md.

Carolyn "Cubbie" Dahl '91 to Duncan Ingraham on November 25, 1995. They reside in Virginia Beach, Va.

Katie Ruppenthal '91, MLA '94 to Rob Michaelson on November 18, 1995. They reside in Annapolis, Md.

Jacqueline Sue Talley '91 to Darrel Leslie Musselman on January 20, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Chester "Skip" Tyson '91 to Susan Smashey in June 1995. They reside in Mr. Pleasant, S.C.

Kim Vermette '91 to Chip Perdue on October 28, 1995. They reside in Ellicott City, Md.

Kendra Harbaugh '93 to Todd Sampson on July 8, 1995. They reside in Middletown, Md.

Michelle Metzger '93 to Matthew Lent on January 13, 1996. They reside in Hollidaysburg, Pa.

Sally Ann Hall '95 to Daniel Matthew Whittington on December 9, 1995. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Births

Kevin Rosenthal, on June 16, 1995, to Scott Rosenthal '76 and Mary Schiller '81.

Samuel Bentley Bcraft, on January 11, 1996, to Ed '77 and Sue Windsor '78 Bcraft.

Joseph Dorsch III, on January 7, 1995, to Joseph '77 and Diana Dorsch, Jr.

Cooper Alec Geras, on May 1, 1995, to Alex '81 and Lori Geras, Jr.

Bridge Gordon Herman, on January 12, 1996, to Michael and Marie Mules '81 Herman.

Melody Shubong Hill, on April 20, 1995, adopted October 1995, by Bill and Jennifer Goodson '81 Hill.

Allison Paige Holtzman, on December 14, 1995, to Jay '81 and Trish Griffiths '81 Holtzman.

Caroline Irvin Bair, on February 25, 1996, to Todd and Robin Garland '84 Bair.

Richard Kent Hubble, on February 2, 1996, to Larry and Linda Lang '84 Hubble.

Kathryn Carol Trice, on March 8, 1996, to Jeff '84 and Carol Schmitt Trice.

Chloe Maureen Bagwell, on January 6, 1996, to Greg and Maureen Kilroy '86 Bagwell.

Lindsay Alyse Berg, on February 22, 1996, to Kevin and Valerie Willey '86 Berg.

Logan Heck, on September 6, 1995, to Drew '86 and Laura Auhl '87 Heck.

Alexis Kay Maiorano, on September 1995, to Paul '87 and Michelle Hubbard '88 Maiorano.

Rachel Ellen Moltz, on July 25, 1995, to Carl and Gina Graham '88 Moltz.

Theodore Shane McClanahan, on February 26, 1996, to Dan and Roxanne Benjovsky '89 McClanahan.

Richard Gabler Funke, on March 8, 1995, to Barton and Andrea Sneringer MS '89 Funke.

Melanie Mae Neal, on May 31, 1995, to Stephen and Sandra Neal MS '90.

Benjamin Alvin Reiff, on May 16, 1995, to Henry and Jacqueline Conord MS '90 Reiff.

Casie Elizabeth Walsh, on April 29, 1995, to Brian and Laura Hensley '91 Walsh.

Courtney Nicole Wetherston, on January 22, 1996, to David '91 and Andrea Wetherston.

Master's News

Jan Reese Hersch MLA '76, a retired elementary school librarian, has been named Volunteer of the Year for 1995 at Bear Branch Nature Center. She has been involved with the center on and off since the spring of 1991. Jan and her husband, Earl, are both members of the center's advisory board. She also helps out twice weekly in the Hampstead and Westminster elementary school libraries.

Lori Alcorn Fink MS '86 is the therapeutic activity director at the Brethren Home in New Oxford, Pa. Westminster Councilwoman

Suzanne Chambers Albert MS '87 has been chosen by Leadership Maryland, an affiliate of the Maryland Chamber of Commerce, for its Class of 1996 program. Suzanne also is a nursing program consultant for the state Epidemiology and Disease Control in Baltimore. She was one of 44 chosen for the program from 75 applicants across the state.

Ann Thompson MS '94 is working as the guidance counselor at Nebraska School for the Deaf. She is taking a graduate school class in guidance counseling at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and is involved in her school's play.

Danny L. Woolmaker MS '94 has a new teaching position at the Georgia School for the Deaf as of December 1. He had been previously employed at Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind. Danny completed his student teaching at Alabama School for the Deaf in 1995.

Class Notes

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As I write this column, the state of Rhode Island is in a state of emergency due to the largest oil spill here ever. Hundred of birds dead, beaches littered with thousands of toxic lobsters, the fish industry wiped out, it is a mess! This is worse than our Blizzard of '96. —

My first return was from **Kitty Merritt Bell**. She has had a hip replacement and was in the South County Rehab Center. Join the club, Kit.

At fall Homecoming, **Sue Cockey** and **Dick Kiefer '34** had visits from **Hilda Cohen Schomer** and daughter **Susan**. Joe and Betty Kleinman visited the Kiefers also at that time. Since then Joe called us New Year's Eve to wish us a good year. Joe and **Hal** were the only boys who made the varsity team as freshmen. They were not well-liked by the upperclassmen so they developed a kinship which has lasted over the years. Joe has recovered from heart surgery and is looking forward to golfing this summer.

Mary El Senat Dixon called me recently to tell me that **Troy Hambusch McGrath** died January 18. This was a shock to me as I had just received an encouraging note from Troy. This has been a sad year for our class. Others who have passed on are **Caroline Reed VonEiff**, **Elizabeth Andrews Herbst**, **Ann Wolverton Layton** and **Les Werner**. They will be missed.

Bill Roberts has recovered from recent surgery and was planning a winter cruise. It was Bill who informed me of Andy's death. They were good friends.

I just have to mention the '96 Blizzard as many of you experienced it as we did. We had 24 inches, which was a shocker, especially as last winter we did not have one snowflake, and it was frigid.

Speaking of weather, **Toivo** and **Mac Puro** moved to Arkansas from Indiana to escape the snow only to wake up one day to 10 inches of the white stuff. Remember as a kid you thought snow was beautiful? Not anymore. Both Toivo and Mac teach computer programming to adults at no charge. "Whitey" reluctantly accepted the job of treasurer of NARPE, National Association of Retired Federal Employees, for one year. Toivo ends his card with, "Old age is a piece of cake."

Margaret "Squeak" Erb Mann says, "Old age is not for sissies." There, you have two sides of the coin.

From Christmas newsletters I gleaned some interesting items. **Mary Ellen Senat Dixon's** year began in Anniston, Ala., with her family getting together at Christmas. Spring vacation was a trip to daughter Lynn's home in Monterey, Calif. While there, Mary El received an interesting birthday gift—a massage given by a professional masseuse from Munich. The masseuse has many California celebrities as clients. Mary El said it was a very interesting experience. Summer was spent in Ocean City as usual with a stop-over at **Kathleen Moore Raver's**. Summer was followed in September and a trip with daughter Lynn to Austria and Germany. They were there at the time of the noted Oktoberfest. Back to Alabama for Thanksgiving with her family. Christmas was spent with son Richard, his wife Billy, their cat Bootsie, and Lynn. Mary El laughingly refers to Bootsie as her "grand cat." Of the original "noisy nine" only four are left, Hilda, Sue, Kathy and Mary El.

Kathleen Moore Raver spent a few days in New York City with daughter Anne. While in New York City, Kathy had the pleasure of taking a granddaughter to see her first Broadway show. At Thanksgiving, Kathy's family gathered at the "farm" for the annual feast and deer hunt. Two deer were bagged, one by daughter Martha. Anne, Kathy's daughter of the *New York Times* staff has a new book on the shelves, *Exploration of Country Pleasures*. It is a delightful book and I really enjoyed it. There is a beautiful chapter about Anne's relationship with her mother.

Sue Cockey Kiefer writes that **Dick '34** is semi-retired but still goes to the office two to three days a week. The Kiefers went to Ojai, Calif., for their annual visit to their family. Following the Ojai visit, they spent a week at Newport Beach. They now have four great-grandchildren with the advent of Claire Kiefer Crombie. Back home in Baltimore, the Kiefers hosted a mini-reunion of Dick's Duke law class.

Elmer Hassell's newsletter was unique. He starts out with winter then continues through spring and summer and fall detailing the appropriate chores for each. Elmer's son, Henry, lives nearby and Elmer sees his granddaughter, Stephanie, and her husband,

Daryl, on special days. Elmer tells of the things we usually do in each season, one incident is funny. He was pestered by slugs in his tomatoes. Someone told him that beer would take care of the slugs. So Elmer bought his "first" can of beer and went to work on the "varmints." It did the trick.

As I write this, salvage activities for the day have stopped due to winds, high seas and fog. They say it will take several more days for the oil spill to be contained (if it is possible). Back to Elmer, a special treat for him was the Mason's Truck and Tractor Antique Fair. Elmer proudly displayed his collection of old tools.

Helen Doenges Engle has recovered from her heart attack and keeps in touch with **Margaret Erb Mann**.

Ann Johnson Etzler has recovered from a kneecap operation and is keeping fit with a strict regimen of exercise. It was Ann who informed me of **Ann Wolverton Layton's** death on December 22. Our condolences go to Ann's family. The two Anns were close friends as **Ann Etzler** says, "I will miss her." Ann Layton and I were roommates during the freshman and sophomore years.

After a frigid Cape Cod Christmas family reunion, **Jack and Ellen Muselman**, six parents and seven grandchildren left for a winter vacation in Vero Beach, Fla. Jack has recovered from his stroke, walking a mile a day.

Miriam Luckenbaugh Beard and **Earl** are happy to be able to live in their own home, as we are. Miriam has a full pantry from the summer garden. They are enjoying old age.

Ginny Helmsstetter Goodman enclosed some old Allegany County clippings for me to peruse. They reminded me of Barton and our big city Lanaconing. Lefty Grove's billiard parlor, the silk mill that lured the girls to quit school and work as "dollies." Another was about the Goucher grad who married a Dr. Levy and settled in Lanaconing. I sent the clippings to a girlfriend in Barton who will enjoy them as I did. Ginny says she takes each day at a time.

Ezra Edmondson had nothing to report. Come now Ezra, alive and alert is something!

I was so pleased one morning after the blizzard to receive a call from **Lloyd Elderidge** (ed presidente). He is happy he made the move to the retirement home. We compared notes on medications. Surprisingly enough, my husband **Harold** is on the same dosage as Lloyd. It is reassuring to know that a doctor in Pennsylvania agrees with a doctor in Rhode Island on dosage. On January 19, Harold turned 87—it is also R.E. Lee's birth-

day (Lee is Hal's hero). To even things out, our son's natal day is Lincoln's birthday.

I am happy to report that **Tessie Cox Hiewe's** feud with the hospital has ended and she can get back to normal living. She is eager to get back to her beloved gardening.

The '96 Blizzard left its mark on North Carolina, specifically **High Point** and **Dot Rankin**. She was planning an escape to Florida.

A further note from Elmer with a note regarding Dr. Norman V. Peale. Dr. Peale calls the 20th Century "incredible" listing events and people to reinforce his words. Elmer remarked that Dr. Berthoff, '96, and his spouse, '97, still maintain their wit and humor after 74 years of marriage. Now that's incredible!

Mary Hobbs Phillips has been too well but is thankful for the love and support of family and friends. Mary keeps in touch with WMC friends, namely **Miriam Fogle West**, **Polly Phillips Best** and **Jane Kriner**. College days were great!

Gertrude Sherman Francis dislikes the Denver winter—some days balmy other days snow and sleet. No, Gert, Travis is no relation, would that he were.

Ed and Jane Baker celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in November and then left for Florida, escaping the '96 Blizzard. Ed wished all of us a Happy New Year.

I had several notes from **Serena Robinson**. There's a lady whose name really fits her spirit. She was planning a delayed visit to Florida.

I had a Christmas card from **Miriam Fogle** and **Howard West**. They were looking forward to better weather this spring.

Dot Billingsley Linzey called to tell me her son **Dr. Don '61** had received an award as the outstanding faculty professor in Virginia. With the honor came a monetary grant and an engraved crystal bowl. Needless to say, Dr. Don is proud and rightfully so. Dr. Don's academic field is biology.

Hilda Cohen Schomer mentioned coming to WMC in the fall for her daughter **Susan's '60** reunion and said she was planning to spend February in Florida.

Pauline "Polly" Phillips Best lost her husband in May. Since then she has been trying to adjust to living alone. Family and friends have been helpful, and during the summer she took two short trips to the beach. **Polly's** health has been fairly good for an "old lady."

Margaret "Squeak" Erb Mann and I exchange letters, our reactions

to weather are the same. I've decided Margaret and I need Prozac!

Thank you all for responding. This may be my swan song as my eyes do not seem to get better. Harold is still busy with his many projects and we are holding our own.

June Cooling Kopp
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38 I start this column as the snow is swirling down, forming huge drifts outside our entrance doors. It is a good time to look back to our years on campus at WMC in the late 1930s. What happenings were most meaningful to you? What were some humorous incidents? Here are your responses to those questions.

LTC Samuel F. Baxter, of Sparks, Md., says: "My most profound happening was being allowed to complete my education after having to leave because of insufficient funds. I was unable to return for my senior year with the Class of '37. Instead I spent that year working in service stations. Fortunately, then my father secured additional funds while I obtained work grants, loans, and scholarships which allowed me to return and complete my senior year with the Class of '38."

Allie May Moxley Buxton, of Damascus, Md., reports: "Alumni Hall, Spring 1935, Norment Speech Contest. Four contestants are nervously pacing in the wings waiting to be called. One offers a pack of chewing gum and all four begin to chew vigorously. Out comes Miss Esther Smith. Wow! In 30 seconds all four contestants learned for the rest of their lives, never, not to, to chew gum when public speaking. Seems funny now, but wasn't then."

Dr. Eugene Cronin, of Annapolis, Md., reports: "Professor Maude Gesner of the music department was the epitome of dignity and reserve—and a quiet old-fashioned lady. Or so it seemed. I will never forget the night she took part in the faculty program in Alumni Hall. Suddenly, she swept onto stage in a long, flaming red dress with full make-up and a flapper's behavior. Perhaps I now make part of it up, but I think she flirted with every man on stage, sat at the piano and played hot jazz with a flair. A delightful performance." (Incidentally, Gene and Alice celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last June 23, 1995.)

Leonard C. Graham, of Ellicott City, Md., reports: "It was not amusing to me at the time, but in February 1935, at the completion of the Gamma Beta Chi initiation, I was

apprehended and jailed temporarily. My 'crime' was running along Green Street back to the 'Hill' sans any clothing other than a few feathers and molasses covering the appropriate areas. And that's the bare facts, ma'am!"

C. Richard Main, of Chambersburg, Pa., reports: "It was no secret that **Jimmie Richards '36** was 'going with' Ruth Sherman Jones, faculty voice teacher. Jimmie was a waiter in the WMC dining hall and happened to be assigned to Miss Jones' table. On this particular occasion, she was whispering something to him while he was filling the water glasses. Listening to her, his gaze drifted from the glass and he poured water all over the table." And another: "Dean of Men Miller sounded the gavel to quiet us at dinner to ask grace before the meal. On one occasion when he was absent, one of the football players rapped the gavel and said, 'Good bread; good meat; good God, let's eat!,' and sounded the gavel for us to be seated."

Col. W. Frank Malone, of Salisbury, Md., reports: "The escapades I best remember are mostly not fit for a family publication. But it might be remembered that even though the WMC of our day had no fire department, it had no particular shortage of aspiring young arsonists. They practiced in a variety of innovative ways. One of them, as part of his fraternity initiation, managed to give Dr. Theodore Marshall Whitfield a hot-foot."

Marion Millender Malone, of Merritt Island, Fla., reports: "One of the things that I enjoyed the most at WMC were the drama classes and plays, etc., at Alumni Hall. When we were sophomores, as part of our speech class, we had to give talks to the freshmen at the lunch hour in the auditorium in Old Main. We really did not like to do this unless we had a really good speech, as the freshmen were noisy and unruly. But it was good training. Also, remember when we presented *Pride and Prejudice*?"

Edward D. McPherson, of Manhattan Beach, Calif., reports: "I was in a class with **Marie 'Scotty' LaForge Burns '37** and the great **Bill Shepherd**. The professor requested a class vote whether or not to use the honor system for a test. He left the room and the normally quiet Shepherd requested the honor system. Miss LaForge wanted to know why and Shepherd answered: 'How can we cheat if we don't use it?' Another: 'A football player when served hot bouillon asked for cream and sugar. When questioned, he answered, 'I always put cream and sugar in my tea.'"

Dolly Taylor Moore, of Denton, Md., "Would love to have an amusing incident to share, but frankly my dear, I can't remember anything! Especially 57 years ago!"

Col. Anthony H. Ortenzi DPA, of Maitland, Fla., reports: "Following is the indoctrination that freshmen football players received from Dick Harlow: 'Do not smoke, drink, or run around with bad women.' Several years later I told **Charlie Havens '30**: 'Harlow was wrong about women!'" Tony celebrated his 80th birthday last April 19, and it will be long-remembered as that was the day they blew up the Oklahoma Federal Building. He still loves teaching at Seminole Community College. In 1996 he begins his 26th year of college teaching.

Eloise Chipman Payne, of Towson, Md., reports: "I had a radio that was not allowed, and I could only play it after hours if it was grounded to my roommate **John Anna Higgins** toe."

Roland E. Watkins, of Ellicott City, Md., reports: "One weekend while we were at WMC, **Bob Snow, Paul Nelson** and I went camping at Catocin Mountains. At that time the area was not developed as it is now. All we had to do was to pick a likely spot and pitch our pup tents. During the night a light snow fell. In the morning we awoke to a perfect setting with our tents nestled under the snow-covered hemlocks and a trout-filled stream playing over the rocks below the campsite. All we needed to complete the scene was a fire. After considerable difficulty, working in wet snow, we were able to get a small cooking fire blazing. One of us (I cannot say who) ignored the fundamentals and put a can of baked beans in the fire to heat. In a few minutes the can exploded like a hand grenade. Bits of tin, beans, sauce, and worst of all our hard-earned fire were blown over an impact area roughly the size of our entire camp."

Mildred A. Wheatley, of Clinton, Md., reports: "Charlotte Coppage Young's home economics class was having a special dinner for Dr. and Mrs. Isanogle. In preparing the dessert, which was lemon pie, Ruth Little put in salt instead of sugar. Everyone had to sit and politely eat it—pie full of salt. Later we all laughed, except for poor Ruthie who cried."

As for me, my husband **Ray '36**, children and grandchildren, there are no major problems. The Lord is good to us. And now I shall recall an incident in 1938 at WMC, traumatic at the time, funny now. I had been a day student the first three years of my college life. My dad decided he could add to what I had earned waiting at the Majestic Hotel, Ocean City, the

summer of '37 so I could live my senior year on campus. Dormitory life was new to me. One night my roommate **Sara Ebaugh Hammond** and I, after studying, were hungry for ice cream cones. We rolled up our pajama pants, slipped on our long coats and dashed over to the grill. We must have found cause to linger, and when we returned to Blanche Ward Hall, the front lights were dimmed and the entrance was locked. We were stunned. Sure enough, it was past 10 o'clock. By the time Miss Bertha Adkins came to the door, our pajama legs had dropped, ice cream was consumed and we were miserable. Miss Adkins said simply, "You two look pretty silly. Why don't you come on in?"

And now here are other noteworthy notes.

Ludean Bankard Weissner, Columbia, Pa., is in St. Anne's Home where she had a small stroke. Daughter Ladonna Baginski found a card from me on her bedside table and wrote, "Mother recognizes my sister Josie and me most of the time. Thank you for being her friend."

Violet Gibson Pratt's husband George of Eastham, Mass., has written twice since Violet's death in appreciation of my note and to send photos of Violet and the family.

Ann Dill Hamel, of Arnold, Md., was featured last October in the Baltimore *Evening Sun* as a senior citizen learning to use the computer. In the senior center in Towson, she was pictured cautiously tapping away, somewhat baffled, but determined to learn. "My family talks about computers all the time, and I don't know what they are saying. But I am going to find out."

H. Kirk Fallin, Sr., of Westminster, Md., "Helen Backman Hall and I were married September 2, 1995. We are starting our new life in a new home in Westminster not far from WMC."

I now regret to report that five more classmates have died. **Lt. Col. Stephen Elwood Andrews** of Columbus, Ga., died Jan. 2. He was a U.S. Army veteran of WWII, Korea and Vietnam. He retired in 1969 after 50 years of service. He was a former math teacher at Arnold Junior High School. He was buried in Main Post Cemetery at Fort Benning, Ga., with military honors. **Elva "Polly" Hawkins Ayers**, of Bowie, Md., died April 10, 1995. I wrote to her daughter, **Dr. Susanne Ayers Denham '72**. **Janet MacVean Baker**, of Chenoa, Ill., died Dec. 1. Janet had lived with

her minister son Bruce but spent her final months in Meadows Mennonite Home. She had been a victim of Alzheimer's for years. Bruce sent a note saying she had suffered a light stroke during the last week. Janet had attended our 45th class reunion in 1983. **Alice Schneider Larson**, of Eugene, Ore., died peacefully in her sleep July 11, 1995. Alice and husband of Linthicum, Md., moved to Oregon to be near their two sons. Her husband, Rev. Larson, died in 1990. Alice developed Parkinson's Disease and failing eyesight, but her mental outlook remained optimistic and alert. **Shirley H. Balderson**, of Baltimore, Md., died July 15, 1995. He was retired president of Davis and Hemphill. "Jerry" served on our 50th Reunion Committee and was a generous contributor to the Annual Fund. Also, he received the Alumni Association Meritorious Service Award in 1988. I salute him in appreciation for hiring me the summer of 1937 as a waitress in the Ocean City hotel where he was employed as manager. Other waitresses joining me I'm sure are **Dolly Taylor Moore** and **Caroline Smith Dudley**. Those were happy days. I have sent condolences to the families.

Thanks so much for your responses. You write this column you Janet. I just put it together.
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43 This was a miserable time to send out cards—just after Christmas (I think just before would have been worse). I'm sure many of you were out of town, snowbound or flooded. Many thanks to those of you who answered so promptly.

Virginia "Pip" Phillips still lives and works in Texas. She was in Poland this past summer and will spend a week in the southwest in February. A full card from **Fraser "Scotty" Scott** extolling the value of WMC friends and their automatic line to each other. Continue to keep in touch with all the group. (I'd love to have a WMC lucky stone and the pictures offered. O.K.)

Don Bunce said they went to a terrific Elderhostel in November at West Carolina University. Who did they spot there but **Vern** and **Shirley Jones '47 Wiesand**, who looked

great. They had some great conversations. Don spent Christmas in California with son and family. His daughter in Ann Arbor was married in October.

Bob Beglin wrote that he and **Edna "Perk" Haller '46** had all their family there for Christmas. They had two great trips last year—Canadian Rockies with WMC group and a Caribbean cruise, including Panama Canal Crossing. Bob said "his day in the limelight" last fall was a special occasion. He had about 40 people at their house after the game.

Janith Horsey Collin said she loves hearing from WMC friends. She told me that **Sally Ann "Plink" Cox McCann** has been ill. "Plink" would love to hear from her friends also.

Virginia Auld Waters wrote that she will move to Oak Crest Village Retirement Community in Baltimore in January. Hope you are happy there, Ginny.

Bob and Franny Ogden Moore enjoyed the Eastern Shore, took a bus trip in Europe in October so that Bob could visit the German towns and the Romagor Bridge where he and the rest of the 78th Division were the ones to cross. The trip included a ride up the Rhine, Paris, Luxembourg, Brussels and Amsterdam. In February, they will be on a cruise from Singapore.

Ridge "Friedel" and Thelma Young Dodge also had a trip to Berlin and a boat trip up the Elbe in Missen, Dresden, Prague and Vienna to celebrate their 50th anniversary.

Heard from **Francis "Bud" and Gerry Blair**. Bud says he's bouncing back from an operation and radiation, is back playing tennis and golf, with travel plans in the future.

From St. Petersburg, Fla.: **"Bert" Belt Fallows** wrote that they spent two weeks in North Carolina last summer.

Lee and Pearl Bodmer Lodge, thanks for your note and card—liked your "wall." You were right about my picture. What's up for the rest of the year?

Emma Jane Martin McCauley told me that her husband has retired. They had a trip to Jamaica last fall and are looking forward to the summer in Western Maryland mountains.

Dotty Cox Liebno hopes to get to Ocean City this summer.

Libby Gable Kantruss wrote to tell me that this spring both her daughters will be living in my old hometown—Wenonah, N.J. Small world!

Dorothy Jones Earll sent a cheerful note. She and **Warren '44** were ready to leave for their Florida trek to visit Warren's daughter and family and to see lots of friends in Florida along the

way. When they get back home, they plan to reschedule a hot air balloon ride. They got together with five couples to celebrate **Joan West Gundlach's** 50th anniversary.

Shirley Bradley McLaughlin brought me up to speed on **Joan West Gundlach's** back operation which, evidently, was really successful. Thanks Shirley for the entire letter. She recently moved to Laytonville, Md., Her three sons and five of her 10 grandchildren are within walking distance. Good luck in your new home.

Bob and Margaret Waugh **Siemon** spend five to six months in Wisconsin on their farm. They go down to the Keys as often as possible. Their oldest granddaughter was married in June, in the Keys.

Marie Steele Cameron says she didn't get to Australia last year because of Unabomber threat at Los Angeles Airport. She was really disappointed. She and her family get together regularly. She hopes to come to Ocean City in July.

Surprise, I had a card from **Sara Belle Veale Walker**—a first I think. She said she had lunch with **Mary "Jackie" Jackson Hall** and also **Virginia Phillips** at Christmas. Sara Belle visits Virginia each year in Texas and has "grown to love that wonderful state."

A card from **Winnie Wareheim Conner** saying that she and **Rev. Peggy Reeves Saunders** are flying to the Holy Land in February, out of the snow.

Shirley Jones '47 and Vern Wiesand are active—An Elderhostel, then Key West for a month, New Smyrna for a month, then back to Ocean City where they live most of the year. They see **Bill Halls '47, Don Bunce, Neil Eckenrodes '41 and Kline Leister**. They all seem well.

Irene VanFossen '46 and Bill Myers are bus excorting tours—the West in September, January a tour to Panama Canal. Both trips included WMCers. They have a tour to Bermuda in June and an Air Force reunion in Savannah. A grandson was born last August.

A card from **Al Levin** says he's looking forward to visiting the "trans-figured" Hill when they return from Arizona. They spend five months in Baltimore each year. Thanks for the nice note. I'm sure you will be impressed by WMC.

At long last a card from **Joe Elliott**, a good surprise. Joe says not much change in Laurel, except for attempts at recovering "downtown." Joe went to Ireland last spring. (My son Jeff

reminds me that he and your son were at Dickinson together.)

Louise Fox Dubin says it's well with them. Her son Tom is a teacher in Baltimore City schools.

Betty Smith Yingling reported that they celebrated **Dennis's '35 60th WMC** reunion. In October they flew to Vienna—had a 15-day cruise on the Danube, Marne and Rhine—Amsterdam and back to Florida. Also enjoyed a cruise to East Caribbean. They are still active with golf, friends and reading. They have 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Harriet Smith Wyman became a grandmother for the first time in November. Congrats! Harriet says she has an aunt at Carroll Lutheran Village who will be 100 in November. So Harriet has great plans for her future.

Thanks to **Harry Gruel** for a long-awaited card. He and Betty have been retired 10 years and still enjoying it. They are Elderhostel addicts in addition to other travel. They just returned from Costa Rica, and are planning an Elderhostel trip to Berlin in May.

Josh and Pat Patterson '48 Ensor visited their Air Force son in Idaho in September. On the way they saw FBI friends in Illinois, South Dakota and Montana. Enjoyed the Homecoming gathering—Ensors, Beglins, Chlads, Scotts, Smiths and Adolphs—been doing this for 50 years.

Bert Jones says 1995 should be forgotten. He hopes 1996 will be better. They are set to go to the Holy Land in May. All but one of Bert's children are now in Texas also.

Debby Bowers O'Keefe wrote from Sierra Madre, Calif. She is fine and into a bunch of community work—tour guide for seniors and now seniors club president. Glad to hear from you, Debby.

Wesley '42 and Luise Grew Sheffield are back in Florida. They had a cruise to west Caribbean for their 50th anniversary. Wes is teaching creative writing and Luise has a group of women called "Women on Women" at Coachman and at Venice Public Library as well. Tennis and volunteering at Venice Hospital Estates Sales keeps them busy.

John "Rock" and June Rawlins said they were thankful for the good year of 1995. They were blessed with a great-granddaughter on Christmas Day. Their clan has reached 22—11 of each sex. "Rock" hopes to see several of our WMC classmates at the University of Maryland Medical School in May. Hope to see you at Ocean City. **John "Nemo" Robinson** sent me a letter. He and Lucia are fine and are enjoying their 11 grandchildren—three in Hershey (but away at college), the rest near them. He keeps in contact

It Started With a Dance

BY VALERIE MEHL

In the summer of 1932, just before Ray Simpson was to begin college life, his Aunt Catherine taught him how to dance to help him overcome his shyness with girls. That new skill led to his first encounter with Helen Leatherwood, his wife for 55 years, when they shared a dance at WMC.

When his aunt died last year, leaving him \$10,000, it seemed only fitting to Ray that he donate it to the college. With his 60th class reunion approaching in June, Class President Simpson '36 has begun a letter campaign to all of his classmates challenging them to increase their annual contributions.

"Western Maryland College gave us a lot. It prepared us for a good life and it means a lot to be able to give something back," Ray says.

To be able to give so freely to Western Maryland makes for a striking contrast to the days in the early 1930s when Ray and Helen first arrived on "the Hill."

"Most people didn't have two nickels to rub together, much less money to pay for college tuition," recalls Ray. He earned his \$350 tuition and room and board costs through a scholarship and by waiting tables in the dining hall. Helen shaved \$200 off her tuition costs by commuting with a car full of friends from her home in Mt. Airy.

Ray, who was in the ROTC program, remembers military science as his only "A," though he quickly adds that he did earn many "Bs." Just a few years after graduation he would find himself as an army commander in World War II. Today, he is a retired school administrator and colonel in the Maryland National Guard. During his retirement he has led several travel tours through Europe, often accompanied by WMC classmates.

Helen '38, a home economics major, says she "bloomed" during her days at WMC, "transforming from a self-described timid follower to a community leader. She was the first woman lay leader at her Methodist church and the first woman on the parish council. "It was my time at Western Maryland College that gave me the confidence to do these things," she says.

Her drama classes with Esther Smith also spawned a lasting interest in theater. In the 1960s she started a theatrical group in her hometown community called the Mt. Airy Players. Helen has produced, directed, costumed and acted in annual productions—sometimes she's even given Ray a role.

At age 79 and 80, this captivating couple work side by side with people many years their junior in their extensive community activities, including the Damascus Lions Club and the Mt. Airy Garden Club. They both serve as class reporters—Helen for more than 30 years—compiling news from classmates for lively and informative columns. In addition, they keep busy with lavish landscaping projects at their Mt. Airy home which Ray built more than 40 years ago. Helen credits their good health to Western Maryland College, as well.

"In my home economics class I learned about food pyramids and the value of a healthy diet long before it became stylish," she says.

As class columnists, Ray and Helen write regularly to their



Ray '36 and Helen Leatherwood '38 Simpson donated \$10,000 to the college in hopes that the 60th reunion class will raise the funds to match it.

classmates. "We've made long-lasting friends—friends that we've kept in touch with through the years," says Helen.

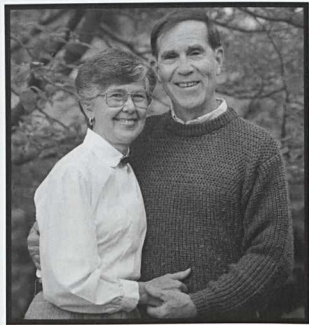
She recalls a recent letter: "I had been writing to one of my classmates for quite some time without getting a reply. Finally, her daughter wrote back explaining that her mother was in a nursing home and enjoyed receiving the letters, but was unable to respond. The daughter's name was so familiar to me, and I had recalled that she had been very sick. I went digging through my file of old letters and sure enough, there it was, a letter from her mother informing us of the sad news that her daughter had a life-threatening illness. I was so happy to get the latest letter. I said to myself 'She made it!'"

Ray and Helen have three children, including a daughter who graduated from Western Maryland College in 1964, and seven grandchildren.

The class president and 1992 Western Maryland College Alumnus of the Year, Ray refers to his upcoming class reunion as his last hurrah and promises a festive celebration.

This is for certain, Ray and Helen are sure to share a dance in honor of Aunt Catherine.

WHY GIVING MAKES SENSE



DOUG HAMER

Dale '51 and Millie '58 Townsend love to learn as much as they enjoy helping others—that's why the "retirees" find themselves too busy to think about building a vacation home on their lakefront property.

Between the American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, the Linthicum United Methodist Church and People Aiding Travelers and Homeless, the organization which named Dale 1995 Volunteer of the Year, the Townsends spend countless hours contributing to the community. They are also enrolled as part-time students at a local community college, taking courses in Spanish, senior fitness and accounting.

The Townsends credit Western Maryland College for helping to develop their strong beliefs in education and service to others and decided to do their part to ensure the life-long lessons they learned will continue to be taught to generations of students.

Rather than retreat to their lakefront property, the Townsends have put the land to use in a way that's more suited to their active lifestyle. The charitable remainder unitrust they established will provide Dale and Millie annual income for the rest of their lives and at the same time fortify WMC into the future.

Call Sharon Bean at 410/857-2258 for more information. You're never too busy to learn more about how helping others can benefit you, too.

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

with **Lee** and **Pearl Bodmer Lodge** and **Bob** and **"Perk" Haller '46**. **Beglin**, "Nemo" said he had a nice visit with **Woody Preston '44** and **Ed Mogowski '44** at **Bill Pennington's '44** funeral. "Nemo" also keeps in touch with **Tom Treshinski '44** who had a recent knee replacement.

Frank Suffern died Jan. 1 after a rough three years. "Nemo" **Robinson, Lee** and **Pearl Bodmer Lodge, Don '41** and **Marty Hodgson Honeman** and **George Plavis** went to the memorial service in January. Our deepest sympathy to Frank's wife, Ginny, and family.

Benjamin "Bud" Smith wrote me a note to tell me that **John "Jeb" Stewart** died Dec. 23. I will write both Frank's and Jeb's families for our class.

Phyl Cade Gruber wrote that **Werner** had emergency gall bladder surgery just before Christmas. He is doing well. Hang in there, you two.

Had a huge letter from **Verna Cooper Preston**, written before Christmas, and before she went into the hospital for a knee replacement, which is coming along fine, but not fast enough for her. Verna took a trip out West with her son last August. Does she ever have a tale to tell—hot air ballooning, ran out of fuel and came down in a ravine. After climbing out of the ravine they had a chopper ride. Wow!

Sam '40 and **Mary Frances Hawkins Galbreath** sent a great Christmas card with pictures. They attended Sam's 55th WMC reunion. The "Event of '95" was the removal of cataracts from both Mary Frances' eyes—opened up a new world.

Mary Virginia Walker Metger says they usher at the Fox and Alliance Theaters and enjoy Atlanta—"The home of the '96 Olympics." They are also proud of the World Champion Atlanta Braves (hard for me to write this since we had hoped it would be the Cleveland Indians—wait 'til next year). Last summer they toured Denmark, Norway and Sweden—a highlight of which was the boat trip into the "Sognefjord" in Norway, the longest and deepest in the world. Awesome!

Marty Hodgson Honeman just made it under the wire. They had a family trip to Europe. Mary looked up our sister college in Budapest.

Had a quiet 1995—specially the first half, while I recuperated, drove to Don's for Memorial Day. In July I headed for Salisbury, via Jeff's in Mechanicsburg. I think I picked the

hottest time of the year. Had a good time at **Phyl Cade** and **Werner Gruber's**—enjoyed the company and crab cakes. Went to annual dinner in Ocean City, a special evening. In October I flew out to Illinois to visit Doug and all. They took me to Wisconsin for a long weekend. Don and part of his family came for Thanksgiving. Granddaughter Tess entered and won first place in a short story contest sponsored by *Seventeen* magazine. It was published in the December issue. Went to Jeff's after Christmas. While I was there, I visited **Jo Daniel Bair** and **Chuck**. He is hanging in. Jo had pneumonia in November, but still entertained the family for the holidays. It was good to see them both.

Thanks to all who wrote. To the rest, hope to catch you next time. Stay healthy.

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48 The Blizzard of '96—What a blessing! The only good thing about the 30 inches of snow on your patios and 5-foot drifts against your front doors was that you were "housebound" for days. During that time, most of you wrote your updates and got them in the mail! Thanks for so many interesting responses.

You wrote with pride of your grandchildren's accomplishments, with obvious shock that your own children are planning their retirements, with disbelief that your birthday cards are "lavender, with BIG PRINT" and with chagrin with the youngster's questions, "What are those stripes on your face?"

Heard from **Jerold Mann (N.Y.)** that he retired from Sperry (UNISYS) after 36 years in engineering and program management. His entire family is involved in music. He and his wife sing in the church and community choirs. They have three children: a violin teacher, a songwriter and a musical theater director and three grandsons are violinists. The Manns journeyed through Italy, Spain, England, France, Australia, New Zealand and Iceland in the past years.

Ruth Anderson and Lionel Burgess '49 (Md.) attended their first Elderhostel in Jekyll Island and then toured through Charleston. They visited Lake Brule on Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Holidays are, as for many of us, spread out as they visit with all four children and families.

There were 24 immediate family

members around **Bobbie Lee Kunkel's** Christmas table with newest addition, Walsh Thomas. Bobbie's children operate all 12 of the family stores and she says, "We are out!" Now she'll have to discover a challenging new lifestyle of involvement like the rest of us. Retirement is a bit like "withdrawal."

Always like to read "things are better now," as **Mary Frances Keiser Bradley** writes from Coronado, Calif. Her referral was to Dan's heart, which was out of rhythm, but now under control. She has a granddaughter who's a star basketball player in high school. Her daughter is a vice-principal, and glad to hear son sells Medtronic pacers (heart) for those of us who need to be equipped.

Imagine a land/cruise encompassing Athens, Israel, Egypt, Suez Canal, Bombay and Oman. This winter **Pat Brown Zello** (Md.) and Andy settled briefly in Clearwater for R and R.

By Amtrak eight times a year from Ohio to Maryland comes **Clarabell Blaney Price**. At Charlestown, in Catonsville, she is surrounded by 2,000 people and while in Ohio on 132 acres, there's hard work outdoors. Saw WMC delegates at Maryland Retired Teachers Convention in Ocean City and is in contact with **Fern Ray Grumbine** and **Mary Ruth Woodfield Tereshinski**. Plans to be at our 50th.

Searching for their roots in northern Ireland on a B & B trip, **Kitty Brown Ross** (Fla.) had a stopover in London. Fantastic Jazz Cruise honoring Oscar Peterson last May—still "digs" that wonderful music. Spoke with four-year roommate **Virginia Ross Bullard** in Dallas on New Year's Day.

Another classmate in Ireland this year was **Mary "Butch" Dom Brown** (Md.). Love her comments: "Same old, same old—husband, children, grandchildren?" (Aren't we blessed!) Can report that she looks fabulous.

Great medical news from **Ken Bouchelle** (N.C.) who retired from teaching in 1990. Two successful sons, both still single, young professionals. Keep up your good health progress, Ken.

Look for Class of '48 worldwide. **Helen Miles '49** and **Bob Dubel** (Md.) were in Thailand, Bali, Singapore and Hong Kong. Bob's still teaching at UMBC College of Education.

Congratulations to **Jim Doherty** (N.J.) on his first grandchild, born to daughter and husband in Germany. Of course they've been over to visit! Still sail on the Bay and went down the

west coast of Florida. Drove to New Orleans and are already looking forward to '98 and our reunion.

Newcomer Ben Frederick Eckhardt joined **Fred Eckhardt** and Nancy's family last fall. Proud that Fred is President of WMC Alumni Association and know he'll "energize" us all. Certainly hope to be invited back to their lovely home to celebrate our 50th on the beautiful, rambling grounds of the Eckhardt's historic manor home.

Verville Reunion was a highlight for **Edna Ruth** and **Charles Fleming** who were among the very first to move in there. Their son and wife accompanied them to their college home of the 40's. A good health report from Charles after radiation. Feels good enough to volunteer two days a week for United Way, to celebrate his 50th anniversary and to cruise to Hawaii.

More musical and theater talent—**Naomi Harper Morgan** (Md.) writes that 22-year-old grandchild in first concert playing the flute and 14-year-old is acting in the school play. Naomi can be proud of her input, but says, "they have great parents." The Junior League of Annapolis honored her as one of 11 recipients of "Hats Off" certificate. Congrats.

Cleaning out and contemplating a move, possibly to North Carolina, will keep **Annabel Glocker Liebelt** (Md.) busy this year. Her number eight grandchild arrived in Ohio. Meanwhile, she's been to Israel and Jordan with an educational group.

A trip to "childlit" sounds familiar to all of us, as **Madeline Franklin Strader** (Md.) and husband hop down to south Miami to be with grandchildren, 9 and 2. Fortunately, their daughter and family are nearby in Baltimore.

Birthday gift from son and wife, a new grandson for **Betty Jean Ferris Morgan** (Md.). Enjoyed a great excursion through New England. Wonderful to read, "Life is good and life is happy." Sounds like a formula for happiness.

Mary Lou Parris Weber (Pa.) is catching up to her WMC roommate, Annabel, with seven "grands." She's been roaming around the world—Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Italy, Paris, but plans to be in Westminster, May 1998.

He plays tennis three times a week and feels well, but "it's humbling to know that I'm going down hill and there's nothing I can do about it." However, **Rowe Moore** (Salinas, Calif.) reports seeing **Bill Sausser '49** and **Fred Eckhardt**. Don't really believe Rowe's falling apart quite yet, since he's still in practice and doing surgery.

Deacon Bette Mason Fissel (Pa.) of the Presbyterian Church has our respect! Plays golf and loves duplicate bridge. Another \$25,000 Golf Tournament fund-raiser under Chairman Bette's leadership. A worthy endeavor! Her husband is responding well to heart medication and we're glad to hear that.

At the holiday lunch in Baltimore, it was delightful to be with **Charlotte "Wally" Haile** and **Don Smyth** (Md.). They still have 30 members of their family living in the Towson Smyth compound—all together, except for new little baby girl and family in Arizona. They went out to welcome her. In September they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Jean Silcox Cahill (N.J.) made my day by writing that "It's good to hear from you and it brings back so many happy memories at WMC. This year has been good to me and I have kept very busy: working at hospital, babysitting, trying to be better bridge player and active in retirement community." She also will be in Florida this springtime. Congratulations on your 12th grandchild! Another member who will be back to celebrate with us—great!

Like so many of us, **Marty Witter Hawkins** (Md.) has children scattered all over the East Coast and delights in visits with them. Contentment, however, comes with her busy lifestyle in Heritage Harbor, Annapolis. She attends church with **Betty Armiger Maas** in Severna Park.

Betty's greatest joy comes from 4-year-old Gordon and 1-year-old Allison Blair. Children and parents visited Betty and Lou at the Maas summer residence in Maine. A highlight of the year was the first-ever reunion of her Girl Scout friends from Cape Whippoorwill, after 55 years.

Ken Kalbaugh Sagan (Va.) spent several days in Dallas with her WMC roommate, **Eleanor "Carrots" Schilke Wroten**. She was en route to California to see her son and old friends. This spring they'll be in the Shetlands "so Marc can photograph nesting sea birds." They'll visit friends in Scotland and in England.

Also in Texas, **Dorothy Scott Atkinson** (Md.), seeing the series, Southfork. Visits daughter in Atlanta, who is the mother of Nicole, 2. Six grandsons for "Doc" **L.D. Summers** (N.Y.). All live within an hour in Cooperstown, N.Y. "Doc" will have more time for them when he retires next year. Come back in 1998 on your continual vacation.

With two sisters in Baltimore, **Gladys Sause McLeod** (Md.) returns from her Stevensville home for the holidays and plans a trip to her son and family stationed in Ft. Knox, Ky. She still enjoys her job and finally got her half-mile driveway plowed out last January.

Melbourne, Australia was the site of the World Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) Convention where **Nancy Haskin Zabel** (Ill.) was appointed World Superintendent of Citizenship. She was elected National WCTU Promotion Director at a meeting in South Dakota and is recording secretary for several groups. She accompanied her husband to his 50th college reunion and looks forward to her own.

Bob Wagner (Md.) attended his military reunion in Alabama and Kiwanis Convention in Las Vegas. Met delegates from the Pacific town his unit had invaded in 1945. Upcoming convention in Australia! Best reunion was with all three sons and families at Smith Mountain, Va.

Shrine activities keep **Betty Sauter Garlock** (Va.) involved with daily duty at the Shrine Circus Office and related trips to Tampa and New Orleans. Her master's gardener degree requires hard work and dedication to community projects.

Years ago the parents of **Lyle Johnson Willson** (Wash.) and **Josh '43** and I would have been neighbors, since they retired in the condo complex where we winter. Small world! Lyle has a double-home lifestyle with winters in Arizona and sailing all summer in the Northwest. An exciting May itinerary included Beijing, Vladivostok, four ports in Japan and across the "stormy North Pacific" to the Bering Sea and Alaska. Her calendar is also marked for May 1998.

A major grant was received for the restoration of Fort Tobacco one-room school house star to the heart of **Jesse Stetkey** (Md.). Says he was "surprised with a second major heart attack" last year and is doing well, "policed by Mary Ellen." The 17 grandchildren are into cheerleading, baseball, archery, flute and the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth. There's another Jesse, age 10.

Ending on a note of tranquility with **Wayne Cowan** (Mass.) telling of his "transformation into a relaxed schedule" in a new world of uncrowded roads, historic towns and village greens around their French Provincial home. They overlook the mountain of Massachusetts and have college concerts and cultural opportunities nearby. Wayne and Ruth "are struggling to find how we can best aid the

cause of justice and compassion."

Edward McFadden (Md.) spent August '95 playing golf in Scotland with **Don Lichy '49** and had several recent visits with **Doug Beakes**.

Update: for the "3rd floor Blanche Ward group"—your announcement cards were mailed from Bethany Beach, Del. on or about October 30th. Understand they were received Christmas week. What can I say—I tried!

Josh '43 and I may never lure our youngest son (four years from Air Force retirement) back East. We visited Don and family in their new home outside Spokane, near Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on a hill overlooking a beautiful lake, nestled in majestic mountains. It looks like Austria! Our 7,000-mile "drive" found us with FBI friends in Illinois, South Dakota and Montana. An exciting journey: a cherished memory. Played Santa in Maryland with majority of our 10 grandchildren, before missing the blizzard and getting ahead of the snow to Florida sunshine. We'll link up with **Toddy, Scotty, "Stoff" '47**, and **"Red" and Dottie Wilder Williams**. Then we'll seek out the McWilliams (**Jeanie Eckhardt '44** and **"Mac" '43**) near Naples.

When we celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary on the day of our 50th class reunion, our grandson will graduate from dear Western Maryland. This column proves that "college ties" are still unbroken, thanks to WMC!

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53 The merry month of May and its issue of *The Hill* seem to be a long way off as I write our column during the Blizzard of '96. Howling winds, drifting snow and plummeting temperatures in the East have probably caused those of you who retired to warmer climes to pat yourselves on the back and say (somewhat smugly), "We were certainly smart to move here!" Those of us who are digging out our driveways for the third time as the snowplow passes by for the third time are certainly inclined to agree with you!

As you may or may not know, because we have over 150 in our class, half of you will be contacted each time I request news from you. I was mighty glad to hear from those of you (A to L) who took time during and after busy Christmases to send your news for our perusal!

It is always a pleasure to hear from **Ashby Collins**, our quintessential class president! Doris and he cele-

brated their 40th anniversary with a vacation to Hawaii. He plans to retire from teaching in June. This will give them more time to spend with their children and grandchildren in Pennsylvania and Virginia.

Nancy McMath and John Clayton are often on the road visiting their children and grandchildren who live in the West. Their son is now stationed at Fort Carson, Colo. after serving in Korea and Kuwait. Other daughters and their children live close by in Maryland. "We do enjoy the grandchildren," Nancy wrote.

Next winter we will know who to visit when the snows fly—**Denny Boyle** in El Cajon, Calif! "Shirl and I still live in wonderful southern California. Our one regret is not seeing our college friends occasionally. If you or any other classmates are in the San Diego area, please look us up. We are in the phonebook." We would love to see you at our 45th, Denny!

From Jackson Hole, Wyo., **Stu Abrahams** wrote, "It was minus 10 degrees on January 18." With houses there and in Greensboro, N.C., he is attaining his goal to "have fun and enjoy." He teaches GY to family practice residents when he is in North Carolina. Wife Maryann is a travel agent, "We need someone employed in the house!" Son Mark will graduate from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill Medical School in May.

Life is good for **Lil Topalian Dalton**. She and husband John have been taking off-campus continuing education courses in art and music through Johns Hopkins University. "We're off to Puerto Vallarta in January and enrolled in an Elderhostel in Costa Rica in February. Retirement is wonderful—busy, but very interesting!" Son Steve is doing a three-year residency at the University of California in San Francisco and their daughter is doing graduate work at Georgia State.

Doris Rothaupt Fream had her first ambulance ride and E.R. visit with a dislocated elbow, etc. "So we had our first experience of not being in charge. Our daughter took us in for four weeks over the holidays. Can't agree with Gail Sheehy about how great old age must be. UGH!" Even though her husband had to retire when his plant moved to New Windsor, they "have no worries and no real health problems and our grandchildren are doing well." Doris says she is always glad to read of fellow 53ers!

Ernie Green and Rachel Early '51 live in Rocky River, Ohio. In his newsy letter Ernie wrote, "I have been wrestling with ways to slow down my company. Anyone who has created his

own business can understand how difficult it is to let go. It is like separating from one of your children. I am planning to sell and slowly back away." He will then have more time for his music and golf and grandchildren—one of whom "at 14 months is reading *War and Peace* and singing arias from Puccini operas" (I am quoting directly from Ernie's letter.)

Bill Shoemaker retired from AT&T as of September 1995 and he plans to remain in Greensboro, N.C.

Claud Ashcraft has moved from Texas to Seattle, Wash. He now lives near his oldest son, who received his Ph.D. in mathematics from Yale University in the spring of '95, and grandchildren. Claud wrote, "I am happy and I am enjoying life to the fullest."

Wasn't it a treat to read about **Beth Witke Barnes** in the fall 1995 *Alum News*? She is an important part of the Townsend University Computer Program, as well as being involved in many other facets of life—and in true "Beth form" she continues to give 110 percent of herself and her talents! Most touching was the loving tribute paid to Beth by her daughter, Amy.

Just under the February 1 deadline was this from **Barbara Winters Lambert**: "Bill and I are both retired now, and enjoying life more than ever. We traveled for five weeks in the fall of '95 to Greece and Italy. It was a grand trip, especially seeing the Greece we learned about in Dr. Allen MacDonald's history of art class. It was our third trip to Italy—one of our favorite countries. One of the 'hottest' happens this year has been attending a writing class, "Writing Pictures," a personal history of our descendants, taught by none other than **Betty Walter**, my roommate at WMC. The class is given at The College of Notre Dame/Renaissance in Baltimore. Sally introduced me to this and I am so grateful. Betty, Sally and I are enjoying serendipity becoming reacquainted." Although modesty prevents her from adding this, I have just learned that Barbara has accepted a position on the faculty of The College of Notre Dame as a supervisor of student art teachers for the spring semester. Later in May, Barb and Bill plan to sail to Bermuda on The QEII.

My roommate, **Estelle Zies Edwards** and her husband, Bill, will be traveling with Educational Associates to Israel and Egypt in February. She is loving retirement.

Each and every state of our wonderful America and, in fact, every country on our magnificent Earth, has a beauty that is unique unto itself. Those of us who have been fortunate enough to be able to travel, especially as a perk of retirement, have returned to our

homes with a deeper sense of appreciation for God's handiwork.

Have a glorious summer and please do let us hear from you!
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58 **Natalie Warfield and Dick '59 Palmer** were happy to see '96 arrive, even with the blizzard, as '95 saw Dick's recovery following a dreadful car accident. He was hit head-on and had to be pulled from his burning car by "two angels," one week before Christmas '94. They toured the Grand Canyon, Sedona, Ariz., and New England to see the fall colors, and did a little antique shopping for their antique business, which is thriving. They continue to enjoy their old house, even though it takes a lot of work, but "it's joy filled."

Stanley Dennis has retired from teaching in the public schools in Delaware. He taught migrant students for 15 years and found it to be the most rewarding years of his career. Currently he is dealing in antiques by mail and in antique malls. In June '95 he moved to Williamsburg, Va., and likes the area very much.

Dick and Marcia Hayes Carson built their dream retirement home in Westminster in late '94 and love the country life. They live next door to Ron and Nancy Pennypacker **Howard '56**. The four of them went to Bermuda last year and spent time in Vail, Colo. in January. Marcia and Dick have three grandchildren.

Sue Davidson Euler had a stroke in October '94 but is doing well. She was back at work for three days and got laid off, along with 80 others. "Bet I'm first one from the class of '58 on Social Security disability!"

Gloria and Roger Schelm's youngest daughter was married in September '95. Roger and Gloria traveled to Key West, Williamsburg, the Maryland Eastern Shore, Stowe, Vt. and New Mexico for sightseeing. Greece and Turkey are booked and ticketed for '96. Roger's biography is included in the golden 50th edition of *Who's Who in America*. He has been recognized by the Marquis Who's Who publication since 1980.

Bill '55 and Florie Willis Bimester love their new home and are enjoying their newest grandson who just turned one. Florie keeps quite busy with her real estate sales.

Pattie Krell Yates continues to love retirement. She was doing lots of volunteer work with the D.C. animal shelter until the D.C. government turned over operations to an unqualified group. She is on the board of a family and children's agency, and has a very part-time job with the D.C. Office on Aging. Over the last 18 months Pattie had three wonderful trips: Memphis, Tenn. to Graceland and all other Elvis sights and the wonderful Civil Rights Museum, a tour of southern India by train, and Hong Kong.

Margaret Whitfield Kim is the orchestra director at Langley High School and Stuart High School. The Langley High School orchestra performed in Carnegie Hall in April.

They have already performed for the FBI, the Canadian Embassy, and the White House. Margaret has a "wonderfully charming" granddaughter, Sierra, who is two-and-a-half and has grandma wrapped around her little finger.

Ardella Campbell Darlington has a new condo and is looking forward to retirement when she can spend three months in the sun.

Bert and Shirley Stevick Baucum are enjoying retirement and are busier than ever. Their vending machine business is nearly two years and growing. Bert does the machine servicing, and she does the "books." Their 12th grandchild was born in '95. They spend many relaxing hours sailing on the Chesapeake.

Kenneth "K.C." '59 and Anne Acree Day continue to enjoy retirement, travel, Elderhostels, and their grandchildren.

Davey and Suzanne Blair Deffinsbaugh continue to enjoy retirement in sunny Tucson, Ariz. They are not in the "rocking chair" group yet but rather quite busy with their dog breeding hobby. The Citadel Kennel has provided opportunities for travel. They have been to dog shows in Mexico, California and Texas. If you are looking for an animal to provide love and protection for your family, give them a call.

Ev Feesser has a little mail order business that "I can't describe in a few words." He still has his condo in Ocean City where he pursues kite flying and "girl watching" habits.

Don '56 and Mary Lowe Wallace enjoy their two grandsons who keep them busy.

Barb Lawrence Meadors is still in the "land of Ahs." She is the assistant manager of a deli in Kansas City, however is spending more and more time

golfing. She is in charge of the Junior Golf Benefit Tournament in Atchison to advance and promote an interest in golf for the young. She went to Florida and the Bahamas while wintering in the Mid-West.

Nancy Lindsay Beideman has been at RCA-GE-Marietta-Lockheed Martin for 20 years—first time they had ever closed due to the Blizzard of '96. Her son in the Poconos was happy with the skiing weather. Her son in Baltimore has a little antique business. Nancy sends best to all classmates for the New Year.

Flo Mehl Wootten is still selling real estate. Her daughter, Marian, was married in '95 and is working for the Defense Department. Melissa is in the computer field.

Fred Stoesifer has been remodeling his farm house and has room for overnight guests. He continues breeding and racing Appaloosa horses.

Billie and Tony Sarbanes co-chaired New Year Eastern Shore (in Salisbury), a family fun-oriented evening which was really great to work with. Their daughter is divorced and back teaching first grade in Salisbury. Their son is attending law school in the evening in Wilmington, Del. Tony and Billie are active in the community and church.

Don and Gail Mercey Getz had a shed collapse at their hunting camp, but were able to shovel off the five feet of snow from their hunting camp roof following the big blizzard. Their Christmas '95 present to themselves was a trip to Amarillo, Texas. Don went mule deer hunting and Gail went to museums, historic houses and hiking. She also went to Georgia O'Keefe country (her early days in the Palo Duro Canyon). Gail attended the annual meeting of the Costume Society. She presented a juried paper on the uniforms of the Central Pennsylvania Ladies Band called, "Chic Music." She is still active in the local county historical society. **Vi Fomser Carrick** designed a super newspaper highlighting the year's events and projects.

Walter Bloodsworth is still teaching. He is working on some writing projects. He has one 350,000-word manuscript completed and has another book-length manuscript 2/5 finished. He also spends much time with his KORG synthesizer and has about a dozen songs finished and is hoping to write lyrics in the near future. He is making plans to relocate to the Dade City area of Florida to continue writing, composing and giving time to water-color painting.

As head of the parks and street department in Poolesville, Md., **Lori Jones Gore** directed the monumental task of clearing the streets following

the Blizzard of '96. Their son graduated from the University of Maryland in December. **Jerry '62** loves his job so is still not retired!

John Gunderson finds life is great in the beautiful Rio Grande Valley at the southernmost tip of Texas—a long way from Westminster. He is still working but finds time to wind down on the beach every day and takes regular trips into Mexico.

Jim and Judy Board Hayes are still in western Pennsylvania and keeping busy. Their daughter is a senior in high school and their son and his wife live in Massachusetts and are connected with UMass. They hope to see everyone in '98 for our 40th!

Summer '95 found Kay Payne '59 and Tom Beckett spending as much time as possible on their sailboat which they keep in Rock Hall, Md.,. They attended a dinner party at Harry and Carol Burton Cordes' beautiful new home on the Bay. They regaled the Cordes' other guests with memories of our days on "the Hill." When not sailing, Tom serves as president and CEO of a hospital recently sold to Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation. It's been a great experience and he is enjoying life with his new employer. When he retires he is thinking about writing a book called: Healthcare Reform in the Trenches: Life at the End of the Whip. Tom will sail their boat to its winter home in the Bahamas.

Bette Flohr and Dick Plasket gave each other a mountain cabin in Mountain Rest, S.C. as a Christmas '94 present. It has a 180-degree unobstructed view of the Blue Ridge Mountains in Georgia and North Carolina. Now that it is fixed up, they are enjoying it. They enjoyed having season tickets for the Panthers inaugural season as an expansion team, and it was exciting as they had more wins than any expansion team had ever had. Dick restructured his company, so the summer months were very busy. They feel very lucky that age and health have not slowed them down yet because they are both doing so many new and interesting things.

Renate and Fred Stoevers celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary in April '95, and their son graduated from Stern Business School at New York University. In '94 Fred celebrated his firm's 30th year on Wall Street by renting a yacht for 75 people for an evening tour around Manhattan. He has no plans to retire, but would like to devote much more time to his first love, wildlife oil painting. He's currently working on a painting

for Maharaja of Wankar-Gujarat, India. He still works out with weights three times a week and runs a couple of miles three times a week. Fred has taken numerous wildlife/adventure trips: Galapagos in '92, Bialowieza National Park in Poland in '93, Grand Canyon-Bryce-Zion loop in '95 and Zimbabwe-Botswana-Namibia this year.

Caryl Ensor Peterson became a grandma in October. The new grandbaby, Eli, and his parents, spent the holidays with Caryl and Ron. Caryl hopes to take a leave of absence from Towson sometime in late '96 to spend more time with her mother and Eli.

Our condolences to the family of **June Morrison Childs** who died in July '95.

Herb and I continue to enjoy life in California. We saw a Titan missile launch several months ago from Vandenberg Air Force Base, which is adjacent to Lompoc. It is quite a spectacle to see this huge missile rise through the western blue sky out over the Pacific and know it will end up on Kwajalein (atoll) in the Marshall Islands in less than one hour.

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78 Hello to everyone! I hope you had a great holiday season. I spent a little longer in the States than I had expected as a result of the Blizzard of 1996.

George Gurley bought a dental practice in Severna Park, Md., a few years ago and he regularly runs into **Dave and Beth Silvius Deitrick**.

George also runs into **Helen Kiefert** on the weekends when swing dancing.

Dave and Beth Silvius Deitrick have four children: Kerry, 11, Brandon, 9, Emily, 4, and Tyler, 3. The children are busy with sports, scouts and church activities. Dave is busy with his dental practice and plays tennis in his spare time. The Deitricks are homeschooling for the first time this year and are enjoying it. They had a great time at Laura "Lolly" Lloyd's wedding in October 1995.

Helen Kiefert is living in Loch Hill and working at First National Bank. She spends her spare time swing dancing and ballroom dancing; however, she may retire from softball as she managed to break her nose last summer. Another option would be wear the hockey mask her teammates gave her!

Life in Carroll County is great for **Cindy Wolfe '80** and **Greg Behm**

and boys David, 11, Brian, 10, and Gary, 8. The family is involved with the Carroll Community Church and the boys' soccer teams. Greg is working for Black & Decker in Towson.

Mitch Gold is living in Baltimore with Leslee, Leon, 7, and Marshall, 5. Both children attend Krieger Schechter Day School. Mitch works at Industrial Realty Company in Cross Keys, selling and leasing warehouses, factories, truck terminals, etc. Mitch has been active in raising money for the Baltimore Museum of Industry. He was very active in the Baltimore Mayoral race supporting Mary Pat Clark as he was an intern in her office while at WMC.

Bo Colver and family recently celebrated son Jack's 4th birthday; daughter Kate recently turned two. They moved into a new home last year in Richmond, Va., bought the family van and put up the picket fence. They claim that all they need now is a dog and then they will be all set!

Ed '77 and Sue Windsor Becraft have a new member in their family. Samuel Bentley Becraft was born January 11. He joins brother Ben, 9, in making their lives complete. Sue works at the Maryland Insurance Group as the automobile information technology supervisor and under the supervision of **Jim Hackett '65**. The family vacationed in Kiawah, S.C. last summer and were visited by **Dell Wogland Elias '76** from Nevada, **Joyce Reynolds Hafstad '80** from Chicago and former roommate **Dawn Reedy Leaf**.

Tom '80 and Kathy Chandler Armbruster are living in Gaithersburg, Md., Kathy is working at the Gaithersburg Library and Tom has a year of study at the George Washington University. August will bring Russian language training and then off to Moscow in August of 1997 for two years!

Rick Clark sends hellos from Carmel, Ind.

Keith and Karen Keenan Good and daughters Katie, 12, and Kristen, 7, send regards from Westover, on Maryland's Eastern Shore. They keep busy with work, school, church and community activities.

Norman Koehler has finally retired from seafaring and married Marjorie Baker. He wonders if the inmates of the Pennsylvania house: Bobby, Claire, Joe, Jeff, Vikki, Virginia, Marcia and Joy remember the wonderful closeness shared?

Kenneth Goldberg is now a certified public accountant with a second degree in accounting. He works for a small sole proprietorship in Bethesda, Md., He lives with wife Teresa Stakem

and a houseful of cats in Fort Washington.

This is **Sandy Evans Delenick's** second year of child-care leave from teaching. She is having a wonderful time with Christy, 2. Sandy is a leader in a women's fellowship at her church once a week, teaches a class of four seventh-grade homeschooled boys twice a week, and tutors two students from the high school where she previously taught. The family loves living in Atlanta and is getting excited about the Olympics! **Pam Price Delenick** and family will be visiting Sandy this summer during the Olympics.

Tony Basile spent a pleasant time goofing off during a ski trip in Steamboat Springs Colo., and enjoying the wines of Italy last spring. The rest of the year was busy with lectures in Germany, Japan and Korea. He is in the process of filing a patent on a new treatment for antibiotic induced deafness and continuing research on AIDS dementia complex.

Richard Bacon is still living in Albuquerque, N.M., where he does financial planning with American Express Financial Advisors. His main hobby is trying to keep up with his 5-year-old daughter Sofia.

Austin '79 and Martha Pratt Gisriel are enjoying life in Williamsport, Md., where they have lived for the last three years. Rebecca, 8, and Sarah, 3, are the joys of their lives! Martha is still managing editor for the *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*. Austin is in his 12th year of teaching English at North Hagerstown High School.

Adele Weinberg Connolly is still working in Elliott City as a counselor with the State Division of Rehabilitation Services. Husband John continues to work as a programmer for Montgomery County Public Schools. Their children Heather, 8, and Patrick, 3, keep them busy with extracurricular activities such as Brownies and basketball. Adele is singing in the Clustered Spired Chorus of the Sweet Adelines in Frederick and recently started singing in a barbershop quartet as well!

Suzanne Whitley Horgan and family send greetings from Maine where they spent the summer at their cottage and the winter months busy with hockey and skiing. Suzanne is very busy as a stay-at-home mom.

Will and Debbi Higbie '80 Holmes recently moved to a new home and are busy decorating and landscaping. Debbi is busy also with their three daughters who are in mid-

dle, elementary and pre-school. Will travels for Marriott developing retirement communities around the country.

Rosalie Kasper is working as a realty specialist for the National Park Service. She keeps in touch with **Dawn Bennett** who recently appeared in the Sound of Music at the Media Theater. Dawn teaches voice and piano lessons and directs three bell choirs. She also performed in Rodgers & Hammerstein's review *It's a Grand Night for Singing* in the fall of 1995.

Pam Noll '80 and Bill Brazis are having a blast raising their two sons, Andrew, 8, and Matthew, 6. They live in River Hill in Columbia, Md., Bill is the in-house counsel for the agency of the Department of Defense. The boys are very into baseball and soccer. Pam and Bill often see **Sara Norman '80** and **Phil Watson** and share Oriole's season tickets with them as they have for the last 12 years.

Loireli and Judd Miller are living in Savannah, Ga., and had a baby girl in October 1995.

Sue Bornemann, and husband Steve Joffe, went to New York City to celebrate her 40th birthday.

Ann Weigel Dixon had an interesting 1995. Her company temporarily relocated her to Oak Ridge, Tenn. to manage a large government contract that they were awarded (June to December). She really enjoyed living in that part of the country. Ann vacationed in Washington State, Canada and the Outer Banks last year.

Sherry Wensel Bowers is teaching in Virginia Beach at a school for gifted students, grades 2-5, artistically gifted 3-8, and dance 3-8 as the science resource teacher. She has the opportunity to teach everyone, integrating science into the rest of the curriculum. Sherry is also working for the A.I.M.S. Education Foundation, primarily during the summer, traveling around the country doing math/science development for teachers. Anna, 11, is attending a magnet school for gifted students. **Matt '77** is reporting for the *Virginia Pilot* covering family and children's issues.

Don and Chris Schmick Campbell moved to Elliott City in February '95 during a snow/sleet rainstorm! They had a beautiful garden last summer and have had visits from deer, a fox and an owl in the cornfield behind their home. They are now into the interior design phase—stripping, painting, wallpaper, etc. Chris is a clinical social worker employed as a consultant for a small nursing home in Catonsville and as the social worker for Deerfield Senior Services (an adult-day-care program) in their Westminster and Columbia centers.

Carol "Korby" Bowman-Clark and family are all well. They have three children—Kegan, 13, Joe, 11, and Jennie, 8. Joe finally got his dream come true last July, a cocker spaniel puppy. They enjoy life in the home they built and moved into in May 1994.

Gail Plotkin Alessi is working as a case management consultant with the Hill-Rom Company. She recently finished a master's degree in health administration.

Skip and Anne Bissett Carlson, Jay and Courtney are busy with work, school, soccer, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and sailing. Skip and Anne spent a month in Turkey and Greece last summer. Skip was recently promoted to vice president for research at Kimberly Clark. Anne is busy as a guidance counselor in a public high school.

Nancy Hess Fritzsche sends greetings from south Georgia. Their family is stationed at Moody Air Force Base where they have been for almost two years. Nancy is a stay-at-home mom and enjoys her time with the three boys—Chad, 7, Beck, 5, and Garrett, 2. The Fritzsches' have had the opportunity to visit Disney World and Six Flags in Atlanta since moving to Georgia.

Dave Dickerhoff opened his own practice in Spring Lake, N.C. He is building a house and plans on staying for a very long time!

Julie Austin Harrison and family are moving back to Virginia from New Jersey in 1996. They have built a home near Leesburg, Va. Tommy is retiring from Wall Street and they are looking forward to country life. The children are 15, 12, 12, and 3.

Bob and Susan Hucy Beyer are living in Greensboro, N.C. Susan is the happy mother of four—Sarah, 13, Emily, 11, Daniel, 6, and Wilson, 4. Susan is active in community Bible study and church. Bob is senior director at Genetic Design—DNA all the way!

Ltc. Bruce Belt was promoted in June '95 and is now stationed in Panama.

Dave Seibert, WMC's head baseball coach, has been named the 1995 Maryland College Coach of the Year by the Maryland State Association of Baseball Coaches.

Wonderful hearing from all of you. I still enjoy living and working in Europe and look forward to new adventures in 1996!

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Thanks to everyone who sent their cards back to me on such short notice! I'm writing this in February just after the Blizzard of 1996, the second blizzard of 1996, and so many snow and ice events that I lost count. Hopefully it will all be but a distant memory when you read this.

Shawn Warner Denton is teaching freshman composition courses part time at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, S.C. The rest of her time is spent volunteering at her children's school, doing household projects like sewing and painting, and spending time with her children. Recently she spoke to **Mollie King**, who is enjoying her second baby boy.

Ed and **Julie Olmsted Baudry** are making the best of "city living" in Laurel. Ed is a computer analyst at the Pentagon and Julie just celebrated her 12th anniversary with the DOD. They both like to canoe down the Upper Potomac on nice warm days.

Rob Bowell is living in Rockville and is now partner at Cooper and Lybrand. He keeps in touch with **Doug Pinto**, **John Seiler '84** and **Dave Engel**.

Mark and Melissa Pruitt '82 Cockerill are busy chasing after their three boys, Daniel, 4, and the twins, 1. He writes that the twins are as different as night and day. Steven looks like Daniel with brown hair and eyes, but David has blond hair and blue eyes. They are finishing up their tour of Hawaii and will be back in Maryland by the summer.

E.R.'s George Clooney has nothing on our own **Jerry Balentine**. He trains residents at the emergency department in the Bronx and also teaches at the medical school. He also has been writing for several medical textbooks and journals. He and his wife have a house in Rye which is a suburb of New York City. Jerry hopes to make it to WMC this year to see all the changes on campus. He spoke to **Bob Iker** last fall when Bob got married. Bob, I need to hear from you to get the detailed scoop on your nuptials!

Peter and Jane Norman are back from their two-year stint in Germany and are happy to be in their own home and can't wait to see everyone. We missed you, Peter!

Peggy Stoneback Beardmore and husband Paul have just finished refurbishing their basement because they needed a bigger space for their son Drew's toys! Paul hopes to put his toys down there too, like his pool table. Peggy celebrated 10 years with Advo, Inc. She is a key account execu-

tive. She and Paul love parenthood.

Chris Adamiak had some intriguing news to share. First, he and his wife Rebecca were told they were going to have a boy, but they were blessed with a girl, Emily Christine, who, of course is a perfect child. Then last year he became a team member and co-driver for the Tecate/Quaker State off-road race team. They race the Score series which consists of 10 races per year. They are getting quite a bit of ESPN coverage so you might see him zipping across the desert at 125 mph. The Baja 500 and Baja 1000 are getting a tremendous amount of media coverage. They are racing a Ford Ranger in Class 7 - stock modified class, and a Jeep Cherokee in Class 6 - sport utility class. As for work, he is an account executive for Exhibitec, a company that designs and builds exhibits for the trade show industry. The job requires quite a bit of traveling and he always wonders if he'll bump into a WMC alum. And last but not least his family belongs to a four-wheel drive club. This year they will be going to Moab, Utah for a full week of rock crawling and camping. He also extends an invite to anyone visiting Mission Viejo, Calif., they have a guest room.

Kent Galvin, now Major Galvin, is currently a student at the Marine Corps Command and Staff College at Quantico, Va. **Paul Cale** is also there. Kent will finish school in June and then doesn't know where they will send him next. He attended **Wayne Keen's** wedding in Atlanta with **Dale Dutton** and they had a great time. His daughter Alli is 10 and growing up fast! His wife Lisa is now store manager of American Eagle Outfitters and as a family they enjoy horseback riding.

Neil Epstein has recently changed jobs. He left his law practice and is working with John Hancock Financial Services in Lutherville. He and his wife Robin have welcomed a third daughter, Courtney Todd. She joins her two sisters, Abigail and Alayna.

Dan Guy and Jennifer Gill have come up with a new aerobics program, it's called, "Run after our three sons ages 6, 4, and 1 and stay trim." It's a guaranteed weight loss program but they are not responsible for any gray hairs you may develop! Dan is now senior attorney for the U.S. Tax Court in D.C. and Jennifer tutors English and writing for grade school children. They saw **Betsy Mayer Kleger** at Christmas. Betsy loves Colorado but misses her friends very much—**Liz MacSherry Moag** in Ohio, **Laine Gillespie** in New York, **Cyndy Brault** in Alaska and **Mary Barker Bacher** in Columbia, Md., **Dwight and Brenda Jones Eichel-**

berger now live in northern New Hampshire. Dwight has a position in a community health clinic. They live in Littleton which is about one hour from the Canadian border. They entertain themselves by watching the snow fall and cross-country skiing. They have gotten quite good at falling down on their skins. They have to be alert for marauding moose and bears and listen to the coyotes outside. Brenda mostly stays home with their sons, Ford, 3, and Ian, 1. One day a week she works as a speech pathologist. They invite anyone who's game to come visit!

Nancy Reid Caspari is teaching aerobics at a nearby health club and working toward her personal trainer certification. This still leaves her plenty of time to spend with her husband Bill and children Stacy, 6, and Will, 4. Nancy runs into **Katie O'Dwyer '82** and **Hunter '81** Steadley at nursery school. She also sees **Steve James '82**, **Dave Sutor '82**, **Deb Federico May '84** and **Maria Maranto Medved** at her health club.

Nina Blecher and her husband Mark took their children Natalie and Alan to Puerto Rico. She still sees **Cathy Hosley Wattenberg**, **Ellen Schaefer Salins**, **Alison Warner Good**, **Karen Messick Street** and **Meredith Zimmerman** every month or so for fun.

Caryn Brandland enjoys the Big Apple where she is in private practice as a podiatrist. She traveled to Paris and Provence this summer. No kids, no pets, great friends and family.

John Dixon, wife Jody, and son Jack live in Abingdon. John is president of BLC Properties, Inc. He often sees **Bryan Gately**, **Jay Krause**, **Steve Ports** and other Techs.

Lisa Stahl Gastelle is still teaching at the Maryland School for the Deaf. Her children are growing, Brian is 8, Colin is 6 and Marissa is 4. Lisa says it is a bit of a bummer that songs that she recognizes are on the oldies but goodies station—I can relate! Other than that her life is happy with husband Greg and their three children. She still stays in contact with **Sue Lapidus Spencer** and **Stacie Matzorkis Dashiell**.

Paul Paul Cale, wife Kimberly and their two children Anastasia, 6, and Nicholas, 4, are stationed at Quantico. He's working on his second master's degree and then will be sent home to Ft. Bragg, N.C. We all want to know Paul if they let you wear your taped-up slippers in the Marines?

Karen Newman Gross now has two sons, the newest is Jonathan

Tyler. He was born just hours after she left on maternity leave from the National Labor Relations Board. She recently spoke with **Beth Sweeney '84** who was in from Canada.

Kelly Ferguson Sweet is busy with her four children, and **Joan Kelly Regan** is doing well with her son Jack, they live in Boston.

Bob Heckle's work as a funeral director keeps him very busy—too many late night calls! He and Sheri have two children, Zach, 4, and Lindsay, 1.

Linda Doenger Antlitz lives in Rochester and is managing a group home for adults with developmental disabilities. Linda gave birth to a baby girl, **Zoe Elizabeth**, who was three months early but is doing well. She says being a single mom is challenging but she loves every minute of it.

Erich Lehnert's card arrived to me with the top half smeared by rain, so Erich I'll write what I can read and make sure you send me another soon! He works at Ft. Detrick in Frederick where he often sees Dr. Rick Smith from WMC. He and his wife Sandy have two daughters, Jordan Katherine, 6, and Lydia Meredith, 1. He sees **Steve Haugen** and **Dave Humerick** who works for Aspen Systems Corp. and stops by often.

Rob and Sue Lucy Mastell are in Westminster where Rob is still a sales manager with American Greetings. Sue is art department head at Frederick High. Their daughter Ashton is now 2 and can talk even more than her father if you can believe that.

Steve Ports is living on Kent Island and is staff counsel to the Maryland House Ways and Means Committee. He's back playing with the Klassiks. He still gets together with the Techs and I even see him often—the last time was at Christmas when he was wearing a very nice tux. He must have a lot of band groupies!

Donna Todd and Pat '84 Luce live in Virginia Beach. Va. Donna is a CPA and works for a private contractor as a controller. Pat is a sales representative in East Coast Leisure. They have two children, Stephanie, 6, and Christopher, 4.

Eileen Gunzelman Saunders and husband Gary now live in Mobile, Ala. He works for the Mobile Bay Sharks, a minor league baseball team. They have a new son, Austin Patrick. Eileen books performances for a professional and nationally recognized Elvis impersonator when she's not busy being a mom.

Laine Gillespie and husband Bill Chappelle live in Albany, N.Y. Laine is a regional account manager for Mantec, based in Timonium. Bill teaches English at Voorheesville High School. They visited **Cyndy Brault** in

Alaska and **Amy Warlin Mulholland '85** and family in New Jersey. Speaking of Cyndy Brault, after six years her husband Dave has permanent status with BP so they are committed to staying in Alaska. They have a new home and a 2-year-old named Brent. They love Anchorage but anxiously wait for spring!

Mary Barker Bachinger and husband Chris now live in Columbia and love Howard County. Mary is doing tax policy work for a higher education association in D.C. She stays in touch with **Cindy Wilcox Pascal '84** who was married last summer and lives in Panama City Beach, Fla.

I have been happily seeing many of my WMC friends. In October we had a mini-Delt reunion at some bar in Westminster, I think it used to have a name but it changes hands so much I think they gave up. Anyway it was really great to see the Deltas from 1983-87. No one would see Delt songs with me though! I've been having lunch periodically with **Corjie Simmons Tarlton '82** and **Nancy Zuidema Radcliffe '82** and anyone else we can drag along. It's been great! Every other month **Kathleen "Kaki" Brusa Wynn, Rixey Lebeher Hout, Shelly Haydak Sweeney, Michelle Newman Seburn, Kathy Norris, Patsy Stahl, Carol Resnick '82, Lisa Myles Gastelle** and anyone else we can grab, last month it was Rixey's sister Laura, have dinner at each other's houses. The dinner conversation goes from mature themes to really immature themes such as, "What would you do if the woman sitting in front of you in church had a raisin stuck to her butt?" You'll never change! No matter how far you've come there are always those who remember the embarrassing things you have done—it's okay it keeps you humble and grounded. I've been busy with substitute teaching, which I love, and have a great time coaching my daughter Valerie's basketball team. At 9 the kid is already five feet tall, we're on scholarships for college. Our home projects this year are more landscaping, finishing painting the house, and putting on a new roof then maybe we can have a big party to celebrate our 10th anniversary in June! Keep in touch everyone even when you don't get a card just drop me a line on any of your happenings! God Bless.

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Seems like we are all so busy, it's difficult to find the time to keep in touch with WMC friends. Thanks to all of you who took the time to let us know what you have been up to.

Rhonda Myers is currently working for an association in Washington D.C. She commutes from their new home in Randallstown, Md., her twins are now 5 years old and getting so big. She sees **Chris Mattox** every day and keeps in touch with **Tania John, Darolyn Milburn '89, Angie Latsey Jones and Josh Valentine '90**. She still enjoys writing the Honor Class news.

Julianne Saunders moved to Lancaster County, Pa. to get away from city life.

Kevin Woest and wife **Amy Kautz '91** are now a family of bankers. Kevin is still working with Nations Bank where he has been since graduation. Amy just finished her first year with Provident and loves it.

Ed "Buzz" Swanson and **Karen Frank '90** are enjoying spending time with their daughter, **Tori**, who is now a year old. Buzz was recently promoted to the rank of narcotics detective.

Sharon Pierce Reith, husband **Dave '87** and a proud 4-and-a-half year old brother are thoroughly enjoying the latest addition to the family, **Jennifer Nicole**, who was born in February 1995. Sharon is still teaching first grade in Frederick County, completing her eighth year in June. The Reiths keep in touch with **Cindy Jarwovics Knies, Jerry '86** and **Bev Donald, Pat Shank '87** and **Laura Nickoles Smith**.

Cynthia Schrader recently purchased a condo in Centerville, Va. where she is a head teacher with Fairfax County's School Age Child Care Program. In her free time she enjoys playing competitive volleyball in both co-ed and women's leagues.

Linda Ward Terry is an intern in a family practice residency program in Milwaukee, Wis. It involves many long hours, but Linda is enjoying it. She and her husband love to go to many sporting events, Brewers, Packers, etc. and spend time with friends. She has learned to love six months of winter and lots of snow.

Carol Boore O'Neil and husband **Brian** were blessed with a beautiful baby girl, **Caitlyn Anne**, on October 14, 1994. She has resigned her teaching position to stay home with Caitlyn and loves every minute with her. She hopes to see everyone at Homecoming.

Anne Waters is working in Philadelphia at Pennsylvania Hospital as a social worker. She misses all of her WMC friends.

Steve "Skip" Sinak and wife **Wendy** are living in Coconut Creek, Fla. Steve is working as a dealer credit analyst for General Motors Acceptance Corporation. "Twelve Neat Guys/Congential."

Capt. Ray McDermott has been transferred from Fort Rucker, Ala. to Hanau, Germany. He will be stationed in Bosnia for the peacekeeping mission. His family will be moving to Germany upon Ray's return from Bosnia.

Anita Butler Wolf and husband **Todd '87** are living in Salt Lake City, Utah. They are enjoying the skiing in the winter and traveling to the National Parks (Bryce Canyon and Zion, etc.) in the summer. Anita has decided to be a stay-at-home mother for their 2-year-old son Marshall.

Beth Ann Spangler has been working for the past year at Revere National Corporation (outdoor advertising) in downtown Baltimore. She is living with "Her (kiline) Highnesses **Lucy Lon** and **Pee Wee**" in Bel Air. She is still in contact with **Sheri Trivane Harris, Ursula Wiedmann Goldman '89, Tina Lange Luttrell '89, Tina Lambert '89** and **Sarah Stump Street**.

John and Michelle Giangrandi '89 Rooney are working and playing hard in New Jersey. The skiing was great this year in the Poconos. They recently attended a dinner where **Dr. Sam Cass '63** spoke and met alumni dating back 50 years from the South Jersey Alumni Chapter.

Jeff and Leslie Brooks '89 Rink had a daughter **Megan Brook** this past November. She's a real cutie and all smiles, just like her daddy! They also moved to a beautiful new home in Hartford County in March.

In September 1995 **Michelle Hubbard Maiorano** and husband **Paul '87** had their first child, **Alexis Kay Maiorano**.

Thigh deep in snow with more on the way, **Wendi McQueney Nolder** enjoyed finding things for her two children, **Chelsea, 5**, and **Austin, 1**, to do when it's too cold to be outside. She is a volunteer at her daughter's kindergarten class and in the community as a LaLeche League leader. She misses all her Delt and Phi Mu sisters.

Jeff Smith and **Tracy Ann Tokar Smith** had a very busy '95. Tracy Ann is still working for Integrated Health Services as a training and documentation consultant and she also directed two plays at local theaters last year. Jeff has been with ACT since graduation and this summer was promoted to database specialist. He was also elected to the Board of Directors for the Arbutus Little League. However, despite their individual accom-

plishments last year the biggest news is their combined effort—their son **Matthew McClellan Smith**. He was born November 19 and is an absolute joy according to his very proud parents.

After spending the past six years in the marketing department at Johns Hopkins University Press, **Maryann Rada** is testing the book-publishing waters—and the waves—in San Diego. She misses her WMC buddies.

John and Michelle McEwan '89 McDonnell are coming off of their most exciting year ever. On June 10th they welcomed a beautiful 8-pound baby girl, **Haley Ann**, to the McDonnell family. She is already walking the furniture seven months later. Michelle passed her national boards and is now a certified physicians assistant. John moved his financial planning offices to Towson. John and Michelle are looking forward to a great '96.

Daniel Seabold finished his PhD in mathematical logic at the University of California-Berkeley. If anyone hears of an academic opening, he'd like to know about it—so give him a call!

Gayle Adamce Pichardt is teaching second grade resource at Bollman Bridge Elementary School in Howard County. This is her sixth year as a special education teacher. She was married in 1993 and they bought a house in Catonsville. She and her husband have a yellow lab named Quincy. Gayle still keeps in touch with the Phi Sigs.

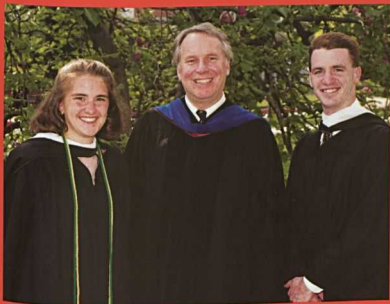
Gina Graham Moltz is now the mom of a beautiful girl, **Rachel Ellen Moltz**, born July 25, 1995. She is working part time in Westminster, near Maggies, at Washington Heights Pharmacy (as a pharmacist). She's too exhausted to do much other than work and enjoy Rachel. She looks forward to vacations in warmer places.

Susan Scalley Heffner is enjoying a new position with Olsten Temporary Service. Daughter **Holly, 6**, keeps her mom very busy taxing her back and forth to dance lessons.

Matt '87 Dunne and I are proud to announce the arrival of Courtney **Dianne Dunne** on June 25, 1995. She's learned early to be a great traveler since we never like to pass up the opportunity to take a vacation. Our most recent trip was a ski trip to Vermont with **Dave '87** and **Marie Filshie '89 Douglas, Richie '87, Martha, Claire and Kyra Wheatley and Jeff '88, Leslie Brooks '89** and **Megan Brook Rink**. While Courtney was still a little small to ski, she really enjoyed the snow.

Thanks again for all the letters. Hope '96 is a great year for all. See you in '97!

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Graduating Seniors Kathy Gaston and Tim Collins have reason to smile as they get a warm send-off from Student Dean Phil Sayre. Both won awards for having achieved the best undergraduate records.

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ALUMNI EVENTS CALENDAR

All alumni and their guests are invited to alumni events. Those living outside the sponsoring chapter's zip code may make reservations by calling the Office of Alumni Affairs, (410) 857-2296.

Sat., June 15

Psi Chapter reunion lunch,

Harrison House, 11 a.m.

July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

July 5, 6

Theatre on the Hill presents *Ruthless*, a musical comedy, 8 p.m., Alumni Hall. For more information, call (410) 857-2599.

July 6, 13, 20, 27

August 3, 10, 17

Theatre on the Hill presents *The Princess and the Pea*, an original play for children, 2 p.m., Alumni Hall. For more information, call (410) 857-2599.

Tues., July 9

Day Students' Reunion, 9 a.m., Harrison House.

July 12, 13

Common Ground Song Festival. Performance times TBA. For more information, call (410) 857-2599.

July 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27
August 4, 7, 11, 14

Theatre on the Hill presents *Greater Tuna*, a comedy, 8 p.m., Alumni Hall. For more information, call (410) 857-2599.

July 22

Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

August 1, 2, 3, 8, 9,

10, 15, 16, 17

Theatre on the Hill presents *The Secret Garden*, a musical, 8 p.m., Alumni Hall. For more information, call (410) 857-2599.

Thu., August 8

Lower Shore Alumni Chapter. Location: Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club, Rt. 611 South.

Mon., August 26

Baltimore Alumni Chapter lunch, Towson Sheraton, 11:15 a.m.

Sun., Sept. 29

So. Md. Alumni Chapter, 5 p.m. dinner

Sat., Oct. 5

Wilmington, Del., Alumni Chapter lunch, Christiana Hotel.

Sat., Oct. 19

Homecoming. Class reunions for 1971, '76, '81, '86, '91.

Sun., Oct. 20

Mid Shore Alumni Chapter. Location: Dorchester County.

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OH CAPTAIN , MY CAPTAIN

Honorary degree recipient Bob Keeshan, a.k.a. Captain Kangaroo, gave educators like Provost Joan Develin Coley (right) and students alike a lesson in kindness at this year's commencement. Check the Summer issue of *The Hill* for a feature on children's most beloved advocate.