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BIRD WATCHING

President Robert Chambers met the original raven while Baltimore's new NFL team touched down on the Hill for its summer camp.

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From The Hill

Bringing in a Big 2000

WMC's Class of 2000 is big news, but not just because its members will graduate in the new millennium.

It's just really big. This year's incoming class is the largest in 10 years. When school started Sept. 3, 389 freshmen and 54 transfer students answered roll call. With a total of 443 new students, the class represents an increase of almost 17 percent more than last year's entering class of 379.

The enrollment figures don't include WMC's first incoming class of students from its Budapest campus. The 20 students spent their first two years at WMC-Budapest, the only American undergraduate college in Hungary, and will finish their degrees on the Hill.

"That program is growing beyond our wildest dreams, too," College President Robert Chambers said. "There are 30 students in this year's sophomore class, which will come to us in 1997, and more than 50 trying to get in the next freshman class over there."

The new students at WMC represent 23 states, up from 14 in 1995, and the number of students from Maryland is 68 percent, up two percent. Ten new foreign students are enrolled versus four in 1995, and minorities represent 8.6 percent of the class, up from 6.5 percent last year.

"We can't point to just one factor that has caused the bump," said Marty O'Connell, director of admissions.

THE CLASS OF 2000 is 389 strong • Students hail from as far away as Connecticut, California and Kenya • 24 graduated from high school with perfect 4.0 grade point averages • The Class includes two sets of twins • There are 14 Matthews and 14 Michaels • They play roller hockey, computer games and the piccolo • One earned the "Outstanding Services Award" in his mailroom job • Another believes she was touched by an angel.

"We have continued to build on a number of strategies and all of those have now come together to give us this bigger class."

For example, the College has run a billboard campaign in Prince George's County aimed at attracting more minority

students from that area. The increased visibility has yielded a 100 percent increase in enrollments from Prince George's—nine to 18.

New students, she said, also have noted they appreciate the College's devotion to strong teaching and the increased

opportunities for undergraduate students to participate in top-notch research with their professors.

"We also have to look at what is going on around us," O'Connell continued. "There is a lot happening on this campus with upgrades to the physical plant, and I know students pay attention to those details. Our campus visits have increased, so more and more people are seeing a lot going on and that things are moving here. Maybe we are doing things to improve the campus that other colleges just can't or aren't doing right now and that might be the deciding factor for some students." •



BUDAPEST BRIGHT The first class to hit the Hill from Western Maryland's campus in Budapest includes 20 juniors who completed their first two years in Hungary. They're eager to find out if classes here are more or less demanding.

A 25-Year Study Tour Posts Final Crossing

Study is the primary way that a professor travels, but for professor of English literature and Conrad scholar Ray Stevens, the search for new ideas has beckoned him repeatedly to cross the Atlantic to places both exciting or exotic, or "at least to London." The consummate teacher, Stevens has included dozens of WMC students on his sojourns, leading one of the most popular January Term study tours retracing the footsteps of literary giants.

Another faculty goodfellow and proven tour guide, Jim Lightner, will join Stevens in leading his final January Term cultural and literary tour of England and Scotland before he retires at the end of the spring semester. The 14th such trip in 25 years, proposed peregrinations include Canterbury, Cambridge, York, Edinburgh, the Lake District, Stratford, Bath, and Winchester.

Interestingly, the total cost of the first tour in 1971 including airfare, seven performances, accommodations and meals was \$465. This year's tour is available to students, alumni, parents and friends at a cost of \$2300. Enrollment is limited to 40.

More than two decades later Stevens notes that "much of my best travel" has been with students.

Many WMC alumni will long remember the concerts enjoyed at Royal Albert Hall and at the Barbican Center in London along with eating

haggis in the BritRail Hotel at Ayr; or a play at Stratford-upon-Avon. Writing in the English Dept. Newsletter in 1991, Stevens reported how "Eloise Ensor (Western Maryland's former first lady) and I slogged through snow in downtown Edinburgh to attend one [folk festival] advertising a half-dozen Scottish folk groups. We walked in and heard a rustic lad, from rural Galashiels, dressed in sequined western clothing and singing 'You Ain't Nothing But A Hound Dog.'"

Last January Stevens linked up with Pat Reed in the History Department to lead his first-ever full study tour of Ireland, where cheered on by a half-dozen students, Stevens finally succumbed to peer pressure and kissed the celebrated Blarney Stone for the first time. This ritualistic renewal of his oratorical gift will serve him well as he revs up for concluding his classroom teaching career this spring when he explores with students the Irish Literary Renaissance. •



Despite its rep for rain, England has proved a popular Jan Term destination, especially with tour guides Jim Lightner and Ray Stevens.



DOUG BARBER

Sciences Get \$700,000 Boost

Western Maryland's science department received another boost with a four-year grant of \$700,000 from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

The College's second Howard Hughes grant since 1993, this one comes from the Institute's Undergraduate Biological Sciences Education Program. It will be used to support four initiatives in science, including the development of an institute for retired scientists to mentor WMC student researchers.

Through the Institute for Emeriti Scientists, experienced science faculty who are eligible for early retirement at other institutions will mentor WMC students as research assistants. Students will gain valuable practical experience in campus laboratories while working on a wide range of projects.

"The Institute will be able to draw on the expertise of scientists that aren't now available to our students," said College President Robert Chambers.

In addition, the grant will fund an outreach program in nearby Prince George's County aimed at steering more students toward science through working with the area's teachers. WMC professors will provide workshops for the middle school life science teachers who can share the hands-on work with the students. Each partici-

Baltimore City high school students learned about the environment with WMC faculty through funding from a Howard Hughes Medical Institute grant.

pating school also will receive a video microscope and CD-ROM computer for its science program.

The HHMI award also will allow WMC to purchase equipment for its own biology laboratories and to renovate student research facilities, too, Chambers said.

Western Maryland is one of 52 colleges and universities this year to receive a four-year grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, which recently awarded more than \$45 million to selected schools to strengthen undergraduate education programs in biological sciences. Only two Maryland schools, WMC and St. John's College, received grants.

WMC was one of 201 schools across the nation invited to apply for this year's grant program. The invitation, Chambers noted, was based on Western Maryland's outstanding record in the sciences. The institution is among the top 50 colleges and universities in the per capita number of alumni who go on to receive doctorates in biology and biochemistry.

In 1993, WMC was the only Maryland school to receive a grant from HHMI when the biology and chemistry programs were awarded \$500,000 for equipment for molecular and cell biology, and for an

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undergraduate research program that matched students with alumni working in area laboratories.

That grant also currently funds an outreach program linking Baltimore City high school teachers and students, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and WMC faculty. Through field trips to environmental sites and research with scientists at WMC, the two-week camp program is designed to spur interest in science among the student participants. •

McDaniel Wired for Fall

Plugging in a hair dryer and a radio or anything else used to mean a possible power loss in McDaniel Hall. But this summer's electrical upgrade should take care of the problem, according to Scott Kane, director of residence life. The College's oldest residence hall was rewired and more outlets were added to each room as part of the summer maintenance program.

The upgrade should take care of any overloading, he said, noting students bring computers, CD players, TVs and other appliances to their school-year home away from home.

"We put about \$150,000 into that residence hall, with most of it covering the wiring," he said. "So you won't be able to see all of what that money can do, but the students are really going to appreciate it when they sit down to work at the computer and don't have to worry about losing a file when someone else plugs in." •

MARK SPINER



Social Work Program Makes the Grade

The Western Maryland College Social Work program recently received its reaffirmation from the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). The designation is good for eight years, according to Colleen Galambos, assistant professor of social work.

Western Maryland College, she noted, was the first undergraduate program to be reviewed under CSWE's new curriculum policy standards, which place a heightened emphasis on the evaluation of practice, ethics and diversity.

CSWE approval gives WMC students the right to apply for advanced standing in social work graduate programs across the country. Students from approved undergraduate programs can receive up to one-year credit toward graduate work, depending on institution policy, Galambos said.

"It's a real plus for our students," she said. "The designation tells them that Western Maryland has a recognized program and that they can be rewarded for going through such a program."

Half of this year's eight social work graduates were to go on to study for a master's degree, according to Galambos, noting three would receive credit in

graduate programs at the University of Maryland and Catholic University. Another student will attend the University of Pennsylvania.

Reaffirmation is a two-year process and includes a site visit by two social work professors from other colleges. Instructors from Luther College and the University of Oklahoma came to WMC in April 1995.

Galambos said the WMC program met the CSWE guidelines and new standards after a reorganization of curriculum and redevelopment of courses. Students in the WMC program receive a bachelor of arts degree with a certificate in social work which enables them to sit for the social work exam (LSWA) in Maryland. •

Student Groups Show Affinity for Special Housing

Bonnie Bosley, medical services coordinator, wanted her AIDS awareness group members to stay together in the residence halls. Not only was group living convenient, but it provided cohesiveness to the program and allowed the students a chance to really get to know each other, she said.

But housing for special groups is never guaranteed and

it has become a very competitive process. More and more groups are beginning to see the advantages of housing members in the same residence hall or house, said Scott Kane, director of residence life.

The Affinity program, which gives that preferential housing to students in special interest groups, is 10 years old and getting stronger each year.

"The program is designed to allow groups of students who share interests in special academic or social areas or other issues to live together," Kane said. "It's just one way we can enhance their residential experience here."

In the early days of the program, only a handful of groups utilized the special housing. This year, six groups were picked for the special housing and several were turned away.

Unfortunately, not all requests can be honored, so only the best proposals are selected. Others, he said, no matter how legitimate have to be turned down simply for lack of space. And housing this year is no guarantee for next year. It depends on the proposals, he said. Affinity housing is popular.

Fortunately for Bosley, her ASAP (Aids Support Awareness and Prevention) group did receive housing and will be living together in a suite in Daniel McLea.

"It really does make a difference," she said. "Living with each other, the students have a common area to meet, to plan and to implement the goals for the group."

Others approved for group housing in 1996-97 are:

A Sense of Pride (tutors for at-risk kids in the community); STAY (Students Teaching

Tim Weinfeld looks forward to playing new roles in his retirement.

America's Youth); CARE (Community Safety and Admissions Recruitment Education); Helping Our Sisters (dedicated to helping others at homeless shelters); and The Substance Free Community. Some are new groups and others are Affinity repeaters, Kane said. The groups are usually housed in suites in Daniel McLea Hall or in houses on Pennsylvania Avenue. •

Weinfeld Retires to L.A.

Associate Professor of Theatre Art Tim Weinfeld retired this May, bringing to a close more than 25 years of acting, teaching and directing drama in Alumni Hall. During his years at the College, Weinfeld directed nearly 40 plays and often challenged audiences with provocative insights into contemporary society. His students, both on and off stage, also felt intellectually stretched by his direction, and honored him in 1989 with the Distinguished Teaching Award. Weinfeld also directed the women's studies program and taught graduate-level courses.

He was a founding member of The Association of Theatre in Higher Education, a national organization, and frequent judge/auditioner for area school programs in visual and performing arts. For a number of years he volunteered as director of the "Sing Our Song" talent show, with proceeds benefitting the community transportation service for senior citizens. In 1991 he received the Faculty Creativity Award for his play reviews published in the *Baltimore Sun*.



He also worked at WJZ-TV in Baltimore, Maryland Public Television and at both The Baltimore Actor's Theatre and Theatre Hopkins.

In recent years he acted in Theatre Hopkins's production "Of Mice and Men" and appeared in several episodes of the acclaimed television series "Homicide." He was also continuing his education in film studies and playwriting at Johns Hopkins University and at the University of Edinburgh.

Alumni may write Professor Weinfeld at his new address: 226 Moosehead Dr., Rio Del Mar, CA 95003. •

A League of Our Own

College President Robert Chambers still teaches a class every semester. Housekeepers Kay Glacken and Marcella Shoemaker took courses in American Sign Language so they could communicate with deaf students. And Assistant Professor of Physics Dave Guerra taught one of his advisees how to play golf.

Western Maryland's commitment to students earned it recognition along with 39 other

institutions in the latest book on higher education by Loren Pope, a former education editor of *The New York Times*.

The book, *Colleges That Change Lives: 40 Schools You Should Know About Even If You're Not a Straight-A Student*, celebrates colleges outside the Ivy League. Like the other schools noted, Pope writes that WMC takes the C-students as well as the valedictorians and helps them realize their potentials.

"Several students," Pope wrote about WMC, "made a particular point of saying that the readiness of faculty members to take time out to talk to them or show them around when they had visited was what really won them over."

"As those students have testified, Western Maryland is a friendly, democratic place where there truly is a sense of family and of caring. It is not for the person who has to live in the fast lane; he or she wouldn't like it and wouldn't add anything. But for anyone who's interested in learning, gaining self-confidence, and developing his or her abilities and powers, this is a place that will do that job, and do it with TLC to spare."

Pope started writing books on higher education when he

realized he had not gotten good counsel on colleges for his own son. He had gone to friends in the Office of Education for advice and had come away dissatisfied.

In 1965 he started the College Placement Bureau in Washington, D.C., as a place where families could come for advice on colleges and universities.

His other books include *The Right College: How to Get In, Stay In, Get Back In and Looking Beyond the Ivy League: Finding the College That's Right for You*. •



WMC hits top 40 of colleges that make a difference.

Commencement '96

Advice to WMC Graduates:

Risk Life

BY KIM ASCH



Scientist-turned-businessman M. Lee Rice, outgoing chairman of Western Maryland's Board of Trustees, graduated summa cum laude in 1948. A recognized leader in international maritime affairs, with expertise in the shipbuilding and shipping industries, he also directed research and development in propellant rocketry. Even the sky is no limit for this scientist, who welcomes risks and celebrates failures as opportunities to learn and to grow. Following is his challenge to the 1996 Phi Beta Kappa inductees.



his occasion is a celebration for each of you—a deserved recognition of personal accomplishment. All celebrations should be occasions of happiness and joy. At minimum, messages should bring a smile.

In an age where letters have connotation—some R words. Before you came to Western Maryland College, you achieved acceptable proficiencies in those famous “three Rs”—Reading, Writing and Arithmetic.

At Western Maryland, you extended these three Rs to include another four.

Recognition—understanding the value in diversity among people, their knowledge, experiences and cultures.

Research—how to plan, organize information and reach conclusions.

Resources—what they are, where they are and how to access them.

Reliance—the ability to establish and achieve personal goals.

I believe these four Rs are the distilled essence of the liberal arts education provided to you by this fine college. Other Rs deserve consideration, such as: Risk, Reward, Remember and Return. These Rs challenge you as they challenged me when I entered that stage of the liberal arts learning experience called the “school of career”—a school whose curriculum is based on success, failure and recovery.

Two stories illustrate success, failure and recovery. In the late spring of 1950, two years past my WMC graduation, I sought a summer job—not an unusual life experience. I answered a newspaper ad headed “Needed—Female Mathematician,” without deep thought of sex discrimination in employment.

Above: Outgoing chairman of WMC's Board of Trustees M. Lee Rice congratulates graduates.

'...but, emerging from the control building came sheepish engineers to report that the missile had gone off course and that the radars at Green River had not followed its flight.'

PHOTOS BY MARK SWINER



Quiana Pollard
Physical Education

"I had a dream to go into physical therapy and become the first female in my family to enter the medical field. I've accomplished half of it, and now I have to cultivate it, motivate it and achieve it."



John Carroll
Chemistry

"I take risks by choosing to do what I enjoy most—even if it's difficult or dangerous, like pursuing a degree in chemistry or playing football. Now I'm going to continue my education to become a chemical engineer."



Carrie McFadden
*Exercise Science/Communications
Nontraditional-age Student
Expectant Mother*

"Risk-taking involves planning where you want to go in life and marketing your own uniqueness to get there. And if you're not happy in Plan A, then don't be afraid to switch to Plan B."

The company was Atlantic Research Corporation, a fledgling enterprise in the emerging field of solid propellant rocketry. I was interviewed by Arch Scurlock, chemical engineer, University of Texas, Doctor of Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, president and proud employer of eight.

The interview was more than a little disconcerting.

Scurlock: "Oh, I see you are not female! In the past, I have had great success in working with female mathematicians at MIT and the Office of Naval Research. But, since you're here, why don't we see how well you do in working through this set of problems I've devised. Just go to the room next door and come back when you've finished."

Rice (with memory adjusted over time): "Fine, we'll see how well I do and you can judge my competence, perhaps,

as correctly as you judged my sex."

In truth, a shaken Rice said, "O.K."

In a reasonable time, Rice returns with his examination paper which Scurlock grades while Rice sits waiting.

Scurlock: "You did very well on the test and I would hire you now; but, how do I know that Einstein's sister won't come in for an interview this afternoon!"

Now the success. Two days later, I became the ninth employee of Atlantic Research Corporation, or ARC. In 1962, I numbered among hundreds of ARC's employees, but was its president.

Now a failure. In spring 1964, ARC launched, under an Air Force contract, the first multistage rocket vehicle intentionally flown overland within the United States. The launch was to begin a series of experiments to obtain data about the

*'Do not live your lives
or conduct your careers
under the premise that
risk must be avoided.
Accepting risk is required
to gain reward.'*



Deana Villani
Communications/Film Minor

"If change isn't risking life, I don't know what is. In college you have a routine—you work, you go to class, you study and you sleep. I plan to attend film school, but I'm going to work first because it's important to see what else is out there besides school."



Gene Spigle
Parent
Former Executive Vice President of American Brands, now conducts training seminars on strategic planning

"You can't recognize success until you've enjoyed failure."



Sue Singer
Associate Professor of Economics

"The world is a risky place and most people try to avoid risk if possible, but there is a positive relationship between risk and return."

reentry characteristics of scaled intercontinental-ballistic-missile payloads of various types.

Rather than firing ballistic missiles over thousands of miles, our system launched the missile from Green River, Utah, to impact the target area, located at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico, a distance of only 400 miles. This was to be done by firing two rockets, in succession, to carry a specially designed two-stage missile and its payload to a point about 100 miles up and 50 miles down range toward White Sands. In that position, the missile reoriented itself downward, pointed itself at the target area and fired its two rockets, again in succession without further pointing guidance, to accelerate the payload to reentry velocity. Radars and other test equipment at White Sands would observe the payload reentry to obtain needed data. That is

if everything worked!

For the first launch, General Davis and I attended as "principal brass." On cue, the vehicle was fired and, it goes up, up, and away and out of sight. Davis and I began to congratulate each other—much as your parents are doing today!—but, emerging from the control building came sheepish engineers to report that the missile had gone off course and that the radars at Green River had not followed its flight.

Davis and I, in unison, exclaimed, "Where the Hell did it go?" Answer, "Well maybe White Sands radar knows—we'll ask." Rice to Davis, "Well General, as you know, we briefed the governors of Utah, New Mexico and Arizona about this test, so we are fully prepared." Davis to Rice, "Prepared! With this disaster, my career may be doomed."

'As you experience life's successes, failures and recoveries, remember Western Maryland and return.'



LaVita Westbrook
Political Science

"I risked coming to a smaller school because I knew I would have the opportunity to build my confidence. Now I will attend law school—a big risk since there are a lot of lawyers on the market—but my Western Maryland education has prepared me to succeed."



George Vassiliades
*International Student
Psychology/Business Administration*

"There is a saying that goes, 'Unless you leave sight of the shore, you will never find out how far you could go.' Personally, I am leaving the friends and security of my life here in Maryland to go even farther. I plan to attend graduate school in San Francisco in the field of counseling."



Lynne Scheingold
Social Work

"Experiencing the death of my brother due to AIDS has left me dedicated to helping others deal with the disease. AIDS takes from all that it touches. I am dedicated to helping people live to the fullest what is left of their lives and to helping them die with dignity. Confronting death shows me all the possibilities of life."

Shortly thereafter the news from White Sands was delivered—the vehicle had landed at Durango, Col. So much for full preparation. The vehicle had landed harmlessly in a remote field near a Native American's farm. The inquiring press asked him, "What did you do when the big missile came smashing down?" The Native American said, "Kept plowing!"

Now to Recovery. No one lost heart in the project, and General Davis's career went on. Our overland flights continued with 125 successes; admittedly, one payload did find its way to Mexico, but no one there knew until we requested permission for a futile search. However, the U.S. and Allies did win the cold war—a major accomplishment—with a significant contribution from Atlantic Research and from the good people of Utah, Arizona and New Mexico whose

homes were in the flight corridor and were displaced whenever the missiles flew overhead.

Returning to my Rs. For the words Risk and Reward, I give grandfatherly advice: Do not live your lives or conduct your careers under the premise that risk must be avoided. Accepting risk is required to gain reward. Your skill in measuring and balancing the two Rs, Risk and Reward, is founded on the Rs I cited as the essence of your liberal arts education: Recognition, Research, Resources and Reliance.

And my final two Rs: Remember and Return. As you experience life's successes, failures and recoveries, Remember Western Maryland College and Return, often, to participate and share in the challenges and joys to be found in providing a liberal arts education to new Western Maryland College students following your footsteps. •

*WMC Attracts Students and Controversy
With Its New Approach to Deaf Education*

Making Noise

BY KIM ASCH



When she was in grade school, Estella Bustamante was forced to wear hearing aids. She was regularly pulled out of class for speech therapy and was discouraged from using American Sign Language to communicate. Her teachers insisted she talk, even though she could barely hear her own voice. She didn't learn very much.

Not until Bustamante's deaf mother demanded a sign language interpreter for her daughter did she flourish. Now 31 years old, Bustamante says her "rough journey into deaf ed." is what inspired her to be a teacher.

It's why she came to Western Maryland College.

"For so long, we as deaf people have been oppressed. The suffering we've been through is analogous to that of other minority groups," signs the athletic brunette from southern California. "It's time for us to be the educators."

WMC's graduate program in deaf education is preparing Bustamante and others who share her beliefs to teach the next generation of deaf students—their way. Over the last two years, the department's curriculum has turned deaf education on its ear, shifting radically toward a new philosophical direction.

Called Bilingual-Bicultural, the philosophy teaches that deafness is a culture, rather than a disability, and supports instruction that allows deaf students to develop academically and personally without trying to "fix" them. It recognizes American Sign Language (ASL) as the "native" or first language of the Deaf—spelled with a capital "D" to indicate those who consider themselves to be culturally deaf—and treats written and spoken English as a second language.

With 375 students on the roster—75 percent of whom are Deaf and proud—WMC has become the nation's, if not the world's, largest teacher preparation program in deaf education and one of the loudest advocates for the Bilingual-Bicultural philosophy.

A young man uses his hands to weave words into sentences and complex communication.



'My first choice would be to marry a Deaf man and for my children to be Deaf.'

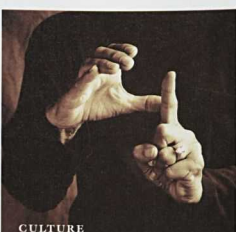
—Mary Ann Seremeth



LANGUAGE



CONNECTS



CULTURE

"This is a very controversial philosophy," admits program coordinator Judy Coryell, who earned her Ph.D. in education curriculum and instruction from the University of Rochester in New York and a master's in deaf education from California State University, Northridge. "It's a departure from the traditional approach."

That's an understatement. Most teacher preparation programs across the nation—like most hearing people—still view deafness as a handicap.

Keith Muller '71, executive director of New York City's League for the Hard of Hearing, believes deaf people ought to strive to fit into the hearing world. The nonprofit organization he heads provides technology, speech therapy and other services to help them adapt.

"Deaf culture is real and ASL is a wonderful language, but deafness is still a disabling condition," concedes Muller. "We provide the training and assistive devices necessary to maximize the potential of deaf people."

In fact, most primary and secondary school programs still emphasize oral skills and employ teachers who can hear. Rather than communicate with their deaf students through ASL, they often speak while simultaneously signing a simple English shorthand. The theory is that this form of gestural communication will reinforce what children pick up through lipreading.

Hearing parents desperate to understand and be understood by their deaf children have embraced this method because it resembles "normal" communication, explains Coryell. And since 90 percent of deaf children are born to hearing parents, it's been the rule.

"The problem is, a huge percentage of people—not because they're not smart, not because they haven't tried, not because they haven't spent a lot of money—can't speak or read lips well enough to effectively communicate," Coryell says. "It's like learning the piano: sometimes you have the talent and sometimes you don't."

Actress Marlee Matlin and former Miss America Heather Whitestone, who speak and read lips so well they could almost pass for hearing, are not the norm. Historically, most deaf students have not fared well. In fact, many graduate from high school at a fourth-grade reading level.

Coryell and other Bilingual-Bicultural advocates believe this is because most deaf children are not exposed to a visual language they can acquire naturally during the early years of life when language development occurs. Without it, they are deprived of the foundation of a first language which makes it almost impossible to become fluent in a second language, such as written English.

"Deaf children of Deaf parents who grow up with ASL often have more success reading and with general academics like

science and math," Coryell points out. "Clearly, it's because they have a first language foundation on which to build academic and English acquisition."

If hearing parents want to communicate with their children, they should learn to sign, Coryell says. "People should stop trying to make Deaf children into what they think is normal. Normal is being able to communicate, interact, learn and intellectually finesse their life experiences."


Besides, signs Marie Jean Philip, who is Deaf and teaches summer classes at WMC, "How can deaf education get any worse than it has been for the last century?"

As the Bilingual-Bicultural coordinator at The Learning Center for Deaf Children in Massachusetts, one of the country's growing number of Bilingual-Bicultural schools for elementary and high school students, Philip echoes many in the Deaf community, "You've been failing us for so long we want to try it now our way."

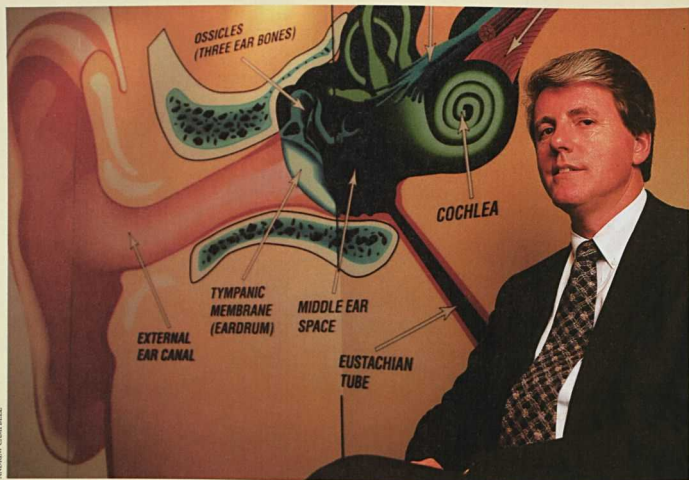
Sign of the Times

The most visible difference between Western Maryland's approach and that of other deaf education programs is also the most fundamental. Since the Bilingual-Bicultural philosophy recognizes American Sign Language as the natural language of the Deaf, classes are taught in ASL.

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A man with a serious expression, wearing a dark flat cap and a blue and white plaid shirt, is shown from the chest up. His hands are positioned in various ways: one hand is raised with fingers spread, another is near his face, and others are in the foreground, some appearing as semi-transparent overlays. The background is dark and out of focus.

ASL is a legitimate language with its own symbols that create meaning and its own system of grammar.



Another Voice in the Debate

Keith Muller has heard it all. Over the 25 years he's worked as a sign language interpreter, a psychotherapist and deaf advocate, he's had his ear on the noisy debate over the best way to teach deaf children.

And he has come to a conclusion. "There isn't one right way," says Muller '71. "You can't boil all of these issues down into one crystallized truth."

In 1994, Muller took the helm as executive director of the New York City-based League for the Hard of Hearing, the nation's largest and oldest hearing rehabilitation agency. Known for its staunch support of educational options, especially the aural-oral method, the League has traditionally been on the opposite end of the philosophical spectrum from supporters of the Bilingual-Bicultural movement.

But, thanks in large part to Muller's efforts and his open mind, the 86-year-old nonprofit organization has shifted to become more inclusive of all deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals, even those who eschew speaking and reading lips in

favor of American Sign Language (ASL).

Now, people waiting in the lobby of the League's Manhattan office sign to each other in animated conversation while others walk by wearing cochlear implants, the controversial device surgically implanted in the skulls of children as young as 24 months which sends auditory information to the brain.

"That's a remarkable accomplishment on Keith's part, and it took a lot of guts," says Dr. McCay Vernon, the director emeritus of the College's Institute on Hearing Impairment and a former professor of Muller's. "He's one of the College's outstanding graduates, and I have a lot of respect for him."

Muller entered the world of deaf education as an undergraduate at Western Maryland and was immediately inspired to work with the deaf.

"I saw them as a minority population that was being abused by hearing people, and I have been an advocate ever since," he explains.

He earned his master's degree in social work at New York University and is now completing his dissertation for a Ph.D. in Social Work from Barry University in Miami. He founded United Hearing and Deaf Services Inc. in Fort Lauderdale,

Keith Muller '71 believes deaf people ought to use technology to improve their hearing and help them adapt to mainstream culture.

Fla., and served as its executive director for 12 years. He also worked as a clinical consultant on deafness and as a certified sign language interpreter. And he was recently appointed adjunct professor at New York University Medical School in the Department of Otolaryngology.

Muller's approach to deaf education is to offer options and open-mindedness—things he says are in short supply these days.

As the Deaf Culture movement has gained momentum, Muller observes, organizations and schools that offer speech therapy and other types of oral skills training have dwindled. The pressure the Deaf community puts on hearing parents to teach their children American Sign Language—and in some cases to dispense with assistive hearing devices—is unfair and counterproductive, he asserts.

Muller disagrees with the Bilingual-Bicultural method because he says it's limiting.

"Deaf people were angry that spoken English was being shoved down their

throats and now they're shoving ASL down everyone else's," he says. "It's time to rid ourselves of pejorative attitudes about what method a child uses to learn and communicate, time to stop the competition between philosophies."

Instead, he advocates using technology and education to improve deaf people's ability to hear so they can fit in with the mainstream culture. The League's audiologists, speech language pathologists, rehabilitation counselors, social workers, technicians and job developers serve about 15,000 people per year.

"The single most beneficial breakthrough in the education of children who are hard of hearing or deaf has occurred in the fields of medicine, telecommunications and hearing aid and assistive listening technology," Muller says. "The earlier the diagnosis, the sooner the amplification, the sooner performance is improved."

He regards the cochlear implant as a miracle. While it's made waves in the Deaf community because of its implications for Deaf Culture, he says the success rate is high, especially when coupled with intensive speech and language rehabilitation. The League fitted one of the first children to have cochlear implants and now the 11-year-old functions extremely well in mainstream situations.

The 47-year-old says he empathizes with the idea of Deaf Pride because, as a member of a different minority group, "I identify with Gay Pride." But he believes attempts to help deaf people hear won't deny them their culture. In fact, he says the Deaf leadership has missed the point on this issue.

"If I were a deaf person in America, I'd be angry, but not because of organizations like mine who are trying to help," Muller says. "I'd focus my attention on quality of life issues such as the fact that deaf people typically still have no communication access when going to movies, can't use pay phones and have to pay for TTYs. Where's the Deaf leadership on these things that would improve Deaf adults' lives?"

-K.A.

Many of the students are already teachers who cram in graduate courses during summer breaks. They flood into the classroom, hands flying in conversation. "Facial grammar" adds emphasis and tone to their chatter, so it's easy to see the students who are anxious about upcoming finals week. The light flashes on and off when it's time for class to begin. Stomping is another common way the Deaf get each other's attention.

In these courses, hearing students like Kim Pierce, who aren't fluent in ASL, are

the first time ever, qualified Deaf job candidates have a leg up on their hearing classmates.

"It's tough on the hearing students who are in this program—they have difficulty mastering ASL well enough to meet the standards of the Bilingual-Bicultural philosophy," acknowledges professor emeritus Dr. McCay Vernon, who has watched the deaf education program evolve since it began in 1968. "The real issue is, you've got to be able to communicate with deaf children to educate them effectively, and if



the ones with the handicap. While teachers and students use their fingers, hands and arms to draw animated dialogue in the air, she pricks up her ears to catch the whispers of a voice interpreter who translates the visual foreign language into spoken English she can understand.

"You have to have a thick skin to be hearing and in these classes," says Pierce, who rarely tries to sign because she says the Deaf students are critical of her low skill level and sometimes make her feel inferior. "I always say I go to school with a bunch of radical Deaf people. ... Just because you're Deaf doesn't mean you're more qualified than a hearing person."

In the Bilingual-Bicultural setting, teachers are as valued for their ASL fluency as for their writing and reading skills. So for

you can't, you should wonder whether this is the right field to go into."

A new standard went into effect for the fall semester that requires students to demonstrate ASL proficiency before they're accepted into the program. That's not a problem for most Deaf students, but unless a hearing person has grown up signing, it's difficult to become fluent after taking just a couple of courses in ASL.

Hearing people are at another disadvantage—they can never really know what it feels like to be Deaf.

"As hearing people in this program, we defer to the Deaf," says Coryell, noting the irony of a hearing person heading up a department that seeks to empower the Deaf. "It's like a man coordinating a women studies program."

There is, of course, a place for hearing



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educators within this new framework—the hearing culture and language are the second part of the Bilingual-Bicultural equation, after all—but hearing people take a similar role to white activists who collaborated with blacks during the civil rights movement.

"You won't be successful if you go into this field wanting to save Deaf people," observes Coryell. "I want to make sure that hearing people who graduate have an inclination to work with deaf people, not on them."

Her own interest in deaf education was sparked when she decided to take up a foreign language. "I decided to learn sign

language because it was the prettiest thing I'd ever seen," she says. "When I was learning, I interacted with a lot of Deaf people who were already successful, so I didn't have to adjust my mentality to see that they are equally capable."

Coryell is raising both of her Deaf children, whom she adopted, with the same philosophy. She enrolled them in the Maryland School for the Deaf, where ASL is the official first language, and signs with them at home.

"It's very important to empower deaf children and to increase their self-esteem.

It's going to be our job to incorporate Deaf culture, Deaf studies and Deaf history into the curriculum," says WMC graduate student Mary Ann Seremeth, 25, who decided to become a teacher instead of a lawyer after working one summer as a counselor at a deaf children's camp. "That's one part of Deaf culture—sharing from one generation to another."

The Deaf World

Like other minority groups, the Deaf tend to be more comfortable interacting with members of their own community. Many of Western Maryland's Deaf graduate students live in the same apartment complex in Westminster, studying and socializing together.

They "talk" to friends on their TTY telephone, which is equipped with an answering machine. They watch close-captioned TV shows or videos. When they go out of town, they make new friends at Deaf clubs, which are sources of networking in most major cities.

"Deaf culture is almost innate," signs Seremeth's roommate Nancy Frazier, 26. "It's a sharing of common experiences and a native language."

The Deaf have their own folk heroes, like Thomas Gallaudet and Laurent Clerc, who brought sign language and deaf education to America. Thomas's son Edward Miner Gallaudet founded the only liberal arts university for the deaf in Washington,

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—Keith Muller '71

D.C. Deaf culture also has its villains, such as arch enemy Alexander Graham Bell, who helped institute a ban on ASL in schools about 100 years ago in favor of the oral method.

A hearing person who visits and doesn't know ASL finds herself gesturing as if she were talking to foreigners. And like most ethnocentric Americans, she assumes they are bilingual, furiously scribbling messages to them in English after the voice interpreter leaves. They are.

"I was very fortunate to have Deaf parents who exposed me to ASL at a young age. I grew up signing and visual," signs Seremeth, whose dancing hands draw attention to her wheat-colored curls and blue sparkling eyes. "My parents were always giving me books, which gave me the ability to apply pictures to words."

"I love to read, that's a big factor," continues Seremeth. "But I think most of the time I have a picture image in my mind, instead of thinking in words."

The daughter of civil servants who are both Deaf, Seremeth is representative of the successful Deaf adult who acquired ASL early on. She attended special elementary and high schools on the campus of Gallaudet University and then completed her undergraduate work there.

In families with generational Deafness, like Bustamante's and Seremeth's, being Deaf of Deaf is a great source of pride. It's a legacy many hope to continue.

"My first choice would be to marry a Deaf man and for my children to be Deaf," signs Seremeth, whose grandparents are also Deaf. "It's a matter of keeping the community intact."

Explains Philip, who team-taught a class this summer on the Bilingual-Bicultural philosophy: "We celebrate our being Deaf. We celebrate in festivals and with the Deaf Olympics and clubs. We have fun with our language and we feel sorry for hearing people who have to communicate in linear ways; they can't draw pictures in the air."

"Deaf people are open from the heart," she continues. "I traveled through Europe

Deaf Ed Department Started with a Bang

Western Maryland's deaf education program started with a bang in 1968 when the Maryland School for the Deaf expressed a desperate need for certified teachers.

From the beginning, the department was devoted to preparing the deaf to become teachers and administrators in programs for deaf children. That was unheard of.

"It was a very revolutionary thing because 98 percent of the nation's programs would not accept deaf students at all," recalls Dr. McCay Vernon, director emeritus of the College's Institute on Hearing Impairment.

That had been the case since 1880, when the International Congress of Educators of the Deaf was convened in Milan, Italy. Alexander Graham Bell and other participants decided that "oral" education would be the only method of instruction for all deaf students. After that, American Sign Language was suppressed in favor of spoken English.

But Vernon, an expert on the psychology of deafness, disagreed with that approach. "My wife was deaf, and I had very strong beliefs about the rights of deaf people," he explains. Dean of the Graduate Department Dr. Joseph Baileer and then-Superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf Dr. David Denton shared those beliefs.

Under the guidance of Professor Brit Hargraves, the program made a lot of noise in the field of deaf education, attracting both deaf and hearing students with its progressive ideas. Back then, the program advocated the "Total Communication" method, a kind of compromise for oralists and sign advocates which involves signing English and talking at the same time.

In the mid-'70s, Dr. Hugh Prickett took over and toward the end of his tenure in the early '90s initiated the shift to the Bilingual-Bicultural approach. The baton was passed in



Dr. Judy Coryell is a boost for the deaf education program.

1994 to Dr. Judy Coryell, who designed a new curriculum and standards for the department.

"The hiring of Dr. Coryell was a superb move. She has all the pieces—a top-notch teacher, communicator and researcher," says Kent State Deaf Ed Professor Harold Johnson, who assessed WMC's program for the Council for the Education of the Deaf. "Western Maryland probably has the highest profile in deaf education right now."

It should. WMC has graduated more deaf teachers of the deaf than any other institution in the world, including Gallaudet University, the liberal arts college for the deaf. About 70 percent of the 375 students currently enrolled in the program are deaf, as are several of its part-time instructors. Just this fall, a new full-time deaf faculty member was hired.

"The method of teaching deaf people has always been a red-hot political issue," observes Vernon, who retired in 1991 after 22 years at WMC. "But the Bilingual-Bicultural curriculum is ideal for deaf people."

—K.A.

People should stop trying to make Deaf children into what they think is normal.'

—Dr. Judy Coryell

for six weeks and slept in a hotel twice—I found Deaf families to stay with all the way, people I didn't know. But I had no fears because 95 percent of the time, their being Deaf is enough for me."

Loud and Clear

To say that all Deaf people can't hear isn't exactly true. Some, like graduate student Bustamante, wear hearing aids so they can perceive even a little sound. She admits to a passion for pop music, especially by contemporary artist Alanis Morissette.

That might have caused a problem for her within the Deaf community back in the '80s, when the Deaf Pride movement was just gaining momentum and signs of assimilation into the hearing world were viewed as treason.

"In the past I would tell hearing people I could hear music because I wanted to be part of my hearing friends' world, but I would never let my Deaf friends know," she explains with her articulate hands and knitted eyebrows.

Now, when she's in mixed company, Bustamante chooses not to speak or let on that she can hear even a bit because then hearing people "wouldn't look at me as a Deaf person."

Happy to be deaf? It's a difficult concept for hearing people to accept, yet it's at the crux of the educational debate.

At the same time crusaders for Deaf Culture and American Sign Language make gains in the hearing world, new technologies are produced that improve the ability of deaf people to hear. Ironically, those advances threaten to shake the very existence of Deaf Culture.

But there's a difference between being able to hear some sound—like a flushing toilet or a screaming siren—and understanding language. Philip argues that instead of trying to fix Deaf people, tech-

nology should build a bridge between two methods of communication. She supports innovations such as one device in development that would translate sign language into sound.

She and many others who support Deaf Culture are especially concerned about the cochlear implant, the latest incarnation of hearing aids. This device is fitted surgically inside the ear of children as young as 24 months and sends messages to the brain that mimic sound.

"We are Deaf people and they're trying to get rid of us," she protests.

The most controversial component of the Bilingual-Bicultural philosophy is the issue of empowerment. If young students are taught that ASL is their natural language and that it's okay to be deaf, then what kind of message are they getting when adults put a premium on speech?

For Muller of the League for the Hard of Hearing, the choice is clear.

"If I'm the parent of a deaf child and know there's a device that can help him hear, aren't I neglectful if I don't equip him?" he reasons. "Certainly you want to fix every child's language so they demonstrate good English skills. Isn't that the goal for everyone in America?"

Though in theory spoken English has a place within the Bilingual framework, it's de-emphasized.

At the Maryland School for the Deaf, where WMC students gain practical classroom experience, only children whose parents request it get speech therapy. And at WMC, future teachers of deaf children are taught that oral skills should be treated like an elective, in the same manner as art class or gym.

Judy [Coryell] and the rest of the faculty have picked a particularly strong and important position," observes Kent State University deaf education professor Harold Johnson, who recently assessed Western Maryland's program on behalf of the Council for the Education of the Deaf. "But in many ways they didn't have a choice. The College's location, its history

and especially its students dictate the program's future."

And the future looks bright. The department is turning out well-qualified teachers who have solid skills and the added advantage of fluency in ASL and Bilingual-Bicultural strategies. "The philosophy of the department doesn't limit our students—they can teach anywhere," explains Coryell. "But it's not just that they'll be employable, a lot of them will be leading the way as schools make the transition to the Bilingual-Bicultural model."

The recent report card issued by the Council for the Education of the Deaf, an organization representing both the oralists and ASL supporters, was full of praise. And the program is poised to grow even stronger with the hiring of the college's first full-time Deaf faculty member Rachel Stone. Another full-time position will be filled this year.

"Western Maryland probably has the highest profile right now of any teacher training program," concludes Johnson. "Overall it's not a big place, but the College can have a major role in the direction of deaf education."

It certainly has had an important impact on Bustamante's life. She now has a job in a Bilingual-Bicultural program at the Metro School for the Deaf in St. Paul, Minn. She's teaching children in kindergarten and first grade the way she would like to have been taught.

"Here, there is a whole new attitude—the parents, faculty, students and staff all sign and we can see the children thriving greatly," she reports. "Sure enough, these kids have their natural language established solidly, and now that I don't have to battle with signing issues, I can focus more on teaching academics."

Her 5-year-olds have just started learning how to read. •



Former Deaf Student Returns to Teach

How things have changed since Rachel Stone was a graduate student in the deaf education department at Western Maryland.

"I am thrilled to see how the program has evolved to view deaf people as being culturally and linguistically different," she explains. "Back then, the attitude was that deaf people had a pathological condition and I had to sit through classes learning all the problematic issues related to deaf people. My sense of self-esteem was diminished."

A confident Stone MEd'75 has returned to the Hill as the first full-time deaf faculty member. The addition of a deaf professor bolsters the department as it prepares teachers to become crusaders for the Bilingual-Bicultural approach to deaf education.

"Our students are really going to enjoy her classes," predicts Dr. Judy Coryell, coordinator of the deaf education pro-

gram. "She's a strong, quality teacher and researcher who will continue to keep us at the forefront of deaf education."

Stone earned her bachelor's degree in art history from Gallaudet University and is completing a doctorate in special education administration there. She has served as curriculum director and assistant superintendent for education at the Indiana School for the Deaf, one of the nation's first Bilingual-Bicultural programs for deaf students. She also was a long-time instructor at Gallaudet's Kendall Demonstration Elementary School.

Stone, whose parents are deaf, learned ASL from the time she was a baby and considers it to be her native language.

"Personally, I do not speak English but that doesn't mean that I loathe English," she explains. "I enjoy reading, therefore, I respect English because it provides me with a wealth of knowledge."

Meanwhile, she says, the WMC community has welcomed her and her point of view. "The atmosphere is so positive and the attitude of WMC faculty, staff and students—whether hearing or deaf—has made a great impact on my adjust-

Professor Rachel Stone, right, brings teaching and life experience to the Bilingual-Bicultural classroom.

ment here. They seem to be aware and willing to learn new things about Deaf people as a linguistic and cultural minority group."

Stone has worked to promote and celebrate Deaf Culture as overall program co-chairperson and co-chair of the culture committee of the Deaf Way International Conference and Festival. She wrote *Let's Learn About Deafness*, as well as articles on many subjects in deaf education, including developing identities for deaf children and the experiences of deaf parents.

She is currently vice president of the Gallaudet University Alumni Association, was vice president of the Indiana Association of the Deaf and was a member of the Board of Directors of the Hoosier American Sign Language Teachers Association. She is also a member of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf and the Conference of Educational Administrators Serving the Deaf.

—K.A.

Another Lesson from Captain Kangaroo

Bob Keeshan Reminds Graduates to 'Be Kind'

BY KIM ASCH



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The Captain's nephew Derry Keeshan attended courses in the College's deaf education program.

He was television's fatherly figure in charge of the surprise-filled Treasure House, teaching children about the wonders of the world around them. And at Commencement '96, Bob Keeshan, better known as Captain Kangaroo, appeared live and in person to remind graduates—and their parents—of their most important lesson.

"One thing that I spoke to you about when you were very young was kindness, gentleness, to be good to one another. That golden rule that so many kids laugh at today is critical to our survival as a society," said Keeshan, who received the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters. "If we become truly the 'in your face' society, we will have no future as a society. So please, whatever you do, do well, but also do it with kindness and with gentleness."

During his 30 years on the air, Keeshan demonstrated to millions of viewers—with the help of his cuddly companions Bunny Rabbit, Mr. Moose, Grandfather Clock and Mr. Green Jeans—the profound truth of his philosophy that kids are intelligent human beings worthy of honesty and respect. And he introduced them to good books, fine art and great music.

"Western Maryland is a liberal arts institution, and I'm a firm believer that such an institution prepares you for the future. That's what Commencement is all about," said Keeshan, whose nephew Derry Keeshan took courses in WMC's deaf education program. "All we've done so far is to learn how to learn, and now we go forth into the world to change that world."

Keeshan has devoted his career to doing just that.

While attending Fordham University in New York City, he began working in television as a page at NBC where he met Bob Smith, who was about to launch the famous "Howdy Doody" show for children. Keeshan joined him in January 1948 and created the character Clarabell the Clown, a role he played for five years.

CBS recruited him to create an early morning children's program and "Captain Kangaroo" hit the air in 1955. The program continued on CBS until 1985, becoming the longest-running network children's program. After a year-and-a-half hiatus, Keeshan brought the program to public television, where it appeared for six seasons.

He also hosted the Saturday television program "CBS Storybreak," made regular appearances on the CBS News program "Up to the Minute" and wrote and appeared on the CBS Radio program "The Subject is Young People," which won two Gabriel Awards.

His steadfast devotion to the welfare of the young and his opposition to mindless slapstick and violence has brought him coast-to-coast acclaim and numerous awards, including six Emmies, two Peabodys and designation in 1979 as Broadcaster of the Year by the International Radio and Television Society.

He is the recipient of 15 honorary degrees from colleges and universities and has served every level of education—as a school board member, as a college trustee and as founding trustee and chairman of



the Council of Governing Boards representing trustees in independent-sector higher education in New York State.

But even Captain Kangaroo has grown up.

Though he still believes kids can be entertained with lessons of kindness instead of karate kicks, he's adjusted his message to appeal to the sensibilities of the adults who were once his viewers.

"I don't talk about compassion anymore, because Americans don't care about kids like they used to. No matter what they say, they vote their pocketbooks," Keeshan observed during an interview after the Commencement ceremony.

"So I try to convince people that as a taxpayer, it will save them enormous amounts of money to spend on prevention rather than on dealing with the problems caused when children grow up neglected and abused."

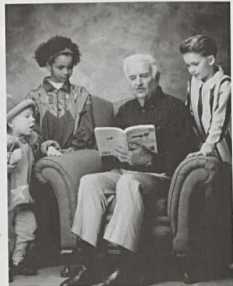
Now a grandfatherly figure, Keeshan remains in the public eye as a children's advocate. He serves on the boards of several hospitals and is director of the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse.

He testifies about 40 times per year before legislative groups on behalf of children, and in 1987 founded Corporate Child Care Inc. of Nashville with former governor of Tennessee Lamar Alexander, one-time U.S. secretary of education. CCC provides child care to the children of employees of hospitals, banks, industrial and service companies.

Father of three with six grandchildren, Keeshan published his autobiography, *Captain Kangaroo Tells Yesterday's Children How to Nurture Their Own*, in 1989. He also recently published *Books to Grow By*, a parents' primer on the best stories to shape young minds. And he continues to champion imagination and creativity with his whimsical work of fiction *Alligator in the Basement*.

Keeshan remains hopeful about the future, but he cautions, "kids need a lot of help today." And he's depending on the new generation of liberally educated minds.

"Don't ever for one moment forget or underestimate your power as an individual to change the world." •



Bob Keeshan introduced generations of children and their parents to good books, fine art and great music.

Riding High

*International Cycling Photographer
Jim Startt Got Focus at WMC*

BY KIM ASCH



Jim Startt '84 jets from his Paris, France, home base to photograph bike races all over the world.

The first thing Jim Startt bought with his graduate school loan was a bike—an unusual choice, given that he had enrolled at Indiana University to pursue a master's in art history with a concentration in photography.

The bike allowed him to pursue his second passion, competitive cycling. It proved to be a sound investment.

Startt '84 has crafted a career combining his two loves. After achieving some success as an amateur racer, Startt switched gears to become a freelance journalist and photographer. Now he travels from his Paris, France, home base to bike races all over the world, taking pictures and writing articles for publications such as *Spokes*, *Performance Cyclist*, *Bike Mag*, *Bicycle Guide*, *Velo News*, *Australia Cycling World* and on the World Wide Web *World Media Network*. Over the last few months, he's covered the Olympic Games in Atlanta, the Tour Du Pont based in Wilmington, Del., and the granddaddy of them all, the Tour De France—a three-week trail over mountains and through quaint villages of France.

"It's a strange mix, one I wouldn't have predicted, but I love sports—especially endurance sports," says Startt, who is built like the cycling celebrities he features. "There are few sports I know where the athletes perform six hours per day, 160 days per year. That's not macho, that's hard."

With the energy of an athlete and the eye of an artist, Startt captures the pain of grueling uphill climbs in which a pack of riders is so close their tires are separated by only an inch of air. When the winner breaks the finish line, relaxes on the back of his seat and coasts past spectators with his arm extended, Startt makes his ecstasy tangible.

"I always talk about my photography in terms of art, and it must sound odd coming from a sports photographer," says Startt, who relocated from Baltimore with his wife, Rebekah Rast, when she got a job teaching at the American University in

Paris. "But what's important to understand is that sports can be a metaphor for life. It's about competing and winning or simply getting the most out of oneself."

Startt tributes Western Maryland faculty—especially art history Professor Julie Badice and history professors Ted Evergates and Con Darcy—for bringing his talents and interests into focus and helping him become a winner.

"I was a terrible high school student with a D-plus average. I was a shame to my father, who's a history professor at Valparaiso University in Indiana," he confesses. "But I got it in my mind that I wanted to go to this college in the rolling hills of Carroll County because my father grew up in Baltimore and was always talking about the area and had suggested Western Maryland. We hopped in the car and drove out for a personal interview with the admissions office where I stated my case. I don't know how I got in, but I got in."

Nicknamed "J.C." for the long hair and beard he sported and his skinny frame, Startt became a serious student who delighted in his courses. He enrolled in a Jan Term class in photography and got hooked, taking to heart guest lecturer Phil Grout's advice that he also learn to write to increase his marketability. Because Darcy stressed the importance of being informed about current events around the world, he spent hours reading in the periodical section of the library. And Startt learned to look at his surroundings with a fresh perspective after taking 10 courses with Badice.

"I think it was a combination of the campus environment and the interest the professors took in him that just really turned Jim around," says Jim Startt Sr., who calls WMC his "favorite little college."

At the end of his freshman year, Startt received The Felix Woodbridge Morley Memorial Award for being the student who most happily justified admission to the college community. "After that, he just took off and his grades skyrocketed,"

Startt's dad brags. "He graduated with double honors in history and art history."

Now Startt lets his artistic drive set the pace for his career. "I like to work at things I enjoy, but I can't lift a finger for things I don't like," explains Startt, who tackles his freelance projects with the vigor of a high school student playing hooky. "If I'm inspired, I put my heart and soul into it."

His pictures are proof. "Through the study of art, you learn how to see and how to observe and how to notice the visual world around you. Just like learning how to read and recognize the themes and metaphors in literature, it's a skill that can be developed," Badiee says.

"What Jim did was develop an eye for the unusual, and he uses that for his photos of bicyclists. He shoots from unusual angles and tries to show that the sport is not all beauty and grace, but also pain and agony and struggle."

His independent projects capture another kind of human challenge.

From 1990 to 1992, Startt taught English to native speakers of other languages at the Community College of Baltimore. He had been impressed with the work of photographer Jim Goldberg, who studied social status by combining images of the rich and the poor with their handwritten remarks. Startt was inspired to chronicle the experiences of his students.

"I quickly became aware of their commitment to a new life," Startt recalls. "All of them, for one reason or another, could no longer support their previous existences and had acted accordingly to ameliorate their situations. For them, their solution is found somewhere in America."

The project was exhibited last spring in the WMC's Esther Pringley Rice Gallery and has been



Photographer Jim Startt shows that cycling is not all beauty and grace, but also pain, agony and struggle.

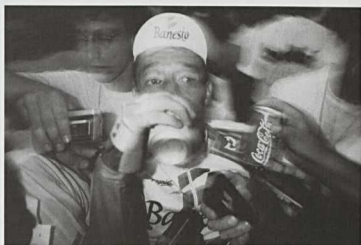


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*'If the bicycling photos
expose Jim Startt's eye,
his New American series
shows us his heart.'*

-Dr. Julie Badice



While teaching English as a second language, Jim Startt was struck by the hopes and dreams of new immigrants.

I'm american chess master, and this picture made when I prepared for chess tournament.

I born in Kiev, USSR and learn play chess when I had 8 years old. My first teacher in chess was my grandfather. I play my first tournament when I had twelve years old. Chess in former USSR was very developed. Now I work in hotel, and all my free time I play or study chess games.

I admire how played chess american grandmaster Robert Fisher. Many people loved him because he was very strong player and he had different mind and made sometimes original action in chess and in life. Chess world lost so much when Fisher stop play chess.

I very love chess.

Boris Zisman.

shown at the Maryland Institute—College of Art, Indiana University Fine Arts Gallery and others, revealing another dimension of Startt's talent. "If the bicycling photos expose Jim's eye, then the New American series shows us his heart," says Badice.

Shot in black and white, the portraits show immigrants from such culturally disparate places as Russia, China and Somalia in their new homes. One Russian sits on the couch in his living room, a chessboard on the coffee table and the pieces in position as if waiting for someone to come and play with him. In his stilted style of English, he writes about his passion for the game and his admiration for American chess champion Bobby Fischer.

It's the only time Startt allowed his students to turn in a first draft, he explains, because each of their native twists on English says a lot about the difficulty of transition from one culture to another.

"I was very curious about what America means to immigrants. Their dreams were being tested by reality," says Startt, who already knew what it felt like to be a foreigner because he had lived in France for a one-year stint in 1989. "They're stark portraits. I want them to be that way because that's what life's like during this period of transition. Any time you transplant to another country—and I've done it a couple of times—there's not much on the walls at first. It's very austere."

His newest project, *Americans Abroad*, is less heartrending and more of a social parody. "It started out as a depiction of the ugly tourist but has become a lot more tame," explains Startt, who jokes he has visual proof that many of his countrymen live up to the stereotype with booming voices, loud clothing and bad accents.

Not Jim Startt, whose first big cultural shock came as a freshman at Western Maryland when he discovered he liked school. Since then, he's been able to carve out a niche for himself wherever he goes.

"If someone had told Jim he'd be living in Paris and working as an international photographer, he would have been shocked," says Badice, the 1996 Distinguished Teacher of the Year. "But he identified what he liked to do and had the courage to follow after it." •

CAM Tour is No Easy Ride



J.M. SWENNEY JR.

Jim Startt isn't the only one with a passion for pedals. About 1,000 cyclists—ages 8 to 80—participated in the weeklong Cycle Across Maryland tour, which made an overnight stop on the Hill on July 25.

Amateur athletes came from every part of the state, as well as from Delaware, Virginia and even other countries to take part in this annual event for families. Riders began to coast in at 10 a.m., turning the tennis courts into a bike parking lot and pitching their multicolored tents on the lawns.

"The wildest thing for me was to see bikes that were as expensive as some people's cars," said Director of Conference Services Mary Jo Colbert. She markets the College's facilities for use during the summer and brings in about 50 groups per year. "But even though there were some wealthy people and others of more modest means, they all

Cycle Across Maryland participants had to have a sense of humor to endure the weeklong tour.

treated each other like family. I guess because they shared a common suffering."

Colbert and her staff of 15 WMC students, who take care of everything from audio/visual setups to laundering sheets and towels to registering participants, also had their work cut out for them.

"This was probably the most intense of our events because we only had 24 hours to make a good impression—they were gone by 10 the next morning," Colbert said.

For those 24 hours, Colbert and crew were the hosts with the most, entertaining weary travelers with music, meals and movies. Beer, snack, tee shirt and novelty vendors camped on the Quad. Films were featured in the Pub and Decker Auditorium, and everyone was fed in the Dining Hall.

At the same time the CAM tour touched down, the Baltimore Ravens training camp was underway, as well as golf, wrestling and band camps.

"I don't think everyone in the College community realizes all that we do here over the summer," said Colbert, noting that the revenue generated during those 13 weeks comprises a large portion of the College's operating budget. "This summer we surpassed our goals."

—K.A.

Wrapping with the Ravens

Brad Mountcastle '97 Scores Career Experience as a Member of the NFL Team's Athletic Training Staff

BY DON SCHUMAKER

When Brad Mountcastle was applying to land a summer job with the athletic training staff of an NFL team, he had no idea how far he would have to go to get that kind of experience.

He never had to leave the Hill.

Not long after Mountcastle '97 learned he would be working with the Baltimore Ravens, formerly the Cleveland Browns, he also found out that team owner Art Modell signed a one-year deal bringing the Ravens to Westminster for a five-week training camp in July and August. The session, which ended Aug. 15, marked the return of professional football to a campus and a town that had grown up with the Baltimore Colts, who trained at WMC until 1971.

The Ravens not only restored thousands of fans to campus to cheer for NFL heroes and future stars, their presence created summer job opportunities for Mountcastle and other students. Some answered phones at the team's Comfort Inn headquarters or worked for WMC's food service operation serving the athletes' mega-meals.

A senior from Elkridge, Md., Mountcastle said his work with the Ravens was a winning complement to his exercise science major and minor in athletic training. He can apply those grueling five weeks toward the 1,000 hours of hands-on experience required to take the certification exam of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

There are less than 100 full-time athletic training jobs spread among the 30 league teams, making the job competition as fierce as it is on the practice field.

But training camp brought Mountcastle one step closer to the dream of someday signing on with the NFL, just like it did for those Ravens' rookies who hustled for even the most mundane drills, desperately

hoping to catch the eye of head coach Ted Marchbroda.

"No matter what happens, it's extremely valuable practice for him," said Mountcastle's faculty adviser Richard Clower, professor of exercise science and physical education. "It's difficult experience to beat, and it could open doors for him."

Working under the direction of Ravens' head trainer Bill Tensendorf and assistants Mark Smith and Bryan Mesier, Mountcastle and another four summer workers from other colleges and universities started at sunrise and put in long hours every day, even Sunday, since camp was up and running seven days a week.

The students could expect to be finished around 7 p.m. or 11 p.m., depending on whether they were scheduled for late treatment duty after the team's nightly meetings. Two of the five administered those treatments while the others headed back to a waiting mattress and pillow, stealing just a few hours of rest before another long day that would start with filling lots of ice bags for each of the day's two workouts.

Not long after breakfast, players with aches, bruises and strains would amble into the training room for ice. Mountcastle and the others also administered electric stimulation and other treatment to further ease muscle pains for some of the more than 80 players. The three-a-day treatments also included massage and manual resistance, which required Mountcastle to hold his weight against foot after foot as athletes conducted muscle-strengthening exercises.

Almost all of the players, except maybe a few defensive backs and former University of Maryland standout Jermaine Lewis, were bigger and taller than Mountcastle.

But even the more intimidating linemen like rookie phenom Jonathan Ogden, who towered over everyone at 6 feet, 8 inches and carried more than 300 pounds, sat still for him in the training room, especially

Team Spirit Remains



during the taping session. Everybody, by team rules and threat of a fine, got some kind of work done on their ankles to keep them from twisting.

It took a few days for Mountcastle to learn taping preferences, since some liked it loose, others tight, and some wanted a different tape. A few even preferred the tape to wind around the outside of their socks.

"I was a little nervous when the veterans came in," Mountcastle admitted. "These are guys you read about all the time, but after you start talking to them and get to know them, you find out that they do respect you and know that you have a job to do that will help them do theirs."

Most of the time the hectic pace of the training room didn't allow for much chit-chat, just the sounds of tape being stretched and wrapped.

"But I did get to know a few of the guys, so it's going to be hard learning later about the cuts and who made it and who didn't," Mountcastle said, noting that offensive lineman Quentin Neujahr was one of his favorites.

The 6-foot, 4-inch, 285-pounder might have been imposing to defensive linemen on the other team, but he always made sure he warmly greeted the summer workers and anyone else in the training room.

Outside the training room, the team got down to business. And Mountcastle—clad in a Ravens-supplied uniform complete with new sneakers—had more work to do. He ran up and down the sidelines, hauling one of four large double coolers filled with water and cans of Gatorade.

Although team liability coverage prohibited the interns from performing any major medical treatment or making a diagnosis, Mountcastle did tend to scrapes and cuts as well as interview injured players on the

By early August, rows of metal bleachers, fading chalk lines and a small trailer used by county officials to greet fans were the only signs that the Baltimore Ravens held their summer camp at WMC.

But Baltimore's new NFL team left something even more valuable, if less visible, when it broke camp.

"The College and the community formed a strong bond around that team," said President Robert Chambers. "I think there's always been a good relationship between the Hill and area residents, but we became tighter and put together a successful premiere camp for the Ravens and the fans. It was nice to walk across campus and see it happening."

The month-long camp lured thousands of business people on lunch break and families on outings to the College. Decked in shirt and tie or shorts and tee shirts, fans lined the two manicured practice fields the team set up just outside the Gill Physical Education Center.

The Ravens training camp ended 25 years of summers without pro football at the College, Chambers said. The Baltimore Colts, who started annual summer training at the College in 1949, left WMC in 1971. They had been scheduled to return in 1984, but team owner Robert Irsay moved the team to Indianapolis.

"It is a rare week," he said, "that I don't hear from someone about the glory days of the Colts at Western



PHOTOS BY T.M. SWEENEY JR.

Half-pint fans and statewide VIPs scramble for autographs during summer camp.

Maryland when Johnny Unitas, Lenny Moore, Raymond Berry, Artie Donovan and Big Daddy Lipscomb shaped our history."

The community and the College also shared the headlines, he added. Correspondents for newspapers, radio stations and TV outlets from across the nation descended on Westminster. Even *The New York Times* sent a feature writer to discuss the team's impact on the surrounding community.

"Of course we were already on the map," Dr. Chambers said, "but this got a lot of people to get out those maps and really find us."

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—Brad Mountcastle '97

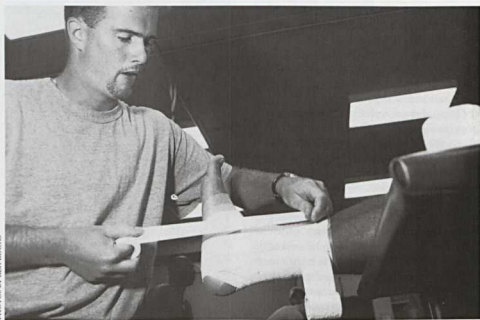
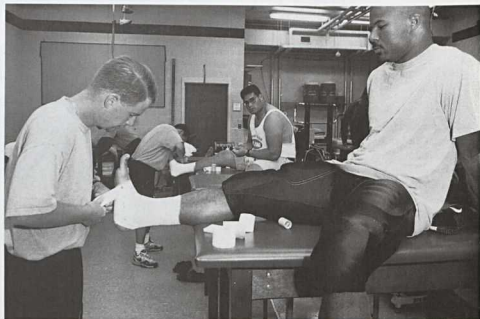
field so he could provide summary information to the head trainer who would arrive a few minutes later.

"I was right there in the action," he said. "Trainers really have to know what they are doing and be on top of things, because you never know when something is going to happen."

Mountcastle spent much of the camp assigned to the receivers, tight ends and defensive backs as those squads went through individual drills. Each of the summer workers on the training staff had a unit to care for, he said. The units worked through plays for much of the practice before being melded into complete offensive and defensive teams for a full squad scrimmage, when Mountcastle and the others would work together to keep players from dehydrating.

He hardly saw the practice games—there wasn't any time to be a fan. "The interns are an important part of summer training camp," said assistant trainer Mesier. "Brad has now been exposed to a lot of things that he had never seen before or done before, and that's a plus for him that he can use to his advantage from now on."

Mountcastle also helped the team with his local knowledge, Mesier continued. The



PHOTOS BY KEN KOONS

Ravens depended on him for across-town trips to a local X-ray clinic or pharmacy.

"He knew the right people, and that was a big boost for us," Mesier said. "He was there when we needed him."

Mountcastle, who worked on the training staff during June's Olympic beach volleyball trials in Baltimore, didn't even get a time-out when the team left Westminster.

Working with the athletic training staff gave Brad Mountcastle '97 hands-on experience in his career field and lots to brag about.

The Green Terror football team moved into the locker room and Mountcastle went right in with them, tape in hand, ready to wrap. •

Development

NEWS

Hanleys Help Strengthen Science Program

Alice Boyer met Kevin Hanley during her sophomore year at Western Maryland College. He was notorious for scoring a 99, and blowing the curve, on a chemistry test given in Dr. Dave Herlocker's class—a course frequently failed—according to those in the know. He seemed the obvious tutor when she needed help in the same class. Neither would have guessed that their study partnership would lead to a life partnership. But, in fact, they married one year after graduation, and today are raising five children and running a sports medicine practice together in Bowie.

Their fond memories of WMC, however, go beyond their chance meeting as members of the graduating class of 1972. Though he had applied and been accepted to WMC, Kevin Hanley had given up his hopes of going to the College because his family could not afford the tuition. Instead, he planned to move to West Virginia with his family and attend a state college. In fact, he was in the middle of packing when he received a phone call from the dean of admissions at WMC who, at his high school guidance counselor's recommendation, offered Kevin a full-tuition scholarship. "I was about to turn the scholarship



Kevin and Alice Boyer Hanley, both of the Class of '72, have remained successful science partners ever since they teamed up in Dr. Dave Herlocker's class. Now they operate a sports medicine practice together.

down because my family still would not be able to afford the \$1,000 room and board costs, when the dean suggested I apply for a Maryland state scholarship," Kevin recalls. Though he was just days from moving to West Virginia, he was still living in Maryland and so applied and was awarded the scholarship just in time for the fall semester.

Alice, the daughter of a farmer and one of five children, was in a similar situation and also received scholarship assistance from the College.

Recently, the pair reciprocated with a \$200,000 gift to fund a physiology lab in the

planned Science Center. "We want the science program to be successful," says Kevin, who was a biology and chemistry major, and Alice, a biology major. WMC has great science instructors, but the facility has glaring deficiencies. This is the perfect opportunity for us to give back to the College that so greatly benefited us," says the couple, who are also on the fund-raising committee for the Science Center.

Kevin and Alice Hanley credit WMC for much of their current success. After gradua-

tion, Alice taught 7th grade science until the birth of their child, and Kevin, who had chosen a career in medicine, attended Georgetown University Medical School. Kevin's medical residencies and a tour in the army took them far from their alma mater, but the Hill always remained close to their hearts. Kevin explains, "Some of the best years of my life were at WMC. With just 12 to 15 people in a class, you develop strong relationships. My closest friends are people I met at WMC." Alice agrees and adds, "The education we received at WMC was as fine as you could hope for. The hands-on approach and openness of the faculty allowed us to expand as individuals. You leave there with a love for learning." A love for learning she says they have passed onto their five children: Christopher, 17; Erin, 15; Colin, 13; Elizabeth, 10; and Ryan, 6.

Kevin and Alice's partnership is visible in every aspect of their lives. When Kevin, whose specialty is orthopaedic surgery, said he wanted to begin his own sports medicine practice, it was Alice who made the dream a reality making all the necessary arrangements. "I am a blue-sky thinker. She's the compulsive one, the nuts and bolts thinker. She makes things happen," he says. She continues to keep him on track as the manager of his practice while at the same time, with help from Kevin, also manages to get their five active children to and from school, their respective activities and various other social engagements. "Alice is a good juggler," Kevin quips.

Kevin, who dubs himself a country doctor, doesn't limit his practice to his office or the operating room. Modeling his profession after the hands-on approach he witnessed at WMC, he can frequently be found offering medical advice on the ball field, in the grocery store or just about anywhere in their close-knit community. Kevin also makes time to serve as team doctor for Bowie State University and his former high school, DeMatha High. "I enjoy keeping healthy people healthy," he says. And Kevin does not limit his practice to just humans. Though he admits it is not his specialty, he once repaired the fractured leg of a canine friend, and frequently treats the arthritic hips of the pet dogs of two of his office workers.

Despite their hectic lives, Kevin and Alice have always made time for WMC. In addition to their work together on the Science Center project, Kevin also serves as a trustee for the College and as his class president.

It was by chance that Kevin and Alice were both fortunate enough to attend WMC. It was by chance that they met while there. But, by their own admission, it was hard work and the quality education they received that led to their current successes. They say, "We owe our professional success to the science education we received at Western Maryland. We grew up on the Hill because our experience there gave us the knowledge, skills and values to succeed as people."

—Valerie Mehl

Bowlsbey Fund Honors a Teacher's Teacher

Family, friends and colleagues want L. Stanley Bowlsbey, Jr. to know how much he has meant to them and to Western Maryland College. Earlier this year, they started an endowment fund at the College in his name to recognize his contributions as a student, professor and administrator.

The L.S. Bowlsbey, Jr. Endowment, only the second fund created specifically to benefit the graduate program, was publicly announced in late July at WMC's first summer graduate program reception. The fund will provide support to the program in school administration, according to Ken Pool, dean of graduate affairs. Bowlsbey served as director of the Graduate Studies Program from 1970-1988, he said.

"He has had a lasting impact at the College and in graduate education around the region," said Donald Rabush, a retired professor of education who was one of the first faculty members brought to WMC by Bowlsbey. "I was fortunate enough to be part of the great team of educators he put together here. Its good reputation is well deserved and we can thank Stan Bowlsbey for much of that."



A new graduate program endowment fund honors Stan Bowlsbey '52, MEd'59, who is pictured here with his wife Joann, his mother Blanche '27, MEd'66, and College President Robert Chambers.

Bowlsbey, who now lives in Finksburg, first became a part of the Western Maryland College community as a student, earning a bachelor's degree in English in 1952 and a master's degree in education in 1959. He joined the faculty in 1969, becoming chair of the education department in 1970 and simultaneously beginning to serve in the administration. He continued to teach throughout his tenure in the graduate program, and Bowlsbey, who also served as dean of planning and research from 1988-89, was granted emeritus status after retiring in 1989. He later served as a consultant with the Maryland State Department of Education.

Pool said the first award from the endowment fund should be made during the 1996-97 academic year. Earn-

ings from the fund will be used for library and equipment acquisition, graduate or faculty fellowships, research support, lectureships, leadership institutes or other approved projects. Bowlsbey and others will serve on the review committee. Proposals will be solicited later this year.

More than 1,100 students are enrolled in the graduate program at WMC, which offers master's degrees in nine areas, including the largest deaf education program in the nation and the only media/library science program to focus solely on school library media. •

News

From Alumni

SERVE Gives Poor a Break

Physics major Dan Wooten wants to be known as much for his community service work as he is for his research on lasers in the College's physics lab. It's the only way to be a complete student, a complete person, he says.

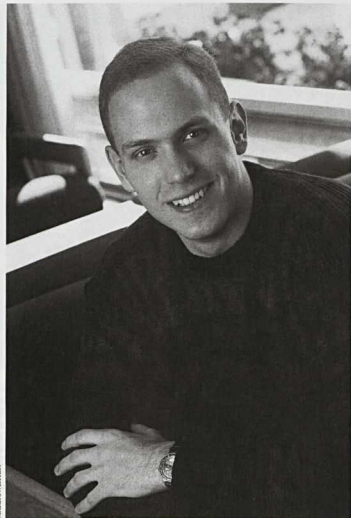
Wooten was awarded the 1996 SOS/Hinge Griswold-Zepp Award, which honors "the true spirit of voluntarism and community service." He was recognized for coordinating an alternative Spring Break week of service he calls "the greatest week of my life."

"I see the real importance of helping others," said Wooten '97. "You can really make a big difference just by giving a little."

During a time when most coeds flock south to warmer climates, Wooten and three other WMC students 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.

The students were 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 member of the working crew.

The WMC crew 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 an effort to create jobs and bring more



MARK SUTHER

tourists to the economically depressed area.

But it was worth it for Dan and the others. In fact, Dan, student coordinator for the group, was disappointed he couldn't stay longer. He even had to be talked out of signing on for an extra week, opting instead to try to come back during the next break.

"Students take a lot for granted," he said. "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

Dan Wooten '97 wants to be known as much for his good works as for his good grades.

up my free time to help out. I'll definitely be going back."

"Some people tell me that they don't know how we could give up Spring Break," he continued, "but I just tell them that I don't see how we can't do this for others. It should be a natural thing, and I think as more people get involved with the program, they will see what a great time it is and how good you feel when you are finished." •

Fantastic Five Win Argonaut Award

Five graduating seniors with perfect academic records earned this year's Argonaut Award for earning the highest cumulative grade point averages. Named for the College's original honor society founded in 1935 and superseded by formation of a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in 1980, the award went to Alexander Cruickshank; Nancy Huber; Carrie McFadden; Kristina Santo; and Dawn Schiavone.

A transfer student to WMC, Cruickshank also attended Howard Community College, earning a 3.94 GPA. He was awarded a WMC transfer scholarship, the highest academic honor given to entering transfers.

He recently won the United States History Award, which was set up through a bequest of the late H. Peyton Gorsuch for students excelling in U.S. history, and was inducted into WMC's Delta of Maryland chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's paramount honor society for liberal arts.

"He has the potential to be a leading legal mind, one of our extremely bright prospects," said William Chase, associate professor of history and Cruickshank's faculty adviser. "He is one of the most dynamic students I've ever met, and I wouldn't be surprised to see him become a law professor or a federal judge."

Nancy Huber, a nontraditional student and a WMC

employee, is the office manager in College Activities. She is an English major with a minor in psychology and earned departmental honors in English. She was graduated summa cum laude.

Huber, mother of three, was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. She also is a member of Psi Chi and Lambda Iota Tau, national honor societies for psychology and literature, respectively.

Carrie McFadden is a fitness consultant and designed her own WMC major in fitness communication, combining courses in communication and exercise science and physical education. She earned departmental honors in fitness communication and was graduated summa cum laude.

She earned her associate's degree from Carroll Community College and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor society for community colleges.

She is the host of "Staying Healthy" on local cable television and has written a column for the *Carroll County Times* under the same name. McFadden also is a freelance writer for Patuxent Publishing Corporation, which has newspapers throughout the Baltimore area.

Kristina Santo, who finished her work at WMC in December 1995, was graduated summa cum laude. A biology major with a minor in secondary education, she is the daughter of Irene and the late Alfred Santo.

Santo, a trustee scholarship winner, a full-tuition award that notes WMC's highest level of academic scholarship, was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.



ANDREW CAMPBELL

Incoming WMC students and their alumni parents gathered on campus August 29 for the orientation program for new students. Front row (l-r): Heather Bair '00, Jessica Duquette '00, Dan Powell '00, Robyn Perlow '00, Aaron Jenkins '00, Josh Jenkins '98. Back row: Jeannette Pearson Bair '73, David Duquette '74, Joe Powell '71, Alleck Resnick '47 (grandfather of Robyn Perlow), Ilene Resnick '76 (mother of Robyn Perlow), Claudia Hollister Jenkins '95. Not pictured: Deborah Diltz Duquette '76, Timothy Kulp '00, Linda Roden Kulp '89, Matthew McDearmon '00, Michael McDearmon '74, Bonnie McGinnis Miller '75 (mother of Matthew McDearmon), Daniel Powell '00, Joseph Powell '71, Matthew Rittler '00, Kathleen Moore Rittler '68, Abigail Rudman '00, Michael Rudman '70.

She has taken summer courses at Catonsville Community College and the University of Maryland Baltimore County, and while at WMC studied in England and Scotland in January 1995.

Dawn Schiavone, daughter of Dennis and Nancy Schiavone, is an English major with a minor in secondary education and earned departmental honors in English. She was graduated summa cum laude.

A member of the College's four-year honors program, Schiavone was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and was awarded the Michael and

Polly Beaver Award for Excellence in Education.

The Beaver Award was established in 1985 by the friends, family, colleagues and students of Mr. and Mrs. Beaver, both class of 1979, as a lasting memorial of their lives and their impact on education. The recipients, selected by the education department, are seniors who have had distinguished college careers as reflected in their scholarship and contributions to life on and off campus.

While at WMC, Schiavone, recipient of an alumni scholarship, was a member of intra-

mural teams in volleyball and basketball; CAPBoard for activities planning; and *Contrast*, the College's literary magazine. She also is a member of Lambda Iota Tau, a national honor society for literature.

"From the very first time I met her, I knew she was going to win this award," said her faculty adviser LeRoy Panek, professor of English. "She has real ability and works hard. She wants to teach, and she will succeed in that classroom just like she did here. She is talented, bright, energetic and just the kind of person you need teaching school." •

Service Merits Recognition

Five Western Maryland alumni were honored with 1996 Meritorious Service Awards for their efforts on behalf of the College during the annual Alumni Weekend celebration on May 31-June 2.

Carole Ensor Asbury '71 of Woodbine has been involved with her class and WMC almost since graduation 25 years ago. She began serving on the national alumni fund committee in 1973 and since then has held numerous positions as an alumni volunteer, including chair of the nominating committee, regional chapter leader, visitor to the Board of Trustees, and admissions volunteer. Asbury worked on the alumni phonathon in 1980 and also served on the class reunion committee in 1991 and was part of Alumni Welcome to First-Year Students in 1995.

Edna "Perk" Haller Beglin of Westminster is a member of the 50th reunion class of 1946. She began her volunteer service in 1969, serving as class agent for annual giving through 1975 and again from 1993-95. She was a member of the national fund committee in 1981 and 1983-84; the Alumni Association awards committee, 1989-93; the class reunion committee in 1982, 1986, 1991, and 1996; and the Carroll County Alumni Chapter steering committee, 1990-96. She also has hosted the class of 1946 reunion in her home in 1991 and 1996. Service runs in the Beglin family. Her husband Bob '43 was named Alumnus of the Year at Homecoming 1995-96 and received Merito-

rious Service recognition in 1978.

Julia Collinson Garber of Baltimore is a member of the Class of 1941. She is a staunch supporter of the Baltimore chapter of the WMC Alumni Association and her own class, serving on the class reunion committee from 1966-1981 and as chapter president from 1986-88. She is a regular at chapter activities since 1981.

Frederick W. Morgan of Richmond, Va., is a member of the class of 1946. He was reconnected to his class in 1986 and since then has worked tirelessly for the class and WMC. He was a chapter coordinator in 1986 and served as class agent in 1985-86, 1992-93 and 1993-94. He was both reunion fund chair for his class and a member of the reunion committee in 1986, 1991 and 1996.

William C. Robinson of Alexandria, Va., is a retired colonel and celebrated his 55th reunion as a member of the Class of 1941. He is being recognized for his work in the DC/Northern Virginia Alumni Chapter. Col. Robinson, a familiar face at almost all of the chapter's events since 1982, also has served as a member of the class reunion committee, 1991 and 1996; and the Sports Hall of Fame committee, 1991-95. He has been a class agent since 1993 and still serves as president of the

DC/Northern Virginia/Prince George's Alumni Chapter. In 1991, he was the volunteer leader of a three-person phonathon to revive the class reunion gift effort. Col. Robinson also led an alumni travel group on a 1990 trip to several national parks. •

Meritorious Service Awards were presented to (second from left): Carol Ensor Asbury '71, Fred Morgan '46, Edna "Perk" Haller Beglin '46, Bill Robinson '41, Judy Collinson Garber '41 by Carol Sause Burch '54 (far left), awards committee chair, and Sally Keck Gold '78 (far right), president, Alumni Association.



PROPOSED ALUMNI TRAVEL DATES

For those interested, additional information may be requested from the Alumni Affairs Office.

March 13-23, 1997

Panama Canal Cruise

Holland America Westours—MA Maasdam
Acapulco, Santa Cruz Huatulco (Mexico); Puerto Quetzal (Guatemala); Puerto Caldera (Costa Rica); Cruise Golfo Dulce; Daylight transit Panama Canal; Georgetown, Grand Cayman. Dock and Depart: Fort Lauderdale.
Cost per person: \$3,185-\$3,835. (Twenty-year AAA members receive 37% discount.)

June 25-July 7, 1997

Alaska

Golden Princess and reserved seating on the Midnight Express.
Alaska: Fairbanks, Denali National Park, Anchorage, Seward, Hubbard Glacier, Juneau, Skagway, Ketchikan. Fly home from Vancouver.
Cost per person: \$2,900 and up plus airfare.

September 1997 (date to be announced)

Cruise the Danube

Prague, Nuremberg, Hilpoltstein, Regensburg, Passau, Melk, Durnstein, Vienna, Bratislava, Esztergom, Budapest.
Cost per person: \$3,400 and up plus airfare.

Thank You Alumni Volunteers

Many dedicated graduates of Western Maryland gave their time from September 1995 to July 1996.

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This merry lot was photographed during one of the first Jan Term trips to England led by English Professor Ray Stevens. Recognize anyone?

Those alumni who coordinated regional chapter events during 1995-96 have provided a valuable leadership service for fellow alumni and the College. Catherine Waring Barnes '45, Grace Morris Gibson '42 and John '60 and Barbara Horst '61 Fringer, *Southern Maryland Chapter*; Susan Rushton Batson '63 and Karen Helbig Whiteside '59, *Howard County Chapter*; Robert Beglin '43, *Carroll County Chapter*; Robert Bricker '42, *Philadelphia Chapter*; Virginia Davies Brown '80, *Southern Pennsylvania Chapter*; James Davis '89, *Hartford County Chapter*; Dorris Jones Earl '43, *Baltimore Chapter*; Jeanne Patterson Ensor '48, *Lower Shore Chapter*; Katherine Kaiser Frantum '45, *Anne Arundel Chapter*; Katharine Manlove Jester '49, Mary Crosswhite '42, Mary Anne Stazesky '49, Evelyn Dashiell Styles '46 and Olive Cook '44, *Wilmington Chapter*; Mae Langrall Mealy '48, *Lower Shore Chapter*; Annabel Glocker Liebelt '48 and Maureen Carroll Martin '86, *Montgomery County Chapter*; Kathleen McLaughlin '77, *Southern New Jersey Chapter*; William Robinson '41, *D.C./Northern Virginia/Prince Georges Chapter*; Betty Robbins Seiland '50, *Lower Shore Chapter*; Rebecca Groves Smith '37, *Mid-Shore Chapter*.

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In Memoriam

Mrs. Nona Parks Whiteford '09 of Whiteford, Md., on April 1, 1976.
Mrs. Mary Rathel Armour '18 of Easton, Md., on May 12, 1990.
Mrs. Ruth Hinkel Dyer '19 of Pen Argyl, Pa., on February 8, 1996.
Mrs. Elizabeth Carey Shockley '22 of Snow Hill, Md., on May 11, 1996.
Mrs. Anna Chenoweth Vestal '22 of Taneytown, Md., on July 17, 1975.
Mr. Stockton E. Day '23 of Largo, Fla., on September 20, 1995.
Mr. Gertrude Jones Maloney '25 of Westminster, Md., on April 21, 1996.
Mrs. Rose Conway Green '26 of Mr. Airy, Md., on April 8, 1996.
Miss Mary Katharine Bowersox '28 of Keystone Heights, Fla., on November 5, 1995.
Mrs. Mary Bennett Brown '28 of Upper Marlboro, Md., on March 20, 1986.
Rev. Francis A. Belote '30 of West Des Moines, Iowa, on January 24, 1996.
Mr. Charles Lee Bowers '30 of Washington, D.C., on April 18, 1996.
Mr. Charles W. Havens '30 of Westminster, Md., on May 12, 1996.
Mrs. Dorothy Todd Chesley '31 of South Yarmouth, Mass., on May 30, 1993.
Mrs. Mary Alice Chenoweth Hackman '31 of Westminster, Md., on April 10, 1996.
Mrs. Myra Patterson Knox '31 of Sequim, Wash., on May 12, 1996.
Rev. Dr. William Kenneth Lyons Sr. '31 and honorary doctor of divinity '60 of Catonsville, Md., on June 3, 1996.
Mrs. Helen Pyles Darby '34 of Boyds, Md., on August 22, 1995.
Brig. Gen. Henry B. Kinney '34 of Towson, Md., on May 17, 1996.
Mrs. Ruth Dunlap Long '35 of Mechanicsburg, Pa., on February 2, 1996.
Miss Reba E. Snader '35 of Union Bridge, Md., on May 26, 1996.
Dr. Harold P. Biehl '36 of Naples, Fla., on June 6, 1996.
Mr. E. Robert Brooks '36 of Wake Forest, N.C., on November 3, 1995.
Dr. Thyra Waltham Fischer '36 of Baltimore, Md., on December 17, 1995.
Mr. W. Justus Denner '37 of Manchester, Md., on May 27, 1992.
Mrs. Lillian Gore Heape '38 of Bel Air, Md., on April 11, 1996.
Col. Webster R. Hood '40 of Springfield, Va., on June 11, 1996.
Mrs. Sally Cox McCann '43 of Inverness, Fla., on March 4, 1996.
Mr. Paul F. Miller '43 of Manchester, Md., on April 3, 1996.
Mr. Bart Norman '47 of Westminster, Md., on April 22, 1996.

Dr. Chauncey G. Alcott '48 of Hanover, Pa., on April 27, 1996.
Mr. Kenneth C. Bouchelle '48 of Sanford, N.C., on March 7, 1996.
Mr. Clinton M. Hise '50 of Ellensburg, Wash., on June 5, 1996.
Mr. Patrick L. Rogan, Jr. '54 of Salisbury, Md., on June 23, 1996.
Mr. George H. Sipe, Jr. '55 of Auburn, Ala., on September 3, 1995.
Mrs. Eleanor Rill Sterner '56 of Bigglesville, Pa., on September 27, 1995.
Mrs. Ethel Wehler Kitzmiller MED'58 of Waynesboro, Pa., on May 24, 1996.
Mr. Kenneth N. Watts '61 of Inglis, Fla., on October 2, 1995.
Mr. Frank P. Charnack, Jr. '71, a.k.a. Frank Chase of Perry Hall, Md., on October 11, 1995.
Mr. Michael N. Hammond MED'75 of Santa Fe, N.M., on November 25, 1994.
Rev. William R. Wells '76 of Westminster, Md., on June 21, 1996.
Dr. Keith N. Richwine, professor emeritus of English of Westminster, Md., on March 15, 1996.
Mrs. Mildred Knapp Cole, wife of professor emeritus of music Gerald Cole, of Westminster, Md., on May 14, 1996.

Marriages

Sheila Moritz Büttner '71 to Al Law on August 19, 1995. They reside in Westminster, Md.
Gregory Shockley '83 to Susan Mandes on March 23, 1996. They reside in Ocean City, Md.
Dennis DeMatte '87 to Lori Perugini '91 on September 24, 1995. They reside in Vineland, N.J.
Torri Dripps '89 to Robert Grothman '93 on January 20, 1996. They reside in Towson, Md.
Elizabeth Burkitt '89 to Thomas Howes on March 23, 1996. They reside in Arnold, Md.
Sylvia Hadermann '91 to Christopher Konkel on August 19, 1995. They reside in Westminster, Md.
Lisa LaVina '91 to Steve Klein on September 16, 1995. They reside in Owings Mills, Md.
Joslyn Martin '91 to Clinton Stewart III on August 12, 1995. They reside in Laurel, Md.
Glenn Jackson '92 to Laurie White on July 22, 1995. They reside in Baltimore, Md.
Ginni Cappi '94 to Chris Schnell '95 on March 30, 1996. They reside in Owings Mills, Md.
Jennifer Legallais '94 to Keith Brown on December 2, 1995. They reside in Media, Pa.
Kerri Wagner '94 to John Rapp '92 on December 9, 1995. They reside in Columbia, Md.
Cheryl Ann Kissel MS'95 to Ed Townsend on September 9, 1995. They reside in Salisbury, Md.

Births

Jordan Andrew Mike, on February 23, 1996, to David Mike and Linda Van Name '74.
Michelle Burgess, on February 22, 1996, to Mathew and Suzette Scheffler '80 Burgess.
Jessica Naomi Downes, on April 26, 1995, to James '80 and Kathy Downes.
Brett Chapline and Christian Curtis Wolf, on November 9, 1995, to John '81 and Cynthia Wolf.
Brian Alden Goodemote, on May 6, 1995, to Dale and Teresa Minnick '82 Goodemote.
Steven Dale and David John Cockerill, on February 21, 1995, to Mark '83 and Melissa Pruitt '82 Cockerill.
Benjamin and Daniel Cornwell, on January 2, 1996, to Bruce and Michele Horwitz '83 Cornwell.
Alice Frances Douglas, on March 9, 1996, to John Edward '85 and Katherine Douglas.
Christopher Harnis, on October 18, 1995, to Greg Harnis and Anne Hicks '85.
Elias James Katsoulas, on March 21, 1995, to Dino and Melissa Arhos '86 Katsoulas.
Kerry Dexter Leonard, on April 19, 1996, to Gary '86 and Lucy Powell '87 Leonard.
Sara Joy Minnich, on March 5, 1996, to Scott and Cynthia Raspberry '86 Minnich.
Jennah Romaine Packard-Motter, on November 14, 1995, to David and Meg Packard-Motter '86.
Payton Russo, in September 1995, to Brian '86 and Cindy Ebert '86 Russo.
Harrison Jenkins Smith, on July 21, 1995, to Charlie and Heather Price '86 Smith.
Abigail Elizabeth Hart, on April 2, 1996, to Lloyd '88 and Nancy Shaw '88 Hart.
Alexandra Breanne Barth, on April 1, 1995, to Kenneth and Melinda Reader '89 Barth.
Miranda Sierra Bovit, on June 27, 1995, to Jon Bovit '89 and Ivetta Maria Diaz-Bovit.
Abigail Hitchcock, on August 22, 1995, to Doug '89 and Annelisa Hitchcock.
Ryan Kevin Maher, on January 4, 1996, to Dennis and Lisa Diffenbaugh '90 Maher.
Lauren Stephanie Burnett, on March 3, 1996, to Stephen and Denise Alenian '91 Burnett.
Alison Catherine Cherundolo, on February 17, 1996, to Greg '91 and Christine Kelly '89 Cherundolo.

Emily Miranda Conley, on May 10, 1996, to Mark and Melanie Tull '91 Conley.
Kyle Andrew Johnston, on May 29, 1996, to James '91 and Kim Mitchell '92 Johnston.
Julianna Grace Shearer, on April 21, 1995, to Mark and Janet Salomone-Shearer MS'91.
Corey Jay Borns II, on January 28, 1996, to Corey and Melissa Love '94 Borns.
Kimberly Danielle Miller, on July 23, 1995, to Jonathan and Joann MS'94 Miller.
Caleb Daniel Strite, on October 23, 1995, to Carl and Karla Wallhausen MS'94 Strite.
Alexander Richard Gross, on April 25, 1996, to Mark MS'95 and Kelly Gross.
Abigail and Alexandra Herschman, on February 18, 1996, to Aaron and Cheri Ashbaugh '95 Herschman.

Master's News

Lorren Steel MED'67 retired as professor of early and middle childhood education from Ohio State University's College of Education.
Alison Nelson (Ervine) Foglesong MED'79 of Horner, W.Va., is currently providing backup for three teachers in two counties—after 17 years with no substitute available. She remarried in 1991.
David J. Boyer MLA'80 is a member of the Law and Public Policy Magnet Program faculty at Towson High School, Baltimore County Public Schools. He teaches a course in Juvenile Justice in addition to his 9th-grade social studies responsibilities. Next year he will also teach Trial Advocacy, an outgrowth of his many years of coaching high school Mock Trial teams. One of Baltimore County's most successful coaches during his years at Woodlawn High, he coached Towson's team to the 3rd Judicial Circuit championship in his first year of coaching there.
William Hoffacker, Jr. MS'90, a guidance counselor at Emory H. Markle Intermediate School, was recognized for outstanding service by the South Western (Pa.) District. His accomplishments include the drug-free schools, peer helper and student tutoring programs.

Honor Classes

1918
Margaret Phillips Foard writes that she's now 99 years young! Her church activities and craftwork keep her occupied. She still resides in Jarrettsville, Md.

1919
Frances Sidwell Benson was looking forward to the birth of her first grandchild in mid-May and also her 99th birthday in late May. Her granddaughter, Beth, visited from Oregon in August. Frances has trouble with reading and writing due to macular degeneration of the retina, and has a companion with her daily. Her daughter visits often.

1920
Dorothy Fishel Barnett is enjoying bridge games and checking out the latest literary works in the library at the Suncoast Manor Retirement home in St. Petersburg, Fla.

1921
While residing in Sudlersville, Md., **Lillian T. Merrick** has never forgotten her time at WMC. She loved it! Lillian would like to be remembered to all her classmates and would appreciate hearing from any of "the girls."

Mildred Wheeler Moylan recently celebrated her 95th birthday with a host of relatives in an Engineer's Club. It was a landmark birthday and she had a wonderful time. She thinks about her classmates and faculty at WMC. She still resides at the Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminster, Md.

1923
Louise Owens Sapp was visited by Jeff Hooper, son of fellow classmate **Carroll Hooper**, in January. He lives in Annapolis and Louise still makes her home in Baltimore, Md.

1924
Mildred Price sends greetings and good wishes. After breaking her hip in November '95, she was in the hospital and has been in the Chestertown Nursing and Rehabilitation Center since December. She now uses a walker and has been on several outings from the center. She looks forward to good weather and getting out in the sunshine.

1925
Mabel Smith Corson was 92 in January and feels well. She drives her own car even at night, plays the piano 15 minutes before church services and plays bridge once a week with friends from the garden club. Mabel lives in her own house and keeps planting flowers. Her family lives nearby.

"I feel lucky," exclaims **Elma Lawrence Hatch**. She's loving life and the many activities at the Freedom Village Retirement Home in Lake Forest, Calif.

Katherine "Frances" Merrick and husband Roscoe so enjoy life at the John Knox Village in Pompano Beach, Fla.

Paul R. Kelbaugh and wife Peggy stay busy with their travels to California and Barbados. Paul is now 93 and is quite proud of his son Duncan who owns his own tree nursery and has his two children to boast about. His daughter Gretchen has three children and has written two books! He sends his best to the class of '25.

"Greetings to my classmates of '25—the class that is ALIVE!" says **Katherine Richards Tillman**. She enjoyed the 70th class reunion! Her youngest grandson will graduate from WMC in 1999. Her sight may be poor, but she still enjoys hearing about the activities at WMC. She'd like her fellow classmates to keep in touch with her in Towson, Md.

1926
Serena Dryden Ashburn sends greetings and wishes she could join the reunion.

At the tender age of 91, **Mary Blocher Eburg** recalls her classmates and the construction of McDaniel Hall. She also remembers all of the goodbyes and the Browning Literary Society.

Virginia Gearardine Pritchard sends well wishes to her fellow classmates! She's still moving about and enjoying retirement in La Vale, Md.

Marjorie McWilliams Richter and husband/fellow classmate **Gerald E. Richter** are retired and in 1995 moved to Carroll Lutheran Village in Westminster, Md. Since 1926, Gerald has been a high school principal and teacher in Huntingtown, Calvert County, a principal at Manchester High School, high school supervisor for Carroll County Board of Education and superintendent of schools in Talbot County.

1928
Mary Elma Spitzer Burner and Rex celebrated their 67th anniversary in June. She sends best wishes.

Eva Logue sends blessings from Penny Farms, Fla., and says, "I'm still alive at 91 but not really active."

Helen Butler Oram is getting strong at age 90. She's still going around very well. She enjoys WMC's literature and recalling many fond memories. She lives in Baltimore, Md.

Evelyn Pusey Ruark enjoys being with her good friends, gardening, cooking, reading, and needlework. She has so many memories of WMC and enjoys reading about the activities. She sends well wishes to her fellow classmates.

Evelyn says that it's good to know that WMC is still maintaining high scholastic goals. She resides in Westover, Md.

Roseella T. Todd spoke with **Helen Baker Bowman**, **Maybelle Rinehart Baker** and **Martha "Pat" Eingle Brookhart**. She has also written **Laura Hutchins Jubb**. She likes to take little road trips and resides in Gaithersburg, Md.

1929

Evelyn Seagafosse Ensor resides in Medina, Ohio, and enjoys playing piano for the Forest Meadows Village Hummers and Drummers Band. She's looking forward to the next reunion and says hello to her fellow classmates.

Phoebe Koop Goldsboro visited Ohio and quite enjoyed the Amish quilts and other craftwork. She resides in Westminster, Md. She sends best wishes to her classmates.

Mary Ruth Holt Hannold sends excellent words to live by: "Remember to get down on your knees frequently and thank God that you are still on your feet!" Mary Ruth is surrounded by her family including her two daughters and their husbands as well as her sweet grandchildren. They keep her young at heart and well-informed. Mary Ruth also sends a fond "hello" to her classmates and wants them to know that she's glad they shared those wonderful four years on "the Hill." She still lives in Chestertown, Md.

Paul L. Howard of Greensboro, Md., sends best wishes to his classmates. He is active and busy in the battery industry.

John P. Kroh and **Margaret Stafford Kroh** stay occupied by going to dinner theaters and concerts with their very active church group. John and Margaret fancy their short road trips. They're pretty "handy" in their card game clubs.

Mary Lee "Polly" Darby MacLae sends best wishes to "all" from San Angelo, Texas. With all of the planned activities at the Baptist Retirement Center, Mary Lee is left with enough time to sing with the Pink Lady Choir and participate with the Nightingale mission. She heard from **Mary Ruth Holt Hannold** and **Glady's Miles Duer** during the Christmas season.

Mary Leshner Nichols is living at William Hill Manor. She has two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She goes to all activities at the Manor. She keeps in contact with **Dot Grim Wilson** and **Phoebe Koop Goldsboro**.

Charles E. Nussbaum, Jr. resides in Mechanicville, Pa. He and his wife Grace are still active and thanking the Lord. He met **Sarah Ensor '96**. She's quite impressed that she knows an Honor Class member. We should dub Charley a true "Survivor!"

At the tender age of 88, **Ellie Hobbs Thompson** is hanging in there! She resides in Skyville, Md. Her brother **Bill '30** has quite a collection of poetry. She is grateful that her daughter is very helpful and supportive. She sends blessings to her fellow classmates.

Dorothy Grim Wilson still relishes her nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. She's very proud that 25 of her 50 quilts went to the Red Cross for flood victims. She's very involved in the church and Sunday school. She looks forward to visits from her relatives.

Expressions of sympathy go to the families of **Rose Conway Green '26**, who died April 8, 1996; **Gertrude Jones Makosky '25**, who died April 21, 1996; and **Julia "Elizabeth" Carey Shockley '21**, who died May 11, 1996.

Thanks to all of the Honor Class members for the wonderful responses! Take care and stay in good spirits. Rhonda J. Myers '88 3925 Sybil Road Randallstown, MD 21133

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I thought if I asked members of our class of '34 to send their news to me by the IRS Income Tax deadline date, they would not forget. Sorry to say that I received fewer responses this time than usual; guess some of you were too busy with your IRS returns. Even though you feel you don't have much to say, whatever you write is appreciated by all of us.

Roland Sliker's card arrived on February 15. His was the first I received. He wrote: "Same old stuff. Tennis year-round, a little travel and constant outdoor chores, plus birthday bad-dating."

Maurice Fleming replied: "Delighted to respond to another roll call by calling out, 'Here, Madam Secretary! Maurice said that it always brings back 'fond memories' of such goodies of Military Service as 'Mail Call' and 'Pay Day.' Today he says he is happy to respond with 'Here, Sir' or 'Here, Ma'am.' He said his thoughts from the 'Golden Lane' (as he put it) are best expressed in the words of Jackie Gleason, 'How wonderful it is!'"

Elizabeth Humphreys Mahoney replied that "all is well with my life." "Hump" wrote that she was spending the month of April basking in the sun of Florida which is very welcome after our snowy, cold winter. She is looking forward to a grandson's fall wedding and another's spring graduation from the University of Delaware. She concluded by saying, "Life stays busy and happy."

Robert Holder sent me word that he had no news about himself but asked if I could find out any facts about a very old book *The Gentleman from Maryland* which he has been interested in genealogy. I tapped all my sources, found him details and ended my letter to him with the words, "You have a very rare book. Hang on to it."

I appreciated very much the prompt reply from **Mildred Burkins Connolly**, whose card came along with the early ones. We are very sorry to hear that Bob died July 28, 1995, but thankful that it was for the best, as Mildred wrote, since he had been ill for so long, slowly degenerating both physically and mentally. Mildred manages to keep busy, and this year she is planning a trip to Italy. Unfortunately she didn't make her Maryland trip last fall. She sends her best to the class of '34 and "hopes to see us all again soon."

John McNally's card was another early arrival. He and Helen have had enough winter this year and joked that they were considering going to Alaska to keep warm! Their lives have been the same except for "cabin fever" caused by the Blizzard of '96 which was followed by the floods. He wrote that he and Helen were not as fortunate as various members of our class who troff out to Florida at the first sign of snow. Among the snowbirds that he listed, I noticed Ed's and my name. I wish you were right, John, but Ed and I have only been to Florida once and that was in 1954. We stay in Baltimore and shovel snow, too—all 20-30 inches of it this year! Florida is a nice place, though, and we have fond memories of it.

Elise Kalb Chapin is very distraught over Gail's illness. "Gail, my daughter, had a mastectomy a year ago and nothing but discouraging reports since. Last November her husband died (from cancer). I am maintaining a normal life as far as possible and being helpful when and where I can. People are wonderful, supportive and caring," she writes. She hopes that next time she will have better news for us. After your classmates read this, Elise, their prayers will be for you. It seems that as we grow older, we always have sad news to report.

Elizabeth Mellor Johnson writes from her home at Ft. Belvoir that she is in good health and very active. She paints a lot of watercolor and she loves her church and Bible study groups.

Eather Righter Hoffman tells us that since last summer she has had a hip replacement. It was very successful and that it's now so nice to walk without pain or a cane. She recently took a Caribbean cruise and enjoyed it immensely—"a welcome change from Connecticut's record-breaking snowy winter," she said. And believe it or not, she wrote her card on April 10 and it was snowing!

Elizabeth Landon said she survived the winter of '96 in spite of three days stuck housebound with snow packed to the doorknobs. She was looking forward to spring so she could do some gardening.

As for me, **Lillian Frey Dexter**, I would much prefer to receive news from all our class members and write about you, but I guess in fairness, I'll have to tell you a little of what I've been doing. I continue to write our column, but, believe it or not, I have been doing ever since we graduated, having never missed a due date. I'm proud of that record! Also I'm proud of the fact that Ed and I have been happily married for 54 years come November 22, 1996. I am still very actively involved in the many activities of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (an honorary professional society of women educators) and also am serving again as Chairman of the Caroline County Chapter of WESS (Woman's Eastern Shore Society of Maryland). Ed and I still attend the Prekness each year, and we are always joined by several of our WMC classmates. This year I received a phone call from Kim Goodwin, a TV representative, inviting me to be interviewed for the program called "Louisville Tonight," which is a 30-minute show following the Kentucky Derby. She told me that Pinlick had given her my name because I had been attending the Prekness for about 40 years and sitting in the same seat. The segment that "features me" was to be on TV from Louisville after the Derby. Maybe some of you saw it. Concerts, theater shows, church meetings, letter writing, lawn and house work continue to occupy my time, which I can give now that I am retired.

Al Sadusky and his wife Irene were not able to enjoy their winter home in sunny Florida this year. The weather was bad enough, but 1995 was not very good health-wise for Irene and Al with hospital, surgery, doctors, etc. Al said he missed being up for Homecoming and the Prekness and reunions. He still stays

in touch with **Ken Rhodes**, **Charles Whittington** and his wife Caroline.

Mary Parks Sprague mentioned that she is having a pleasant life enjoying a loving family and many good friends. But this does not keep her from fondly remembering her WMC classmates, she wrote.

Bill Wright began his remarks by simply saying, "Play it again, Sam!" Bill lives in Nevada, is still active and writes that he loves every day, and is grateful.

Dorothy Hull Norris-Schuchardt said that she is able to walk the beach three miles per day and bike 6-10.

She keeps busy with her church, music and other organizations pertaining to Methodism. Dot lives on a seven-mile-long island (Pt. Myers Beach, Fla.), which recently was incorporated. She was active in the preparation for this and in getting out the vote for the town council.

Word from **Sarah Fadeley Stevens** said that she had moved in August from her house and is now a resident in a lovely place "Village on the Isle" in Venice, Fla. She has a grand apartment and is surrounded by many lovely and friendly folks. She wrote that there is so much to do in many areas; with so much going on all the time, she really keeps busy. Sally doesn't live very far from her church to which she can walk; thus she can continue her work with United Methodist Women. She sold her car but doesn't miss it because buses there take everyone to shop, to the doctors, etc.

Jane was excited for Sally, because her first great-grandchild was born, a little girl named for her (Sarah). Her mother is WMC graduate **Carol White Blackford '93**. As Sally was writing this news, she received the word that her second great-grandchild named Madeline was born in South Carolina.

Kennard Rhodes wrote that since returning from a Christmas cruise on December 28, 1995, it has been a busy four months for him. Upon arrival home, he found that somebody had forged checks from Alabama to Florida with his account number on them. This necessitated changing to new accounts and notifying all necessary parties. Since then it has been entertaining company which he really enjoys and attending great theater. Ken is a Trustee of the Civic Association and also belongs to the Democratic Club, both of which take much of his time. He is quite active with the Kiwanis Scholarship Committee and has been involved in reviewing 60 applications. He tells us that many of the Marylanders who went to Florida were able to attend the Florida Derby Day at Gulf Stream Park and sit together. He was glad the **Whittingtons** made it, but missed the **Sadusky's**. Ken expects to be in Maryland in May to attend a high school reunion, a hospital visit for an old-age study and to take the Prekness with the usual Western Maryland group.

We were saddened to receive word from the Alumni Office that **Helen Pyles Darb** died August 22, 1995. Those of you who knew Helen can send condolences to: The Family of Helen Pyles Darb, c/o William C. Darby, P.O. Box 590, Olney, MD 20830.

Since writing this column, I received word of the untimely death of our class president, **Henry B. Kimmey**, on May

17, 1996, and I notified each member of our class. Our sympathy is extended to his wife, Virginia O'Rourke Kimmey. Lillian Frey Dexter 3726 Lochearn Drive Baltimore, MD 21207

44 Proud mother **Ann Meeth Klingaman** wrote, "Mike was recently awarded for his feature article on Cal Ripken in the Sunday Sun 'Sports Feature of the Year' for newspapers of over 175,000 circulation. The same article was in the top 10 National Associated Press Sports Editors competition. Will, who is writing book number eight, was recently chosen as 'The Most Outstanding Teacher' at Centennial High School in Howard County."

Grace Dryden Venable wrote, "We are at the same address, doing the same gardening, boating and caring for our beach house at Bethany. This year we will watch two grandsons graduate from high school and one granddaughter from college. It seems that only yesterday we were passing those milestones ourselves."

Woody Preston is still active as chairman of the law firm of Whiteford, Taylor, Preston. He spends two months in Florida in the winter and much of the summer in Bethany Beach. Woody and his wife, Lucy, enjoy the Preston grandchildren and travel to France, Scotland, Greece, Italy, Turkey, Alaska.

Tom Treshinski is doing fine after knee replacement surgery in November '95 and will have the left one done in a few months.

Mary Towley Gipe and husband, Paul, survived the "winter of '96." They found two weeks of sun and fun in Florida in late February and early March. While in Florida, Mary and Paul visited **Marie Steele Cameron '43**. With 12" of nonstop snow in Blackwater Falls, W.V., for three-and-a-half days, they finished off the winter. The plan was to just look forward to summer and golf and try to stay well in Cumberland, Md.

On Palm Sunday, **Emory Gross** entertained the grandchildren at an Easter egg hunt in the backyard. Eight dozen eggs were found by 3-year-olds having great fun. He has been in the hospital a couple of times, one of which made him miss our 50th reunion. "Considering the alternative, I'm doing well," writes Emory.

With a very busy schedule of volunteer activities, Alzheimer's Association activities, church choir, acting as facilitator for Caregivers Support Group and workshop mission at nursing homes, **Olive Cook** hopes to find more time to travel and to visit friends.

Margie Strickland writes, "For the past several months our lives have been taken over by our younger daughter's pregnancy. Last fall, she underwent the invitro fertilization process and became pregnant with quadruplets. We were ecstatic! However, four live babies were not to be. She miscarried one in February and the other three in March. We are heartbroken and pray for a successful pregnancy next time. I spent most of my time staying with her in Darlington, S.C."

Corky Price Tucker has just recently recovered from a long bout with pneu-

monia and husband, Cal, came down with severe bronchitis, "so our lives have been less than exciting since Christmas." Happily, they are both fine now. So it is on to yard work and entertaining summer guests who like to visit both them and Virginia Beach.

Charlotte and Lee "Peck" Bond are still resting up after their trip to Europe last year. They took four grandkids, ages 10-16, for four weeks through Italy and Spain. "That will not be forgotten by them or us."

Treasurer of Westminster Rotary Club, head usher at the Westminster Methodist Church and chairman of the Carroll County Salvation Army Advisory Board are just a few of the many hats that **Russell Selman** wears.

During 1995, Russ and wife, **Donna DuVal Selman '45**, spent 10 days traveling in the Canadian Rockies and 18 days in Thailand, China, and Hong Kong.

Sig Jensen has nothing outstanding to report except that he is still creaking along on his tin knee and new back. He is quick to remind us that the knee and back are "souvenirs of Hoffa Field exertions on the field not behind the grandstand." Enough said! I won't touch that line.

Phoebe Johnson Rutherford sends regards to any of her classmates who might remember her. She seldom gets back to Maryland after 15 1/2 years on Cape Cod. "But I do have fond memories of WMC days those many, many years ago."

The day after Christmas, **Wallen Bean** and wife, Christine, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Included in the gathering for that happy occasion was Wallen's 94-year-old mother who came from West Virginia. Wallen is still working full time as a chaplain and as a counselor. Christine remains busy with her art business and her 27 art students.

Bertha Hall Maloney and husband, Joseph, are looking forward to a trip in June to Alaska, part cruise and part train, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. They enjoy their grandchildren—all 13 of them. That has to be an all-time record for grandchildren. Wonder if anyone has researched that great achievement. That's worthy of special honor!

Katherine Clemson Turner writes, "I did enjoy the 50-year reunion in '94. I remember going with my father, Charles O. Clemson '98—That's 1898!—to his 50th WMC class reunion in 1948! That year, his mother, Mary Elizabeth Cramer Clemson was 100 years old. She was a student at Frederick Female Seminary (now Hood College) in 1863, the summer of the Battle at Gettysburg. She remembered feeding both northern and southern troops! Having lived with that much history, I guess it's no wonder I'm involved in DAR, CAP, Townson's Fourth of July Parade, community action and church work. I'm currently president of Church Women United of Greater Baltimore. My husband, Art, enjoyed a "tiger cruise" with our son, USN Lt. Charles A.P. Turner, on board the USS New Orleans, the ship you saw in the movie *Apollonia 13*. (Charles was standing behind Tom Hanks.) Daughter Margo is editor of *The Montgomery County Sentinel*, and daughter Katie is a paralegal.

Evelyn Royer Zumbrun sends her best wishes to all classmates. Last year's travels included Yellowstone, Teton, Banfil and Jasper, where they enjoyed the natural beauty of ice fields, lakes and animal life. Evelyn and Bud spent time with her sister **Frankie Royer Copeland '41** in Indiana. "As the only non-Gettysburgian in a group of Bud's 'brothers' who meet frequently, I try to mention the glories of dear old WMC at every opportunity," she writes.

Viron Diefenbach sent in the latest news from Galeville, Ill. "Once again I am a church organist. The Shawville Zion Presbyterian Church, about 10 miles from here, needed an organist. Somebody (possibly my wife) leaked word of my past. The lady minister asked me, and I accepted. This is literally 'The Church in the Wildwood' with a small congregation that LOVES TO SING. What fun it is! After 40 years absence, I am back on an organ bench where I began and I am practicing hard. Otherwise, I am enjoying the hills, bluffs and sunsets from high on this ridge overlooking the Mississippi River Valley."

Margaret Smith Cassell reports that she and her family and look forward to spending the spring planting flowers and beachcombing. "Smitty" spent three times each week in exercise classes and didn't miss the Olympic weight lifting team, but as she passed the new stadium in Atlanta recently, for a moment the dream became a reality. Charleston and Savannah were also included in her recent travels.

Walter Carr and wife, **Mary Gene Kennedy '47**, recently celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary. They are both still active at Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Orlando and also as "Lampkeepers" with the (volunteer) responsibility for five Orlando area branches of Aid Association for Lutherans (a fraternal, not-for-profit insurance company). Their two Lutheran pastor sons are doing great, with the older one back in the seminary working on his STM degree. Their youngest son and their daughter, **Janet Carr Short '81**, are both Operations Research Analysts at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. The oldest of their seven grandchildren, a '91 Valparaiso University journalism graduate, is production manager of a newspaper publishing company in St. Louis. Walt and Mary Gene will be leaving on a two-and-a-half week trip to Maryland on April 27, 1996.

Bill Keefe and wife **Elise** became grandparents for the fifth time: Robert William was born to daughter Kathy and her husband, Bob, on March 22nd. Bill continues to serve as chaplain at New Hampshire College in Manchester, N.H. They work with a Widow-Widows Support group for the Concord area and are active in the New Hampshire Fellowship of Worship and the Arts for planning special events. They attended the national event in Tacoma last year for this group. Bill enjoyed being Class Agent for the Annual Fund drive.

Ann Rice Jett retired 12 years ago from elementary school administration. Her crafts business and doll club activities keep her constantly busy. Three of Ann and Jim's children are involved in teaching—nursery, elementary and special education. Jim's heart problems prevent him from traveling. Ann visited their three grandchildren in San Francisco in November to celebrate Joshua's Bar Mitzvah.

After a very cold winter, **Beverly Staum Agnoli** and husband, Art, were looking forward to planting seeds and starting their garden. Art does the vegetables; Bev does the flowers. Their four grandchildren keep things lively. Brad is 16 and has started to drive. Johnny, 11, is an avid sports fan. The two girls, Anne, 12, and Carolyn, 8, are keeping academia alive in the group.

After the way she introduced herself at her 50th reunion, she will always be "Kitty from Salt Lake City" to all of us. **Kathryn Voss** and husband, Glenn, are looking forward to a cousin's reunion in Louisville, Ky.; a visit to Seattle; and a trip to New York City, London and return on the Queen Elizabeth II in the fall. Kitty writes that she and Glenn feel blessed—family is doing well, enjoying many interesting activities and health is good. "Does anyone ever stop in Salt Lake City?" asks Kitty.

Warren Earl reports that medical problems curtailed much normal activity for many months. Number two grandchild finished in the top five of the East Coast Horse Show in '95 and will compete in the nationals in Oklahoma City in June '96. Warren and wife, **Dorothy Jones '43**, are planning several trips in 1996.

Instead of retiring, **Ginny Salerno Olsen** has opened a new real estate office in her hometown of Medford, Mass. Her husband, Neil, is retired and busy with the Shriners golf, and ham radio operating. Ginny has been compared to the Eveready battery commercial rabbit—still going, still going, etc. "Mother is still going at 103, so I guess it runs in the family." Ginny and Neil have two married sons, three granddaughters, and four cats. Sister **Gloria Salerno Adams '42** has moved from Connecticut to Maspee on Cape Cod so they see her whenever they get to their summer place on the Cape. Ginny would like to hear from any Western Marylanders living in the Cape area. Their Cape address is: The Neal Olsens, 240 Whiteberry Drive, Marston Mills, MA 02648.

Our sympathy to **Lucille Gischel Norman** on the death of her husband, **Barb Norman '47**.

I'm still working as a full-time volunteer with the Baltimore City Public Schools coordinating special activities. Helen and I celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary in March. In November of '95 the Baltimore City Teachers Association dedicated one of the rooms in their headquarters building as the Thomas G. Bush Room in honor of my years of service to the united teaching profession on the local, state and national levels. Now I'll always have a place to hang my hat.

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George Hipkins has installed a 1926 five-rank Midmer Loth pipe organ in his home in Potomac, Md., and invites organist friends to pay a visit.

The highlight of this past year for **Armand Gold** and his wife, Helen, was a month-long trip to Israel, much of it spent in Jerusalem. The trip was especially memorable because it included children Susan and Mitchell '78, their spouses and four grandchildren. "Arm" also mentions power-boating on the Chesapeake and suggests that anyone cruising the Bay some Saturday afternoon call up PURE GOLD on VHF radio and he'll respond. Since retiring from the faculty at Howard University College of Medicine in 1989 after 21 years, he has held a half-time teaching appointment and still enjoys teaching physiology. The rest of Arm's time is filled with tennis and building and flying radio-controlled model airplanes.

Harry Christopher writes that he is alive and well in Clemmons, N.C., and thankful for health to play golf and tennis. Last year he visited his parents' birthplace in Norway, and this year anticipated a 14-day North Cape cruise in the Norwegian Fjords. Chris also enjoys watching his seven grandchildren play ice hockey, baseball and soccer. He's looking forward to the 50th reunions of '49 and '48 with **Doug Beakes '48** who has lived in Europe since 1948 and hasn't forgotten when "I kicked him in soccer practice and broke his ankle."

Dr. William Seibert was inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in November 1995. At WMC, Bill was the "Green Terror's" starting halfback and set a school record of 40.6 yards per kick as the team's punter in 1948. That mark remains the oldest standing football record at WMC. "Quote from *Hannover* Sun October 27, 1995.

Dr. Jacob H. Cohen writes from West Palm Beach, Fla., of his five sons, all physicians, seven grandsons and one granddaughter.

Jan Sause Heemann writes of "following the retiree pattern—volunteer work, traveling to far-off places, golf with a rising number of pleasures of six grandchildren and loving it."

Robert Gemmill is doing consulting work and occasionally sees **Charles "Chuck" Ecker '51**, who is the Howard County, Md., executive and **Richard Hillis Brown**. Bob hopes to attend the Baltimore alumni luncheons in Towson.

L. Edward "Lefty" Elliott and Shirley visited daughter Karen and husband, Sam, in Sebring, Fla., where Karen is an associate professor at South Florida Community College. Shirley has retired from Baltimore County Board of Education and now helps in the family greenhouse business in Baltimore County. Lefty says, "I am currently in my third year coaching girls' track at Dulany High School and my 98th high school/college team and enjoy it every day. Our season ends with the state meet at WMC the last weekend in May, where I am able to visit briefly with Verville (neighbors) and other friends and enjoy the campus."

Word from **Howard Hall** is that he's presently serving as president of the Maryland Retired Teachers Association. As president-elect of this group, he planned their four-day convention in Ocean City, Md., in September 1995. He and Janelle have moved to Heritage Harbour Retirement Community in Annapolis and "left all the grass-cutting and leaf-raking."

T. Milton Herbert has been retired for six years and enjoys good health. He travels to visit his son in Albuquerque and laughter in Minneapolis and anticipated a June '96 trip to Alaska. He keeps busy with golf and church duties as treasurer.

Jackie Blisk Fuss writes from Hardy, Va., that after six years of retirement from the United Methodist ministry, life holds a great deal of pleasure for her and for Harold. They continue to be very active in local church programs. They take several trips during the year and garden and freeze vegetables and fruits. Jackie does a great deal of volunteer sewing, knitting and crocheting—lap robes for nursing home residents and ski hats, baby blankets and sacques for social services.

Obert Herr Jr. is enjoying retirement, actively helping at Carroll County Historical Society and Westminster United Methodist Church. As often as possible, Obert spends quality time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, including his sons, Obert, Jr., Lake Tahoe and Lake Worth, Fla.

Doris Vansant and Jack Blades had a wonderful week showing their only grandson Ethan the reasons they enjoy living in San Diego. Jack continues to play golf, and Doris continues to be a "beach bum." They have had several great trips to Thailand, India and Mexico. **Norma Keigler Raffel** and her husband, Fred, in Norving, and Doris and Jack see **Dad and Mary Frances Keiser Bradley '48** on occasion. Doris and Jack would like to hear from any other WMC people in the area.

Orville C. Bowersox writes that he continues to work half time at the Cancer Institute. His more flexible hours allow more time for hobbies and gardening. **He and Eleanor Nettleship '51** keep busy with church activities. Orville was recently awarded honorable mention in the Junior Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Senior Citizen Competition in Frederick, Md.

George Hankins retired from Maryland National Bank in 1986 and has performed independent work over the past nine years managing receiverships and liquidations of various businesses.

George mentions significant travel over the years and has chaired several charitable organizations. He has a memorable term on the national board of the American Red Cross. He plays lots of golf at Hunt Valley Golf Club where he is **Joe Thompson '48**, **Ray Via** and **Bill "Andy" Anderson '48**. George has a daughter and two grandchildren in Grand Rapids and a son in Concord, Mass. He says, "add two sons through marriage to Linda in 1987 and now five more grandchildren live in the Baltimore area. Keeps me young!"

Betsy Taylor Griffith writes that she's retired, has two grandchildren and has opened a seafood store on Rt. 404 one mile west of Denton, Md.—Griff's Seafood. She would be happy for

anyone going to or coming from the beach to stop in. "The best steamed crabs I've ever had are around."

Robert Kimble has retired from the Defense Department and moved to Leesburg, Fla., to be near his two grandchildren. Bob sold his 18th-century house in New Jersey last summer and is building a new one. Says he doesn't want to be a full-time servant to a house anymore but wants all the creature comforts.

Dr. Peter Callas writes that since retirement from serving in the Maryland House of Delegates and from teaching for the George Washington University, he has continued to be actively involved in programs supporting senior citizens—4H and FFA agriculture projects in Washington County and Veterans' affairs with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, AmVets and the Joint Veterans Council. He relates that he and former Delegate Richard Dixon were cosponsors of funding legislation for WMC expansion. Rich is currently the treasurer of our State. Pete also relates that after many years of correspondence with politicians and the US Postal Service officials, a commemorative stamp honoring the Major American music hero and patriot Major Glenn Miller and his orchestra will be released later this year. Besides working at staying healthy, Pete and his wife, Margaret, traveled extensively last year via train through Europe. Later this year they planned to revisit Iceland and Scandinavia, where Pete attended the University of Stockholm in 1949-50. The University is holding a 50th Anniversary Reunion of the University International Graduate Program.

From Warrenton, Ore., **Tom Fletcher** reports that he and **Reina Fuss** '48 cruise-toured southeast Alaska in the spring of 1995, enjoying fine weather, hospitality, good food and spectacular scenery. At Thanksgiving time they visited parts of the Southeast including Charleston, S.C., the Lost Colony at Roanoke Island, Jamestown, Yorktown and Williamsburg, Va. They spent Christmas at Palo Alto and Menlo Park, Calif.

Betsy Buderer Bivin wrote from Sarasota, Fla., in February that **Joyce Gorsuch** has just left Florida after her yearly visit for opera-going and "warming up." Their mini reunion this year included **Shirley Brooks Powell**, **Lenzie Hoffman Lock** and **Elyse Cioffone** '80. Betsy has had a good year of Audubon trips, travel in Spain and Portugal and her yearly visit to Panama in December and January.

Jack G. Ammon retired in 1985 to the little college town of Deland, Fla. Two sons are close by and one son lives in Philadelphia. Jack says he was one of the last ones to have a room in old Ward Hall and one of the first WWII GIs to move into Verville. Senior year in college he began his career in the military, serving two churches in the Baltimore conference. Jack has great memories of WMC. He goes back to Pennsylvania to spend June, July and August at their cottage at an old Methodist campground.

William Ehlers writes from Forest Hill, Md., that he has spent the last four years tracking down the members of his WWII unit—the 217th General Hospital (1943-1946). Of about 500, Bill has

found 212 living and 180 deceased. He organized their first reunion in 50 years in Springfield, Mo., 60 miles west of Fort Leonard Wood where the unit was organized originally. During the war, Bill went in on Utah Beach and settled in Paris for a year and took care of 15,000 casualties.

Allen "Jake" Jacobson is retired from teaching in New Jersey but checks on illegal students who do not belong in the local school system. So far the number is 28 and counting. Jake coached football in 1994 as an assistant at Millburn High School, and he had TV commenting for Cablevision in 1995. Jake also has been an assistant lacrosse coach at Millburn High, responsible for everything except offense. He says they were undefeated conference champs in 1995 and have won more games in two years than they have won in 10 seasons. Jake says wife, Carol, sons, daughters-in-law and three grandchildren bring much joy to the family.

Word from **Jim Formwalt** is that he and Shirley celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary on January 31, 1996, with dinner at the Candle Light Inn in Canonsville, Md. They were married in 1948 during fall spring semester break, took a quick honeymoon in Washington, D.C., and then went back to school.

Helen Miles Dubel writes that **Bob '48** is teaching part time at the University of Maryland on the doctoral level and likes his "non-stress" position. When she can, Helen enjoys art classes, tap dancing and drama groups at church, elderly relatives and five grandchildren fill in the gaps. She has enjoyed traveling to Guatemala, Belize, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, China, Thailand, Bali, Singapore and Hong Kong, and in the future hope to see Tibet, Nepal and Antarctica. She feels lucky that they have good health and are able to hike and climb and enjoy these strenuous trips. Helen and Bob continue to share New Year's Eve and the beach with college pals **Louise Reese** and **Bob Kunkle**, **Cliff and Carol Krebs** DePond, **Bill '48** and **Louise Sapp Hawkins**, **Jeff '50** and **Nita Barkman Smith** and can attend reunion luncheons at Dan '50 and "Tata" Twigg Welliver's.

George Coulter and wife Helen have been retired eight years but keep busy with "honey-do" jobs, volunteer work at a local nursing home, VA Hospital, Meals on Wheels and church. They still enjoy golf and bowling, "not much improvement though," George says. During the fall of 1995, they toured Kentucky and Tennessee; horse country and farms are very beautiful. Big event in February '96: arrival of "I'll great-great niece, George says, "I'll leave you with that, though, at great cost."

Jim Cotter is enjoying his job as counselor/advisor to 42 freshmen at Mary Washington College. He and Ed had planned to travel to the Bahamas and Epcot at Disney World in April. Jim's still planning to write his book *Pick the Right Words* if he ever retires totally. He hoped to see a bunch of classmates at WMC this summer.

Word from **Joan Silcox Baldwin** is that she's glad to be retired on the East coast near Chesham, Md., in the "land of pleasant living." She keeps busy with club and volunteer work and traveling to visit four married children and 10 grandchildren. Joan occasionally sees **Emily Coles Hines** and **Anne Shuppert Schwarzkopf**.

Helen Lavin Bell writes from Riverside, Calif., on a note card with a reproduction of her own original oil painting, that her artwork is listed by the National Association of Women Artists (NAWA), which was formed in 1989. Also, it has been included into the Art Communication International (ACI), a CD-Rom venue, and she is listed in *Who's Who in the West*. Helen sees **Bonnie Gutub Finck** since they discovered at a recent reunion that they live near each other. Helen had planned a trip to China in May and a trip to Tahiti and Club Med in August.

Joan Baker Hildebrand reports that the skiing in northern Vermont was great this winter. In March '95 they decided to live in Vermont full time so sold their places in Florida and the condo in Vermont and moved to a house in northern Vermont with views of Sugarbush and Mad River Ski areas. Joan loves being near children and grandchildren, all close enough to "stop in." Her new address is: RRI, Box 250, Waitsfield, VT 05673.

In September 1995, **Bill and Doris Ritter Ensminger** and Fletcher and I vacated in a cottage on Lake Champlain in Plattsburg, N.Y. We visited old town Montreal, Burlington, Vt., Lake Placid and Au Sable Chautau, N.Y.—resting between trips with good meals, card games and walks, all the while enjoying the beautiful fall weather and sitting by the fire in the evenings.

Also in October 1995, I met **Della Gray Webb** at the 50th reunion of our Eastern High School Class in Baltimore at Cross Keys.

Jack and Virginia Hale '52 Spicknall completed a three-week tour of Australia and New Zealand in mid-February.

Members of the class of 1949 express sincere sympathy to the families of **Eugene Feldman** who passed away December 23, 1994, and **Robert Keys**, who died September 6, 1995. Also sympathy to **Mary Sands Cook** upon the death of her husband, **William '48**, and to **Phyllis Weaver Dahl** whose husband, Don, passed away on October 7, 1995. Phyllis had then planned to move to Maryland in the spring of 1996 to be near her daughters.

Thanks to everyone who sent news. **Marcel Clayton Ward** 203 Star Pointe Ct. 3C Abingdon, MD 21009

54 Donald Haut is still practicing internal medicine in Alexandria, Va., and does not plan to retire anytime soon. Recently Don and his wife, Marlis, enjoyed a wonderful trip to Madrid. Don says his efforts in speaking Castilian Spanish were rewarded with a combination of curiosity and amusement.

Retiree Nancy Caskey Voss keeps busy with political, church, college and retired teachers' organizations in Denton, Md. Family is also a priority, espe-

cially her granddaughters. Nancy is hoping to travel more when **Jim '53** retires. Summers are still spent in Berthany Beach, Del., and Nancy welcomes all who are in the area.

Ava Ann Spears Vecchioni is extremely happy about husband Pete's successful recovery from triple bypass surgery. Ann and Pete are living in Kill Devil Hills, N.C.

Lucky David Hottenstein missed the blizzard of '96 since he was on a cruise through the Panama Canal.

Joan Kellogg Patterson says she had a great snow storm in Farmington, Maine. This enabled her to ski and snowmobile in style. The Patterson family reunion in July consisted of 42 people. August finds her hiking in the backcountry of Alaska. She still enjoys taking part in local theater. Joan and her husband hope to travel when their veterinary business is sold.

David Gwynn is enlarging his retirement home in Calvert County, Md. His grandchildren are the love of his life.

Dick Linton continues to enjoy retirement in the Sarasota, Fla., area. He and wife, **Doris Tuckwood '55**, enjoy bridge, tennis and attending the theater. They are planning a trip to Turkey in September. Son, Richard, recently received his Ph.D. in microbiology and is an assistant professor at Purdue University.

Ed Kelly is manager of three swim clubs in New Orleans. He is also an official officer in the Louisiana Swimming Association. His wife, **Mary Lou Arnice '55**, is a paralegal. They have three grandchildren.

Weldon Reed and **Louise** are retired and living in Pondicherry, Wis. They enjoy big band dancing and are active in Kiwanis club. Both are participating in a five-year successful aging project at the Milwaukee Medical College. Weldon seems to have fully recovered from prostate cancer.

Nina Dawson Dennison and Walt moved to the quaint historic town of Berlin, Md. They are located six miles from Ocean City. Business is doing well and they are enjoying the laid-back lifestyle and the beach.

Paradise for **Don Radcliffe** and his wife, Diane, is in Tarpon Springs, Fla. Two condominiums can accommodate family and friends. Don's son Richard was married in March '95 to a WMC graduate.

Pat "Pasty" Herman Douglas enjoys her three granddaughters and teaching 4-year-olds. She speaks with great pride of her 95-year-old mother who still drives and gets around very well. Pasty's new hobby is genealogy.

Michael Pezzella is president of a Marine Corps Korean Veterans group and also publishes its newsletter from his Fallston, Md., home. He and Pat have attended reunions of the Chosin Few, another Korean War Veterans group. Spring of '95 found them in London attending a reunion hosted by the British Royal Marines 41st Commando. In August they will be the guests of the Aegis Missile Cruiser, Chosin, named after the battle. Mike and Pat also toured Italy and Sicily in May. This trip was nostalgic since Mike's parents were both born in Sicily.

Dick Titlow loves the benefits of retirement. He has been doing some teaching, traveling, volunteering and long-neglected house-to-house projects around the home in Bethesda, Md. Dick's wife, Tove, continues to promote flight safety at the Department of Transportation. Son Christian does genetic research in Boston but will soon assume a research position at the National Institutes of Health. Daughter Karen is a physical therapist in D.C.

I had a very nice telephone conversation with **Joanna Gabriele Matterna**. She and husband Al have been living in their Ocean City, N.J., home since selling their house in Haddonfield, N.J. They enjoy their four children and seven grandchildren. Daughter, **Lisa Matterna Crawford** is a 79 graduate of WMC.

Bill Harvey spent two weeks in Japan visiting his daughter Peggy and son-in-law Scott. They teach English in Nagoya. Bill says that Hiroshima and the Atomic Bomb Memorial were awe-inspiring. The many temples and shrines were colorful and helped him see a new view of how people relate to the transcendent.

Ethel Coffman Trevelyan and four Texas family offspring traveled to Ohio for her dad's 92nd birthday. A good time was had by the Coffman clan. Brother Ben even had snow in the freezer. Ethel and her sister **Lois Coffman Lundberg** '56 visited the big park where they ran and played as children. They were amazed at how much smaller it looks now after 60 years, even though the boundaries are the same. Ethel comments that Al will always be sorely missed.

Adeline Allen Parker traveled to Turkey on a tour that she arranged for her church group. Retirement is something she is just thinking about at the present.

In a newsy Christmas letter, **Shirley Jeffers Strong** tells us that she loves working as an admissions recruiter for Goodwill Industries in Orange, Calif. Goodwill purchased an electric car for Shirley so that she can easily maneuver in the large facility in which she works. I can almost see the smile on her face as she talks about her granddaughter, Alana, who is now 2 years old.

Jane Hutchison was elected secretary-treasurer of The International Society, Historians of Netherlands Art in February 1995.

Shirley Woodruff Hicks 's youngest daughter, Lois Elizabeth, who plays in the saxophone section for the West Point band, U.S. Army, won the Artists International Competition in March 1995. She had a recital debut at Carnegie Hall on January 28, 1996.

The good news from the Burch family is that **Ernie** '50 and I survived the "95 summer from hell" and are now enjoying the addition and renovation of our home. No hammering, dumpsters or strange men roaming about. And, the peace and quiet of the summer of '96 is like music to our ears. We have enjoyed watching our three grandchildren learn to swim in the pool and we're now in the process of reconstructing the garden.

Always, I enjoy hearing from those who responded to my quest for news. Stay happy and well 'til next time.

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64 I'm always brought back to my college days when I read the postcards from classmates and prepare to write my column. I'm brought back to reality, however, when I read about our lives. We're moving on to new stages of our lives; many of our children are older than we were then.

Diane Simpson Krell is still enjoying life in Mt. Airy, Md., where she works as a lab technician with SAIC-Frederick. She is active in various church activities, sings in the choir and is Sunday school treasurer. Diane is a student again, working toward a certificate in accounting to stay busy in retirement. Her daughter Chris is a manager with McDonald's.

News from the West came from **Rita Ann Jones**, who is living in Colorado Springs, Colo., where she works at the U.S. Air Force Academy. She's been there since 1969, when she graduated from the University of Denver with a master's in library science. Rita spent a couple of years away when she was working in Takli, Thailand, for the Air Force in 1972-74. She worked in cataloging at the USAFA library and is now chief of the branch. For fun, she has taken up völsmarking (walking 10km) and has done this in 14 states. Rita is a member of Zonta International and is planning on attending the international conference in St. Louis this year. Her email address is "jonesrda@usa.af.mil." Rita would love to see anyone who visits Colorado Springs.

A short note from **Earl Armiger**: "I'm Pop-pop and Mary is Nana. We love it." Earl lives in Elliott City.

Lois Chilcoat Meszoros is a grandmother now and really loves it. Her grandson, Kevin John Wolf, is two years old. When his father returned to school, his family moved in with Lois, and he has been living there since he was born. Lois hopes to retire from her job at the State Health Department in about one year and continue with her private practice in psychotherapy. She's also an adjunct professor at the University of Baltimore. Lois is a busy woman—she also traveled to Budapest, Vienna, Salzburg and Prague last year.

Carol Wilkinson Coffeen writes that she and Tom continue to enjoy retirement and travel a lot. This year's trips include Phoenix and Las Vegas in February, an Alaskan cruise in June, a month in Australia and New Zealand in October, as well as their annual trip to Montana for Tom's hunting. Sounds like a great life.

Howard Moon writes that she 1996 will be an exciting year for the Moon family. Daughter Lauren graduates from James Madison University and hopes to attend law school. Son Brian graduates from Atholton High School and will be involved in a work-study program. Daughter Andrea will be starting her second year at Centennial High School. His wife, Jane, continues her work as a guidance counselor at Mt. Hebron High School. Howard continues to work for the Baltimore County Board of Education and the U.S. Army. He notes that working two full-time jobs probably qualifies him as a workaholic, but it keeps him in shape and on the go.

Sue Ann Allport Tabler continues to work as executive director of the Maryland Association of Secondary School Principals on a part-time basis and enjoys retirement the other part time. The job requires traveling to San Francisco, Orlando and even Ocean City! Daughter Deborah is a first grade teacher in Howard County; son-in-law Paul has just written his first opera.

From Baldwin, Md., **Joe Wenderoth** writes that he and wife, Cassie, are busy working while many of our peers are retiring. He enjoys hearing from others on the "net" at "wenderoth@compuserve.com". He also enjoys participating in education outreach programs and received a corporate award for participation. He and Cassie are busy with home remodeling, landscaping and travel (when they're not working). Son Joe Jr. had his first book of poetry published (New England/Wesleyan Press, *Disfigure*). Help a starving artist, he says. The book is \$12 paperback or \$23 hardback. Son Jered is doing very well as a program manager analyst. Daughter Karyn, married last June after graduating from Duke (read big bucks), is working in the Research Triangle (Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill).

Helen Holmes Terry, who has been in sunny Naples, Fla., for many years (a place where many Michiganders retire), writes that she thinks news is the same, but is not sure. She's working as a guidance counselor and really enjoys it! Daughter Kathy is a teacher in Naples (following in the family tradition) and recently married. Son Roy IV graduated from Duke Seminary in May and is starting a new church in Naples. Helen can't believe that everyone will be back home again!

Ray Gochenour Rudolph is still enjoying retirement and golf in Conway, S.C. She writes that 1995 was a tumultuous year; they sold their house and moved into her mother's house (she had passed away in May). Now they are right on a golf course and love it! She took several trips, including one to Ireland with sister Nancy '66.

Kathy Freese Kesterson writes from Raleigh, N.C., that she and her husband have been in the same house for 22 years. Their daughter Erin graduated from Duke University in 1994. Son Matt is a junior at Appalachian State University. Kathy is working as a program analyst at Meredith College, a small women's college just two miles from her home. They stay active with gardening and church activities and surfing the Internet. You can E-mail her at "ktesterson@meredith.edu."

JoAnn Carscaden Nicoll writes, with Phil Alphi Love, from Ocean City. She says things are status quo for her and **Fred** '62 (at this period in our lives, that's what we're aiming for). She is still managing their motels and loving every minute of it. Daughter Tracey is married and living in Lutherville. She and her husband both practice law in Baltimore. Son Jamie is an attorney clerking with a judge in Towson for a year. She has no grandchildren yet but has a grandson named Mulligan. JoAnn is keeping in shape with step aerobics, gardening, learning computer skills and traveling, but feeling she's got a lot left to learn. She and Fred see quite a bit of **Peggy Hoey** '63 and **Bob Warfield** '62, who are neighbors and fellow

realtors. She sees a lot of WMC grads in Ocean City. It is such a truth that JoAnn writes "it isn't so bad being 50; although, I keep thinking that my mother is staring back at me in the mirror."

Trudy Jo Hahn Snader enjoyed being back on the Hill for Homecoming '95. She saw Hahn House roomies **Susan**, **Carol** and **Connie** after so many years. Her life remains busy with gardening, real estate and grown children. She wants to know who said farm life is tranquil!

Life continues to be very kind to **Ron Roth**. The company that he started 15 years ago continues to thrive; his son Ryan joined him a year ago after he graduated from the University of Maryland. Most of Ron's free time is spent traveling. He sailed from Barbados to Portugal in April. This was his fifth crossing, and he feels it's a wonderful life to spend two weeks: no phones, no noise, great weather, etc. He owns 40 acres in Monkton and hopes to build and move in a year or two. Ron continues to do service trips with the Sierra Club and is working with Camp Puhi/Tok in Monkton.

George "Bud" Knefel writes that despite the best efforts of hurricanes Erin and Opal, the Knefels remain rooted in Pensacola, Fla. Bud is still busy with his internal medicine and geriatrics practice, tennis, yard and Red-skins. He and Mac have been every glad this year at the "skins Fan Club game day gathering at a local sports bar. Mac stays busy at University of West Florida as sports editor for the campus newspaper. Alison will graduate from IB in May. She's still playing competitive tennis, ranked 17th, Girls 18, State of Florida. Cappy is an adjunct professor at Pensacola Junior College.

I continue to live and work in Lansing, Mich. I am still Executive Director of Child Abuse Prevention Services, a small nonprofit agency which continues to grow. Changes in my life last year include a new daughter-in-law, Kelly. Son Andrew married her last September in Rehoboth Beach. The trip to the Eastern Shore and the wedding were great fun. Daughter Amy graduated from Kalamazoo College in June. She is the only Phi Beta Kappa in the family. Son Ted lives in Chicago and continues to work on his novel while he is writing for the *Chicago Tribune*. Another starving artist! I'm enjoying "retirement" from the school board and other committees that used to consume my time. Now I enjoy being on my new deck in nice weather, riding my bike, playing with my computer and having leisure time after work. You can Email me at "gaik23255@aol.com". The next time I write a column, I'll accept Email. Life's still good in my little fits.

We who knew each other as college students now have children who have graduated from college. We've educated another generation. Where we used to write about our marriages and children, we now write about their marriages and children.

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The first ever received for this column came from **John Hake**. He's working for Tri-S.

a defense contractor, in Haver de Grace. His wife, Bonnie, is a clinical field supervisor for Staff Bureau in Home Healthcare in Bel Air. Daughter

Kimberly '96 graduated last May with a commission in the Army's Signal Corps and assignment orders for Germany. Son Stephen graduated from high school last spring and plans to attend Essex Community College this fall, while daughter Kelly will be a junior in high school. John added that he's had frequent visits from **Gordon Shelton '68**, **Jim Resau '68**, **Steve Pond '68**, **Ralph Wilson '68**, **Rick Boswell '68**, **Mike Ward '68**, **Bill Gibson '68** and **Larry Blumberg '67** plus a guest appearance from **Hanns Vandrey '68**.

John Bartlett's daughter graduated salutatorian from Toms River South the same high school he attended. She will join brother Jay at Georgetown University where he is a junior in the government honors program. Wife Peg is an assistant superintendent of schools in Toms River, N.J. With 17 years of experience, John is the senior member of the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders. This is a county-side elected office akin to a county council.

Carol Berger Bricker earned an M.S. last year. This winter the family went skiing in Vermont and Colorado. This fall, daughter Sharon, a national merit scholar, will attend the University of Richmond.

Nancy Shirk Campbell writes that husband Bob was appointed director of public works for Cecil County. Son Robert Paul entering fifth grade is interested in horses, computers and dramatics.

Les Caplan's army reserve unit was called up again, this time for Bosnia. Lt. Col. Caplan expects to be gone until Thanksgiving. Son Randy has accepted a four-year Navy ROTC scholarship to Georgia Tech, where he'll major in electrical engineering. Wife Linda graduated from nursing school last May and looks forward to a mid-life career change.

Carol Armatost Carter's husband Bob "escaped his 50th birthday" in France. She's planning for them to "run away" again for hers.

Peters Comings will have two family members in education. His son **John '96** plans to teach high school social studies or history. Peter is on the faculty at Carroll County Community College.

Carol Deluca Council and husband Tommy have accomplished a major goal—to live at the beach. Their second generation building a home didn't go any easier, but now they're in Morehead City, N.C. She describes it as "a boating, golfing, deep-sea fishing playground."

Bill Dudley had been a dentist for 20 years. As a Lt. Col. in Air Force Reserves, he works for the admission department of U.S. Air Force Academy. His wife, Lois, is a high school English teacher. As a freshman at Middlebury College, Vt., son Scott played varsity football and baseball while pursuing a pre-med major. Bill said he enjoyed bumping into **Pete and Betsy Horton Kinner** at Middlebury. Their daughter

Amy is a classmate of Scott's. Daughter Robyn, who plays soccer and softball in high school, is thinking of attending Bucknell University. He adds son Keith, 14, is an "eight-grade rebel rover!"

Don Elliott is chair of the economics department at Southern Illinois University, a school of 11,000 students outside St. Louis. Wife Mary is a speech pathologist. Son Scott graduated from Northwestern University last year. He is working with prosthetics/orthotics in Colorado Springs. Daughter Sarah will be a sophomore at William and Mary College next fall. Son Zach starts his junior year in high school in the fall.

Carol Jesatko Fertitta also vacated in Vermont. Due to an article in *Entrepreneur* magazine, her newsletter and support group for home-based businesses has expanded nationally. She's also joined an outsource marketing group in telecommunications.

"Born to be wild!" **Pat Flecharty** completed a 1,620-mile motorcycle camping ride through Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Western Maryland on his '85 Virago 700. This summer he's headed for Ontario, Canada. His more sedate moments find him teaching seventh-/eighth-grade Sunday school and working with the Adolescent Foster Care/Independent Living Unit as a social worker. Besides being a librarian, wife Lisa works at the UU Church choir. Both are learning Tai Chi 'uan. Sons Sean and Dave are on their own in Norfolk, Va., and Ohio, Pa.

Jim Gadowen sent a fact-filled letter from Nixa, Mo., which he calls the frontier. For someone who never dated anyone for more than a month, he wants everyone to know that he just celebrated his 20th wedding anniversary last spring with a Caribbean cruise.

They were also celebrating wife Margaret's promotion at Humana. As a manager of Network Development at a southwest Missouri, she negotiates with local hospitals and doctors for their services in PPOs and HMOs. Margaret is originally from the Baltimore area. Their adopted daughter Charlene made them grandparents when April Elizabeth was born last spring. Daughter Mandy finished her freshman year at the University of Kansas. He adds, "She's a much better student than her old man." This summer she participated in a seven-week Spanish studies program in Guadalajara, Mexico. Son Mike will be attending S.W. Missouri State. He was on the golf team in high school.

Amy Lewis and **Jim King** travel to a lot of their respective jobs so they "spend" Sunday nights comparing calendars. In Boston, son Andy is a member of a rock band, The Doosies. Russell, 13, will occasionally go hiking with his parents. Jim had a hugely successful duck season and hopes fishing with

John Van Hart '68 will be just as great. **Betsy Horton** and **Peter Kinner** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a trip to Bermuda. Daughter Amy is attending Middlebury, while son David is planning to go to the University of Colorado for his master's in geology. David attended Amherst with his parents. David is vice president in an environmental consulting firm and Betsy is an elementary school librarian.

Katherine James Klemstine retired in June 1995 after teaching 26 years.

She and a partner have opened a holistic health center in Annapolis, Md. She's studying to become a minister and is volunteering as a spiritual caregiver for a local hospice.

Susan Hanna Martin says that husband Rob retired as a captain in the Navy and has become a guidance counselor at First Colonial High in Virginia Beach. Daughter Jane made dean's list at Wake Forest. Daughter Meg graduated high school and is looking for a college "with ice" since she figure skates competitively. Her niece, **Amy Hanna '99**, now attending WMC, is the fourth generation from her family to do so.

It was an extremely busy year for me at Northern High in Baltimore. I am involved in the school improvement team, which has had to help create an educational plan to implement state goals. Easter vacation found Bill and I wandering about the streets of Mexico City. We stayed at a little Mexican-owned hotel called Hotel Cortino, a block or so away from the big American establishments, for \$27 a night! I need to add that climbing a pyramid was my idea and Bill will not let me forget it.

After school finished, my sister and her children who live in Montreal vacationed in Ocean City, Md., with me. It was another picture-perfect week. In August, Bill did his annual cave trip to the Florida Keys. After finishing Catonsville Community College on the dean's list, son Rob will attend University of Maryland where he hopes to major in land and water management. Mike graduated high school at the same time and is going to Towson State in the fall.

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With the Blizzard of '96 behind us, I hope you are all enjoying a warm and healthy summer! I know I am happy that warmer weather is here ... it was a tough winter! Thank you for all of your wonderful responses. I love hearing from each of you and truly appreciate your kind words of encouragement.

I received a Christmas newsletter from **Wayne and Nancy Fishpauk Cassell**. Nancy works in the Federal Center of American Management Systems in Denver, while Wayne continues working for Technology Training Systems. The Cassells took a number of vacations in 1995: a week in Santa Fe and Taos, New Mexico; three weeks in Glenwood Springs; and a week in San Diego and Oceanside, Calif. They are planning a four-week vacation in Australia and New Zealand for this year!

Mary 'Chipp' Rouse is planning to take 45 Villa Ridge College students and staff to England in June for what appears to be a wonderful educational opportunity. She has finished her Ph.D. course work and was facing comps and dissertation when she wrote in January. Her son Bryan is overdoing on basketball, playing on three teams, including St. Paul's. Chris is trying to keep up!

Bob Sellers' law practice in Towson recently expanded by adding a full-time associate allowing them to practice in the southern part of Pennsylvania as well as all of Maryland. Bob continues to be involved with community matters.

Last year, he was the chairman of a committee to elect one of our state delegates. Currently, he is serving on a committee formed by the Baltimore County Council to examine the problem of overcrowded schools. Bob's interest in land preservation and conservation keeps him an active member of the Valleys Planning Council, which watches over the Worthington and Greenspring valleys. Bob and his wife are celebrating their 18th anniversary in May. They have two girls, ages 8 and 10.

Jenny and Dwayne Oland and their two boys—Brandon, 14, and Jan, 11—continue to live in Frederick, Md. Dwayne still works at Fort Detrick. He had four jobs there in 1995, but settled into his current one in November. He is the strategic consultant to the Department of Defense Health Affairs and the Surgeon General's of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The Olands enjoyed two vacations in 1995. Their first trip was through Charlotte, Atlanta and various spots in Florida. Their second was a brief trip to Watkins Glen, N.Y., to see a NASCAR race (the boys have become great NASCAR stock car racing fans).

Karen Georg Quillin is teaching music part time at Runnymede Elementary School (a new school) as well as at Mother Seton School. Bert's landscaping business is doing fine. Bert and Karen's oldest son, Bert, is a freshman at West Virginia University studying landscape architecture. Andy is a senior at Francis Scott Key High School and hopes to attend Virginia Tech, majoring in computer engineering next fall. Kelly is a successful high school freshman.

Kathy and Steve Muench gave up the corporate world and bought a small "Mom and Pop" business in Steamboat Springs, Colo., called Ski Town, USA. Steve says, "Life is good!"

Diane Munkel Schultz has moved to Illinois to marry an old friend from her early teaching days. She practiced law there for one year then returned to her old love, teaching. After teaching German and English for one year, she was promoted to Department Chair (Foreign Language). She loves teaching German again and is in the process of learning to integrate computers with interactive learning programs into classroom instruction. She is also starting to explore Internet and E-mail programs (Translational Classroom) with her classes. She won a summer study award in Germany '96. She says marriage is still blissful!

Keith Proffen is happily married with four children. Keith and his wife are home-schooling all four kids. The oldest is picking out colleges now. Keith is the president of His Way Improvements, Inc., a company that remodels and builds houses.

Leon and Judy Gardner Salzman and their three children—Jessica, Rebecca and Matthew—recently moved to Williamsburg, Va. This second move in two years was prompted by Leon's major change of career. The Salzmanns are now the proud owners/operators of a Ben & Jerry's Scoop Shop just north of Busch Gardens. Plans are to open a second shop in Virginia Beach this spring.

Don and Ann Swope Williams relocated to South Carolina for a position that Don landed. That company was sold, so he is looking again. Ann

says that aerospace engineers need to be flexible. Ann started a new career as a staff agent with State Farm, which she says is great! Carla has been accepted at Wingate College in North Carolina. Carla has received many ribbons swimming for the YMCA swim team. Tom, Susan and Harvey stayed in Maryland. Tom has a job as a nuclear engineer in Gaithersburg. Susan is a beautician in Damascus and Harvey is in telemarketing in Baltimore.

Gary McCrorie continues his work in Electrical Construction and is working on getting his PE license. **Louise Mattocks McCrorie** got a Pacesetter award from Belt Stores Services this year for outstanding performance. She is constantly busy being the sole technical support for their client-server environment and case development toolkit. Outside of work, her main tasks this year involve the house and garden—one and a-half acres! Their son, Kyle, 6, started in kindergarten. Despite the Ritalin (he is ADHD), he spends a lot of time in the principal's office! Kristen (4th grade) is experiencing trauma after being moved midway to a new class due to overcrowding. The McCrories live in North Carolina.

Bob Noland is now the Director, Clinical Quality Assurance, for Otsuka America Pharmaceutical in Rockville, Md. **Lucinda Newby** '73 is a daycare licensing specialist for Maryland. Their children are Derek, 14, and Lauren, 11. Bob has resumed playing baseball and has gone to Phoenix with the Washington, D.C. Nationals for the last three years to play in the Men's Senior Baseball League Over-40 World Series. Bob has 26 wins and 6 losses as a pitcher over the past two years, and his team was a finalist in the World Series in 1995.

The Nolands and Rick Spink visit frequently. When Rick wrote to me, he was preparing himself for his 16th season of fast-pitch softball. He claims that he is still able to make diving plays at the third base position! Rick has been an Activity Specialist at Springfield Hospital in Carroll County for the past 20 years. He has been working with newly admitted patients for the last two years. Recently, Rick has had some trouble prospecting for gold, mostly in northern Georgia. He has also had some verses published in poetry anthologies.

Maria Petrucci moved her chiropractic office to Burtonsville from Columbia in December 1995. She incorporates nutrition training into her work. It allows her to help her patients even more and she finds it very interesting and rewarding. Maria plans to work more with children, especially those with learning disabilities. Her daughter, Erin, was two in April, she is developing very well despite having Down's syndrome. Erin gets a lot of attention from Maria, her husband, Jay Seaborg, her stepdaughter, Kristen, 15, a couple of babysitters, a physical therapist and an occupational therapist. Maria says that Erin is a lot of work, a lot of fun and a wonderful addition to their lives!

Kathy Thornhill is enjoying her 22nd year of teaching English and serving as department chairperson at South Hagerstown High. This year she made her directorial debut with Potomac Playmakers, an amateur theater group with whom she has acted in the past.

Recently, she directed *Oklahoma* at her high school. She and sister **Loretta** '77 have organized a group of friends and relatives to tour Ireland in July. **Lian Van Name** had some very exciting news to report... her son, Jordan Andrew Mike, was born on February 23. He weighed 8 lbs, 13 oz. He joins brothers Brian, 15, and Joshua, 5, to make "My Three Sons!"

Frank Wagner has been in Zimbabwe since August 1995 as part of a Fulbright Teacher Exchange. His family joined him in February; his children are attending high school there. Frank says that Zimbabwe is a great country—full of wonderful people who understand and live life in a different way. He also sends his greetings to all our classmates and plans to be back home in Hawaii in July.

Liz Barlow Johnston, hubby Ian and their three kids are still living in Minnesota. Liz provides daycare and is ever grateful for the indulgence of remaining at home. Sarah, 17, graduated from high school this year and will attend Bethel this fall for her freshman year of college. Her Winter Drumline placed first in the state and the Midwest regionals! Jenni, 14, will start senior high this fall. Both of her entries to the state fair received honors, a "first" on an original poetry book with illustrations and "second" on a block quip. James, 10, will be in the fifth grade this fall. He enjoys playing football and basketball more than school!

Bob '73 and **Donna Herbst Watson** opened a wall coverings store in the Richmond area. The store specializes in wallpaper, home fashions and custom windows. It has been very successful, and the Watsons enjoy being in the retail business, even though the hours are long. Bob still works as vice president of finance at Trigen Blue Cross/Blue Shield. When they aren't working, they are watching *Han, 15*, as a cheerleader or *Chloe, 11*, as a gymnast. Donna invites WMC alumni in the Richmond area to stop by the store and say "Hi!"

Ian and Cathy Jenkins MacFawn are still living in LaVale, Md., where Ian is practicing veterinary medicine. Cathy is busy managing the activities of Brendan, 17, Lauren, 6, and Ian Philip, 3. They enjoy the outdoor activities of western Maryland, primarily biking, rafting, skiing (all children included) and windsurfing (Ian's new sport). They also enjoy a monthly Christian Fellowship group with **Chris Meyers** '73 and **Joe Prado** '73.

This past year and a-half, Jason, Taylor and Mea Taylor Zack have been adjusting to life without **Joe** '72, since his sudden death in October 1994. They are, however, very fortunate to have wonderful family, friends and neighbors who have helped them tremendously. Jason turned 10 in June and will be in the fifth grade in the fall, while Taylor is 6 and will be in first grade. Mea continues to work at the Arbitron Company—it will be 15 years this summer.

Drew enjoyed his first year of "big" school in the kindergarten class at Cornwall Valley Elementary, a magnet school in Baltimore County. He is growing like a weed and seems to be quite a happy little person (most of the time). He certainly is my joy! He had

fun playing soft-stick lacrosse this spring with our local rec center. Thankfully, I continue my work at Bell Atlantic, Maryland, in the Distance Learning group. I now am in charge of teacher training as well as being the liaison between the teachers, school administrators and Bell Atlantic's Distance Learning team. I love what I am doing and am very fortunate that I work with a wonderful group of people, both inside and outside of the company, and for a great boss. I hope it continues! I also hope that you all enjoy your summer and the rest of 1996. I appreciate hearing from all of you. Free to drop me a note anytime and I will include it in our next column. Take care!

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79 Time passes quickly between these columns, and I certainly appreciate everyone's help in making it happen. Thanks for all of your news.

Carol James Avery writes that the "fun" part of her busy days are spent with her daughter, Lauren, 4. Carol is in her 10th year of private law practice in Columbia and recently added an Annapolis office. She and her family enjoy attending Oriole games.

Emily and Deborah Wooden '81 Barlowe added a son, Kevin Andrew, to their family on September 8, 1995. Sister Sarah, 5, is very excited. Glen has two dental offices, and Deborah will return to the practice of law on a part-time basis in the fall.

Doug Barnes and **Chris** have four boys: Drew, 7, Ronnie, 6, Rusty, 4, and Kevin, 2. Doug coaches soccer, basketball and baseball. He is a professor at the University of Maryland Dental School and has a private practice at the school. He and **Shawn Shaffer**, **Ron Rhodes**, **Steve Moritz** and **Mike Mariogata** share tickets to see the Orioles!

Patrice John and **Tom** '80 Baugher are living in Fort Wayne, Ind. Their sons, Chris, Bryan and Andrew, keep them busy shuttling to ball practices and school activities. Patrice enjoys teaching school, yet looks forward to the time relating at the Ells poolside in the summer.

Scott Beam writes from Hanover, Pa., where he works for Hanover Direct, a mail-order catalog company, as director of financial systems. He and Cathy have two children, Ashley, 5, and Cory, 3, who keep them very busy. He sometimes sees **Sue Sullivan-Matthews** at church.

Wayne Birly has completed his 14th year directing the largest lacrosse clinic in the Maryland and Virginia areas. He is helped by other WMC players—

Robert "Skip" Seidel '78, **Chuck Nolan** '83, **Chris Lynch** '93 and current goals. He also coaches lacrosse in Bel Air where his daughters, Megan and Erin, play on recreation teams. Wayne and wife, Laura, enjoy visiting with **Ron Bowen** 's family.

Susan Bloomberg Ensley has 17 years of floor service, most of the time spent at NIH as a computer specialist. She and Bob have been married 14 years and have two children, Diana, 12, and Robbie, 6. They just bought their dream

home and moved to Brookville, Md.

Greg Bowen has accepted a position at Cincop Credit Services, Inc. in Hagerstown, Md. He is responsible for process re-engineering, requirements definition and software process improvement for bankcards Systems Development. He is now able to spend more time with his wife, Cheryl, and their three children, Andrea, Rebecca and William.

Blane Clark writes that life in the mountains of southwest Virginia is great. He and Eleanor are busy raising their five children and foster children. Blane is working as operations manager of Scott County Telephone Cooperative and executive vice president of Mountain Net, an Internet service provider. He is also a major in the U.S. Army Reserve and a newly elected county supervisor.

John Cochran and family went skiing in New England this past winter. Four-year-old daughter Britany is also a skier. John and **Jay Gardiner** played in a golf tournament last October at St. Mary's College. Anyone visiting the Virginia Beach area should call for a round of golf.

Laurie Mathias Daugherty is now living in New Castle, Pa., where her husband has started his own sports business. Laurie is a full-time mom to Emily, Hannah and Kellen.

Brenda Eccard Dellinger was transferred from the National Geographic Society office in Gaithersburg to Washington, D.C. Her commute is now 150 miles round trip. She is involved with her son's Cub Scouts, teaches a first-through-third-grade Sunday school class and serves on the education committee. She also belongs to a women's prayer group. Brenda met with **Terry Holland** '77, **Nancy Schwarzkopf Gaffney** '77, **Beth Heckert Tevis** '77 and **Nan Hollinger Gangler** '77 to celebrate their 40th birthdays!

Jennifer Delp Imbrey is working as a teaching assistant in a hearing-impaired classroom. Her family enjoys cross country skiing, swimming, hiking, hiking and scuba diving when the four children are not in school. They have just completed a long-awaited addition to their home.

James "J.D." Douglas has retired as wrestling coach at Walt Whitman High School after 14 years. He is now their athletic director. He spends as much time as possible with his family, Tracy and the girls, Stephanie and Taylor. Mane. They were able to spend some time at Christmas with **Tom and Chris Fox**.

Roger Ensminger is now living in Lancaster, Pa. He will be a volunteer guide at the Atlanta Olympics as a French translator. He is hoping to soon be back at work at Delta Airlines at either WorldSpan or TransCom computer department.

Debi Edelson-Boyd and **Chris** have been happily married for 18 years. Four years ago, they built a farmhouse in Littlestown, Pa., and one of Debi's favorite things to do is host tea parties in her parlor. She'd love to hear about any good tea room classmates have found.

Brenda Donovan Gilman writes from Seattle that she is teaching high school English part time and publishing the literary/art magazine. She and her husband celebrated their 10th anniversary

sary in Hawaii, without the kids!

Austin and Martha Pratt '78 Griedel have two daughters, Rebecca, 8, and Sarah, 4. Austin has completed 12 years at North Hagerstown High. Martha is still doing her editing job at home.

Sue Quinn Hale is working at Fusion Systems in Gaithersburg, Md., as marketing communications manager. Her husband, Bob, is a cabinetmaker in Frederick. They enjoy hiking and boating with their three children, Robby, Marlene and Emma.

Nancy Maitland Hayes lives in Howard County and teaches math at Wheaton High School in Montgomery County. Nancy stays busy outside of school with her son Michael and his activities. Nancy and her husband share Cub Scout duties and coaching his sports teams.

Beth Lengyel Hewitt is beginning dissertation work at Catholic University of America to finish in 1998. Her husband, Paul '77, is an emergency systems analyst for Argonne National Labs. Their son, Russ, 12, is an avid soccer and street hockey player.

Beth Houck and Cheryl Stotler '80 have been busy with their business, Three Marketiers, and play taxi service to their two daughters, Lindsay, 14, and Laurant, 8, for their sports activities. Brent and Cheryl are still avid golfers, having taken trips to Florida, North Carolina and Arizona.

Jeff Jackson designs golf clubs, has written two books, lectures at PGA seminars and teaches a variety of golf schools. His daughter, Jerilyn, 14, is also a golfer.

Chris Holmes and Margaret were selected as "Citizens of the Year" in their hometown of Crofton, Md. Chris is planning to lead a three-week mission trip to Uganda next winter as part of his ministry. He is in his eighth year pastoring at Community United Methodist Church.

Mary Louise Jones Bilodeau and family will be heading back to West Point where Art is stationed. Retirement is looming closely and they would like to settle in Maryland. Their family has vacationed with Julie Vaughan and Kevin Donovan and girls at the beach.

Linda Lamb and Phil Hahn moved to Minnesota in 1995. Linda is retired and is home with 6-year-old Greg and 2-year-old Natalie. She volunteers at the elementary school and does lots of gardening. Last winter the temperature reached 43 degrees. Anyone else from WMC up here!

Robin Orvian Davis is teaching fifth grade in Montgomery County. She and Jonathan and the boys, Kyle and Bryce, enjoy vacations at the beach and visiting relatives in New York City. Their daily schedules are busy as everyone tries to balance work, school, sports, scouts and community activities. They love living in Frederick County.

Leslie Renshaw Kemp has decided to work part time as a doctor's receptionist and follow her dream of teaching quilt classes. She also makes sweaters and wears one day a week at a fabric store. Leslie writes that it is time to let the creative side out! She is also keeping in better contact with her old roommate, Sharon O'Connor Ross.

Kim Smith and husband, Bill, have a son, Cameron, 3, and a new daughter,

Samantha. Kim is the vice president for employee and guest services for three hospitals, and Bill is the director of plant operations. They are both having to endure the merger and acquisition craze amongst Massachusetts hospitals!

The Carroll County hospital has nominated Susan Sager for the Outstanding Teacher Award this year.

Elane Denny Todd has been advanced to associate professor of theatre at Ohio Wesleyan University. Life on the Eastern Shore is not the leisurely pace that you are led to believe (at least not in the Chapman house-hold). With four people engaged in activities, we are always on the move.

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9 Greetings Class of 1989. It seems that everyone that has written to me is doing very well. It is those of you that are not writing me back that I am worried about! Next time one of the postcards from me in your mailbox, take the time to fill it out so we know what you're up to. Thanks to all of you who did return information about yourselves and fellow classmates.

Chris Jankovic Fechan and her husband, **Pat '90**, built a house near Cincinnati, Ohio. They have a son, Justin. Chris is working as a technical writer/applications programmer for a video optics manufacturing company. Pat works there, too. They would love to hear from anyone who is visiting out there or who lives near them. They do keep in touch with the '90 R.O.T.C. group, especially **Guy Goddard '90**, **Colleen Dolan '90** and **Greg Lang '90**.

William "Chip" Barnes is busy running a network building business named Dated. His company puts in special data and fiber optic networks all over the country. They currently have six employees and are growing quickly. In his free time, Chip likes, plays golf or works out. Chip is living in Cockeysville, Md.

Elizabeth Burkitt Hoves married her husband, Tom, in March 1996. **Katherine Ertz Gloyd**, **Mary O'Hara** and **Terry Dripps Grothmann** were all in the wedding. They enjoyed seeing **Rich '90** and **Dave Pierantozzi McGaughey**, **Dave '87** and **Maria Filshie Douglas, Murray "Buddy" '87** and **Molly Hanson '90 Parker** and **Kevin and Anna O'Connor '88** at their reception as well as a lot of other WMC alumni. Elizabeth and Tom enjoyed a fantastic honeymoon in Tortolla. Elizabeth is now a national outside sales manager for Henninger Media Services.

Brian Baugus is staying very busy. His daughter, Samantha, is 16 months old and keeps Brian and his wife, Idillo, on their toes. Brian owns a small newspaper magazine distribution company based in Easton. He also has a political consulting job in the Delaware U.S. Senate race. He hopes to see some alumni and old friends over the summer.

Kimberly Hoben just celebrated her four-year anniversary with Washington Speakers Bureau. She continues to stay in touch with many of her Phi Mu sisters, including **Nancy Shaw Hart '88**, **Kristin Albert Jones** and **Heather**

Willwer Farr.

Bill and Kim Weir Butz have been very busy with new jobs. Kim is a school psychologist for Baltimore City Schools and is finishing an advanced certificate program at Towson State University. Bill is working as a divisional controller for Aerotek, along with **Chris Scannell**, **Bill** and **Kim** have a 14-month-old son, Brennan. They spent a vacation on Kiawah Island with **Eric and Lisa Fairfield** and **John and Becky Fitzsimmons**. They also spend a lot of time with **Mike '88** and **Barb Raynor O'Connor** and their new little girl, Kayla. Kim warns Mike to watch out because Brennan has his eyes on Kayla.

Noelle Gepp has been working as an activity and social service director in a retirement community in Owings Mills. She has just begun pursuing her MSW. She says she's lost touch with many of her WMC friends and would love to hear from them.

Terry Dripps Grothmann married **Bob '93** in January 1996. There were lots of WMC alumni in attendance as well as in the wedding party. Included in the wedding were **Elizabeth Burkitt Hoves**, **Mary O'Hara**, **Katherine Ertz Gloyd**, **Andy Dripps '94**, **Michael Mahoney '90** and **Dave Snyder '90**. She and Bob bought a house in Towson, Md. Terry is still working at Union Memorial Hospital as a social worker.

"Everything is going well," says **Lauren Williams Greenwald** and her husband, **Larry '88**. Lauren is a clinical social worker with Greeneping of Maryland and has been there for about a year. Their son, Stephen, is 3 and really keeps them busy. They are also busy looking for a new house.

Doug Hitchcock and his wife, **Annelisa**, are enjoying parent life. They had a little girl, Abigail, last August. Doug owns his own business, The Ceiling Professionals. They specialize in ceiling and wall cleaning. Doug says "Hi" to all of his Bete brothers.

Stacey Greenberg Hise reports that between motherhood, marriage and work, she's pretty busy. Her son Travis is almost 8. Last August, Stacey and her husband, Eddie, managed to take a cruise to Bermuda. They were able to visit with fellow classmate **Janine Advice**. Janine showed them the sights and shared a great meal with them.

Pat Dail is doing government relations work for a trade association in Carroll County. He has recently bought a "fixer upper" in Canton, Md. Pat says he is slowly, but surely, working on his MBA at the University of Maryland.

Bob and Paula Flutschak

Hutchinson moved into their first home last November. Bob works as a productivity analyst with Transport International Pool. Paula teaches music at Valley Forge Christian College. They are looking forward to visiting with **Chuck '90** and **Laura Balakir '91** Cruise and their new baby.

Jamie Davis is staying incredibly busy with his video production business. He is looking forward to working with ESPN during baseball season this year. Jamie writes that he was proud to be on the crew for one of the only TV interviews Justice Clarence Thomas has ever given. The rest of his free time is spent with his wife, **Amy Heebner Davis**.

They are busy chasing their son, Christopher, almost 3, and Malinda, 1, around the house.

"We love Colorado!" writes **Paul and Kristi Holloway**. They moved out West for a job promotion and are living in Englewood, just south of Denver. Their little girl, Sarah, will be 3 in December. Kristi is a director of LaPetite Academy Day Care in Littleton and is enjoying working with 120 children. Paul says that if anyone is in the Denver area to please look them up!

Bill and Jen Desiak were looking forward to the Olympics in Atlanta this summer. They are planning to host lots of friends and family for the games. Their sons, Jacob, 7 months, and Brady, 2, keep them quite busy! Bill is still working at MCI as a sales manager.

Both Bill and Jen have been playing a lot of tennis for ALTA. They have already had several visits in Atlanta, including **Dave and Jen Moessbauer '87**, **Doug and Annelisa Hitchcock**, **Dave Swegzy '89**, **Jill Little '90** and **Billy Haller**.

If you need a lawyer, call our good old class president, **Jim Cardea**. Jim graduated from law school in May '95. He passed the bar exam and is now working for the law firm of Decaro Doran in Lanham, Md.

Last August **Jim and Frances Fato** went on a celebration cruise to the Caribbean. Frances is still the CFO for the Aspen Hill Club in Silver Spring. Jim and Frances love what they are doing and look forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming and at the many WMC weddings.

Julie Wolfe Huston writes from Maine. Her children, Nicholas, 2, and Christina, 4, keep her busy. When she is not being mom, she works at L.L. Bean. Julie and her husband, **John '91**, are working hard building an addition on their garage. They hope to be done soon.

Jessica Doner received her master's in linguistics and interpreting from Gallaudet University. She is working as a freelance sign language interpreter through North East Career Planning in Albany, N.Y.

Jim McLeod Hurlbut and his husband, **Keith**, have moved to Clinton Township, Mi., outside Detroit, where they recently built a house. Keith is working for General Motors. Jen has recently taken a job in medical sales with a diagnostic company called Dianon Systems. Jen is really enjoying it. In their spare time they hang out with their two shelties, Kelsey and Snorkel, rollerblade, and root for the Detroit Red Wings.

Chad Hoyt finished his residency in internal medicine at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in June. He will be starting a cardiology fellowship at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., for a period of three to four years.

Jon Bugby is teaching fifth grade in Montgomery County and coaches boys varsity basketball as well. He has been playing basketball with **Dave Barnes '87**, **Dave Cadigan**, **Kent Pearce '91** and **Dru Salvo '87**. Their team is sponsored by the Mount Washington Tavern.

Speaking of **David Cadigan**, he is a liability manager in the USF&G Claim Department and is moving his way up the corporate ladder. He still owns his house in Annelisa and sees the Bets

as much as possible. He enjoys the Wednesday night Q's games with Packer, Cackler and the Worm.

Frank and Valerie Mays Gerardi are living in Frederick, Md. Frank started his master's in international marketing/management at the University of Maryland this past January. He is working for Janssen Pharmaceutical, a division of Johnson & Johnson, as a pharmaceutical representative in Frederick, Md. Frank occasionally sees **John Rooney '88**, who is a manager with his company in New Jersey. Frank also sees **Dave Ferguson** and **Jim Weber**. Valerie is a senior regional events planner with State Farm Insurance and has been with them since graduating.

Chris Kelly Cherundolo and her husband, **Greg '91**, are enjoying living in Germantown, Md., with their daughter, Allison Catherine. Allison was born last February. They keep in touch with **Chris and Jennifer Manger Dolch** and **Kim Bechtel Steneker**.

Steven and Mette Henge are enjoying living near the Jersey Shore. They are busy working on their house. Steven is still in the envelope business. If you need any, give him a call.

Things are going well writes **Beth Harlow Buckalew and Barry '88**. They were able to see a lot of WMC alumni recently at several events. Beth graduated from WMC for a second time with her master's in counseling.

Barry and Beth walked together at the May '96 commencement. Barry received his second B.A. in history.

As for myself, there really isn't too much to say. I am still teaching second grade at Our Lady of Hope/St. Luke School in Baltimore. I really love it. I am pursuing my master's in education at Loyola College. I get a lot of chances to run into WMC alumni around town. I am sorry that I missed Homecoming last year, but plan to be there this year. I'm sure I'll see lots of you there! It is always a treat to see friends from school and hear what classmates are up to. Keep those cards coming!

Well Class of 1989, that's it for now. Please keep sending me news! And for those of you who are not writing (you know who you are!), please drop me a line. We would all love to hear from you. I hope everyone is happy and healthy. Take care!

Mary O'Hara
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94 Thanks for all the cards and letters you sent! Once again, there were lots of news about engagements. Please let me know after the weddings so I can pass on the good news. Here's the latest on the lives of the second half of the class of 1994.

Amey Krug works at Kennedy Kreiger Institute; she's a clinical specialist in developing behavior treatment for children with severe behavior problems.

Reporting that she is well and happy, **Darla Dec Ledger** is a 10th-grade American Literature teacher at Thomas Jefferson High School in Frederick, Md.

Congratulations and best wishes to **Jennifer Legallais** who married Keith Brown on December 2, 1995! **Jessica Fishel** was in the bridal party, and **Holly Presley Fuhrman** attended the

ceremony. After a honeymoon to Disney World, the newlyweds moved to Media, Pa. Jennifer is working as a senior counselor with the mentally ill.

Krisley Leonard is working on her master's in biomechanics at the University of Maryland, College Park. She teaches step aerobics and plays competitive soccer in two indoor leagues in Columbia, Md.

Karen Litchin was recently promoted to franchise director at Agora Health Publishing. She works with **Kristin Henge '92** and **Heather Paul '95**.

Bail Long is now employed by T. Rowe Price in Owings Mills, Md., after he spent one year working for AmeriCorp with Volunteer Maryland. He met President Clinton at the White House! **Rob Magee** works for Diversified Insurance Industries, Inc. in Baltimore, Md.

M. Jeff Maslin just opened a new business called Fit-4-Life, Inc., an exclusive one-on-one fitness training and wellness center in Cherry Hill, N.J.

Charles "Chip" Miller is attending a two-year program at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. He expects to graduate in June 1996 with a photography degree.

Dana Mostow has just signed a contract to start teaching in Montgomery County public schools in September. Enjoy the summer, Dana!

Another teacher, **Dawn Motowidlak**, teaches at the Children's Guild School in Baltimore, Md., and attends graduate school at the University of Maryland at Baltimore. She lives with fellow alumni **Heather Beth, Kirstin Stockel** and **Melissa Borich**.

Ann Oyle is a third-grade teacher at Winfield Elementary School for the Carroll County school system.

Emily Oland shares an apartment in Elkridge, Md., with **Brenton "Skip" Squires '93**. She received her master's degree in history from the University of Maryland in May 1996. At the Maryland State Archives in Annapolis, Emily is a research intern writing the biographies of Maryland's First Ladies. One of these biographies was inducted in the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame. Congratulations on your many accomplishments, Emily!

After working at the U.S. Agency for International Development, **Nupur Parekh** enrolled at the European Institute for a master's in European policy in French. The institute is part of the Université Libre de Bruxelles in Brussels, Belgium.

Amey Pelsinsky is a reporter for the *Columbia Pier* newspaper in Columbia, Md.

Ray Pickersgill is working on a master's in education and teacher certification for social studies at Stony Brook University. He is also a substitute teacher and assistant wrestling coach at his alma mater, Sachem High School, in Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y. He stays in touch with **Brett Young, Jay Black, John Hampton, Jeff McAndrew '92** and **John Wilson '95**.

Kristen Porcino is living with **Rolando Welch**, who is a juvenile probation officer. She works as a legal assistant in the franchising, licensing and distribution department at a Washington D.C. law firm. She is applying to graduate schools to study international politics/government in a master's program.

Michele Reavy works in the Human Resources Department at Centex, located in King of Prussia, Pa.

Drew Reddel is a program coordinator at a printing company with fellow Phi Delta **Todd Knellinger '93** and **Tim Reilly '95**.

At R.O.W. Laboratories in Gaithersburg, Md., **Michael Rice** works in toxicology research as supervisor of the data preparation department.

Waitressing at a country club, **Ken Rick** is looking for a job as an elementary school teacher. She lives with her disc jockey boyfriend, Terry, in West Reading, Pa.

Todd Robinson does technical jobs with Richmond Triangle Players, a gay and lesbian theater group. He works as a photographer at JC Penny's and is a substitute teacher for the Richmond Public Schools. He plans to attend Virginia Commonwealth University to get his certification in theater education.

Any alumni real estate agents out there? Contact **Cristie Rose**, she's looking to buy a home. She currently teaches fourth grade at Sandymount Elementary School for the Carroll County Public School System.

Susan Sommer is enjoying her job as an administrative assistant for Hardy Capital Management, a reinvestment counseling firm in Baltimore.

Susan will keep in contact with **Beth Webster, Lisa Windsor '93, Elaine Bucher '93** and **Demetrios "Demetri" Lambros '93**.

Jennifer Veto is working at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health and attending University of Baltimore School of Law. She lives in Fells Point with sorority sister **Kristie Susco**. Jennifer keeps in close contact with **Jerry McGuirk '93** and **Christy Saksa Dolmen '92**.

Kerri Wagner Rapp started her job with Ryland Mortgage Company during senior week and received two promotions within her first year. She married **John Rapp '92** in Little Baker Chapel on December 9, 1995. Their alumni attendants included **Kim Wagner Dalton '82, Todd Leskoski '92, John Carney '92, Jim Milstein '93, Jen Hill Bubezyk '93, Deb Milstein Dubrow '94** and **Shane Burdick '95**. After breaking the snow on their special day, Kerri and John enjoyed a warm honeymoon in St. Lucia.

Annelise Sullivan has been writing news and commercials as an intern at a Philadelphia Market radio station since March '95. She was a DJ with a private company until November and is now working full time at a Moto Photo. Annelise went dress shopping with **Margaret Claustro '95** and **Kim Stura '95**.

Since receiving her B.A. in religious studies, **John Fahy Taylor** has been very active in the community. She is a member of the Prayer Committee at Resurrection Farm and leads a prayer meeting once a month. John volunteers at a local hospice, at the Literacy Council and once a week at Food Sunday. She joined the Arts Council and took several trips to see Broadway plays. Joan still makes time for classes. She took a theology course in the fall and creative writing course in the spring.

Beth Webster is studying International Peace and Conflict Resolution with a related field in U.S. Foreign

Policy at The American University in Washington, D.C. Beth can be found attending alternatives to violence workshops or working at the Women's Foreign Policy Group.

Carli Scarapara moved back to New Jersey after spending a year-and-a-half in Towson. She plans on returning to school to receive a degree in occupational therapy. Carli misses all her college friends terribly!

Kirsten Stockel can be found teaching third grade at Winand Elementary School in Randallstown, Md. She encourages anyone interested in teaching to visit her class.

If you want to improve your golf game, then **Marc Spaulding** is your man. He is a PGA teaching professional at Bumble Bee Hollow Golf Course in Mechanicsburg, Pa. In July '95, he became a Class A PGA Member. Bumble Bee Hollow was recently rated by *Golf Magazine* as one of the top 50 driving ranges in the country.

Jody Zepp is finishing up her master's degree at Maxwell School of Public Affairs at Syracuse. She is working as a graduate intern with the National Institute of Corrections as part of a task force with the Department of Justice to update a 20-year report on women in the criminal justice system. Jody plans on applying to Ph.D. programs in political science.

Dan Schaeffer has been working at Carroll Hospice since December '94. He also edited the monthly *Carroll Hospice Newsletter*. Dan continues to take art classes at WMC and was part of the Art Honors Alumni Art Show at the Carroll County Arts Center Gallery that took place in March '96.

Chris Cutler received his Army Aviation wings in January '96 and is looking forward to an overseas tour. He wishes good luck to the Green Terror lacrosse team.

Harold Hurd is working on a master's in applied chemistry at Delaware State University. He plans to graduate in May '96.

Tracie Bogness is working on a master's in editing and publishing at Emerson College in Boston. She plans to graduate in May '96.

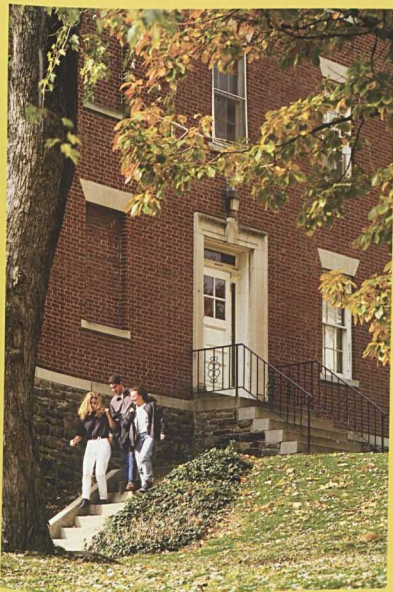
Mark Long began his career at Grabush, Newman & Co. in January '94 as an accounting intern. He was promoted to the level of staff 2 accountant in August '95.

Gina Cappi and Chris Schnell '95 were married at Big Baker Chapel on March 30. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and reside in Owings Mills, Md.

Mary Kietzman completed her master's of library service from Rutgers University in December 1995.

As for me, **Julie Simmons**, I have recently been promoted to Caterwaul Branch Manager for First Financial Federal Credit Union and love getting these cards from the Class of '94! I'm looking forward to our next column.

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Sat., Nov. 2

Carroll County Alumni Chapter lunch, President's Dining Room, WMC Decker College Center, 11:30 a.m.

Sun., Nov. 3

D.C./Northern Virginia/Prince George's Alumni Chapter Annual Sunday Champagne Brunch, Ramada Old Town Hotel, Alexandria, Va., 12:30 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 8

Howard County Alumni Chapter dinner, The Coho Grill at Hobbit's Glen, 6 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 15

Southern New Jersey Alumni Chapter dinner, The Holiday Inn, Bridgeport, 6 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 16

Sports Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremonies. 1996 inductees: Thomas J. Tereshinski, Sr. '44, Richard N. Yobst '63, W. Scott Joyner '66, Kathy Lane Showmaker '77, Wayne R. Birely '79, Coach James M. Boyer (posthumously).

Sun., Dec. 1

Baltimore Holiday Lunch, Sheraton Hotel, Towson.

Sat., Dec. 7

Carroll County Holiday Lunch, Wakefield Valley Golf and Conference Center.

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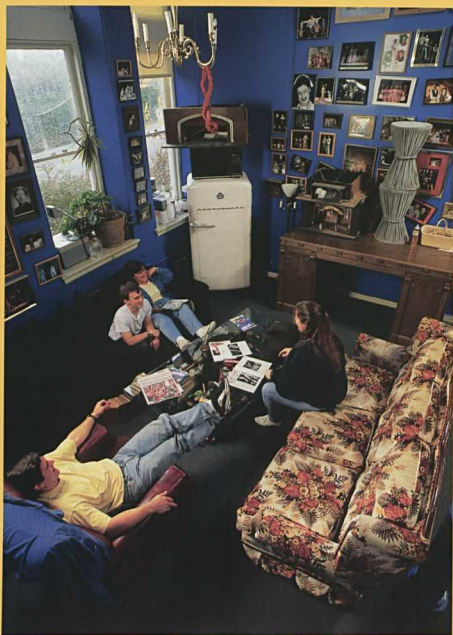
This year's incoming class will
graduate in the next millennium—
and it's out of this world.
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Young and Hungary





Alumni Hall's Green Room assumes the role of clubhouse for student theater buffs, who often use the funky space for impromptu rehearsals or parties. (See story about Alumni Hall's anniversary on page 3.)

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Two Pioneers: Prince Arpad, the 9th century ruler who led the Magyars to Hungary, and President Robert H. Chambers, whose leadership enabled Western Maryland to stake its claim in this emerging cultural and economic hub. Photo by Joe Rubino.

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Letters

To The Hill

Millennium Defined

Our copy of *The Hill* arrived today, and I looked at the front cover, then at the back cover and then, as directed, turned to page two. Under the heading, "Bringing in a Big 2000," I read that, "WMC's Class of 2000 is big news, but not just because its members will graduate in the new millennium." Wrong! It's the Class of 2001 that will be the first to graduate in the new millennium.

A millennium is defined as a thousand years, and the second millennium does not end until midnight, Dec. 31, 2000. As we count centuries and millennia from the birth of Christ, it takes 100 years to complete the first century and it takes all of the 1,000 years to complete the first millennium, not just 999. By the same token, the new millennium and the next century will start on Jan. 1, 2001. The class that enters WMC in late 1997 will have the distinction of being the first to graduate in the new millennium.

I'll be looking for a correction of this error in the next issue of *The Hill*.

JOHN A. ORD, Sc.D.
Carlisle, Pa.

Yesterday I received the Summer 1996 issue of *The Hill*. In the News from the Hill section on page 2, you indicate that the freshman class, which started on Sept. 3, 1996, will graduate in the new millennium. Unless the undergraduate degree takes more than four years, that class will graduate in the spring of 2000. I believe that Dec. 31, 2000 is the last day of the 20th century and the second millennium. The first

day of the 21st century and the third (and new) millennium is Jan. 1, 2001. The incoming class in September 1997 will be the first class to graduate in the new millennium in the spring of 2001. I look forward to the fiftieth reunion of the class of 1953 in the third year (2003) of the new millennium.

JOHN T. P. DRYDEN '53
Orlando, Fla.

Mathematics professor and college historian Jim Lightner confirms our mistake—the new millennium will indeed begin Jan. 1, 2001. However, he predicts that most people will probably continue to debate the issue so they have an excuse to celebrate twice.

Gill Fire

It is with great dismay that I learned of the recent fire that destroyed old Gill Gym. For some, this grand old edifice was a place to take classes, or teach them. For some, it was a place to escape to, to work out, whether for conditioning, toning or to simply blow off steam, as during exams. For many, it was the arena in which to watch the basketball team compete. For me it was more.

I first visited Gill Gym in July of 1959. I was 17, had just graduated from high school in Brooklyn, N.Y., and was trying to decide which college to attend, which team to play for. I met coach Dick Clower that day in the company of my father, an immigrant with no formal education, who was taken by the beauty of the campus and the friendliness of all we met. Mr. Clower asked me to "shoot around" which I gladly did. When I made six



Built in 1938, 'Old Hill' houses faculty offices, a gymnasium and the military science unit.

outside shots and eleven straight foul shots, Coach asked me to "save it for next winter." I had met my coach, seen my home court and had been pleased with the visit. I enrolled at WMC in September.

I have played basketball in church basements in Brooklyn, in recreation centers in Philadelphia, in Y's and J's in many cities, on army bases, even in a prison in Virginia. I have played in college field houses, airplane hangars and vaunted Madison Square Garden, but I have never bounced a ball on a more certain, more resonant surface or felt "sweeter" rims than those of the old Gill Gym. When I dribbled a ball, the firmness and immediacy of the bounce and return to my hand, without the doubt created by dead spots in a floor, made maneuvering, running, pivoting and leaping easier. The firm and true feel of the rims made shots bounce accurately without looseness or softness. Rebounds were more certain as were "English" and spins off the glass backboards. All this may sound like so much hoops hoopla, but for four years and thousands of hours, Gill Gym was my home, and that floor, that facility was so very important.

I am proud that for four

years the gym was filled with excitement created by winning teams. Victories over rivals such as Hopkins, Catholic U., Towson State and Mt. St. Mary's made game nights into memories I will never forget. Gill Gym had capacity for several hundred, maybe 1,000, the night we beat The Mount. I can hear that tumult still, and the stillness of the building hours later. What does it mean when an old building dies ignominiously, by accident, in an early morning blaze? For some, there are memories of courses taken or taught, escapes to work out or just blow off steam. For me it is the loss of a place I can no longer visit to hear the friendly thump of a dribble or the hiss of a shot catching only net, or the shouts of voices from the past. For me, my visits to the Hill, which always included a peek at Gill Gym, will be different. I will miss that place.

RICHARD KLITZBERG '63
Boca Raton, FL

***The Hill* welcomes letters by and about the college community. Letters may be edited for length and clarity.**

News

From The Hill

Alumni Hall's Spirited Century

Veteran drama professor Ira Domser isn't sure if he believes in "Harvey," the ghost who gets blamed for misplaced props, faulty lighting and anonymous ad-libs. But he says he's surrounded by thousands of real spirits in Alumni Hall.

"What does exist is the presence of all of the people who have performed here," Domser says. "The theater has become a reservoir of memories, they seep into the paint and mortar of this place. It echoes with the personalities of the people who have come through here—they leave a little piece of themselves."

In fact, the college's second president left one of his prized possessions in the foundation of the building when the first stone was laid 100 years ago. Thomas Hamilton Lewis buried the Holy Bible he carried on his tour around the

FACTS THAT WON'T FIT

Hungary is about the size of Indiana • The country turned 1,100 years old in 1996 • It gave birth to the Rubik's Cube • Red paprika is the national spice • Budapest built Europe's first subway train in 1896 • Cultural heroes include Joseph Pulitzer and composers Franz Liszt and Bela Bartok • Favorite foods are chicken paprika and goulash • New York's famous Four Seasons restaurant is owned by Hungarians • WMC-Budapest's first class joins 181 Westminster citizens who take pride in their Hungarian ancestry (to learn more about WMC's newest campus see page 14)

world in the cornerstone during a ceremony held Oct. 28, 1896. That auspicious beginning launched a century of laughter, tears and cheers in Alumni Hall.

In its early days, the building functioned as the campus basilica where baccalaureate and commencement ceremonies were held. Esther Smith, the legendary dramatic art professor, began staging productions there after she

arranged for a curtain to be hung and Alumni was given the necessary infrastructure to operate as a legitimate theater during its 1977 renovation.

"As soon as it became a theater the ghosts got active," Domser remarks, half in jest. "I think they really like it as a theater."

Why wouldn't they? Between the student productions that pack each semester and Theatre-on-the-Hill, the

resident professional summer theater, there's never a dull moment. Here's what's on the program for this summer.

"Harvey" and his friends look forward to seeing you there.

"My Fair Lady," the story of professor Henry Higgins and spunky Eliza Doolittle, the Cockney bird who becomes the belle of the ball; "Noises Off," a comedy which follows a third-rate touring company stumbling through the final dress rehearsal of a typical British sex farce; "Blood Brothers," a haunting musical take on "The Prince and the Pauper" story of an unmarried woman who finds she is pregnant with twins and "Winnie the Pooh," an original adaptation of the beloved children's book by A.A. Milne.

As always, "The Fabulous Post Show Revue" will feature TOTH cast members in a late-night cabaret after most Saturday night performances. Call 410/857-2599 for more information. •

Gospel Choir Takes Off

"I'm going to take a trip on that gospel ship and we'll go sailing through the air."

The lyrics from this hundred-year-old negro spiritual resonated with special meaning during the college's gospel choir concert in December, as director Eric Byrd '93 looked forward to leading members of the group on their first-ever European tour.

Twenty-two singers from WMC and Westminster's Union Street United Methodist Church, where Byrd is also choir director, performed together in Vienna, Austria,

Ryan Keough '99 (left) and Ed Milliner '98 belt out a ballad during the theater department's production of the musical 'Pippin'.



PETER HOWARD

(from left) Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke and Jim Melhorn welcome their new colleagues on the College's Board of Trustees: Orioles owner Peter Angelos and John Emens '66.



New Trustees Go to Bat for WMC

Baltimore attorney Peter Angelos still cheers for the birds while at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, but now he's a Green Terror fan, too.

Angelos, principal owner and managing partner of the Baltimore Orioles, is one of two area businessmen recently elected to the college's Board of Trustees.

Joining Angelos on the board is John A. Emens, senior vice president of First National Bank of Maryland and a 1966 WMC graduate. Both will serve three-year terms on the 40-member board, which is the governing body of the college.

Angelos, a practicing attorney in Maryland since 1961, is the president and managing principal of the Law Offices of

Peter G. Angelos. He is admitted to practice before the Maryland Court of Appeals, the Tennessee Court of Appeals, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, the United States Tax Court, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He has represented the Baltimore Building and Construction Trades Council, the Steelworkers' Union and other labor organizations for almost 30 years.

A member of the University of Baltimore Law School Advisory Committee and the University of Maryland Foundation, Angelos now serves on the boards of Loyola College, Johns Hopkins University, Grant-A-Wish Foundation, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, and St. Joseph's Hospital. He also is a member of the American Academy of Achievement and the Ellis Island Medal of Honor Society.

Angelos is a graduate of Eastern College and was valedictorian of his class at University of Baltimore Law School.

Emens joined First National as a senior executive in 1977 and served as a vice president in the International Division, the London Office and the National Division before assuming his current position as head of the Corporate Bank. He is on the advisory board of the Shriver Center for the University of Maryland Baltimore County and is vice chairman of the advisory board of the Sal-

where the hand-clapping, soulful music has sparked a spirited following.

He received the invitation last summer from an international booking agency and immediately began raising money for the Dec. 18-23 tour. In two months, the group raised \$15,000, halving the costs.

Grants for \$1,000 each were awarded by the Carroll County Arts Council and the Baltimore-Washington United Methodist Foundation. The choir also performed fundraising gigs at area churches.

"We asked the congregations to contribute as much as the Lord leads them to give," said Byrd, noting that an inspired sum of \$1,400 was collected at Westminster's St. Paul's United Church of Christ on Bond and Green Streets. "The response was amazing."

By bringing together the predominantly black church choir with the mostly white college choir, Byrd shows how gospel music transcends race. "The people in the church choir tend to be older and when they see these white kids singing spirituals and slave songs with true feeling, they

express an optimism about the way the world could be in the future with no racial hang-ups," he says. "It's really a great exchange."

Byrd believes gospel music breaks through cultural barriers, as well.

"Gospel is a historically African American genre, but you don't have to be African American to sing it or enjoy it," says the 26-year-old. "You just have to open yourself up to the emotions of the music and once you do that it transcends everything."

So touched by the choir's music were Austrian students and dignitaries that they cheered and cried during the concert "like we were the Beatles or something," Byrd recalls. "I underestimated how much our visit meant to them."

Vienna's mayor personally invited Byrd to bring the group back next year. Byrd and the choir were to receive the Carroll County Human Relations Award for their success as local ambassadors in a ceremony March 17. Common Ground on the Hill, founded by Walt Michael '68 to bridge differences through art and music, received the award last year. •

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1996 FALL SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Postseason Honors
Men's Cross Country			8th/9*	
Women's Cross Country			10th/10*	
Field Hockey	9-6	5-4	T4th/10	1 All-CC 1st Team; 1 All-CC 2nd Team
Football	4-6	3-4	T4th/8	1 All-CC 1st Team; 4 All-CC 2nd Team
Men's Soccer	6-10-2	2-7	9th/10	
Women's Soccer	9-7-1	6-3	T4th/10	1 All-CC 1st Team; 3 All-CC 2nd Team
Volleyball	15-17	7-3	4th/11	2 All-CC 2nd Team

*Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championship. T-Tied.

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vation Army of Greater Baltimore.

While at WMC, Emens, a history major, earned an ROTC Distinguished Military Student Award. He served in the U.S. Army from 1966-68 and was awarded a Silver Star for bravery and a Bronze Star for distinguished service in Vietnam. He taught history until 1970 when he started a career in banking and finance at Marine Midland Bank in Buffalo, N.Y. •

Fire Guts Gill Gym

A Dec. 31 fire in Gill Gymnasium ("Old Gill") destroyed the athletic arena and damaged faculty offices and the military science department located on the second floor.

The campus landmark, built in 1938, was used primarily for exercise science and physical education classes, faculty and coaching staff offices, and storage. It adjoins the 12-year-old Physical Education Learning Center ("New Gill") which serves as the major site for WMC athletic contests and the college's Commencement.

The fire was discovered early Tuesday morning, New Year's Eve, when a painter arrived to work and noticed flames coming from a basement door at the rear of the brick building. Immediately he notified the Fire Department and the Westminster Fire Engine and Hose Company arrived within minutes.

More than 200 firefighters from 15 volunteer companies in Carroll, Baltimore, Frederick and Howard counties and southern Pennsylvania responded to the five-alarm blaze. The



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intensity of the heat and smoke forced the firefighters to evacuate the building and fight the fire from the outside to keep it from spreading. Fortunately, no one was in the building that morning nor was anyone seriously injured during the blaze.

Damage to faculty offices and the military science department was limited to smoke and light fire damage. A contractor specializing in disaster cleanups began work Jan. 1, and the PELC reopened Jan. 4 for Green Terror wrestling and women's basketball contests held during the weekend.

The cause of the fire is still unknown and under investigation by the Maryland State Fire Marshal's Office. The preliminary report by a structural engineer stated that Old Gill's main foundation and brick walls are "serviceable and intact," although the upper section of the brick wall which faces the front entrance will need to be removed. Faculty and staff offices located in the

damaged structure have been temporarily relocated to a classroom in the New Gill.

Renovation began in February and is expected to be completed by the summer. •

No Cash Needed: Change Comes with AllCard

Their rooms are equipped with cable TV, Internet access and an ironic combination of a microwave and refrigerator called the "MicroFridge." They even have telephones that relay messages in a pleasant motherly tone.

While older generations grapple with the gadgets of the modern age, today's WMC students have come to expect such high-tech conveniences. And if their enthusiasm for one of the latest innovations is any indication, America might move to a cashless society

sooner than we think.

Spotting the requisite bad photo, the AllCard looks like a traditional student I.D. But two magnetic stripes and bar code on the back transform it into a debit and library card, saving users from having to hunt for spare change for the copier or soda machine.

Its uses are almost endless. Students put money on either of two accounts and spend it by feeding the card into a machine that records the transaction. The thin stripe can be used in snack, soda, laundry and copier machines. And students can pay a WMC phone bill, buy supplies from the Book Store and food from the Pub & Grille with the money recorded on the thick stripe. This stripe also contains meal plan information and is swiped when students enter Englar dining hall.

The bar code stores library transactions and is accessed and updated when students check out books from Hoover.

The AllCard has caught on fast since it hit campus in the fall of 1993. In 1995-96, \$223,000 was spent with the AllCard, according to Barry Bosley, director of facilities management and conference services.

"The card provides [students] some financial freedom and flexibility without having to worry about cash," he says. And very few technical or theft problems occurred considering the large amount of use, he added.

Jenny Patterson, a first-year student, put \$500 on her card's thick stripe in September. She used it to buy her books and with the balance bought snacks in the pub over the rest of the semester.

"It is a lot easier than writing a check," she said. "It's also a lot easier to spend a lot of money real fast." By October, the balance on her card was only \$123.19.

First-year student Lara Henderson noted another benefit of using the card. "It is a lot safer than cash. If someone finds it, they are more willing to turn it in to the information desk than if they found a \$5 bill. It's human nature."

Parents like the AllCard because it can only be used on campus, notes Bosley. Rather than writing blank checks or entrusting their credit cards to their children, parents simply call and add money to the AllCard account.

The future of WMC's system is full of options. Additional card readers may be added in the next few years. One such location may be the Department of Campus Safety, enabling students to buy parking permits, replacement cards and even pay a parking ticket with the card.

"I think it's a great idea," said Mike Webster, director of campus safety. "It would be a big help."

Someday, a similar card system may be used nationwide. Bosley agrees, "The economy is moving towards a cashless system. Do I see that any time soon? No, but technology is moving that quickly." ■

—Jonathon Shacat '98

MARK SWINER



The Right Stuff

Assistant Professor of Sociology **Debra Lemke** was appointed to the Maryland Advisory Committee of the United States Commission on Civil Rights. She'll serve a two-year term on the committee that reviews state cases of alleged civil rights violations for possible investigation on the federal level.

"I'm really looking forward to serving," she said. "It's something I can do to make a contribution and it's an area that fascinates me. I've never been directly involved in civil rights work before, but it's a good fit for me."

Lemke has done work and research on gender and equality, which, she notes, will help her while she is on the committee.

Before coming to WMC in 1994, she worked extensively with the women's center at Iowa State University and was involved with the reporting of campus sexual harassment complaints. Her hands-on work helped her develop teaching and research interests in gender and stratification.

"Working in one area, like gender, definitely makes you

more sensitive to inequality all over," she said. "It makes you realize that the system isn't equally balanced for everybody."

Lemke, who earned a Ph.D. from Iowa State, also has taught at Western Carolina University, University of Northern Iowa and Iowa State. She earned a master's degree from the University of Georgia. ■

Milk and Cookies, Not Kegs

Mathematics and computer science instructor Carolyn Boner's Ghost Meringues didn't scare students away from the college's first Midnight Milk and Cookies social.

In fact, more than 600 late-night snackers turned out for the event, held to promote drug-free fun during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. And they voted Boner's the tastiest entry of the dozens offered by staff and faculty members who got into the spirit of the week by baking goodies.

The treat night was just one of the programs planned for the '96-'97 academic year as

Sociology professor **Debra Lemke** will serve on a committee that reviews state cases of alleged civil rights violations.

WMC steps up its efforts to curb student alcohol consumption, funded in part by a \$1,500 mini-grant from Junction, Inc., a Carroll County drug treatment program.

Just before Spring Break in March, Mike Green, a former all-star athlete and recovering alcoholic now touring nationally, was to discuss his personal battle and the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Specifically targeted audiences include WMC's athletic and Greek communities, according to Bonnie Bosley, medical services coordinator.

"Spring Break is historically a big drinking week," said Bosley, noting the prevention program with Green is co-sponsored by WMC's Phi Delta Theta fraternity. "We are hoping that students will take the message to heart and think before they make some high-risk choices during Spring Break."

Members of Phi Delta Theta recommended Green after hearing his message at a national fraternity conference last summer.

After Green's presentation, student health services will throw a non-alcoholic party to "let everyone know that they can have fun without drinking," Bosley said.

Last year three WMC student groups received mini-grants from Junction, Inc., to implement alcohol-free programs. In the near future, Bosley hopes to develop a peer educator program on alcohol and drug abuse featuring students who will receive training on how to promote drug-free and low-risk alcohol choices to others on campus. ■

Hill People



Going to Extremes

Research is a mind-body exercise for Physical Education Professor **Sam Case**, who spent January in Antarctica as part of a research team studying athletes in extreme environments. A grant by the National Science Foundation funded the project, which will study the effects of intense cold and change in light periods on thyroid hormones as they affect metabolism and mental function. He was to spend the spring semester on sabbatical evaluating the data he collects.

Case, a recreational runner and avid outdoorsman, isn't satisfied with observation. He trekked to Alaska in February and braved frigid temperatures and harsh conditions while running the Iditasport ultramarathon for the second time. Several years ago Case began studying participants of the race, which requires pulling a gear-packed sled over 100-plus miles of frozen snow-covered

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tundra, and then decided to enter the event himself.

His dedication to physical fitness recently earned him recognition by Maryland's Gov. Parris Glendening when he was appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council on Physical Fitness. The Council is comprised of sports celebrities like tennis great Pam Shriver and Orioles strength coach Tim Bishop, as well as physicians, chiropractors and aerobic instructors. Members are currently working on policy geared to increasing the focus public schools place on physical fitness.

Case is president-elect of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine and is the liaison for environmental physiology interest group of the American College of Sports Medicine. •

The Book on Religion

Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies **Greg Alles** has translated and edited a book of essays from one of the discipline's great thinkers. *Rudolf Otto: Autobiographical and Social Essays* was recently released by Mouton de Gruyter.

Otto is recognized as one of the most influential religious theorists in the 20th century, best known for his epochal, *The Idea of the Holy*. Previously published studies of the German intellectual, who died in 1937, have concentrated on his theological and philosophical thinking. But Alles has attempted to broaden the image of Otto available to English readers by presenting previously untranslated writings which introduce Otto as politician, social commentator and churchman.

Autobiographical writings and pieces of Otto's essays on ethics are included in the book. Alles also examines criticism of Otto's ideas and provides suggestions for further research.

The prolific professor began researching Otto in 1988 when he learned that much of what was published was incomplete or slanted by prevailing politics. In 1994, he received a Fellowship for College Teachers and Independent Scholars for scholarly research from the National Endowment for the Humanities which helped him to further develop his research on Otto.

Alles was recently selected to the executive board of the North American Association for the Study of Religion. The

organization is a branch of the International Association for the History of Religions and brings together scholars who study religion apart from theology. •

Always Count on Con

Whether it's a sporting event, a college lecture, or a student recital, Professor of History **Con Darcy** will probably be there enjoying the show. An active member of the campus community for 33 years, the ever-applauding Darcy was honored with the Special Achievement Award for his dedication to all things WMC.

"As an institution, we pride ourselves on the involvement of our faculty not only in the classroom but also outside the classroom. When it comes to supporting the many extracurricular activities of this college, Con has no equal," observed Provost Joan Develin Coley during the freshman convocation held in August. •

Some suspect the ubiquitous Con Darcy cloned himself in order to attend so many campus events.



ANDREW CAMPBELL

New Class of Teachers Hits the Hill

Eight new full-time faculty members for the undergraduate school are in the classroom this academic year, including three in the sociology and social work departments.

Timothy J. Baylor, assistant professor of sociology has researched the Native American culture, including the American Indian Movement (AIM). He also has taught at Augustana College, Susquehanna University, Adirondack Community College and Amarillo College. He earned a master's degree and a doctorate in sociology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a bachelor's degree from Northwest Missouri State University.

Lauren Dundes, assistant professor of sociology, is coordinator of the Integrated Youth Apprenticeship Method, a non-profit summer enrichment program in East Baltimore. The program recruits college students originally from East Baltimore to act as mentors for current neighborhood children. Prior to coming to WMC, she was an assistant professor at Goucher College. She earned a master's degree and a doctorate from The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health and a bachelor's degree from Stanford University.

Susan Futeral-Myrowitz, visiting assistant professor of social work, is executive clinical director of the Futeral Institute of Clinical Social Work in Randallstown and is a consultant to the Baltimore City Board of

Education. Dr. Futeral-Myrowitz also has taught at Towson State University and Carroll Community College. She earned a master's degree and a doctorate in clinical social work from the University of Maryland School of Social Work and Community Planning and a bachelor's degree from Goucher College.

Karen Doyle, professor of military science, also serves as commander of the college's ROTC battalion and was an analyst for the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon. She earned a master's degree from the Joint Military Intelligence College and a bachelor's degree from Dickinson College.

Vera Jakoby, assistant professor of philosophy and religious studies, is a specialist in 19th and 20th century continental philosophy. She has also taught at Palomar College, the University of California and Riverside Community College. She earned a doctorate from Freie Universitaet in West Berlin, Germany, and a bachelor's degree from the Gutenberg-Universitaet in Mainz, Germany.

Robert Lemieux, assistant professor of communication, was an instructor at the University of Georgia. He also has taught at DeKalb College. He earned a Ph.D. at the University of Georgia, a master's degree from Michigan State University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Maine.

Lauren Dundes believes delinquency prevention can solve the nation's crime problems.



Thomas Zirpoli guides the TARGET program in special education.

Duane R. Pilch, visiting assistant professor of chemistry, previously taught at Mount St. Mary's College in Emmetsburg, earned a doctorate at Florida State University and a bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Thomas Zirpoli holds the Laurence J. Adams Distinguished Chair in Special Education and is CEO, TARGET, Inc. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Virginia and master's and bachelor's degrees from Old Dominion University. He previously served as associate professor and program director/chair of programs in gifted and special education at the University of



Timothy Baylor studies how Native Americans struggle to maintain their culture in the modern world.



Vera Jakoby specializes in 19th and 20th century continental philosophy.

St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minn.

Part-time lecturers were named in art and art history, biology, English, foreign languages, philosophy and religious studies, psychology, and theatre arts. •

Two Granted Tenure

Colette Henriette has been awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor of French. **Michael Losch** has been awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor of Art History. •



Robert Lemieux studies how men and women communicate when they're falling in—or out of—love.

More Than Just the Facts

Associate Professor of English and Journalism **Terry Dalton** organized and moderated a provocative panel discussion at the national convention of the Association for Education in Journalism & Mass Communication in Anaheim, Ca. in August. The topic, "Going, going...gone?: Is the line between tabloid and mainstream journalism vanishing?" was debated by "Inside Edition" anchor Deborah Norville, Pulitzer Prize-winning media critic David Shaw of the *L.A. Times*, Bill Whitaker of CBS News, and reporters from the *National Enquirer* and the *Boston Globe*.

"One of the main things that came out of the discussion is the concern that, as ratings, circulation and getting the story first become more and more important, the once-respected practices, priorities and news judgment of the so-called 'mainstream' press are being diluted to the point that it's getting harder and harder to tell the 'legitimate' press from the tabloid version," says Dalton.

"Both now offer us a brand of infotainment that blends news and entertainment. It's just that tabloid journalism still puts a little more emphasis on

the entertainment part."

Dalton notes that both tabloid newspapers and TV programs have become more respectable as they've gotten more accurate in their reporting. For example, a *New York Times* story during the O.J. Simpson criminal trial actually quoted a passage from the *National Enquirer*. And Norville said "Inside Edition" earned awards last year by the Society of Professional Journalists for its aggressive, consumer-oriented coverage.

"From an academic standpoint, it certainly makes teaching old-fashioned, 'objective' journalism a lot more challenging," says Dalton, because students don't see any particular harm in the blurring of the distinction between mainstream and tabloid news. Some point out that the "new" way to present news is a lot more interesting and entertaining than the traditional way and they also argue that the variety of news formats is good because it offers the public a choice.

"I tend to agree with them on the value of more news choices," says Dalton, "so long as they don't feel that simply watching 'Hard Copy' or 'American Journal' every night makes them well-informed citizens."

Dalton completed his second year as head of the Small Programs Interest Group, which he co-founded in 1994 with a journalism professor from Utica College. •

Conversation analyst Jasna Meyer took first place for her study of everyday storytelling.

Story Has A Happy Ending

Assistant Professor of Communication **Jasna Meyer** was awarded first place by the Language and Social Interaction Division of the Speech Communication Association for a paper she submitted based on her research in conversational analysis.

"Yes, Yes Her Aunt Skinned Her Like a Cat: On the Positioning of Embedded Stories in Everyday Conversational Storytelling" was a cross-cultural study looking at the structure of storytelling used by Euro-American and Croatian couples interacting over dinner. Among other things, it found that in both cultures stories often occur within another story during everyday conversations. Her finding was significant because it showed that stories don't have to begin and end before another story enters the talk, as was previously believed.

"Skinned like a cat" comes from the Croatian expression for "getting ripped off." The phrase is used in one of the embedded stories told by a participant in the study.



CLIFF HOUTER

Meyer presented the results of her research in San Diego at the annual convention of the SCA, the nation's largest communication association. •

Penn State Picks Fennell

Education Professor **Francis "Skip" Fennell** has been recognized by his alma mater, The Pennsylvania State University, for outstanding contributions to education.

Fennell, who earned a Ph.D. in 1972 from Penn State, was selected as an Alumni Fellow in Education for 1997. The award, a permanent title, is the highest given by the University's alumni association and recognizes only the most eminent Penn State alumni.

Earlier this year he participated in the U.S. Department of Education's Satellite Town Meeting on "Women and Girls in Education: What's Working in Schools and Communities." The meeting, focusing on the challenges for girls in learning mathematics, science and technology, also featured Education Secretary Richard Riley and Deputy Secretary Madeleine Kunin.

Fennell co-directed "Numbers Alive!" a public television series designed to help students develop a common-sense approach to solving everyday mathematics problems. The series, produced by Maryland Public Television and funded by a \$2.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation, was based on Fennell's "Number Sense Now!" •

*Why Alleck Resnick '47 Works
So Hard When He's Not Working*

For WMC and Israel

BY KIM ASCH



Alleck Resnick is disappointed in CNN political correspondent Wolf Blitzer. The two men have a long acquaintance, but when Resnick called to invite the TV pundit to lecture at his alma mater, Blitzer suggested Resnick speak with his agent.

"I'd like to tell him what he can do with his agent," Resnick '47 mutters, shaking his head. "He can afford to give a night to a college."

Resnick is by no means defeated. He has a long wish list of candidates for campus speaking engagements. "Now he's talking about getting Oprah Winfrey," says Harriet, his wife of 49 years. "Apparently, he knows someone, who knows someone..."

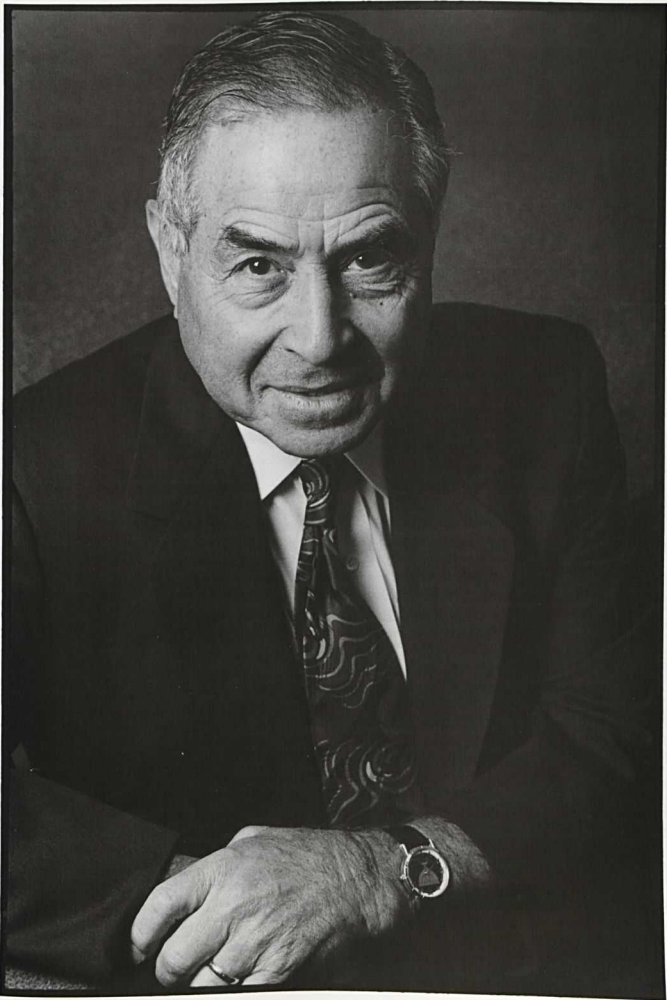
Resnick seems to know—or know someone else who knows—just about everybody. His expansive network always benefits WMC.

Dedicated to Jewish, educational and civic affairs, the Baltimore attorney doubles as Western Maryland's self-appointed impresario. Through leadership positions with Jewish groups like the Zionist Organization of America, where he served as national president, United Israel Appeal and the Jewish Agency for Israel, he crosses paths with celebrities and diplomats—then cajoles them into taking a scenic detour through Westminster to share with college students their unique perspectives on the world.

In the last two years he's brought to the Hill ambassadors from Egypt and Jordan and a Holocaust survivor who was saved by Oskar Schindler, the gentile German businessman who inspired the movie "Schindler's List." In 1987, he arranged a talk by the Israeli ambassador to the United States.

Resnick helped the college forge a friendship with Baltimore philanthropist and former chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum committee Harvey "Bud" Meyerhoff, who received an honorary degree in '95 as Resnick's nominee. He also nominated Shoshana Cardin for her honorary degree,

As a Prisoner of War in Germany, Alleck Resnick made a solemn promise, "God, get me out of this and I'll be a good boy."



'No couple is more devoted to the college than Alleck and Harriet Resnick,'

—President Robert Chambers

which recognized her efforts as a public servant and humanitarian. She was the first woman to become chairman of the Board of Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund and was President of the Council of Jewish Federations, the parent organization of 207 federations in Continental North America. Currently, she serves as chair of United Israel Appeal.

Resnick recently nominated George Udvarhelyi, professor emeritus of neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins University Medical Institutions, who will receive an honorary degree in May. The native of Budapest, who joined the underground Nazi resistance during the second World War and knew Argentina working-class heroine Eva Peron, will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

"No couple is more devoted to the college than Alleck and Harriet Resnick," says President Robert Chambers. "Alleck has an idea a day related to the college and he lets me hear all of them. He'll call, he'll send mail, he'll corner me at a meeting and say, 'You know, we ought to give an honorary degree to x, y or z.' His latest is Oprah Winfrey.

"It may work, it may not work," concedes Chambers. But, he notes, of all the honorary degree candidates considered annually, Resnick—who was himself the recipient of the honorary doctor of law degree in 1981—is responsible for five or six. Usually, at least one of the people who receives honorary degrees each spring is from the group Resnick recommends.

"Alleck has two great interests in life," observes Chambers. "Israel—he's probably the most gung-ho supporter of Israel that I know—and Western Maryland College."

A compact man with a buttoned-down style and clipped manner of speech, Resnick doesn't wax poetic about his enthusiasm for his two favorite causes. He shrugs and explains that his actions are simply a matter of faith.

Making a Deal

Resnick was one of only a handful of Jewish students when he entered Western Maryland as a freshman in the fall of 1941. He was discouraged from joining a fraternity because of his religion.



Schindler's List Holocaust survivor Halina Silber (middle) spoke to a standing room-only crowd in fall '94.



C. KURT HOUTER (BOTH)

Alleck and Harriet Resnick (left) brought Jordanian Ambassador Fayez Tarawneh to campus to speak about the peace accord with Israel in spring '95.

But he never turned his back on his faith, not when it caused him discomfort on campus and not even when it could have meant life or death.

Like most of his peers during the war years, Resnick had to postpone his studies to serve his country. After two semesters on the Hill he "involuntarily volunteered" for the army, and after Basic Training courses was sent to study engineering at Washington and Jefferson College. But the army decided it needed more soldiers at the front and shipped him overseas in the fall of 1944. He wasn't in combat long. The night before Thanksgiving his platoon captured a group of German soldiers in a small village near Gelsenkirchen, a town in western Germany near the Dutch border. The next day, he recalls, "our roles switched" when German reinforcements

arrived and captured the last eight members of his platoon.

Though he didn't realize the extent of the atrocities being carried out in concentration camps, Resnick had heard enough to know that a Jew in Nazi Germany was in special danger. Still, he chose to continue wearing his identification, even though it noted his religion.

"I had lost a very good friend who was listed as missing in action and saw what it did to his family," recalls Resnick, whose three brothers were also in the service, two on duty overseas. "So I made a decision to keep my dog tags on once I was taken prisoner."

Conditions were so poor Resnick wondered whether he would survive. Instead of counting his blessings while digging into turkey and dressing at home in Baltimore, that Thanksgiving found the 21-year-old terrified, hungry and silently making a deal.

"God, get me out of this and I'll be a good boy," he prayed.

At the war's end Resnick was liberated—35 pounds lighter and minus some of his comrades who perished in the camp. His brothers made it home safely, as well, though one was wounded twice. Resnick was hospitalized for malnourishment and given an honorary discharge from the army. Then he marched back to the Hill to finish his education—he had a very important promise to keep.

Making Good

Fifty years later, Resnick is indeed a "mensch," the Yiddish word for good boy. The photographs on his office wall are a testament to his extraordinary efforts.

There he is shaking hands with former Israeli Prime Ministers Menachem Begin and Yitzhak Shamir and Itzhak Rabin, as well as Israel's former presidents Ephraim Katzir and Chaim Herzog. They are thanking him for his work on behalf of the Jewish State. He is also pictured standing with Elizabeth Taylor as they both receive the Brandeis Award, the highest honor presented by the Zionist Organization of America.

When Resnick returned to Western Maryland after his tour of duty, he

immersed himself in campus life. He played varsity basketball and tennis and, despite his small frame, "wrestled when they needed me." He set up shop selling cards and flowers to earn money. One semester, his roommate George Norman '47 signed him up for what he assured his buddy was a small part in "The Taming of the Shrew."

"Well, I had never acted before and it wasn't a small part. But those experiences are extremely important and couldn't happen at a big university," says Resnick, who didn't catch the acting bug but continues to be a tennis fanatic. At 74, he still makes room in his busy schedule to play at least twice a week.

In his senior year in 1947, still one of only a handful of Jewish students, Resnick was elected president of the Student Government Association and was named in *Who's Who in American Colleges*. As a young real estate attorney after graduating from University of Maryland Law School, he immediately assumed volunteer positions in the college alumni association, as well as in various Jewish organizations.

He served as national alumni president from 1956 through 1958 and was national alumni fund chairman for the 1971-72 campaign. In 1977, Resnick became the 10th recipient of the *Alumnus of the Year Award*, given to graduates for outstanding service to the community, the college and their professional field.

Meanwhile, Resnick was also recognized with numerous awards for his work toward strengthening the American commitment to Israel's security and economic stability. In 1979, he was honored with the Prime Minister's Medal, the highest lay award given by Israel, which he has visited 34 times.

"Alleck somehow has time for everything," says Harriet Resnick, who is almost always by her husband's side at the many special events he attends each week. "Once he is involved in something, he sticks with it."

In 1972 he was elected the college's first Jewish member of the Board of Trustees, a lifetime post. "It was very rewarding," says Resnick, who notes, "When I was first elected to the Board the charter required



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that one-third of the membership be Methodist ministers."

The campus community is much more diverse in 1997 than in 1947. Student groups such as the Jewish Student Association thrive alongside the Black Student Union and the Christian Fellowship Club.

On the leadership level, Resnick continues to add diversity. "I think I've given other members of the Board a perspective that might not otherwise have been available to them, more frequently in private discussions than in public forums," he says. "You'd be amazed how many people ask me what's happening in Israel."

Resnick's prodigious efforts to bring provocative speakers to campus are matched by his success at sending WMC new students. Over the years he has recommended the college to the children of coworkers and friends, advising them of the benefits of a liberal arts education, then firing off a letter on their behalf.

Recently, Resnick found himself seated next to an appreciative acquaintance at a wedding reception. "You don't recognize me, do you?" the man asked. "You recommended my daughter to Western Maryland College."

Resnick's daughter Ilene attended WMC. But when his granddaughter Robyn Perlow started her college search, he made an effort not to interfere. She surprised Resnick with the news that she'd decided to enroll at his beloved alma mater.

"I'm terribly pleased Robyn chose Western Maryland and she did so without any persuasion on my part," says Resnick, who credits much of his own success to the preparation he received at WMC. "I'm a great believer in private education because

Egyptian Ambassador Ahmed Maher El Sayed (left) spoke to the campus community about the prospect of a lasting peace in the Middle East in spring '96.

I think it offers opportunities you can't consistently get elsewhere."

Even though he prods his granddaughter to become more involved in sports teams and social clubs, Resnick is careful to let the first-year student enjoy her own college experience. Within reason.

"He told me not to party too much and to take school seriously and he said he'd find out everything, which he does," remarks the slender brunette, an aspiring artist who, to her grandfather's chagrin, has a pierced eyebrow. "He found out that I had my eyebrow ring before I told my mom."

Perlow says her campus life is much different from what her grandfather describes. And she's glad.

"When I look at my grandfather's year-books everyone in them looks so preppy and they all seem to play on a sports team," she says. "Now I see all different types of people here that I can relate to and I've made a lot of friends."

Just like her grandfather. For the Resnick family, being different doesn't mean being lonely. Not when you're one of few Jewish students on campus, in a German POW camp or on the Board of Trustees. Because Alleck Resnick is nothing if not a good friend. To the college, to his community and to Israel.

"He's one of the real players here now," confirms Chambers. "One of the people who matter the most." ●

4,547 Miles from Home, WMC—
Budapest's First Class Hits the Hill

Young and Hungary

BY KIM ASCH

On a balmy Baltimore night Fell's Point feels like the main drag of a beach resort. Women wearing sandals and sleeveless dresses stroll the cobblestoned streets arm-in-arm with well-tanned men. Laughing packs of people flow from pub to nightclub or into bookstore cafes for strong cappuccino and a cigarette. In the square, an old man coaxes blues from his harmonica next to the guy hawking pretzels and hot dogs. Around the corner, curious "Homicide" fans gawk at the vacant building that plays a police headquarters on TV. Couples linger on the pier, gazing out across the harbor at the ripple of reflected lights.

Along the car-lined curbs, finding a parking space large enough for the oversized kelly green college van seems unlikely. So when the Hungarian students spot an ample opening, they congratulate themselves on their luck and ease "the pickle" into the space.

They pile out, primping away the effects of the 45-minute ride from Westminster, and sink into the scene. This old port—with its Irish pubs and renovated warehouse restaurants—seems hip, though these Europeans are unimpressed by its historic charm. Hungary just celebrated its 1,100th anniversary and Budapest, its cosmopolitan capital, boasts buildings five times as old as these in Baltimore. The fashionable foreigners (all of them of legal drinking age) are more interested in what's new—the music, the cars, the styles—and they set out for the hottest spots. Time is critical. Unlike Budapest, where the night doesn't end until dawn, Fell's Point bars close at 1:30 a.m.

On their way from the first bar, they are alarmed to see a cop smoking a fat stogie and writing a ticket for the van.

"I'm giving you a \$25 ticket for illegal parking," he tells them. "Better move it now or it's a \$50 fine."

They consider the cop, then confer in Hungarian. There are 10 of them, so the maximum penalty will cost each person only



above: Located at the crossroads of Central Europe, Budapest is 145 miles from Vienna and 286 miles from Prague. right: Students in WMC-Budapest's first class, including (from left) Jorge del Villar Gonzales, Timea Reichardt, Eva Csizsar and Ferenc Levai, say life at the Westminster campus is less exciting socially but even more academically challenging.



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WMC's Hungarian Roots

George Varga '61 sees little of himself in the well-traveled, multi-lingual students who arrived in August from WMC-Budapest. He came to Westminster in 1957 as a refugee from Hungary's failed revolt against the Communists, knowing nothing of the Western way of life and barely able to speak English.

"We were like babes out of the woods," says Varga of he and his wife Judy, whom he met on the bus from the refugee camp in New Jersey. "these young men and women are so far ahead of where we were back then—they're cool cats."

The Vargas speak like proud parents of this new generation of Hungarians, marveling at their sophistication, mastery of languages and American-style ambition. Their own trip to the United States was fueled not by the American Dream, but by the waking nightmare they faced if they stayed in their homeland.

Varga was a student in the undergraduate law program in Budapest when demonstrations against Communist rule developed into open revolt in October, 1956. On Nov. 4, the Soviets launched a massive attack against Budapest with 200,000 troops and 2,500 tanks and armored cars. The struggle left 7,000 Hungarians dead and prompted about 200,000 to flee the country in fear of reprisals.

Because opposition to Russian rule germinated at the law school, Varga felt certain he'd be arrested. Likewise, Laszlow Zsebedics '63, who was involved with a group of young revolutionaries in the city where he lived. When the fighting broke out, Zsebedics and his compatriots stormed the local police station, confiscated a list that identified the Communists in town

and seized their weapons.

Varga, Zsebedics and the others who fled headed straight for the Austrian border, which was booby trapped with mines and barbed wire. They paid farmers or coal miners familiar with the area to smuggle them to safe crossings.

Camp Kilmer in New Jersey was the first stop for America's Hungarian immigrants. Before moving on, each had to have a friend, relative or employer who agreed to be a sponsor. The Rev. Harold Hodgson and his congregation at the Westminster United Methodist Church sponsored 20 people. And that's how George Varga, then 20, found himself on the same bus with 15-year-old Judy and her parents.

"Everybody at the church was waiting for the bus with a lovely meal prepared," Judy Varga recalls. "It was a wonderful community effort. We all stayed with our families for two or three months until we could establish ourselves in our own homes."

The college awarded a scholarship to George Varga. A group of community benefactors connected to WMC and the church paid Zsebedics's tuition. Dr. Allen MacDonald, then a WMC art history professor, volunteered to teach the group English in the church basement. He and his wife Virginia hosted Clara Barabas, who still refers to them as her American parents.

Now a college trustee, George Varga feels a special connection to Western Maryland's Budapest branch. "I would have never thought an opportunity like this was possible. I think it's marvelous."

—K.A.

about \$5. And parking spaces are really scarce.

"We'll stay where we are and pay the \$50," they announce.

The cop chews his cigar, sizing up the tall, dark and handsomely dressed Hungarians. "That's not the way it works in America," he lectures. "You'll move the van."

And so, on their second night in town, students fresh from Western Maryland's Budapest campus experience a serious case of culture shock.

"During communism, you got around by breaking the law and it was accepted and 40 years of that leaves a lasting impression," explains Sandor Zwack, 22. "The bureaucracy is such that you have to get around it. If a government official tells you 'no,' then maybe you send a box of chocolates to get him to say 'yes.'"

It's clear from the cop's reaction that those strategies don't fly in America. Chastened, Sandor (pronounced SHAWN-door) and his classmates chalk up the incident to a learning experience. After all, isn't that why they're here?

WMC-Budapest or Bust

Just as there is no single vision for Hungary's future, there is no single path that led these students to WMC. But they are united by a desire to seize new opportunities emerging in the region that once was so stifling.

Sandor's father fled Hungary in 1948 after the Communists took control. He escaped with the recipe for Unicum, a traditional Hungarian liquor produced by the family since 1790, and settled in Italy to start his own company outside the Iron Curtain.

Meanwhile, the Hungarian government tried to replicate the secret recipe and began selling a counterfeit version of the liquor. In May 1989, Hungary began dismantling the barbed wire walls that separated its land from Austria's. It was the first Eastern European country to open a hole in the Iron Curtain. The Berlin Wall

Budapest is a majestic combination of old and new where fourth-century ruins coexist with trendy cafes and the upscale shopping equivalent of New York's Fifth Avenue.



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fell six months later. Sandor's father returned to Budapest, bought back the company the government had seized plus its line of 80 other liquors, and reestablished the family business in its homeland. In 1991, he served as Hungary's ambassador to the United States and moved his family to Washington, D.C. for a year.

Sandor was uncertain of his next step after completing a semester at Florida State University's campus in Florence, Italy. His father suggested he apply to the American liberal arts college that was about to open a satellite campus in Budapest. WMC offered a four-year undergraduate program in business administration and economics, with the last two years completed at the college's home campus in Westminster. All courses would be taught in English by top-notch European and American faculty.

Sandor was impressed with what he learned about Western Maryland. He liked the idea that as a member of the first class he'd be a pioneer. "It's actually pretty cool to be the guinea pigs. My friends and I started the whole thing—we inaugurated the program."

Adrienne Nemeth's family was also torn apart when the Communists took over in Hungary—everyone besides her parents fled. She saw her family wrenched apart again in 1985. Her older brother Andras defected to Canada after he was denied admission to the university system and faced forced military service. As punishment, the government restricted the travels of their father, a manager in the textiles business. After Hungary gained its independence, he used his contacts to establish his own successful business. Andras was safe to return and Adrienne was free to fly to relatives in Canada, where she spent a year working and studying French before enrolling at WMC. She plans to earn her degree in business and economics, then find a job with one of the many international corporations opening bases in Budapest. She and Sandor both say they want to gain some work experience on their own before joining the family business.

Like Sandor and Adrienne, most of the other 18 students in WMC-Budapest's first class had visited the United States or Cana-



Dr. Ferenc Somogyi, state secretary for the Hungarian Foreign Ministry and a new WMC Trustee, was sold on the college after his first meeting with President Robert Chambers and tour of the Hill.

'An American degree is a passport really,'

—Timea Reichardt,
WMC-Budapest student

da before arriving on the Hill in August. Even though the Communist party curtailed their travel beyond Eastern Bloc countries, the Hungarians often found a way around the rules.

When he was 10, Zoltan Menyhart's parents got the government's permission to take the family on a vacation to Disneyland. "For a 10-year-old from Hungary, that was seventh heaven," the 21-year-old recalls. "It took a year-and-a-half to unload all the information to my friends about how good it was."

Travel broadened the world view of the dark-eyed, serious student. Sports were his ticket to nations other than Czechoslovakia, Romania, Yugoslavia and the other Eastern European countries. As a teen, he toured France, Spain and Germany with sports teams and by the time he graduated from high school, he was hooked. He was taking a year off from his studies to play semi-professional water polo in Toronto when his parents spotted a newspaper ad for WMC-Budapest. Knowing that he aspired to attend an American college, they suggested he return home to take the required math and English proficiency tests.

Eva Csiszar, 24, also did some exploring

before enrolling in college. She spent four months working as a nanny and traveling in the United States. When she returned home to Budapest, she decided to polish her English while working as a hostess at the Marriott International Hotel.

Impressed by a TV report featuring the business and economics program offered by WMC-Budapest, her mother urged Eva—an aspiring artist—to apply. At least then her free-spirited daughter would have a well-rounded education and an American degree, a valuable asset as Hungary moves toward democracy and a free-market economy.

"An American degree is a passport really," explains Timea Reichardt, 20, who spotted an ad for WMC on a bulletin board at her high school near Budapest. "I'd like to work in foreign affairs in Central Europe. We don't have diplomats who are young, who can speak other languages and who can understand the American point of view."

The View from Westminster

Now at Western Maryland's home campus with its myriad liberal arts offerings, Eva enrolls in classes that reach her like accounting and statistics never could. So entranced is she by her art history, painting and drawing courses, she changes her major to reflect her creative passion. Others, like Timea and Sandor, switch to international affairs and political science. For the first time, they learn about the various forms of government and study their pros and cons.

"I'm teaching Marxism, which used to be the foundation of their society, and I look at the Hungarian students and say, 'I know you guys must be really bored,'" reports political science professor Christianna Nichols Leahy. "But they tell me they never learned about it, since the country's political system was changing right when they would have reached that point in school."

Zoltan and Adrienne stick with the business and economics majors they began in Budapest and are enthralled by the new concepts they learn.

"Marketing and business administration of this type is part of the Hungarian edu-



Political Science professor Christianna Nichols Leahy (far right) spent a week in Budapest as a guest lecturer last spring.

cation that's been missing, because in a socialist system there's no market competition," Zoltan observes.

Already fluent in a second language—English—they are exempt from the foreign language requirement. But most sign up to learn yet another language. Adrienne, who also speaks German, enrolls in Spanish classes to gain an edge in the global economy. Ironically, she and Eva both report that 12 years of compulsory Russian lessons never took.

"It was the language of the oppressors," Adrienne explains.

As juniors doing upper-level course work, most of the students find their classes to be tougher than those in Budapest, but a welcome challenge. "They're a lot of work, especially my International Law class with [Political Science Professor Robert] Weber," Sandor says. "I come out of classes feeling like I learned a lot, but that I really had to work for it."

Professors say the group from Budapest, like the college's almost 40 other international students, are a welcome addition. And Director of Admissions Martha O'Connell, who worked with recruiters from Central Europe to bring in WMC Budapest's first class, isn't surprised.

"Our experience has taught us that international students are excellent educational partners for American students and their professors alike," she says. Leahy believes the Budapest contingent sets a good example for its American counterparts. That becomes obvious during a test review when she asks students with the highest scores to read their responses aloud, and many of the best answers are read with a Hungarian accent.

"They've improved the quality of the general student body, because by being inquisitive themselves, they make it cool to ask questions and to get excited about what they're learning," she says.

'... I'm a citizen of this country and here are people who have been in the U.S. only a few months and they're showing me up.'

—Tim Herb '99

Tim Herb '99, an American student in Leahy's Introduction to Political Science class, sheepishly admits the four students from Budapest seem "a lot more interested" than the rest of the students. They ask more questions and like to compare and contrast Hungary's system of government with America's.

"It kind of makes you think, 'I'm a citizen of this country and here are people who have been in the U.S. only a few months and they're showing me up,'" says Herb.

If the students are enthused by their studies, they aren't exactly excited by the slow pace of life in rural Westminster. In Budapest, WMC shares space with branches of other American colleges and universities in the former Communist education building located in the heart of the city. Students live at home or rent apartments and drive their cars or hop on the tram to get to class.

When they aren't at school or working at part-time jobs, they might browse along the Váci Utca, the upscale shopping equivalent of New York's Fifth Avenue, or take in a performance by one of the city's three major symphony orchestras or at the many theaters and opera houses. Graced by eight bridges that cross the Danube river, Budapest is a majestic combination of new

and old. Trendy cafes and elegant restaurants coexist with ruins from the capital of Roman Pannonia, where Valentinian II was proclaimed emperor in A.D. 375.

At this point late in the fall semester, the Fell's Point foray seems like an awfully long time ago.

"In Budapest, we're used to a big life. Things happen, you can go places and do things," says Zoltan, who with his fiancée Raika Reichard, 21, buy three different brands of sour cream one night in an attempt to recreate one of their favorite foods from home, chicken paprika. "I couldn't survive here without ESPN."

They are sounding more and more like any other Western Maryland College student, complaining about the lack of social life, the residence halls and the food. But Zoltan and his fellow "guinea pigs" also appreciate aspects of campus living, like easy access to Hoover Library and the faculty.

"In any state university in Italy and Hungary, professors lose their enthusiasm and they don't care about establishing personal friendships or if you fail," says Sandor. "Whereas here, maybe because classes are smaller, they really do care. They have office hours and you can go and talk to them. That's what's good about a small liberal arts college."

Points out Eva, who sometimes spends five hours a night working on her art projects, "Actually, we are forced to study here because there's not as much to do."

Their assimilation into the campus community doesn't happen all at once. Sandor and Sophie Charalambous plunge in and pledge a fraternity and sorority, much to the dismay of the others from Budapest.

"If I'm friends with someone it's because we have some connection or something in common, not because they make me suffer and then they're my brother," Zoltan says.

Soon, Sandor is spotted with painted toenails, an enhancement that some suspect has to do with his new Sigma Phi Epsilon family.

"I wanted to have a chance to meet different people and joining a fraternity seemed like a good way to do it," explains Sandor. "They are really a cool bunch of guys."

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Branching out to Budapest

When President Robert Chambers visits the other WMC, the one in the historic yet cosmopolitan capital of Hungary, he can't help but beam. His pioneering little college on the Hill in Westminster has staked its claim in the city that's emerging as an economic and cultural hub of central Europe.

"It's like a flower that's just opening," he says of Hungary. "That part of the world is very hot right now."

Chambers isn't exaggerating. Film crews were shooting scenes for the movie "Evita" when he and a group of colleagues spent a week there last spring registering students for classes and preparing the sophomores for their junior year in Westminster.

When he visited Budapest in the fall to preside over the college's convocation ceremony, the Pope had just left, Michael Jackson was in concert and the King and Queen of Spain were due to arrive. In fact, the country is so hot right now that, so far this year, the Hungarian stock market is one of the top three performing bourses in the world.

"You get the sense that if the transformation from what's technically an authoritarian government and state-run economy to a market-based economy and democratic political system is going to be done successfully, it will happen in Hungary," says Christianna Nichols Leahy, associate professor of political science and international affairs, who was a guest lecturer at WMC-Budapest for a week last spring. "And we're in on the ground floor."

Located in the high-rise that once housed the Communist education department—some joke it's still bugged—WMC-Budapest is the shared vision of Chambers and adventurous educators from both sides of the Atlantic.

For almost a decade, Hungarian businessmen Thomas Vagi and Attila Horvath coordinated international educational programs in Budapest. When they were ready to launch a fully accredited, four-year program culminating in a bachelor of arts degree from an American college, they found willing partners in Chambers and Joan Develin Coley, provost and dean of the faculty.

A satellite campus in Europe would step up the college's international profile while boosting WMC enrollment. It would also recruit students from a variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds who would enhance student diversity on the main campus in Westminster.

"The foundation of a liberal arts education is that it broadens your horizons," explains Coley. "What better way to do that than through this kind of cultural exchange?"

But Hungary? It seemed, to some, like



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WMC's Budapest branch shares this building with various international programs. College President Robert Chambers visits every fall and spring to preside over convocation ceremonies and to check students' progress.

an odd match.

"It's surely less well-known here than western European countries like England or France—in fact, many American colleges and universities have programs in London and Paris—so our choice of Budapest expands our horizons still more," Coley explains. "With the changing scene in central Europe, we found a location that's both vibrant and exciting, but also that's politically interesting and has a deep cultural history of its own. And we found roots in our own past that linked to Hungary."

WMC already had a Hungarian connection in one of its most successful graduates, George Varga '61, who serves on Western Maryland's Board of Trustees. He arrived in Westminster as a teen-age refugee after Hungary's failed 1956 attempt to gain independence from the Soviets and received a scholarship to attend Western Maryland. An American success story, Varga earned a master's degree in economics from Stanford University, then rose through the ranks of General Electric. He returned to his homeland in 1992 as president and CEO of GE's manufacturing venture with Tungsram, Central Europe's major light bulb manufacturing company. It was the first sizeable investment by an American corporation in that region.

When Chambers told the Hungarians Varga was now a college trustee, "It was as if I had mentioned the Pope," he recalls. "Everyone in the room knew George."

The Hungarians considered several liberal arts colleges as candidates for the project,

but Chambers acted quickly to win Western Maryland's partnership with College International-Budapest. He convinced the Hungarians that no other college could match WMC's campus, faculty and community. After one meeting and a tour of the Hill, the Hungarians were hooked.

Chambers and Coley worked closely with Vagi and Horvath, as well as with Dr. Zsuzsa Barta, the program's director of academic affairs, and Dr. Ferenc Somogyi, dean of the program, to structure the alliance.

Chambers had learned from his first attempt at an international partnership in 1991 that a shared language was vital. The college participated in a less formal exchange with Nagasaki Wesleyan Junior College in Japan, which ultimately failed because "the language barrier was immense." Most students weren't fluent in English and didn't last at WMC for longer than a semester.

Hungarian students would have to pass an English fluency exam before they were accepted into the program. And all classes in Budapest would be taught in English. Professors would use the same textbooks for the same courses offered in Westminster and students would be required to fulfill the same Basic Liberal Arts Requirements.

"We told them we had to have authority over everything," says Chambers. "Joan had to approve the faculty and the curriculum, and the students they recruited had to pass the standards of our Admissions office."

Western Maryland's financial risk is minimal because all expenses associated with the two-year program in Hungary are assumed by College International-Budapest, which earns its revenue from the \$6,400-per-year tuition. Once students arrive on the Westminster campus in their junior year, Western Maryland collects their tuition at its rate of about \$16,850 per year, plus room and board. Like the rest of the student population, about 80% of WMC-Budapest's first class, which arrived on the Hill in the fall, receives merit-or-need-based financial aid.

The college profits modestly from the venture and will earn more as class sizes grow. The first 20 students to make the transition from "Eastminster to Westminster," as one Hungarian professor refers to the campuses, are thriving academically and add a new cultural dimension to the Hill.

"I've seen their grades and they're doing very well," reports Coley.

Perhaps most important is the sophistication the college acquires through its Hungarian alter ego.

Concludes Leahy, "It's putting us on the map."

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As the semester progresses, the tight knot of Budapest students unravels to expose each as an individual. Sophie's not just a college Greek, but from the Greek section of Cyprus. So is Costas Hadjip-saltis. Ludovit Klestinee is actually Slova-kian and Jorge del Villar Gonzales is from Mexico (his mother is Mexico's ambas-sador to Hungary).

Eva still spends much of her time with Timea, but decides that next semester she'll stick with American roommates. The three Hungarians who buy cars find them-selves with a truckload of friends.

"I'm glad to see this sort of spreading out," says International Student Adviser Bill Spence, who tries to ease students into

Street musicians contribute to Budapest's Old-World charm.

the community with invitations to family dinners and rides to WalMart for provi-sions.

College Provost Joan Develin Coley also likes what she sees. "We are very well aware of the fact that we don't want to create a Hungarian ghetto," she explains. "That's why we haven't established inter-national housing."

Next year, when the second class from Budapest arrives, about 40 mostly Hungar-ian students will be living on campus. But by then the "guinea pigs" will be old-timers on the Hill.

"I can see why people grow to love this place," says Sandor. "I feel at home here." •

College Provost Joan Develin Coley gets a lesson on Hungarian history with WMC-Budapest Director Gabor Drexler.

THE DEFINING MOMENT

THE CAMPAIGN FOR WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

COLLEGE DEFINES BRIGHT FUTURE

*Campaign for \$40 Million
To Fund Long-Range Plans*

Western Maryland College has launched its largest comprehensive fundraising campaign that will chart its course into the 21st century.

The Defining Moment: The Campaign for Western Maryland College is a \$40 million gifts and pledges program which includes the design and construction of a modern center for biology and chemistry as the campaign's top capital priority. The campaign will end with a bang as America prepares to enter the new millennium.

"As midnight tolls on Dec. 31, 1999, we will welcome the beginning of the New Year, too, but we also will toast the success of our campaign," said WMC President Robert H. Chambers.

The college officially announced the campaign Saturday, Sept. 23, during a day-long celebration of education and technology, featuring a keynote address by Bob Keeshan, TV's Captain Kangaroo and a leading educator in the U.S., campus-wide academic demonstrations, and an indoor laser, light and sound extravaganza for 3,000 students, faculty, staff, and community members.

At the Campaign Launch dinner attended by 400 guests, James I. Melhorn, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Martin K.P. Hill, trustee and National Campaign Chair, invited all alumni and friends to demonstrate how much they care about Western Maryland through support of the Defining Moment Campaign. "We ask that you put the college at the top of your charitable priorities for the next five years," said Hill. "With your leadership, and that of the entire Western Maryland family, we can ensure that the college will enter the next century with new strength to carry out its educational mission."

The six-element campaign also highlights the annual fund, undergraduate and graduate scholarships, and renovations to academic buildings and residence halls. The goals also include additional endowed faculty



chairs and programs, a special endowment for library acquisitions, and upgrading campus technology.

Of the \$40 million the college plans to raise, almost \$22 million is earmarked for new and renovated teaching and learning facilities, while more than \$8 million is geared toward current programs and nearly \$10 million for the college's growing endowment.

The science center is estimated at \$12 million and will house the biology and chemistry departments. The new facility will be located next to both the original 1914 Lewis Recitation Hall and to its 1966 addition, the Lewis Hall of Science. Areas vacated by biology and chemistry will be converted into spaces for modern, technologically-equipped classrooms and faculty offices for mathematics, physics and other academic departments.

At the January Campaign Cabinet meeting, Hill announced that gifts and pledges to the Campaign had reached \$25,390,715. "What a superb beginning and fine tribute to WMC," he declared as he thanked donors and volunteers alike for their early leadership.

In April 1995, Maryland Governor Parris Glendening signed into law House Bill 752 which authorized a one-for-one Challenge Grant of \$3.5 million to provide the catalytic funding for the project. A Science Center Committee under the leadership of Dr. Lawrence Blumberg '67 is providing direction in raising the balance of funds needed. Dr. Jean Kerschner, professor of biology emerita, is serving as honorary chair.

Architects for the project hail from the award-winning Baltimore firm of Grieves

Of the \$40 million the college seeks to raise, almost \$22 million will be used to build or renovate teaching and learning facilities.

Worrall Wright & O'Hatnick Inc. The firm has won several awards for its work around Baltimore, including honorable mention in the 1991 Baltimore AIA Awards for the aquarium pavilion and the 1992 State of Maryland Historical Trust Award and the 1992 Baltimore Heritage Historic Preservation Award for the Hackerman House Museum of Asian Art at the Walters Art Gallery.

The campaign also features a \$700,000 endowment for graduate scholarships including \$600,000 for WMC's graduate program in community-based human services for the developmentally disabled and its affiliate, TARGET, Inc. of Westminster. With fundraising efforts led by Trustee Laurence J. Adams, more than \$300,000 has been raised to date.

Another goal set by the campaign is a \$250,000 endowment for scholarships for students from the WMC-Budapest campus, established in 1993 as the only American college campus in Hungary. The first class of students, who took two years of WMC courses in Budapest, arrived in late August to finish their undergraduate degrees in Westminster.

"We know where we are going," Dr. Chambers said. "We are building upon traditions that we have enjoyed at this institution for many decades. Now is the time for us to move to a higher level of quality, reputation, and recognition. And that is something we are determined to do." •



LEWIS GIFT GENERATES HIGH-TECH ART

Thanks to a gift from Janet '52 and Henry Lewis, art students are able to design pages without paper, draft type without ink and mix colors without paint in the Computer Graphics Lab located on the ground floor of Peterson Hall. The high-tech studio has been named in their honor.

Janet is an amateur nature and wildlife photographer and has exhibited her work at the college, as well as throughout the community. Her work includes photographic expeditions to Africa, Australia, Argentina, Alaska and other areas of the United States. Henry is owner of Henry H. Lewis Contractors, Inc., the principal construction firm for WMC's Hoover Library.

The lab was added to Peterson Hall in 1995 in conjunction with major renovations. It includes multimedia personal computers, a flatbed scanner and three printers. Students gain experience with graphics software packages used in the design industry.

"I became interested in computer graphics about 10 years ago and saw it as another means of producing art," said Susan Bloom, associate professor of art and chair of the art and art history department. "Now it has revamped the entire graphic design field. It is no longer something that students might want to take, it is an integral part of what they need to compete.

"As an artist I'm always excited about a clean canvas or a fresh drawing pad. The Lewis graphics lab provides us with great new tools for re-creating ourselves and show-

casing the College's imaginative program for the arts."

Graphic design and medical/scientific illustration, both including courses in computer graphics, are two of seven areas of concentration for WMC art majors. •

LOCKHEED MARTIN GIFT BOOSTS SCIENCE CENTER

Lockheed Martin Corporation will help fuel the construction of WMC's new science center by contributing \$300,000 over five years.

In making the contribution, Lockheed Martin officials noted WMC's continuing role in preparing leaders of Maryland, its top-ranked undergraduate programs in life sciences and teacher education, and its commitment to making a difference in the lives of all its students.

The gift will be used to support the design and construction of a new \$12 million laboratory science center, the capital centerpiece of WMC's \$40 million comprehensive fundraising campaign.

The college's antiquated science facilities have presented a challenge to faculty and students, who over the last few years have received prestigious research grants. "I think that indicates just how exceptional our science faculty and our students have been," said College President Robert Chambers. "Just imagine what they will do when we can provide them with a first-class facility."

WMC has a long-standing relationship with Martin Marietta, one of the firms that merged to become Lockheed Martin, now the leading

As part of a five-year comprehensive campaign, this new \$12 million building for the sciences 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. The architect's drawing provides a view of the proposed new building from the vantage point of Baker Memorial Chapel, Lewis Recitation Hall and Lewis Hall of Science will adjoin the building. A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for April 18 at 6 p.m.

U.S. defense and aerospace corporation and diversified advanced technology company. Several former and current employees of the firm also served the college.

The late Albert Hall, who engineered the corporation's Titan I and II missiles, served on the college's Board of Trustees for more than 15 years, as did retired Martin Marietta president Laurence J. Adams who is currently an honorary trustee. The college recognized Adams's contributions with the creation of the Laurence J. Adams Distinguished Chair in Special Education in 1992.

Current WMC trustee Frank H. Menaker Jr., senior vice president and general counsel of Lockheed Martin Corporation, is currently a WMC parent, and Lockheed Martin president Norman Augustine was given an honorary doctorate by WMC in 1990 while he was serving as chairman and CEO of Martin Marietta. •

A groundbreaking ceremony for the new Science Center will be held April 18 at 6 p.m. All are welcome.

GENEROSITY STEMS FROM DEEP CAMPUS ROOTS

Betty Marshall is a perennial campus presence. Elegant and always smiling, she is as committed to attending concerts, lectures and art openings as she is trustee meetings.

Her reviews at the popular Books Sandwiched In program move fellow readers to both belly laughter and tears. And as a trustee serving on the board's Buildings and Grounds committee, her appreciation for the campus itself is in full bloom: No one speaks more passionately in favor of planting trees, evergreens, and naturalizing flowers to further beautify the Hill.

Betty's connection to WMC took root in 1943 when her husband Tom joined the English department teaching in the Army Specialized Training Program on campus.

They rented a home near the campus on Ridge road where many colleagues lived and students were always welcomed. The college became their life.

"People were very friendly, and you knew everybody. Although the salaries were very low, we didn't feel deprived," she recalls.

In short measure, Betty too found herself in the classroom. The officer-training curriculum required a course in mechanical drawing and her educational background in landscape architecture made her a perfect draft pick; an assignment that continued for a dozen years after the war.

"I never tell anyone that I was a teacher because I only did it because no one else knew how to and I was here," she says, revealing the humility that has become her hallmark.

The Marshalls took active roles in campus life, enjoying its many cultural opportunities, and volunteered in the Carroll County community.

"It's a good thing that I married Tom," Betty says. "I didn't have a liberal arts education. I've been getting it ever since I've been here."

In 1955, Tom accepted the opportunity to become chairperson of English department at Kent State and the Marshalls moved to

Ohio. For the next 17 years, he headed up a department whose English professors numbered more than the entire WMC faculty.

"It certainly widened our world [at Kent State]." A Smith-Mundt grant afforded them a year in Mexico City where Tom taught at the university there and Betty tried to speak Spanish and toured around with her husband giving slide-lectures about American culture.

But when it came time to retire, the Marshalls looked to the rolling hills of Carroll County.

"I'm a country girl. I've always loved the garden from the day I was born. Both of my grandfathers were farmers and I'm passionate about gardening," says Betty.

So when a nurseryman offered to sell the Marshalls some land in Upperco near their good friends, Milton and Kathleen Raver, they bought the 18 acres and Betty set upon designing her dream home and garden. The single-story contemporary home stretches along the property's highest point and its

bank of rear windows showcases the rolling countryside beyond the farm fields, giving the sense of being outside.

Despite the loss of her dear husband Tom in 1991, Betty still feels quite at home there and it's only a short drive to the college she loves. She donated Tom's collection of theater books to WMC and established an endowed library fund. She also contributed to the Defining Moment Campaign and, just like dependable daffodils, makes a gift every year to the Annual Fund.

"Everybody on the Hill is so good to me. I love everything that goes on there. It fulfills my life," says Betty, explaining her generosity. "I laugh because if you make a contribution to the college you get this little slip of paper to show the IRS that you have received no substantial benefit. I say to Dick Seaman [vice president of institutional advancement], 'You don't count all that I've received from Western Maryland. It's tremendous.'"

What Betty values most about WMC are its people. "The graduates are the good thing ... I think that's the test of this school. And you name them: Bill Dulany, Woody Preston, Alleck Resnick and others. They're wonderful people. They're generally high-minded and involved in community service. You can just list them by the dozen and all the things they do."

"Tom and I both thought that we should put our money where it would do some good. It's a well run place and they are careful economically [speaking]."



C. KURT HOLTER

When she's not on campus, Betty Marshall spends time at home with her buddy Beauf.

News

From Alumni

Green Terror Greats Win Fame

A WMC coach who also umpired in a World Series and major league All-Star Game and the college's career baseball leader in home runs are among six Green Terror greats who were inducted into Western Maryland's Sports Hall of Fame Nov. 16.

The late **James Boyer**, who split two spring seasons between being the Western Maryland baseball coach and a major-league umpire, and former Green Terror slugger **Scott Joyner of Round Rock, Texas**, join **Wayne Birely of Bel Air, Md.**, **Kathy Lane Showvaker of Gettysburg, Pa.**, **Thomas Tereshinski of Galesville, Md.**, and **Richard Yobst of Salisbury, Md.**, in the Hall's Class of 1996.

With the six new inductees, who comprise the 19th class to be enshrined since the chartering in 1978, the Sports Hall of Fame membership increases to 115.

Boyer coached the Western Maryland baseball team from 1950 through 1956. For the first two seasons, he turned the coaching duties over to co-coach **Julian Dyke** in early April to assume his job as an American League umpire. Boyer retired from the umpire ranks in 1951 after a nine-year career, which featured working in the 1947 All-Star Game and 1948 World Series.

A graduate of City College High School in Baltimore, Boyer also worked as an athletic trainer. He served in both roles at St. Paul's School for



KUNSELL DOBBERER

Boys in Brooklandville, Md., prior to his term at Western Maryland, and was the College's trainer until his death in 1959 at the age of 52.

Several Western Maryland alumni established a memorial fund in honor of Boyer shortly after his passing. The Jim Boyer Memorial Award is presented each year to the Green Terror baseball student-athlete who best emulates Boyer's qualities of loyalty to Western Maryland, commitment to athletic and academic excellence, and genuine care for others.

Joyner was a four-year standout for both the Western Maryland men's soccer and baseball squads. As an outfielder and pitcher, he remains the school's career leader in home runs with 14, and is second in earned-run average with a 2.14 mark. Joyner, who had a .309 career batting average, was the 1966 Jim Boyer Memorial Award recipient.

Joyner was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Small College All-South Region team as a freshman, and topped the Green Terror in scoring all four years. Just prior to his graduation from Western Maryland, Joyner was drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates. He played in the Pirates organization in 1966, but then began his active duty in the U.S. Army in October of that year. His duty, which included service in Vietnam and the presentation of the Bronze Star, concluded late in 1968.

Birely was an outstanding goalie for the Western Maryland men's lacrosse team from 1976 through 1979. He was the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) Most Valuable Player and All-MAC first-team goalie in 1978 and 1979, as Western Maryland won the conference title both years. He also earned All-MAC first-team honors in 1976 and second-team recognition in 1977.

Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies, November 16, 1996

Seated: **Kathy Lane Showvaker '77**, **MED '79**; **Thomas J. Tereshinski Sr. '44**. Standing (l-r): **W. Scott Joyner '66**, **Wayne R. Birely '79**, **Richard "Dick" Yobst '63**. Not pictured: **Beverly Boyer Morgan**, **James Boyer Jr.** and **Warren Boyer** accepted the posthumous award for their father **James E. Boyer Sr.**, coach 1950-56 and trainer 1935-59.

In his career, Birely made 551 saves, good for third place in school history. He is second in save percentage with a mark of .646. The inductee's involvement with lacrosse has gone far beyond his time at Western Maryland. Birely played for the Baltimore and Mount Washington Lacrosse Clubs in the early 1980s, and coached the Hampshire club for two years. He also coached the junior varsity football, basketball and lacrosse teams at Boys' Latin from 1981 through 1985, founded the Boys' Latin Goalie Clinic and remained its director for over 10 years. Birely has volunteered as a lacrosse coach for the Bel Air Recreation Council for more than five years, and also has been involved with the Council's soccer and basketball programs.

Showvaker was the 1977 winner of the Western Maryland Women's Alumnae Athletic Award, given to the most outstanding senior female athlete. She was a co-captain for both the volleyball and women's basketball teams in her final season, and earned the women's basketball Most Valuable Player honor.

In the first year after her graduation from Western

Charles Phillips, pictured with Provost Joan Develin Coley (left) and Assistant Professor of Education Mona Kerby, developed a course to help high school students navigate the Internet.



KUNSELL/INTELLIGENT

Maryland, Showvaker was an assistant volleyball and women's basketball coach for the Green Terror and went on to earn a master's degree from Western Maryland in 1979. The next year, she began coaching at Gettysburg Junior and Senior high schools in field hockey, volleyball and girls' basketball, and continued through 1981.

Showvaker was a physical education teacher at three private schools in southern Pennsylvania from 1979 through 1988. She also has served as an adjunct health and physical education instructor at Harrisburg Area Community College, and as a recreation director with the Gettysburg Area Recreation Department.

Tereshinski both played and coached football and baseball for Western Maryland in the 1940s, and has remained active with the College ever since. Tereshinski played both offense and defense for the Green Terror gridiron unit, and served as a catcher in baseball. He was named to the 1942 All-Maryland baseball squad as the second-team catcher.

Tereshinski left Western Maryland following his junior year to serve in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was severely wounded early in 1945, and spent nearly three years in hospitals. With his playing career ended due to his injuries, Tereshinski stayed involved in athletics as an assistant football coach and head baseball coach for two years when he returned to Western Maryland.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in 1949, Tereshinski began a teaching career which lasted for 28 years in Anne

Arundel County, Maryland. He re-entered the coaching field in 1961 as an assistant football coach at Southern High School, became the team's head coach two years later, and spent 11 years in the position. He was recognized in 1994 with WMC's Meritorious Service Award.

Yobst had a stellar career as a Green Terror football and baseball player, lettering in both sports for all four seasons and acting as captain of both teams as a senior. His all-star honors after the 1962 football season included All-Middle Atlantic Conference, All-Mason Dixon Conference and All-Maryland.

He compiled a 26-11-1 record as the head football coach and guided James M. Bennett High School in Salisbury, Md. to the 1968 Bayside Conference championship. In 1969, Yobst moved into the college ranks without changing locales by joining the staff of Salisbury State University. He was head coach of the football team for the first seven years of the program's existence from 1972 through 1979, with a record of 39-25-1. Yobst currently is Director of Administrative Services at Salisbury State.

Over the past 25 years, Yobst has coached many youth-age football teams in Salisbury. He also has done extensive volunteer work for the Salvation Army and Habitat for Humanity, including serving as president of Habitat's Maryland Lower Shore chapter. •

Library Media Specialist Nets Bailer Award

Charles Phillips of Frederick, a library media specialist and computer network supervisor at Brunswick High School, is the 1996 winner of the Joseph R. Bailer Award. The prestigious award, named for one of the college's most highly respected career educators, is presented each year to a WMC master's degree recipient who has made a significant contribution to the field of education.

Phillips earned his master's degree from Western Maryland College in 1985 and now teaches part-time in WMC's media library science program.

"I look at that plaque every day so I can make sure that I

live up to what it stands for," he said. "I've seen a list of the past winners and it is a pretty impressive list of educators. I'm really proud to be considered in the same class."

Phillips was selected for his dedication to helping students and teachers understand today's available technology. Each year he also takes on two or three students for instruction in more advanced computer and technology courses, including a course he developed to help high school students use the Internet for education and research.

Prior to coming to Brunswick, Phillips taught seventh-and-eighth-grade world history and cultural geography in the Frederick County Public Schools. He also taught in Prince George's County Public Schools.

Phillips, who earned his

SEND IN THE TROOPS

To all WMC alumni veterans, WMC-ROTC alumni and WMC alumni currently active in the Armed Forces:

You may be interested in attending the first-ever **WMC Alumni Military Reunion** scheduled for **Saturday, October 4, 1997**.

Please identify yourself and the years you were connected with military service and/or ROTC training by using one of the communications listed below. The Alumni Office can send you pertinent details for the Military Reunion.

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bachelor's degree from Frostburg State University in 1976, won Frederick County's Meritorious Service Award in 1985 and also has served as chair of the county's technology advisory committee. He is a member of the Maryland Educational Media Organization, the American Association of School Librarians, the Association of Educational Communications and Technology, and the Maryland Instructional Computer Coordinator Association.

The Joseph R. Bailer Award was established by his family to honor his educational career as chairman of the WMC education department and director of the graduate program from 1949-1971. The award rotates among the college's various certificate programs. Phillips was also named Computer Educator of the Year by the Maryland Instructional Computer Coordinators Association. •

Clementine Peterson Was Devoted to the Arts, Education

Clementine L. Peterson, WMC trustee emerita and Baltimore philanthropist, died Sept. 13 at the age of 102.

"Clemmie," as she was affectionately known, once reflected on her remarkable and long life in a *Hill* article: "I've always enjoyed the best where I have been and have had many, many friends at all places," she said.

Indeed, she counted among her friends scores at Western Maryland, in Baltimore and

throughout the state. She and her husband, the late Duane L. Peterson, who co-founded the international business service firm PHH Corporation, were well known for their commitment to civic philanthropy. Over the years, Clemmie was also active in various arts groups, including the Peabody Conservatory and the Baltimore Opera Company. She was a founder of the Baltimore Choral Arts Society.

The Petersons were devoted to higher education, as well. Along with WMC's fifth president, Lowell Ensor, Mr. Peterson founded the Independent College Fund of Maryland in 1953. Since his death in 1962, Clemmie carried on the good work they started together.

In 1969, Clemmie became a member of the Western Maryland Board of Trustees. She was awarded an honorary doctor of humanities degree in 1975 and in 1980 she became a trustee emerita. She has been exceptionally supportive of WMC's educational mission. For more than 23 years she underwrote the Duane L. Peterson Memorial Scholarship and gave substantial gifts toward major capital improvements on campus.

In 1993, she provided Western Maryland with the largest, single outright gift in its history—\$1 million for the much-needed renovation and restoration of the Fine Arts building. In April 1995, the state-of-the-art structure was renamed the Clementine and Duane L. Peterson Fine Arts Building. •

Carpe Diem!

I believe in Western Maryland College! I trust you do, too! I believe Western Maryland should have the loyalty and support of every graduate. It is the liberal arts college that provided the very foundation for our professional pursuits.

Treasured memories continue to flow back to each of us. Many of our closest friendships developed during those years. Time and again, our spouses were also students at Western Maryland. We fondly remember the faculty who helped mold us, many of whom are no longer here. We reflect on our classes, our classmates, the dorm life, sports on the Hill, the dining hall, and yes even the pranks we played. Now, many of our children follow in our footsteps, pranks and all.

We should all return to the campus from time to time, especially for Homecoming and Alumni Weekend. In addition, there are many cultural and educational events throughout the year designed especially for the alumni. Nor should we overlook the numerous chapter events planned for us wherever we live.

We are in effect a "family," separated perhaps by time and space but continue to have a substantial "common bond." The greater our involvement in alumni affairs, the stronger our college ties. Our interest grows measurably as a result. Our concern now is for the future generations at WMC. The "Defining Moment: Campaign for Western Maryland College" addresses this in a truly magnificent way.

Some say the Defining Moment occurred when the idea was first conceived. Others will say the Defining Moment was the launch itself on September 28, 1996. Some will say the Defining Moment is right now and is being lived each and every moment of every day. Still others will say the Defining Moment is but a foretaste of every tomorrow. I strongly suspect it is each of these and more. In reality it depends upon our individual interpretation and participation.

The point is, the Defining Moment is the effort to maximize every available potential for this institution we know and love. The challenge is ours right now. Western Maryland College counts on our participation. The next Millennium depends upon us. Let's grasp the opportunity and help build for every tomorrow.



*Fred P. Eckhardt '48
Alumni Association President*

In Memoriam

Mrs. Isabella Miller Morris '13, of Decatur, Ga., on November 7, 1996.

Mrs. Margaret Bell Sloan '14, of Lonaconing, Md., on August 24, 1996.

Miss Charlotte R. Kindley '19, of Seaford, Del., on August 14, 1996.

Mrs. Carey Knauff Sentz '25, of Baltimore, Md., on September 14, 1996.

Mr. Willard L. Hawkins '26, of New Windsor, Md., on November 23, 1996.

Mrs. Ruth Jones Shipley '26, of Baltimore, Md., on July 22, 1996.

Mr. W. Henry Phillips '27, of Crawfordsville, Ind., on December 7, 1996.

Mr. John F. Wooden, Jr. '27, of Westminster, Md., on December 9, 1996.

Mrs. Susan Bromley Powell '29, of Berlin, Md., on July 19, 1996.

Rev. Francis A. Belote '30, of Norwalk, Iowa, on January 24, 1996.

Mr. William Hobbs, Jr. '30, of Lancaster, Pa., on October 19, 1996.

Mrs. Matilda Thompson Pugsley '30, of Towson, Md., on October 22, 1996.

Miss Cornelia C. Kroh '31, of Westminster, Md., on August 8, 1996.

Mrs. Evelyn Collison Mackenzie '31, of Baltimore, Md., on October 28, 1996.

Mrs. Margaret Fontaine Baugher '32, of Princess Anne, Md., on October 25, 1996.

Mrs. Eva Draper Black '32, of Funkstown, Md., on November 21, 1996.

Mr. William L. Roberts '33, of Westminster, Md., on May 16, 1996.

Mrs. Muriel Waltz Kable '36, of Westminster, Md., on December 18, 1996.

Miss Cora Virginia Perry '36, of Westminster, Md., on January 3, 1997.

Mrs. Jessie Morris Reeves '36, of Spring Hill, Fla., on August 12, 1996.

Mr. Charles D. Birch '37, of Whitehall, Md., on August 16, 1996.

Col. Wesley J. Simmons '38, of Morgantown, W.Va., on November 23, 1996.

Mr. Frank C. Sherrard Sr. '39, of Rising Sun, Md., on August 15, 1996.

Miss Lucella B. Snoeyenbos '39, of Baldwin, Wisc., on May 17, 1993.

Mr. Lawrence E. Strow '39, of Baltimore, Md., on September 17, 1996.

Mrs. Elizabeth Crisp Rechner '39, of Arnold, Md., on December 4, 1996.

Dr. Charles W. Trader '39, of Pocomoke City, Md., on August 16, 1996.

Miss Anona Brechany '40, of Cumberland, Md., on June 25, 1996.

Mrs. Sally Ingram Geoghegan '40, of Rockville, Md., on December 10, 1996.

Mrs. Phyllis Walbert Logan '40, of Salisbury, Md., on July 19, 1996.

Mrs. Constance McKinley Pfisterer '40, of Cambridge, Md., on July 12, 1996.

Mr. Arnold N. Fleagle '41, of Frederick, Md., on September 5, 1996.

Mr. John W. Ryan, Jr. '41, of Asheville, N.C., on September 25, 1985.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Stropp '41, of Clearwater, Fla., on September 11, 1996.

Mr. Robert L. Walters '41, of Plymouth, Mass., on September 16, 1996.

Mr. Addison J. Beane, Jr. '42, of Belgium, on May 28, 1976.

Mrs. Virginia Schwarz Campbell '44, of Santa Maria, Calif., on July 2, 1996.

Mrs. Ann Ott McDermott '44, of Fort Pierce, Fla., on September 10, 1996.

Mr. Alvin H. Walker '45, of Westminster, Md., on December 16, 1996.

Mr. Charles G. Brooks III '47, of Little Rock, Ark., date unknown.

Mr. Charles H. Chlad '47, of Parkton, Md., on October 14, 1996.

Mr. William A. Finck '48, of La Habra, Calif., on December 7, 1996.

Mrs. Catharine Frountler Viehman '48, of Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 14, 1996.

Mr. John W. "Bill" Kern, Sr. '50, of Westminster, Md., on October 27, 1996.

Mr. Richard C. Randall, Jr. '50, of Kennett Square, Pa., on November 7, 1996.

Mr. August A. Prassina '50, of Baltimore, Md., on March 11, 1990.

Dr. Kendrick M. McCall '51, of Palmyra, Pa., on September 27, 1996.

Mrs. Jean curl Merritt '52, of Baltimore, Md., on September 24, 1996.

1st Lt. Ellis F. Cline '55 ('56), of Mr. Airy, Md., on January 28, 1960.

Mrs. E. Louise Lippy McMahan MED'56, of Frederick, Md., on July 18, 1996.

Mr. Richard D. Davidson '58, of Cornwall, Pa., on January 18, 1996.

Mr. Angelos J. Bacas '62, of Potomac, Md., on July 26, 1996.

Mr. Elmer H. Cook, Jr., completed courses in the graduate program 1972, of Baltimore, Md., on September 8, 1996.

Miss Phyllis T. Krumrine MED'75, of Hanover, Pa., on November 2, 1996.

Mrs. Clementine L. Peterson, trustee emerita and honorary doctor of humanities 1975, of Baltimore, Md., on September 13, 1996.

Dr. Ernest L. Boyer, honorary doctor of letters 1981, of Washington, D.C., on December 8, 1995.

Dr. John V. Atanasoff, honorary doctor of letters 1984, of Monrovia, Md., on June 15, 1995.

Mr. Darryl L. Smith MS'90, of Waynesboro, Pa., on August 22, 1996.

Mrs. Alice Hendren, spouse of deceased faculty, of Cheyenne, Wyo., on July 20, 1996.

Mrs. Joseph C. Willen, spouse of deceased faculty, of Shoreham, N.Y., on January 1, 1996.

Marriages

Chris Kane '91 to Jill Evans '92 in June 1995. They reside in Catonsville, Md.

Lori Wieder '90 to Dave Housley in June 1995. They reside in Wheaton, Md.

Diana Truscott '91 to Christopher McCormack on August 19, 1995. They reside in Medford Lakes, N.J.

Laura Taylor '90 to Scott Roche in October 1995. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Tracy Holter '90 to Michael Zirfas on December 16, 1995. They reside in Springfield, Va.

Jennifer Keilholtz '95 to Bradley Stickler '93 on May 4, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Stacey Baker '95 to Brent Whalen on July 6, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Christian Conklin '92 to Susan Head '94 on July 13, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Amy Hess '95 to Daniel Landry on July 13, 1996. They reside in Carroll County, Md.

Gina Riley '92 to David Buchta on July 18, 1996. They reside in Hunt Valley, Md.

Brenda Lee Christensen '93 to Brian Musselman on July 20, 1996. They reside in Libertytown, Md.

Paula Anne Moyer '95 to Jeffrey Alsaucaks on July 20, 1996. They reside in Sykesville, Md.

Caroline Babylon '76 to Kevin Dayhoff on August 31, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Melissa Smith Waggoner '72 to Leo J. Barnes, on September 7, 1996. They reside in Littlestown, Pa.

William Fanning '69, MED'76 to Elena Kapheim MS'94, on September 14, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Lynn March '66 to John McDough in September 1996. They reside in Somerville, N.J.

Lynn Klingensmith '90 to Rodney Williams, Jr. '91 on October 26, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Births

Lukas Britton, on April 14, 1995, to Timothy MS'95 and Joanna Britton.

Seth Thomas Benefield, on April 25, 1995, to Thomas and Lisa Schluter MS'95 Benefield.

Casie Elizabeth Hensley, on April 29, 1995, to Brian Walsh and Laura Hensley '91.

Evan Robert Johnson, on May 21, 1995, to Mark and Julie Mullen '75 Johnson.

Aaron Victor Kebler, on June 20, 1995, to John '81 and Sandra Limbaugh Kebler.

Madeline Bodden, on June 27, 1995, to Keith '87 and Amanda Wanamaker '88 Bodden.

Alexandra Marie Herring, in August 1995, to Ben and Bridget Biggs '85 Herring.

Sarah Elizabeth Schroeder, on October 28, 1995, to David '79 and Kate Schroeder.

James "Jake" Jakub, Jr., on November 20, 1995, to James '91 and Trish Jakub.

Bryce Paul Trezise, on December 22, 1995, to Kevin '83 and Rene Trezise.

Nicole Evangeline Konkeld, on January 9, 1996, to Christopher and Sylvia Hadermann '91 Konkeld.

Mauricio Rojas King, on January 29, 1996, to Bertali Rojas and Jane King '85.

Alexis Christine Bahn, on February 20, 1996, to Christian and Mary-Martha Peel '88 Bahn.

Gavin William Cahill, in February 1996, to Daniel and Melissa Rencham '85 Cahill.

Jayne Schultheis, in February 1996, to Tom MED'80 and Connie Mayer '80 Schultheis.

Cassey Lee Gruber, on March 9, 1996, to Richard '88 and Stacey Pucci '87 Gruber.

Marta Catalina Villafania, in March 1996, to Luis and Mary Jo Coyle '80 Villafania.

John David Wahrhaftig, on April 13, 1996, to Dave '80 and Sue Wahrhaftig.

Mackenzie Lee Brown, on April 19, 1996, to Mark and Terri Scarborough '85 Brown.

Lindsay Hughes, on April 19, 1996, to Brian and Kim Groover '85 Hughes.

Kayla Anne Hess, on April 25, 1996, to Jamie '88 and Cindy Robey '87 Hess.

Gage DeMore Bolesla, on May 15, 1996, to Bob and Ferren DeMore '87 Bolesla.

Gunnar Christian Anresen, on May 26, 1996, to Rolf '88 and Lisa Brown '90 Anresen.

Elise Marie Jozwiak, on May 27, 1996, to Thomas and Mary Beth Hoffman MS'92 Jozwiak.

Anne Kimmel Kozak, on June 3, 1996, to Matt '85 and Kim Sturm '87 Kozak.

Camarayn Leigh Kerns, on June 13, 1996, to Sam '88 and Tracy McHale '85 Kerns.

Kaylee Anne Wead, on June 14, 1996, to Scott and Laura Lokerson MS'90 Wead.

Emma Wheatley, in June 1996, to Charles '80 and Kim Reeves '82 Wheatley.

Shawn Harris Carter, on July 4, 1996, to Mark '86 and Nancy Hutchinson '86 Carter.

Mathew Cullen Boler, on July 12, 1996, to Phil '85 and Sarah Burton '86 Boler.

Alexandra Hailey Manger, on July 22, 1996, to Wes '87 and Alison Manger.

Christopher Michael Lambert, on July 23, 1996, to Ronald and Karen Rex '87 Lambert.

Haley Anne Staub, on August 6, 1996, to Todd '88 and Beth Staub.

Gillian Christina Schaber, on August 8, 1996, to Christopher '89 and Cathleen Frantzen '90 Schaber.

Jeremy Sebastian Goettec, on August 9, 1996, to Jeffrey '84 and Consuetta Goettec.

Kaytlee Nicole Meskis, on August 9, 1996, to Russell Meskis '92 and Angie Zepp.

Brian Patrick Graham, on August 23, 1996, to Richard and Nora Kane '86 Graham.

Donald Austin Lilly, on August 24, 1996, to Donald '86 and Diane Hernandez '85 Lilly.

Samantha Grace Alvey, on August 31, 1996, to Alan '85 and Sandra Beant '87 Alvey.

Toric Dean Benefield, on September 2, 1996, to Thomas and Lisa Schluter '95 Benefield.

Mark Andrew Guyton, on September 4, 1996, to Darrell '87 and Kris Twiford '88 Guyton.

Jennifer Lorraine Cook, on October 1, 1996, to Tom and Becky Bankert '84 Cook.

David Ferdinand Milching, on October 2, 1996, to David '92 and Gretchen Onnen '85 Milching.

Jennifer Lynn Christhill, on October 20, 1996, to David '67 and Ellen Christhill.

Myles Alexander Lee Collins, on November 4, 1996, to Marlon and Tammy Norwood '91 Collins.

Julia Claire Tolin, on December 5, 1996, to Gary '86 and Cindy Tolin.

Master's News

Peter McDowell Med'66, of Westminster, retired as Director of Second-Order Schools in Carroll County. He was director since 1987 and principal of Westminster High School for 10 years before that.

Al Thomas Med'68 has been appointed to the WMC football staff as an assistant coach. He comes to WMC after two years at Cambridge (Md.) South Dorchester High School, where he was an assistant coach and assistant principal.

Steve Med'75 and Beverly Lupanaca Med'78, MS'94 Kerkam opened the Wood's Gain Bed and Breakfast in Linwood, Md. two years ago. Both still work full-time: Beverly with Carroll County Board of Education's career counseling department and Steve is a manager for Bell Atlantic.

Anne Rutter's Acker Med'80 has been appointed as director of the YWCA of Hanover Safe Home Program.

Terri Gehrke-Winn Med'82 of Frederick, Md., has been appointed Director of Academic Affairs for Training and Education Services, Sylvan Learning Centers.

Monica Butler-Lewis Med'85, who teaches health to deaf high school students, was named New Jersey's Teacher of the Year. It marked the first time a teacher of the deaf has won the award.

Congratulations to Charles Phillips Med'85, of Frederick, Md., on receiving the Joseph R. Bailor Award at WMC. This award is presented each year to a WMC master's degree recipient who has made a significant contribution to the field of education. He is a library media specialist and computer network supervisor at Brunswick High School and teaches part-time in WMC's media library science program.

Class Notes

30 Octogenarians are sometimes perceived as having a mentality matching that of a slowed-down mobility. It was, therefore, encouraging to read in *The New York Times* the observation of Robert Smith, who tours with a lecture and study series called "Shakespeare with Bob." When asked to present his program to a group of senior citizens, he feared that persons of that age could be neither interested in nor able to understand his material. Mr. Smith found that this was an enthusiastic group who asked relevant questions and offered intelligent comments. So they read, they listened. Look upon these as advancing, not declining years.

Class president Harry Ott Smith, is known to us as "H.O.," but in his Frederick County area of Walkersville, Md. everyone calls him Harry O. Due to his advocacy of youth sports, a county-wide baseball competition for boys under 10 years old is called the "Harry O. Tournament." H.O. is a member of the Frederick County Sports Hall of Fame and is also honored by membership in the Retired Teachers of Maryland's Hall of Fame in Baltimore. H.O. and Marjorie continue to be active in church and civic affairs in Walkersville.

It is good to learn that Virginia Scrivener Meade and Roland continue to play golf and bridge and travel to favorite places near and far. In November 1996 they plan to take a Panama Canal Cruise which includes three days in Acapulco, Mexico before they return home by plane. Eleven great-grandchildren make family get-togethers great fun.

Elizabeth Clough Kain was joined in June 1996 at her Boca Raton, Fla. home by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Beth and Larry Davis, for a trip by Amtrak to El Paso, Texas where they visited Libby's sister for two weeks. When they returned, Libby spent relaxing summer days at the Davis' home in Egg Harbor City, N.J.

Mary Webber Browning Engle planned autumn trips to Nantucket, Maine and Hilton Head, S.C. Her family are all well and happy.

Frances Ward Ayton rejoices that she can continue to live independently in her high rise apartment in Center Square Towers, Doylestown, Pa. She has a balcony with a wide view of this beautiful Bucks County area. Here she has a collection of pots full of flowers and thriving plants. Two of her four children live nearby. The other two are in Rhode Island and stay in close touch. Friends, books and Bible study fill her days with happiness. Frances treasures memories of her Christian missionary career shared with her husband in China and Taiwan.

Margaret Leonard Leach and Frances were roommates during all four of their years at WMC. Margaret now lives serenely at Shipley Manor in Wilmington, Del. Margaret feels fortunate that her daughter with family of

four children lives close enough for frequent visits.

Gloria Thornburgh Evans has taken part in just about every church activity, including singing in the choir. She began this at WMC as a member of the Baker Chapel Choir. Gloria and some other members of her church choir have formed a catering group that handles not only church dinners but also repasts for other groups such as the Lions Club. Gloria has an office in her home from which she runs a business of preparing taxes for clients. Keeping busy helps her forget about arthritis. Her family has grown from five children to 17 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Some live in California, North Carolina and Texas, but most live fairly close to Gloria's home in Ocean View, Del.

Calvin Warner enjoys caring for his garden with roses and other flowers inside a white picket fence. Calvin sends greetings to WMC classmates.

"Sincere good wishes" come from Catherine Read Hall. She looks forward to receiving *The Hill* and keeping up to date on campus activities. During her years at WMC, Catherine was a leader in just about everything, including grade point averages.

Edna Nordwall Bowman and four of her sisters spent several days in June 1996 at one sister's home in Lewes, Del. They were joined by a nephew on vacation from his position as official United States government attaché to armed forces in Finland. Visits to their daughter in Arizona and to two great-grandchildren in Colorado were on "Nurdy's" late summer agenda. A granddaughter and her 8-year-old son are living with "Nurdy" in her home in Hanover, Pa.

Although Lucille Charles Fiery uses a wheelchair, her basic health remains good. She enjoys puzzles and games, especially bingo.

Amanda Bell Phillips is glad to be living in Hilltop Home, Williamsport, Md., the area where she and her sister, who lives nearby, grew up. "Mandy" appreciates the availability of concerts, dinner theater, and organ recitals. During all four of her years at WMC, Amanda sang in the Baker Chapel Choir.

A telephone call to Marianne Engle Browning found her all dressed up and waiting to be taken to a dinner celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Frederick, Md. Homeowners Club, of which she has been a longtime member and past president. She is well satisfied with living in the Homewood Retirement Center located in what was formerly the elegant Francis Scott Key Hotel in Frederick.

Latimer Watkins spends much time caring for the flower beds and bushes that beautify the landscape around his home on Honeysuckle Drive in Damascus, Md. He is pleased that his driver's license has been renewed up to the year 2000. In his

many years of driving, Latimer has never been involved in an accident. He attends many travelogues, plays and concerts and enjoys playing his own recordings, especially of band music. At WMC Latimer sang second tenor in the College Choir and The Jesters Glee Club and played clarinet in the ROTC Band. Latimer is pleased that a grand-nephew was accepted for entrance at the United States Naval Academy.

In 1930, Dorothy Holliday Graham began teaching at Wicomico Senior High School in Salisbury, Md. From 1954 until her retirement in 1972 she was assistant principal. She was also a member of the Wicomico Board of Education. She used free time to serve as a volunteer receptionist at the registration desk of the Peninsula Medical Center in Salisbury. At her church Doris is chairman of the flower committee. In 1980, Dot had the inspirational experience of seeing the Passion Play at scenic Oberammergau, Germany. Other travels have included a circle tour of Europe and trips to Alaska and Hawaii. Dot plays bridge with a group that includes Virginia Holland Nicoll '29. Dorothy's husband died in 1968 after 28 years of marriage.

Grace Armstrong Sherwood appreciated the help and companionship of her younger son who lives with her in Dorset, England. They enjoy visits from Grace's daughter and older son, who live in London.

Time is taking its toll on our class members.

On August 12, 1995 Albert M. Reed died in Naples, Fla. He had been employed by the Social Security Administration. Albert was on active duty during World War II and the Korean War. He was an Army Reserve Major. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, the former Madonna Linsler, three sons and six grandchildren.

The Reverend Francis A. Beloit died on January 24, 1996 in Iowa. After graduation from the McCormick Presbyterian Seminary in Chicago, Francis served as a minister to Presbyterian churches in the Midwest. He is survived by three daughters, one son and 10 grandchildren.

The death of Thomas D. Braun occurred on January 31, 1996 in Seminole, Fla. Tom and his wife, the former Ruth Schlinke '28 did much traveling, often with trailer. Tom was on our reunion planning committee. Ruth and son survive.

Ann Raughley Ewing died on February 16, 1996. She had a life career as a high school teacher in Delaware. She is survived by a sister Frances Raughley Roberts of Rosedale, Md.

Charles Lee Bowers, Sr. died on April 18, 1996. He had a life career as a systems and cost accountant in Washington, D.C. Five children survive.

On May 16, 1996 Charles W. Havens died at Asbury Methodist Village in Gathersburg, Md. Besides being a renowned athletic coach at WMC, Charles taught and coached at several schools in Carroll County, Md. He was active in many community

groups in Westminster, including the volunteer firemen, the Red Cross, the Rotary Club and the Methodist church. During World War II he served as intelligence officer with the Army Air Corps in England. Two sons and two grandsons survive.

Our condolences have been sent to the families.

Figure skating is a major sport for my two youngest granddaughters, 13 and 9. They have won medals in competitions. The local newspaper carried an article about them and showed a picture of them practicing at the ice rink. Living in their home has added new words to my vocabulary such as axle, lutz, toe-loop, spiral, waltz jump, layback spin, sit spin and salchow. I now have five great-granddaughters. As of November 1996, the oldest is 3, the youngest one month, with a set of twins and a single in-between.

I thank all of you who sent news for this column.

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33 1996—As I write the University of Rhode Island campus has been plagued with problems resulting in a game forfeit and 31 players (football) suspended. It is a real blow to alumni and friends of the university.

My news of the 1933 class begins with **Toivo Puro** and Mae who now live in Arkansas. Toivo will hand over his treasurer's job for Retired Federal Employees in December—a job well done. The Puro's son, Steve, is in charge of tourism in Kane County, Utah. Toivo ends his news with, "See you in '98. I wonder how many of us will be there!"

Helen Doenges Engle is enjoying her retirement and has attended many of her students' class reunions. Helen is also busy with church work and crafts. Helen's account of nature and wildlife on the river is similar to what we see here in Rhode Island, Canadian geese, egrets a fox or two.

Last week **Hal Kopp** hit a deer, or vice versa. Since the deer had no insurance, he writes, his insurance is docked. They were without "wheels" for a week. Thank goodness for the freezer.

Had a call from **Joe Kleinman**. Since Joe and Hal are the surviving members of the '32 football team, they have a common bond. Joe and Betty are enjoying their family as well as getting in some golf.

Miriam Luckenbaugh Beard has limited vision (me too) but is thankful they can remain in their own home. Their freezer is well stocked with their summer harvest. A new granddaughter, Sophia, arrived in July.

Dot Billingsley Linzey writes poetry for her retirement home's paper and plans to write her biography. This will be fun Dot, it did a lot for "Koppe." It was good therapy. Good luck! Dot is very proud of son **Donald '61** who was one of 11 faculty members from Virginia colleges and universities to receive distin-

guished service awards from the Virginia Council of Higher Education. (See feature on Donald in this section.)

Miriam Fogle West and Howard live a quiet life in that historic, beautiful house. Summer was as usual, attending the summer theater at the Totem Pole in Chambersburg, Pa. Miriam also traveled to Virginia on a tour of Monticello and other points of historic places. The Wests attended their grandson's wedding in Charlottesville, Va. Miriam keeps in touch with **Polly Phillips Best** and **Mary Hobbs Phillips**. One event of interest was a day-hop reunion at the Harrison House on campus this summer.

Margaret Erb Mann has kept me "in the know" about WMC and I really appreciated "Squeak's" notes. She is currently involved in renovating her home as Jenny, her granddaughter, is coming to live with her, much to Squeak's delight. It will be good for both of them. Her granddaughter was married Feb. 24 so she has a new grandson (Jeff). Roxanna is in graduate school working for her master's in child psychology.

Sue Cockey Kiefer and **Dick '34** made their annual western trip to see their daughter's family, the grand and great-sons. This trip was followed by R and R at Balboa Island off California. Later a trip to Nebraska for a reunion of Dick's Duke 1937 law class. Back home to a trustees meeting at WMC regarding the annual fund drive. Sue also said she had no news, but I am inclined to think otherwise.

Kitty Merritt Bell has moved to Peace Dale, R.I. and is recuperating from a hip replacement and two hospital stays. She had just returned from a visit to a daughter in Texas. Later on this fall Kitty and another daughter Carolyn plan to motor to the Carolinas to see some friends and family.

Ezra Edmondson has had a rough time (heart surgery and pneumonia). Ezra is on the mend now. Hopefully you will feel better soon, Ezra.

From **Elmer Hassell** in Farmville, Va. comes an always encouraging note. Elmer has taken care of his plants for the winter, but as he says, "his pace is slower." Elmer advises us to check Ecclesiastes 12 for a special message. Elmer said he was probably the oldest "geezzer" in his Lion's Club—his words not mine. Elmer has a wonderful outlook on life and admonishes us to "keep the faith."

Ann Johnson Etzler spent some time with her cousin **Virginia Holland Nicoll** also seeing a nephew she had not seen for years. Ann's son Robert lives nearby and is a great comfort. A daughter lives near also. Family is so important. Ann's youngest son lives in Alabama on Lake Harding and Ann recently visited him and his family. Thank you Ann for those kind words.

Jack and Ellen Musselman celebrated their 25th anniversary on a Bermuda cruise with 15 family members including seven grandchildren. In August Jack and Ellen visited England to help friends celebrate their 50th anniversary.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO THE CLASS OF '27

On May 31, 1997 we have the chance to meet again and relive the precious memories of WMC. I know that many of us do not travel much anymore but if we try real hard it is not possible to find a relative or friend who can spare a few hours to bring us back for the luncheon even if it is impossible to stay for the banquet?

Donna Sellman, Director of Alumni Affairs, will be sending you detailed information at a later date but I wanted you to have more time to make plans. So put the date on your calendar now! Our next column in *The Hill* will be September 1997 so I will be sending your cards out in April. This issue will contain news about our reunion.

I am sure that like me you sometimes have difficulty in remembering what happened very recently. But I am also sure that many events which occurred in September 1923 are still vivid memories. I, being reared in Elkton, a small town on the Eastern Shore, recall my excitement upon taking the train to Baltimore, crossing the huge Pennsylvania Station, to board the Western Maryland train for Westminster as there was no bus service. It was my first such journey alone and I faced it with some trepidation. My trunk had already been sent by Express and I and my very large and heavy suitcase boarded the train which was filled with young persons, many of whom were excited at meeting old friends, and strangers like myself. Upon arriving at Westminster we all got off the train and not knowing where the College was I decided to follow the crowd. We had not been warned of "the Hill" and most of us baggage-laden freshmen staggered slower and slower toward the College. I had been assigned a room in Old Main and upon reaching the building and climbing up the steps was met by a proctor who showed me to my room. I have never forgotten my first view of the beautiful campus and the sun setting on the distant mountains. I never ceased to thrill at the change of seasons, particularly the spectacular winter snows. The dinner bell tolled and we went down to the basement to the dining room. The tables were set for ten and I and nine strangers were seated. I had been trained to always pass the food to the next person and take mine afterward. I quickly learned that was a mistake! Next morning after breakfast we were assigned numbers (by which we lived for four years) and attended Chapel in Smith Hall. Thus a four-year journey was underway which proved to be the most happy and exciting of my young life.

You all have similar memories. Get them out, dust them off and be prepared to share them with us either in person or by letter. There are just 15 of us now. How great it would be to see every one of you May 31. GIVE IT YOUR BEST SHOT! I'll be looking for you! '27 Forever.

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Jane Kriner reports she is ailing with arthritis. I hope you get some relief soon, Jane. So many people suffer from this illness.

I'd like to include a little true story, so bear with me! Two friends, WMC alumni, went to see the WMC-Getsburg game this fall. Getsburg won the game. As the men were leaving the stadium they vocalized their disappointment in some disparaging remarks. A passerby heard the remarks and said, "You are absolutely right, they don't play like you men did." The two men looked at each other in amazement. They were mystified as to whom this passerby was. Later on after discussing the incident with others, they concluded the passerby was indeed a noted faculty (WMC) member. Moral—don't be too vocal in public, you may be overheard.

Dan Rankin has done a lot of traveling, but lately has found it is more trouble than pleasure. Health problems are more numerous with us all, but one has to keep going.

Polly Phillips Best writes that she is thankful her daughter lives only 15 minutes away. Polly keeps busy with yard work and short trips and is, like so many of us, holding her own.

Well! Well! I am surprised and glad to hear from **Mary Hobbs Phillips**. So sorry you've had your share of illness. I know you enjoy your talks with Polly and Miriam. I am glad you have family and friends near you.

Mary Ellen Senat Dixon started the annual summer trek of 950 miles from Alabama to Ocean City, N.J., early in the summer. On the way to New Jersey, Mary El spent a few days with **Leah Moore Raver**, at her beautiful farm. While at Kathy's, **Sue Cockey Kiefer** invited **Miriam Fogle West**, Kathy and Mary El to her country club for lunch. Needless to say the conversation centered on and about the Class of '33. The Ocean City summer was shortened by a European tour in September. Mary El's daughter Lynn or "Mimi" was her traveling companion. Mimi is head librarian at the former Fort Ord Library and lives in Monterey County so those tours they take are important to both of them. The tour took them west to the Italian Riviera, south along the Adriatic Sea, then to the Mediterranean area and the Isle of Capri. They visited Rome and Florence and the Italian Alps section. Although the tour was delightful both women decided the scenery and Alps in Switzerland can't be equaled.

I was sorry to hear that **Gertrude Sherman Francis** is in Bear Creek Nursing Center. She is crippled by arthritis. She has not let this illness dampen her spirits and has a positive attitude which does a lot for her morale. Do hope you are feeling better soon, Gert.

Kathleen Moore Raver is learning to master the computer and sent a Halloween cartoon to confirm her learning. Good going, Kathy. The autumn foliage on the farm was beautiful. Kathy visited a prominent art gallery in Washington to view a Renoir exhibit. She sent me two copies of his works. Beautiful! Kathy keeps abreast

of WMC concerts and lectures, and did you know that WMC has students abroad from many countries with headquarters in Budapest, Hungary? (Check out the cover story in this issue.) Seventy-six are currently enrolled. Classes are in English, WMC really gets around. An interesting article pertaining to Carroll County alumni who majored in science was enclosed in Kathy's letter.

A last minute note from **Gladys Somers Tomassello** in Ogden, Utah, reported a 12-inch snowfall recently which made the skiers in Alto and Snowbird happy. Gladys still has her napkin ring, a non-used memento of WMC. She also remembers her scary first day of practice teaching.

We are as well as we can be at 84 and 87. Hope we have a good winter for everyone.

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35 My sincere thanks to the 26 classmates who returned messages to me, making my job much easier.

Did you remember that **Don Tachudy** was the first president of our class? He still takes pride in having had that privilege.

Dan Moore writes from California saying that aging process has put restrictions on their travels but hopes to be with us next year.

Charlie Moore from Denton says he's able "to get up, go to bed, eat three squares a day and hold Dolly's hand." For all of this he is thankful.

Lois Oren Hart enjoyed a May luncheon in Scotland, Ariz. where **Donna DuVal Sellman '45** told about the renovations and expansion of campus buildings. Her dear friend's grandson is enrolling at WMC—a good student and athlete.

Margaret Frederick Shank agrees that "age has compensations as she continues to enjoy friends, neighbors and church, as well as travel." She actively supports the younger leaders in her community who have been creating a working community organization. Good for you, Freddie!

Lucile Bell Jones lives a quiet life in Bel Air as her husband has been housebound the past two winters. She still enjoys bridge, but no longer drives at night—something many of us shy away from.

Frank Clarke and Grayson Fleming '37 have moved to Fairhaven Retirement Center in Skysville where they have a cottage and enjoy the activities there. They plan to resume their travels in the fall.

Carlton Brinsfield writes that he and June travel to see their scattered kids and keep busy with usual chores of snow plowing, grass mowing, etc. **Marcellene McClung Wharton** has lived in her home in Pylesville, Md. since 1950. Although a widow, she is very concerned for the life and education of her nephews and young friends.

Joe Lipsky from Columbia, S.C., is still enjoying golf. Had recent visit with the family of **Charlie Havens '30** and has been in touch with **John Blissman** who lost his wife last June.

Dottie Berry Tevis, our president, keeps busy with club meetings, bridge and family. She had a few days in Annapolis acquainting her granddaughter with the General Assembly.

Margaret Witherup Long in Cumberland writes of the month-long celebration of her husband John's 90th birthday on June 11th. John had great popularity as football coach of Fort Hill High School (1938-42). Thirty-five former players and wives fêted the Longs at a lovely luncheon. They are "smelling the roses."

Adelene Moxley Galloway says she enjoys golf and working at her easel. She and her husband have been blessed with good health.

Dottie Mitchell Keel thoroughly enjoyed our 60th and spends winters in the north and winters in Tampa. She plays golf and bridge regularly.

Kitty Rose Demuth comes to Maryland in June and looks forward to seeing some classmates. She resides in Naples, Fla.

Margaret Routhahn Miller keeps busy with trips, RAR, and genealogy. She gave an interesting talk at Day Students Reunion in July on the results of her genealogy investigation. It probably inspired some of us to start "digging."

Charles Hymiller is very active in Rockdale Lutheran Church. They recently had a second grandson and enjoy visiting their daughters at the Outer Banks, N.C.

A letter from **Brady and Mary Brown Bryson** informed us of Brady's newsletter entitled "Second Thoughts" which reaches some 35 universities and colleges. You may like to be added to his mailing list—if so drop a note to P.O. Box 868 in Westminster. The Brysons operate "Locust Wines and Antiques" store in downtown Westminster. They have grandchildren in Washington, California and Westminster.

Charlie Carlisle and his wife Mildred have been beach bums. They spend three months in Ft. Lauderdale in winter and enjoy time-shares at Myrtle Beach, Virginia Beach, Lake Lure, N.C., and the Cumberland Mountains in Tennessee. In the fall they go to Hilton Head, S.C.

An interesting letter from **Thelma Chell McNemar** brought me up to date with her past 61 years. She taught high school math and science for nine years (1937-46). In the meantime she learned to fly and earned her private pilot's license, married and worked with her husband in the aviation business. She taught ground school courses in Civil Air Regulations, meteorology and navigation, which was most enjoyable. She continued the business after her husband's death in 1956 until 1967. Then she returned to teaching in Howard County until 1984. She lives with her sisters in Catonsville and has enjoyed being "a lady of leisure," socializing with family and friends.

Emily Dashiell Leckey spent a month at Long Boat Key, Fla. this winter. She met and reminisced with **Ruth Phipps Lambert** who lives in Bradenton, Fla.

Jeanne Weber Goger in New Jersey plays lots of bridge and volunteers on Teacher's Credit Union Board. She attended our 25th and 50th reunions.

Andy Gorski is an 83-year-old great-grandfather who had a triple bypass in 1995. He has slowed down a bit but still enjoys his hobbies and plans to attend our next reunion.

Dennis Yingling lives in Palm Coast, Fla. He planned to attend a family reunion in Maryland in July, then was off on a trip along the Santa Fe Trail. He and **Betty Smith '43** traveled the Danube, Marne and Rhine—seeing Vienna and Amsterdam last fall.

Frank Elderdice Pugh still enjoys living in Washington, D.C. where there's plenty of theater, music and museums. She would welcome any classmates to come for lunch.

LT. Col. Edward Barto sent a contribution to WMC and a letter showing his deep appreciation for his college education in our class and the scholarship that made it possible. He lives in Seminole, Fla.

Eldyth Child Latham sent a beautiful letter pertaining to the death of her husband Fayette (February 1996) with whom she shared 56 years of "caring thoughtfulness, humor and understanding." Their daughter, **Dr. Carol Philpot Jensen '62** and their son, plus their six grandchildren have given Eldyth great emotional support. The Lathams have always been very active and popular in their community, church and service clubs.

Ruth Dunlap Long who resided at Bethany Village, Mechanicsburg, Pa., died February 2, 1996. Ruth was a retired English teacher and widowed since 1938.

In May I attended the funeral of my good college friend, **Rhea Snader**. She had moved to Bridgewater, Va. to live with her sister, **Thelma Snader Replogle '32** after the sale of their homestead near Union Bridge. Rhea was a well-respected music teacher in Bel Air High School for 37 years. We spent many hours together at WMC.

Ruth Jenkins Smith and I continue our interest and attendance in the Retired Teacher's Chorus of Anne Arundel County. She's a soprano and I am a contralto.

Bob Lord and I have just celebrated our 57th anniversary and became great-grandparents in March. We enjoy daily cards and family gatherings and are thankful for reasonably good health. We spend many weeks at our cottage in Ocean City from April to November.

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38 So, dear classmates, I asked you to tell me "what keeps you ticking?" Many of us are finding it difficult. But, hey, remember we have hit that big 80. At the same time, we were the ones whose motto was "Life begins at 40," so we are still ahead.

Charles D. Baker, of Towson, Md., has had a difficult summer with 38 treatments for prostate cancer, but is recovering nicely. What keeps him going? Loves the Orioles and Ravens; gardens, fishes and crabs at their summer cottage on Miller Island. Is active at Loch Raven Methodist Church and with the Optimist Club.

Ltc. Samuel F. Baxter, of Sparks, Md., says: "The thing that keeps me going is my desire to do everything that needs to be done for my family while I am mentally and physically able to do so."

Julia Connell Blough, of Cumberland, Md., says, "Feeling good, playing bridge, going daily to Mass, and enjoying life" is the answer for her.

Elizabeth Erb Budell, of Harwich Port, Mass., reports they moved in September '95 to a rented unit to await the building of "The Melrose." In August '96 they moved again.

"Two moves in less than one year for senior citizens is pretty traumatic. But, uh, we do love our new digs on Nantucket Sound. This place is wonderful. We feel like we are living in a resort hotel with great food and service. Bill is still the handsomest guy I know. He is however terribly handicapped mobility-wise. But we are happy, if not as healthy and wealthy as we might wish. Cheers to all."

Allie May Moxley Buxton, of Damascus, Md., "Fragrance of a lilac, aroma of a steaming cup of coffee, song of a robin, or the beauty of falling snow—all give me a boost. But as a wise man (St. Paul) said many years ago, 'To me to live is Christ and to die is gain.' It is thoughts like this that sustain me and give brightness to my days through the thick and thin. Best wishes to my remaining classmates. So many I knew well have gone on."

Marlowe M. Cline, of Frederick, Md., says he has had a bad year. He has back problems (arthritis) and his mother has been ill. But continued exercise and a close fellowship with God is his magic formula.

Virginia Smith Colburn, of Haver of Grace, Md., says "My family, church, friends, travel, and interest in collecting are the major reasons every day is still a challenge. In 1995 I revisited Ireland and in '96, Scotland."

Dr. L. Eugene Cronin, of Annapolis, Md., responds—"What keeps me going? a great wife, grand children, a house and yard. Also a revived interest in the protection and wise use of the great blue crab, where I started research 54 years ago. Serving on a promising Bi-State Technical Advisory Committee on crabs, which finally includes both Maryland and Virginia to figure out the best management possible."

Marie Park Crooke, of Seattle, Wash., says, "Rearranging my condo. Every box is like Christmas. Determination keeps me going and meeting every challenge head-on. Since June 1993 I've been dealing with impaired vision. I won't give up. I'm thankful I can see as well as I do. I've had to make many adjustments but I believe in the power of positive thinking. Also, my son is very supportive."

Dr. Charles R. Ehrhardt, of Sun City West, Ariz., says, "What keeps me going? An interest in being part of another century beyond the 20th. I don't want to leave Mitzu—or have her leave me! The hope of celebrating with our WMC classmates our 60th anniversary of our 1938 graduation. And three years later the 60th with the class of 1941 at Princeton Theological Seminary. Also, I am continually grateful to God for multiple blessings across the years. And in November when the 80th anniversary of my birth on 1916 occurs I will have 10 speaking engagements (sermons and lectures). Too, the joy of travel: seeing people, places and things not experienced previously. Planned for February 20 to March 17 we cruise from Singapore to Capetown; flying to and from adds up to a circuit of the world."

H. Kirk Fallin, Sr., of Westminster, Md., "We have a new house built to our specifications yet it required a lot more work. It feels like home now. Also, we take overnight and day trips. I log time on the computer and there are always clouds to fix."

Martha Wilmer Forthman, of Sykesville, Md., "Have not taken any major trips but did visit friends in Florida in March 1996. Am busy with volunteer work and meetings."

I also play for the church services at Springfield Hospital two Sundays a month, participate in a Bible study at St. Paul's United Methodist Church and bake quite a bit for charitable purposes. I enjoyed this last summer because it was not so hot and humid; I could be outdoors more. Still fighting chronic sinus condition and, of course, my smoking does not help. Have two great-grandchildren now, three and four years old."

Temple Morris Madjeski, of St. Inigoes, Md., "I am quite lonely at times since I lost Hank. But I have four of my children near me. Steve and Greg are charter boat captains on the Bay. They have their own 46-foot fiberglass boats which they keep at my pier. Steve lives with me. Anyone wishing to go fishing give us a call—301-872-5168. Liz, my only daughter, teaches in a Christian school as does Jane, my daughter-in-law. Henry works on NHS Patuxent River. Terry lives at Lake Tahoe, owns a very prosperous glass business in Incline Village on the north shore in Nevada. I now have nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Have had recent trips to Nova Scotia and Lancaster, Pa. Planning to go to Bahamas in January. Enjoy teaching one student Laubach reading who hopes to get her GED. I also have a very good personal relationship with Jesus. He's faithful."

Col. W. Frank Malone, of Salisbury, Md., "When the New York Yan-

kees Hall of Fame pitcher Lefty Gomez was asked the secret of his success he replied, 'clean living and a fast outfield.' I don't have either. But I do have my daughter Ruth '81 at home with me and she keeps me going mightily. Not only is she the joy of my old age, she has recently been appointed principal of Wicomico High School in Salisbury, the alma mater of both of us. This means I can go to the principal's office and not be suspended."

Brig. Gen. Alan N. Moore, of Sterling, Va., writes "Ronnie and I play golf every day the weather is suitable. (We walk.) When it is not, we swim for an hour (about one mile). This combined with good eating habits seems to keep us going, and going, and going..."

Dolly Taylor Moore, of Denton, Md., says, "We are enjoying our four grandsons who are growing up too quickly. Charlie and I are holding our own. We seem to be going to the doctor more often. It can't be because we're getting older! Still enjoy traveling and going out to dinner. I like that the best."

Col. Anthony H. Ortenzi, DPA, of Maitland, Fla., writes, "I continue to teach 3-6 hours a week at Seminole Community College. Also I am active in senior and community affairs, eat healthy food, exercise, think positive thoughts, keep in touch with classmates and am at my football playing weight of 180 pounds!"

Henry B. Reckord, of Towson, Md., says "Hi, what keeps me going? Guess it is just being fortunate to have good health. Of course I do take a few pills each day. Also many friends, church, Rotary, Masons, and WMC alumni affairs keep me active."

Kathleen Messenger Sherman, of Melbourne, Pa., writes, "My most supportive children and loving grandchildren keep me going. Also lots of good friends and happy surroundings. Had lymphoma last year but am all clear now. Have had years of good health prior to that."

Anne Brinsfield Simmons reports the death of her husband, **Col. W. Jarrell**, on November 23, 1996. They always enjoyed, "Any sport or musical performance of our two grandsons, a stay at the New Jersey beach on the ocean, as much time as we can afford at the beach, our dance clubs, and reunions with WWII comrades."

Roland E. Watkins, of Ellipton City, Md., says, "Keeping up with the activities of our grandchildren keeps Ruthie and me going. We attended the wedding of our first grandson in September. The others are in school; one each in the Naval Academy, Junior College, high school, private high school and second grade. Our only granddaughter is in kindergarten."

Ludean Bankard Weisser, of Columbia, Pa., is doing fine in St. Anne's Nursing Home. I have heard from her daughter Ladonna. "Deanny" enjoys music and crafts and especially Ruffy, a little dog Ladonna rescued its last day in the pound. Ruffy is a part of Pets on Wheels and brings joy to many in several nursing homes.

As for me what really keeps me going are the things my parents taught me. The first was to meet sadness and tragedy with a trust in God. Our family lost three men within five years to cancer, polio and WWII. There was the constant fear that Ray '36, too, would not survive the war. Then also I was taught an appreciation of music, art and drama; how to forgive and forget; to enjoy one's sense of humor; to know the value of a warm hug; and to give of oneself and possessions. Finally, working with younger people today, within my family, church and community makes me continue to use these guidelines. Life has been good and the big 80 does not seem too scary.

And now we say goodbye to two more classmates. **Lillian Gore Heaps** died April 11, 1996. Lillian had taught home economics five years. She lived in Bel Air, Md. I have written her daughter. **Col. W. Jarrell Simmons**, who had a remarkable war record serving in both the European theatre as well as the Pacific area, died November 23, 1996.

Thanks again for your responses. C.Y.H. (Consider yourself hugged!) Helen Leatherwood Simpson 2008 East Church Street Mount Airy, MD 21771

43 Where are you 43'ers? Didn't hear from as many of you as usual. But here's what I have.

Heard from **Bob and Fran Ogden Moore** on the Eastern Shore. They are taking courses at Washington College, are active in church and with children and grandchildren. They had two weddings this past summer. They have eight "grands," one granddaughter will be graduating from basics at Fort Jackson, S.C. Fran and Bob were on "The Hill" checking new developments at the college and say, "It looks great."

Luise Grow Sheffield reports that she and **Wes '42** continue their dual existence—Vermont and Florida. Both do Threshold's programs (decision making for inmates) in Rutland, run groups on creative writing and women's issues in Florida. They are also busy with grandsons, ages 10 and 13.

Francis "Bud" Blair writes that he and Gerry keep busy traveling, playing bridge, tennis and golf. Their three grandchildren are their special interest. This past June they attended Change of Commander Ceremony at Moody Air Force Base, Ga. for their son Kevin, who took over as Commander of 374th Medical Operations Squadron. Their daughter moved to Doris.

Neoris Lane Linton reports that all is well. She's still happily self-employed and enjoying life.

Warren Ledford tells us that in March he received his 50-year pin from Maryland Grand Lodge (Tape-paces 183 AF&AM). He and Betty are active in Towson Methodist Church. Warren belongs to three senior golf clubs. He soon will receive the 50-year cap for Scottish Rite of Freemasons. In July, he and Betty took a 16-day tour of the Northwest Coast and Canada.

Harriet Smith Wyman wrote with great enthusiasm. November is a birthday month, her aunt is 101 and her grandson is 1. She had a great reunion with friends in Columbia, S.C. She says she is "born to be retired."

Chris Harman and **Ray Krusen** are already in Florida, but will stay in New Jersey for the holidays. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in July at a dinner given by their children. **Chuck** and **Jo Daniel Bair** attended. "Harm" and **Ray** keep active at home and busy in Florida.

Joe Workman is now fully recovered and doing quite well. He had just returned from a trip to Ireland and England, and was soon to leave for his winter home in Florida. He was looking forward to seeing **Jeanne Eckhardt '44** and **Clarence "Mac" McWilliams** and **Fray** and **Lede Beglin '47** Scott while there.

Willis Witter took an 11-day cruise to Alaska in July, annual trip to Florida, trip to Morgan Hill, Calif. to visit son and family. It was great to see you at Ocean City in July, Willis.

John "Nemo" Robinson wrote that he and Lucia are fine, enjoying their "golden years." Nemo regrets the passing of numerous college friends—don't we all.

Bernice Kopp Brillhart is now living in Carroll Lutheran Village. She enjoys the many activities and people all around. She sees Florence Earp and Prof. deLong every day.

Muriel "Sis" Harding Nicolson wrote from North Carolina. They spent five months in Vermont last summer, stopped to visit son and family in New Jersey on their way north. Their son is head pro at a golf club, daughter Nancy lives in Maine. She and Sis played in Club Tourney and came in first. Nancy took the majority of holes. Sis says she took a few.

Winnie Warchein Conner said no special news, busy taking care of garden, elderly, church and Lodge duties.

Marty Hodgson Honeman said they are still on the go. Marty had knee surgery in July. She had a fun trip in September with **Mike Reynolds '42** and **Bill '41 Adolph** to southern California. **Don '41** is working on a big family trip for next year. Good luck, Don.

Ginny Walker Metger and **Bob** have moved to Greenwood, S.C. near their children. They attended an Elderhostel at Johnson Wales University in Charleston in August. "Low Country Cooking" isn't for Ginny. They took some visits to north Georgia in the fall.

Heard from **Lee** and **Pearl Bodmer Lodge** that **Charlie Chlad '47** died October 14, 1996. Our sympathy to his family. In May, Lee and Pearl went to Louisiana from their granddaughter's graduation. They visited friends on their way home. In September they toured northwest national parks. Three days before returning, Lee fell and broke three ribs. With a velcro brace and pain pills he was able to complete the trip. In October they

are going to Canada to visit his brother. **Gale Lodge Thiele '45** and another brother are going also.

Earl Schubert wrote that a Baltic trip was interrupted by a Johns Hopkins visit, but all is well now. They still enjoy Annapolis near children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Earl recently retired as Chapter Commander of the Military Order of the World Wars. This fall, 28 of his former football players (of 45 years ago) met in St. Louis holding a weekend reunion for him. He enjoyed catching up with "Nemo," **Tom Tereshinski '44**, Lee and Bob.

Bill Myers and **Irene** celebrated their 50th anniversary a couple of months early by flying to Luxembourg and then driving around Belgium, France and Germany, visiting the wine areas and WWII coastal sites. Even drove in Paris. They also attended Bomber Group Reunion in Savannah, Ga. at 8th Air Force Heritage Museum.

Betty Smith Yingling said they had a family reunion in Westminster in July. An eye problem caused a trip to Santa Fe to be canceled. She's looking forward to two cruises coming up, Panama Canal and east Caribbean.

Dottie Cox Liebno said she was sorry she missed Ocean City in July. She spent a long weekend in Toronto with daughter, husband and her daughter who goes to Rochester Institute of Technology.

Doris Baker Dillon says she is no longer singing but has taken over as music librarian. She has visited her daughter.

Clarence "Mac" McWilliams wrote from Naples Fla. that he and **Jeanne Eckhardt '44** had a good visit in February 1996 with **Jack** and **Jane Rawlins**, Francis "Bud" and **Gerry Blair**. They also attended with **Joe** and **Ray Workman** in Stuart, Fla. They just returned from Monterey, Calif., after a reunion of doctors and their wives who were stationed with Mac in Bremerhaven, Germany.

A card from **Louise Fox Dubin** saying she enjoyed many Orioles games (what can I say?), and also a day trip to Washington D.C. Her husband Charles is editor of the Federal Bar Association publication, *FBA Senior Lawyer*, circulated through the U.S.A. Louis enjoys profoodreads

Jo and **Daniel Bair** wrote that she and **Chuck** enjoyed four trips to Stone Harbor. Their grandchildren, Eric and Allison, have graduated from college and are job hunting.

A brief card from **Ridge "Doggie" and Thelma Young Friedel**. They are busy, busy, and enjoying retirement.

Mary Steele Cameron said she was sorry she didn't have more time to talk at Ocean City (me too). She is enjoying old age, and looks forward to family reunions.

Mary Frances Hawkins Galbreath wrote they had three trips to Oregon to launch "grands"—Hannah into high school and theatre appearing in *Annie* and Elizabeth in the final concert for Symphonic Girlchoir plus graduation from high school. She is

now a freshman at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn. Sam '40 and Mary Frances were in Westminster in July attending Galbreath reunion. They will be back in Westminster for Thanksgiving.

Emma Jane Martin McCauley says she has arthritis but can still drive and get around. She and her husband spent most of the summer at their cabin in Western Maryland. In November they planned to go to Jamaica.

Jim Elliott says his time is spent socializing with children and grandchildren nearby, reading, playing piano and playing on his PC.

Janith Horey Collin says she is making a change and will move to Naples, Fla., next to her sister, after she sells her current home. Good luck.

Bert Bell Falls wrote that she and **Beth** are both well. She plans to retire back in Baltimore. She was **Warren '44** and **Dorothy Jones Earl** at her grandson's wedding and also at Ocean City. Bert visited **Shirley Bradley McLaughlin** in her new home. She says it's wonderful.

Virginia "Pip" Phillips has had a busy time. In May, she attended her grand-nephew's graduation at West Virginia University; in August **Mary "Jackie" Jackson** and **Bill '47 Hall's** 50th anniversary; in September **Maudie Lee Wilson** and **Orvel Shirley's** 50th anniversary; went to New York City in July for library conference, **Sara Belle Valle Walker** visited her in April; and Switzerland in January. Wow!

Alice Rohrer Downey has moved to Homewood Retirement Center (apartments) in Williamsport. **Pearl Bodmer** and **Lede Lodge** gave it their seal of approval. Alice keeps in touch with her college crowd, plays bridge and reads. Arthritis is her bug-a-boo, but she's coping. Thanks for the nice letter, Alice.

Had a note from **Jim Wrightson**. He sounded kind of down. Hope things brighten up, soon!

John "Rock" Rawlins surprised me with a phone call, just got in under the wire. Seriously it was good talking to him. His family now totals 22. He and June are fine. Thanks "Rock" for your input.

But he wasn't the last. **Bert Jones** just returned from a 12-day trip to the Holy Lands. He had two weddings this year—daughter **Martha Jones '67** and son **Albert**. Bert is busy on a new career working for himself as a general contractor building "spec" residential homes in Austin area.

Margaret Moss Venzke wrote from St. Petersburg, Fla. where they were for baptism of a new adopted granddaughter. She and **Leigh '41** are taking nine children and grandchildren to Honolulu to celebrate their 50th anniversary in December. In May they were on a 25-day cruise on the Marco Polo through the East, India to the Middle East, Jerusalem and ending up in Athens. When they are home they are active in church, also at National Lutheran Home and volunteer at hospice and day care.

Last but not least a card from **Elaine Barnes Lawrence** from Wof-

boro, N.H. She recently moved from the Cape, now near her daughter and family. I know you will like it there. When I get to visit Doug in New Hampshire I surely will look you up. Did you know **Virginia Crusius Phelps**? She lives in Center Tuftonboro.

It's been difficult writing this because every other paragraph my new family member arrives on my lap. "Tommy" is doxie and terrier, 12 pounds of guard dog and loads of company. I went to Ocean City in July and had a great visit with **Phyl Cade Gruber**, who had a knee replacement in August and is doing well. I went to Windsor, Ontario in August, not to gamble. In May I visited son Doug in Illinois; attended Melody's graduation (Ph.D.) from Penn State where Clinton spoke. In June to Mechanicsburg to granddaughter Christy's high school graduation. She is now at Connecticut College in New London.

Number two son Jeff is into genealogy and we had a couple days doing research in York County, Pa. and Harford County, Md. for my mother's side of the family. He's doing all sides. I just got home from Pennsylvania and now it seems winter is on the way, I'm not ready. My best to you all. Keep in touch.

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45 I'm sure I'm the luckiest one of all in our Class of '45. For how many of you can travel around the world, play leisurely golf, attend weddings of grandchildren, landscape your garden, or still work part time or full time out of your mailbox? I do so enjoy receiving your cards. Just wish everyone would respond.

Those of you who reveled in our 50th reunion in '95 are like me—still relishing that wonderful togetherness. **Allen Poffenberger** repeated a 50th in July with his Army Officers Candidate School at the dedication of the Korean Monument in D.C. A month later he and his wife Mable toured Alaska, completing their visits to 50 states. This year they look forward to the Canadian Rockies via Seattle and Vancouver. Allen is travel coordinator for the Washington County Retired Teachers.

Another classmate is fortunate to have a travel coordinator husband. **Ann Leete Hudson** got to journey with Lingo and other Prince George's County retired teachers to Hilton Head and two times to Canada. The group will be heading to New England and the Maritime Provinces in the fall. The rest of the year is divided between visiting their children in Washington State and vacationing at Sunset Beach, N.C. When Ann is home, she is busy with her church activities and bridge.

Hope Stewart Ward and husband Norman had their bags packed for a few days on a lake for the Shaw Festival when my card arrived. In the fall, they will recapture their love for New

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Small but Mighty Chris Royer Sets the Pace



National Chair of the Annual Fund, College Trustee, avid concert-goer and Theatre-on-the-Hill patron, Chris Royer is indeed the archetype of a WMC alumna. Born and raised in Westminster, the vivacious English major viewed Western Maryland as her gateway to the world.

Under the mentorship of professors like John Makosky, Thomas Marshall and Esther Smith, she developed her love for French, drama and English literature, for teaching and for travel. She discovered who she is and what she values.

Active in the Girls' Glee Club, the College Players, Delta Sigma Kappa sorority and student government, the "small but mighty" Royer—as she was described in *The Aloha* yearbook—graduated summa cum laude in 1943 and was awarded a scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania.

Though she had always set her sights on becoming a college English professor, Royer decided to get a job at an

advertising agency after earning her master of arts degree, "because I wanted to prove myself in the world first." Eventually—after teaching stints in Pennsylvania and Connecticut and doctoral work at Columbia University—she launched her long career in the Big Apple.

Royer taught English literature for more than 12 years at Barnard College, serving for another three as its first associate dean of faculty. She advanced to become dean of admissions for 11 years and then earned a post as vice president for public affairs, from which she retired in 1995. She never returned to Westminster to live, but her heart has remained close to the Hill.

"You have the sense that things have changed for the better, but they haven't really changed," observes Royer, who takes the train from New York many times a year to attend meetings at her alma mater. "It's still a wonderful, warm place that draws good, young faculty yet retains talented, experienced professors."

Since graduating, Royer has served her class as reunion committee member and class agent. In 1978 she received the distinguished Trustee Alumna Award and in 1986 Royer was elected to WMC's Phi Beta Kappa Delta Chapter of Maryland. She became a member of the Board of Trustees in 1994.

Royer's commitment to increasing the Annual Fund is stronger than ever, since every gift counts toward the college's \$40 million Campaign.

"This is a defining moment for Western Maryland College and as alumni we have a stake in that definition," she says.

"What we were able to become is in large part due to our education and experiences at Western Maryland. Now we need to think about the future generations. It's time to give back so that others may have those same kinds of experiences and an education perhaps even of a higher quality."

This year's Annual Fund goal of \$1.25 million doesn't daunt the woman whose classmates called "a brilliant mind with an idealistic bent."

Because standing at the edge of campus, peering through the Arch, this is what she sees: the opportunity to introduce bright, talented students to the rest of the world. And she's betting you'll want to help them, too.

England in its beauty and history. Visiting their older daughter in New Hampshire is an added plus. And, in March '97 the Wards will be in Delray Beach, Fla.

Mary Webb France has been to France accompanied by her daughter, but Mary still keeps her hands in bridge, antiques and home decorating, along with activity in local women's clubs.

Dennis and Margaret Fredrich Blizzard are very much like many of us: "Enjoying our relaxed life—puttering around our lawn and home ... growing to know each other in new

and wonderful ways." Their sons and families in Tokyo and Chevy Chase are "happily busy and successful," giving Dennis and Margaret a natural contentment as another generation becomes central in their family. Hopefully, the Blizzards plan to visit the Carolina Coast.

If we could peek in on the Boyers, we'd see Marian Whitford and husband Sam acting the gracious hosts to friends at their cottage. They have had a cruise from New England to Quebec and one to the Caribbean. Both Marian and Sam remind us how grateful

they are for good health and good families.

Donna DuVall Sellman and Russell '44 were off to the Scandinavian capitals and St. Petersburg, Russia. Eight other WMC'ers were to join them. As our director of alumni affairs, Donna was keeping busy with the fall schedule. In her direction of other class reunions, she "still thinks about our 50th with lots of warm, fuzzy feelings, and I don't mean the cat, either."

So did many of you who stated on your cards what our 50th meant to you—"Some didn't recognize me!" ...

"Where did the time go?" ... "thank you for keeping our class together." The "thanks" goes to all of you classmates who keep us together through your cards and phone calls. I love what I do—feel like I know all of you better than in those four WMC years. Of course, climbing toward that ladder to the inevitable makes one realize how precious our moments are now. I am never idle, for I'm still a hospital and hospice volunteer, chair director, Sunday school teacher, program chairperson for a Golden Age Club and coordinator for a soup kitchen in Baltimore once a month. I try to keep my

four out-of-state families mindful that they, too, must stop and smell the roses. A broken right shoulder in January slowed me down a bit, but by listening to my "mean physical therapist," I can do anything I did before.

Our "retired" pastors don't seem to realize they are retired. **Carroll Doggett** has been an interim pastor in Thurmont, Md. He and **Nan Austin '47** spent the winter in St. Petersburg, Fla., and will visit Scandinavia in the fall.

Bob Adams was called out of retirement in July to serve a Madison, Wis. church half time. He attended a 50th reunion of those who worked in Quaker relief work in Italy after World War II. He is accepting with love a "major challenge" as step-father to two teens.

John Mote works part time as pastor of visitation at the Hiss United Methodist Church in Parkville, Md. He and his wife Maxine traveled to Austria in October '95. Back at home in Baltimore, John plays baritone in two local concert bands and is hoping to have a children's book published.

Bill Smith says he has retired from the ministry three times and this last time is final. We don't believe it, Bill! He's looking forward to challenging **Dr. Earl Morey** on the golf course at Pinchurst, N.C. He writes, "Our greatest joy is our one and only grandchild, Christopher Broughton, 1," who lives next door in Southern Pines."

Out in Pacific Grove, Calif., **Harvey Buck** and wife Susan feel so blessed to have a full, healthy and happy life after 48 years of marriage. In his retirement, Rev. Harvey is a volunteer chaplain at a local hospital. He is also on the board of directors for a large facility for the developmentally disabled and mentally retarded. "Such fine work there."

Margaret Waugh Simons writes that they shared in their oldest grandchild's wedding in the Florida Keys. The Simons' daughter Marge and her little girl Mary are in Saigon where Marge teaches special education.

My roomie **Lucienne Ramsburg Pfeifferkorn** sent a return card "no news left to print." I disagree. Bill and Lucienne keep so active in Annapolis with their youngest son Rob and his family—at last count, I think they have five small children. Bill is a landlord to many residents, so he is Mr. Fixit. Their two daughters and respective families hosted a 50th wedding anniversary for their parents just two weeks after our 50th Class Reunion.

Ruth Haussmann Thomas remarked about our wonderful reunion weekend. She couldn't understand why people didn't recognize her! "Coot," after 50 years, how many of us are recognizable? Since their trip north, she and Joe have been Elder-hosteling and had one trip coming up in September at Jekyll Island, Ga.

It was off to Scandinavia and Russia last year for **Ann Frounfelter Palmer** and husband Bill, who has just recovered from a heart problem. The Palmers' journey between their home in the foothills of the Santa Catalina Mountains in Arizona and their

Florida condo. Ann is a part of a Bocci team which placed fourth in the Senior Olympics the past two years. **Anna Avers Hallsting** continues living life to the fullest: enjoying two granddaughters in Colorado and in her Maine homeland, dividing time among Moosehead Arts Theatre Society, Wellness Council and her own small church. The oldest daughter of her Palestinian pastor is getting married, which will bring about a mixed cultural event.

Jane Kimmy Summer just wishes she could have spent the whole 50th weekend, but with a hospitalized husband he was happy to have her and her daughter at the Saturday luncheon. A new grandson Zachary

Michael arrived on December 5, 1995. **Kay Kaiser Frantum**, who was featured in this year's *AlumNews*, and husband Ted participated in the Top of the Hill program in May—a most informative and super time." The Frantums also cruised in the Caribbean in February and spend as much time as possible at their condo in Ocean City.

In Northridge, Calif., **Ethel Stevens Arter** has finally seen the necessary repair work completed on their home after the earthquake. Their church never missed a service even though \$250,000 worth of rebuilding is still going on. Ethel and Wayne enjoy their 5th-wheel trailer—one trip to Sierra Beach and the other to High Sierra near Mammoth Lakes. Grandchildren will join them at trips this summer.

Ridgely '43 and Thelma Young Friedel, of Irvine, Calif., had a great '95. Their 50th wedding anniversary took them to Berlin where they spent time in 1946—a wonderful city, but both East Berlin and East Germany are very economically deprived." The wedding of grandchild Kyle brought the whole clan together in Houston. Thelma's back surgery this year only slowed her down briefly. So glad to hear this!

Gale Lodge Thiele copes with arthritis, but is thankful to be able to drive to keep her visits with brother **Lee Lodge '43** and families and friends.

In Seaford, Del., **Ruth Hurley Brunner** has found much happiness and rewarding Christian work in her second marriage to a retired pastor from Benny Fin's Church in Orlando, Fla. Her seven grandchildren and one great-grandson add to her full life.

From Saratoga Springs, N.Y., **Jean Andrews Richards** says, "nothing exciting to report—my chemical information business is thriving, so it keeps me close to home," Jean, more power to you for remaining in the labor force.

One of the briefest cards, but truly treasured, was the one from **Jeanne Corkran**, just thinking me for the "very pleasant surprise phone call awhile back." It was sweet of you to call." I was not surprised to get another one, Jeanne. I'm determined

to get that lovely lady and her singing voice back to a reunion.

As far as I know, all of your classmates have stayed reasonably healthy. But two of our colleagues lost their beloved husbands: **Peg Thompson Simmons** and **Janet Lee Baugher Covington**. To you both, we extend our condolences and will keep you in our hearts.

Until our next column, keep well. To all who did not respond, we miss your correspondence and hope to hear from you next time.

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48 Your 50th Reunion Planning Committee held its first meeting before the 1996 Homecoming game. Their enthusiasm will be contagious as the college offers us a "complimentary" weekend of fun and fellowship. On next year's calendar look ahead to May 1998 and mark a big 50 over 29, 30 and 31.

After all these years, **Jeb Brant** sent an update from his retirement home in Forest Hill, Md. where he and Grace moved in 1966 to 46 acres which became a tree farm with a wildlife conservation area. Retired from Bethlehem Steel, he echoes all our thoughts with, "How did I ever hold down a job and accomplish anything else." Their two children attended WMC as did their son-in-law. Their son **James '76** was there only one and one-half years before his untimely death in an auto accident. His fraternity honors him annually with a memorial remembrance at the Homecoming game. The joy in the Brant's life are their three grandchildren.

A photo in a recent WMC publication shows a familiar face, **Lee Landauer** attending a WMC alumni luncheon at Scottsdale, Ariz. and still "lookin' good."

Our West, **Rose Moore** declares his intention to attend our 50th. He remembers WMC motto, "We bring you from darkness into light," but indicates sometimes he's had to use a flashlight!

From Columbus, Ohio, **Gordon Groby** informs us his hobby is oil painting. Maybe he will bring one of a WMC scene in '98.

Beverly Hoffman Crockett is living in Hedgesville, W.Va. after 25 years in Baltimore and 49 years of marriage to her junior high boyfriend. After retirement, our sailing crew will enjoy knowing that the Crocketts spent the next five years on their sailboat in the British Virgin Islands. Twin sons, three daughters and seven grandchildren compose their family. Though their life is "wild and wonderful" we do hope Bev and Bill will be at the 50th.

Also out in Ohio, **Clara Belle Blaney Price** enjoyed the beauty of the fall colors on her Arlington farm. Her "other life" is at Charlestown, where residents joined other retirees to make the *Guinness Book of Records* doing the Macarena. She talks by phone with **Fern Ray Grumbine** in her new residence.

Planning to come 3,000 miles to celebrate with us is **Lyle Johnson Wilson**, who summers in Friday Harbor, Wash. and keeps warm in Arizona in winter. This last year found them cruising from Los Angeles to Australia and later from Acapulco through the Canal to New Orleans on the *Crystal Symphony*.

Another class member joins **Rice** as a WMC trustee: **Chris Royer**, who resides in New York City where she retired in '93 as vice president, public affairs, Barnard College. She has the ultimate "room with a view," overlooking the Hudson River. Travel took her on the route of the original Orient Express: Beijing, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Siberia and Mongolia. St. Petersburg was awed by the vastness and primitive conditions of that region. Chris is currently the National Chairman of WMC's Annual Fund and often on the Hill.

Seen at the "Defining Moment: Campaign for Western Maryland College" launch was **Mary "Toddy" Todd Griffiths**. The Griffiths have a new home near Reading and a lovely Florida abode. She and Bill are glad to welcome their daughter and family home after mission work in Africa.

At Homecoming '96, **Bob Dubel** attended a football players' reunion with **George Plavis** and **Alvin "Moon" Paul '50** and others from our era. **Bob and Helen Miles '49** are completing their visits of continents with a trip to Antarctica, having toured Thailand, Nepal, Tibet and Korea last January. Planning on our 50th, he reunited with his Marine outfit at their 53rd.

Around the Maryland region, **Dot Scott Atkinson** writes from West River that she's a busy lady with meetings and trips to Nashville and Iowa.

Bob Wagner and Jane, long-time Mt. Airy residents, vacationed with 13 family members at Myrtle Beach and Smith Mountain Lake.

In Frederick, **Lucie Olson Soper** is an active volunteer in local politics, tutorial reading program, retired teachers and Calvary Church.

From Bel Air comes word that **Bobbie Lee Kunkel** has added another grandson, bringing her count to seven boys and four girls. She visited with **Anne Murphy Wilson** and **Joe** in St. Augustine last March. She keeps putting mileage on her Buick as she "runs around"—nothing changes!

Bill Anderson and Margaret left Mayes Chapel to travel to Chicago, the American Mall in Minnesota, Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone, St. Louis, California, Vegas, Grand Canyon, Colorado's Air Force Academy, and the Eisenhower and Truman museums in the Midwest. At the 50th he'll reiterate, "What a magnificent country we live in!"

Maddie Franklin Strader says "it seems impossible—50 years," but they'll join us in '98 from Woodbine. They had a long commute to daughter in Miami, but managed a side trip through the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin last year.

From the Eastern Shore, **Gladys Saue McLeod** enjoys working at Grassville Adult Day Care after a decade of dedicated service. Her army son and family anticipate retirement in Kentucky.

After 14 years, **Phyl Houck Smith** retired as church secretary in Walkersville and is happy "grandmothering" new baby. She visits in Virginia and Lakeland, Fla.

Leaving Quontown, **Jan Ganz Greenwood** and husband sailed their boat to Florida last fall via Intracoastal Waterway. They keep in touch with six "grands," three of each.

Busy volunteering is **Naomi Harper Morgan** in Glen Burnie: Partners in Care, North Arundel Hospital, and docent for Designer Show House. Fall foliage in New York and a Hudson River cruise are recent highlights for Naomi.

In lovely Westminster, **Jan Anzulovic Shaw** takes piano and painting classes—most commendable! Hosting teen grandchildren to Disney World at Christmastime. Next July a "Hawaii Sea cruise with a visit to the "Honeymoon" is scheduled. She states that she refuses to learn the computer!

In Timonium, **Jan Tull Radtke** raves about husband's garden with freezers filled. She too is in a "learning mood," taking French and computer.

Swimastics, tennis and grandchildren keep **Mary Don Brown** busy, but they traveled to Greece and islands in Aegean Sea as their "big trip a year." She too will celebrate a 50th wedding anniversary in 1998.

Up in Towson, **Don and Charlotte "Wally" Halie Smyth** celebrated their 50th this year with grandson giving a moving tribute and 11-month-old Jesse visiting all the party guests—stealing the show. Congratulations for all of us!

Ruth Anderson Burgess and **Lionel '49** also were in Las Vegas, Bryce, Yellowstone, Salt Lake City and Denver. After summer back surgery, Ruth appreciated Lionel as a "care-taker" and kitchen worker and will be ready to dance at the reunion. Their granddaughter is a sophomore on the Hill.

Bill and Louise "Sunny" Sapp '49 Hawkins regret none of their six grandchildren live in Maryland. His retirement insurance business has "grown like topsy." Bill was honored by the college for his recruiting efforts. He's trying to sign up granddaughter who is number one in her high school class.

Martha Witter Hawkins keeps up posted from Annapolis with a quote about Golden Years: "Having the time, desire to reflect on people you know, places visited, experiences recalled and mementos acquired—all of which result in a time of great pleasure and satisfaction." She had 13-year-old grandson for August and September and is now back to her weightlifting class.

From Bethesda, **Betty Jean Ferris Morgan** thanked me for keeping track of the class. A trip to Alaska, including Nome, was her big journey. Says she had a great year! Three grandchildren nearby are her delight.

In nearby Gaithersburg, **Annabel Glockler Liebelt** has again retired from responsibilities at NIH. Her cancer research papers have been sent to Kagawa Medical University in Japan. She has her name in at Asbury Retirement Complex since she decided to stay put in Maryland. We are glad! However, she's joining a NARFE group to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. At home she's "consumed" by new organ with lessons and workshops, as well as handbell ringing at church. What a wide spectrum of talents and interests.

Silver Springers, **Dotty Wilder Williams** and **Reds** joined **Mary Frances Keiser Bradley** and **Don '49** in Virginia Beach last July. Former roommates thoroughly enjoyed their time together. The Bradleys live in Coronado, Calif. The Williams will winter in Florida.

Speaking of "getting together," **Mae Langrall Mealy** supplied all the floral centerpieces for the WMC

August luncheon at Ocean City Country Club. **Al Brunt '50**, retired in June, was there, but **Don Brohawn '50** was missing! Mae is completely retired in Bishopville, enjoying 8-year-old twin grandchildren and packing for Hutchinson Island, Fla. for the snow months.

"Serendipity" occurred at Turf Valley Country Club in Howard County when I took the podium and recognized **Pat Brown Zello** and husband and **Dot Santini Renner** in the audience of travel patrons. Pat is involved with hospital auxiliary and Senior Friendship Club. They enjoy seeing the world and have almost done it all!

As a hostess for a library house tour fundraiser in Bethany Beach, I was astounded to see **Mary "Binky" Dexter Tompkins** in an adjoining room and heard **Jennie Eckhardt McWilliams '44** (Fred's sister) giggle upstairs. It really is a small world with Jeanie in Fenwick, Binky in Rehoboth and me in Bethany.

Time passes all too quickly, but **Josh '43** and I are grateful we had time to share with **Mary Ruth O'Kelly Chlad** and **Charlie '47** at a WMC dinner at the Carousel in July. Charlie passed away due to heart complications in October and his service was held the day before Homecoming. That's a date the Chlads and Ensors have enjoyed together for more than 40 consecutive years. Our warm wishes are extended to Mary Ruth.

With pride we congratulate **Fred Eckhardt** on his appointment as President of the WMC Alumni Association. Fred, **Joe Thompson** and I met informally at Homecoming '96 to commence plans for our 50th reunion. Joe, as class president, will be in touch with each of us in the ensuing months. Others will be invited to join in the overall planning.

Josh '43 and I had a delightful summer "entertaining the troops!" Air Force son and family from Spokane added an exciting dimension in August and all 18 gravitated to our home in Bethany Beach. Our joy is having seven east cousins meet west's three children for even a brief sojourn. Top three are in colleges; WMC, James Madison University and Univer-

sity of Delaware. Youngest, 7-month-old Paige Marie, was baptized by **Rev. Fred Eckhardt**, as were her sister and brother. Josh and Class of '43 buddies celebrated his 76th at Homecoming as the rest of us creep toward Big 7-0! Having recently been recalled to work as a consultant, after a six-year lapse, has been invigorating and challenging. In Florida I'm associated with the Space Coast Chamber of Commerce. Life is full for us and, like so many of you, we are blessed with good health and delightful friends and family.

Thanks to all for reporting in... makes my job easy. Count down till May 1998.

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55 It was great hearing from so many of you. Retirees, grandchildren, trips and a wedding make up most of the news.

Meta Justice Davis wrote that a lot had happened in the past year. Her daughter, Kennedy, is the national director of the Downtown Main Street Program for the National Historic Trust. She appeared on the "Phil Donahue Show" and on "Good Morning America." Meta married an old friend in May. They have built a lovely house on the water which includes a music studio with a baby grand piano. Best wishes, Meta.

Irma Lee Hohmann Seek is retiring from piano teaching but is continuing her organist position at Trinity United Methodist Church in Annapolis. She feels privileged to be able to play the church's beautiful new Allen organ. Irma Lee and Joe visit Florida twice a year to see and babysit for Steve's family. He has two children. They also enjoy spending time with Debbie's family in Baltimore. Debbie also has two children. The Seeks enjoyed the reunion so much and send special thanks to **Craig and Mary Lee Younger Schmell**.

Jan Nicodemus Huss reports that two more grandchildren joined the family in 1995. Hannah Marie, who was born on June 15, lives in New Oxford, Pa. Jonathan Carl, born on December 2, weighed 11 pounds 6 ounces, was 22 inches long and lives in Kentucky.

Joan Walter Winkelman has another grandson who will be 2 in November. She is still working at Reston (Va.) hospital. During the summer of 1995 she took a trip to Dollywood and Gatlinburg, Tenn. and then to the Redskin's preseason game in Knoxville. Her sons Don and Bill and their families live in Harpers Ferry, W.Va. so she gets to see them often. Early summer 1995 found her in Cape May, N.J. staying in a bed and breakfast.

Jay LaMar says he can't believe he's a grandfather for the fourth time. His son Jonathan's wife Ellen gave birth to a boy in Wichita, Kan. in May '96. He and **Priscilla McCoy '56** plan to tour Italy in October where they hope to see the originals of Dr.

MacDonald's slides. They toured western France including Normandy, Omaha Beach, and, of course, Paris in the fall of '95.

Phillip and Jean Wantz '56 Lawyer are fine. Their son Kevin is the proud father of a son Joshua Denton born on April 17. Kevin has one more year in orthodontics. Phil continues his part-time job at WMC and plays lots of golf.

Charlie and Ginnie Tull '57 Phipps had a third grandson born to daughter Linda in Missoula, Mont. They visited in June. Their younger daughter Donna had a son last December in Baltimore. The Phipps spent part of the summer at Bethany Beach with family and friends.

Craig and Mary Lee Younger Schmell went to Ireland in January and had a great time. This summer was the first in 20 years that Mary Lee has not musically directed at least one show. They continue to work full time.

Dick '54 and Doris Tuckwood Linton continue to enjoy retired life in the Sarasota area. Doris says there are many wonderful things to do there. They plan a trip to Turkey in September.

I was delighted to hear from **Jim Toney**. The earthquake in Kobe in January '95 killed more than 5,000 people and destroyed many houses and buildings. His company lost the head office building and suffered damages on steel-making facilities. His condominium was also damaged. Jim was so busy with all the reconstruction that he was not able to attend our 40th reunion. On his way to Kyoto, Dr. **Joe Ravenski '54** visited Jim in Kobe in April during the cherry blossom season. Jim and his wife, Masae, are fine and live half the time in Tokyo and half in Kobe. His two daughters and their families are fine, too. His younger daughter, Emily, and her husband and two boys, 6 and 2, left for Venezuela this summer for four or five years. Jim says he and Masae will miss them very much.

Joann Waffensmith Miller missed our 40th reunion due to illness. She retired in June '95 after 40 years of teaching. She lives alone with one dog and three cats, is tutoring on the side and travels. She has traveled to Cape Cod, to New Mexico to inspect her four acres, and to Ontario for the Stratford Shakespeare Festival. She is also renovating her 100-year-old farm house in Smithsburg, Md.

Mary Lou Arnie Kelly also missed the reunion but enjoyed seeing the pictures in the *AlumNow* especially of her roommate for three years, **Carter Baunm**. Ed '54 and Mary Lou are still in New Orleans where he coaches and manages a swim team, and she works as a paralegal. Their children live in Florida, North Carolina and Georgia. They have three grandsons. They planned to attend the Olympics since son Michael lives in Marietta, Ga.

Bert Springstead has done a lot of traveling since he retired in 1994. Their biggest trip was to Dover, England and then by ship through the Baltics—Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Estonia and Amsterdam in May 1996. They have one

No Game: Tracking Elusive Wildlife

Bermuda's two species of whistling frogs are famous for serenading island inhabitants when the temperatures leap above 65 degrees. But one type of the tiny amphibians seems to be disappearing, leaving the other to sing solo.

Donald Linzey '61 suspects the silence might be a warning bell.

"Amphibians could be an indicator species—whatever's affecting them now could affect humans 15 years from now," says the vertebrate zoologist, who has launched a research project to determine the culprit.

"They aren't being affected by human disturbance," explains Linzey.

"Many of these are virgin areas—there are no sub-divisions or developments destroying their habitats. So it must be something in the environment."

A professor of biology at Wytheville Community College in Virginia, Linzey and his scientist wife have made seven trips to the island over the last two years, often accompanied by students who participate in their research. They collect samples of the inch-long frogs from each of 14 study sites, creeping and crawling through wooded marshes, banana patches, the grounds of a historic fort and the flower gardens of a perfume factory.

Some of the frogs are tagged so that they can be identified if captured again,



Lifelong wildlife lover Donald Linzey '61, shown holding a red-tailed hawk, has written several books, including *Mammals of Virginia*.

others are studied to learn about their food and parasites. Pesticide and heavy metal analyses are done in various labs. The scientists have handled about 800 of the crooning critters, but have yet to find one of the rarer species of whistling frogs he believes may have already become extinct in the area.

Bermuda's disappearing frog phenomenon is not unique. "Amphibian populations are declining all over the world," notes Linzey, who believes ozone depletion might be part of the problem. "They are disappearing in places like Panama, Colombia, India, Australia, and the western United States."

Linzey has spent much of his career tracking elusive wildlife. While working on his doctorate at Cornell University, he spent the summers as a

naturalist in Great Smoky Mountains National Park where he completed a comprehensive study of the Golden Mouse, a tree-dwelling creature that uses its tail for balance while scampering across branches.

In Virginia he is known as the "cougar expert," collecting evidence that suggests mountain lions might still roam the region 100 years after the native population is said to have died out.

Linzey catalogued the mammals of the state for an illustrated general-interest book, *Mammals of Virginia*, soon to be published. He is author of several other books, including *Snakes of Virginia*, *Mammals of Great Smoky Mountains National Park*, *Snakes of Alabama* and two volumes of *Alabama Wildlife*.

His efforts have earned him

several honors, including the 1996 Outstanding Faculty Award for the Commonwealth of Virginia and the 1996 National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Community College Leadership Program Award. He is also named in the 1996 *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*.

Even as a student, Linzey was fascinated by wildlife. He won the first Baltimore Science Fair as a high school junior in 1956 and came in fourth in the National Science Fair. The following year he placed second in the Baltimore competition.

He passed up a partial scholarship to Johns Hopkins University to attend WMC, where his mother Dorothy Linzey was a member of the Class of '33. Linzey says he found top-notch teaching role models in Western Maryland College science faculty Harwell Sturdivant and Isabel Isanogle, who helped him develop a fondness for field research.

His senior write-up in the Aloha yearbook observes, he "collects snakes as a hobby."

—Kim Asch

grandson near them and five other grandchildren in Arkansas. Bert spends a lot of time at the computer, visits friends in Florida, North Carolina and Maine, hikes in Vermont and New Hampshire and attends various sporting events to watch his 13-year-old grandson.

Barry Murphy says things are great in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. His wife, Linda, is still teaching second and grade. All the kids are grown and gone, only four grandchildren are left. During this past year Barry has had a successful operation for colon cancer, had phlebitis and lost 25 pounds. He continues in great physical, moral, spiritual and psychological health. He was appointed by the Governor as Escheator of Shenandoah County to reclaim abandoned real property and was elected to the County Board of Supervisors. His active law practice continues. Barry says turning 65 was a great thing to do. Life is wonderful.

Duval Jones had a busy year and doesn't expect to slow down. His wife, Dorothy, teaches gifted students in some Purdue programs. Genevieve is working on a musicology degree in California. Natalie is getting some pharmacy training as part of a stint with the Army Reserve. Duval continues to work on a state science program for students along with his research on endangered species of birds.

Paul Galvin writes that he has retired from Fairfax County Public Schools after 27 years. He and **Doris Burkett '57** are looking forward to trips to Hawaii and to Lake Placid to visit **Allen '59** and **Eileen Galvin '58**. **Gilmore** and to Florida for Paul's mother's 85th birthday. Paul recently ended a two-year term as president of the Virginia School Counselors Association and has begun serving as treasurer of the Virginia Counselors Association. Doris continues tutoring Korean and Hispanic adults in English.

Shelley Myers Willen continues as a reserve teacher and gives private piano lessons for 15 students. She enjoys her watercolor classes and the paintings she has done. Scenic Colorado offers many exciting subjects. Her Colorado daughter Lisa and her husband have just traveled to China to adopt a baby girl. Her daughter Sue works in New York City as an executive assistant. Shelley visited her son Steve, his wife and children, Caitlin, 2, and Jack, 1, in North Carolina during the summer.

John '56 and **Suzanne Dorsey Batista** had just returned from WMC where they had celebrated his 40th reunion when she wrote. Their three children and five grandchildren planned to be in Ohio to help celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary in July. John continues to work as executive vice president of Super Foods Services. Their last business trip was to Phoenix. In September they went on a Celebrity Cruise to Cozumel, Grand Cayman, Ocho Rios and Key West.

Gloria Bunting Blades attended the memorial service at Baker chapel for Miss Esther Smith. She will return to the Hill on Monday, March 24,

1997 for the opening of an exhibition of her drawings in Rice Gallery. There will be a reception at 7 p.m. She hopes many of her classmates will attend. The exhibition will run through April 18th. Charlie is still working, consulting at home. He is busy with church and hunt club. Their granddaughters in the D.C. area keep them young. They traveled to Italy for a two-week vacation in May.

Marilyn Golding Rigerink's big news from Tillamook, Ore. was the "flood" in February. She said long-time residents refer to it as "the 500-year flood." The dairy farmers were hit hardest. Twenty-eight percent of the farm acreage in the county, 7,000 acres, was buried under silt a foot deep in many fields. Thousands of logs were washed into pastures and miles of fences were lost. The Rigerinks lost some of their creek bank but are okay. They are still enjoying the northwest where they are busy with church and civic activities. August saw them traveling in Canada.

Elizabeth Shepherd Collinson is still enjoying her retirement although arthritis keeps her from traveling. She keeps busy with church work and her family and with work on her Shepherd-Owens-Welch family genealogy project. Her oldest grandson started middle school in the fall.

Anne Marie Summers Egan is the mother of seven and grandmother of 11. She is associate professor of music at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind. where she has taught for 34 years. She also directs a church choir and other choruses as well as giving private lessons and performances.

When **Arthur Gould** attended our 40th reunion it was only his second return to WMC. He is already looking forward to our next reunion. His daughter-in-law has a public relations firm and visited the college to do a documentary film on the Mah-Jongg course. He hopes to sell the film to PBS for a piece on the history of Mah-Jongg. She believes WMC is the only college to offer the course. She interviewed Professor Milstein and students. Arthur's daughter Debbie has one more year of medical school.

Jim Marshall retired in February 1996 after 35-plus years with Carolina Power and Light. He and Jeanette sold their home in Cary, N.C. and moved to Kingston, N.C. Their two sons who live in Kingston and near Fuquay each have one daughter. Jim and Jeanette took their seventh cruise in June, this time a two-week Alaskan tour.

News from our clergy: **Ray Davis** is still enjoying the Texas way of life in San Antonio where he has been the associate pastor of a large Methodist church for 17 years. One of his daughters is a junior in high school and the other is a junior at Oklahoma State where she plays soccer. Ray continues to coach girls' soccer on the club level.

Robert L. Leather is enjoying his 19-year ministry at St. Paul's Church in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. He says this is the longest he has lived anywhere since leaving WMC. He and his wife Tammy are looking forward to some free time soon.

Alan J. Hagenbuch returned to the pastorate in June at the Greenhill Presbyterian Church in Enterprise, Ala. He is also teaching an ethics course at Enterprise Junior College. Elaine is teaching at Troy State University in Phenix City, Ala. in the master's program for nursing. Last Summer Alan had two artificial knee replacements and is now ready to go full tilt. He is keeping his Florida home where he has a pool, camper and boat. Alan says, like Billy Graham, he will slow down but not retire.

Harold E. Posey serves as senior pastor of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Chambersburg, Pa. At the time of our reunion we learned that the historic old church, built in 1896, had been destroyed by a major fire in February 1996, a \$6 million dollar loss. They are now building a new complex on a 10-acre site.

Rev. Merle Fox had no news but sent greetings to all from Cross Keys Village, New Oxford, Pa.

I heard from **Beatrice Ford McGlynn** who wrote that she is working for Nationals Bank and keeping busy making Christmas crafts for a November craft show. On a more somber note she said that several months ago she received a letter from Yvonne Duhl (Jack Duhl's wife) telling her that Jack had died very suddenly, but peacefully, on March 28, 1993. Beatrice said they had been corresponding since our 35th reunion and Yvonne wanted her to know why the letters had stopped.

The Alumni Office confirmed **Jack Duhl's** death and said the only additional information they had was that he was a psychotherapist in Huntington Beach, Calif. Belated condolences can be sent to Mrs. Yvonne Duhl, 2857 Fairview Street #B, Santa Ana, CA 92704-7708.

Deborah Spee Rush, daughter of **George H. Sipe**, Jr. responded to my card by saying that her dad passed away on September 3, 1995 after a long battle with lung cancer. He is missed so much by his two children and four grandsons. Condolences can be sent to 607 Lockwood Street, Auburn, AL 36830.

We also learned of the death of **James A. Harrison** when **Joanne Siehler Durst '56** sent a donation to the college in his memory. He died on June 29, 1995. He was President of James Arthur Harrison Sales and Management Inc. of Laurel, Md. and served as president of the Maryland Association of Realtors. He never married. Condolences can be sent to his family at 16005 Woodview Terrace, Laurel, MD 20707.

I've spent a year enjoying the freedom of retirement and playing with my grandson. A capital campaign at church and my work with housing for the low income elderly have kept me busy, but not too busy to accept spur-of-the-moment invitations to lunch or to play bridge. In July I had a total knee replacement and spent the remainder of the summer going to physical therapy and recuperating. Fortunately, my daughter was able to come and stay with me for two weeks after I came home from rehab. My son

and daughter-in-law also come by frequently to help. Hopefully, by the time I write the next column I'll be like **Alan Hagenbuch** and able to go full tilt.

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58 Natalie Warfield and Dick '59 Palmer had a summer visit from their daughter, Dawn, and family, who were in from Texas. They took them on lots of trips to D.C., Gettysburg, and other historical and fun places. In October, their other daughter, Dana, and family came from Texas for a huge Palmer family reunion. They keep busy with the antique business and lots of house guests. Natalie is an officer in the local historical society.

Tony Sarbanes continues to work with an engineering and architectural firm in business development. He is Wicomico County Chairman of United Way, a member of the Wor Wic Tech Community College and on the board of a housing group. Tony spoke at the 1996 WMC Commissioning Ceremony in McDaniel Hall. It was "great!" His wife Ballye keeps busy with her business and community work. Their son is working and attending law school at night and their daughter is teaching first grade.

Shirley Stevick Baucum finds retirement wonderful, but there aren't enough hours in the day. Bert and Shirley are the proud grandparents of 12, ages 16 months to 18 years. When they aren't visiting them they are sailing on the Chesapeake Bay.

Josef and Chris Wilke are enjoying retirement on the Eastern Shore while gardening, hunting and fishing. They enjoy doing some traveling looking for photo opportunities. "Seems hard to believe that I am now receiving military benefits," Joe promises to do his best to attend our 40th reunion.

Ron Weiland has been retired from IBM for three years. He always enjoyed hardware stores, so he is currently working in a community hardware store three afternoons a week, and is up on the community gossip. He and Fran had their third grandchild in July—the baby now stands at two girls and one boy. Fran continues as an O.R. nurse three days a week. Ron and Fran ski every other weekend in western Maryland and look forward to one big trip each year. They remain active in their church choir. Ron plans to do some singing at weddings with their daughter.

John Hort remains in Virginia and is still trying to win the lottery. He continues to do volunteer work with the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service.

Pattie Krell Yates is still loving retirement and still traveling!

Betty Lou Reel Stotler retired from Jamison Door Company in 1994 after 35 years, and Roy "Tubby" retired from Tristate Electrical Supply Company in 1994. They are both avid

golfers and spend winters at their home in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. Their daughter **Cheryl Stotler Houck '80** and son-in-law **Brent Houck '79** graduated from WMC. Betty Lou and "Tubby" have two grandchildren.

Larry Hare continues his public relations consulting practice for a company at NASA Kennedy Space Center, Fla. His first grandchild was born in February 1996.

Mary Hotchkiss Miller is in her eighth year as executive secretary of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship and loving it despite the state of the world and the hassles of a low-budget, non-profit organization. She was invited to be one of three representatives of the Episcopal Church in the U.S. to a peace conference in Okinawa in June 1996—a powerful experience! Mary and Ron went on to Australia to visit long time friends and returned to Maryland via stops in the San Francisco Bay area. Their son, Timothy, is taking time out from college, living at home and working in Baltimore.

Barb Lawrence Meadors is still in the deli business. She is looking forward to retirement again, when she plans to continue her "Golf America" project. Barb plans to golf in every state and hopes to document her tour in a book. "Have to keep dreaming."

Flo Mchly Wooten has her first grandchild, a baby girl, who was born in May 1996. She is still selling real estate and remains single, despite several temptations.

Don and Lucy Tucker '62 Lotz are thrilled with their first grandchild, a baby boy. All fun—no aggravation.

Ray and Arlene MacVicker '61 Wright have had an eventful 1996. A granddaughter arrived in March. Their youngest son graduated from Elon College with a degree in sports medicine and is working for Nordic Track. In June, Ray completed his first year of peaceful co-existence with a cardiac pacemaker. He is amazed how much better he feels. And finally, like many of his classmates, he turned 60 in August.

Bob and Kathy Christian traveled in the British Isles in July and August and attended a two-week international Wordsworth Summer Conference at Dove Cottage in Tasmere, England. **Ev Fesser** writes that retirement is an invention on par with compound interest. Most of his days are spent traveling, painting, flying kites and playing golf.

Lori Jones Gore is planning to retire in less than six months. Although it's one of the best jobs she has ever had, it is time for new directions. She wants to garden in the morning, do volunteer work for an arboretum and travel. Only problem is that **Jerry '62** can't bring himself to retire as he had planned, so she may be doing some traveling alone. Their daughter is married and living in North Carolina, and Mary is pursuing a program toward becoming a medical brewer in Bavaria.

Dan Miles enjoyed speaking with fellow classmates during the Annual fund alumni appeal. Some he hadn't spoken to in 38 years. Dan is retired

and has written numerous short stories. He has put out a newsletter, **SMILE** (the "S" for their first five grandchildren).

Ron Glaeser is still actively practicing orthodontics, fishing, hunting and traveling. He and his wife are going to Thailand in January. Ron will be president of the Alaska Dental Society for the next year. He loves cross-country skiing and snowmobile trips in the winter. He continues to educate himself on computers.

Sue Davidson Euler went back to school for computer training. She can't get a job that pays too much or she will lose her disability. Hang in there, Sue.

Dick and Bette Flohr Plaskett continue to enjoy life. In July, they took a trip to the far reaches of Virginia to enjoy the peace and quiet of the Breaks Interstate Park and in August they headed out to California and the Salinas Valley and then over to Big Sur where there is actually a Plaskett Creek campground. In between trips, Dick still manages his company and is on the road a great deal. If you're in the Columbia, S.C. area, give them a call.

Gail Mercey Getz attended the annual meeting of the Costume Society of Atlanta, Ga.—wonderful sights, museums and learning plus much *Olympic hoopla* everywhere. She and Don had some enjoyable rendezvous with good friends. Their summer was filled with historical society projects. Don keeps busy with his business and is still turning out Getz Barrels.

Peggy Conover Chett is still working for a small consulting company and keeps busy with church activities. Both daughters graduated from Dickinson College with one receiving her master's in international business from the University of South Carolina. Condolences to **Peggy** who lost her husband suddenly in 1995.

Condolences also to **Vi Fanner Carrick** whose husband died last spring; to **Flo Mchly Wooten**, whose ex-husband died in July; and to the family of **Richard Davidson**, who died in January 1996.

Herb and I continue to enjoy the central coast of California. We spent a week in Palm Springs, Calif. in August. What a different way of life on the desert!

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60 I received sad news from **Elizabeth Parker O'Donnell** as she wrote of her husband **Norbert's** sudden death this past spring. They had been married for 33 years. She writes that she will continue to fly their 1973 Cessna Cardinal. She retired from the University of Maryland Medical Department in July 1995 and now works in her family business in Elliott City, St. Louis. "It is in the Lord's strength that I and our children Nathan, Michael, Keith and Melinda are making it through this very difficult time."

It is with sadness that I also report the passing of our classmate **Caroline Lewis McIntosh**, who died shortly after our 35th reunion last October after a long illness. As we gathered for that reunion **Barbara Bell Woodley** recounted for the group some happy memories of time spent with Caroline and her family.

The reunion was a pleasant one—it was good to spend some time seeing old friends and renewing acquaintances. I speak especially on the phone with **Bob Harris** and recently received word from him that he and Janet will be leaving the Scranton, Pa. area to live in Enosburg Falls, Vt. Bob will be pastor of the Enosburg Falls and East Enosburg United Methodist Churches. They are hoping to retire to Susquehanna County, Pa. area in the future.

Barbara Willis Reed writes from Bloomfield, Ct. that after 24 years she is moving from her house to a condo nearby—still in the neighborhood but without two acres of lawns and gardens to care for. Older son **Bob** presented her with grandson **Samuel Forest Reed**, named for her late husband **Sam '57**. This is his second child. Her daughter **Charlotte** also has a daughter, and son **Tom** is in the Air Force Navigator's School in Pensacola.

Bob and Lani Stange '62 Anderson are enjoying their fifth year of retirement. Volunteer activities and grandchildren are a big part of their lives in Bedford, N.Y.

From Passaic, N.J. (I'm working my way across the USA here!) **Susan Schomer** writes that she is still enjoying retirement, and has started horseback riding again. She is heading out to Colorado to visit friends and to spend a week at a "dude" ranch.

Norm and Bev Cox Davis are still in Annandale, N.J., where Norm is with the Pharmaceutical Research Institute of Johnson and Johnson. Their daughter **Devon** is an emergency medicine physician in Pittsburgh. **Kendra** is a Russian project director for the League of Women Voters in D.C. Bev is busy with volunteer work, and she and Norm are making plans to get together with Jack and **Ginny Traver Slick**.

Also enjoying retirement in their home in Knoxville, Va. are **Ruth Weer** and **Larry Hutchins**. Adding to that enjoyment are their first two grandchildren—daughters born to their daughter **Jojo**, in Cleveland, Ohio. **Ruth** and **Larry** have returned from a trip to the Canadian Rockies and are planning a first-time trip to Disney World later this fall.

From Springs, Pa. **Joe Bender** writes that he is still in the same house and still at the same job! He will visit his son and two grandsons in Oregon this summer and hopes to get to Los Angeles to see his other son and granddaughter this Thanksgiving. He writes, "It's 'the pits' when they are so far away!"

Jim McManhan, of Aberdeen, Md. (and the auctioneer at the reunion—great job!) has two other jobs besides owning a radio station: co-chair of the Cal Ripken Jr. Museum Committee; and he has moved up to the G3 slot in

the State Guard and has been promoted to the rank of Colonel. Son **Jim III** is an attorney in the Bel Air area. **Betsy** is "Heaven to Betsy" in Elliott City. His step-son **Sean** plans to marry in September.

I spoke to **Linda Mackert Meade** by phone to update her earlier card from Tacoma Park, Md. She recently received her master's degrees in social work and is working with a domestic violence agency. She and her husband **David** have a combined family which includes 10 grandchildren!

Eldridge "Elvis" Ward retired in 1995 after 31 years as a physical therapist. He is now volunteer chaplain at a nursing home and assistant chaplain at the Frederick County, Md. jail.

From Crownsville, Md. **Frank Tusoph** writes that he is presently a GM-14 in the Marine Corps Office at the DOD Joint Spectrum Center. Daughter **Katrina** is a senior at the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus. Frank and his wife are starting to look forward to retirement in six years or so.

Kenneth Nickoles filled a card, writing "**Doris Miller '64** and I continue to live in Ashton, Md. Our two children keep us very busy. **Doris** is co-leader of Sara's Girl Scout troop and manager of her soccer team. **Sara** just finished fifth grade and is very active. She dives, sings, plays the sax and is active in our church, as is **Doris**. **Kenny** is almost 16 and determined to get his license soon. He will be a high-school junior and his favorite activity is skateboarding. Both **Doris** and **I** are retired, although she continues to substitute. I am scoutmaster of **Kenny's** troop. As of this September we will have 55 boys. I still enjoy hunting and fishing when I can. **Doris** and **I** still travel with the ASBO group. We were in Nashville last fall when the country music awards were presented—much glitter from the ladies and lots of hats and boots from the men."

Allan Dworkin just completed his 28th year as owner/director of a multi-specialty dental care group in the Village of Cross Keys-Baltimore City. He is president of a dental HMO serving Baltimore, Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia, and is busy running seminars around the country on dental management programs. He writes that he is "traveling as much as I can—biking Denmark, Sweden, Italy, Austria, Canada and parts of the U.S." He is a single parent of three daughters.

Patricia Hill Chopp writes from Harwood, Md. that she and **Joe** will be spending time later this year in Scotland and England when they exchange their house at the beach with a family from Sheffield, England. Daughter **Sarah's** family (three grandchildren) will be moving from Texas to Raleigh, N.C. soon. Daughter **Lisa** now works for the NBA and lives near New York City.

Sharon Board Chilcoat notes that times go too fast! She is still enjoying being a high school counselor. **Doug** is still practicing veterinary med-

incine in Westminster and raising standard-bred horses for racing. Son Clay is a post-graduate intern in veterinary medicine at Colorado State University. And while visiting him in July they also did some fishing in Estes Park. Son Wade is an envoy for Denmark at the Olympics and by the time this goes to print they will have visited him and the Games. Wade leaves in September on a Fulbright grant to be an English assistant in Vienna, Austria for a year. Sharon and Doug hope to visit him there, as well.

Joy Keller Kaplan filled a card, and more, when she wrote from Baltimore with news. She is still a member-potter of the Porters Guild of Baltimore and is currently serving as their gallery chairman. She has another year to serve as president of her garden club. She and Joy split their free time between their home in West Virginia and their home and activities in Baltimore. Joe still runs the Baltimore City courthouses and court system as administrative judge. They enjoy family events and visits with their daughter Elizabeth's family in Hampstead, Md. (they have two little girls—Sarah and Hailey). They also visit their daughter Katharine in San Francisco. Son Tom just began an orthopedic surgery residency at the Hospital For Joint Diseases in New York City.

Sandy Eastwood Smith writes real small "I" card reads. "When this goes to print Doug and I should be home from a three-week trip. We'll be starting with a land tour of Alaska, inner passage with Holland Cruise Line, a few days in Vancouver, ending up at Tom Ward's in Bellingham, Wash. for a couple of days. We plan to see Tom's drama group put on a play one night. We'll be back in Vienna, Va. with a day to spare before we go to Doug's 40th high school reunion. Then back to Vienna to start the new school year. Fairfax County budget cut some art teachers but I'm still there! Doug is still trying to make your trip through customs easier. He now has been with them for 22 years."

And other news-filled card from Virginia. **Esther Uppego Gay** writes from Williamsburg that, after four years there she still like it a lot. Bob is due to retire from the Navy after 30 years in 1997. He will be looking for a second career next spring and she hopes they'll stay in the Williamsburg area. She is organist at Yorktown Naval Weapons Station and is still teaching piano, as well as being vice president of a local music club. Daughter Catherine, 23, is working locally and at home. Son Tom, 21, is halfway through the master's program at Georgia Tech. and is working in Cincinnati this summer. Son Sean, 19, is getting ready for his first year at Longwood College. Esther's mother recently moved to a retirement home.

Ellen Snyder Hale writes, "We are proud first generation grandparents of Susannah Grace, born to son Chris and Pam." She writes from Alpharetta, Ga. that Chris is a student at Asbury Seminary in Wilmore, Ky. Son Bruce is an assistant vice president of Bankers Trust of New York in Nashville.

Vern Johnson notes from Fayetteville, Ga. that they spent the summer helping the city prepare for the Olympics. He also writes that he has learned to "surf the net," and that anybody else who works the Internet can reach him at VERN@MIND-SPRING.COM.

John Karrer is still getting used to the Cincinnati area and is liking it. He writes that he has finally succumbed to the "golf bug" but is not yet a fanatic about it. He spent a few days in New England enjoying the beaches and mountains with some old friends.

From Oklahoma City, Okla. (I'm still working my West here) **Lloyd Musselman** notes that he will be studying the American Southwest at an NEH funded institute for about four weeks this summer in San Marcos, Texas. He is excited about seeing the Olympic soccer finals with **George Varga '61**. Recently Lloyd and his wife Nancy met George and his wife Judy in Baltimore—they had not seen each other in 35 years. Lloyd writes that he is still riding his bit in hot, windy Oklahoma.

A short note from Littleton, Colo. from **Jim Thomas**. "Mildred 'Millie' Dickey '62 is still director of music at Washington Park United Methodist Church. I am still vice president of National Center for State Courts. Two children live in Denver, one near Seattle."

And from the West Coast (Altaadena, Calif.) **Mina Kirby** writes that Ginny is now 7 years old, and that they are planning a cross-country train trip to Baltimore this summer. Mina is working on a new printing of her book *Petroglyphs and Fractals—Student Mathematics Projects*. She hopes to publish *Mathematical Dreams—A Collection of Songs and Other Amusements About Mathematics* soon. She is currently on leave from the classroom to direct a lab where courses are taught via computers.

And beyond the West Coast, from Hilo, Hawaii, **Jack Bowen** writes, "Still having a 'ball' judging three careers! Professor of plant physiology at the University of Hawaii—Just let the first opportunity to retire pass by 'cause I'm having too much fun! Train firefighters worldwide in handling chemical emergencies—Japan, Crete, American Samoa, etc. Write and published a book on this subject last year. And operating a reasonably successful editorial photography business, specializing in travel photos. Life's truly a big ball of fun!"

Many thanks to all for your prompt response. As for me, I got my motorcycle license last year and now commute to work on my "piglet" (motor-scooter—too small to be a "hog"). I enjoy visits from **Nancy Thorn** when she is state-side on business. She now lives in the Bahamas where she is a women's wear buyer for the Made-moiselle stores, a group of specialty shops in Nassau and Freeport, and in a number of resorts and hotels. I'm still a cost accountant with Werner and

Pleiderer Corp. Besides, two, soon to be three, grandchildren to keep me busy, I'm out-of-doors as much as possible, keeping the jungle at bay here in Suffern, N.Y.!

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65 It was good to hear from all of you. **Nancy Canfield Cherry** wrote that she spent many years teaching music in public schools and then piano and organ at home in Spring Grove, Pa. Now, she is involved in building Harley-Davidson motorcycles and acting as an adult trainer and facilitator. That's quite a career change, Nancy. Her husband, Ken, has been at his present church for 14 years. Their son, David, has been working at Harley for a year and their daughter, Kris, just graduated from Towson State with a dual major in psychology and communications. She was fortunate to start a job in her field the day after graduation.

Judith Underwood Hill continues to enjoy teaching first grade at Glencoe Country School in Howard County, Md. Her son, Blair, 22, has graduated from the University of Maryland.

Barb Petschke Broadbent is teaching physical education at Franklin Middle School in Baltimore County. **Street '64** is continuing his career at Black and Decker. Their big news is that their daughter Sandy married Matt Tilmes in June 1996. Sandy is also teaching in Baltimore County. Ken is still working out of Arlington, Va. The family is enjoying weekends and vacations on their boat on the Chesapeake Bay.

After 25 years of living in the Midwest, **George Fulton** and Linda are planning to move back to Pennsylvania. They hope to design and build a new house. It is a starting over for them since they will both be looking for new jobs as well. They will be celebrating their 25th anniversary and are excited to begin anew.

Bill Carter and Heather are in Fairfax, Va. where Bill is still with Booz, Allen and Hamilton. His client base is the Defense Department with an emphasis on research and development and new concepts for global communications and surveillance systems.

Marge Engel is an author, speaker and media consultant specializing in families complicated by divorce. Her latest book is on the Internet. Marge is also in a doctoral program at Northwestern University where her concentration is on sterility/fertility. Husband Steve Boyle is managing director of fiduciary and investment services at Choate, Hall and Stewart, a law firm in Boston. Daughter **Beth Waldron '91** is an RN in the cardiac intensive care unit at Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas. Daughter Jenny is a manager in the global custody department of Investors Bank and Trust Company in Boston. Steve and Marge have five daughters and four grandchildren between them. Even the cat is female! Relaxation for them is sail-

ing in the waters off the coast of New England. They also party and vacation with **Deb Dudley** and **Tom Michaels '65**.

Kay Wilson Groninger writes from Lewistown, Pa. where she is the new vice-president and loan officer of Omega Bank (a far cry from her major in English). She and her husband also own a printing company. Daughter Kelly inherited Kay's love of drama and is an actress/dancer/singer in Manhattan. She was recently featured in a Woody Allen film and has done Broadway and Radio City shows. Kay enjoyed a visit in N.Y. Airy with fellow Sign Tan and WMC roommate **Diane Simpson Krell '64** and her parents.

Fran Sybert Baroch and **Jerry '64** have been back in the states for over a year since spending the previous two years in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on the Red Sea. Jerry was employed there by a Saudi Bank. Another WMC grad, **Michael Parisi '67** was there as well. They enjoyed the international community there and were able to travel extensively to areas of Europe, Asia, and Africa. Jerry is now retired, so they have spent the past year at home in travel and leisure. Fran's great accomplishment has been to learn the rudiments of a Japanese student for a few weeks and are planning a trip to Spain and Portugal. Their son Patrick, 27, is living and working in Seattle, Wash. where he enjoys the gorgeous scenery and laid-back lifestyle. Their daughter Amy, 24, has been living with them and working in public relations. She will be moving to New York City to work in the entertainment field.

Ed Daniels is still the administrator/president of the Alternative School in Cherry Hill, N.J. Besides their main campus they have several hospital based programs and some in public schools. Ed still does some private psychological work such as consultations and evaluations, but no therapy. Though he is burned out with psychotherapy, his wife Carol has a thriving therapeutic practice. Ed became a grandfather in April when his oldest daughter Christie, gave birth to Jamie Elisabeth Daniels Robertson. Christie is teaching fifth grade. His second daughter Lis is an operating room nurse and his youngest daughter Jessica is in the business field as a computer support technician. Ed and Carol travel out West every winter and summer to ski and hike. They have a time-share at Copper Mountain, Colo. (Uh oh, Ed, you shouldn't have told us that unless you want visitors!)

Alice "Bunny" Krizak Rafford is in Reisterstown, Md. where much of her time is spent caring for an elderly relative. Her leisure time is taken up with gardening, seeing galleries and theater and traveling. Bunny and daughter Megan went to Britain and Ireland for May and loved it. Megan is now a senior fundraiser with United Way. Daughter Becky received her M.F.A. last year and is now director of Columbia Art Center. Bunny is trying to get her husband Bob to retire from

his high-pressure job, but he still has his fishing and hunting. In fact, he was planning a trip to the Arctic Circle for caribou.

Well, after 31 years we finally heard from **Ed Earp**. I think he must have been inspired by the 30th reunion. In February 1993 he retired from the army with his last assignment in Carlisle, Pa. at the Army War College. He and his wife Annie decided to stay there and are enjoying the area. Annie is a Texan whom Ed met in Frankfurt Germany in 1978. Their children are Rachel, 11, and James (J.P.), 9. Ed just completed an M.Ed. in special education at Shippensburg University and is ready to begin his second career as a teacher. Annie is also a teacher.

I am still the manager of automated systems at the Wisconsin County Free Library in Salisbury, Md. This past spring I enjoyed a visit with **Carolyn Dowell Mohler** when she came to pick up her youngest daughter who is attending Salisbury State University. Carolyn and her husband Philip are in Prince Frederick, Md. and have three beautiful grown daughters.

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68 Someone bemoaning the dull life is **Carol Weigandt Eberhart**. Listen to this: Her husband was held up at gunpoint in D.C., their house was struck by lightning (cooking most appliances and downing two trees), their younger son was almost in a plane crash, and their older son got married, apparently without incident. The reason things seem dull, Carol, is that you are probably afraid of leaving the basement!

On Valentine's Day 1996, **Barb Schaeffer Disharoon** married Don Honnell, a lecturer in music at WMC. She now has four names, three more kids and is "campus mother" to 389 freshmen at Western Maryland. **Dean Ira Zepp '52** performed the ceremony and they honeymooned in Sweden, visiting her son **Grant '93** in the process.

Barry Ellenberger reports same house, same job, same bills. They saw **Dana Huseman** in the spring on a trip down south, and often bump into **Jerry and Karen Wagner '70 Tegges**, since their kids go to the same school. Yes, we still eat crabs once a month, Barry, so give me a call and you'll get the bid.

In addition to being director of the Kansas, Ill. library, **Charlotte Hanne-man Bennett** has been teaching English to Albanian children from Macedonia. Mike has been doing the same tutoring program as well, but specializing in teaching Romanians from Brazil. With the scholarships paying the way, Drew entered Eastern Illinois University to major in elementary education. Yes, they do party a lot more than we did, Charlotte. Jacob's in the eighth grade. The guys repainted their 135-year-old house and had to redo the bathroom because the toilet fell through the floor, or something like that.

Bob Hibbard has spent the last 13 years in the Texas prison system, happily not making license plates but as warden of a 500-bed substance abuse facility in Winoosburg. Becky is a personnel specialist at another prison nearby. Their last favorite movie is *The Great Escape*. After 26 years in Texas, Bob is now considered a naturalized Texan and is planning to build his retirement home on Lake Quittman. He's hoping his Yankee grandchildren and WMC friends will visit and teach him fishing.

MaryAnn Jula Kaveski and Trish Euker King, along with their spouses, met near Charlottesville, Va., to go for a hot air balloon ride to celebrate their 28th wedding anniversary. But it was too windy to go. (Maybe try scheduling near a major election to get the right balance of hot air and wine.) They met up with **Gail Letts Gratzick and Barb Linton Morris** this summer. MaryAnn gave up solo ob-gyn practice to join a group and to avoid so many insurance problems. A trip to Alaska for next summer is in the works.

William "Tim" and Barbara "Zim" Zimmerman July recently got rear-ended by that 50 thing—how did it get here so fast? He's doing water pollution enforcement for Pennsylvania and she's doing social work instead of teaching.

Can you believe that **Mari Happel** is a grandmother three times over? Are we getting to be grandparents? Nah! Mari's a statistician with HCEA (Medicare) in Columbia, Md. She's on her way to Israel for the 11th time for a Christian Zionist celebration and pilgrimage.

In the last three years **Martha "Min" Yarrison Heisey** has gone from IBM to Loral to Lockheed Martin, all the while keeping the same job, facility, office and phone. She's managing a team of engineers that are building a communications system for the Navy 46. They own two Toy and Hobby stores in Manassas and Herndon, with Brandt, 22, and Wayne, 25, running the stores, hubby Mel doing the buying, and Daryl out of the business loop in the 9th grade.

During his recent trip to Japan, **Harvey Broodno** was shocked to discover that the Japanese own everything there, too! Where will it end? In his spare time from his duties as Emperor of Wyoming, Harv leads the Philadelphia Probation Department as supervisor of interstate cases by requiring all offenders to make notes cards. His bongos lessons are going well and he's hoping to play the National Anthem on his bongos for the Phillies '97 home opener. Harv—don't quit the day job just yet.

Karin Heisey and Bud '65 Benton live in Easton, Pa. and are dying to hear from WMC grads in the area. She's teaching high school English in Bellemead, N.J., and finished a master's in educational technology at Lehigh a few years ago. A special "hi" to Dec Greenlee and Louise Ramsey.

Steve Jones's employer, National Processing, went public last year but no sudden riches from the IPO. He and Susan enjoyed a vacation to Yellowstone and the Tetons, and just returned from Ontario. Steve hopes to open a break-dancing/macarena studio when he retires.

Sam Mason Kareiva reports that her life is dull, but the facts prove otherwise. She was recently promoted and now reviews the work of four other people for accuracy, spelling and punctuation. And if that's not enough, she heads up a maintenance troupe that entertains at the Maryland School for the Blind. To slow down this torrid pace, she's off to Puerto Valarta with some friends this winter to open a flaming banana/mounds of joy stand on the beach. Her son Stephen broke up with the girlfriend from hell last year during the blizzards, and computers make good doers.

Elinor Hitchner and Dennis have moved to Flemington, N.J., this time restoring an even larger Victorian house. They will open the place up in late 1997 as a bed and breakfast, if their supply of paint holds out. Local attractions include tours of the famous New Jersey diamond mines, the local Toxic Medical Waste Processing Center and the Muskrat Museum.

Last and least, we're fine. Dianne's living outside Philadelphia, working for Andersen Consulting, while Wade pledges a frat at Colgate. Drew comes computer games while pretending to study in the 10th grade, **Barbie Payne '70** is chair of the education department at Villa Julie College. I went backpacking in the Gila Wilderness last spring, fix teeth, do a lot of hunting, especially since I stopped working on Fridays, and plan to renounce Satan shortly.

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70 I know you are having more fun out there than I'm hearing about. So I'll quote my friend

Carol Harris Dietrich—"Oh, well." **Royce "Brad" Bradshaw**, who reports in from Salisbury on his marriage to Heidi last November. The honeymoon cruise led to a flurry of islands aimed at Grand Cayman Island. So far, he's still here at Juvenile Justice sporting a second master's degree in guidance and counseling. Bravo!

The creativity award will be shared this year by two classmates reporting in via email. **Donna Dacler** is "still in the Army" having survived a tour at the Pentagon. Now a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, she finished a master's degree in instructional and performance technology via computer link to Boise State University. Whew!

JC Allen (or CJNELLA as he's known on AOL) reports that he and **Patti Wade Allen '72** are thriving in Boston, where he manages Battelle's R&D, a consulting office in Cambridge. Daughter Jaime is a sophomore at Miami University of Ohio,

and Jennifer is a junior in high school. Some year-old news (hey, we go with what we have): **Mac Vernon** reports that **Sally Mark Shewalter** is now deputy director in the Office of Justice Administration where she works out of Governor Glendening's office.

Karen Good Cooper is teaching at Lord Fairfax Community College, while husband Tom continues at the National Zoo. Daughter Sarah is in her second year at the USAF Academy. They keep busy working on their pre-Civil War farmhouse, gardening, studying genealogy and local history AND supporting ultra running—the Old Dominion 100 Mile!

Norma Davis was named to *Who's Who in America's* *High School Teaching*. She is also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association.

Danielle Greenip Barry continues teaching (with a passion) in New Jersey and stays busy with the local school board, church outreach and as an Excel Communications rep, though she longs to be on stage. Husband Roy works hard at estate planning and daughters 8 and 13 are great.

John Heisler, also of New Jersey, decided to check in after 26 years—HOWDY! John teaches social studies at Cherry Hill East High School. **Sandy Gorman Heisler '71** has started a private counseling practice specializing in play therapy for children. They have two—Jake is a senior in high school playing soccer and baseball. Emily is in 7th grade choosing soccer and basketball.

Ed Hermann has been with Commercial Credit for almost 17 years! Wife **Susan Burgard Hermann '77** has been a legal assistant for 11 years! Ed had "laser surgery to correct nearsightedness and can see great now." Vacations this year include Orlando and Williamsburg.

We can claim celebrity status for our class again, thanks to **Ed Cline's** appearance on the cover of *The Hill*. **Susan Robertson Cline** reports that he's busier than ever preparing Memorial Stadium for the Ravens. She will return to the math class at Hereford High in the fall—"mostly calculus and pre-calc (**Dr. Jim Lightner '59** would be pleased!)." Son Glenn is in his third year as an engineering student at the University of Maryland. Amy and Laura are in their last and first years of high school. Everyone is healthy!

Judith "Jann" Smith Fees has completed 26 years teaching high school French, and reports that "the number of difficult students increases every year and the amount of work they are willing to do decreases." What's going on parents? Jann shares her life with husband Ken and two Siberian huskies. She teaches Sunday school, bikes, knits and does crosswords.

Penny Williams Cipolone reports a major milestone in her life: in her 25th year of teaching Latin at Gateway Regional High School, she taught

eight students whose PARENTS she had also taught! "Ugh!" Son Stephen graduated first in his class at Moorestown Friends High School. As a National Merit Scholar, he attends Haverford College. He traveled to Italy this year with Penny and her husband Mark.

Nancy Hoskins reported NO car accidents this time, however, she did say that she'll be giving magnet therapy a try for persistent back and hip pain. Meanwhile, she's having fun—had a wonderful trip to Texas and is now entertaining visitors from all over.

Hallie Cross Davis has completed an interactive, animated home page for her new business Eyeglasses International.

Bob '69 and Linda Green Lentz checked in from Camp Hill, Pa., where Bob continues as an engineer with AMP, manufacturing small electronic components. Linda is management development coordinator for the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry, where she developed and implemented a very successful Management Development Institute. She reports that **Barbara Neely Sample** and family are doing well—no details.

Brian Caneli (formerly Lois McClenon Merrill) has big news from Bowie—adopting a "bundle of love" named Christopher. "I didn't know life could be this rich."

Bill Griffith says "painting still takes a back seat to family stuff" but he does portrait commissions. He teaches art to E.D. boys at a residential school, Wife Melanie, I mean Marilyn, sold her beauty shop, but maintains an electrolysis office. Jack, 16, plays varsity basketball for the Central Jersey, Group 2 State Champions, thank you very much. Nick, 12, broke a decade-old long jump record at a regional track meet.

Now it's my turn! It was wonderful fun to see so many of you at the reunion last year! We must do that again soon—how about the year 2000!

For now my days are full and joyful. Tom and I are blessed with the good life and a beautiful son John, 8, who brings us great joy. I am serving as fund development chair on the board of Habitat for Humanity of Orange County, and have recently discovered drywall and siding as new avocations. I am also enjoying my role as Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for a 15-year-old girl. If you have a few hours a week to make the difference in the life of a child in crisis—DO IT!

Finally, Janet and Kip Killmon and Tom and I happily announce that Kristen, 22, has graduated from Vanderbilt University and set out for a year in Japan to teach English. We are proud of her accomplishments and in awe of her sense of adventure. Bravo!

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73 I'm writing this after my deadline, but I'm glad for having procrastinated. **George Layman**, who spent his freshman year with us, wrote from Cumberland that he'd spent time in Vietnam—"what a waste of Americans"—after leaving WMC. It was good to hear from him after so long.

Congratulations to our own **Jim Zucco** who was appointed to the WMC Board of Trustees.

Nelson Shaffer is "busy and doing well" in Aston, Pa. with wife Diane and children Ashleigh, Nikandra, Dustin, Jenna and Zachary.

Terry Luft Scholtz Strand writes that Terry's family turned into reality in 1995 when she became a torch singer with a big band. Terry's son John graduated from Cal State, Sacramento, in December 1995.

Joe Prado, regional executive with F&M Bank, Cumberland, was selected to participate in the Class of '96, an eight-month training program sponsored by Leadership Maryland, an affiliate of the Chamber of Commerce. The program informs top level executives from private and public sectors about issues, challenges and opportunities facing the state.

Kudos also are due **Steve Kelly**, named pupil personnel worker of the year by the Maryland State Department of Education. His position is a blend of guidance counselor/social worker/teacher.

Tom Blair heads his own video production company and with **Joe Carter** has put together a marketing video and audio tape series for Bell Atlantic and Bell South.

Ellen Gould Arey and husband Jeff have three children between ages 7 and 15 and have been married for 20 years. Ellen is business manager of an international law firm.

From Portland, Maine, **Susan Benoit Pettingill** writes that she quit smoking and received her master's in administration during the summer of 1995.

Jay Kintzing is still living and raising a family in Montana, the "last best place on Earth."

As of October 1995, **Diane Smith Cikanovich** and husband Chris were still in Taiwan, had adjusted after the first year to their exotic island home and had bought a townhouse in Ocean City for the summer U.S.A. residence. They are traveling in Asia as much as possible.

Shirley Lee Chen is now chief of loan repayment programs for the National Health Service Corps in Bethesda.

Tom D'Andrea Resau and family moved to Pennsylvania, their 19th move in 21 years, where they'll be for two years. **Tom '72** was chief of peacekeeping at the U.S. State Department and now commands Letterkenny Army Depot in Chambersburg.

Thomas John, 19, is on the dean's list at Penn State while Sally is in 8th grade and playing soccer. Still teaching physical education and aerobics, Joan is enrolled in another master's program to become certified in early

childhood special education. Their current home, built in 1790 by a Revolutionary war hero, is on the National Historic Register.

Debra Radcliffe-Borsch is a sign language interpreter for Jamie Clark, president of Clark Internet Services, a company which provides a high speed connection to WMC. She invites you to e-mail her at debra@clark.net. Emily is in 8th grade. Alex is in the fourth.

Midford Sprecher's daughter started college at Bates (not named for Norman) in Lewiston, Maine, a town with a great Goodwill thrift store. He's still disappointed that Bob Dole did not pick him as a running mate and wonders how **Fred Rudman** makes it without him. ("I guess there aren't any tests.") Last, he wrote, "In spite of some evidence to the contrary, **Michael Mock** ain't no bum."

Debbie Lutz and Bob Robinson's sons, David, 16, Michael, 15, and Adam, 12, have a new sister this year: Anna Lovgren, a 17-year-old Swedish exchange student. Debbie volunteers at school and teaches a role playing class. Bob is now medical director for Physicians Healthcare Plan, a new HMO.

Cathy Campbell Whitehouse teaches first grade at Hathaway Brown, a private girls' school. Erin plays hockey and is a political activist; Meghan loves math and science, hockey, lacrosse, and competitive swimming, and plays euphonium in band; Kirsten is interested in music and theater and socializing. Peter consults worldwide about Alzheimer disease. Last summer he was in Japan, Korea, Spain and Argentina, while Cathy visited with **Pam Norton Bennett** and **Peggy Jones Demids**.

From Jacksonville, Ala., **Glenn Scheib** writes that he's happy to be back with his family after 17 months of serving in Korea and attending chaplain advanced course. He's now an Army battalion chaplain at Fort McClellan.

Patti Rohm Smith and Robb measure their lives by their daughters' sports seasons: soccer, basketball, track and softball. Christy was commencing her college search.

Dinah Sunday and husband Ed had celebrated his son's wedding last summer and hiked in the Lake Placid and Lake Champlain areas in the autumn. Dinah is treasurer of the National Cathedral School Alumnae Association and proving that English majors can be good fundraisers.

Lucinda Newby Noland writes that **Bob '74** was to travel to Thailand and India in November. Last summer, the Nolandts met Hurricane Bertha face-to-face while they vacationed in Puerto Rico. Derek is now 13 and Lauren is 11.

Brian and David, twin sons of **Bill and Monika van der Berg McCormick** are both in college—10 hours apart—Brian at Virginia Tech, David at Cornell. Gregory is in eighth grade. Monika is now in her seventh year of teaching music at a middle

school and her 15th as church choir director. While Bill is in his 15th at BioWhittaker.

From Woodbridge, Va., **Larry Wild** writes that he is now a retired lieutenant colonel, working for Battelle Memorial Institute, an international company on a contract with the Department of Defense health affairs division. Jan manages two Kaiser Permanente clinics. Daughter Jamie is working on a nursing degree and Jason, with an Air Force scholarship, is studying meteorology at Penn State.

Jack Wilhelm reports many stills: "still healthy, got a full head of hair, cave diving in the Florida springs, living in apartments, eating health food." The news is that he got divorced, changed his pants size, and had his first car accident.

Tom Patterson remarried on March 20 and moved into a new home the same week with Dorothy and their children Tanner, 4, Adam, 6, Julie, 8, and Matt, 11. Tom and Dorothy honeymooned on Margarita Island off the coast of Venezuela and took the kids to DisneyWorld in October.

It is with regret that I report the death of **Barbara Stephens-Rich's** husband Stu, who succumbed to cancer last June after a long struggle. Barb was appointed pastor of the church Stu served and is back to full-time duty for the first time in almost eight years. We extend our sympathy to Barb.

I returned to WMC in the fall to take one class and, as a result, completed my first book of essays.

As always, if I've overlooked something important, I apologize. May you continue to live and love. Write any time, please.

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75 Once again, thanks to all of you who responded to my emergency request for news.

Life has been exciting for **G. Bruce Anderson**. His marriage to Beth Dodd, whom he met while attending law school, was planned for July 19th on the beach in Ocean City. He and Beth have been enjoying decorating the home they bought in Salisbury. His children, Eric, 17, and Kyle, 13, are growing like weeds. Bruce and Kyle enjoy surfing and playing golf and Erin has become quite the socialite. Bruce's law practice is expanding and is keeping him busy.

Alex Wilson and Joan Bailey-Wilson recently moved back to the Baltimore area. After 16 years in New Orleans, they report that it's great to be back home. Their parents are really happy to have the grandchildren, Lauren, 11, and Alexander "Sandy," 7, around to spoil. Alex and Joan are both working as research scientists (geneticists) for the National Center for Human Genome Research, National Institutes of Health, at a new center located on the Hopkins Bayview Campus. They recently gave a joint talk at WMC at a Tri-Beta meeting and had lots of fun doing it.

Stephen T. Butler has been recognized as Builder of the Year, Arthur Rutenberg Homes; and **Dr. Sharon Crane-Siegel** completed her master's degree in oral biology in June 1995.

Bob Catillon is still living in northeast Carroll County, about 20 minutes from Westminster. Susan, his wife, is a secretary in the WMC president's office and Bob is an associate principal at Overlea High School in Baltimore County. Son Chris and daughter Erin are attending North Carroll High School; one is a senior and the other is a freshman. Bob is still raising Belgium Draft Horses.

Debbie Melvin Farrell reports that not much is new with her and Mike. Linda and Sarah turned 2 in February so they're going through the terrible two times two. Debbie also writes that they attended **Page Thompson's** wedding to Eric Anderson over Memorial Day weekend; that Page is now raising four teenagers, two of her own and two stepchildren; and that Page and Eric have a home in Annapolis.

Sharon Hobbs Fisher is still teaching science at Grace and St. Peter's in Mt. Vernon. The school recently received a grant from NASA to develop a cross-curriculum astronomy unit, which is keeping her busy. Her husband, Robert, has been happily working as an inspector for the Maryland Department of Agriculture for just over a year now. Son Eric graduated from high school and got into the *Who's Who of High School Students*, despite attending school less than half of each year due to illness. Eric will be attending Towson State University on several scholarships (which together amount to a full scholarship) and probably will major in computer science. Daughter Courtney, 16, is doing great. Just one more year of high school and Sharon will have two college students—which definitely makes her feel old.

Mary Lou Murray Gere is teaching special education in Project PRIME, a self-contained class for emotionally disturbed 9th-12th graders at Central Regional High School in Bayville, N.J. She has been married 22 years to Jerry and is working on her master's degree in special education. Daughter Jessica is in her senior year at Cook College/Rutgers University, majoring in environmental science. Jerry Jr. is 18, Patrick is 14 and Ryan is 12. This summer, Mary Lou spent 11 days in Vermont and found vacation property to purchase.

Linda Jean Beam-Giraudin reports that the Giraudins are doing well, although her multiple sclerosis slows her down a bit. After experiencing babies every three years, she's now discovering life with school-aged children! Clayton, 6, Rachel, 9, Scott, 12, Nicki, 16 and finding single parenting to be a true adventure. Although her Social Security disability pension doesn't go far, Linda Jean believes God always provides. He gave her the grace to service drill team, karate, piano lessons, ad infinitum, and she says "life is good!"

Jerry and Jackie Andrews Grace and their son Richard have just moved to Dublin, Md. Jerry is the new pastor at Dublin Methodist Church and Jackie is still teaching special education at Bel Air High School. Richard is attending Harford Community College.

Linda Spease Guess sends greetings from Italy. She and husband, Jerie, have been there for two years. Jerie has one more year left on his job and then they hope to return to the States. During their first year in Italy, Linda was a substitute teacher for grades K-12. This past year, she had full-time jobs—during the first semester, she taught algebra and geometry and during the second semester she taught eighth-grade science, which she enjoyed. Katherine, 15, and James, 12, are both doing great, in school and out. The family travels when they can and recently had lots of fun spending two weeks in England.

Sally Dixon Haley and husband Jim still live in Brunswick, Maine and love small-town life. Daughter Molly is 10 and newly adopted daughter, Philomina, 7, arrived in May from India. Sally is teaching at a medical school nearby in Biddeford.

For five years, **Nan Hamberger** has been an associate professor in the education department of Alvernia College in Reading, Pa. She also serves on various college committees and several community committees that deal with education issues.

Nancy Eichelman Handy, husband John and their two girls, Christine, 4, and Emily, 1, are enjoying their new home in Oakton, Va. and report that the transformation from condos and BMWs to a multi-bedroom house and mini-van is complete. Their favorite family past-time is bicycling and they're having lots of fun riding their tandem and pulling a trailer holding the girls (quite a sight!).

Martha Ellithorpe Hill has been living in West Virginia since graduating 1975. She has a master's degree in learning disabilities and education administration. She's been teaching L.D. for 18 years. Her oldest son, Jacob, is married; another son is attending West Virginia University; and a third son is in middle school. She and husband Rowland '71 are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary and send thanks to Dean Zepp for their permanent union.

All is well in Cantonville, reports **Pat Hipsley**, who now has two in college. **Michael '98** at WMC. Three are in high school and one's in third grade. He thanks God that things are going well at work where he became a vice president this year. Because he has a son at Western Maryland (with a 4.0 GPA—it's okay to brag), he keeps current on the school and believes it still offers the best education in the region. He was looking forward to vacationing in the Outer Banks and celebrating his 22nd wedding anniversary last summer.

Dave Hoopes is still counseling small businesses in Chestertown and Cheryl just resigned as the director of the day care center she directed 14

years ago. Their oldest daughter, Emily, is at Ursinus College and Erin will be a junior in high school, where she runs track and cross-country. Dave declares life is good.

Bette Gemma Jarzewski just completed her 21st year of teaching mathematics in Baltimore County. Her daughters, Christine and Beth, are now 12 and 10. Bette is particularly glad to see some of her former students have become recent WMC graduates.

Julie Mullen Johnson, husband Mark and 3-and-a-half-year-old son Parker, welcomed Ervin Robert, born on May 21, 1995. The Johnsons are still living in their California ranch and enjoying the sun. Julie is a resource specialist at the district's new middle school.

Douglas C. Jones has moved and provided his new address in Orlando, Fla.

Hannah Nitsche Kaithera reports that all is well with their six children (Rebekah, Leah, Robert, Joanna, Christian and Asher), who range in ages 18 months to 12 years. Hannah also added that all six do have the same father. She is still working on their farm house and while the chores being at home with the children, she finds educating them to be their biggest challenge.

Chris Carter Karman is in her 13th year at Carroll Community College Library as the systems administrator for the Dynix on-line automation system. Her husband, **Tim '74**, is in his 18th year at MSD Columbia and is building his second career with PFS Financial Services. Their children Rebecca, 15, and Michael, 14, have been joined by an adopted brother, 16-year-old Oliver, from Geseke, Germany. All three attend Westminster High School. Chris and Tim recently celebrated their 20th anniversary with a trip to Cancun.

Karen Farina Kehm says nothing exciting is happening to the Kehm family. They're just experiencing the usual busy daily activities of swimming, yard work, etc. They were anticipating a vacation in Mexico this summer, where they plan to drop off daughter Danielle, 16, who will live for three weeks with a native Mexican so she can improve her Spanish. Then, they'll spend some time in Mexico City, touring the ruins. This fall, Karen starts a new position as an ESOL teacher. After 13 years of teaching English, she says this is her way of acknowledging our global village.

Things here are fairly routine at the King household. After more than six years of having three dogs, we're back to pampering only two. Molly is now 7 and Bailey is 1-and-a-half. Pat is still at Vitro and designing Internet HomePages on the side. I'm at TMS, Inc. still working as a government contractor for environmental and energy-related studies. Marc, 29, is still working as an accountant, is having a townhome built in Fairfax and just got engaged to Pam during a Caribbean cruise.

As always, feel free to write whenever the mood hits. We all would love to hear from you.

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78 Thanks for your response to my cards. I hope that everyone enjoyed the holiday season and winter are looking forward to warm spring days and coping with 40!

Ben Lowe, Ph.D. has been granted tenure and made an associate professor of history at Florida Atlantic University's Schmidt College of Arts and Humanities, effective August 1996. Ben joined the FAU faculty in 1993 as an assistant professor. He is teaching and publishing in early modern European history. His book, *Imagining Peace: A History of Early English Pacifism* will be published this year. Ben is also actively involved in Boca Raton Congregational Church.

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Nancy G. Dixon, recently received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. Nancy joined the Navy in June 1994 and was singled out for a medal because of her initiative in making a significant contribution to the accomplishment of the National Naval Medical Center's mission.

Marcia Polk Meyer says busy with her public affairs job at FDA, working on medical device issues. She is also involved in her church, especially the choir, and also enjoys gardening and aerobic dancing when she can find the time. **Dave '79** is working at The Nature Conservancy, now doing work on the Internet. Their daughter Beth, 10, spent a week at the WMC last summer at a soccer academy, living in Whiteford Hall. The family recently spent some time in the San Juan Islands where they saw Orca whales. The Polks spent a week at Hatteras with **Sp Quinn '79** and **Bob '81 Hale** and their family. Their two boys are Beth's age and their daughter is two.

JoAnn Mackinson is a recent graduate of Gallaudet University's new accredited Ph.D. program in clinical psychology, with a specialization in deafness. She was in the first graduating class of the program. She is living in Cambridge, Mass., where she is a postdoctoral fellow in forensic psychology at the Harvard Medical School/Mass. General Hospital Department of Psychiatry, Children and the Law Program. She loves the Northeast. She still has her interpreting/consulting business, Intersync, which has taken her to all corners of the world (Costa Rica, Paris, Switzerland, Norway...).

Nancy Ann McKenzie is living in Westminster with son Mark, who is now halfway through middle school and playing the electric guitar. They and their menagerie of pets—two dogs, six cats, three hamsters, one guinea pig, three iguanas, two fish, two turtles and a hermit crab—manage to keep busy. Nancy volunteers with 4-H and visits **Norma Edie Campbell** every summer to judge at the Harford County Fair. Nancy

attended the "Defining Moment Campaign for Western Maryland College" celebration at WMC and was exceedingly impressed and inspired by the day's events.

Robin Max Townsend has left the travel business and is teaching Spanish at Atholton High School in Columbia, Md. Her husband, Jay, is teaching science at Clarksville Middle School in Howard County. Their children, Stacey, 14, Sam, 14, Ben, 13, and Michael, 12, keep the Townsends extremely busy!

Kate Shirley '80 and **Steve Luetke** had a busy fall. Kate is finishing her master's degree and Steve is the offensive coordinator for East High School in Sioux City, Iowa. Their daughter Stephanie is a freshman at East High and is on the swim team while their son Christopher, 11, is playing flag football and hockey. Steve sends on best wishes to **Dave Seibert** for another great baseball season at WMC!

I had a nice note from **Ltc. Bruce Belt** before he shipped off overseas. Before heading to Panama, he attended the Armed Forces Staff College, ran into **Dotty Cannon Johnson** and had a great time looking at some old ROTC photos. His plan is to spend 18 months in Panama then go to Miami when the HQ transfers there and spend 18 months there. He then plans to retire and grow wine grapes.

Dave Taylor is still living in Burlington, Wis., with his wife Sue and they are raising three sons, Alex, Nathan and Paul. Dave is in full-time practice of family medicine, Chief of Hospital Staff, and works with a youth group and teaches Sunday school at church.

Tom Maskell was just promoted to senior consultant in IBM's Government Consulting Group. He spent the last three years working on the State of Maryland's Arrest Booking System, spending one year in the new jail—what fun!

Finley Smoot is now working with Arthur Andersen in Washington, D.C., specializing in implementing financial accounting systems. Prior to joining at Andersen, she went back to school for 2.5 years, through the University of Virginia's accounting program. She recently passed all four parts of the CPA exam.

Kathy Derry and **Scott Stoehr** moved to South Carolina in the fall of 1995. Kathy is an interpreter coordinator for the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind in Spartanburg. She works with **Barbara Price Wilder '81**. Scott works for Re/max Co. Their children, Bradley and Molly have adjusted to middle school and the South, and although they all miss Maryland, family and friends, they are loving their new adventure.

After two years at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, **David Rae**, was reassigned to the Pentagon. Before arriving in September 1996, he managed a great vacation, kayaking in Nova Scotia. Dave ran a Army 10-mile and several of the WMC ROTC cadets and cadre in October.

Craig Merkle continues to be busy with his sons who are 10, 7, and 5, coping with the big 40, and with work. His law firm continues to grow having gone from 16 to 40 lawyers over the last eight years. **Rick Barnes '77** is one of his law partners. Craig also sees **Doug Barnes '79** quite a bit as he attempts to provide pain free dentistry to the Merkle family.

Linda Rickell and **Carl '75 Stiegler** bought a house in Meadows, Texas; a small city just southwest of Houston last year. They've enjoyed putting in a garden and rose beds. Linda is still teaching band at Welch Middle and loving it. This year they are using block scheduling and she has had to adjust to 90-minute classes. They spent a month last summer driving around Lake Michigan enjoying the sand dunes.

Beth and Jerry Lency are staying busy with Kyle, 3. Jerry was elected vice-president of the Board of Directors of his country club where he recently won the club championship.

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80 As I write this, it is a lovely summer afternoon and I am sitting on my front porch in the shade of an old mulberry tree, laptop in hand, while Michael does yard work and my kids play in their sandbox. It is a nice day for reading the postcards that have been coming in all month and catching up on college classmates.

Sue Crumbaugh Willingham writes that she has returned to teaching language arts after 10 years in public relations. In her spare time she writes poetry and short stories. Like many of us she really enjoyed the 15 year reunion.

Ann Dryden Rubino and her husband Jerry are enjoying their new graphic design business in Roland Park. Ann says that her oldest nephew, **Jake, son of Chris Dryden '78** and **Jamie Mosberg '78**, is now 15 and taller than she is and that all three of her nephews are great soccer players. Ann is looking forward to celebrating **Barb Llewellyn Wilcoxon's** birthday with **Sara Norman Catlett** and **Donna Smith Kramer '78**.

Ann Harrison Weiford writes that she is teaching at the Delaware School for the Deaf in Newark, Del. and still does some interpreting as well. Husband Ken works for an accounting firm and daughter Ade, 4, recently accompanied her parents on a vacation to West Virginia. Ann remains in touch with **Patty Noonan Tressler '79**, **Lisa DeLander** and **Cindy Kissler**.

Susan Hevener Miller is in her 17th year at South Carroll High School where she teaches German and is the foreign language department chairperson. Recently, a former student nominated her for *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. Susan also continues to teach Sunday school. Her husband **Greg** works as a welder with Miscellaneous Metals in Frederick. Her son Nathan will be starting first

grade and daughter Meghan almost 4 loves to sing.

Jim Lamont recently accepted a position as vice president of Heard & Associates, a full service marketing and advertising firm. Jim continues to run a travel company which was recently reviewed in the *New York Times* and which offers uniquely designed tours to places including Ireland, the Mediterranean and China. Jim and his wife **Karen Bellamy '81** have really enjoyed traveling and are looking forward to it when their children Kylan, Bren and Kip are old enough to accompany them.

Phyllis Lindzey recently had a great trip to DisneyWorld with her kids, despite 110-degree temperatures inside the park. On the way home she happened to spot her sister **Susan Landry '82** on I-95; Susan was heading to Savannah as Phyllis traveled north. Another interesting coincidence involved Phyllis's first meeting with her new physician, **Dr. James "Jamer" Chamberlain** who practices in Arnold, Md.

Robin Lee Lawson and husband **Keith '79** got away to Nantucket this summer to celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary. They were planning another week in the Outer Banks with their children David, 8, and Chris, 5, and Robin was hoping that it would be hurricane free! Robin enjoys her volunteer work at both children's schools.

Ellen Sartorio Lawrence writes that life is great in Pensacola, Fla. where she continues to work for the Escambia NEA (an affiliate of the National Education Association) processing agreements bargaining contracts and performing a host of other tasks. Her husband Curtis is a part-time caterer and full-time care giver for their children, son Taylor, 5, and daughter Emily, 2. Ellen says that Taylor, like his Dad, is interested in sports, particularly golf, baseball and soccer, and Emily is interested in anything which interests Taylor!

Connie Mayer Schultheis writes that all is well in Virginia Beach. She and her husband **Tom MEA'80** have a new daughter, Jayne, born in February 1996, as well as Brant, 6, and Kylie, 5. Tom is an engineer for the Atlantic command in Norfolk, a position with the department of defense. Connie is chief cook, bottle washer and knee kisser at home and writes that she loves every minute of caring for the baby, taking the older kids to baseball, gymnastics and swimming, and of course, spending lots of free time on the beach.

Mike O'Neill says that summer is hot in Texas. When he wrote, he and his family were on their way to Germany for some cool air. Mike's wife Nathalie is beginning her first term on the City Council. His sons, Ben, 10, and Jon, 7, finished the swim team season undefeated. And Mike, who has finished his Ph.D. course work will begin his dissertation in the fall.

Jane Redding finished her second year teaching in the Applied Academic Department at the Maryland School for the Deaf. She is spending the summer involved with Boy Scout activities with students from MSD the highlight of which is a two-week trip with several of the older scouts which includes a week of skiing in New Zealand and stops in Australia and Honolulu.

Doug Renner is currently teaching physical education at Faith Christian School where his wife **Linda Marriott '87** teaches fifth grade. Doug also teaches physical education for Christian Home School Fellowship and he continues to coach the track and field and cross country teams at WMC. He writes that the team has had excellent athletes and has had eight All-Americans and one National Champion during his tenure of coaching.

Susan Robinson Tandy continues to teach first grade at a local school and to spend summers playing in two community bands. Her daughters, ages 9 and 11, are busy with school, scouts, basketball and music lessons. When Sue's husband John was chosen employee of the year for 1995, they got an April trip to Puerto Rico which was reportedly beautiful. They also traveled to Florida to see **Janis Weimar Wheat '79** and visited Mickey Mouse as well!

Robin Seipp Maresca writes that she invites old friends to visit her bed and breakfast in Florida and that she is planning to open another one in Eleuthera, Bahamas. She and her husband Lou own the Surf School, teaching surfing and guiding surfers to Costa Rico.

Scott Sheridan owns and operates a commercial speedboat on the Potomac River in Washington, D.C. He also maintains a job as director of billing at Symphony mobile, a division of Integrated Health Services.

Jim Slack and his wife Gemma are now living in Potomac, Md. Jim reports that this site is about half way between his job as an ophthalmologist at George Washington University Medical Center and Poolesville, Md. where Gemma keeps her horse.

Fred Smyth drafted his note while his 9-month-old daughter Jesse was taking her afternoon nap. Fred says he and his wife Kathy will be spending another year on the Navajo Reservation (in Kayenta, Ariz.) before relocating, possibly back on the East Coast. Fred is investigating graduate programs in research psychology and "doing the primary caretaker thing" with daughter Jesse (a job he thoroughly enjoys). Fred and his family do make it back to this part of the country occasionally. He writes that they were in Maryland in April and saw **Charlie and Kris Bova** Der and their four soccer-playing children, and **Tom and Kathy Chandler '78 Armbruster** and their two kids during a July trip to Ocean City, N.J. Jesse took her first step with both sets of grandparents in attendance. Fred also hears from **Jon Isaacs '79** who has a new daughter, Savannah Lynn.

Bill Spring and his wife Beverly are enjoying their new home in Catonsville. There is plenty of room for daughter Nyssa, 5, and son David, 3, to play. Bill reports that the children really enjoy their home schooling with Beverly.

Susan Tucker Taylor writes that there is not much new with her. She is still married to **Keith '81**, still has two kids (Emily, 11, and Zachary, 7), still works as a laboratory scientist for the State Labs Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and still lives in Eldersburg. The Taylors did vacation in DisneyWorld this summer and have enjoyed time at their new pool. Susan writes that like other parents, they are busy with their kids' activities—baseball, soccer and dance.

Steve and O'Donnell White Timchula say that all is well on the farm. Three of their four children are in middle school now. Steve recently made partner in his Westminster law firm, but still manages to find time to coach Little League. O'Donnell, who graduated from nursing school in 1994, works several evenings a week in the emergency department at Franklin Square, a job she loves.

Mary Jo Coyle Villafania and her husband had their second child, daughter Maria Catalina, in March 1996. Mary Jo's in-laws met their new granddaughter and visited her big sister, Eva, 8, when they made their first trip to the U.S. from Mexico in May. Mary Jo continues to work for Nations Bank. Her husband has started Ambassador Services, a heating and air conditioning company.

Jeff Wahlbrink continues to develop his financial planning practice and his wife, **Barb Forsey '81** is still with AT&T. In December, the Wahlbrinks opened a Heavenly Ham franchise in Gaithersburg. Jeff writes that the business is doing well and so is the family.

Dave Wahrhaftig and his wife Sue had their first child, John David, born on April 13, 1996, and Dave reports, weighed in at 10 pounds, eight ounces. Barky and Boomer, the Wahrhaftigs' two yellow labs love their new playmate. Dave continues to work at Kelo and Company doing leveraged buyouts and says that work is great.

Charles Wheatley is still working at Northrop Grumman (formerly Westinghouse) while his wife **Kim Reeves '82** has her hands full with daughters Caitlin, 3, and Emma, born in June of this year. Somewhat, the Wheatleys still find time for their new hobby, playing bridge, and they are always looking for two more people for a foursome. Charles says they see alot of WMCCers including **Bill Spring** and **Bruce '81** and **Laura Dick '82 Sweet**.

Virginia "Ginger" Wilson Remian lives in Germantown with her husband Eric and children, Jake, 10, and Katie, 7. She continues to work in commercial real estate in Bethesda. She and her family are looking forward to a trip to DisneyWorld this fall. Life for **Mike Cantrell** and me is much as usual. Mike is a partner with a law firm in Baltimore. I continue to

practice psychiatry working at the University of Maryland doing intensive outreach with people with severe and chronic psychiatric illness and homelessness.

Our two-year-old only missed up the computer once while I was working on this while her six-year-old sister who spent last night at a pajama party was too exhausted to ask more than 10 or 15 times when I would be finished so that she could use the lap top.

As several people commented, it was a nice 15 year reunion in October 1995. It was great to see so many people and catch up on what's been happening for the last decade and a half. I hope that all is going as well for everyone from the class as it seems to be for those people who are writing to me. Take care of yourselves.

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83 I was thrilled to get so many cards from people who have never sent in news before. If you have Email and give it to WMC it will be added to your computer file. Here's the latest on the greatest.

Paul Parlette has returned to Clarksburg, Md. after what he says were 3.25 pleasant years in Hawaii (can you tell that he's military?). He and his wife **Nancy Turner '82**, Wesley, 8, and Andrew, 3, enjoyed a 45-day cross-country trip from San Francisco to Maryland when they returned. He is now working on a master's in Strategic Intelligence in D.C.

Susan King Wandishin is practicing medicine part time and is home with her children Rachel, 4, and Becky, 18 months. Becky is truly a tomboy and her motto is "if sister can do it so can I!" Susan hopes that applies to pottery training as well! **Husband John '82** is still at Healthcare Finance Administration and helps make up the actuarial exams which means they get to spend two weekends a year at plush hotels, without children of course!

Kaki Brusca Wynn writes that she is fabulously wealthy and moves in the circles with the rich and famous. So you can see not much has changed since college!

Jeff Morrison is a Ph.D. student at Georgetown University. He lives in northern Virginia with his wife Melissa and their son Alex, 2.

Bob Wassmann writes that his 14-year-old lab, Buckwheat, recently died. He was a favorite mascot around campus and Bob thinks the dog knew more people than he did. Bob was married in 1995 and still works for the MITRE Corp. on a program helping the Army develop obsolete chemical weapons. Recently he attended the wedding of **Steve Palmer '82** and **Watt Baker and Chris Scottott**. Chris moved to London two years ago and looks forward to visits from old WMC friends.

Steve Sturiale is working at Bell Atlantic and enjoying watching his

family grow. He and his wife Kristin have a son, Zachary, 2, who climbs on everything in their Laurel home. Steve completed his M.B.A. from Loyola in '95 just one week before Zach was born.

Peg Houghton Nunn finds herself volunteering as a room parent and a member of the PTA at her son Jared's school—a long way from drunken frat parties. She also has a daughter, Melissa, 3. In her "spare time" she is the toddler coordinator and office volunteer at her Unitarian Church. She is also studying sign language and gearing herself up to get a master's in education to become a school guidance counselor. She and her husband Ted are still working hard on the inside and outside of their new home. She visited **Kaki Brusca Wynn** and **Karen Cook Harter '82** this summer. **Stuart Suls** says life is good and he has no complaints. He is working for Triac Restaurant Group (owner of Arby's) as vice president of Worldwide Planning. He lives on the beach and is an active golfer, runner and sailor. Stu invited anyone in the Pampano Beach, Fla. area to look him up. (It was really good to hear from you, Stuic.)

Life is great in Clarksville, Md. for **Katie Altman Beville** with her hubby, station wagon, and 2.5 kids. She also thinks 35 isn't as old as we used to think it was!

Ellen Schaefer Salins still regularly sees **Meredith Zimmerman**, **Nina Blecher**, **Cathy Hosley**, **Alison Warner Good** and **Karen Messick Street**. She has just started her own private practice doing therapy for deaf people. She has two children, Mickey, 8, and Lena, 6.

Nadu Ann Jones is a teacher at Dwyer/Pyle Elementary in a fifth-grade TAM program.

Paul Paul Gale saw **Lisa Lohr '84** and **Ken Galvin** this year at Quantico, Va. Kent is a major in the USMC. Paul's family is doing great.

Bob Ber works at HUD in Baltimore. He and his wife Roberta, who were married in '95, live in a 100-year-old house in Sparks, Md. complete with horses. He still runs into **Peter Norman** and **Scott Espen-**

scheid. (Hey, guys give me a call, I'd love to see you.)

Congrats to **Donna Filbey Herritt** who became an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church this summer.

Doug Pinto has had some big changes in his life. He and his wife Wendy and son Ben finally got to come home. They moved from Maine to Mr. Army Doug is joining Seton Medical Group in Baltimore.

The Murray family welcomed a new addition to the family, Mackenzie Christine. **Stan** continues to work for and lives in Westminster. They also have a son Adam, 7, who plays on the soccer team Stan assistant coaches. His wife Chris is a stay-home mom on a break from OR nursing.

Jack Davis works for Jack Gaughan Realty in Camp Hill-Cedar Cliff, Jack, wife Elizabeth and their daughters Jessica and Emily and he live in Mechanicsburg, Pa. He stays in touch with

Richard Warfield and his wife Cindy and new baby, Rebecca.

Bob and Lata Thomas have just returned from a trip to beautiful British Columbia. Over the holidays they visited their five nephews and nieces in Hong Kong.

Beth White Werrell says now she has it all—husband, child, house, career, and debt. Now can she give some back? Of course she didn't say what specifically she wanted to give back! She is a full-time writer specializing in healthcare and retirement living clients. She works for Ann Burnside Love and Assoc., an ad agency in Frederick. She and her husband John just celebrated their 10th anniversary and have a daughter Katie, 4.

Kevin Trezise is a resource planning manager at Alliant Technologies and Defense Contractor located at Rocket Center, W. Va. His wife is the owner of PRPLS, a public relations consulting firm located in LaVale. He also owns Better Than Ever, a family salon that offers hair and tanning services. They have a son, Bryce Paul. Kevin occasionally plays golf with **Gary Harris**, **Carl Tarbell** and **Craig Clary**. He says, and this is a direct quote, "They never seem to improve!"

Stacy Proctor Shaffer has a second-grader, Kelly, and a pre-kindergartener, Katie. She and her family get together with **Erin Bell** and her family. Stacy has been working limited hours as a hearing examiner for the Circuit Court and doing legal research stuff for her husband. She loves being a "townie" and having her kids grow up in the community. Although she hopes neither one grows up to be a lawyer.

It was nice hearing from **Kim Pendergast Sheahan** for the first time since graduation. Kim has been married to a wonderful guy named Brad for 12 years. They have three daughters, Megan, 11, Christine, 10, and Kelly, 7. They live in southern Maryland and really enjoy it. She works with her husband doing financial planning and investments.

Shelley Haydak Sweeney lives in Skyville with her husband Neil and children Molly, 5, and Matthew, 3. She recently has had a career change and has devoted her life to the study of the paranormal and is researching documented cases in New Jersey. Her book is due out next year. You know Shelley: no matter what she does in her life it is never mundane.

Bill McKegg listed the following events that have happened to him in the past 12 years. He married Jeanne in '95 and he earned his M.B.A. from Emory University. He works for U.P. Finance Symetrics INDS Inc. where he has been the last 10 years. He and his wife have a son Phillip and they live in Palm Bay, Fla. He stays in touch with **Quinn Shea**.

I am the director and developer of an educational recreation center for middle school students. I run a before school program that meets the needs of these students who don't start school until noon because their school

is in split sessions. I am in charge of three staff and we have 45 children attending. Being with sixth-and-seventh graders all morning makes you realize things haven't changed that much. Boys still just walk up to girls and say "do you want to go with me?" I'm enjoying my job but it's only a one-year position and I plan to continue my work on my master's to go back to teaching, but only part time—I have always felt my first priority is my family. Speaking of which my daughter Valerie is now 10 and in fifth grade, Nikolaus is 9 and in third grade, and Emma is 7 and in second grade. They continue to be the joy and the stress of my life. We recently added Nittany to our household, along with the two cats, Toby and Lightbulb, and we have a gold retriever, and white shepherd mix. Its like having a toddler again there is no end to what this puppy chews. My husband Brad and I have been married 10 years and he continues as an electrical engineer at Northrop Grumman and plays trombone for Bobby and the Believers and Caribish. He also writes horn arrangements. I live for my nights out with the girls from WMC, we recently met at Kaki Brusca Wynne's home. Michele Neuman Schurn, Shelley Haydak Sweeney, Rixey Leberzer Houlit, Patsy Moyles and Karl Resnick were there and we had a great time laughing and swapping stories. I also go out to dinner every other month with Corjie Simmons Tarkenton '82 and Nancy Zuidema Radcliffe '82 so between the two groups of friends I feel like I'm caught up on the news. Until next time.

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85 Last year we passed the milestone of our 10th Reunion. It was wonderful to see so many classmates on campus during the afternoon and later Saturday evening for our party. Unfortunately, distance and schedule conflicts prevented many from joining us... we missed you! As I sit and look at the photo from our evening event I am struck by the following observation. Of the 45 class members in the photo, all but seven are women! Anyone have any theories?

Chris Gray Aiello and husband Scott moved to Avon Lake, Ohio (just west of Cleveland) in May. Chris is a stay-at-home mom with Kelsey, 4, and Jake, 18 months. Chris and Scott spend most of their time working on the home they built, traveling to see family and friends, and enjoying their kids. They enjoyed seeing WMC friends at Beth Gray's '84 wedding this August. Chris sends a hello to all Omegas.

Capt. Alan Alvey retired from the U.S. Army in June and is living in Fort Hill, MD, with his wife, **Capt. Sandra Brant Alvey '87** and two children, Douglas James, 6, and Gregory John, 3. After living in Central America, Middle East, and Europe they are anxious to settle down a bit.

Alan is pursuing work with the federal government and is finishing his master's degree.

R. Scott Anderson writes that he is doing well and continues working with First National Bank of Maryland. He is an assistant vice president managing three branches in downtown Baltimore. In addition, he handles personal investments for many customers. Scott missed seeing everyone at the reunion but was at home celebrating son Louis' third birthday! Scott, his wife Enza, and Louis own a house in the Hamilton neighborhood of Baltimore City. This past spring Scott began his master's in communications at Towson State.

Doug '86 and **Kathy Eichelberger Barna** write that they are doing GREAT! They love their new home and new addition to the family, Roxie, a chocolate lab. Daughter Amanda starts second grade in the fall and Kathy is learning to balance the "mom" and "teacher" roles, as do all WMC education grads! Philip turns 4 in the fall and is "exactly like Daddy." Doug continues to work hard as branch manager and sales executive with Exide Corporation in Baltimore. They invite friends to come see them in Columbia.

Lisa Grason Becker and husband Charles recently moved to Indian River in Florida and are five minutes by boat from the beach. Lisa opened a new financial planning office, Beck Advisors, Inc., offering securities through Investment Management and Research, Inc. (IM&R, Inc.). Lisa enjoyed a visit with **Lynda Rennie Tankersley** and her two beautiful daughters as well as **Terri Davis Milne** over the 4th of July weekend. Lisa also heard last summer from **Maggie Schiffhauer Giardina** announcing the birth of her third child, a girl. Since starting the bushi-cho, work has been a big focus, but Lisa and Charles enjoy visiting their getaway home in the Smokies of North Carolina.

After two-and-a-half years of post-doc research at KSU in Manhattan, Kansas, **Randy and Kristin Fred Bennett** moved to Provo, Utah in the summer of 1995 along with daughter Emma, 7, and son Patrick, 4. Randy began teaching and researching as an assistant professor at BYU. Presently they are all enjoying and adjusting to the new climate, new scenery, and new job. Randy and Kristin keep in touch with **Kristen Nyström Snyder** and her husband Brandt and enjoy visiting them whenever in Maryland.

Diane Culver Borucki writes that life is great in Columbia, Md. As always the Boruckis are on the move—Bermuda, Myrtle Beach, Duck, N.C. and having lots of fun with Bryan, 3. Diane writes that it was great to see everyone at the reunion.

George Brenton and wife **Robin Adams '86** write that all is well with their lighting supply business. Growth is constant and steady. (Congrats George—what's your secret?) Robin and George have almost finished remodeling the existing house and next steps involve adding to them. They are both still very active with the Alumni

Association and get up to the "new-look" campus about twice a month.

Ross Brightman started his fourth year of teaching at St. Petersburg Junior College in August. He looks forward to seeing **Lauren Ruberg Silva**, **Chris Berke** and **Janine Meckler** this fall.

Terri Scarborough Brown and husband Mark celebrated the birth of their daughter Mackenzie Lee on April 19th. She joins their first "child," a Persian cat, Allie. Terri writes that they are enjoying every minute with Mackenzie. During the school year Terri is now teacher-in-charge at her new school, Bel Air Elementary, where she teaches first grade.

Wendy Lucas Butzer and husband **Randy '82** enjoy spending time with their children Stephanie, 5, and Madeline, 2. She continues to do some computer work from home for BASF but would love to find a flexible part-time job at home. They are working on remodeling their home in Basking Ridge, N.J. to make room for everyone, including the dog.

Melissa Rencen Cahill had a child in February, Gavin William Cahill. As she puts it, "needless to say, I am a busy full-time mom." Melissa sees **Jenny Price Corder** often. She enjoyed the reunion but wished many more classmates had joined the celebration.

Helen Nolan Carlson and Brad 'ED '83, are growing roots in Arkansas. Helen keeps busy raising their three children, Dallen, 8, Breton, 4, and Kessley, 3. In addition they are foster parents to a 17-year-old deaf girl. The entire family is busy with sports. The kids keep her running from baseball to swimming. Helen recently was certified as a personal fitness trainer. The most rewarding, after their family, is their involvement with their church's deaf ministry. Helen interprets for the deaf and they have gone on two summer mission trips—summer '94 to Ghana, West Africa with a deaf pastor and summer '96 to Honduras to do workshops in deaf education and sign language.

Joe and Ronna Lollil Gobozio are keeping busy with their two children. Joe made partner at his law firm this past winter and Ronna is back at work with Warner Lambert two days a week. Alyssa, 6 starts first grade in the fall. The big news in the family is that Joey, 2 1/2, is potty trained. The entire family drove to DisneyWorld in March for what Ronna called "quite an experience!"

Jenny Price Corder and husband Bob live in Crownsville, Md. with their two children, Gabe, 4, and Becca, 3. Jenny is a hospital pediatrician at north Arundel. Bob started his training in emergency medicine this summer and has three years until he is finished.

Wesley Crowder is currently at Northrup Grumman in the flight test department. His wife and three children, 7, 5, and 3, live on their 155-acre farm near Gettysburg, Pa. They raise beef cattle and breed horses with donkeys for mules.

John Douglas and wife **Kathy** welcomed their first child, Alice Frances, on March 9, 1996. She is named for her parents' maternal grandmothers and is "incredibly cute, smart, and healthy" writes a biased dad. John returned to Widener University as assistant director of athletics in August 1995. His successful debut as Widener's head golf coach included a 4th place finish at York College Invitational, eight strokes ahead of WMC! He writes that, "Alas, my own game is still profoundly mediocre."

Ken and Heather Rembert Fahmy celebrated their 10th anniversary in August with a week long trip to Puerto Rico, all alone! Heather is home with Garrett, 3, and Kendyl, 6 months, while Ken in an insurance and investment adviser.

Sharon Larimer Gilman and husband Craig are learning the ins and outs of gardening in the south after two years in the mountains of British Columbia. She teaches in the marine science department at Coastal Carolina University in Conway.

Kacy Cryer Goldsby stays busy taking care of her daughters Abigail Louise, 3, and Amelia Susanne, 1, and working as a part-time editor for the CIA. Kacy, husband Dave, and their daughters live in Bowie.

Terry 'T.J.' Tolden Griffin and husband David are doing great. She starts her 11th year of teaching English at North Carroll High School. She is in the same school and department as **Michele Everett Seibel**. T.J.'s daughter Katie, 7, starts second grade in the fall. Paul, 4, was in the same pre-school class as **John and Gretchen Fein**, son of **Jody '83** and **Gretchen Fein**. **Walter**, T.J.'s asks, "where does the time go?"

Elizabeth Gates Haslbeck and family have moved to Montgomery County, Md. because of her job transfer. They have been busy this summer trying to buy and sell homes. She is greatly enjoying their children Carrie, 5, and Stephanie, 4. Liz writes that over the past year they have cheered for **Sandy Blake Lehnert** and **Terri Scarborough Brown**, while they have cried for **Laura Bushness Cooney** whose son is battling leukemia. With Laura's okay, Liz reminds everyone of the importance of considering being a narrow donor. If you wish to contribute to Laura's son's leukemia treatment fund please contact **Laura Bushness Cooney** through the WMC Alumni Office.

Jeff Hayman has finished his tour at Air Force Command in Colorado Springs. Jeff and his wife Jeane have moved to Redwood, Va. where Jeff will complete his master's degree in aeronautical science. Both he and Jeane are enjoying some much-needed time off prior to Jeff's next assignment in June '97. Once again they'll be separated for a year as Jeff takes command of another helicopter company in Korea. However, being on the East Coast allows them to get together with Mary and **Rich Harfist** and **Chris Gintner '87**.

Bob Heckman still enjoys running Preservation Systems, his exterior wood restoration business. The new

addition to his family is his dog, Thor, a 5-year-old Rhodes Ridgeback.

Bridget Biggs Herring and husband Ben had a daughter, Alexandra Marie, in August '95. Bridget enjoys being a full-time mom and keeps in touch with **Chris Lambertson '87**.

This past May, **Deborah Ratzburg Hopkins** went to Barbados with 14 members of the 229th Main Support Battalion of the Army National Guard to teach the emergency medical technician basic course and CPR to medical and health care workers. She started her third year of residency in emergency medicine in July at University of Maryland Medical System.

Kim Groover Hughes and husband Brian are experiencing the "joys and frustrations" of parenthood. Their beautiful daughter Lindsay was born April 19, 1996 and Kim is staying home with Lindsay for the time being.

Shelley Jones loves her work as junior high division leader and teacher of Spanish and humanities at the Barrie School in Silver Spring, Md. This year she organized a student exchange program with Barrie School students and a group of Costa Rican students. Shelly and **Deb Taylor** are enjoying life as home owners in Takoma Park.

Mary Ellen Miskelly Kelley has taught science for seven years in Howard County. She and husband Dave are celebrating their third anniversary this year. Golden Retriever, Murphy, keeps them plenty busy!

Dee Kennedy is a branch office coordinator for Legg Mason Wood Walker in Cumberland, Md. Dee and husband Tim keep busy working on their house and playing with ("chasing is a better description") their son, Nathaniel, 18 months.

Sam and Tracy McHale Kerns are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Camryn Leigh on June 13, 1996. Brother Bretton, 3, is overjoyed with the new addition to the family. They live in Silver Spring.

Matt and Kim Sturm '87 Kozak are proud parents of Anne Kimmel Kozak, born June 3, 1996. Kim is going into "semi-retirement" for teaching art at Notre Dame Prep. Matt is still a currency trader for First National Bank.

Pam Yurcisin graduated from nursing school in May and is currently looking for that first position in the medical sales field. In July Pam completed the Pedal Across Pennsylvania, a 450-mile bike trip from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia. The ride lasted six days with 100 cyclists. Last year she completed the 350-mile cycle across Maryland. Pam's son Scott is 4 and the joy of her life. Her brothers and their families are all great and she sees them often. Pam enjoys getting to Maryland from her home in Princeton Junction, N.J., as often as possible to see old and new friends, including **Mary Ellen Miskelly Kelley**.

Another year has passed so very quickly. For me, the year has been filled with not only the challenges of being a fundraising consultant, but

also the freedom of schedule that self-employment brings. I have been to Boston and to the Indy 500 for fun. In June, friends and I did the Philadelphia to D.C. AIDS ride to help raise \$4.5 million for AIDS research and programs. In July, I attended a conference at Dartmouth on educational fundraising followed by a weekend on Nantucket with **Karen Cook Harter '82** and her family. In August I worked as a volunteer for Dole '96 at the Republican National Convention in San Diego. It was an incredible and exhausting experience.

I wish everyone well and pray that you, your families and friends are happy and healthy. It is obvious from your notes that our WMC family has been a source of support to many of you. Best wishes for the year ahead. Please keep in touch during the year and mark your calendars now for our 15th Reunion in the fall of 2000! Caroline R. Benson
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88 John Eiker and his wife Michele are still expanding the insurance agency they started in March 1995. They have also been building a second business with Excel Telecommunications, Inc. since January 1996. Their children are Paul, 5, Rachel, 4, and David, 1. Both John and Michele are still active in several ministry areas in their church.

Neil '87 and Alice Schwarzkopf Gwinn's son Daniel Preston turned one on the 25th of October, her daughter Megan turned three on the 19th of October. She and Neil are enjoying both of the children very much. Alice started a new position in October with T. Rowe Price in Baltimore as a training specialist. She still attends Thirsty Thursday with Phi Sig classmates. She plays co-ed soccer, year round, in Howard County, has been trying out some area 5K races and, as always, plays basketball during the winter months.

Amanda Wanamaker Bodden is loving life as a stay-at-home mom with daughters Chloe, 3, and Madeline, 1, and owning her own graphic design business. She and husband **Keith '87** recently moved the family to a new home and are busy doing a lot of remodeling.

Susan Bruder is still loving her house in Rockville and her job managing PR and trade shows for a telecommunications company in Germantown. She recently finished a two-week tour of Atlanta, San Francisco and New Orleans for work. Her dog, Daisy, was not at all pleased about being left behind, but Susan makes it up to her kindly with Mega-treats upon return.

Stephanie Golski is at her post-doc at National Institute on Aging. She recently moved to Lutherville where her son Tyler started kindergarten. The proud mother admits that he looks so cute on the school bus and is still tempted to quit everything to become an elementary school teacher. She is looking forward to some traveling including a cruise to the Bahamas in February with boyfriend Don (for

her 30th birthday) and a trip to Greece to attend a friend's wedding.

Kris Twiford and Darrell '87 Guyton had a busy summer. They moved into their new home the first weekend in August and four weeks later on September 4th they welcomed a new addition to the family, Mark Andrew. Big brother Matthew is being a typical "Terrible 2." Kris continues her part-time job at Frederick Memorial Hospital. Darrell is busy as usual with the family general contractor business.

Nancy Shaw and Lloyd Hart are proud to announce the arrival of daughter Abigail Elizabeth, born April 2, 1996. After seven weeks of complete bed rest, Abby was delivered at 34 weeks weighing 3 pounds, 7 ounces and spent her first month at GBMC. By now she is perfectly healthy, has her daddy's red hair and her mommy's temperament—Watch our World!

Amy Hechner Davis is working at MBNA America in Delaware as a vice president in the credit division. At home, with husband **Jamie '89**, in Harford County, Md., they are busy chasing their two children Christopher, 3, and Malinda, 1½. This past summer they visited **Beth Jones '89**, her husband Jerry and daughter Susannah while vacationing in Ocean City, Md.

Tina Smith Barretto and husband Joe are living in Abingdon, Md. with daughter Lauren, 2. Tina is still working at Boor Allen and Hamilton, Inc. as an engineering consultant, where she has been for the past 6½ years.

Stephen Knight graduated from physical therapy school this past spring. He is now married and living in Vermont. He looks forward to **John Giza, John Chesscock and David Grodnick '87** visiting this winter to do some ice fishing.

Jennifer Martin Lanning is now working for the Arc of Prince George's County as a program coordinator for the residential department. She began her second master's at George Washington—this time in health services administration.

Heather Murtagh Hopkins is still working at Snyder, Crompton and Associates in the accounting department. She has two boys, Joshua, 6, and Brandon, 3½. Last November her family opened "The American Christmas Museum" near Longwood Gardens, which has been very successful. The museum also has a gift shop.

Tracy Harris is still teaching kindergarten at Crofton Elementary School. According to Tracy, she has met the man of her dreams and is looking forward to a long future together. She is currently shopping around for grad school where she can earn her master's in early childhood.

Rebecca Gagnon Tachetti is married, has one daughter, Alana Susan, 1½, and gave up her position as a kindergarten teacher to be a stay-at-home mom. She completed her master's in comparative politics at American University a few years ago.

Rebecca reports that she has found **LeEllen Greecy** after seven years. She is a performing artist (singer) at the Moon Cafe in Annapolis. She writes her own songs and is very talented.

Melinda Shatzer Bowersox and husband Gordon are still living in Pikeville and are continually working on their house. Their son Spencer, 3, keeps them very busy. Melinda is still teaching in Baltimore City. She received her master's in school counseling from Towson State.

Nancy Boore is in Virginia now working at the Defense Intelligence Agency after she turned over command of HHB, 31st Air Division at Fort Hood, Texas. She misses Texas, but admits it is great to be closer to home and spend time with family and friends. She hopes to be able to stay in the area for a while.

Mary Beth Kepper has been busy investigating economic crimes for the FBI in Philadelphia. In her spare time, she's been motorcycling and bicycling. She cycled across Maryland on her bicycle in July with the team challenge program. She is taking a vacation in New Orleans via motorcycle. Mary Beth has been keeping in touch with **Carol Gower**.

Kelly Remold Hoke is busy chasing her twins Chad and Morgan, 2. Her husband John just finished building a beautiful farmhouse for **Dru '87 and Traci Parker Salvo**. Kelly enjoyed seeing so many WMC friends at Traci Salvo's birthday party last summer. She said there were kids everywhere!

Kevin Heffner and wife Kenni are living in the Annapolis area where they are having a new home built along the water. Kevin is working in Annapolis as an association executive, and Kenni is working in Annapolis as a mortgage settlement officer. They used to spend most of their free time boating until their boat pooped out. Now they spend most of their free time playing with their puppy, Nipper.

Life has been busy for **Mary-Martha Peal Bohn** who is now living in Westminster, Colo. She and husband Chris welcomed a daughter, Alexis "Lexi" on February 20, 1996. They also built a new home this past year and moved in three weeks after Lexi was born.

Kelley Bochua Lorenz is loving life and enjoying every minute of full-time motherhood with her two boys, Ben, 4, and Joshua, 1. She is also having fun working her home-based Shaklee distributorship.

Clare Strohmeyer Carhart received her MS in 1998 from WMC and worked at Gallaudet from 1988 until 1994. She is currently teaching math part-time at Prince George's Community College and is home all day with her two daughters.

Debbie Hauser and Mark Athey sold their house in Clarksville and are renting a house in Lisbon while they build their dream house in the Country Springs neighborhood in Glenwood, Md. The new house, and their son Kevin, 3, keep them very busy. She is still a part-time CPA at the National Institutes of Health. Debbie

keeps in touch with **Kristen Mowery Barth '90**.

Rolf and Lisa Brown '90 Arnesen became the proud parents of Gunnar Christian on May 26, 1996.

Dawn Deffenbaugh Anderson is working in the emergency room as a nurse and absolutely loves her work. Her son Caleb is growing so quickly. He enjoys visiting his grandparents, **Suzanne Blair '58** and **Davey '58 Deffenbaugh** in Arizona. They are hoping for a transfer back to the East Coast later this year. Dawn says it would be fun to finally go to Homecoming and see friends on a regular basis.

Blake Austensen is currently working at the Abbie Business Institute in Frederick as a teacher. He is working on a master's in human resource development at Towson State. He and wife **Stacy Hermann '91** are living in Woodbine. Blake says that they still do not have any kids and requests that friends please stop asking! They do have a new Retriever puppy which makes a total of two horses, two geese, 11 chickens, three cats, six fish and two dogs! Isn't that enough to keep them busy?

Gary Goldberg and wife **Carla** had a very enjoyable summer. Gary did a lot of salmon fishing and helped his wife with yard work and home improvement projects in between fishing trips. Gary is enjoying his work as a contract specialist with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. **Carla** has recently been appointed to an "Emergency Planner" position within the state government in Alaska. They are enjoying their three dogs and two cats so much that they are considering adopting another pet—a llama! By September, **Alaska** had received its first dusting of snow and Gary was waxing his skis.

Cherie Thompson Conrad has had a busy year being mom, real estate agent and wife! She became a Maryland licensed real estate broker in the spring and is a member of the MRIS (Metropolitan Regional Information Systems) which will soon make it easier for her to sell real estate anywhere in the state—so give her a call for all your real estate needs. **Cherie** and husband **Terry** are currently selling their present home on six acres of land they own in the Silver Spring/Burtonsville area. That should allow plenty of room for their daughter **Chelsey**, 3, to play. **Cherie** still keeps in touch with lots of Phi Sigz due to the **Thirsty Thursday** thing is still going strong.

Kathy Little is currently employed as an elementary physical education teacher at Charles Carroll Elementary School in Carroll County. She will begin her first year as head varsity girls basketball coach at Delonte Catholic High School in McSherrytown, Pa. **Kathy** enjoyed a great week at the Olympics last July.

Kim Baker is still working as the head athletic trainer at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Everything is going really well. **Kim** says she never seems to make it back to Homecoming since there are always conflicts with UMES's athletic schedule. **Kim**

says "hi" to all the Phi Alphas. She just learned from **Ann Kangas '90** that little sister **Mary Neil Corcoran '90** got married, so special congrats to Mo!

Casey Lee Gruber joined the family of **Richard** and **Stacey Pucci '87** and **Nicholas Gruber** on March 9, 1996. **Nicholas** is loving his new job as big brother and looks forward to running around with his little brother. **Richard** is now the vice president of American Pool Management Inc. and **Stacey** is still teaching at an elementary school in Carroll County.

Lisa Buscemi Berlin is still teaching 7th grade English at North Carroll Middle. She is working on her master's degree at UMB in instructional systems development. She keeps busy with her two children, **Colleen**, 4, and **Kyle**, 2, and keeps in close contact with the **Thirsty Thursday gang**.

Jamie and Cindy Robey '87 Hess celebrated the birth of their first child, **Kayla Ann**. **Ann** continues to be the optometrist at Eye Exam Columbia located inside Pearl Vision Express in the Columbia Mall where he enjoys examining the eyes of several WMC alumni. **Ann** continues to fly fish with **Matt Jackson '87** including a New Year's Day fishing trip to the Potomac River. They continue to get together with **Rob '91** and **Kristy Hess** in an attempt to rock biking along with rollerblading.

Todd Stueb and wife **Beth** had a baby girl, **Haley Ann**, on August 6, 1996. **Todd** wants **John McDonnell** to know that he stole their baby's name. **Todd** has his hands full now with three women, **Beth**, **Haley Ann** and **Taylor** made their 3-year-old black lab.

Congratulations to **Cynthia Jarkowice Knies** who was nominated for Carroll County Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Teacher awards. **Cynthia** is teaching at Eldersburg Elementary. Congratulations are also in order for **Gary Buckalew** who won the 1996 Edith Farr Ridginton Phi Beta Kappa Writing Award. This award is given to the graduating senior who prepares the best honors paper. **Barry** received this award at WMC's commencement ceremony last May when he earned his second bachelor's degree, this time in history.

Susan Scallie Heffner became the operations manager for the Baltimore region for Olsten Staffing in June 1996. She recently had a new house built which was completed just in time for Christmas. Her daughter, **Holly**, is doing great in first grade. **Susan** has also recently accepted a new position as the troop leader for **Holly's** brownie troop.

The Dunne household is busy as usual. I am still working for the American Red Cross, **Matt '87** is still working at Merrivether Post. Our daughter **Courtney**, 1½, is an absolute pleasure. We enjoyed a great vacation in Hilton Head last fall with **David '87**, **Marie Filshie '89** and **Carter Douglas**.

It was nice hearing from so many of you this time. Don't forget to drop a line anytime you have news to report.

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90 Hi to everyone in the Class of '90! Here's what we've heard everyone has been up to.

Melissa Ridgely Covolesky lives in Fayetteville, N.C. She writes that her husband **Dave** is on tour in the Sinai, which gives her plenty of time to visit **WMC** friends **Nancy VanNess** and **Vera Strothman McMurrin '87**.

Melissa Engel earned her master's degree in teaching from Johns Hopkins University and returned to WMC to teach English. She loves helping students pass the English efficiency test.

Frank Kratoval lives in Greenbelt, Md., and is working as an assistant state's attorney in Prince George's County.

Lisa Diefenbaugh Maher rang in 1996 with the birth of their "blizzard baby," **Ryan Kevin**, on January 4. **Lisa**, **Ryan** and her husband were snowed in at the hospital for nearly a week before they were able to tunnel their way home through the snow. She now enjoys being a full-time mom and keeps in touch with **Denise Bettyon Gonzalez** and **Julie Biddinger**.

Debbie Atwood Marini and husband **Jorge '88** recently moved to a new home in Catonsville, Md. She coordinates a volunteer-based program aimed to help parents and families in the community. They enjoy visiting **Barbara Wolf Brummett** and her husband in their new townhome.

Ellen Marth recently joined the law firm of Meng and Urey as an associate attorney specializing in insurance defense. She lives in Fells Point with **Trish Koch** and frequently sees **Lori Wiedner**, **Kim Andrews**, **Julie Biddinger** and **Shari Barnes**.

Charlie Mason is the men's head basketball coach and the women's softball coach at Johnson State College in Johnson, Vt. He is pursuing a degree in physical education.

Patsy Cowman McClintock is a first-grade teacher for a small school between Harpers Ferry and Leesburg, Va. She and her husband **Dan Reeves** were married in Canton, Mexico last year. They are the modern-day Brady Bunch, she says, with her three children and two stepsons. At work, she is involved with the environmental program and many other activities. She says, "Life is good!"

Gina Woolen McDonald received her master's in public administration in December, and was recently promoted to the position of budget analyst within the Baltimore County government. She and husband **Mike '86** were excited to visit St. Maarten, N.A. for their fifth wedding anniversary recently.

Laura Bekoff Miller is preparing to relocate to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., with her husband and son, C.J., 4. She says that all of her Phi Mu friends are welcome to look her up if they are

ever in the area.

Rhonda Sue Mize completed her M.A. at West Virginia University in May and spent the summer touring five countries in Europe with a friend. She is teaching high school English in North Carolina, and teaches part time at Campbell University in Fort Bragg, N.C. Her biggest surprise of the year was becoming an assistant coach of the girl's track team. She keeps in touch with **Missy Ridgely Covolesky**.

Beth Morrow recently bought a new home in Crofton, Md. She works for a Silicon Graphics reseller, selling to the Department of Defense. Her work takes her out to the West Coast nearly every month. In her free time, she likes to hang out with **Ann Kangas**, **Abby Potter '91**, **Karen Sullivan '91** and **Natalie Pigman**.

Karen Baldrige Moskowitz, husband **Dan '89** and daughter **Lisa** recently moved to a new home in Severn, Md. where **Karen** is a full-time mom and wedding consultant. She and **Dan** celebrated their five-year wedding anniversary in June and are enjoying their new home.

Mark Mulle and his wife **Elizabeth** reside in Audubon, N.J., with their yellow lab **Zeke**. **Mark** is an account manager with Future Electronics. He still sees **Walt Eife '92**, **Mike Sherlock '91**, **Mike Alagna '91**, **Will Hornsey '91** and **Chris Ikonich '91**.

Robert Paul recently transferred to Orlando, Fla. to assist in the opening of the Florida Extension Campus of the University of Phoenix. He says he's logged some beach time with **Eric Gettemy '91** and **Eric Miller '91** who also live in the Sunshine State.

Wickie Platt recently purchased a new home in Crofton, Md. with **Leslie Taylor M.S.'89**. She teaches physical education and coaches basketball in Anne Arundel County during the regular school year. She also teaches physical education and health at evening and summer high school classes.

It's been a year of big decisions for **Jenny Ottu Ramirez** and her husband **Doug**. **Jenny** decided to leave her job with State Farm Insurance and attend Virginia Commonwealth University this fall to pursue a master's in art history. Her goal is to teach art history and she was inspired by her WMC art professor **Julie Badice**. In the meantime, she keeps in touch with **Kelly Willes**, **Kelly Sell Mulligan**, **Natalie Pigman**, **Tracey Holter Zirfas** and **Jennifer Dempsey**.

Laura Taylor Roche is living in the Canton section of Baltimore with her husband **Scott**, whom she married in October. She is an office manager at Chesapeake TeleServices in Towson. **Laura** and **Scott** are looking to move to Owings Mills in the near future.

James Rodriguez is living in Westminster and teaching at Westminster High School. He coaches football and baseball and spends a lot of time taking his daughter **Sarah**, 16 months.

Cathi Frantzen Schaber says hello to everyone in the Class of '90. She, husband **Chris '89** and **Alyssa**, 2,

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spend lots of time on their boat in the Delaware River and in Ocean City, Md. They keep in touch with **Dan '89** and **Karen Baldridge Moskowitz**, **Steve Hollander '89** and **Harry '89** and **Piper Luke MS'90 Cohen**.

Martha Allen Schnatterly recently moved to Grover, Mo. with her husband. She hopes to teach in a St. Louis-area school in the fall.

Laurence Steck finished her M.A. at the end of the summer and is living in Montreal and looking for work.

Dr. Beth Sullivan recently moved to Edinburgh, Scotland where she is doing post-doctoral work at the Medical Research Council Human Genetics Unit, funded by two grants that she was awarded. Work is going well and she is looking forward to traveling throughout Europe while in Scotland.

Becky Britton Swain is living in Winston-Salem, N.C. and is teaching middle school science and English. She writes that she really enjoys making a difference in young people's lives. She spends extra time waitressing in order to save up for a new house. She remains in touch with **Dr. Beth Sullivan**.

Karen Weaver lives in Woodlawn, and is a corporate trainer with Visa International. She spends most of her free time with **Chad Schwartz '92**, who is employed at USI, a subcontractor for BGE.

Debra Rayne Weber and husband **Jim '89** live in Bel Air, Md. She is a technical writer and trainer for the development information systems department of the Johns Hopkins University and enjoys hanging out with **Ellen Marth** and **Lea Stanley '92**.

During the snow storms of this past January, **Eleanor Wilson** moved to Minnesota, where she is working for Norwest Bank in employee benefits.

Lori Wieder married childhood sweetheart and lifelong friend Dave Housley in June of 1995, and they now reside in Kensington, Md. They have had a busy summer; Lori finished her master's degree in marketing communications from Johns Hopkins, they vacationed in Ireland and they adopted a yellow lab named Luke. Lori is a marketing specialist for Goodwill International, where she has been working for over three years.

Wendy Wilson began work as a vocational support manager for mentally ill adults this past July. She has been working for Way Station Crisis House, the sponsoring organization since March 1990. She lives in Frederick, joined an eight-ball pool league and goes waterskiing at least twice a week when the weather is good. She keeps in touch with **Ted and Jessica Diller '88 Graves**, **Lori Clow**, **Roland McCahan '89**, **Mike Greenholt**, **Meeghan Ziolkowski '92** and **Brian Wladkowski '88**, who is now a professor at WMC.

Shelley Yingling is currently living in Bel Air, Md. and working for the State of Delaware. She works with abused and neglected children. In April, she took a trip to Cancun, Mexico with **Mary Beth Steele** that she describes as "wonderful." She also keeps in touch with **Gina Woolen**

McDonald and **Melissa Engel**.

Tracy Holter Zirfas writes that she has had a very busy year. In December 1995, she married Michael Zirfas, with lots of WMC alumni in attendance. They honeymooned in Hawaii for two weeks, then she returned to work as a first-and-second-grade teacher in Fairfax County, Va. In her spare time, Tracy is coaching and choreographing for a local high school dance team that is nationally ranked.

Jennifer Testa Clayton and husband Mike live in Taylorsville, Md. She is a microbiologist for the Department of Defense and recently finished her master's degree in molecular biology. She recently had some of her research published in a scientific journal. Daughter Alexandra, 1, keeps them very busy. In their free time they enjoy hiking, camping and traveling. Jennifer keeps in touch with **Kim Anson Linck**, **Bethann VanNess '92** and **Caitlin Monroe Morris**. She enjoyed seeing fellow Phi Sigma Sigma graduates at a party at **Becky Barlow Fitzsimmons's** house.

As for us, **Kathy** and her husband **Tom '88** recently moved to Frederick, Md. and have spent a lot of time exploring their new hometown. She is a communications manager for the Ryland Group, and Tom still works for Pepsi-Cola. They enjoy practicing their parenting skills on Haley McConnell, daughter of John '88 and **Michelle Meehan '89 McDonnell**. (Not that they need those skills any time soon—Kathy adds that they are just practicing!)

I (Becky) keep busy working for Booe-Allen & Hamilton as a technical writer, attending Johns Hopkins University, and helping my husband Chip chase our two Siberian huskies throughout Severna Park.

Thanks for all the notes, and please let us know of any other news you may have.

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93 Claudette Gatsch graduated from Catonsville Community College with a degree in mortuary science and is now serving her apprenticeship.

Michelle Metzger Lent married Matthew on January 13, 1996 and is currently residing in Hollidaysburg, Pa. She is working on her master's degree in occupational therapy.

Edna Lee Kidwell Martin is teaching 4th grade at Carrolltown Elementary.

Jenny Smith is an office manager/instructor coordinator at Council for a Livable World, an arms control lobby group.

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95 Hello to everyone! It is so hard to believe we have been out of school for over a year! I was glad to hear from all of you, it is good to know everyone is so busy with work.

Todd Bickling just finished his first year of dental school at Tufts University in Boston. Over the summer, he worked as head mountain bike counselor at a camp near Lake Placid.

James Felton is currently working as a counselor in the WMC Admissions Office. He just recently started graduate classes in the administrative program and is living with fellow Phi Deltas, **Scott Friedrich '95** and **Howard "Zippy" Mackie '96**.

Laurie Clark is working as a marketing assistant with electric banking products at Chevy Chase Bank in Bethesda.

Jenny Brown has been busy working as a magician and magician's assistant in the Baltimore and Washington D.C. areas. She recently received a resident magician position at the five star Boca Raton Resort, in Boca Raton, Fla.!

Colin Clark has begun his second year of training for Young Life, in the mid-west region, and says life is good!

Stacey Baker heard wedding bells this summer as she married WMC assistant men's lacrosse coach Brent Whalen. The wedding took place on July 6th.

Shana Borden is living with Phi Alpha sisters **Kristine Garrett**, **Jodi Malinow** and **Meghan Grant** in Cockeysville. Shana and Kristine spent the summer as nannies which enabled them to travel cross-country! After student teaching in the fall of '95, Shana was hired as a fifth-grade teacher in Baltimore County.

Julie Esber has been busy planning her wedding to **Kent Lightbourne '93, MLA'95**. She is working for Abarta Metro publishing company as an art director and also works as an aerobics instructor.

Kelly Benvis is busy working as a pre-school teacher in Eldersburg, Md. She misses her Ojunga sisters a lot, especially **Juniko Honda**, who recently moved back to Japan.

I too have been extremely busy planning my own wedding! I am currently working as an account executive for FALA Direct Marketing, a direct marketing/advertising company in New York.

I thank all of you for filling me in on what's happening, and I hope to hear from more of you next time.

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CRUISE THE DANUBE

Hungary's majestic Parliament building is just one of the spectacular sights featured along the Danube river. Offered by the Alumni Affairs office Sept. 9-22, the tour includes two nights at the deluxe Forum Hotel Budapest and stops at nine historic ports in Budapest, Esztergom, Bratislava, Vienna, Durnstein, Melk, Passau, Regensburg and Nuremberg. Call 410/857-2296 for information.

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 24

"Games I Never Played As A Child," featuring 15 drawings by Gloria B. Blades '55, opens in The Esther Prangley Rice Gallery with a reception for the artist at 7 p.m. and runs through April 18. The Rice Gallery in Peterson Hall is open Monday-Friday noon-4 p.m. For more information call the Arts Management Office at 410/857-2599.

Sat., April 5

Young Alumni Leadership Day. For more information contact Beth Buckalew '89, Alumni Affairs Office, 410/857-2264.

Fri., April 11

Anne Arundel Alumni Chapter meeting at Busch's Chesapeake Inn.

Sun., April 13

Richmond Alumni Chapter Brunch, The Salisbury Country Club, 12 noon.

Fri., April 18

They Might Be Giants concert. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 and will be available starting March 24. Call 410/848-7000 for tickets.

Mon., April 28

Alumni Association Board of Governors meeting, 6 p.m.

May 30, 31, June 1

Alumni Weekend. Class reunions for 1917, '22, '27, '32, '37, '42, '47, '52, '57.

Check out WMC's Home Page for an update of events at www.wmde.edu

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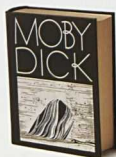
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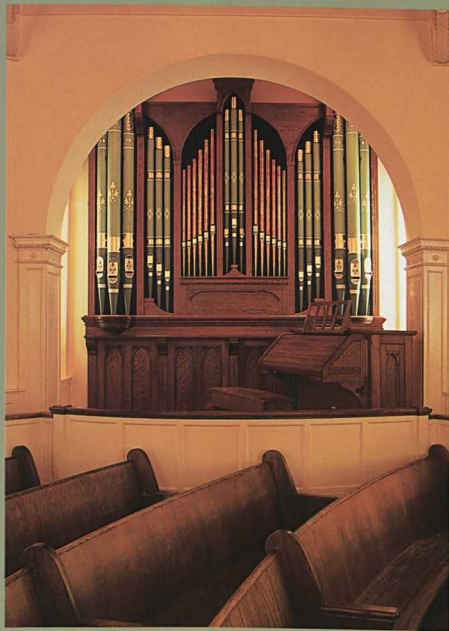
Memories of athletic contests and dances in Old Gill Gym, which was gutted by a New Year's Eve blaze, will long be cherished by alumni and friends (see pages 2 and 5 for more on the fire).

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LOOKING GOOD,
SOUNDING BETTER:
CHAPEL'S NEW
WORK OF ART

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News

From The Hill

We've Been Challenged

A \$600,000 Challenge Grant from The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan was awarded to WMC to help spur others to donate money for the new, \$13.4 million science center.

To meet the challenge, the college must raise \$1,889,661 in new gifts and pledges for the project prior to Dec. 1, 1998.

Groundbreaking for the new biology and chemistry laboratory building was held in April, with construction expected to begin in August and to be completed by spring, 1999. The science building is the centerpiece of the college's \$40 million comprehensive fundraising campaign, toward which \$28.5 million has already been committed.

"This Challenge Grant could not have come at a better moment; it gives the Campaign a new momentum," President Robert Chambers said. "I am confident that alumni, parents and friends of the college will respond enthusiastically and quickly to the magnificent opportunity this Challenge provides. We are grateful to The Kresge Foundation for its confidence in Western Maryland."

As of its May announcement, The Kresge Foundation had awarded 52 grants in 1997 totaling \$31.7 million. In 1996, the Foundation considered nearly 700 proposals and awarded 144 grants to organizations in 40 states, England and Canada.

The Kresge Foundation is an independent, private foundation created by the personal gifts of Sebastian S. Kresge.

FACTS THAT WON'T FIT

A Latin bible was the first book to come hot off Johann Gutenberg's press in about 1455 • The Holy Bible carried by former WMC President Thomas Hamilton Lewis on his tour around the world is buried in the cornerstone of Alumni Hall • The Rand McNally Road Atlas is the book most frequently stolen from Hoover Library • "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac is celebrating its 40th anniversary • David Letterman's "Book of Top Ten Lists" was number 15 on the roster of best-selling hardcover nonfiction books of 1995.

The Foundation, not affiliated with any corporation or organization, makes grants to institutions in the areas of higher education, health and long-term care, arts and humanities, human services, science and the environment, and public affairs.

In 1977, Western Maryland College received its first grant from The Kresge Foundation—\$150,000 toward a \$2.4 million campaign to build Decker College Center. A second grant of \$300,000 was received in 1984 toward the construction of the Robert Joshua Gill Center. •

WMC Wins 5-Year Ravens Deal

Western Maryland College will be the summer roost of the Baltimore Ravens into the next millennium. The college and the NFL team signed a five-year deal to keep the training camp in Westminster through 2001.

"We are ecstatic the team is back," said President Robert

Chambers. "The college and the community enjoyed hosting the first camp, and team officials told us they wanted to stay here. So after working out a few details, we have come up with an agreement that looks like it is just the beginning of what could be a very long friendship."

Under the contract, WMC and the Ravens will share the cost of capital improvements to college facilities. The college constructed an additional

playing field near its nine-hole golf course to accommodate summer athletic and marching band camps which previously used the fields now set aside for the Ravens. Last year the camps used a makeshift field on the fairway of the ninth hole and the field in Scott S. Bair Stadium.

To make room for the new field, the college reconfigured the golf course, moving the tee for the par 4 ninth.

Other improvements include adding 1,500 square feet to the dining area at the college's nearby hotel and conference center. The Ravens live and eat there and hold team meetings at the center, too. Last year, the team used campus classrooms for film sessions and meetings. The college hired an independent caterer to provide meals for the team.

Ceiling fans, heavy duty washers and dryers, electrical outlets, and an ice machine were installed in Gill Center for the team's use. This summer's training camp ran from July 14 through August 15. •



Touchdown for WMC (l-r) College Board Chairman Jim Melhorn, VP-Finance and "Dealmaker" Ethan Seidel, Ravens' Owner Art Modell, WMC President Bob Chambers, Ravens' Coach Ted Marchibroda, Ravens' Operations Manager Bob Eller, and Ravens' VP-PR Kevin Byrne sign deal to rave on.

Early Lessons in Alcohol Prevention

Alcohol abuse continues to be a problem on all college campuses, big and small. WMC will use an \$18,000 grant from the Prevention Research Institute to incorporate an in-depth alcohol awareness program in its New Student Orientation curriculum for at least the next four years.

Selected staff members will be trained to teach the On Campus Talking About Alcohol (OCTAA) program this summer, according to Bonnie Bosley, medical services coordinator. The grant will cover training for about 35 people.

OCTAA, which educates college students about making

low risk choices on alcohol, is one of the institute's nine educational programs which target specific communities. Other programs focus on younger students, the military and employees.

The seven-to-nine-hour OCTAA program was scheduled to be used only with repeat offenders of the college's alcohol policy, Bosley said. "But we realized this program would be beneficial to all students not just those who have already made high-risk choices," she continued. "OCTAA doesn't dictate or moralize, and the information students gain will benefit them at WMC and throughout their lives."

OCTAA is designed to reduce high-risk use of alcohol, increase abstinence and delay the onset of first use of alcohol. The program will be mandatory during orientation for all first-year students, and

will continue to be required for students with repeat violations of the alcohol policy. OCTAA might also be implemented as part of the training for student resident assistants.

Bosley heard about the program last year while consulting with Teresa Daub, assistant prevention coordinator at Junction, Inc., a Carroll County drug treatment program. Bosley and Daub, both now trained in the OCTAA curriculum, have joined together on previous local and campus alcohol awareness and educational events.

"We're always looking for ways to provide students with solid information they can use to help them as they confront this issue," Bosley said. "This is one of the best programs available and I think the students will appreciate it now and later." •

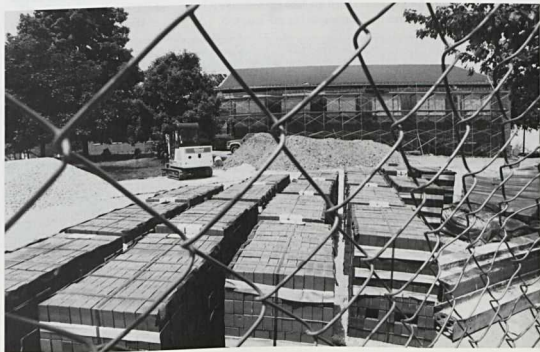
Major League Crusaders Accept Honoraries

Joining the student recipients in cap and gown at Commencement '97 were Susan A. Johnson and George B. Udvarhelyi, who each received honorary doctoral degrees in recognition of their contributions to education and the community.

Johnson, wife of Baltimore Orioles manager Davey Johnson, is founder of Women in the Major Leagues, a coordinating organization of the charitable efforts of the wives of the players and coaches of the 28 major league baseball teams. Her work also includes a continuing personal crusade started 20 years ago when her first child Jake was born deaf and blind.

BACK IN ACTION.

The reconstruction of Gill Gymnasium, seriously damaged in a fire on Dec. 31, 1996, is just about complete. The upstairs, including a bright green multipurpose playing surface, opened earlier this summer. The downstairs, mostly used for storage before the blaze, is being remodeled to include a large meeting area and should be ready for use in August. Of course, the old gym is fondly remembered for its fine hardwood floor, witness to many seasons of basketball, volleyball and boxing. Now a hardwood floor is being installed in the new gym and will be used for many team events beginning this season. Also back in action is the track at Scott S. Bair Stadium which was resurfaced this summer. The new, gold granular surface will provide more cushion for track and field participants, as well as the many lunchtime joggers.



C. KURT HOLTER

Unable to find a school for him, she created one for him and others with the same disabilities. The Jake Allen Center for Deaf-Blind Children opened in Zellwood, Fla., in 1986. She later met her second husband Davey Johnson while trying to raise money for the institution. Her philanthropic work also includes the Orioles' quilt project and Best Buddies, an organization that pairs able-bodied mentors and mentally disabled children, teens and adults.

Udvarhelyi, professor emeritus of neurosurgery at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, came to Baltimore via his native Hungary. During World War II, he assisted in the work of Raoul Wallenberg, who saved thousands of Jews from Nazi death camps by granting them Swedish passports and safe haven in diplomatic residences.

Besides being at the forefront of medicine and surgery, he served as Hopkins' greatest promoter of teaching future doctors about art, music and



C. KURT HOCKER

literature along with anatomy, physiology and pathology. He was the driving force behind the creation of the institution's Committee of Cultural Affairs about 20 years ago, the first such medical school organization of its kind.

His efforts won Hopkins the first National Endowment for the Humanities grant to a medical school. Upon retirement from medicine, Udvarhelyi officially became the institution's Director of the Office of Cultural Affairs and served in that role through 1994. He retired again, but unofficially still sees that Hopkins' medical students are immersed in the arts, too.

Johnson was hooded with a doctor of humane letters by Aleck Resnick, a member of the WMC Board of Trustees. Udvarhelyi also earned a doctor of humane letters honorary degree presented by WMC trustee Francis Burch Jr.

"As a neurosurgeon, I want to remind you of some facts you may already know," Udvarhelyi told the graduates. "The brain doubles itself from birth to your second year and then up to the age of 21 you are continuously using and developing the wonderful connection 14 billion neurons make with the wonders of this world."

"After the age of 21 we

Brainy, high energy, and enthusiastic aptly describe this year's honorary degree recipients and High School Teacher of the Year. College officers (l-r) Joan Coley, Robert Chambers and James Melhorn (far right) saluted Commencement VIPs George Udvarhelyi, Susan Johnson and Taraneh Brigitte Tuckey '85.

begin to lose several thousand neurons every day! This means you stand at the peak of your powers and should not waste a minute to embrace all the magnificent opportunities before you, using the rich experience you have gained in this college to propel you forward. Look back in gratitude, your education here and in your earlier years has given you the tools to live life to its fullest." •

All-Americans Score Banner Season

Honors abounded on the Hill for several members of Green Terror spring athletic teams, featuring the highest recognitions ever for WMC men's lacrosse and softball players.

Senior Steve Hollowell became the first Western

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1996-97 WINTER SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Postseason Individual Honors
Men's Basketball	11-13	6-7	3rd/5*	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Women's Basketball	15-9	7-7	T3rd/5*	1 All-CC 1st Team
Men's Swimming	3-6	2-4	5th/7^	1 All-CC 1st Team
Women's Swimming	1-9	0-7	6th/8^	
Men's Indoor Track			T3rd/9^	1 All-CC 1st Team; CC Outstanding Performer
Women's Indoor Track			3rd/9	1 All-CC 1st Team; CC Co-Outstanding Performer; 1 Division III All-American
Wrestling	15-10-1	5-1	2nd/7^	3 All-CC 1st Team

*Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championship.
T-Tied.

^ Centennial Finish based on placing at post-season championship

Maryland men's lacrosse player to receive recognition above the honorable-mention level on the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) Division III All-America team as he was one of the second-team defensemen. Teammates Matt Hoppe and John Torpy, both seniors, were honorable-mention picks at attack and goalie, respectively.

Second baseman Julie Backoff, a junior, became the first Division III first-team All-American in WMC's 17-year softball history. She was selected to the Louisville Slugger National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) first team.

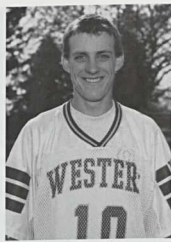
The All-America honor is the crowning accomplishment in a stellar season for Hallowell. He was named the Centennial Conference (CC) Player of the Year, after displaying outstanding ability at both ends of the field. Hallowell led the Green Terror defense with 114 ground balls, while also adding five goals and 12 assists to the Green Terror offense.

Backoff had a superb year as well, setting school single-season records in eight offensive categories: runs scored (53), hits (62), runs batted in (50), doubles (14), home runs (11), total bases (123), slugging percentage (1.139), and batting average (.574). She was named the CC Player of the Year and also earned GTE Academic All-America College Division second-team honors.

Hoppe and Hallowell also were members of the South squad in the USILA Division III North/South All-Star game. The two Green Terror standouts were two of 48 of



RUSSELL DOBBERER



Julie Backoff and Steve Hallowell are Green Terror standouts.

the division's outstanding seniors who played in the contest. WMC fourth-year head coach Keith Reitenbach and Colorado College head coach Steve Beville directed the South squad, of which Torpy was the alternate at goalie.

Hoppe joined Hallowell on the All-CC first team after leading the team in goals with 44 and points with 71. Those statistics piloted him to the top of many of the school's all-time career lists. His 128 goals and 218 points place him fifth in school history, and his 90 assists put him sixth on the all-time list.

Torpy's final season in the nets was his best, as he stopped 182 shots while allowing 124 goals for a save percentage of .595. He concluded his career in sixth place in career saves at Western Maryland with 493.

The Green Terror women's

lacrosse team was represented by seniors Mary Beth Francis and Jodi Wagner in the Division III North/South All-Star game. Each team had 18 of the country's top seniors, with two alternates picked for both units as well.

Wagner registered 25 goals and six assists for a total of 31 points as a senior. She finished her career in fourth place on the school's all-time list in goals with 129 and points with 159, and is seventh in assists with 30.

Francis scored 13 goals and added two assists for a total of 15 points in her final season. She concluded her career in the top 15 in all three categories, with 53 goals and 74 points placing her 14th in both categories and 21 assists putting her in 12th place.

WMC's golf team joined in the spring success, making its

third appearance overall in the NCAA Division III championship and first since 1978. The Green Terror placed 21st in the 72-hole tournament, held in mid-May at The Medalion Club in Westerville, Ohio.

During the spring season, WMC placed second in the Susquehanna University and Western Maryland invitationals. Head coach Scott Moyer's team also was the runner-up in the District II Stress-Less Classic.

The Green Terror also was the only Division III member in the Loyola (Md.) College and U.S. Naval Academy invitationals. WMC came in 13th out of 20 teams in the Loyola gathering, and 18th among 26 units during the Navy tournament.

Competing for Western Maryland in the national championship was an all-underclassmen line-up: juniors Mike Diehl, Scott Gregg and Kevin Marsh, and freshmen Ryan Reid and Tony Santillo. •

WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE 1997 SPRING SPORTS

Sport	Overall Record	Centennial Record	Centennial Finish	Postseason Individual Honors
Baseball	18-12	9-9	7th/10	1 All-CC 2nd Team
Golf			3rd/6*	
Men's Lacrosse	11-2	5-1	2nd/7	2 All-CC 1st Team; 3 All-CC 2nd Team; CC Player of the Year; 1 Division III All-American 2nd Team
Women's Lacrosse	10-4	6-4	5th/11	2 All-CC 2nd Team
Softball	20-11	11-4	3rd/9	4 All-CC 1st Team; CC Player of the Year; 1 Division III All-American 1st Team
Men's Tennis	4-6	2-5	16th/9	1 All-CC 1st Team; 3 All-CC 2nd Team
Women's Tennis	5-8	4-6	7th/11	2 All-CC 2nd Team
Men's Track			3rd/9*	4 All-CC; CC Outstanding Performer
Women's Track			6th/9*	1 All-CC

*Centennial Finish based on placing at postseason championship. T-Tied.

It's A Charter Year For Students

Western Maryland College welcomed three new academic honor societies to campus this year, including a new one founded by a WMC senior to recognize college students for excellence in art history.

Nine students were inducted into Eikon (image) Techné (craft) Ekphrasis (the art of describing literature and pictures). Sticking with tradition and only using the first three letters of each Greek word, the society is better known as ETE or Epsilon Tau Epsilon.

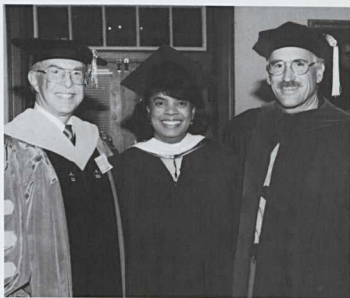
Art and art history professor Julie Badice, one of the group's faculty advisers, says she believes this is the first honor society of its kind. She is a member of the Consortium of Art and Architectural Historians, the official computer chat group of the industry. Her contacts and research have yielded no leads on existing societies.

"But we are still looking into it, just in case we missed something," said Lori Marie Fleischmann '97, founder and first president of the group. "And even if it is the first we will stay local for a few years before going national with the organization. There's a lot of work to do."

Last semester also was the inaugural for WMC's Psi Alpha chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education, and the Society for Collegiate Journalists (SCJ), one of the nation's oldest honorary fraternities.

The chapter of Kappa Delta Pi is only the second at a pri-

RUSSELL DOUTRE



Educators witnessed a charter year in '97 when a chapter of Kappa Delta Pi was formed and 68 members were inducted. Constance Unseld, educational visionary, was the featured speaker joined here by Education Professors Herman Behling (left) and Francis Fennell.

vate college in Maryland. Constance Unseld, founder and educational director of Unseld's School, was the featured speaker.

Kappa Delta Pi, recognizes excellence in education, personal standards, and promise in teaching and allied professions. It was founded in 1911 and has more than 60,000 members in the U.S., Canada, England, and Australia. Members are selected based on high academic achievement, a commitment to education as a career, and professional attitude that assures steady growth as an educator.

Sixty-eight alumni, students and faculty members were inducted this year as charter members of the WMC chapter.

Six students were inducted into the Society For Collegiate Journalists. The society became official in 1975, although its roots date to 1909 with the founding of Pi Delta Epsilon at Syracuse University, the nation's first college journalism society. It later merged with Alpha Phi Gamma, another journalism society formed in 1919 at Ohio

Northern University, to create SCJ. With a national office at Clarion University of Pennsylvania, the society has more than 100 chapters nationwide.

"The society will enable us to recognize the achievements of these students, as well as provide them with opportunities to interact with other college journalists," said chapter adviser Terry A. Dalton, associate professor of English/journalism. "It also builds a certain level of professionalism into our program."

The society's national president William Lawbaugh, associate professor of communications at Mount St. Mary's College, presided over this year's ceremony.

All of the students selected this semester have had significant staff experience on *The Phoenix*, the campus newspaper, but the society is open to members of all campus media such as the radio and television stations and literary magazine. •

New Members Bolster Board

A top state educator and three businessmen have accepted nominations this year to the college's Board of Trustees, the group responsible for the oversight of the operation of the institution.

Carol Parham, recently selected by *Warfield's Business*

Record as one of Maryland's top 100 women, will join Richard D. Adams, M. Walker Buckalew Jr. and Albert J. Mezzanotte Jr. for three-year terms on the 40-member board.

Parham is the first African American and first female superintendent of Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Appointed in 1994, she earned the state's Superintendent of the Year award in 1996. She also received the Outstanding Achievement in Leadership Award from the Maryland State Teachers Association and the Woman of the Year Award from the Glen Burnie chapter of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women.

She earned her bachelor's and doctoral degrees from the University of Maryland and a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University. Parham, who lives in Annapolis, also has received recognition for her volunteer work, including the First Women award from the YWCA of Anne Arundel County and the Good Scout Award from the Baltimore Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Adams, a senior vice president with NationsBank, N.A., is highly regarded in the trust business. He earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Baltimore and a graduate degree in fiduciary law and administration from the Northwestern National Graduate Trust School.

Active in the community, Adams received the 1992 Volunteer of the Year Award from what is now the University of Maryland's Marlene and Stewart Greenbaum Cancer Center

for his work as chair of the development committee. He also earned awards for his involvement with the Handicapped Athletic Program and the Anne Arundel County Association for Retarded Citizens.

Adams, who lives in Severna Park, is vice president of the Board of Childcare of the United Methodist Church and president of the Kelso Home for Girls. He also has served as a director of the National Association of Estate Planning Councils.

Bucklew, a Western Maryland College parent, is president of Strategic Performance Designs, Inc., and serves as senior consultant for Independent School Management, Inc., and PAIDEIA, Inc. He earned a bachelor's degree from Duke University, a teaching certificate in English from Wake Forest University, and master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Wyoming.

After serving as an officer in the U.S. Navy, Bucklew began a 25-year career in education in public and private schools and colleges, including service as Vice President for Academic Affairs, Chief Operating Officer and President of Cumberland University in Tennessee. Currently living in Wilmington, Del., he has written nine books and more than 70 articles for professional journals, and given more than 400 public presentations of topics ranging from organizational structures to behavioral health.

Mezzanotte is litigation partner and member of the management committee of Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, one of Baltimore's most presti-



Students gave the marching orders this spring when the SGA sponsored the second Annual Saturday Campus Clean-up Day. Here upperclassmen are joined by WMC vice president Richard Seaman (*far right*) weeding gardens in Memorial Plaza.

gious law firms. After earning his bachelor's degree at WMC in 1978, he graduated *cum laude* from the University of Baltimore School of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1981.

He currently holds bar membership in Maryland and

the District of Columbia. Mezzanotte, who lives in Ellicott City, has served on the inquiry panel for the Attorney Grievance Commission; the executive council of the Young Lawyers Section of the Maryland State Bar Association; the judicial appointments commit-

tee of the Baltimore Bar Association; and the executive committee of the Maryland Association of Defense Trial Counsel, where he also served as chairman of the negligence and insurance and membership committees. •

Hill People

No More Books...

It's a twist on Senior Week—that blissful time when exams are finally over and new responsibilities have yet to rear their heads. The faculty calls it No More Seniors Weekend, but the goal is the same: sun, fun and the celebration of a successful—and completed—academic year.

The partying profs head down to Ocean City, Md. the minute after the deadline to turn in grades to the Registrar. They don't return until a few days later when Commencement-related obligations call.

The influx of new faculty over the last three years has revitalized the event, which brings together teachers of all disciplines. This long weekend is all about cracking steamed crabs, not textbooks. •

Book on Learning Disabled Has Happy Ending

A learning disability is definitely not an anchor that dooms a child to become an unsuccessful adult. There are an untold number of happy endings and **Henry Reiff**, associate professor of education and assistant dean of academic affairs, is co-author of *Exceeding Expectations: Successful Adults with Learning Disabilities*, which outlines 71 of those stories.

Reiff, first author on the project, and co-authors Paul Gerber and Rick Ginsberg, studied adults from across the country who, as children, had been diagnosed with disabili-



Sun, surf, and sand provide the perfect finish to the academic year. On the beach are faculty (l-r) Richard Kortum, Julia Ortiz, Jonathan Slade and Jasna Meyer.



Reiff identifies how learning-disabled achieve.

ties from dyslexia to attention deficit disorder. The text, marketed to teachers and academe, as well as parents, allows the individuals to share their perspectives and life stories, and offers a pragmatic analysis of the process leading to their successful outcomes.

The 234-page paperback was published in 1997 by Pro-Ed, Inc., of Austin, Texas.

Also, Reiff's work on the college's "The Goal Planning Program," which encourages accountability and responsibility in helping at-risk students to improve their academic success, earned national recognition this year.

The WMC program was one of only seven nationwide to earn a 1997 Retention Excellence Award from USA Group Noel-Levitz, a nationally recognized educational consulting firm based in Indianapolis. Reiff, who accepted the award in July, gave a presentation on the program's success at the 11th annual National Conference on Student Retention, which features workshops led by top industry experts and practitioners.

The Goal Planning Program includes advising sessions for the students where they can work on identifying individual strengths, goal planning, study skills, and time management strategies. A majority of students in the program have reported increased grade-point averages. •

Shopping Malls and Other Sacred Spaces

Mall shopping as a religion? Usually said in jest by a father or mother after looking at a child's growing pile of receipts, it could be closer to the truth than anyone thinks, according to **Ira Zepp**, professor emeritus of religious studies.

The mall, says Dr. Zepp in the recently published second edition of his book, *The New Religious Image of Urban America: The Shopping Mall as Ceremonial Center*, is an extremely religious place. Or at least the structure of the mall is set up to remind people of the peaceful surroundings of a house of worship. And it's not by accident or coincidence.

The book, which was first published in 1986 and is still the only text to analyze the religious dimension of America's malls, now includes a chapter on airports and ballparks as forms of the mall and Dr. Zepp's critical response.

A mall watcher for more than 20 years, he said the centers are designed to draw us in, just like churches. The layout and the architecture are purposefully designed to appeal to something deep inside of us that makes us comfortable.

The mall is a ceremonial center, an alternative community, a carnival, and a secular cathedral. "The mall has become a place where people

gather and things happen here that have nothing to do with buying," he said.

The contemporary mall is even more of a village than the centers he visited while researching the first edition. And many of the nation's airports and ballparks have been "malled over" and have become mini-communities, too. For example, USAir is really the "anchor store" at the "mallport" in Pittsburgh, bringing in millions of captive shoppers each year, he said.

Along with his research, Zepp is always on the lookout for mall-isms. Some of his favorites from things he's read: "It's a mall world after all," "mall or nothing," "getting malled," and "mall-lingering," which also is the title of one of the new chapter's subsections and discusses teens and seniors hanging out at malls.

The new edition also includes an introduction by David Carasco '67, an authority on the religion of the Aztecs and director of the Meso-American Archive and Research Project at Princeton University.

The 210-page paperback was published by University Press of Colorado. •

Poet Wins Top Prize

Professor of English **Kathy Mangan** received a 1997 Individual Artist Award from the Maryland State Arts Council. She was one of eight area poets to earn the juried program's top \$30,000 grant. Ten others earned \$1,000 grants.

It was her second award from the Council. In the 1980s she received a work-in-progress grant.

Mangan, who was one of two top winners from Baltimore City, joined the faculty at Western Maryland in 1977.

Awards also were distributed for choreography, fiction, music composition, playwriting, crafts, photography, and sculpture. •

Award Helps Teachers Teach Better

Two faculty members were awarded the new Ira G. Zepp Enhancement Teaching Awards established to help fund new initiatives.

Esther M. Iglich is a Professor of Biology and was named the WMC Distinguished Teacher of the Year in 1988. She teaches environmental science, ecology, ecological modeling and botany and is a population geneticist of trees. She is awarded this grant for her project to explore new and expanded uses for computer-enhanced teaching and learning techniques.

Robert Lemieux, assistant professor of Communication, joined the faculty last fall and is teaching speech communication, organizational communication, and foundations of communication. He has prior teaching experience at the University of Georgia and DeKalb College and in 1994, received the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award from the International Communication Association. His winning grant proposal outlines a community service learning project for the College's curriculum. •



Baxter's in tune for love.

They Loved It

Garth Baxter's musical composition, *Four Views of Love*, was selected from more than 100 entries to receive the 1997 Delius Composition Award for new music. The award was presented to Baxter during the annual Delius Festival in Jacksonville, Fla. in March.

Four Views of Love is a song cycle for voice and piano that expresses different aspects of love through the poetry of Sara Teasdale, Thomas Hardy and W.B. Yeats.

The music professor specializes in modern traditionalist compositions and his works have been performed throughout the United States and Europe. His music is published by Columbia Music Company, Guitar Chamber Music Press and Underwood Guitar Studio. •

Do the Math: Fennell Rates Top Award

It all added up this year for **Francis Fennell**, chairman of the education department and coordinator of the Master of Science program for students concentrating their studies in elementary and secondary education. His efforts earned him the coveted Distinguished Teacher of the year award.

Skip, as he is known campuswide, teaches courses in curriculum modeling, mathematics for elementary school teachers, and elementary methods for math and science. He is a resourceful problem solver for mathematics educators

nationwide and also has been responsible for procuring a number of prestigious grants for original education programs.

In 1992, Fennell completed work on "Number Sense Now!", a video and reading materials program he created for American elementary school teachers to demonstrate and promote the teaching of "number sense"—the ability to



Fennell

understand numbers and use them in a variety of contexts and situations. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, the project's total budget over two years was more than \$375,000.

The success of this program led to a \$2.2 million National Science Foundation grant naming Fennell as co-director to write a "Numbers Alive!" series, produced by Maryland Public Television in 1994. This project represents the largest single grant MPT has ever received for an educational project. The series of 15-minute programs features five adventurous teenagers who are shown touring the country as a rock group and these characters demonstrate the kind of basic mathematics learned in the classroom and at home, and apply it to new situations. The series completed in 1995 has been distributed nationwide.

Fennell also is a past recipient of the Outstanding Mathematics Educator award from the Maryland Council of Teachers of Mathematics. He is one of only a handful of educators in higher education to have received this award. •

Even sunglasses won't dim the optimism shared by this group of graduating seniors

Future's So Bright...



he economy's booming, the campus is beautiful and the Ravens are back. But launching the talented, tenacious Class of '97 into the world was cause for WMC's biggest celebration this spring. Here's a glimpse of Western Maryland College's newest alumni.

Dear President Chambers,

It is probably not too often that you get a letter like the one that I am writing to you, but I felt compelled to express my thoughts. As I sat on the steps of Big Baker Chapel this past weekend, I gazed across our snow-covered campus and began to reflect upon nearly four years of fabulous memories that Western Maryland College has provided.

I remembered my initial tour of the campus in 1993, when I was openly welcomed by the WMC community. For some reason, the word "community" had always stuck in my head since that first day that I set foot on this campus. As much as I heard words like family, community, camaraderie, and unity at other institutions, it seemed more genuine and from the heart from the WMC faithful. I felt an immediate friendship form between the community and myself.

As with any endeavor in life, risks are involved with decision-making, so when I made the decision to attend WMC back in 1993, I truly did not know what to expect. College was supposed to be full of hard work, setbacks, and tough decisions; I was not sure if I was ready for it. After my first week of classes, not only was I sure that I had made the right decision to attend WMC, but I also had an entire new family that would be there to support me for the next four years. Although my parents had just reluctantly released me from their protection, I was not left alone to experience college by myself—I was surrounded by a new family that would help me reap the

benefits of my investment at WMC.

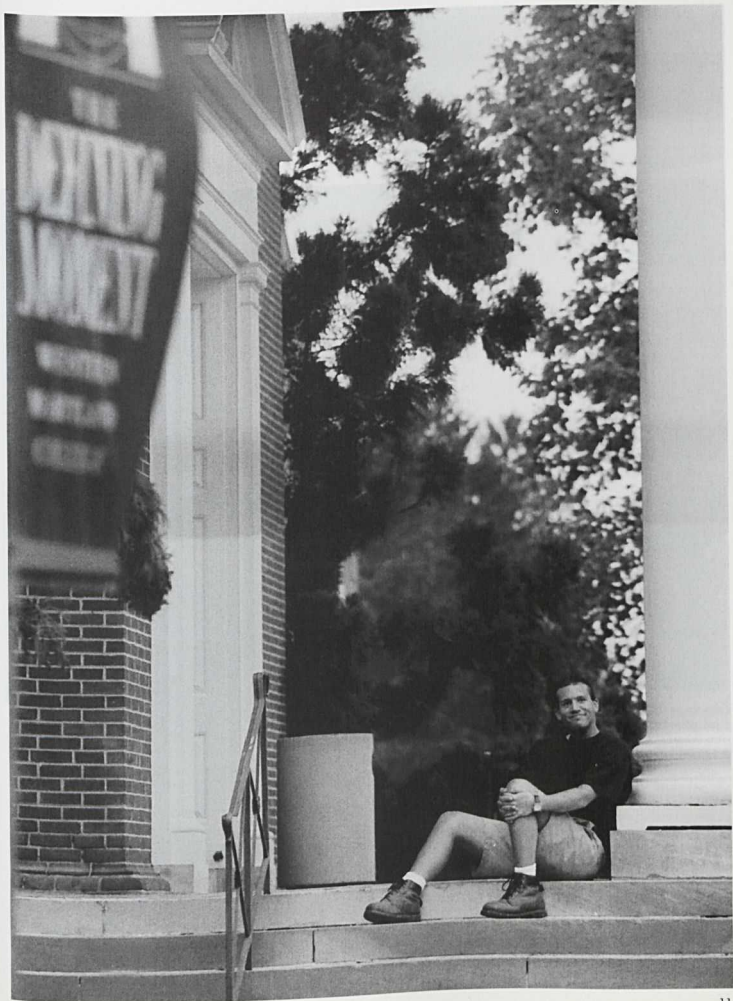
To pick out one specific memory that WMC has made possible would be impossible. Each one is special in one way or another. I think that every friendship I made here at WMC is my best memory. When I say friendship, I don't really mean just with students. The friendships made with the faculty are the ones that really hold a special place in my heart. From Dean Barb Disharoon giving candid advice on dating to Dr. Sam Case having his physiology class over for cake and ice cream, the memories are endless. Just mentioning those two experiences was probably unfair, because I undoubtedly left a hundred others out. However, that is what college is all about, building up memories and learning from your experiences.

I just wanted to take the time to share my thoughts with you, the head of our college community. Words cannot often express the gratitude that one feels toward others. As I, and hundreds of others complete another chapter in our book of life, I only hope that we can go out into the "real world" and make as much an impact on others as the WMC community has made on us. I will always think of myself as a part of the Green Terror family.

Sincerely,
Byron J. Druzgal '97

One of this year's Phi Beta Kappa inductees, Byron Druzgal graduated magna cum laude and was accepted into the University of Maryland's School of Medicine.

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Seeing the world—and home— anew was eye-opening for Ingrid Carlson.

Going Native

Winner of the Frank and Margaret Malone Award for Excellence in Foreign Language, political science and Spanish major **Ingrid Carlson** spent the spring '96 semester studying in Seville, Spain where she lived with a local family. Immersion in the language and indigenous lifestyle taught her many things about the differences between the United States and her host country.

"The Spaniards say Americans live to work, but the Spanish work to live," says the Maryland native. "The Spanish have more family ties and their culture is a lot stronger. They have more festivals and every afternoon they have a siesta time. The whole month of August everyone takes off."

She also realized she'd taken certain things for granted back home. "For example, the unemployment there was like 23 percent." And she couldn't help but miss the modern conveniences of her own culture, such as 24-hour groceries, book-store coffee shops and a diversity of ethnic foods, film and music.

"I left the U.S. so I could look at it from the outside," she says. "Even though I recognized some of the negatives of my own culture, I realized how much a part of it I am and that this is my home."

Long launches campaign for humanity.

The Long View

Doni Long didn't wait until she graduated to do the kind of community work she plans for her career. The aspiring social worker helped coordinate a campus Rape Awareness group and was an organizer of the annual candlelight vigils the group held in Westminster to highlight the cause. The efforts of Long, faculty adviser Colleen Galambos, and other students paid off—they sold out of the tee shirts they made to raise funds for the cause and got local politicians, residents and clergy to support the event.

As tenacious as she is enthusiastic, Long committed to the extensive training required to serve as a crisis counselor at the Carroll County Rape Crisis Center. She

worked at the hotline answering distress calls and also lobbied legislators in Annapolis on behalf of the center. "Rape is a tough issue to talk about, but an important one," says Long, who was accepted into the University of Connecticut's accelerated graduate program in social work. "It's not going to go away."

As a Resident Adviser, Long worked to strengthen communications between the administration and students. And as Assistant Director of the college's gospel choir, which grew from 17 to 60 members during her tenure, she says she witnessed the breakdown of racial barriers.

"There's black and white people mixing and sharing and talking and singing good music," she says. "When you get right down to it, it doesn't matter what you look like. The music transcends all lines."

When Long looks into her future, she sees a rainbow: "Multiculturalism is the future," she predicts. "I look at my life and I see myself as an agent for social change."



*'I look at my life and
I see myself as an agent
for social change.'*

—Doni Long



Noted student Carolyn Arney seeks pet-friendly future.

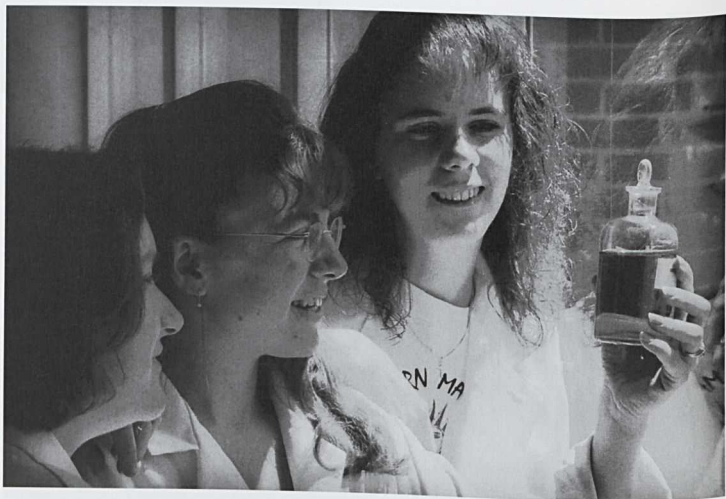
The Cat's Meow

Carolyn Arney and her cat, Mr. Mumbly, became the cause célèbre this year on campus after administrators enforced the college's "no pets" rule and evicted the feline. But Arney, one of two to win the Frank and Margaret Malone Award for Excellence in a Foreign Language, was already a campus star. The psychology and French double major is a member of the honor societies for psychology, foreign language and literature and served as French club president. An accomplished pianist, Arney also plays the viola and decided to take up vocals in her sophomore year. She began singing and touring with the College

Choir, the gospel and jazz choirs, and the Madrigals. Her best fan, Mr. Mumbly, spent the last part of his college career at the home of music professor Robin Armstrong, who lives in a campus house. The duo was to be reunited after Arney moved into a new apartment closer to University of Maryland at Baltimore, where she was accepted into the graduate program in social work.

*'Bricks represent society
all working together . . .
you've got to all work
together with one voice.'*

—Chester Stacy



Science of Success

Who says there's a dearth of women in the sciences? That may be true nationally, but the class of '97 had an unusually strong showing of female science scholars. **Cathy Pech** plans to continue her studies at the University of Maryland at Baltimore's nursing school. **Susanna Kuespert**, winner of the H.P. Sturdivant Biology Award, will attend veterinary school at Purdue University, and **Robin Carroll** will pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Rochester.

Building His Voice

Chester Stacy, a graphic design major who spent much of his spare time high up in Alumni Hall stringing lights for theatre productions, is nothing if not expressive. He painted murals with a message in his performance art style during a campus talent show and a political rally. He's acted in various plays. And now he's finished the project that will be his legacy to future generations of students: a freestanding wall whose bricks jut out to spell the word "voice."

The winner of the Esther Smith Award for drama explains the project's meaning. "Bricks represent society all working together," he says. "And if you want to get something accomplished as a society, you've got to all work together with one voice."





Above: Toni Smith ready to tackle the world.

Opposite, top: Pech, Carroll, and Kuespert form powerful chemistry bond.

Left: Chester Stacy builds a lasting monument.

It All Adds Up

The toughest class mathematics major **Toni Smith** ever confronted was Harry Rosenzweig's Real Analysis. "I learned a whole, whole lot from it," she concludes. "It was good for me."

That attitude is not surprising, coming from an aspiring teacher. It's already served her well. Winner of the Michael and Polly Beaver Award for Excellence in Education and the Clyde A. Spicer Award, Smith has never met a learning experience she didn't like. Outside of the classroom, she tackled more challenges as a Resident Assistant and member of both the track and field hockey teams. She also plays the flute.

Rosenzweig speaks of his protégé with admiration. "She's a kid who likes to think hard." •



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Celebrating graduation is all in the family.

What Parents Really Celebrate

(Tom and Elaine Long of Union Bridge attached their list with the final tuition check for their daughter Emily Long, an art major in the pre-museum studies program.)

"This is it and what it means: The last one! Red meat on the table again! A night out! A new dress! New shoes! Now we can see the movie when it actually opens! Palms, sun, surf, and sand! Trade in the VW for a Caddie! No more kerosene lamps; we can afford electric! The dog no longer has to rummage in the trash! Replace the carpet! High test gasoline, no more pings! Sell the sewing machine! No more sighs! Find out what shrimp and crabs used to taste like! No more Kool Aid, it's bottled Coke time again! No more wet checks from the tears! No cardboard in the shoe soles! Color, yes, color TV! Heat in the house, no more sweaters! Animals can live in our yard without fearing for their lives! No more seeing the comet through the hole in our roof! Four hard years of budgeting—gone, out the window, hasta la vista, baby! May 24th—YEAAAAAA!"

The Longs also stuffed confetti into the envelope to celebrate the last payment. But Emily's top-notch education at WMC was worth the years of cutbacks, according to her dad Tom. The couple will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in August, and with no more tuition to pay, he said they'll splurge with a trip to Aruba. However, Emily, who will spend the summer working with the Carroll County Arts Council, hopes to start a graduate program in museum studies this fall. More macaroni and cheese?

From Rare Books to Real Skulls:
WMC People Show Their Stuff

Collective Behavior

BY KIM ASCH

The Richwine Special Collections Room in Hoover Library was dedicated Nov. 18 at a ceremony honoring Eleanor and her late husband Keith, who chaired the English department for more than 30 years. The room, located on the library's third floor, will house books Keith lovingly collected over several decades, during his travels near and far. The Rehm Collection and other treasured volumes will also occupy the shelves. Provost Joan Devin Coley—a collector of hand-blown glass and artistic jewelry—explains why we value such collections:

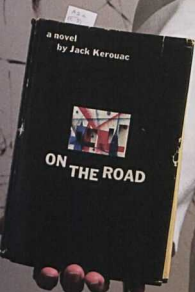


There is something intrinsic and precious about collecting. It's no accident that our earliest ancestors are called Hunter Gatherers. Over the centuries people have hunted down and gathered many different kinds of things for their collections. And they still do today. In fact, few things escape a collector's imagination. There are collections of salt shakers, coffee mugs, string, aluminum foil, Coca-Cola artifacts and sports memorabilia. People haunt yard sales and flea markets for carnival and depression glass, for beer bottles, for menus, for Spode and Wedgewood china. There are philatelists (stamp collectors) and numismatists (coin collectors); there are casual collectors and there are folks who become obsessed with their collections; there are devotees of railroadiana and Elvisiana. The urge to collect runs deep.

Colleges, too, are not exempt from this need to collect. We collect facts and ideas. We bring together in one place the wonders of the natural world, the heritage of our past and the promise of our future. Here lies the difference between collecting and hoarding. Our fundamental task resides in teaching about the things we as a faculty and as an institution have spent years and years hunting down, gathering, discovering, collecting and sometimes inventing.

Because it is what we do, we place high value on collections. Last year we dedicated the Esther Prangley Rice Gallery, the college's first gallery. It's a place where all of us can view, study and learn from the college's permanent collections of art and cultural artifacts. The Richwine Special Collections Room is equally important—it's a place devoted to the printed word, a place for all of us to view, study and learn from the collection of books and other printed materials given to the college over the years by people who loved books, loved learning and loved WMC.

Former librarian Eleanor Richwine is carefully cataloging her late husband Keith's collection of Beat Generation books, recordings and art work.



From Cocktail Recipes
to Signed Sinclair Lewis:

A Very Special Collection

BY DON SCHUMAKER

The novels, recordings, videos, books of poetry and pieces of art that comprise the late Keith Richwine's extensive and impressive collection are emblematic of the man himself.

Big-hearted, loud-laughing, large-living, the professor emeritus of English, who chaired the department for 31 years, embodied the *joie de vivre* of the Beat Generation writers and poets he especially admired. Jack Kerouac, Allen Ginsberg, Gregory Corso and their contemporaries, who rejected consumerism and the staid society of the 1950s, captured Richwine's imagination as they influenced modern American literature and the '60s youth movement.

Keith and Eleanor Richwine's surname is profoundly fitting. World travelers and lifelong students, they amassed a fortune in priceless memories of their many adventures together. The couple seemed to always be reading or traveling. In each new country they visited, they made it a point to pick up another translation of a favorite work—that's why The Richwine Collection boasts first editions in several different languages.

Among their treasures are first editions of *On The Road* and *The Dharma Bums*; a four-album, limited edition recording titled, *Readings by Jack Kerouac on the Beat Generation* with excerpts from "The Subterraneans"; a caricature of Kerouac by *New York Review of Books* artist David Levine; and a framed copy of a poem by Kerouac numbered 57 of 100. There are also writings from Kerouac to friends and videotaped documentaries about the writer and the Beat movement.

Keith Richwine was no hoarder. Indeed, donating both his collection and the funds to house it in Hoover Library's handsome new reading room was his way of sharing his love for literature with the Western Maryland College community he cherished.

It's a community that understands his collecting impulse, given that so many of its members are hunters and gatherers themselves.

College President Bob Chambers collects coffee mugs; English professor LeRoy Panek orders McDonald's "happy meals"



The special collections room in Hoover Library will showcase a pastiche of literary treasures, including signed copies of works by H.L. Mencken and Sinclair Lewis and a 1930s book detailing the drink recipes of New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

The college officially opened the new book-lovers sanctuary Nov. 18 at a dedication to honor Eleanor and the late Keith Richwine, whose generous gift provided funds for its creation.

The Richwines each served the college for more than 30 years and even after retirement continued to support Western Maryland, attending lectures and other events. Catalog librarian Eleanor Richwine also taught library science and developed and taught a course on intellectual freedom and censorship before retiring in 1993. The late Dr. Richwine taught English at WMC for 32 years, retiring in 1994. He also served as chair of the department for 31 years. Both were named emeriti members of Western Maryland College.

"The library was a special place for them," President Robert Chambers said. "So this new room housing our very best is a fitting tribute to their devotion and service to our college and its community."

Previously, special books were locked in storage and weren't available for research or reading. Now the college community will have access to them with special permission.

Eleanor Richwine and her late husband Keith shared a love of literature with his three colleagues in the English department: Ray Phillips, LeRoy Panek and Del Palmer.

WMC will showcase several autographed books by famous writers it's received over the years, as well as collections from people who were important to the college history. The room also will house a number of books by WMC graduates, including the signed copy of the hotel cocktail book.

And it is the future home of the late Keith Richwine's collection of 20th century American first editions, including his prized Jack Kerouac volumes.

The signed Mencken collection and Lewis' autographed *Arrowsmith* are included in a four-part opening exhibit in the new room. The exhibit also features first edition American novels such as John Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men* and two by Ernest Hemingway, poetry first editions by Robert Frost, Edna St. Vincent Millay and Robinson Jeffers, and miscellaneous works donated to the library including a 19th century Arabic version of the Koran and a songbook from 1844.

For an appointment to see the special collection call Hoover Library Director Dave Neikirk at 410/857-6129.



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'Just about everyone is a collector of something—though some things seem more acceptable than others.'

—psychology professor Howard Orenstein



for the toys that come with them; accounting clerk Carolyn Pickett treasures old WMC picture postcards; Biology professor Mary Lee Schmall acquires doll house furniture for her elaborate Victorian mansion in miniature; and Bursar Sue Schmidt collects chairs of all shapes and sizes—she even has dining rings shaped like winged-backs.

Psychology Professor Howard Orenstein, who collects commemorative panels issued by the philatelic division of the U.S. Postal Service, observes, "just about everyone is a collector of something—though some things seem more socially acceptable than others."

For example, his students rate the personality profile of a stamp collector as completely normal. But when Orenstein

Judge Elsbeth Bothe's macabre collection includes a copy of the receipt Jeffrey Dahmer got from Sears Roebuck for the freezer he used to store the body parts of his cannibalized victims.

provides the other half of the class with the same profile—except that instead of stamps, this guy collects toilet paper tubes—the diagnosis is much different. "Crazy," they invariably conclude.

The exercise illustrates Orenstein's lesson that "sanity is sometimes determined by how an individual is perceived by society and its norms." When it comes to collections, Orenstein says, all bets are off: "People collect all kinds of things, who's to say what's O.K. or not O.K.?"

No Bones About It

It's no surprise that Judge Elsbeth Bothe, sponsor of the English department's annual Bothe lecture, is fascinated with true crime stories and the macabre—the retired Baltimore judge presided over some of the city's most heinous murder trials.

Among her collection are six real human skulls—including a shrunken head—and a photo copy of the receipt Jeffrey Dahmer got from Sears Roebuck for the freezer he used to store the body parts of his cannibalized victims.

"He bought it not long before he was found out," says Bothe, revealing the characteristic pride of a collector showing off a prized possession. She taped the little piece

of paper—a gift from her friend, weird filmmaker and fellow Baltimorean John Waters—onto the door of her own refrigerator.

The suggestion that her hobby might hint at something dark about her own personality makes her smile. Bothe has seen crazy people—this, she says, is mere harmless fun.

"I think everybody feels intrigued with wicked people. They're doing something you secretly want to do," says the former public defender. "I'm not 'Burking' anyone, nor do I rob any graves."

The term "Burke" refers to a 19th-century hired grave robber who was supplying corpses to a doctor at the famous Edinburgh Medical School for his anatomy students, to accommodate their research needs. "It was quite an embarrassment when he [Dr. Knox] was found out because it was revealed that the other doctors would have known they were working with fresh meat," Bothe says with a wry smile.

She knows about these things because she's a ravenous reader of real accounts of murderous acts and gruesome goings-on. She's devoured such literature since she was 8 and now boasts a collection of more than 1,000 volumes. Among the shelves of her Guilford home are murderers' biographies, detective books and turn-of-the-century trial transcripts that were hawked by news vendors outside of courtrooms in a time before TV cameras could broadcast the proceedings. She recently wrote a column for the *Baltimore Sun* about the release of many books covering the O.J. Simpson trials.

Revered and feared for her reputation of being tough on criminals, Bothe counts many police officers among her fans. They've also been great sources for her collection.

She has a replica of a portable gallows they used in the Wild West. One of the sheriffs in the Baltimore courthouse ordered the model kit. "It took him a year to build it, and he gave it to me," she says.

She also has in her possession a pair of old handcuffs from the Maryland State



Penitentiary given to her by the former warden. He also gave her a piece of the rope that was used to hang Edward Grammer, one of Maryland's most notorious murderers [She later donated it to the Society of Connoisseurs in Murder.]. The former aid to

President Eisenhower was convicted of killing his wife, then putting her in her car with a stone under the accelerator to make it look like an accident. Bothe also has several original courtroom drawings by Aaron Sopher from the trial which appeared in *The Sun*. The smooth white skull of a horse dominates the corner of Bothe's sunny living room. It was given to her by a former law clerk, and came from a corpse buried in a ravine along with the bodies of other animals who were mistreated by a band of drug dealers living on a farm.

Surprisingly, the contemporary home is well-lit and cheerful, given its grim motif. Kitsch is displayed right alongside scary: the bedroom features an eerie photograph of a beautiful woman whose body is bisected by autopsy stitches, while on the next wall a miniature band of mariachi skeletons occupies a shelf with other campy displays.

"I used to grab anything I could get my hands on because the selection was sparse," says Bothe. "But the skull motif has become quite a fad, so there's a lot to choose from. As the macabre becomes more mainstream, I get more normal by the day."

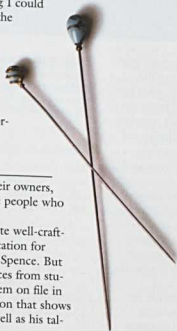
Personality on Display

Like pets who resemble their owners, collections often reflect the people who assemble them.

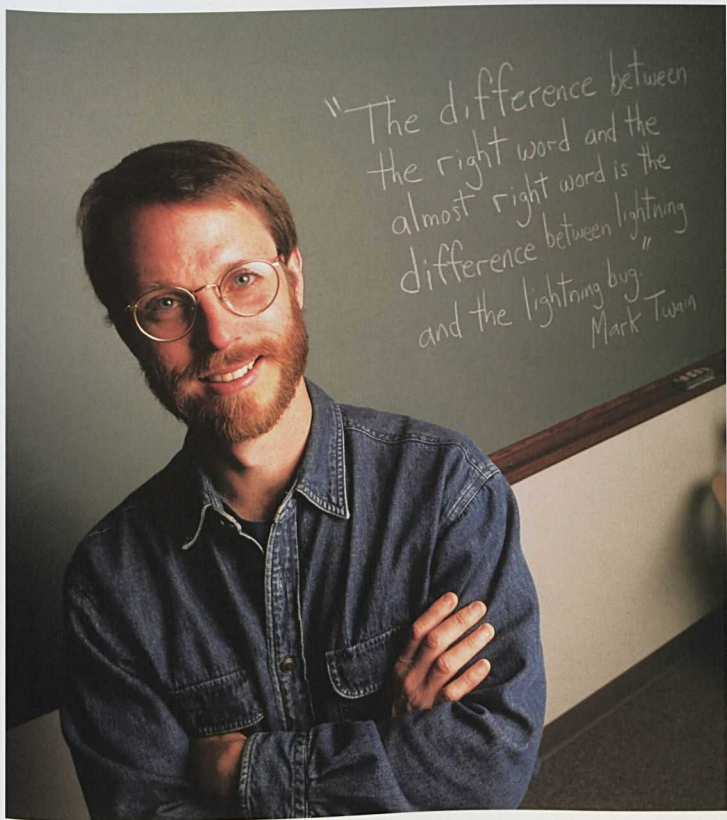
Teaching students to write well-crafted, cogent essays is an avocation for senior English lecturer Bill Spence. But for fun he culls bad sentences from student papers, then stores them on file in his computer. It's a collection that shows off his sense of humor as well as his tal-

'You can see the reflection of yourself in a collection.'

—math professor Harry Rosenzweig



Senior English lecturer Bill Spence culls bad sentences from student papers to be used later during writing lessons.



"The difference between
the right word and the
almost right word is the
difference between lightning
and the lightning bug."
Mark Twain

'When I talk about it now, I think, I really love these spatulas. Then I wonder, what's wrong with me?'

—Michele Jarman '99

ent for turning embarrassing errors into valuable learning experiences.

"I use them as sort of a 'don't let this happen to you' lesson," says Spence. "I've been collecting them for several years now."

So what's a macho guy like math professor Harry Rosenzweig doing with a collection of dainty, elegant hatpins?

"There's no accounting for it—I find them pretty," he says about the long metal rods topped with ornate stone or ceramic finials. "People sometimes look at me quizzically, but I'm not too concerned about what others think."

An aficionado of the Victorian period, Rosenzweig also collects porcelain from the era. He owns several PS Prussia porcelain holders for his collection of more than 80 hatpins. The display is arrayed on antique furniture in the front room, where the afternoon light catches the multi-colored bouquets.

"It validates your existence in some way because you know all of these pretty things came together because of you," he says. "You can see the reflection of yourself in a collection."

While Rosenzweig prizes the oldest and prettiest pieces in mint condition—some sell for as much as \$1,000—the sentences Spence collects must fit a different, less stringent, set of criteria.

"They just have to be stupid and funny," he says. Here are some of his gems:

- "And without proper birth control a woman is capable of producing a baby nearly every month."
- "Nathaniel Hawthorne and William Faulkner are two totally different writers all together."
- "The rule of spoken language gives us the power of speech by making it impossible to appreciate what one is explaining."
- "Gates family lived in Piedmont, West Virginia, in a time where blacks were treated like social leopards."
- "Nowadays, all ages are having sex, ranging from nine to ten years old to forty to fifty years old."



Michele Jarman's spatula collection started off as a joke—until she flipped over the nifty cooking utensil.

- "All the experiences that I have had [in college] I wouldn't change for the world because I have gotten wisdom and knowledge that you only see in television."

Getting Hooked

Michele Jarman '99 used to think of collecting as silly. In fact, her 200-plus assortment of spatulas started out as a joke.

When she was in the ninth grade she saw the movie *UHF* with Weird Al Yankovich and one of the scenes was a spoof on shopping at a store called Spatula City. "People were throwing all these spatulas in their shopping carts and I was just rolling, it was so funny," she recalls. "It got me thinking about why people collect what they do—stamps, coins, little glass figurines—things they believe are valuable."

Jarman began what she meant to be a mock collection, "kind of a joke on society." Her collection, she thought, would be provocative, it would raise questions about value and worth. In her thinking, going crazy for old stamps and coins was analogous to spazzing over spatulas.

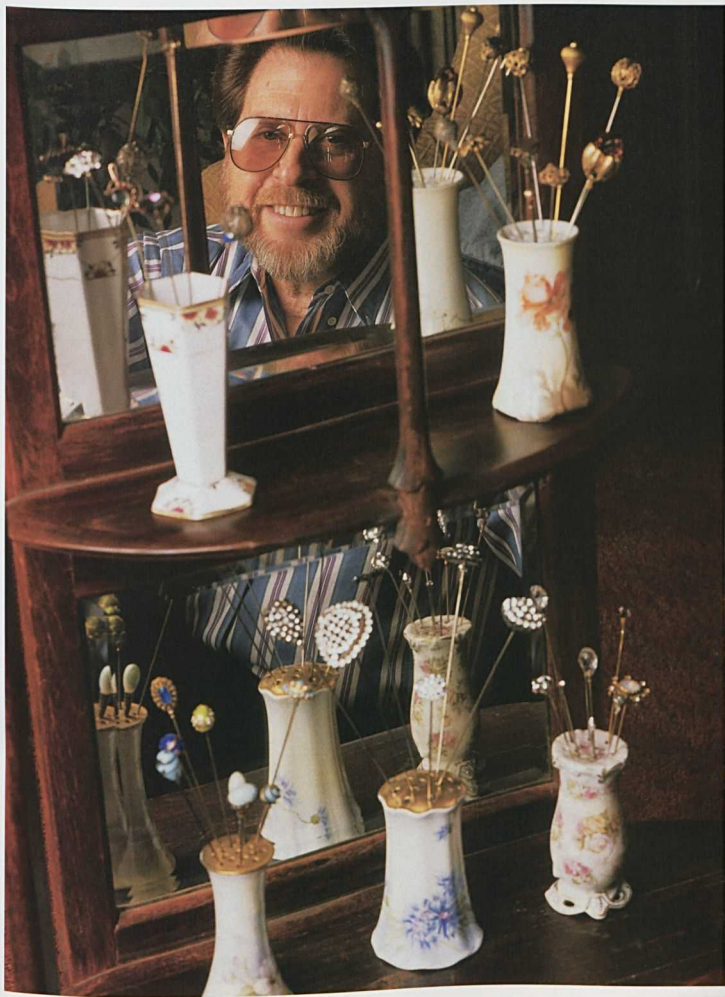
Except, Jarman flipped—over her spatula collection.

She started with an old wooden spatula with a flat face and three slits she bought at a flea market for \$15. Before she knew it she was scooping them up at souvenir shops and antique stores. Friends began giving them to her as gifts. Her "big sister" in her sorority hand-painted one that hangs in her dorm.

Her father built her a case to display her collection and her mother dusts it while she's away from their Virginia Beach home during the academic year.

Now she finds herself justifying her collection, rather than satirizing it. "Everything in cooking requires a spatula," she reasons, then smirks. "When I talk about it now, I think, I really love these spatulas. Then I wonder, what's wrong with me?"

Of course Harry Rosenzweig has no real use for his assortment of more than 80 hatpins. But when did function ever have anything to do with collecting?



Lively Mix of Pursuits to Spring
Stevens '58 into 'Retirement'

A Man of Substance

BY SHERRI KIMMEL

At long last. The final semester. Time to break out those yellowed leaves, brittle after 31 years behind the podium in a building which has shifted names—from his student days, Science Hall; during the bulk of his career, Memorial Hall; and now in the twilight of teaching, to Hill Hall?

*Hell no
H. Ray Stevens '58
will not go
gently into retirement.*

Final semester. Fresh class.

In the wake of a 1996 January Term trip he led to Ireland with Pat Reed, associate professor of history, Stevens devised "The Irish Literary Renaissance."

"Why," someone asks, "are you doing a new course?"

"Why would I want to die?" ripostes Ray in typical Stevens fashion.

He threatens that when he dies his ghost will haunt this building. But death, the final parenthesis, is far from his thoughts, as he winds away from campus, finally, after 43 years as student or teacher.

The Greeks divided matter into four elements—earth, air, fire and water. One might say that the matter which is H. Ray Stevens is composed of four elements.

Element I— Ray Stevens the Teacher

During 27 of his 31 WMC teaching years Ray inhabited 201 Memorial. Tucked in the corner of the second floor, that sanctuary with an oak-shelf-lined office was

attached to a classroom, or was it the other way around? Students often would enter to strains of Bach or Brahms or some such. With blackboard as backdrop he would hold forth with the cadence of the Methodist local preacher he once was. To keep students on their toes, sometimes he would leap to his desktop or pace in the wooden windowsill, punching home his point with fist or finger. This image of the lanky man in braces and striped tie with military-short hair, blue eyes behind wire frames, is imprinted in many alumni minds.

Since the renovation of 1994, when his old space was transformed to a women's restroom, he has been on the main drag, if you will, of the English Department. A modern office that. No oak to ogle in Room 220. But he brought along his series of Blake illustrations of Gray's "Ode on the Death of a Favourite Cat," which he bought at the Tate Gallery on his first Jan Term to England in 1971. And with him moved his desk, bequeathed him by the late English professor Evelyn Wingate Wenner when she retired. That desk will go home with him.

For poet Edna St. Vincent Millay, love was not all. It was not meat or drink. But for Ray Stevens teaching was all, as far as WMC is concerned. "The students are the place. I love them dearly. My greatest joy has been watching students discover."

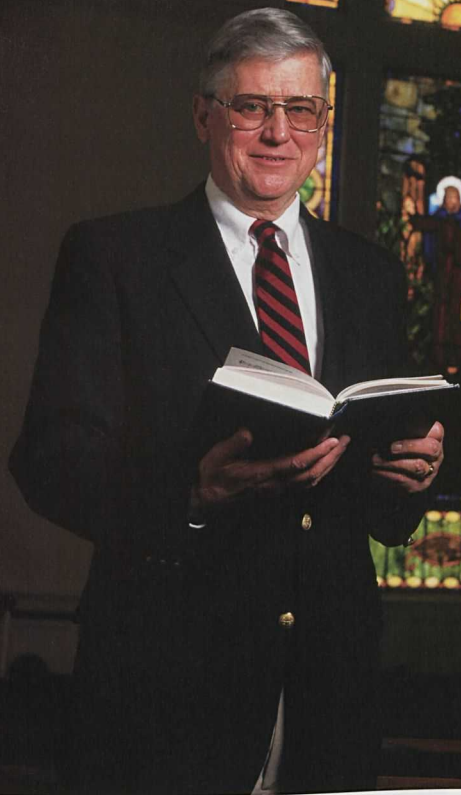
His joy has been abundant, what with 3,000 or so students to lead in discovery. Along the way he has tried to impart "a zest, a reverence for learning. I hope that I have communicated my love for the subject I teach." He pauses to consider his

next words. "I like to think I'm a humanist who just happens to be teaching literature. I like to emphasize the unity of knowledge rather than knowledge as something to be fragmented."

Stevens has tried to, for students' sake, model the true liberal artist. For instance, he enjoyed team-teaching biology with the Lewis Hall scientists during the early 1970s. "It was probably the only biology course in history to use a Dickens novel, *Hard Times*," he says with a chuckle.

His teaching, too, has had a moral component, as he has tried to convey the concept that "a person of true liberal learning is one who will never knowingly or willingly do a vicious deed to another person. That's a paraphrase of Shaftesbury." He grabs a volume and flips to a page whose margins are filled with his angular script and points at the exact quote. Stevens shuts the book. "Another favorite quotation is 'God is a gentleman who will certainly forgive a gentleman for a few gentlemanly sins.' I, of course, would amend it today to add 'gentlewoman'."

Most of his teaching has been at Western Maryland, though Stevens took a hiatus to earn his Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania, and spent a couple of years at Butler University in Indiana. But when a position opened up at Western Maryland in 1966, he came back "because I had had scholarship money and felt I owed the college something." That debt has been repaid many times over as he has led thousands of students to appreciate British literature, 1660-1950s, and to burnish their writing skills.



Little Baker is one of my favorite places in the universe, and Holman Hunt's "The Light of the World" is my favorite pre-Raphaelite painting.

A 'Linthead' Takes on a Curmudgeon

The ultimate curmudgeon would be grumbling with delight to know that a life-long Conrad scholar now is turning his attention H.L.'s way. The knowledge that the scholar is a WASP would leave Mencken just plain grumbling, for Ray Stevens '58 is a member of that class which H.L. blamed for most of the social and cultural ills of the USA.

Stevens got at Mencken's critical attitude toward Anglo-Saxon Americans in his first address to the Mencken Society in 1993, titled, "Of Course He Was Prejudiced, But if a Bible-Belted Lintheaded Anglomaniac Such As I Can Let H.L. Mencken Rest In Peace, Why Can't Everyone?"

His scholarly shift to include the cranky German-American journalist and author in his orbit with the Polish Conrad came

about quite by accident. One winter day in 1989, Stevens headed over to the campus post office to mail a letter. He encountered Alice Chambers, former college archivist, who had *The Diary of H.L. Mencken*, edited by Charles A. Fecher, on her mind. Alice had created on campus a noon-time book review program, and was looking for a professor to read the diary and present the book.

Stevens accepted the request, and the day of the lecture, heard a buzz that the president of the Mencken Society was in the audience. How had Arthur Gutman heard of this event outside his Baltimore purview? Oh happy accident, he had gone to an antique dealer

in search of English lustware and instead found that an English professor was discussing the diary his friend Charles Fecher had edited. How did the antique dealer know about Stevens? She had been his sons' high-school tennis coach.

Gutman came to campus to scout out the talent and came away mighty

impressed. Gutman wondered if Stevens would address the Mencken Society. Stevens eagerly did so, in the heady environs of a Roland Park cathedral. Fecher's request: Could Menckeniana publish that "lintheaded" lecture? A year later, the journal featured a second Stevens *tour de force*, based on a paper he presented in London at the Joseph Conrad Society which married his twin interests, Conrad and Mencken.

This April he hosted the Mencken Society's meeting and served as moderator of a panel of diverse scholars that included a professor of orthopaedics at Loyola University (of Chicago) Medical School, and the curator of the H.L. Mencken Collection.

As a result of the chance campus post office meeting and the antique store visit, Stevens says, "I now have a batch of first editions, several Mencken autographs, two articles, a burning desire to study my favorite curmudgeon in much greater depth, and an invitation to consider being nominated as the next president of the Mencken Society. That's the real joy of my approach to learning and scholarship."

—SK



Element II—Ray Stevens the Writer

Dry as dust academic writing. That never has been the Stevens style. Whether composing a treatise on the liberal arts for *The Hill's* predecessor in the Sixties, purling out prose in a scholarly piece for Menckeniana, or composing a poem about the brief life of his beloved granddaughter for the *Baltimore Sun* op-ed page, Ray does it with panache, spirit and depth. Always identifying himself as a professor at Western Maryland.

Thus he has taken the college name around the world. Several years ago a son of Con Darcy, professor of history, was in Japan. He opened the *International Herald Tribune* to a Stevens essay on non-law-molding which had first appeared in the *Sun*, then had been syndicated worldwide.

Ray's bibliography of publications is too exhaustive to recite, full of scholarly writings largely on Joseph Conrad, the Polish former seafarer; on Brits, John Galsworthy and George Gordon, Lord Byron; and the Yank, H.L. Mencken. Forthcoming is the concluding essay in *A Joseph Conrad Companion* (Greenwood Press), due out next year. Then there is the memoirs-to-be, working title, "Sober Reflections on Antic College Behavior."

Element III—Ray Stevens the Traveler

"I've always tried to combine research with travel."

— Ray Stevens, May 1997

Thusly one line of the HRS epitaph could read. But this story is about forward momentum, not death.

Stevens's first big trip was a move at age 13 from Concord, N.C., to Elkton, Md. Being a scion of mill workers gave him the right to profess before the Mencken Society, during his speaking debut there in 1993, that he was an authentic "linthead." And therefore, as recipient of H.L.'s derogatory term for a Southerner, he felt qualified to speak about Mencken's aspirations against race or class.

After arriving in Maryland, he made a few chess moves until settling in Westminster with wife Ruth Ann (Wilson) '59 and young sons David and Joel. Ray was ready to begin his grand world tour.

He took the whole family on that first Jan Term trip to England, supervising 43 students for 22 days. After leading his last with James Lightner '59, professor of mathematics, this past January, he announces, "The tours are over. I've taken 500 students, and every year I get a little more antsy [about their safety]."

In the last quarter-century scholarship has broadened his travel. He's presented Conrad papers in London and Baranow Sandomierski, Poland; Byron lore in Haifa,

Israel. He's been invited to Capetown, South Africa to present a paper next April for the 100th anniversary of the publication of Conrad's *Heart of Darkness*. This first international travel as an emeritus professor for Western Maryland will be partly funded by the college, as have been most of his scholarly trips. "I've been grateful for the freedom to teach as I wanted, to pursue my scholarship, and be awarded money for travel," he declares.

In South Africa, Ruth Ann will accompany him, since, by then, she too will be retired from her own career as an educator in the Carroll County elementary schools. Though she wasn't always able to attend exotically located conferences due to her own work, Ruth Ann has been a constant summer travel companion. They have planned the first post-retirement trip this summer, to Poland, the Czech and Slovak republics, and to Germany, to visit son David, who is in the U.S. Army there.

"People assume I'm going to Florida and sit," he says. "Nothing could be further from the truth. I'm looking forward to being more active than ever before, with just learning to do. There is so much out there I want to try to learn a little about."

The Collectors

Mementos of many eras, reflecting wide interests, wrestle for wall space in the brick ranch home of Ray '58 and Ruth Ann (Wilson) Stevens '59. Tidy and well-ordered as the home is, the confusion of focal points nearly overwhelms a visitor's sensibilities in this collector's paradise.

Inside the front door one finds what one would expect in the domicile of a literary scholar—autographed first editions of H.L. Mencken's works, alongside those by Conrad and Galsworthy. But the sitting room to the left holds not books but Toby jugs, 150-some of them, manufactured in occupied Japan. Ray began collecting the miniature steins in the shape of English countryfolk after his mother gave him one 20 years ago.

Though the fascination was first his, Ruth Ann has joined him in ferreting out the colorful mugs.

So it goes with all of their collecting passions. As Ray combs auction houses and yard sales for musty 19th-century tomes, he keeps an eye out for the piano babies Ruth relishes. A dozen or so of the flat-bottomed recumbent figurines are arrayed on the piano that shares a spot with the Toby jugs in the sitting room.

Moving toward the rear of the house, one sees 20 rolling pins vying for space with various pieces of China and Depression glass. Scattered about the house are trunks, the kind the seafaring Conrad might have used. Many are from O'Farrell's Auction House in Westminster, at



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which Ray and Ruth Ann have been amiable fixtures for 20 years. In their house near Finksburg inherited and purchased antiques mingle. Son Joel, 29, has asked his mom to identify with labels which pieces were passed down through the Stevens or Wilson line.

The most prevalent collectibles are clearly not family heirlooms—although they may be someday. For several Christmases Joel has been buying his mom limited-edition Barbies to add to her collection of dolls. An upstairs bedroom holds dolls "three-deep," as Ray says. Ruth Ann's favorites are German-made with real human hair and eyelashes. She holds one out for a visitor, imploring, "Feel how soft." The body, stuffed with reindeer hair, is squeezable not squishy.

It doesn't matter if the dolls are a century old or the latest fad—Ruth Ann recently plunked down \$1.99 for a Happy Meal so she could have the Beanie Baby in the bag. There are just two exceptions in the doll quest, says Ray. "We don't buy sad or ugly dolls."

While dolls have their day upstairs, the finished basement is dominated by Ruth Ann's 25 dollhouses. Most are 25 or more years old, and she has fashioned furniture, rugs and other items for their decor.

How do the Stevens turn up their treasures? "It's sheer luck," says Ray. "It's like doing literary research. We like to discover things."

—SK

Element IV— Ray Stevens the Scholar

Sometimes things just happen. The biggest undertaking of Stevens's scholarly life, editing a Cambridge University Press Critical Edition of Joseph Conrad's *Last Essays*, has been happening a long time. This project came after he had established himself as a Conrad scholar, helping to found the journal *Conradiana* and the Joseph Conrad Society. In 1982, he began collecting the far-flung manuscripts of Conrad's essays for a definitive edition. Even more so than other writers, Conrad's works were a challenge, he says, for they are "in such disarray. Conrad would make a copy to give to friends, and there were so many sales of manuscripts."

Instead of tackling a Conrad volume for which nearly everything could be found at Rosenbach Library in Philadelphia, he chose a volume that would give him the run-around. "I spent too many years [researching in Philadelphia]. When I came to Western Maryland a goal was to get

into as many great research libraries as possible. Although the finished book is important, the excitement of the detective work [is equally stimulating]."

Stevens holds the unforeseen to happen, such as seeking out a Conrad letter in the British Museum and finding it in a collection with those penned by George Bernard Shaw and Stephen Crane. "I'd do the work I had to do, then read the others for sheer joy."

Finishing the Conrad volume will consume his scholarly energy for the next two years. Then it's on to other projects, such as fulfilling a promise he made to Evelyn Wenner before her death in 1989. She had passed on to him her boxes of research for a planned biography on the renegade 18th-century Shakespearean scholar George Stevens. "I'm going to go through it to see what's still viable after a lapse of nearly three decades." And he plans to get back to his old pals Byron and Galsworthy. Though he won't be haunting the corridors of Hill Hall, he will be seen in the library carrying

on as a scholar—and a WMC graduate. "I'm looking forward to becoming an alumnus," he says with a laugh.

Then there is that offer to become more active in the Mencken Society, an international group based in Baltimore. He hasn't decided yet. But the pursuit of Mencken was the result of a happy accident that ended up mingling well with his Conrad work (see adjacent sidebar).

"As Conrad—Joseph, that is—once confided in the preface to a collection of his short stories, sometimes things 'just happen.' And both he and I pursue things that seem to 'just happen.' That's the way I originally started with Conrad. Great fun—and challenging—and never-ending—and fulfilling. And that is the joy both of learning and of retiring: to pursue whatever is left out there to pursue and, ideally, to rejoice in pursuit." •

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She May Not Have a College Degree, But Diane Rehm's On-Air Education is Top-Notch

Book Smart

BY KIM ASCH

'Some people are so remarkably curious to learn things that they can and will do it on their own.'

College President Robert Chambers

It's the "scariest" project of her professional life and this time the strong, deeply distinctive voice oozing syndicated confidence over National Public Radio airwaves will not do the job. This time, Diane Rehm has to be quiet.

"I'm a talker," she says in that slightly nasal tone and unhurried cadence that's uniquely Diane. "I'm someone who can express what I think fairly easily orally. To present a book you've got to go down and down and down and it's just hard to get all that on paper."

Writing an autobiography would daunt anyone. Try it after 20 years of interviewing literary forces like William Styron, Norman Mailer, John Updike and Alice Walker. "It becomes even more intimidating because I revere writers to such a high degree," she explains, "and to even think about trying to step out of my world and into theirs, however briefly, is pretty frightening."

Scared is not the way listeners envision the host of "The Diane Rehm Show," which broadcasts from WAMU-FM, the National Public Radio affiliate of American University, weekdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Petite, fair and perfectly coiffed, the native Washingtonian is as much at ease with the First Lady as she is with earthy poet Maya Angelou. Her impartial yet persistent probing is her hallmark.

"She's marvelous at controlling her guests. She's skilled at getting the most out of them," observes WMC President Bob Chambers, a longtime listener who convinced Rehm to join the college's board of trustees in 1994. "I started listening a long time ago, but now her popularity's really caught on. 'Did you hear Diane's show?' has become a standard conversation starter among my colleagues and friends."

Rehm's curiosity, rather than her own ideological leanings, drives her program—and that even-handed approach to issues has won her all sorts of fans. After 16 years of broadcasting in the Washington-metro area, the show went national in 1995.

Now that she's a celebrity, people call wanting to ask her questions.

"I'm a biography buff," says Sarah from St. Louis, who phones in during the "open calls" segment. "Could you tell us about your life?"

The host is used to the question by now, but she's careful not to let her celebrity become the subject of today's show.

"I completed high school, did not go to college and stayed home with my two children. When they were 10 and 14, I luckily fell into radio work and have been here for 20 years."

Stay tuned—her story is more interesting on paper.

Degree of Separation

Rehm used to fear that her lack of a college degree would hold her back—after all, the station is licensed to a University. She was almost surprised when, after six years just as a volunteer and then as assistant producer, she was hired to be host and producer of *Kaleidoscope* in 1979, the morning talk show which took her name in 1984.

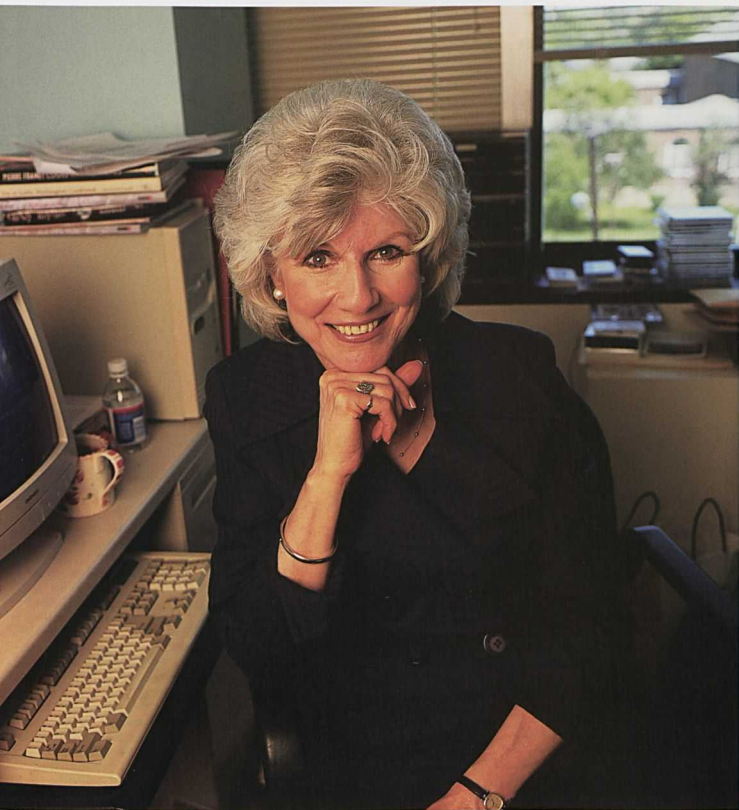
"Whatever formal education she lacks, she has a superior informal education that has more than made up for it," observes Chambers. "Some people are so remarkably curious to learn things that they can and will do it on their own."

Rehm's thirst for knowledge of the world outside the insular Arab community in which she grew up compelled her to break away from the ties she formed in northwest Washington as the daughter of an Egyptian mother and Lebanese father who ran a grocery store.

"I grew up thinking from the inside instead of looking toward the outside," says Rehm, who was encouraged to learn shorthand and become a secretary after graduating from high school.

At 19, to satisfy her parents, she married a traditional young Arab-American who owned a dry-cleaning business. Both her mother and father died within a year of the

Diane Rehm recently signed a deal with Alfred Knopf to publish her book of memoirs.



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'With someone like Mrs. Clinton, who has to be so carefully defended, you have to know where to go, what to do with the interview.'

wedding and suddenly she felt liberated from a life she had begun to find stifling. Hers was the first divorce in the community and her rebellion severed more relationships than the one she had shared with her husband.

"I think some of us are born plain dissatisfied," she says, attempting to explain the impetus for her decision. "I just became enamored of knowing, of understanding and wanting to reach out and be a part of the larger world."

She didn't have to travel far to find a life that was full of intellectual and cultural exploration. She met John Rehm, a Harvard University and Columbia Law School graduate, while working as a secretary at the State Department.

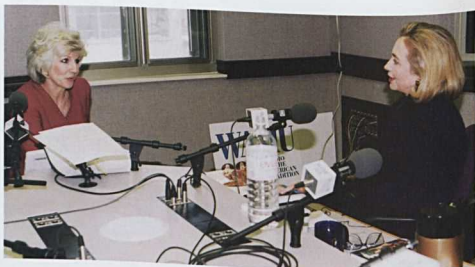
After 37 years of marriage, Diane still refers to John as her "dearest friend," as well as her most valued critic. "Sometimes I wince when he gives me his feedback and sometimes I'm glowing." But the hours of preparation she devotes to every show usually pay off in rave reviews.

John often helps her prepare for especially challenging interviews by role playing the night before the show. "He's an attorney so that's what he's good at," she says, adding that the practices before meeting with the First Lady were especially helpful. "With someone like Mrs. Clinton, who has to be so carefully defended, you have to know where to go, what to do with the interview."

Son David, 36, says practice sessions with his father "have become sort of a family tradition." Now an assistant professor of philosophy at Mt. Saint Mary's College, David fielded his father's tough questions before defending his doctoral thesis and again the night before his first job interview.

Education—both formal and self-directed—is revered in the Rehm family. Daughter Jennifer, 33, also pursued an advanced degree and is in her second year of residency in internal medicine at a clinic outside of Boston.

"My parents created in our home an atmosphere of inquiry, they encouraged us to do as well as we could in school and to explore territory that might be difficult," recalls David.



Rehm's WMC connection was sparked in 1992, when she accepted an honorary doctorate in journalism. She was notified of the honor along with an invitation to attend the commencement ceremony. "I was so overwhelmed I took the letter home and wept."

Over the years, David says he's watched his mother's metamorphosis after practicing the same kind of intellectual inquiry she preached to her children.

"Knowing that she didn't have a college degree and the credentials on paper often made her nervous early on, whereas in the last few years it's become obvious she feels confident she can speak at a level of intelligence and sophistication and detail with her guests," he observes. "That's a credit to her because she works awfully hard and knows her stuff when she gets in there."

The Write Stuff

Calling Diane Rehm well-read is like saying Western Maryland College has a pretty campus. Both are gross understatements.

She devours half a dozen books every week, plus several newspapers and magazines. Still, she doesn't crack even a fraction of the volumes she receives from publishers eager to win her on-air attention. So she donated stacks of bestsellers, Pulitzer Prize-winners and various other contemporary works—many of them autographed by the authors—to Hoover Library, where they're kept in the Richwine Special Collections Room (see page 16).



Diane Rehm recruited her husband John to practice for her first interview with Hillary Rodham Clinton and is proud to count Desmond Tutu among her guests.

The Rehm Collection consists of 895 books—and counting. More will follow when the Rehm residence fills up again. None is particularly valuable, but many of the popular titles were not previously owned by the college and will enhance its selection of leisure reading. Librarian Dave Neikirk says the autographed books will be great for posterity.

"Years from now the collection will be an interesting slice of higher-level writing from this time period. It'll show a lot about today's pop culture," he predicts.

Rehm's show is nothing if not relevant, though sometimes that makes for some uncomfortable moments. "It was hard the other day, sitting as close to her as I did, and asking Mrs. Clinton about Webb Hubbell and hush money. It feels as though

it's arrogance, yet I know it's my obligation and that I'd be remiss in my role as a host if I didn't ask those questions."

She'd like to someday interview the President, the only guest she has to woo. There's just one person she wouldn't care to have back—thriller novelist Tom Clancy, who refused to remove his sunglasses and answered all of her questions in single-word sentences.

"He's filled with his own success—he made something like \$22 million last year—he doesn't need me," she shrugs. "But I sure as heck don't need him."

No, indeed. Her recent guest list is packed with movers and shakers: John Grisham, Ken Burns, Vice President Al Gore, Former President Jimmy Carter, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, Julia Child, Ralph Nader. These days, when *The Diane Rehm Show* calls, just about everybody answers.

Despite her distasteful experience with the taciturn Clancy, Rehm says some of her favorite programs are the ones featuring authors. It's during these times that she allows herself to be the inquisitive student, coaxing reticent writers out of their inner worlds.

"When people like John Updike, who do their thinking on a solitary basis, walk into the studio and find a person who's interested in exploring with them, as opposed to a kind of hammering away to find out personal details, they're more comfortable," says Rehm. "I'm just fascinated by the creative process and I think that's appealing to writers."

Rehm is often surprised at what she discovers.

William Styron, author of *Sophie's Choice*, visited the show to talk about a new book of short stories he'd written. The conversation settled on depression, a condition that's plagued Styron over the years. Rehm asked if he could describe what it felt like.

"And all the sudden he let loose with the most gorgeous description. He talked about a hurricane of the mind that's totally out of his control and it was breathtaking," she says. "And what that tiny commentary became was a book on depression [*Darkness Visible: A Memoir of Madness*].



E. M. WINTERSTY, JR.



No one knew he had been working on that book."

Rehm's admiration for writers and their work seems to be mutual. Here's a sample of the inscriptions that appear inside some of the books in the collection.

Garrison Keillor, *WLT: A Radio Romance*: "To Diane Rehm, the impresario of radio's best talk show and smartest audience."

Carol Shields, *The Stone Diaries*: "For Diane with thanks for your warm welcome and open-ended questions. Bless you!"

John Irving, *The Cider House Rules*: "The Diane Rehm Show is a very good show! Thank you Diane."

John Berendt, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*: "All the best from Chablis, Minerva, father, Joe, Jim, Mandy and me. I enjoyed the hour enormously."

Ellen Goodman, *Value Judgments*: "To



Rehm received the honorary doctorate in journalism from WMC in 1992. Her sharp intellect makes conversations with House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Vanessa Redgrave lively.

Diane, who knows how to talk."

Publisher Alfred Knopf, who just signed an advance book deal with Rehm, believes she also knows how to write. Her Op-Ed pieces published in *The Washington Post* and other periodicals are proof of her ability to express herself on paper. Why should n't her book be a bestseller? She's learned from the best.

"I've been so fortunate because what I've managed to obtain is a 20-year personal tutorial in that studio," she says. "Each guest who comes in there adds to my understanding and my appreciation of the world." ●

Development

NEWS

Construction to Begin on New Science Digs

Even the building services staff is cheering the start of construction of a \$13.4 million science center at Western Maryland College. After all, they won't have to turn over another supply room to the scientists.

Space is so tight in the old science hall that the college's microscopy suite is housed in a converted janitorial closet. But the new, state-of-the-art, four-story structure contains more than enough space, including a ground floor home for that high-tech lab and plenty of closets.

A public groundbreaking was held April 18 and site work was scheduled to begin in June on the most ambitious capital project ever undertaken by WMC.

The science building, future home of the biology and chemistry departments, is the centerpiece of the college's \$40 million comprehensive campaign which began last fall and ceremoniously concludes at midnight on Dec. 31, 1999.

Funding for the science center will be raised from public and private sources with the large center providing more than 70 naming gift opportunities, according to Chambers. Also, in 1995, Maryland Governor Parris Glendening signed a law providing a \$3.5 million state challenge grant for the project. •

—See big news story on the \$600,000 Kreyge Challenge Grant page 2.



C. KURT HOUTER



Best of the Old is Made New Again

Music in "Little" Baker is one of the richest dimensions of college history where alumni hold dear the memory of singing, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," during their years spent on the Hill. In April, that hymn received inspired accompaniment again when performed on a new organ in Western Maryland College's Baker Chapel, built with pieces of other campus instruments, including the original 1895 organ.

The new organ replaces a 1927 M.P. Moeller pipe organ in the chapel. Recycled pipes from that organ and other dor-



SHAMON BEAN

Another defining moment was witnessed as colleagues broke ground for future scientists' campus home—the \$13.4 million WMC Science Center.

Student Rich Tillman (in hat) volunteered as apprentice to master builder Ken List in the restoration of the Baker Chapel organ.

Benefactress Katherine Tillman '25 accepts President Chambers's praise at organ rededication held this spring.

mant campus organs, as well as new pieces were used to create the current 792-pipe instrument. The organ also includes a new mechanism and console interior, but many of the exterior pipes are the redecorated facade pipes from the chapel's original organ installed in 1895. The ingenious project, which took nearly seven months was done by *euphonia*, a Baltimore firm started by Ken List, a part-time WMC

music faculty member who also performs several times each year at the college, and Robert Bagley. Rebuilding of the organ's chamber was completed by the college's physical plant staff. Also, a specialist from Nashville was called in to help regulate the tone, volume and sound of each pipe. Tonal finishing on the pipes took almost two weeks.

The restoration was made possible by a generous gift from Katherine Richards Tillman, WMC Class of 1925, in memory of her late husband, Harry. The couple was married in Baker Chapel in February 1932. Her grandson, Richie, who attends the college assisted List in the work. Mrs. Tillman was honored at the rededication program and presented one of the pipes from the original organ.

The first organ for "Little" Baker Chapel was built by John Brown of Wilmington, Delaware and installed in 1895. Its price of \$1,000 included the complete installation, and a unique (for its day) water-powered motor to pump the bellows. Such a water-motor was a great innovation, as it permitted the organ to be played without engaging an additional person to pump the wind. And, since the water-motor did not in any way foul the water, the municipal water service was provided for the organ free of charge.

During Alumni Weekend the new organ was inaugurated in a concert which featured Victoria Sirota, Vicar of the Church of the Holy Nativity in Baltimore. •

News

From Alumni

Tribute to Professor Alfred deLong

Alfred Winfield deLong, Associate Professor of Music Emeritus, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania in 1903. He graduated from Williamsport Commercial College in 1921 and worked for the Bell Telephone Company for several years before auditioning for and winning a full scholarship to the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia in 1929. He received his diploma in voice in 1935. During this time he also studied privately in Philadelphia, Boston, and New York, and sang with the Philadelphia Civic and Grand Opera Companies and the Montreal Opera Company.

In 1936 Professor deLong joined the Western Maryland College faculty as instructor in music and director of the college choir. In this latter activity, he demonstrated a memorable, personable style of conducting which endeared him to generations of college singers who found themselves challenged musically by the breadth and depth of works studied and performed.

"Prof," as he was affectionately known to all of us who had the privilege of singing in his choir or studying voice with him, loved music and had the ability to effectively engage his singers in the task of learning and performing with great feeling many difficult musical works and to make it seem like fun in the bargain. The members of his choir loved him, and the audiences who heard the performances always went away delighted. Each year dur-

ing his thirty-three years as director, the college choir sang one or two sacred anthems during each Sunday evening chapel service, presented a Christmas carol concert (or Handel's Messiah every fourth year) and a spring concert of secular music, performed a major oratorio or mass on Baccalaureate Sunday afternoon, and also sang appropriate music for all the regular and special ceremonies of the college year. In his earlier years at the college, Alfred also found time to give regular voice recitals, accompanied by his colleague Oliver Spangler. The man knew how to sing and to sing well! He had a rich, resonant baritone voice which everyone enjoyed hearing. I have always appreciated the insights into the art of singing he gave me when I studied voice with him during my student days and in the years prior to his retirement in 1969.

Retirement for Alfred, however, did not mean hibernating in his lovely home on Green Street which he shared with his lovely wife, Ethel, a colleague in music whom he had met upon his arrival here on campus. While he no longer taught, he continued to serve the college as director of summer conferences, a role he had gradually assumed many years before. He quite capably handled the growing number of conferences and increased the revenue each summer.

In 1987 at the age of 84, Alfred recorded his thoughts about singing in a little book entitled, *To Sing or Not To Sing*, which was described as a "concise, definitive guide to vocal training" in which he suggested that singing is an

almost automatic function and that a singer's preconceptions about technique may actually impede technical progress. Its message capsulized his approach to singing which perhaps was what made him so successful in working with collegiate singers.

Alfred deLong died March 9, 1997, at the age of 94. •

—James E. Lightner
Professor of Mathematics

Trio Earn Trustee Awards

A muralist, a research scientist for the Environmental Protection Agency and Prince George's County Executive were honored with Trustee Alumni Awards in May.

Bill Cochran '77 is an award-winning artist and muralist who lives and works in Frederick, Md., where he has completed a number of public art projects on the sides of buildings in the city's historic downtown. His *trompe l'oeil* paintings that comprise the "Angels in the Architecture" series surprise and delight visitors and residents alike with their uncanny realism.

Cochran has been awarded numerous grants from the Maryland State Arts Council, as well as the Frederick Arts Council in support of his work. He holds 30 national design awards, including the National Glass Association Award for Excellence for his work entitled "Volunteers." He is a cofounder of Shared Vision: Public Art for Community Transformation, a non-profit organization to support

public art that builds community by engaging the audience directly in the creation of the work.

His latest project, "Community Bridge: The Carroll Street Bridge Mural Project," does just that. The four-year undertaking commissioned by the city of Frederick, Md. in 1993 will transform a 100-foot-long, concrete traffic bridge into the highly detailed illusion of an old stone bridge, incorporating community symbols suggested by a thousand local residents. These are integrated into the work in the form of painted stone carvings. Featured in numerous publications, including the *Frederick News-Post*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *Frederick Magazine* and an illustrated book about the project, the Community Bridge was just recognized by the American Public Works Association with its national award. He and his wife Teresa live within walking distance of many of his murals.

Martha Moore '71 is a research scientist working with the Environmental Protection Agency to discover environmental substances that induce cancer. A test she developed that detects carcinogenic chemicals has been so effective, it's now a procedure that's required worldwide.

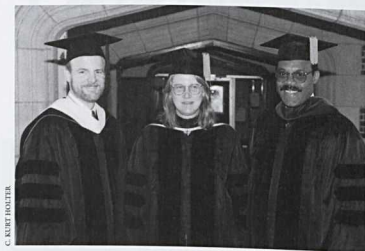
Moore earned a Ph.D. in genetics at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and has held several research positions with the EPA at Research Triangle Park. She is the author or co-author of more than 66 journal articles and 11 book chapters and has edited three books. While at Western Maryland College, Moore was inducted into the Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society

and the Argonauts Scholastic Honor Society. She received the Hendrickson Award in Biology at graduation.

Moore earned a National Institutes of Health Graduate Fellowship to fund her work at UNC from 1972-77 and she was recognized with the EPA's Scientific-Technological Achievement Award in 1982. She is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Environmental Mutagen Society, the Genetic Toxicology Association, the Genotoxicity and Environmental Mutagen Society and the Association of Women in Science. Moore also serves on the Board of Directors of Genesis Home, a transitional housing program for homeless families. She and her husband Terry O'Brian live in Durham, N.C.

Wayne Curry '72 is Prince George's County Executive, the fifth person to assume the post since a charter form of government was adopted in 1971, and the first African American to serve in the county's highest elected office.

A lifelong county resident—except for his time on the Hill—Curry went on from WMC to graduate with honors from the University of Maryland School of Law. His career has encompassed government, civic and community affairs, starting with a position as teacher and Center Director for the Child Day Care Association of Prince George's County. Before he was elected county executive in 1994, Curry was an accomplished attorney who represented major corporations and professional athletes. He left his



The Seventies Win Big: Community Artist William Cochran '77, Geneticist Martha Moore '71 and Prince George's County Executive Wayne Curry '72 took top honors at Convocation.

lucrative practice to take a hands-on role in improving the quality of life in his home county.

Besides his stint as freshman class president, this is Curry's first political office. But activism is not new to him. He's a member of Western Maryland College's Board of Trustees; chairman, United Way Campaign of Prince George's County; president, Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce; chairman, School Superintendent's Advisory Committee on Black Male Achievement; chairman, Prince George's County Substance Abuse Advisory Board; member of the Board of Directors, Prince George's County Christmas in April; director, United Communities Against Poverty and director, Bonnie John's Children's Fund.

His accomplishments have been recognized with many awards and honors, including *Regardie's* Magazine's 100 Most Influential in Washington, D.C.; Prince Georgian of the Year; National Conference of Christians and Jews, Brotherhood-Sisterhood Award and *Washingtonian* magazine's "New Establishment." Curry, his wife Sheila, son

Julian and daughter Taylor, live in Mitchellville, Md. •

A Fine Lady Passes On

Caroline Wantz Taylor '26 died May 15 at the age of 92. Taylor was the first student at Western Maryland College to be awarded both instrumental (piano) and vocal awards. After receiving her WMC degree, she earned a teaching certificate from the Peabody Music Conservatory where she later taught voice. She also taught in various Carroll County public schools, was a church choir director, and

organized and directed the first Westminster Community Chorus.

In addition to her many community contributions—to the Carroll County Historical Society, to the Women's Club of Westminster, to the Daughters of the American Revolution, and to the Westminster United Methodist Church—Mrs. Taylor remained close to WMC throughout her years in Westminster. She was a member of the College's chapter of Delta Sigma Kappa, she served as President of the Alumni Association from 1950-52, and received the Meritorious Service Award in 1966.

In 1974, Taylor became one of the first two individuals elected to be an Honorary Trustee, a new category of Board membership which was created to recognize a select few who had made outstanding contributions to the College or community.

There was no public visitation, and the interment of ashes was private. A memorial service was held in Little Baker Chapel on Sunday, May 18. •

U.K. CRUISE IN AUGUST 1998

The British Isles Cruise features 16 days/14 nights in London, England; Amsterdam, Netherlands; Edinburgh, Invergordon and Lerwick, Scotland; Dublin, Waterford and Cork, Ireland. Norwegian Crown.

Free air from New York's Kennedy and Newark Airport; Two free nights post cruise in London, England.

Cruise costs begin at \$3,099 and up.

Contact the Alumni Office if you wish to be placed on the mailing list.

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In Memoriam

Mrs. Sara Pauline Keefer Cromwell '21, of Rockville, Md., on May 27, 1993.

Miss Grace E. Lippy '22, of Frederick, Md., on April 14, 1997.

Miss V. Gerardine Pritchard '26, of Cumberland, Md., on May 5, 1996.

Mr. W. Ballard Ward '26, of Venice, Fla., on March 4, 1997.

Mrs. Mary Frances Fisher Decker '26, of Hillsboro, Md., on April 29, 1997.

Mrs. Martha Engle Brookhart '28, of Oakland, Md., on February 18, 1997.

Mrs. Elizabeth Love Jacobs '28, of Frostburg, Md., on July 9, 1996.

Mrs. Nancy Leonard Dickerson '28, of Easton, Md., on May 30, 1996.

Mrs. Jessie Chenoweth Sponseller '28, of Westminster, Md., on May 31, 1996.

Miss E. Annetta Yates '29, of Frostburg, Md., on May 13, 1994.

Mr. Douglas S. Crosby '31, of Columbia, Md., on February 14, 1997.

Miss R. Christine Hogan '31, of Baltimore, Md., on March 16, 1997.

Mr. Karl R. Knox '32, of Sequim, Wash., on April 1, 1997.

Mrs. Gertrude Sherman Francis '33, of Lakewood, Colo., on January 8, 1997.

Mrs. Mildred Sullivan Child '35, of Linthicum, Md., on March 18, 1997.

Mr. John L. Reifsnider III '37, of Union Bridge, Md., on March 11, 1997.

Mrs. Paula Barnes O'Neill '37, of Sykesville, Md., on March 14, 1995.

Mr. Paul S. Hyde '37, of Salisbury, Md., on April 10, 1997.

Mr. Henry L. Reindollar, Jr. '38, of Taneystown, Md., on February 27, 1997.

Mr. Claude M. Adams '38, of Baltimore, Md., on January 24, 1997.

Mrs. Barbara Ann Fogelsanger Guise '39, of Williamsport, Md., on March 12, 1996.

Mr. Frank W. Lesinski '39, of Webster, N.Y., on February 9, 1997.

Mrs. Helen Frey Hobart '39, of Columbia, Md., on April 30, 1997.

Mr. Francis X. Smith '41, of Marietta, Ga., on January 26, 1997.

Sister Lauretta G. McCusker '42, of River Forest, Ill., on February 23, 1997.

Mrs. Phyllis Cade Gruber '43, of Salisbury, Md., on February 13, 1997.

Mrs. Emma Jane Martin McCauley '43, of Pasadena, Md., on January 1, 1997.

Mrs. Lucille Gischel Norman '44, of Westminster, Md., on April 19, 1997.

Mr. Joseph J. Kugler '45, of Waynesboro, Pa., on April 17, 1997.

Miss Mary Lou Stephens '47, of Damascus, Md., on February 23, 1997.

Mr. Emory W. Chesley '48, of White House, Tenn., on February 6, 1997.

Mrs. Mary Sands Cook '49, of Baltimore, Md., on December 7, 1996.

Mr. William M. Henry '50, of Columbia, Md., on March 5, 1997.

Mr. Charles B. Gannon, Jr. '50, of Westboro, Mass., on December 22, 1996.

Mr. Jack L. Larrimore '51, of St. Michaels, Md., on April 16, 1997.

Dr. George R. Jones '51, of Greenbelt, Md., on December 18, 1996.

Mr. Arthur A. Saltmarsh '53, of Sykesville, Md., on February 14, 1997.

Dr. Nicholas J. Rausch '56, of Haddonfield, N.J., on January 17, 1997.

Mrs. Beverly Baker Horsburgh '58, of Mobile, Ala., on May 8, 1995.

Mrs. Carolyn Ritchie Winters '59, of Lonaconing, Md., on November 24, 1995.

Mr. Jack M. Watson '60, of Sumerduck, Va., on November 15, 1996.

Miss Susan R. Beeler '62, of Timonium, Md., on January 31, 1997.

Mrs. Jessie Scherer Parsons MED'63, of Towson, Md., on February 4, 1997.

Mr. George Rocus, enrolled in WMC graduate program 1955-67, of Frederick, Md., on January 6, 1997.

Mrs. Barbara Zivi Douglas '68, of Berkeley Springs, W.Va., on March 24, 1996.

Mr. Roy S. Melvin III '71, of La Jolla, Calif., on December 11, 1995.

Mr. Charles P. Thomas '78, of Hagerstown, Md., on February 13, 1997.

Mr. Thomas Holland, Jr. '85, of Laurel, Md., on March 1, 1997.

Prof. Alfred D. Long, associate professor of music emeritus, of Westminster, Md., on March 9, 1997.

Marriages

Dave Humphrey '63 to Dr. Marilyn McDonald in January 1997. They reside in Bethlehem, Pa.

Susanne Ayers '72 to Conrad "Cal" Laurick on October 12, 1996. They reside in Clifton, Va.

Amy Weiner '79 to Ken Iverson on December 1, 1996. They reside in Medford, N.J.

Karen Laue '79 to Ken McGhee on April 20, 1996. They reside in Germantown, Md.

Patricia Noonan '79 to Darren Tressler on June 29, 1996. They reside in Thurmont, Md.

Tammy Wase '82 to Manfred "Manni" Schiemann on December 6, 1996. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Janine Meckler '85 to David Framm on November 2, 1996. They reside in Owings Mills, Md.

Jen MacLea '85 to Tano Arrobancia on April 5, 1997. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Kathy Marvel '85 to Tom Paranzino '82 on January 18, 1997. They reside in Haddonfield, N.J.

Rose Walter '85 to Matt Oppenheim on March 25, 1996. They reside in Washington, D.C.

Julie-Ann Elliott '87 to Paul Sikora on September 7, 1996. They reside in Waldorf, Md.

Jennifer Flynn '89 to Scott Swanson on July 20, 1996. They reside in Red Lion, Pa.

Kimberly Lohmann '89 to Mark Geibel in September 1996. They reside in Great Falls, Va.

Beth Trust '89 to David Hammer on December 28, 1996. They reside in Austin, Texas.

Beverly Magenhardt '89 to Thomas Flowers on November 29, 1996. They reside in Hampstead, Md.

Melissa Engel '90 to Brian Hartman in December 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Eleanor Wilson '90 to Brian Schimke on September 20, 1996. They reside in Eden Prairie, Minn.

Melissa Cote '91 to J. Craig Borucki on November 9, 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Ali Quigley '92 to Tony Cleveland '94 on October 26, 1996. They reside in Germantown, Md.

Rebecca Measday '92 to Scott Gregorio '92 on January 6, 1996. They reside in Livingston, N.J.

Lee Stanley '92 to Steven Warner on September 28, 1996. They reside in Milltown, N.J.

Leza Rae Jeffers '92 to Allen Owens in July 1996. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Danna Reid '92 to Michael Lamarca on February 22, 1997. They reside in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Edward Buzzi '93 to Laura Glass on August 24, 1996. They reside in Falls Church, Va.

Dianna Meredith '93 to Michael Taylor in April 1996. They reside in Columbia, Md.

Kyle Meloche '94 to Amy Newell '94 on January 11, 1997. They reside in West Windsor, Md.

Amy Bridgeman '94 to Sean Fitzgibbon on May 25, 1996. They reside in Abingdon, Md.

Brian Garfield '94 to Lisa Mary Rybczynski in October 1994. They reside in Westminster, Md.

Deborah Milstein '94 to Matthew Dubrow on August 20, 1995. They reside in Philadelphia, Pa.

Lisbeth "Abbi" Wicklein '94 to Scott Bayne on December 30, 1994. They reside in Hunt Valley, Md.

Claude Cornett, Jr. '94 to Kelly Berg '94 on September 7, 1996. They reside in Elkton, Md.

Amy Hess '95 to Dan Landry on July 13, 1996. They reside in Ellicott City, Md.

Jennifer Daino '95 to Eric Stein on September 28, 1996. They reside in Babylon, N.Y.

Tyler Wilson '95 to Michele Reavy '94 on June 1, 1996. They reside in Brookhaven, Pa.

Amy Baumgardner MS '96 to Gregory Anderson on September 28, 1996. They reside in Owings Mills, Md.

Births

Choice Hopkins, on December 19, 1996, to Glen '71 and Christina Hopkins.

Thomas Newkirk on December 12, 1996, to Dave '72 and Susan Newkirk.

Andrew Seidel, on November 17, 1996, to Robert '78 and Catherine Seidel.

Simon Whittle, on August 4, 1996, to Mark and Patricia Koval '79 Whittle.

Andrew Michael Avery on November 26, 1996, to Eden and Carol James '79 Avery.

Lawrence Hinkle Arney III, on January 25, 1996, to Lawrence Arney and Jennifer Filbey '82.

Michael Dennis Poole, on October 18, 1996, to Edward and Vicki Kessler '82, MED'87 Poole.

Sarah Elizabeth Dickey on November 12, 1996, to Jonathan '82 and Allison Pryal Dickey.

Dominic Impallaria on April 5, 1996, to Joseph '82 and Marlene Impallaria.

Katherine Grace MacLean-Blevins on September 17, 1996, to Mark and Kimberly MacLean-Blevins '82, MED'86.

Emma Elizabeth Rosenfeld on November 27, 1996, to Jay Rosenfeld and Lisa Segal '82.

Matthew Raymond Short on August 19, 1996, to Michael '82 and Lisa DelPrete '82 Short.

Caroline Isabel Cole, on June 22, 1996, to Owen '83 and Margaret Cole.

Phillip Campbell McKegg, on May 13, 1996, to William '83 and Jeanne McKegg.

Emma Weiss on February 3, 1997, to Michael '83 and Dawn Weiss.

Abigail Jinjun Jones, adopted May 14, 1996, by Lorraine M. Jones '84.

Mason Hubbard Lee on September 9, 1996, to Christian '84 and Robin Purdy '84 Lee.

Nikolas Allen Berglund on January 18, 1997, to Richard and Robin Rice '84 Berglund.

Noah Alexander Jaques on August 16, 1996, to Tom Jaques '85 and JoAnn Janczewski '85.

Joshua Michael Marchini in March 1996, to Michael and Laurie Peskin '85 Marchini.

Noah Geoffrey Whitlock on March 8, 1996, to Guy '85 and Veronica Whitlock.

Molly Catherine Martin on February 19, 1997, to John and Maureen Carroll '86 Martin.

Carter Marie Douglas, on July 11, 1996, to David '87 and Marie Fishie '89 Douglas.

Joshua Warfield Holmes, on June 4, 1996, to Lee '87 and Trish Feaga '84 Holmes.

Lindsey Elizabeth and Abby Holland Keen, on March 7, 1996, to Richard and Susan Pinto '87 Keen.

Katherine Nicole Llewellyn, on February 27, 1996, to David '87 and Shanda Llewellyn.

Cameron Reese Bell on August 17, 1996 to David '87 and Laurie Vozzella-Bell '87.

Casey McClure Codd on March 12, 1997 to Timothy Peter and Deborah Karr '87 Codd.

Brigette Maria Lutche on December 4, 1996 to Stephen '87 and Lucy Lutche.

Benjamin Clayton Mann on July 29, 1996 to William '87 and Cynthia Schaefer '88 Mann.

Benjamin James Martzall on March 10, 1997 to Donald and Beth Friant '87 Martzall.

Kelsey Mitchell on November 29, 1996 to Todd '87 and Judy Mitchell.

Taylor Rebecca Perdue on January 11, 1997 to Steve Perdue and Theresa LaMotte '87.

Owen Robert Wolf on December 17, 1996 to Todd '87 and Anita Butler '88 Wolf.

Joseph Charles Hlavin IV, on June 13, 1996, to Joseph and Kathy Yaroma '88 Hlavin III.

Meghan Emily O'Neil on March 14, 1997 to Brian and Carol Boore '88 O'Neil.

Sarah Naomi Prince, on June 6, 1996, to Stephen Prince and Melissa Hartstein '89.

George Michael Stern, on February 21, 1996, to Jonathan and Deborah Leopold '89 Stern.

Benjamin Walker Farr, on July 8, 1996, to Stephen and Heather Willaver-Farr '89.

Jonathan Getty Flowers on April 21, 1997 to Tom and Beverly Meghanhard '89 Flowers.

Rachel Morgan Seibel on May 7, 1997 to John '89 and Michele Everett '88 Seibel.

Collin Richard McCaughey, on January 16, 1997, to Richard '90 and Barbara Pierantozzi-McCaughey '89.

Elizabeth Michelle Sexton, on February 14, 1997, to Andrew '92 and April Ommert '93 Sexton.

Olivia Marie Petrocchia on March 27, 1996 to Anthony '92 and Allison Miller '94 Petrocchia.

Nicole Lynne Marjaram, on September 8, 1996, to Adam and Denise Bowen MS'93 Marjaram.

Michael J. Tritt, on February 2, 1996, to Harold and Gloria Lamberston MS'94 Tritt.

Angelo Malone on February 14, 1997 to Armando and Christina DeMaria '94 Malone.

Kieran Christopher Schnell on February 4, 1997 to Chris '95 and Gina Cappel '94 Schnell.

Collin Shawn Schultz on April 23, 1996 to Shawn and Julie Gearhart MS'96 Schultz.

Master's News

William F. Goodling MD'57 is serving a second term as Chair, House Education and Work Force Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Joseph Sabo MD'76 is fully retired from the Evangelical (United)

Lutheran Church in America after many years in active parish ministry in Maryland Synod, and as a school

library/media specialist in the public school of Baltimore and many years as a seasonal National Park Ranger in Pennsylvania and Washington D.C.

With the Department of the Interior, Joseph said, "After living an active 'work-a-holic' lifestyle since the age of 16, I was surprised that I have easily

adjusted to a more relaxed mode of living since the Summer of 1995. My hobbies and interests include reading,

cooking, being comfortable at home and as an activist in Civil Rights for Minority Groups."

Sheryl Glass MS'92 is director of student support services at Carroll Community College. Sherry won the 1995 Outstanding Adviser award for her work with BACCHUS, a student club which supports alcohol and drug education.

The Upper Adams (Pa.) School Board named Eric Eshbach MS'92 as principal at Biglerville Elementary School beginning in March 1996.

Class Notes

34 Because of the date change for our class column, I am sorry I had to ask for your news during the Christmas holidays. However, that was the only way we could meet our deadline scheduled for the first of February. A big thanks to those of you who took time and answered so promptly. I really appreciate it.

Congratulations to Richard Kiefer, whose news was the first this time to reach me. Dick says that he is gradually retiring from the practice of law, going to his office only three days a week.

Sue Cockey Kiefer '33 and Dick are in good health, and each of them participates in the activities of several non-profit organizations. Added to this, they enjoy the theater and socializing with friends.

Roland Sikke's card arrived the next day. Sorry Sike, you will have to settle for second place. At any rate, we appreciate your message which read, "Same old stuff: tennis, travel and tinkering."

Arlene Guyton Runkles sends word that she has nothing exciting to report. She says that she is so happy with her usual activities plus young Gary to take care of her tree farm and her.

Rosa Lee Wathen writes that she is still living in Waldorf, Md. She likes to hear about our class, although she is sad to hear about those who have died.

A reply from Dr. Richard Myers Sr. told us that his granddaughter, Jessi Myers '96 graduated from WMC in May and is now working with an advertising agency in Baltimore. His oldest granddaughter,

Jenny Myers '95, is also a graduate of WMC. She teaches in Carroll County. Richard's grandson, Jeremy Myers, is now 16 and has one more year at Delone High School in Hanover.

Additional family news states that Jamie Myers was born in November 1995; Jackie Myers was born in September 1996. Taylor Lloyd, his great-grandson, is now 5 and in kindergarten. Looks to me like WMC will have the name "Myers" on its enrollment for many years to come.

Charles Whittington listed his summer travels on his reply: One week touring Cape Cod; two weeks visiting friends in Florida; one week in Cincinnati, Ohio and Covington, Ky. — all very interesting.

Mary Parks Sprague reports that there is no exciting news from Parkley, Va. She writes, "I take great joy in having a daughter who is on the shore and another in Woodbridge — not near enough for frequent visits. When we or they cannot visit, the telephone keeps us connected. The grandchildren come when work allows. My youngest grandchild enters college this fall. The greatest gift of all is that we all love each other."

William T. Jackson, who joined our class in 1931 after spending one year (1930-31) at Washington College as a freshman, has owned and operated a Western Auto associate store in Bel Air, Md. for 24 years and one in Aberdeen, Md. for 11 years, but says he retired in 1961. Bill has been married for 59 years and is now 83 years old.

I am happy to report that Robert Holder is now doing well after his January 1996 accident when he was almost killed. He was driving his station wagon which turned out to have a faulty transmission and hit four cars and was sent speeding into a concrete wall. Bob still has trouble walking, but all of us are happy that Bob survived.

In his note to me Bob passed on some news as follows: "My graphology dictionary is still unfinished; have put it aside for a new book *Tom Can Analyze Signatures — Zero In On Anybody's Personality Anywhere in the World*."

He says this can be good at election time and not get fooled (violent, peaceful, honest, questionable, odd, alcoholic, inventive, romantic, etc.). Maybe all of us should send Bob our signatures.

Bob's daughter Victoria teaches at San Francisco University and has just had three language books published. Bob, who spends one-half year in Sarasota, Fla. and the other half in Chautauqua, N.Y. writes that President Clinton came to Chautauqua Institution this year, where Bob and 5,000 other people were absorbing religion and culture. The President practiced his speech and played golf. There were four helicopters to back up his coming.

Adelaide Horner Joy, now living in Aurora, Colo., wrote that the snow was falling and the ski areas were getting a lot. She also said that after 35 years of travel she decided to call it quits. She has had some terrific experiences during these years. As a final gesture, they took their four grandchildren and their mothers to Great Britain (by choice) on a 21-day Globus Tour. Now the Joys plan to carry on with their own yearly Mexican trips, which they do every January for a month.

John McNally began his news with: "Here we go again. Helen and I are healthy, not too wealthy, but happy to still be here." John says he was shocked to learn of the death of our friend and class president Henry Kimmy. He writes that he and Helen visited with Virginia Kimmy after the funeral service. In his closing remarks John states, "WMC and the world lost a great man when Henry Kimmy passed on. Just hope that we all met again in the Heavenly Hereafter."

Elizabeth Mellor Johnson reports that she lost her husband in May 1996 but she is staying in her cottage at the Fairfax, a military retirement community of Fr. Belvoir, Va. She lives a full life: painting in water colors and attending many antique clubs. She says she is in good health and thanks the Lord every day for her blessings.

Harry E. Zimmerman has lots of sad news to report. He said he lost two daughters in two years and fell and broke his hip and his wrist. He received a hip replacement in addition to five operations in 1996. We hope that the years to come will be kinder to him.

Maurice Fleming wrote that he is once again delighted to respond and recall as he has so often done in the past. He states that the four years he spent among us of (in the Class of 1934) were perhaps the happiest days of his life — so far, Maurice says that they certainly provided the firm foundation for whatever he has accomplished since that time. He signed off with the words, "With fondest memories and pride in being a classmate."

Mildred Burkins Connelly made a flying visit to Maryland last spring during the Preackness weekend and stayed in Lutherville. She spent one day in Harford County visiting old haunts and another day at WMC, where they were warmly received by the Alumni Office and by Dr. Chambers, also. She said she was distressed with the condition of McDaniel Hall and is asking us, "What can be done about it?" Millie says she just got a computer but is not on-line yet.

Kennard Rhodes attended the Maryland Retired Teachers Association Convention in Ocean City, Md. in September and enjoyed seeing many friends from years ago. He then tried to leave Maryland the day after it was over but couldn't get through Virginia because of flooding. He was heading for two additional weeks of time share exchanges in North Carolina and Tennessee, but was in a horrible accident on the way. Because there was a massive halt of traffic in a newly opened road he elected to go to the shoulder which turned out to be about a yard wide. He went down a 12-foot embankment. "God and St. Christopher brought me out of it without a scratch," he said. Both time shares were disasters. However, Ken returned to Maryland around Thanksgiving for the annual Rhodes family reunion. There were 31 present. Recently Ken saw "Arte Choral" (10 monks directed by a beautiful lady). This was their first singing tour in years.

Sarah Fadeley Stevens writes that she really enjoyed the fall (summer 1996) issue of *The Hill*. Sally says that she and **Mildred Burkins Connelly** keep in touch and that she had a nice Christmas note from Millie. Sally is enjoying her new apartment in Venice, Fla. She also tells us that many of her friends are also there that she has made lots of new ones. It was wonderful at Christmas — so much entertainment. She writes that she has met a former WMC student, **Marge Wilson Gibbs '28**, who has been a resident in Sally's community for many years. If anyone goes to Florida, look Sally up. She wants to see you!

Elise Kolb Chapin informs us that the last two years have not been normal ones for her, but sad. In September her daughter died, just 11 months after the death of her husband. She says that it takes trouble to know how wonderful friends and people are. There is a great deal of love in this world, she feels.

Laura Katherine Timmons Leitch better known to us as "Timmie," writes that she still doesn't have any interesting news to tell. She still lives alone in her house in Winston-Salem, N.C. She manages to keep busy, and hears from her great and great-great relatives, who are beautiful children.

Fred Malkus writes: "For the last nine years I have suffered from fibrosis of the lungs. Last February, I was hit with pneumonia in both lungs. Since July I have been at home with the help of oxygen. I can move around with the help of a chair or walker. Enjoy auto rides, sports on TV, and visitors.

Haven't lost interest in politics. Did not run for re-election to the Senate in 1994. I thought 48 years in the Maryland legislature (44 in the Senate) was enough. Our three children, **Margaret "Betsy" Malkus LaPerch '81**, **Fred Malkus '82** and **Susan Malkus '86**, live in the Washington, D.C. area and are doing well. Betsy has three boys, oldest is 11. We see them often. Would still be practicing law if last illness had not occurred. I have enjoyed my long friendly relationship with Dr. Ralph John, past president of WMC. Was sorry about the recent fire at the college. Can't understand why we can't have another Dick Harlow in football. Want to thank you for keeping us up-to-date on the history of our class."

William "Bill" Wright sent word that he is happy and grateful to be able to answer another roll call. He says he is back in their winter haunts in Yuma, Ariz. but they feel sorry for their friends and neighbors left behind fighting blizzards and floods in the Lake Tahoe area. He sends wishes that all his classmates and friends have a happy 1997.

Before I close, let me, **Lillian Frey Dexter**, say that everything I wrote about myself which appeared in the summer issue 1996 of *The Hill* is the same. I am still busy with numerous activities. I still write this class column for *The Hill*, I still appreciate the news that many of you send me. I am getting Volume IV of our Class of 1934 scrapbook ready to turn over to the WMC archives (this should be finished by summer). I hope that those of you who get to WMC will go to the Hoover Library Archives and ask to see these volumes about our class from 1930 to the present. The volumes contain pictures, mementos, and all the responses (cards and letters) that each of you have sent to me. I did visit the campus after the terrible five-alarm fire which destroyed Gyl gymnasium and left the four walls standing and the building open to the sky. Ed and I

do not take exotic trips as many of you do. We manage a Christmas trip each year to Louisville, Ky. to see my sister, and we do a lot of driving around to places close by. I want to thank many of you for your Christmas cards and the notes of appreciation in them for my work with the column. It has been a pleasure and I enjoy doing it. It is one way that we can keep our class together.

Elizabeth Humphreys Mahoney just made the deadline. I was finishing my column when the postman delivered her card. "Hump" reports that all is well and that she was busy and happy during the Christmas holidays. She writes that she is "staying put" (at home) a bit more these days but hopes by next fall she will resume her traveling ways. She blames her change in lifestyle on the happy distractions of weddings and a grown-up grandson.

Alfred Sadsuky, or "Big Al" as his hospital attendants call him, has been in several different hospitals this past year. Al has been suffering from a type of spinal cord injury which might have come from his many years of football and other sports. He has undergone several different back operations. I learned just recently that he is in Kernans Hospital, Baltimore County, which specializes in rehab treatment for bone problems. Since Kernans is only a few miles from my home, Ed and I visited him. He looks great, is very cheerful and hopes that he will soon be able to return home. Al's greatest problem at present is getting strength back in his legs so that he can "ditch the wheel chair" and walk on his own.

I want to thank all my classmates from whom I received news for this column. For everyone in the Class of 1934, remember we are one big family and want to keep in touch. Send me any news, any time.

There are some class members who might have started at WMC in our class, but never graduated with us or who may have transferred to WMC at a later date and were assigned to us. I can account for six of these people: **William Thomas Jackson** (Baltimore), **Elizabeth McAll Johnson** (Ft. Belvoir, Va.), **Harmeline VonEiff Kenney** (Frederick), **James Richard Myers** (Westminster), and **Harry Elias Zimmerman** (Frederick). My column has carried news at one time or another from each of them except **Roland Shaffer** who has never responded. If you remember any of them, try to contact them and assure them we welcome them to the WMC Class of 1934.

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39 Since this quote sent in by **Norma Keyser Strobel** seems to apply to all ages — our present students, our future students and the alumni of our beloved WMC, I just had to use it to begin our "Words of Wisdom" column:

Yesterday is but a memory, Tomorrow is but a vision; But today well lived, makes every yesterday a memory of happiness And tomorrow a vision of hope.

We have a special person to whom we can address our "words of wisdom." He is **Timothy Joseph Smith, Jr.** from Riverdale, Md., Class of 2000, the recipient of our 1939 Extra Mile Scholarship. What a thrill to be a member of the first graduating class of the new 21st century. As **Ailene Williams Hutchins** writes, "You will be entering a new century — perhaps one of the greatest in all time. Never forget the college which molded you to follow your dreams."

And **Carolyn Timmons Sult** says for the Class of 2000, "Care deeply; Think kindly; Act gently; Be at peace with the world." (According to "Timmy," "A tall order.")

Kitzy Foltz Bookbinder was disconcerted, however, when she and Harold visited the campus recently. It had changed so much that she couldn't find the spot where Harold proposed! But she was looking forward to their annual visit to Williamsburg where they spent their honeymoon. They will have to look up **Jay Mowbray** who is planning to move there from Hawaii and will be living on Patriots Colony Drive.

One who hasn't moved is **Julia Berwager** who, like many of us, is busier now than when she worked. Volunteering is great — no money but lots of enjoyment and fulfillment. "When the business looks hopeless keep hoping. When everything looks impossible, refuse to accept defeat," writes Julia, who is still enjoying the annual Day Students' luncheon. "Lots of chatter."

Julia seems to be following **May Snider Claggett's** words, "Each day is a gift so make the most of it." May and Roger enjoy each day as it comes and count their blessings. They are still traveling, but with limitations.

Congratulations are in order for another of our '39 WMC Sports Hall of Famers, "**Bill**" **Thomas**, who was inducted into the Maryland Lacrosse Hall of Fame. Although not too mobile, he still enjoys his family, especially his 10 grandchildren — some of whom I'm sure, must be lacrosse players.

Frances "Georgie" Stout Taylor writes that her only "words of wisdom" to the Class of 2000 are, "Live! Laugh! and Love!" which I am sure she does every day as she, too, enjoys her family, especially her "pet family" — six cats, 11 dogs, two mules, and 21 chickens (all unwanted strays).

Always enjoys hearing from the golfers, **Emil Edmond and LuMar Myers Slocum**. Emil plays practically every day because of the wonderful weather he enjoys in Tucson, Ariz. He sends his best regards to all my classmates."

LuMar must have taken the same class as **Thelma Yohn Lockard** from Dr. Ebaugh, who always quoted to her students, who were going out to practice teach, words by Harry Truman—"The only things worth learning are the things you learn after you know it all." Even though LuMar is an excellent golfer, she attended the John Jacobs Golf School to learn more in Arizona. No wonder she is in the WMC Sports Hall of Fame! Like **George Stout Taylor** she, too, enjoys her extended "family" as she is kept busy with her two Jack Russell terriers. I think we all agree with her when she ends her card with "Western Marylanders are great people."

Not only is Thanksgiving celebrated in November by the Lockard family, but it is a "Happy Birthday" month, too. **Thelma Yohn Lockard** was right in the middle, planning four birthdays—son Denny on the 26th; husband Gordon and granddaughter Gina on Thanksgiving day and grandson Tim on the 29th. Four cakes and all the trimmings. Wow!

It was celebration time for **Mary Brown '41 and Bob Sherman** when their children treated them to their 57th wedding anniversary to a family dinner party. Twenty-nine children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered for not only this happy occasion but also to celebrate Mother's Day, Father's Day and Bob's 80th birthday. What a memorable day for Bob and Mary! Bob counsels our young people—graduates and freshmen, "to study and learn new technologies—it's our future!"

It was family time, also, for **Mary Jane Honemann Rinehimer**, when she and her daughter **Sandy Rinehimer '68** spent the Christmas holidays in Florida. Enroute they visited daughters **Karen Rinehimer Mitchell '73** and **Phyllis Rinehimer Kalogoropoulos '77**. Mary Jane is now looking forward to graduation time when she will be attending the high school graduation of four grandchildren and one from college (believe it or not, not WMC). But Karen's twins have been accepted at WMC!

Becky Keith Smith feels that family, too, has been a big reason for her "living life to its fullest." She writes that this 80th year has been one of the best. She enjoys good health, traveling, teaching and serving her church. But a big part of her "fullness" comes through family. All of her children have achieved high status in their career fields, especially her daughter, Susan Smith Bunting, who represents a "first" in Georgetown University history. When she received her Ed.D. she became the first person to complete the requirements for the doctorate in the education program. Becky writes that one of her granddaughters is an

OB/GYN doctor of captain's rank at the Air Force Academy hospital and another is a marketing specialist at State College, while her grandsons are college-bound. Her words of wisdom, "Make Jesus Christ the center of your life." (May your years be filled with peace, love and joy.)

Although **Nancy Getty Hailley** is not well, she is still looking forward to making it to 2000. Especially since she now has a great-granddaughter—"My first and she is adorable." She is the granddaughter of Nancy's daughter who died from cancer, which makes her even more special. Words of wisdom—"Great people with a smile and live each day as God would have you do."

Winnie Howard Howell seems to follow this theme as she wrote, "To remember that the Power behind you is greater than the problem in front of you" and "Courage is fear that has said its prayers."

Although pretty much a "caregiver" at this time, **Marge McKenney Slayman** writes that she and **Clarence "Pec" '38** are doing okay. She enjoys her exercise class and hearing from Mike and his family who have just built a new home in Wheeling, W.Va. (swimming pool and all). K.C. is a junior in high school and David, 13, plays ice hockey. Time does slip by, Marge says, reminding the class of 2000: "to enjoy yourselves, work hard and improve your world in some small way."

Bill and Louise Jameson Higby combined business and pleasure on their last trip. First they went to Houston and Indianapolis on business and then on to Minnesota for a family visit. Fortunately it was before the Midwest was hit with all the storms, tornadoes and blizzards that occurred.

Aaron Schaeffer was enthusiastic about the trips he and Phyllis had taken last year. One was an Elderhostel trip to Italy, where in Assisi they were awed by the beauty of seeing over 10 acres of sunflowers in full bloom. Just breathtaking! They also took an extended trip through China and were amazed at some of the primitive methods still used in tilling the land. It was especially noticeable as they sailed up the Li River. Now they are looking forward to the exhibit that is coming to the Baltimore Museum of Art on the Terra Cotta Soldiers.

I have to agree with **Miles Lefferts** that the years have passed too fast. "The best times of my life are now, but only because Western Maryland College gave me a good background on how to enjoy life."

Martha "Mots" Yocum Ferris seems to agree. She is enjoying her move back to Colorado—the ever changing view from her balcony, her civic duties, serving as president of the United Methodist Women at her Colorado church, and, for recreation, playing bridge, tennis, walking and line dancing (Electric slide, TushPush, etc. and of course, the Macarena). After spending Thanksgiving with Gwennie, Chris and Justin she was looking forward to Christmas with Jeff, Rebecca and Ann in Jamaica Plains. I loved Mots' words, "Enjoy

your freedom, but don't take advantage of it; have fun but just say 'No' to temptations" and especially this one, "Coods—can opt for a unisex dorm where you can walk the halls in long T-shirt, fuzzy slippers and curlers." Memories!

Both Miles and Mots seem to think like "**Wyn' Howard Howell**." "Don't take yourself too seriously, remember to get some fun out of life."

Just what Bette and **George Grier** are doing on their annual stay in Lake Wales, Fla.—golfing, fishing and writing. George has just finished a book on the Carroll County Farm Museum. When they return to Westminster, Bette works with their son, Timmy, and his greenhouse sales from their farm. George is really proud of his 14-year-old grandson who beats him at golf, is a freshman in high school and is on the school golf team. George reminisced about the fun we had at WMC and wishing the same for our present students. "May you find a job, have a good wife/husband and not forget WMC when you leave 'the Hill'."

It seems that although **Bill and Anna Stevenson Klare** enjoy living in Worthington, Ohio they have to contend, as we all do who live in or near a big city, with the dense traffic problem which has engulfed them. Columbus, Ohio has won the distinction of being, according to Anna, the 35th city in the U.S. with a traffic gridlock. Makes driving a chore rather than a pleasure. But both Anna and Bill remarked how much they enjoy reading about their classmates.

"To sharpen lingering and wonderful memories," writes **Eugene "Gene" Ackerman**, "I looked through our 1939 *Albion*—what happy moments to cheer our now aging days. To all who are still with us I send most sincere wishes for a joyous 1997."

Unfortunately, some are no longer with us, but now are "bright stars" in the heavens. They are **Charles "Don" Trader, Larry Strow, Frank Sherard and Elizabeth "Chris" Crisp Rechner**. We will miss their physical presence but what a gain for the "Angels"—Don will take care of their "sils." Larry their legal problems along with beautifying their surroundings as he loved to garden, Frank will improve their "flying" and Chris will play beautiful music. Also, two long-time friends will be missing when we get together—**Virgil Rhoten**, husband of **Betty Shunk Rhoten**, and **Woodrow Reedy**, husband of **Kay Rudolph Reedy**. Even though Kay writes she misses her friends in Baltimore, she is planning to stay, at present, in Vero Beach, Fla.

It was great to receive cards from **Mary Oleair Stark, Grace MacVean, Roland Stonestifer and Charlotte Drechsler Greffin**. I'm sure we all agree with Charlotte when she says, "So much to do and I guess it takes a little longer to do it." Amen!

Visited Western Maryland to show off the campus to friends and saw the remnants of Gill gymnasium after the fire.

Thank you for your response to the cards and especially your "Words of Wisdom." Hope you will have more for our next 1939 column. And we all, I'm sure, agree with **Ailene Williams Hutchins** who writes to the Class of '97: "You came with joy and fear and wonder. You will leave with the same feelings tempered by the experience of four years in an environment which will lead you to new life in your world." To the Class of 2000: "You will be entering a new century perhaps one of the greatest in all time. Never forget the College which molded you to follow your dreams."

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49 When they haven't been traveling, **Doris Ritter Ensminger** and her family have been volunteering. She and her son, **Roger '79**, were named Rookie Volunteers of the Year by the United Way of Lancaster County (Pa.). In January 1996, Doris, husband Bill, and Roger worked on a "Hurricane Andrew House" in Homestead Florida and all three were official Olympic Games volunteers in Atlanta. Their next project is with the Lancaster County Historical Society.

Annette McMahon Wood writes that she and David are enjoying active retirement with family including their ninth grandchild, Kevin David Wood, born on February 29, 1996. Also on their list of activities is golf, bowling, Ravens football, theater and Johns Hopkins and WMC funerals. Annette mentions a once-in-a-lifetime-trip in April '96—a week in Jerusalem literally riding or walking where Jesus walked. They also toured Athens and cruised the Aegean Sea where they visited the Greek Isles of Mykonos, Crete, Santorini, Rhodes and Patmos and visited the old ruins of Ephesus.

Word from **Dan Pinholster** is that he toured Greece and the Greek Isles in '96 and Oregon and British Columbia in August. Dan continues with tennis three or four mornings a week and occasional arbitration hearings for the city of Phoenix.

Caroline Benson Schaeffer writes that her niece **Carol Rodgers Benson '85**, a fourth-generation alumna, received the Young Alumna Service Award. She and Bill anticipated spending February and March '97 in Venice, Fla. and summertime in Jackson, N.H. with visits from family, including four grandchildren.

Word from **Bill Seibert** was that his four grown children and their families had planned to be home in Palmyra, Pa. to help celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary on December 27, 1996.

Henry Muller writes of skiing in Park City, Utah and usually spending summers in Booth Bay, Maine, but is looking to do something special to celebrate his 20th wedding anniversary in the summer of '97. Lynne counsels

at Dundalk High School and Henry has closed his contracting business and plans "to really retire this time."

Alice Brodick Scileppi and Bob, her husband of 43 years, have been retired for five years and spend a lot of time in Port St. Lucie, Fla. However, in the summers, they return to Poughkeepsie, N.Y. to visit with their five grandchildren and their parents.

Jack Spicknall had a visit from **Alfred "Al" Truitt '50** and wife Clara May in September when they visited Savannah. **Jack and Ginny Hale Spicknall '52** continue to enjoy retirement with golf, church and Kiwanis for him.

Betty Becker Wentz reports that they live in Bonita Springs, Fla. for eight months of the year and Timonium, Md. four months and they spend most of the time on their boat or playing golf. Betty has "two grandsons and three granddaughters, plus one step-grandson, one step-granddaughter and three great-grandchildren plus the parents of all the above."

Barbara Sowers Thomas says, "retirement is busy filled with babysitting four grandsons, Habitat for Humanity, volunteer tutoring, taking a college course and helping a son with his import business. I do manage to squeeze in travel to different places each year."

Mary Anne Thomas Staresky reports that three volunteer activities dominate her life now, all involving books — two libraries (church and school), and an annual book sale organized by the AAUW, Wilmington, Del. branch. Proceeds from the sale of 40,000 books (\$30,000) in the last three years provides scholarships for women in graduate and undergraduate studies. Mary Anne's husband continues to work full time. **Paul '81, '87**, will graduate from the University of Delaware in 1997 in history/education and daughter Jan, 34, will graduate in 1998 from Virginia College of Veterinary Medicine.

Carolyn Brown Volpe and husband Richard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June '96 with a trip to Bermuda — a gift from son Richard and his family.

Jane Conaway Wagner writes of a busy semi-retirement. In June 1996, she and **Bob '48** attended the Kiwanis International Convention in Salt Lake City, heard a concert given by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, toured Yellowstone, the Grand Tetons and Jackson Hole, Wyo. In August, 13 family members, including five grandchildren, vacationed at Myrtle Beach. The family gathered again with the Wagners in Mt. Airy for Christmas week. Jane and Bob keep busy with church and community activities. She is organist and pianist for two church choirs and he sings in both. At Christmastime, Jane played for two Cantatas for a congregation of 1,500 people. In March '97, a trip was planned down the Mississippi River on the *Delta Queen* with Howard and **Jan** **Daugherty Myers**.

Anne Shuppert Schwarzkopf writes from Sarasota, Fla. that in June 1996 she and husband Jerry made their first trip back to New England to visit family and friends since moving south two years ago. In December, they all spent Christmas in Sarasota. In April, Anne and Jerry enjoyed a three-week trip to Egypt and Jordan with an extremely congenial group of 10 people. The Nile cruise was beautiful and they were entertained at dinner in an Egyptian pharmacist's home in Cairo and in a Palestinian refugee's home in Amman, giving wonderful opportunities for some discussion on political and social issues. Anne continues to play cello in the Sarasota Pops Orchestra and a string quartet. In addition, she participates in a church choir, a play-reading group, tutoring, a weekly golf game and Rotary Arts.

According to the article "Four Stars — Alumni Give Thumbs Up to Public TV Careers" in *The Hill*, Spring 1996, pp. 16-17, **Helen Jan Riggs Burn** known as **Jan Riggs Rogers** to her 1949 classmates, went to work in television in 1963, at WJZ and then Maryland Public TV. Helen has won numerous awards including an Emmy. She has taught writing at Johns Hopkins and in Towson State University's mass communication and English departments. Helen has published two books and has sold articles to various magazines and newspapers, and her family includes five children and four grandchildren.

Fletcher and I met **Bill and Doris Ritter Essinger** and son **Roger '79** at the WMC Hartford County Alumni Chapter dinner meeting on October 11, 1996 at Vital's Restaurant in Edgewood, Md. Dr. Julie Badice, professor, art and art history, gave an interesting slide presentation and an in-depth look at teaching in the '90s at WMC. Also attending were **Paul and Emily Cole Hines**.

The Greater Baltimore Area Alumni Christmas Luncheon was held at the Towson Sheraton on December 1, 1996. **Fletcher Ward** president of this group, introduced the speaker, **Bob Chambers**, president of WMC, who told us what's happening at the College now and plans for the future. WMC music students entertained us and carol singing was led by **Jim Elliot '48**. Members of the Class of '49 attending were **Harry and Lennie Hoffman Looch** and **Jim and Shirley Brooks Powell**. Sixty-four people attended, including members of Fletcher's original class of 1943, such as **Lee '43** and **Pearl Bodmer '43 Lodge** and my cousin **Paul "Bunk" Brooks** and his wife Ginger.

As Dr. S. George Walters returned from London and Belfast, he wrote that in 1993 he had retired from Rutgers University as professor emeritus but continues as an evaluator and emissary for a U.S. government agency. In November 1996 George and Sandra, now retired also, moved to their house in North Carolina on the mainland side of the Intercoastal Waterway. His address is: 110 Topsail

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The Class of 1940 expressed sympathy to the family of **Mary Sands Cook** who passed away on December 7, 1996. Mary and I roomed together over her freshman and sophomore years before she left WMC to marry **Rev. William Cook '48** who died in 1995. Mary completed her degree at Johns Hopkins University and then taught English in Baltimore City schools. Mary's main interests were family and home, church, travel, study and women's education.

Thanks to everyone who sent news. **Marcel Clayton Ward** 203 Star Pointe Ct. 3C Abingdon, MD 21009-2525

54 Alma "Jo" McKeldin Brody is still a public health nurse with Baltimore County. Her husband, James, works part time as a park ranger at Oregon Ridge Nature Center. They have enjoyed a dream come true trip to Hawaii. Daughter Sally has two children. Son Stephen is a teacher in Washington, D.C. and Maureen is seeking a career in music.

A retiree in Baltimore, **George Antonas** spends his time babysitting granddaughter, **Garbiela**. Twin grandsons, **George and Paul**, live in New York.

Patricia Herman Douglas says life is fine. She now has four grandchildren, all gorgeous, smart, and one of the blessings of getting older.

Aileen "Lee" Gongloff Callender and **Barbara "Bobbie" Plasket Tomlin** became roommates again on a trip to Europe. They went on a tour with the Metuchen (N.J.) Presbyterian Choir doing concerts and masses in Vienna, Budapest, Salzburg and Prague. Bobbie sang as an alto and Lee was the organist. Lee says it was a thrilling experience to sing in these glorious cathedrals and play the organs the great masters played. Bobbie also writes that she and **Ed '52** love retirement and can now enjoy Hilton Head's beautiful beach, golf and tennis in the depths of winter.

Nancy Caskey Voss is spending more time in Bethany Beach, Del. since she retired. She loves playing bridge whenever she can.

Charles Silberstein says he's still plugging along and living for Friday afternoons so he can hide out in Rehoboth Beach, Del.

William and Doris Joiner '51 Hancock continue to enjoy traveling and spending time with their three grandchildren. Last fall they toured the western states, took the family for the traditional visit to Salt Lake City for Thanksgiving and spent Christmas in Palm Springs, Calif. In March they took Heather, 4, and Bradley, 10, to Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. to visit historical sites. England, Scotland and Wales are the destinations for June. Fall of '97 will be a cruise from Lisbon to St. Thomas. Bill

and Doris reside in Sedona, Ariz., the heart of red rock country. Both are active in their church.

Joan Kellogg Patterson had her first family reunion with 10 grown children and their offspring. Forty people in all enjoyed a week of swimming, water skiing, white water rafting, magic shows, dancing and catered dinners under a tent. Joan visited Alaska in August and loved silver salmon fishing. In January and February of '97, Joan spent six more weeks in Alaska and attended "Fur Revival," which is like Mardi Gras and heralds in the Iditarod Race.

We send our deepest sympathy to the family of **Patrick Rogan**. Pat died on June 23, 1996 at his home in Salisbury, Md. He was a partner in the law firm of Richardson, Rogan and Anderson prior to becoming a district public defender.

Jean Henderson Shaffer moved to Wyoming and loves it. Cheyenne is on the western edge of the plains with the mountains not far away. She is enjoying the gorgeous scenery, delightful climate, gardening and trips to the mountains. Two of Jean's musical compositions were performed in November by the Boulder Colorado Songmakers.

Pat Fectcho Hart is enjoying every day of retirement in South Carolina. Golf is her main activity. Daughter Cindy lives in Chicago and recently presented Pat and **Walt '52** with their second grandson.

Avia Ann Spears Vecchioni reports from Kitty Hawk, N.C. that they survived all the hurricanes without any damage. Her husband, Pete, is enjoying a new career in beach realty and she is enjoying a new puppy.

After 43 years as a Methodist minister in South Jersey, **Robert Steelman** plans to retire July 1, 1997. He plans to stay busy with family activities, history and genealogy. Bob has four grandchildren.

Jane Hutchison's latest book, *Early German Artists: Martin Schongauer, Ludwig Schongauer and Copiers (The Illustrated Bartisch Series, Commentary Volume 8, Part 1)* was published October '96. Jane is president of Madison St. Andrews Society and is a board member for the Sixteenth Century Journal.

David "Nick" Gwynn reports that retirement plus social security equals a great life. Nick resides in Upper Marlboro, Md.

Shirley Jeffreys Strong is working as admission recruiter assistant at Goodwill Industries in Orange, Calif. In October she and daughter Linda were in Washington, D.C. as volunteers for the entire AIDS Memorial Quilt. Shirley is also a member of Women's Action for New Directions.

Life and retirement continues to be good for **Harry Grander** in Charlestown, W.Va. He keeps busy with Meals on Wheels, chairing a Pastor Parish Relations Committee and as secretary for Kiwanis Club. He also volunteers one day a week at Antietam Battlefield. Trips include a New Year's Caribbean cruise, Thanksgiving in

Texas, NASCAR races in Tennessee and New York and the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio. Harris has also had together with **Art Gerand** and **Paul Lambertson**.

Frances Paul Farnham reminisces about her wedding. Her WMC roommate and bridesmaid, **Betty Walz** Dalhoff caught the bouquet. After the wedding Betty took a bus to visit her sister in Alabama and met a serviceman, Frank Dalhoff. Two years later they married. On June 25, Fran and **Paul '53** had dinner with Frank who was in Minneapolis for a conference. It was 41 years to the day that Frank and Betty met on the bus. A note from Betty says great days are ahead since she retired after 29 years of teaching in Tyler, Texas. She is looking forward to moving into a lovely new home on Lake Fork. There will be fishing for Frank and the three grandchildren are only an hour away. Betty and Frank, blessed with good health, welcome full and active golden years.

Dick Titlow, and wife Tove had a rewarding month-long trip to India and Nepal. They became expert elephant riders and enjoyed the singing and dancing associated with the national holiday, Diwali. Their children, Karen and Christian, live nearby in the Washington, D.C. area.

Dorothy Krug Bond is busy with church and square dancing activities in Millersville, Md. Husband **Bob '52** is into genealogical research. Dot does part time work for a local seniors magazine *50 and Forward*. They plan trips once or twice a year around Elderhostel programs. August found them in Alaska waking up to 20 degrees. They also keep in touch with grandchildren in New Jersey.

In the fall of '96, **Jim and Carolyn Redden '57** Leavy went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. After beginning in Jordan they explored Jerusalem and took communion at the Garden Tomb. Other highlights were miracle sites at the Sea of Galilee, immersion in the Jordan River, going to the Dead Sea and visiting Kabutzes. They found this spiritual pilgrimage very rewarding.

Don Radcliffe is fishing, boating and working part time in Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Robert "Spike" Dennie writes from Bradenton, Fla. that he and wife Sandy and **Charles and Charlotte Davis '56** Wheatley are closely associated with L.I.F.E. (Learning Institute for Excellence, Inc.). Spike is also a behavioral consultant certified by the Institute of Motivational Learning. Son Eric lives in Florida and is working on a master's degree in counseling.

Daughter Robin has four children and lives in Brockton, Mass.

Ernie '50 and I had a busy but wonderful summer. Our daughter,

Leslie, was married in July and we celebrated the occasion at our home.

Many of you have commented that you enjoy reading about your classmates and I am thrilled to have heard from so many of you.

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60 Thank you all for your prompt responses.

Now for the news:
Lloyd Musselman writes that since his last report he and Nancy have become grandparents for a second time. Halsey Blair was born to their son David and daughter-in-law Ashley Aug. 22, 1996. On April 12, 1995, Sean William was born to their daughter Katy and her husband. Nancy still teaches at Mayfield Middle School and Lloyd is completing his 28th year at Oklahoma City University. (Can't help it Lloyd - every time I type O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A-I am reminded of our Junior Follies!) Lloyd was planning to ride his bike on a grand tour of Bryce and Zion National Parks this summer.

A succinct note from **Joe Bender** in Springs, Pa.: "Same place, same job. All is well. Have new granddaughter born March 19, 1997. My baby, Kathy, had a baby! Sure makes a guy feel old!"

Bob Harris also has memories of the WMC stage. He writes that he and Janet were part of a bus trip from Enosburg Falls, Vt., where he is a pastor, to Montreal to see Shakespeare's *Winter's Tale*, in which he acted at WMC. He has been in contact with **Luther Martin '59** who was also in the WMC cast. He hopes to sightsee in New Hampshire and Maine while serving in Vermont.

From Littleton, Colo. **Jim Thomas** writes that the only big change is that **Miltie Dickey '62** retired in August 1996. Their youngest son will marry this fall.

John Karrer writes from Cincinnati, Ohio that his church is growing and continues to be challenging and fun. He is looking forward to some lake sailing and to a trip to Oregon to see son Andrew and family. He writes that he likes the Midwest (he can't get used to calling Ohio that) but that he does miss the ocean.

Kit Zeller Peterson writes that after having taught vocal music for 36 years she will be retiring along with her husband John and will move to their home in Wolfboro, N.H. She has taught in the elementary school and for the past three years she has added two classes at the high school level: Select Girls Chorus and Humanities, as well. Now that she will be retiring she hopes to organize a children's chorus in the Lakes Region area of New Hampshire and will teach piano.

Received **Don Hester's** card in time to report on his many activities. He writes from Sayville, N.Y., "Just returned from son's marriage in Solomons Island, Md.—a military wedding. He's captain of a Coast

Guard cutter in San Juan. We then spent a week at Lake Tahoe." Don is still active with Rotary International Youth Exchange for Russia and Ukraine with the USA. He expects a more restful year this year. Last year as Fire Commissioner he was involved in the construction of a new fire house. He was also the adult exchange team leader for Rotary in Bolivia. He notes that he enjoyed a mini-reunion on Fire Island with **Doug and Sandy Eastwood '58**, **Pat Blair Richardson**, and **Rick '55** and **Glenda Luttrell Rickabaugh**. They had a great time walking beaches and visiting the quaint fishing village.

Received a fine card showing the WMC arch and containing news from Westminster as follows: "**George Fringer**, once the confirmed bachelor, tied the knot February 14, 1995 to his beloved **Doris Johnson**. Now into their third year of wedded bliss, our matrimonial state is quite satisfying." He writes that he is still a dedicated volunteer at the Westminster branch of the Carroll County Public Library as well as church librarian at the Shipley Memorial Library of the Westminster United Methodist Church. "Once a librarian, always a librarian." He writes that after sixteen consecutive September Song performances, 1980 to 1995, he has finally retired. He has also given up his position of 35 years as Corresponding Secretary on the Board of Directors of the Humane Society of Carroll County, which he will remain on the Board. He and his wife enjoy taking day bus trips.

Jim McMahon writes from Havre de Grace that he is the President of the newly opened Cal Ripken, Jr. Museum in Aberdeen, Md., Cal's home town. You can see what he has been up to on the Internet: www.2131.com. The Ironman statue was unveiled April 2, 1997. Jim is still at WAMD doing the morning show from 6 am to 9 am, Monday through Friday. He has finally put in his retirement papers from the State Guard after 36 years in various military units. He retired as the G-3 for the state. Col. Jim served on the General's staff for the past two years and was responsible for all the training of State Guard personnel.

Allan Dworin recently moved to a new home in Roland Park, Baltimore. He is presently President of Dental Health Services, a dental HMO, teaches at the Dental School, is a consultant for practice management, is a clinical advisor to Valley Forge Dental Associates—an acquisition program for practices around the country, all the while trying to be a super single parent and travelling as much as possible (trekking from Italy to Austria).

Bobbie Beall Messenger writes from Laurel, Md. that she and Don are the proud grandparents of Anna, 3, and Bethany, 18 months. Their youngest daughter, top wholesale salesperson at Uptown Bakers, is planning a June wedding. Bobbie still has her business in Ellcott City and Don

is practicing law. They enjoyed touring France last year—took the Channel from Paris to London. They recently enjoyed a cruise to Cozumel, Mexico. She writes, "If you are in Ellcott City be sure and stop in." The note at the bottom of her card indicates her E-mail address as "Computer Challenged, but not for long!"

Charlotte Prevost Hurley writes from Fenwick Island, Del. that she is getting her master's at the University of Delaware in Educational Leadership and that she is an intervention specialist at Indian River High School. Son Christopher married in Houston in January and he and his wife run KID FIT, a business bringing exercise and games to daycare centers. Son Tim, his wife and three children relocated to the research triangle in Raleigh/Durham where Tim is in data processing.

Writing from Westminster, **Carol Westerfield Rabush** is enjoying "semi-retirement" as she is working three days a week and "playing" four. "Great transition," she says. She loves also being grandmother to Matt, 3, and Katie, 1, who are son Keith's children. Son Mark is living and working in Baltimore. Don—the big kid!—has been working for the Governor's office on Disabilities Tech Assistance Program and for WMC.

Patricia Hill Chopp writes that she enjoys reading about all our classmates. She and Joe keep busy taking care of a tree farm in Pennsylvania, a beach house in Lewes, Del.—which they rent out in July and August—and their home in Harwood, near Annapolis. Daughter Lisa was to be married in May. Younger daughter Sarah moved to Raleigh, N.C. and has three children, Ryan, 7; Katie, 4; and Lily, 1.

Mina Kirby sure can crowd a lot of news on a card! She writes from Altadena, Calif. that she is trying to keep up with working, being a mom to a very busy 8 year old and running back and forth to Maryland to be with her Dad, who is 85 years old. She is still managing a math and reading computer lab, teaching classes and presenting some math and music show/lessons to elementary school classes. In addition (that's a pun, Mina) she is a PTA President! She recently helped a group of second-graders, including daughter Ginny, make a video on ocean animals. She is also facilitating a series of discussions at her daughter's school regarding "alternative" schooling.

As for me, much is the same. Daughter Nancy and family (husband David, children Anna, 4; Sara, 3; Sam, 6 months; and dog Miz Orzy) have moved into a new house nearby in Tuxedo, N.Y. I keep busy taking care of my mother, who is 86 years old, working in my yard, and this year's extra-curricular interest—belly dancing.

I have sad news to report. A card from Robin Watson informed me of her father's death. **Jack Watson, Jr.** passed away on November 15, 1996. Condolences to his family.
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63 We asked for your most significant life accomplishment(s) and we've heard from a large number of you (but not all). Here are the highlights—let's congratulate each other on our major accomplishments.

Dave Humphrey says his major accomplishment will be seeing all of us in Paris for our pre-35th reunion and has wedding bells on his mind. He and Dr. Marilyn McDonald were married in January.

Carolyn Webster Moynaux boasts of having raised two children she likes over and above the love of a parent. No e-mail for Carolyn as she hasn't entered this age.

George Kemmerer says he and Jeanette have enjoyed 32 years of bliss, three children and one grandchild, all while residing in Santa Rosa, Calif.

Lew Goodley took early retirement from IBM and since 1991 is engaged in the real estate business in Austin, Texas. E-mail: lewgood@aol.com).

Eric Ord tells us she's now a sales representative for Bookperson, Inc. and has embarked on an entirely new career that excites and energizes her.

Eric Buckner has been inducted into the Baltimore Chapter of Chaine des Rotisseurs, a food and wine appreciation society. Eric is a vice president at Prudential Securities and an active alum.

Boyd Myers has returned from his fellowship at the University of London and continues to maintain his ophthalmology practice in Falls Church utilizing refractive laser at the Georgetown University Hospital. (Boyd's E-mail is plyst@aol.com.) Boyd is still single and says he loves every minute.

Carolyn Conkling Muhly says she'll see us all in *Paris*.

Betty Jacobus and Jack Blackburn just bought an "antique" house and believe they are home at last! As they reported to **Janice Mooney** and **Don '62 Hobart** in a recent Christmas missive. Their new home is at 1715 Old Forge Road, Charlottesville, Va., and is 33 years young.

Bob Manthey and his wife enjoy a very fulfilling time in Frederick, where Bob continues to serve as church minister and a volunteer police chaplain.

Rick Jones gleefully reports that his life accomplishment was hitting the Maryland State Lottery's Match 5 on August 7, 1996. Way to go Rick. Congratulations to the Class! Donate some of your winnings to the WMC Alumni Fund.

Jersey Siegel is a double Fulbright Scholar, most recently securing his second grant to teach at the University of Louvain near Brussels, Belgium. Jerry

will teach American literature and his E-mail is gsiegel@vpc.edu. Jerry and his wife enjoy his new-found status as grandpa.

Richard "Klitz" and Judy Callahan Klitzberg are wintering in Boca Raton and they report their greatest accomplishment to be their marriage and three terrific kids.

Ray Wockley's E-mail: Wockley6@delphi.com.

We can all afford to chat with **David Selikowitz** at E-mail: 76623.723@compuserve.com. Any of you who feel so inclined can write Dave at 64 Avenue Henri Martin, 75116 Paris, France.

Ginger Rumsey Ward had a tough decision on greatest life accomplishment but split it between 31 years of a happy marriage, raising two great sons and 30-plus years of working volunteer/paid with youth of all ages.

Bill and Maureen Filby '62 Sitter report their most significant life experience as accepting Jesus as their Lord.

King Smith's most significant life accomplishment is 29 years of happy marriage, two daughters and a 7-year-old grandchild, plus overcoming a six-vessel bypass. King is not only a practicing oral surgeon but also Chairman of the Board of U.S. Biomaterials Corporation.

Dick Yost (E-mail address: ryost@ssu.edu) is Director of Administrative Services at Salisbury State University (in his 27th year), volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and was inducted into the WMC Hall of Fame in November 1996. Sue and Dick are in the throes of the empty nest syndrome.

Marty Schugam (E-mail address: mschugam@charm.net) is currently authoring a book on privatization in corrections for the American Correctional Association and is enjoying his children.

Joe Spear and Dave Sutton jointly authored a response to the secretaries. Joe reports continued authorship of a syndicated newspaper column that appears in 250 newspapers nationwide;

current authorship of a book concerning a biography of a prominent American businessman and philanthropist (could it be Klitz); teaches communication courses at AU; and reports **Linda Mahaffey '66** is doing well spending seven months with Joe in Chevy Chase and five months at the seashore home. Sutton on the other hand, is on the West coast working on some interesting projects but which are so supersecret he can't tell us.

Dagmar Joeres Miller has also embarked on a second career with the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene of the State of Maryland as Administrator for the Office of AG. Dagmar reports her son is pursuing an M.B.A. and her daughter-in-law is an associate counsel with the Interamerican Development Bank. Dagmar looks forward to Paris in '97.

Peggy Hoy Warfield and Bob '62 visited Normandy and Omaha Beach. While there they visited the grave of Bob's dad who was killed during the

1944 invasion. Bob's dad was a 1929 graduate of WMC.

Obviously, it's tough to distill such an active and meaningful contribution into a short alumni column but your secretaries are pleased to report that even though retired **John and Janet Pricer '62 Warman** are busy themselves seeking volunteer work for organizations like Habitat for Humanity or similar disaster relief organizations, charities, etc.

Marty Witt Davis continues residence in Eden Prairie, Minn., where she describes herself as being a mega sewer to enhance her avocation of designing children's clothes and sponsorings showings. Marty has a 1-year-old granddaughter who is resplendently attired and the "light of her life."

Barb Earhart Sheehan and her husband, John, continue residence in Towson, Md. Barb chaired the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra's showcase house in 1996 which was successful in raising funds for this important cultural entity. Those of us who attended were in awe of such a project. It will take her a year to recuperate!

Back to **Dave Selikowitz**, his significant accomplishments are numerous and substantive. One in particular was his sponsorship along with the U.S. Ambassador to France, the late Pamela Harriman, of a fund-raising reception for the Paris American AIDS Committee at the Ambassadors residence in Paris, France. Those of you technologically inclined should chat with Dave on E-mail to learn more about his barber business known as Active International.

Janice received thanks from the college president and **Kathleen M. Snyder '99**, our scholarship recipient for 1996/97. Kathi is majoring in business administration and has a double minor in art history and accounting and her interests go well beyond intellectual pursuits. We can all feel proud that our donations (we can always use more) are funds well spent.

Somewhat off the beaten path, but nonetheless important, "**Klitz**," "**Rebel**" **Hobart '62** and **Richman** sponsored an Alpha Gamma Tau fraternity reunion for the late '50s to late '60s classes that was attended by over 80 alumni. One in particular, **Ron Lieberman '66**, wrote a letter and an excerpt follows: "Contemporary standards of political correctness quite properly prohibit me from repeating the explanation here. If you really want to know, you'll have to ask Klitzburg who I think penned the nickname to George. I remember in **Billy Cowden's** car going for hamburgers on a Sunday night so we wouldn't have to be subjected to the dining hall's assorted cold cuts on white bread (you know the Old Testament clearly says no white bread with cold cuts, rye only) accompanied by cream of celery soup. I'm proud to report that cream of celery soup has not passed my lips since 1962. But what I remembered most, the story line through all these scenes,

untouched by the passage of years, is the comradery and affection we shared." The significance of this event impressed your secretaries who believe that more events of this sort are necessary and that we should get together more often, as opposed to less often, in the future.

Finally, we report with pleasure that our 34th reunion will be held in Paris from July 13 thru 17, 1997. The menu includes dinner, sightseeing, gourmet meals and a Bastille Day dinner. (Three dinners, one lunch, a boat ride on the Seine, a four-star luxury hotel) are all included in the trip that bears a per person price of \$1,150 based on two persons per room. (Airfare is not included.) Anyone interested call: **Dave Selikowitz** at 33-1-45-04-47-25; **Janice Mooney Hobart** at 410-876-5638; **Eric Buckner** at 800-638-0626; or **Allen Jones** at 201-543-9388. The aforementioned constitute the Paris Reunion Committee and we thank them for their assiduous work in organizing this adventuresome 34th.

Our retired prof, **Don Hobart '62**, and Jan have a new place in the woods at 448 John Owings Road, Westminster, Maryland 21158. Their welcome mat as usual is always out and I can assure you a warm and wonderful reception. The Hobarts, as many others mentioned in this column, are blessed with the unconditional love given by two grandsons.

Your other secretary is currently occupied as President of the Federal Bar Association Maryland Chapter and otherwise engaged in law practice (E-mail: GMRLPALAW@aol.com) and raising two lovely daughters and a wife at home (e-mail: Lincoln66@aol.com). His major accomplishment is surviving 'Nam, three children and 22 years of marriage.

We look forward to hearing from/seeing you all.

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64 News from the class of 1964 came electronically for the first time with this column. I had given classmates the opportunity to contact me by E-mail, and some of them took me up on it.

The first message I received via computer (actually the first message I received) was from **Barry Lazarus**, who wrote, "Beginning January 1, 1997, I will be retired from medicine. The regimented life style is being jettisoned. Fran and I will be in Colorado skiing from February 1 to March 31. Our son Jeff is a translator and editor and lives in Copenhagen while our

daughter Kate resides in Anchorage. My other project is to finish my Ph.D. dissertation in American History at the University of Connecticut. I hope to teach one day—if I can find the time. Traveled with **Richie Eigen '66**, who lives in Connecticut, down to the recent Bachelor reunion in Westminster. Great fun and camaraderie with old buddies **Jerry Baroch** and **George "Mom" Gebelien**. Barry's screen name is Blazafax@aol.com.

My second E-mail message came from **Joe Wenderoth**. He wrote that he is still working in defense systems at AAI Corp. He and Cassie just returned from vacations in Nashville, Tenn., and Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria, and Olympic Peninsula. Joe's E-mail address is WENDER@aaicorp.com.

My third E-mail message came from **George Gebelien**. He writes that he has been impacted by the AT&T split and now works for Lucent Technologies out of Baltimore, although he does a fair amount of business traveling, primarily to New Jersey and Denver. Son Justin, 19, is in the marine construction business and he and his wife are now "empty nesters." George is looking forward to great participation in our 35th reunion in 1999. George's E-mail address is gebelien@lucent.com.

My fourth, and last, E-mail message came from **Street Broadbent**. The E-mailers wrote longer messages than the postcards. Street has over 32 years with Black and Decker as a manager in the engineering department, while wife **Barb Petschke '65** is teaching physical education at Franklin Middle School. Last year they bought a 33-foot Sea Ray (boat) and last summer took a two-week vacation to the Outer Banks (looking for a place to retire). On the way back, they decided they need a larger boat, and would like to sell the 33-footer. Any takers? Daughter Sandy got married in June and is living in Belair. Son Ken works with Sato Travel as an industrial engineer. Barb's 91-year-old father now lives with them. Street's E-mail address is street.broadbent@bdk.com.

I appreciate the email messages. They came quickly and early, and then the "snailmail" began.

Merle Houck, from whom we haven't heard for awhile, writes that he and wife **Benny Johnson '65**, have a principal residence in Liberty, Mo. (Kansas City) where Benny lives and is the partnership accountant for a real estate brokerage. Merle is chief chemist for Roman Adhesives, a Chicago-based company making wall-paper paste. He lives in the Chicago area during the week. Daughter Kristin, 28, is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State, lives in St. Louis, Mo., and is a pharmaceutical sales representative for Solvay. Son Alan, 25, is a Purdue graduate and a mechanical engineer at the Caterpillar engine

plant in Lafayette, Ind. Empty nest syndrome has been especially hard on Benny, but they keep busy with dealer space on two antique shopping malls. On Friday nights one or the other travels, accumulating lots of frequent flyer miles, which they use for vacations and weekend shopping trips.

From Buford, Ga., **Stan Sunderland** writes that the Olympics are over. Sounds as if he's glad! Both his children had jobs related to the Olympics. Stan and wife Nancy celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with a trip to London, Paris, and Edinburgh in January '95. They had left in planning their trip from **David Seilbinder '63**. Stan's law practice is growing and he and his partner have a branch office in Gainesville, the chicken capital of the nation. Son Trey graduated from Georgia Tech with a degree related to computers. Stan will be chastised for not using E-mail, but he says he is being dragged slowly into the age of technology. Daughter Katie is a senior in the nursing school at North Georgia College, where she is also in the ROTC program and is known as Cadet Major Sunderland. Wife Nancy teaches at a middle school two miles from their home on Lake Lanier.

One of my college roommates, **Jo Ann Carscaden Nicoll**, writes from Ocean City, Md., that her family keeps growing. Daughter Tracey and her husband will become parents in May. As she says, can you see **Fred '62** and me as grandparents? [It's a stretch] Son Jamie recently became engaged to a fellow attorney and will be wed in October. They will then have four ambulance chasing lawyers in the family. Fred continues to peddle Ocean City real estate while playing golf around the country. Jo Ann keeps busy working on motel business working out at the gym. I'm sure she's still as gorgeous as ever! If you ever get to Ocean City, look her up.

From Calvert County, Md., I heard from **Ruth Grover Dixon**. She's been living there since 1985, works for the St. Mary's County Public Schools, and remains active in her local church. Her older daughter recently moved to Florida, and her younger daughter is completing a dual degree program from Frostburg State University and the University of Maryland in physics and mechanical engineering.

Janet Brozik Biles writes from Uppercase, Md., that she has been retired since November 1993 due to downsizing at Baltimore Gas and Electric, where she was a programmer/analyst. Janet's mother now lives with them. Son Ken has almost finished his master's degree in environment at Johns Hopkins University. Daughter Jen has changed careers to data processing because she has found no entry level jobs in mechanical engineering. Janet spends time redecorating and gardening and keeping in touch with **Lynda Robison Astle** and **Lois Schurman Donaldson**.

Jeanette Beland Hull writes from Alexandria, Va., that son JD Bauserman and his wife Cori have made her the proud grandmother of Sara Lynne, born on December 4, 1996. Everyone is enthralled with this wonderful little girl.

From Naples, Fla., **Helen Holmes Terry** writes that *amadeus* she hopes to see us all again! Son Roy graduated from seminary and was assigned to build a new church right in Naples. Needless to say they are busy helping out!

Ron Roth writes from Baltimore that not much is new, and that his son now works with him. Ron continues to travel extensively. He hopes to go to Nepal and Vietnam this year. The consummate traveler!

Jerry Baroch and wife **Fran Sybert '65** are happily enjoying retirement. After returning from Saudi Arabia in 1995, he retired. Now he spends his time in leisure pursuits and longer trips on their sailboat around the Chesapeake Bay. Son Patrick lives in Seattle, Wash., and daughter Amy lives in New York City. Jerry and Fran hope to move to sunnier, warmer climes soon. They should get in touch with the Terrys.

Jack Harman sent a postcard that looked very scientific, which is not surprising as he is a computer scientist and has been working for the Department of Defense for 29 years. Jack also sells real estate in the Carroll County area. Wife Marilyn "Mimi" has been a speech pathologist with Carroll County Public Schools for 32 years. Both are looking forward to retirement. Daughter Anne graduated from the University of Delaware in 1991, and is working on her Ph.D. in toxicology at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. Jennifer graduated in 1995 from Virginia Tech and is working as a software consultant.

From sunny South Carolina, **Kay Gochenour Rudolph** writes, as always, that they are enjoying the weather and golf. Kay is still working for Coastal Carolina University teaching freshman and sophomore English classes. She took a trip to Germany and Austria in May to visit her sister **Nancy Gochenour Stiltner '66** one last time before they move back to the states. Kay's E-mail address is rudolph@coastal.edu. I'll print this even though she did not E-mail her message.

Lois Chilcoat Meszaros was to retire from the state of Maryland (she is probably already retired by the time you read this). She recently returned from a trip to Italy, plans to spend time with grandson Kevin, travel more, and continue with her private psychology practice.

From Ellicott City, Md., **Howard Mooney** tells us that he and his family are temporarily living in an apartment until their new home is built. Daughter Lauren is a law school student at Syracuse University, son Brian is completing the transition program for Howard County Schools and works at McDonald's and daughter Andrea is a

senior at Centennial High School and is applying to a variety of colleges. Wife Jane is guidance chairperson at Mt. Hebron High School and Howard is a transportation supervisor for Baltimore County Public Schools, after having worked 11 years as a school-based administrator. He is proud of his job in his military life: mobilization assistant to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Life just keeps rolling for **Doris Miller Nickoles**, who says she is spending her life chauffeuring her young children. The children keep her quite busy.

David Taylor writes from Flemington, N.J., that on December 30, 1995, he married Chrys Jochem. Chrys is a librarian who serves as the archivist at the Morristown Public Library. David hopes to publish a series of articles this spring on Dante, Milton and the contemporary religious scene.

Nelson Sheeley is a busy man these days. He's still doing opera in Ohio and Indiana and co-founded a theater in Westchester called Fleetwood Stage (they are in season four). He's doing the New York premier of a play called *Amazing Grace*. The most unusual thing he's done is spend a month in the summer of '95 as cook, music teacher and French translator for Sally Jesse Raphael and family in a chateau in the French Pyrenees. He says that she and her family are some of the nicest people you'd ever want to meet.

The news that **Trudy Jo Hahn Snader** was anticipating when she sent her postcard has already happened. Son P.H. and wife Vickie had Trudy's first grandchild in January! Youngest son Joey was to be married to Penny Worsham in April. They finally have two daughters as well as two sons. Congratulations on all the good events!

Now to wrap up this column with news from me in the cold, snowy depths of Lansing, Mich. After I wrap up this column I will be heading south to Florida for a long weekend and a trip to Disney World after 22 years. I am not yet retired, nor will I be for a few years, but the horizon keeps getting closer. The most news comes from my children. My youngest, Amy, graduated from Kalamazoo College in June. She is the only Phi Beta Kappa in the family and will leave for Morocco this June to serve two years in the Peace Corps. As I write this, Amy is spending three weeks in France visiting her host family from high school foreign exchange student days. Son Andrew and his wife Kelly are living in Maryland, while Andrew works at the Office of Management and Budget and Kelly works at the University of Maryland. They are busy moving into (and transforming) my mother's condo, which she left when she passed away in January. I spent much time in Maryland in the holidays as I deal with her illness and subsequent death. Son Ted is still in Chicago freelancing for the *Chicago Tribune*, among other things. We were proud to visit with him last October

and watch him complete the Chicago Marathon. My household is down to me, my friend Nancy, and our cat Patches. Amy is temporarily with us when she is not roaming (and/or saving) the world. My time is spent planning my investments so I can retire comfortably, as so many of my classmates have already done. Some of my time is also spent in our new condo in Venice, Fla., a pre-retirement treat.

"I'll next time, and keep enjoying the ride!"
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65 Thanks to all of you who responded to my request for news.

Darlene Stoffle
Lauterbach started her own business in Westminster about ten years ago doing income taxes. She and her husband enjoyed a wonderful 10-day vacation to the Canadian Rockies and the Calgary Stampede in the summer of 1996.

Harvey Lempert has been a real estate officer with the Maryland State Highway Administration for 27 years and is president of the chapter of his union. Besides work, Harvey keeps busy with drawing lessons, tai chi and volunteering as a reader to young children.

Nancy Whitworth McIntyre and her husband John, who is an orthopaedic surgeon in private practice in Baltimore, have four grown sons. John, the oldest, is working as an options trader in Chicago. Philip married a fellow graduate of Dennison last summer and is working in New York in film. Thomas graduated from Vanderbilt and is now in medical school at the University of Maryland. James is a sophomore at Princeton where he was a member of the national championship lacrosse team. Five members on the Princeton team have parents who are WMC graduates. Nancy has been working in admissions at the Baltimore Friends School for more than 10 years. She and John took a family trip to Chili and Argentina last spring.

Stan Makover and Judy have been married for 33 years. Stan is still teaching physical education and coaching tennis. Judy teaches third grade in New York City. They enjoy their three grandchildren. Stan directs a day camp on Long Island and has no thoughts of retiring.

Tom and Debbie Dudley
Michaels are beginning to search out retirement locations in a milder climate while on vacations. Tom and Debbie operate their own business providing business development services to companies in the medical device and pharmaceutical industries. For relaxation they sail on Long Island Sound in the summer and ski in the winter.

Joyce Russell Miller writes that life in the empty nest is wonderful. She and Jim traveled to Scotland last year to see their third daughter, Emily, who was doing a semester abroad from Clemson. Their second daughter Amanda, who graduated from Johns

Hopkins, is in California. Their oldest daughter, Kerry, is in New York where she is the coordinator of player programs for the National Football League. Joyce continues to run her own title searching company and Jim practices law.

Mary Ellen Coleman Quinby and Dennis '64 wrote that they were looking forward to a July vacation in Paris, a WMC get-together organized by Dave Sellikowski '63. They were to travel with **Barb Petschke '65** and **Stewart '64 Broadbent** and **Howard '64** and **Jane Mooney** and plan to meet **Eugene "Pebble" '64** and **Carolyn "Casey" '67 Willis** and several other WMC graduates. The Quinbys' daughter Shelly is teaching fourth grade in Baltimore County. Laurie works in auditing and enjoys the traveling that her work requires. Andrea is a sophomore at Penn State and spends the summers working in Appalachia helping volunteer groups rehabilitate houses. Dennis is teaching high school math and Mary Ellen is in the registrar's office at Towson State University.

Art Renkowitz says everything is fine with him and his family in Cambridge, Md. His wife is in her 22nd year of teaching in elementary school. Art is in his 32nd year of teaching biology and is currently finishing his master's degree at Salisbury State University. He is looking forward to attending Harvard for five weeks on a National Endowment for the Humanities stipend. Art, Jr. was married in June of 1996 and is living in Baltimore.

Colin Thacker is director of environmental health in Lake County, Ill. His daughter Margie works in Baltimore County, Md. as a sanitarian. He and Laura also have a 5-year-old daughter Jessica. They are living in Kenosha, Wis. on the shore of Lake Michigan.

Leabach Winter, her husband Barry Dorfman, Leabach's mother, and their 8-year-old pot-bellied pig, live near the beach in Morro Bay, Calif. Leabach serves on the recreation and parks commission, tutors English as a second language and volunteers at the Salvation Army. Barry is a psychiatrist at the state hospital in Atascadero.

Dr. Pamela Wolfe Roberts works for Price Waterhouse Office of Government Services as their proposal development director and also teaches technical writing part time at the University of Maryland. Her husband Jerry Powell is director of operations for a small information technology company. Pam has two children in graduate school. Nicole Robbyer, 25, will receive her M.M. in musical theatre from Boston Conservatory. Giles Robbyer, 23, is pursuing the M.A. in literary writing at New York University. Pam enjoys restoring their 1910 house in the historic district of Annapolis, Md., reading literary fiction and creative writing.

Betsy Wilson Smith teaches at the Friends School in Baltimore where she is chair of the math department. Betsy and her husband Bill have been boating on the Chesapeake Bay for the last 11 years, first with a sailboat and now with a power boat. They enjoy exploring the rivers and creeks of the northern Bay. They regularly see **Susan Fleming**

Pam Bobbett Mitchell is occupied with her thriving business, Moving On (<http://www.movingonline.com>) which provides transitional services for people who are relocating or resettling into retirement living.

Anna Mueller Womack had an empty nest but her son has returned from technical school with a J-O-B, doing what he has wanted to do for a long time — diesel mechanics. Her daughter, an auditor for the Department of the Army, was married in January of 1995. After 25 years as wife and mother, Anna has returned to the workplace as an advertising office specialist with JCPenney. Her husband passed away unexpectedly in late 1992.

Elaine Gardiner Taylor wrote from Boulder, Colo. during an April snowstorm while I was enjoying the azaleas and dogwoods in Maryland. She and John were about to leave for two weeks of hiking in Scotland and England with a Colorado mountain club. I had a brief visit from Elaine and her family last Christmas. Elaine also visited with **Barbara Graham**, who is enjoying retirement.

A last-minute note from **Art Lange** offered the following update on his activities: Art, his wife, Sharon, and their 10-year-old daughter, Katie, live on Balboa Island, Calif. which is 45 miles south of Los Angeles. Jeff graduated from Fresno State where he "majored in football." He is now selling pharmaceuticals in northern California. Their daughter, Megan, is a sophomore at the University of California at Santa Barbara. Art is still a psychologist, but is no longer in private practice. He now teaches in the executive programs at UCLA and has published his third book. He has his own business as a speaker, trainer and consultant to corporations on leadership, risk taking and innovation. For relaxation, he does a lot of saltwater fishing in Mexico and Alaska. The Langes spend their summers in the San Juan Islands in the state of Washington.

Gordon Bateman has been appointed to the newly created position of dean of admissions and enrollment management at Elizabethtown College. He will oversee the operations of the admissions and financial aid departments.

I am still manager of automated systems at Wicomico County Free Library in Salisbury, Md. My son Ben turned 30 this year, which both of us find hard to believe. I noticed that many of you have stopped mentioning the ages of your children. I think I'll follow this policy next time! My daughter Julie and I spent a delightful week driving through Virginia last fall, exploring little towns along the way. Most of my trips are related to business so this was a nice change.

You can't say we are not keeping up with the times. One third of you responded to me via E-mail. I'm always glad to hear from you, even if it's not time for a column.

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70 Well, we are in the '90s now! Please notice that when available, I have listed E-mail addresses for your alumni pals. So let's get busy burning up that Internet!

Nancy Hoskins (ncmsch@ccp.carr.lib.md.us) noticed that the number of "Class Notes" preceding ours in *The Hill* is diminishing, as the number following grows. "What an honor ..." for those alumni who hold the position on the top of page one." Hmmmm... Until then, her family is looking forward to her sister's first baby (at age 46) — Nancy's going to be the coach! She continues to enjoy her beach house in Ocean City and is adding on to her home in Westminster.

Around the corner, **John Scanan** is "enjoying" his fifth year as Assistant Principal at Westminster High with 2,200 teenagers. Son Jeff is graduating from Mary Washington College as an economics major. Daughter Holly is a freshman chemistry major at St. Mary's College. Don't think empty nest, because he and **Vivian Highton Seaman '72** just adopted their 2-year-old foster daughter, Stephanie, and welcomed their 15th foster child, Michael, who is 3 months old. Whew!

Down the road in Baltimore, **Dick Porter** reports seeing **Dave Baugh** and **Wade Kach** recently. He also sees **Jane Fieseler** often, since they both teach at Old Mill High. They're planning turn-of-the-century retirements, so forward your second career ideas. Dick celebrated 20 years as organist of West Baltimore United Methodist Church with a party and hot air balloon ride from Mt. Airy to a farm near Westminster. When not floating, he is collecting American contemporary arts and crafts.

Up north in Bel Air, **Karen Wagner Tegges** is "stimulated, challenged and too busy" as Harford County's Community Resources Coordinator. Jen, 15, and Amanda, 10, keep her and **Jerry Tegges '68** fully scheduled. She reports two annual "women only" weekends as her favorites.

Barbara Payne Shelton (fashelton@aol.com) was promoted last year from head of Early Childhood to Chair of Education at Villa Julie College. Daughter Dianne graduated from Lehigh in June 1996 and is working for Andersen consulting in Philadelphia. Wade is a sophomore at Colgate and Drew is a sophomore in high school. Husband **Gordon Shelton '68** could be sophomore, and continues to practice dentistry when he's not writing his class column.

John Mosca reports health, happiness and house construction in Pasadena AND an impending marriage to Eve, who he claims was born as we were graduating from high school. They are celebrating Mom & Dad Mosca's 50th Anniversary with a party in Las Vegas. Cosmetic dentistry continues to be lucrative, I see.

Linda Vestal Rigg (invest@aol.com) loves E-mail, so send her more! Son David, who graduated from the University of Delaware last year, can't imagine college life without computers, voice mail and microwave ovens. Can you? He's now living in Princeton and working for GE. Ashley is a freshman in high school and doing varsity cross country and track, finishing 10th in the state for the SK. **Phil Rigg** '69 continues to commute to the Va. in Washington D.C. (got it), while Linda is loving her 17-year Shalkee business and is "a thesis away from becoming a Certified Nutritional Consultant."

Ron Pettinato (neuron@aol.com) continues to enjoy his work as a special educator, which he shares in common with wife Maureen. Children Melanie, 12, and Dean, 8, are lots of fun. He remembers WMC wrestling fondly and would love to hear from any of you.

When Will "Bill" Werley returned from sailing across the North Pacific in 1985, he organized a monthly sing-along pot-luck for WMC friends, like **Sue Sen** '71. **Dave Buller**, **Eric Richter** and **Terry Nelson**. Twelve years later, they're going strong! Last year, he backpacked in Romania, once singing "with young people who knew the Everly Brothers and Nirvana, but not the Beatles." This year, it's lions and elephants in Kruger National Park, South Africa. He will try to attend the Truth and Reconciliation Hearings, as well.

Lorna Rumpf Hubbard's news comes from the *Frederick Post*, where we learn that she has been named the Certified Insurance Service Representative designation. Lorna, let's hear more!

John and Margaret Cushen (mcrader@umd5.edu) are still in Hagerstown, preparing to send son Scott to WMC next year. They are delighted, though the bank account is not. David, 15, is a sophomore at Smithsburg High and plays baritone in the school band. Both boys play soccer and both parents avidly cheer. Margaret is Assistant State Superintendent for Instruction & Staff Development at the Maryland State Department of Education. Now there's a mouthful! John is in the Maryland Job Service office in Hagerstown.

Lyne Price (lprice@fermi.walkersville.fk12.md.us) wins the longest E-mail award and the longest E-mail address award. She's in year 26 at Walkersville High and will be retiring

in June 2001. Last year she took a group of students to Paris and Nice; this year it's London for a 9-day theater trip. Her second career will be vocal. She already sings with the Fredrick Camera and ran into **Pat Collins** Begera at the Maryland Lycia Opera.

Moving farther afield (first, let's go north), **Joyce Riffe Lepore** moved to Hanover, Pa. and earned a fourth-degree black belt in Taekwon do — a master instructor at the YWCA. She is embarking on a career change, starting classes at Penn State to become a physical therapist assistant. She has two GRANDSONS (ouch), luckily they are one and six months, not 12 and 20.

My roommate, **Jane Butterbaugh Shapiro** (jshapiro@tmc-566.cheshire.com) is very much looking forward to our WMC gang descending upon her in June (there are nine of us). She'll be finishing her M.S. in organization and management in July (we'll help her study). Son Peter is a sophomore at Colby majoring in physics and spending the fall semester in Dijon, France. Son Jonathan is finishing high school and madly skateboarding about town, which is Keene, N.H., by the way. They are sharing Keene these days with **Mike '68** and **Anne Read Ward '69** and **Gary Shapiro '69**, of course.

Now, let's go south! **Tom Morgan** (tmorgan@cvs.k12.va.us) reports in from Lynchburg, Va. with multiple imaginings... like being almost 50; like being out of college more years than the number of years left until retirement; like being married 26 years (congrats!); like having a 26-year-old mind trapped in a middle-aged body (why 26?). Whew! He and Gretchen "are alive and well in the Blue Ridge mountains of Virginia looking forward to the next 30 years." By the way, he's the Director of Central Virginia Governor's School for Science and Technology. Hey, I didn't know that Central Virginia had its own Governor.

Moving on down to North Carolina, **Earl and Alice Griffin Schwartz** are in Pfafftown, where Earl is Chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Bowman Gray School of Medicine. Earl and the boys play a lot of tennis and the whole family recommends the big Island of Hawaii, especially the walk across the top of the Kilauea crater.

Vicki Zoeller Timmons's husband died in September 1996. We send her our sincere condolences. She requests that we wish her success in going back to school for a career change. Good luck!

Now we're moving on down to 'Iana — that's Atlanta to you Yankees.

Wilma VanHart Smith and Ed Smith '71 (elrsmith@msn.com) are celebrating their 25th anniversary by visiting daughter Lisa, who is in Madrid for a master's degree in Spanish through Middlebury College. She graduated from Washington & Lee in

'96, and son Jonathan will begin there in September. They hope **Lonnie Hammett '73** and **Jon '72 Frank's** son, Chas, will keep him in line — Chas is head dorm counselor. Youngest son, Rob is in the sixth grade. Wilma spends most of the summer at Tripp Island, S.C. and would love to have visitors — let's give her a real surprise this summer, shall we?

Dr. Janet Zengel Messer (zengel@neocortec.health.utl.edu) is a research biologist at the Gainesville, Fla. VA Medical Center and a faculty member in neuroscience and neurosurgery at the University of Florida. She has her own web page: <http://www.utfl.edu/People/Zengel/jezhome2.htm> — I'm impressed! They live on a farm with a horse, 17 cows, a goat and four dogs. **Janice Zengel** and **Shirley Reichenbach Zengel's** '78 kids LOVE what husband Joe calls "Janet's Zoo." Son Joby is a National Merit Scholar, majoring in computer science at the University of Florida and interning at an Energizer battery plant. Stepdadther Sherrie in Orlando blessed them with a beautiful grandson last year.

Now then. There's a big old country out there, but we're tripping out to California for the rest of the report (never mind, that was the '70s)! Let's start up north. Jan "Tom" **VanSickle** (jvansickle@aol.com) sent both a postcard and an E-mail — he had lots to tell. He's a new California resident, still acclimating to the idyllic Sonoma Valley. After finishing his master's in psychology at Harvard, he's dug into a career rigging yachts in Sausalito. Just kidding. He has to intern and then sit for a California MFCC license. Are you with me? Wife Robin is an OR nurse with a passion for gardening. Jan, too, invites visitors if you promise not to tell how you got there.

Moving on down the state to "the Valley", **Emma Moore-Kochlacs** reports in from Reseda, where she's pastor of the First United Methodist church. Daughter Caroline started high school this year and son Matthew is in seventh grade. Husband Peter is serving as interim Wesley Foundation Director at UCLA. Last year's highlight was a summer exchange as pastor for a seven-church circuit in rural East Yorkshire, England, while their minister did the same in her church. Attached vacations covered London, Paris, Ireland and Wales — "a wonderful once-in-a-lifetime experience for the whole family."

Very close to my home is **Carole Bailes Stapp** in Irvine, where she teaches deaf and hearing-impaired students. Daughter Stephanie is a sophomore at UC Santa Barbara (PARTY!!) and Kristen is a freshman in high school. She's hoping Del's job at Allergan will hold — she's totally liking our weather to the max!

Now it's my turn! I am leaving tomorrow morning (ah, deadlines...) to attend "Top of the Hill" at WMC. It is always calming and rejuvenating to return to the Hill. Then in June,

I'm off to my favorite annual WMC reunion at Janie Shapiro's home.

Tom's and my travel highlight is our March trip to the Orient to travel with daughter Kristen (23 and teaching in Japan) to Bangkok; then to Singapore via the Eastern & Orient Express; then on to Hong Kong. Fabulous!

My days continue to be full and joyful. Tom is General Counsel of Experian (the new TRW credit business) and son John is 8 and very cute. I still serve as fund development chair on the board of Habitat for Humanity of Orange County. I am also enjoying my role as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), now for a 17-year old girl. This year, I'm chair of the Coto Candlelight Series, a three-concert fund-raiser for the local Philharmonic Society and next year will be president of the Coto Women's Club. We are having some fun now! Keep in touch in any of four ways:

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74 I hope you are all enjoying a happy and healthy 1997. I loved hearing from you so many of you over the Holidays! Thank you for all of your kind notes.

I am happy to say that every other month I have the privilege of getting together with **Karen Birkmaier Ermer** and **Susan Ward Jones**. It is a treat to catch up with them and their families. Karen and David Ermer's daughter, Elsa, is a freshman at F&M College in Lancaster, Pa. Kyle, who is in 11th grade, continues his bass playing and is now in the Gettysburg Symphony Orchestra. (David claims that musical talent is apparently not inherited!) Kurt, fourth grade, who is involved in Rec Council sports and Cub Scouts, keeps Karen and David young! Karen works for St. Thomas Episcopal Church keeping three priests straight. David works for Johns Hopkins-APL as the manager of environmental/health/safety program office. David also teaches an environment course at UMBC. He relaxes by refereeing USFV soccer matches!

Susan Ward and Fred Jones are still enjoying living in the Cedarscroft area of Baltimore. Susan is currently working for DP/Associates, a small data processing firm in Towson. Fred is a banker. Susan and Fred enjoy vacationing in the Caribbean most summers. Their latest trip was to the Cayman Islands in September 1996.

Dennis Kirkwood is halfway through his doctoral program at the University of Maryland in education administration. He still directs the environmental education program for Harford County Public Schools and

manages the family farm. His daughters are in middle school and are active in many extras, keeping mom and dad busy, but proud. His family will be leading a nature tour to Belize, Central America this summer. He claims that they still have room for rain forest explorers if any of you are interested.

Randy Doye is still with EDS Corp. as the East Coast Director of Public Relations. His wife, Nan, teaches in Anne Arundel County. Randy will be working on a distance learning project in April from Yellowstone and Iceland.

Larry "Cheese" Bocchese and his wife, Dey, are enjoying their new home in Vineland, N.J., with their kids, Steven, 7, and Matthew, 4. Larry is still teaching science at Vineland High School and loving it!

Scott Krieger is still senior vice president with Mercantile entering his 19th year. His wife, Becky, is still working part time as a nursing instructor at Essex Community College and as a clinical nurse at Franklin Square Hospital. Their daughter, Kelly, 16, is a high school varsity athlete, playing soccer and softball. She also acted in a play and is a straight-A student. Jonathan, 14, plays lacrosse, baseball and lives on his skateboard! He was a consistent honor student last year. The Kriegers enjoyed a two-week trip from San Diego to San Francisco last year.

Jeanie Scott Holloway started working for Maryland Rural Water Association, Inc. as the program manager and CEO. MRWA is a non-profit membership group which provides technical assistance and training to small, rural water and wastewater systems serving less than 10,000 in population. Jean had been the town manager of Berlin, Md. for the last five years, but was caught in the usual hazard of that occupation — a change in the elected body! Earl and Jeanie's son, Scott, is a senior at Snow Hill High School. He was inducted into the National Honor Society last year and lives for his car (a '68 Mustang he bought himself), baseball, and his girlfriend, probably in that order! Their daughter, Kelley, is a sophomore who is on the Honor Roll and still enjoys dancing (which started when she was 3). Earl has been with Central Implement Co., Inc. for over 10 years and continues to help his father at the farm. Jeanie was on a business trip in Southern Maryland in September and got together with **Pat Nadone** and **Osborne** and her two youngest kids, Robert and Maggie. Pat's oldest, David, is a freshman at UVA, and her second, Cheryl, is a high school junior this year. Pat lives in Hollywood, Md. and works for St. Mary's County Social Services.

Nellie Arrington has expanded her real estate sales business with assistants at Long & Foster-Columbia. Her husband, Bob, is vice president of operations at Tel-Span in Landover, but is still consulting on the side. Their daughter, Elyse, started middle school this year and is in gifted and talented everything, including math. Their other daughter, Meredith, is also a math whiz! They are both active in 4-H, choir and music.

Linda Wootten Hutchinson sold their family business last year, so she is "retired" and enjoying the free time! Erin and Kyle are both in high school. Linda and Erin are beginning to look at colleges. So far Erin loves Western Maryland!

Kathy Rigger Angstadt says that life is pretty much the same. Her son is her basketball star, while her daughter, Amanda, has taken up ice skating. Kathy has increased her involvement in the advertising end of the business, which she really enjoys. She says that occasional biking or camping are free-time fantasies! When she wrote in November, she was about to leave for a trip to DisneyWorld with her two kids.

After living in New York from 1991-95 (pursuing his doctorate in cinema studies at NYU), **Gary** has returned to Maryland. He is working on his dissertation, which he says will probably take up the next 4-5 years! His regular job is at Towson State University in the Office of Admissions. He also is an adjunct professor at TSU in film history in the department of mass communications.

"Drama" Don Eham is the general manager at War Memorial Theatre, a 2,000 seat, historic rental house in Trenton, N.J. His wife, Linda Kinsey, is product manager for Michael Graves Architect in Princeton, N.J. His stepson, Michael, is 28 and a drummer in a rock band.

Glen Fells said that things are great in Florida! He is still working for a hospital chain, managing their patient care computer system. His wife, Missy, just completed her master's degree in counseling. Brian, 9, had just finished basketball season and Julie, 11, just finished softball (in November when Glenn wrote). Glenn is playing golf (6 handicap) and tennis when he can find the time.

Dottie Hitchcock Keene has had lots of changes over the last year. She now has a contract with Fidelity Investments (designing a financial warehouse) which requires her full-time, on-site, attention. Dottie and her husband are doing a role reversal — he does the kids. Dottie is now a chauffeur's mom! She claims old age and senility are sure to follow!

Bruce MED'79 and Jackie

Deakne Cowan are enjoying the busy lives of parents with teens. Their son, Brett, is a senior at Francis Scott Key, where he sees a lot of WMC alumni — **George Phillips** is the principal, **Mike Coons '73** is his football coach. Brett has also had other WMC alumni teachers! Jackie, Bruce and Brett enjoyed the great college search this past fall. The applications were in as of the end of November and the scholarship materials were being filled out. Their daughter, Jameson, is an eighth-grader at West Middle (where Jackie is a guidance counselor) and plays on **Joe Carter's '73** basketball team.

It seems that Jameson Cowan and Meredith Carter (also an eighth-grader) are good friends according to mom, **Mary Connor Carter**. Mary is in her fourth year and is department chair in guidance at Francis Scott Key High. She claims to try to drive principal **George Phillips** crazy as much as possible. Besides **Mike Coons '73**, **Doug Yust '73** and **Charlie Frederick '72** also work with Mary. Hubby **Joe '73** is still a professor in marketing at WMC. He is teaching two classes and running their Business Internship Program. He is still consulting on the side. Kate is a junior at West Virginia Wesleyan College and Erin is a junior at Francis Scott Key. Joe and Mary will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in March 1997.

I heard from **Wayne and Nancy Fishpugh Cassell** at Christmas. Nancy was given a 10-week extended paid leave from work in 1996 (for all her hectic travel in 1994 and 1995), and the Cassells took advantage of it by spending several weeks in Australia and New Zealand in the spring. Wayne keeps busy with taking computer classes to learn CAD and 3D graphics, playing new war games on his computer, and working on the graphics portion of a CBT for work. Nancy keeps busy with work (although she is very glad not to be traveling this year), catching up on lots of reading, and putting together her album of their project. Nancy is still with AMS, working on a project in Denver for the U.S. Department of Interior.

Paul '51 and Bernice Talbott Beard are well and continue to enjoy traveling in their motorhome. They have made 12 major trips in it, including one to Alaska. While Paul's been putting the Beard genealogy into his computer and spending days at various research locations, Bernice has been writing and publishing her first book, *At Your Own Pace: Traveling Your Way in Your Motorhome*. It was due off the press in early February 1997, and is a nonfiction, 272-page, trade soft cover edition that shows motorhome from the wheels up. It is written in narrative style, and takes the reader along on a journey that Paul and Bernice made from Maryland to Arizona in their motorhome. Its aim is to help the uninitiated become familiar with this type of recreational travel. Bernice says that throughout writing and publishing, she has been grateful for her past WMC professors as well as the willingness of former colleagues to answer questions and to read the initial drafts. Good luck to you, Bernice.

I heard from **Bill Corley** at Christmas. He is enjoying living in Jacksonville, Fla., 300 feet from the ocean.

Jody Barker Gillespie was promoted in 1996 to vice president at Boston Financial, where she is heading a department which manages \$500 billion of real estate. She said it's challenging and fun. Jody also purchased Hershey, a 9-year-old thoroughbred, who is great fun to ride. They've done jumps almost 3 feet tall.

Marla Weinstein Bowman is still in North Carolina. She survived the Hurricane. Marla and Randy vacationed in Colorado and Utah in 1996. They camped in the back country of Dinosaur National Monument. Marla wishes now that she had become a paleontologist. She is hoping to relocate to the Southwest within a couple years.

I received a long newsletter from **Don and Carol Enos '73 DuLaney**. It seems that their three boys — Denny, 15, Pat, 11, and Kevin, 11, keep them very busy with their sports! Denny and Pat were both selected first team All-American in the Pop Warner Football Little Scholars program. Over 3000 football players and cheerleaders applied throughout the U.S. and only 35 kids per grade level were chosen to the first team! Thirteen kids received a scholarship grant from the Touchdown Club of America and Denny was one of the lucky ones as he was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to college. Don also wrote that he recently realized that he has awakened in the same house, next to the same woman, driven the same car (1978 Alfa Romeo Spider convertible), to the same job (actuary for the Wyatt Company) for 17 years!

Anne Stubblefield Dill writes that all is well in her life. Her accounting practice is growing, as are her kids. Her husband, Harry, has started his own business, so they are busy, busy, busy!

Joe and Sharon Spainhour Boeker have a son and their youngest, Becky, is in first grade. They stay busy with the "taxi" for sports and food shopping to feed all the crew! Joe teaches at Liberty Christian and Sharon "subs" at two different schools.

Things are pretty much the same for me. My sad news is that I lost my wonderful Dad in January. We miss him so much, as a father and grandfather and friend. I still have the best job around (!!) — visiting schools and teaching teachers and administrators how to use their Bell Atlantic Distance Learning classroom. I am so fortunate to work with such great people and for such a wonderful boss. Drew seems to be enjoying first grade and loving life. He's a neat little person and I truly enjoy his company.

Take care everyone. Please feel free to drop me a note anytime. I love hearing from each and everyone of you. Kathy Blazek Wright 30 Aintree Road Towson, MD 21286

75 Well, I didn't think I'd make deadline this year, but you guys came through again. Thanks so much for responding so fast.

Jane Massey Licata (jmlcata@aol.com) announced the birth of Christopher Massey Licata, April 12, 1996. Jane went into labor during a trial and admits that it was somewhat exciting and scary but all

turned out well, despite Christopher's "trials and tribulations" in being born. He's adored by his brother Joseph, 11, and sisters, Katie, 9, and Rachel, 6.

Sherri Sheckler '78 and Felix Lieffi (lieffi@houstontelnet.com) still live in Houston and are doing fine. Their boys Nick, 11, and Matt, 7, are busy going to school and playing soccer. Nick's team made it to the state quarterfinals. Sherri is still with Bank One and Felix is manager of Computer Operations and Data Networks for Houston Cellular.

Jay Markanich announced that a couple of miracles have fallen their way and they adopted a baby girl, who looks just like Wanda and even has the same blood type. He's put off retirement for a while and his book is in its second edition. It was selected by the largest home inspection association in the United States as its training manual for new home inspections.

Curt Mattingly (curtmat@att.net) retired from the Army in October 1996 and is now working for Kinetics Technologies, Inc., an information technology firm in northern Virginia. Greg is 14 and starts high school in September. Megan is 10, enjoys school, and girl scouts. **Nancy Dean '77** is staying active doing volunteer work.

Mark H. "Pearl" Metzger's wife, Janine, is expecting their second child in August. Johanna Chardonay is now 3 and is daddy's little angel. Their restaurant, The Tabernacle Inn, is doing great. Mark reports that he sees **John Tuthill** all the time and that he, his wife, Beth, and their wonderful children are great. He also says that **Bob Howd** and his family are moving to Denver.

On March 27, 1997, the *Carroll County Times* printed a nice long article on **E. Suzan VanLaningham Miller**, who has been named one of the top 100 women in Maryland for 1996 by another newspaper, *The Daily Record*. Suzan was recognized for her extensive work in the community and for her leadership skills. A lawyer in Westminster, Suzan also sits on the boards of at least six community and legal groups and is a member of many more.

Despite receiving a mangled postcard, **LT. Col. Bruce Moler** (moler_bruce@dsd.com) responded that he's still employed by the Army. He changed jobs last year and is currently teaching Department of Defense Acquisition Management at the Defense Systems Management College in Fort Belvoir, Va. He never thought he'd be a "professor" of anything, but his title is Professor of Systems Acquisition Management. His son, Chris, becomes a college freshman at Virginia Tech in the fall and plans to pursue engineering or computer science. Bruce also claims that Donna is having a tough time letting

the first "bird leave the nest." Their daughter, Emily, is a high school sophomore and "terrorizing the neighborhood streets" with her new driver's license. She also is terrorizing the competition with her bat and glove, playing fast pitch softball for the varsity high school squad. [A few months ago, Bruce and I flew into Dulles on the same flight. After more than 20 years, he recognized me from behind! The surrounding passengers got a kick out of our mini-reunion—it was the only good thing about the flight.]

Julia Kunkel Morrison (john.morrison@csu.edu) reports that all is fine in Cary, N.C., although Hurricane Fran was not much fun. They were lucky that despite Mother Nature's cruelty, had no major damage. Julia keeps busy raising two children, Kaitlin, 10, and Sean, 8, and running them to scouts, piano and guitar. Julia works in the school's media center one day a week and runs the accelerated reading program. She also continues to do a few design jobs but has been trying to retire because her husband, John, is sometimes away month or two at a time working on oceanographic research vessels. John is a professor at North Carolina State University. Julia takes classes at the art museum and plans to become a docent there. She's glad to report that although it's hard being back at school and taking tests, her brain still works.

Roberta Tal Morton is still teaching preschool part-time and now teaches at her daughters' school too. They have started the "college search" for Deborah and run Tim, 13, to piano and guitar lessons, as well as to baseball games and choir. Rebecca, 9, keeps busy with school, church choir and piano lessons.

Stephen Mosberg (cavers@citynet.net) claims that he still refuses to grow up; is still cavorting, was awaiting the birth of kittens from Mayhem, their new Himalayan cat; and that the house rebuilding had almost gotten through the treacherous kitchen destruction/reconstruction phase. Steve also just learned that his niece, Stephanie Mosberg, applied to WMC and so the "Mosberg generation" continues as "Mosberg generation goes into life & death on the Hill!"

Ann Ravender Pileshak was sorry to miss our 20th reunion, but it came at the time their son, Christopher was born. Elizabeth, 3, loves nursery school. Ann continues to practice law full-time at Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth and specializes in communications matters. She, Glenn, and the children are looking forward to their vacations in Hilton Head and Door County, Wis. this year.

Robert Ramsdell (ramsdell@toto.net) retired from the Army in July 1996 after 21 years. He began law school at the University of Kansas in May and plans to clerk for a Kansas District Judge over the summer.

Leslie Williams '78 continues to home-school Erin, 13, and Stephen, 11; next year they begin high school subjects.

Mary Lou Schanze Reed was promoted to Credit Manager of Alliant Foodservice. Her oldest son, Erik, 19, got married last summer and her first grandchild, Garrett Christopher, was born in November. Tim, 15, started high school and Wesley, 12, started middle school.

Jack (jtracel04@aol.com) and **Jan Thompson '77 Tracey** and family are doing well on the Isle of Palms in South Carolina. Jack's advertising company continues to pay the bills, with lots of help from Jan. Their son, Jason, completed his first year at Duke University this year and is doing great. Their daughter, Jessica, has one more year of high school left and Jack writes that she is a terrific student and is being recruited by several schools for volleyball. Jan and Jack retired from coaching youth sports a few years ago, but miss it. The Traceys also get to see **Steve and Gretchen Godsey '77 Brownley** and their terrific family each summer. Last year they had a much needed visit from **Bruce Moler**.

Tom Trezise (thomas.trezise@usf.com) (trezise2@aol.com) reports that life in their household continues at a hectic pace. He is finishing up his fifth year at USF&G as Vice President of Claim Technical Services. He and **Kathy Hamilton '76** are active in their choir at Timonium United Methodist Church and try to keep track of all the activities of their 14-year-old son, Greg, and 10-year-old daughter, Meredith. He was looking forward to his annual golf trip to Myrtle Beach with **Larry Schmidt, Mark Higdon, John Barnes '77, Randy Dove '74, Chet Walker '74, Don Dulany '74, Steve Vaughan '76, Dave Stout '76, John "Chip" Graber '73, Vinnie Javier** (married to **Lynne Hulse Javier '74**), and **Mike Cameron** (married to **Debbie Lanus Cameron**).

John van der Jagt (j.van-der-jagt@worldnet.att.net) was planning to finish up his dissertation for a Ph.D. in special education. LD. He vowed to definitely be done by July. He is flying to New York and places yet to be determined for job interviews.

Pat and I are working towards making a major life change. Expect the next column to be from a new address with a Florida zip code. Until then, please keep the news coming in.

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79 I always enjoy hearing the news you all care to share with us.

Dr. Kathleen Shaver Arnos who has been at Gallaudet University as a staff person and genetic researcher and counselor, was appointed to the faculty there. She published a guest editorial in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Bob and Mary Thomas LeSueur have three kids in three different schools! Mary spends her whole day driving the kids around. Bob can't find enough time for golf, but the kids are involved in soccer, basketball and indoor lacrosse.

Mike and Missy Bain Lewis spend "free" time taking the children, Jessica and Billy, to and from ball games and practices. They play soccer and baseball. **Sharon Lotz** is very active in the local teacher's association in Chandler, Ariz. She is a librarian in an elementary school and enjoys camping and traveling in the U.S. and Canada with son Mike, 11.

Ruth Seaman MacDonald is spending three months at the NIH in Bethesda on a research leave from her faculty position. She will be doing molecular biology research. She and husband Mike have two boys, Neal and Scott. Ruth teaches soccer and played in a women's league—the won second place in a summer tournament.

Sue Sullivan Matthews and Randy '77 are busy with Jamie and Josh. The boys are involved in all kinds of sports and piano and guitar lessons. She works for the University of Maryland Medical System in Baltimore and at Carroll County General Hospital part time.

Jim McWilliams still works for the Navy as a civilian computer specialist and enjoys boating and music in his leisure time. Jim, **Kerry Wright '80** and **Milton Ensor '81** visited **Bob "Bo" McWilliams** in Phoenix in May 1996.

Christopher Parr and **Diana**, and daughter **Alyssa** returned to Columbia, Md. after four years in Silicon Valley, Calif. Chris is building sweat equity in a fee-only financial planning and money management firm in Bethesda, Md. where he conservatively manages \$15 million in assets. He recently produced a cassette entitled *The Internet: Hope or Reality?*, an introduction to the online world from a business perspective. Chris still finds time to play ice hockey weekly.

Carol Littmann and Steve Pfister '78 have moved again after 12 months in Kentucky. They have relocated to New Hampshire. The kids can't wait for snow and skiing! Carol remains at home doing lots of taxiing, but would like to find time for crafts and outdoor activities once the family is settled.

Amy Weiner Iverson moved to southern New Jersey in July 1996. She and Ken Iverson were remarried on December 1, 1996. Amy is busy with her sons, Joey and Jacob, and looking for a new job.

Keith and Robin Lee '80 Lawson have two boys, 9 and 5. Keith has been with the Investment Company Institute for 10 years. They traveled to Nantucket, Palm Desert, Calif. and Disney World in 1996. They attended **Wayne Birely's** induction to the WMC Sports Hall of Fame in November and saw many familiar faces from WMC.

Karen Laue and **Ken McGhee** were married on April 20, 1996. They went to Key West for their honeymoon and have returned to live in Karen's house in Germantown. Karen says they enjoy traveling to Baugh's to have their wonderful Sunday breakfasts.

Rick Powell and family have moved back to the East Coast to live in Catonsville, where he is the pastor at Christian Temple on Edmondson Avenue.

Chris Queen and Michelle Porter '80 are the proud parents of Michael William Anthony who arrived from Korea on June 20, 1996 at BWI airport. Family life is a real joy.

Sabrina Raccuglia is student teaching in elementary education for the spring semester. She is still working for USAir and enjoying the traveling benefits. She has gotten a real motorboat for crabbing in the Bay.

Cheryl Collins Reinecker wants us all to remember that 1997 is a banner year — many of us will turn 40! Cheryl and Dave '77 will also be married 20 years. They keep busy with their teenage sons who are active in school athletics, music, 4-H and church. Cheryl teaches at the high school level and Dave farms and runs the equipment business.

Debbie Lazare and John "Chip" Roberts '78 are back in Maryland living in St. Mary's County. Chip is with 84 Lumber and Debbie is teaching special education to high school students who are mentally challenged.

Susan Fairchild and Tony Sager '77 and family spent the Christmas holiday in New Mexico visiting friends. Sue is teaching on a three-day schedule, but all three kids are now in school full time. She had a GREAT time on Panama blue tandem bicycles traveling across Maryland on the CAM tour.

Maryann Rostami Sallami was admitted to medical school. For years she had worked as a counselor with deaf adults in Iran and Canada.

Patricia Noonan and Darren Tressler were married on June 19, 1996. They have two wonderful little girls, April and Aspen. Patricia has been working for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for 16 years. Darren works for Bredan Mechanical, Inc. in Fairfax, Va.

Any K. Turner is at the Legal Aid Society representing poor people in civil cases. She has become the regional expert on welfare reform and spends a good deal of time doing community education. She and Jim moved into their first house last September. It is about 100 years old with original stained glass and high ceilings. They face urban problems, but love the house.

Myra Birchard Wagner now has a puppy in her family. She teaches in Baltimore City schools with language impaired pre-schoolers. She's done three demonstration lessons for new teachers in the last year. She loves her classes.

Janis Weimar Wheat and her husband, George, are both Lieutenant Colonels in the U.S. Army stationed at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida at the United States Central Command. Daughters Laura and Amanda love visiting Disney World. Janis spent 95 days in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from June to September 1996. She will take command of a Military Intelligence Battalion in June 1997.

Barry Whiteley took a three-week vacation in Europe this past summer, visiting Greece, Turkey and Italy. He is currently serving as president-elect of a user group for a healthcare software vendor. He is also a consultant to the Daughters of Charity.

Patricia Koval Whittle has been promoted to mother of two sons, with Simon's birth on August 4, 1996. Her computer career is on hold while she stays home full time.

We are all in the Chapman family. The children continue to become involved in more and more activities, which means mom and dad become involved in MORE and MORE activities, too! We are enjoying watching them grow up.

Write anyone you have news. I always love hearing from you.
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80 It's hard to believe that another year has passed and it's time for our annual letter to *The Hill*. One new thing this year is that a lot of us have E-mail addresses which are included in this letter and give us a great way to keep in touch with old friends. On occasion I had a little difficulty deciphering the handwritten E-mail addresses on your postcards and, of course, accuracy counts here. So, although I've tried to be as precise as possible, I'll ask you to let me know about any errors so that I can correct them in a future letter. By the way, a couple of people commented that they got my postcards not long after seeing a Class of '80 letter in *The Hill* and were afraid their news had been missed; there's always lag time between the postcards and the publication and I think we're getting everything in.

Mitchell Alexander (alexanderwmc.com.md.us) writes that little has changed for him in his job in college activities at WMC. However his wife, **Mildred Artis '81** is enjoying a new job with the passport office in Washington D.C. Son Blake, now 6, was ambivalent about kindergarten. We'll see about first grade.

Tom Armbruster completed the Air Force Arctic survival course off the Northern coast of Greenland and in August is taking his family on a more difficult two-year survival assignment to Moscow, Russia where Tom will be a science officer. **Kathy Chandler '78** has been working at the Gaithersburg library but is now packing again! Daughter Kalia, 11, dreams of being an actress and attending WMC, while son Bryan dreams of what all 15-year-old boys dream of. . .

Steve Bainbridge writes that after teaching for eight years at the University of Illinois, he recently became a professor at the UCLA School of Law where he is teaching corporate law. Steve lives in Westwood with his wife Helen and golden retriever, Sam.

Cindy Wolfe Behm writes that she and her family are now living right outside Westminster and love their new home. Son David will soon be a teenager, while Bryan, 11, fits under Cindy's chin, and Gary, 9, is in the third grade.

Jane Bielefield (jane.blldblake.snet) writes that it has been a hectic year. Her stepdaughter was married and now Jane has her first grandson; and his mom will be visiting Jane this summer. Jane and her husband Rick have separated, but she writes that they are getting along very well living 1,500 miles apart.

Lisa Finch Boyd (lboyd@pop.naid.nih.gov) and her husband adopted a little girl, Valerie Jean, who was born on March 13 and came home on April 7. Lisa has taken a leave from work to spend some time at home with her new daughter and plans to do some traveling this summer to introduce the baby to the rest of the family. Lisa is eagerly anticipating the multitude of long awaited changes that Valerie will bring to her life.

Lynn Knouse Brinker (105133.3506) is the program manager at a foster care agency in Washington D.C. where she has worked for the past 14 years. Married for 12 years, Lynn and her husband have two sons, Christopher, 6, and Kevin, 4.

Neal Copenhaver writes that after working as a cost pricing analyst and then project controls engineer for Foster Wheeler Environmental in Boston, Mass. he recently took a new job. His current position is as finance and contracts administrator for SSG Inc. in Waltham, Mass.

Scott Dahne (sdahne@aol.com) has his own management consulting company and teaches undergraduate and graduate classes in business information technology. He writes that he actually gives him time to spend with his family as well as time to work on improving his golf game.

Lisa Sprankle Donohoe was recently appointed to the Township Planning Commission where she will be able to put her master's degree in community planning to practical use. She and her husband are celebrating their 10th anniversary and enjoying their daughter, Erin, 7.

Stephen Evans writes that he has remarried; he and Karen Evans, a high school Spanish teacher, tied the knot in April of 1995. Stephen says that one of Karen's co-workers is his old classmate **Rick Fulton**. Stephen will see a number of WMCers, including **Dave Grossman**, **Jeff Wahlbrink**, **Rick Fulton**, **Bill Iles '82**, and **Jack Maxwell**, at the 10th annual Phi Delta mini-reunion at Mike D'Andrea's.

Rick and Kathy Smith Gambino had a new addition to their family last summer — a boat! Their first weekend "cruise" to the Hamptons had to be cut short due to the threat of a hurricane, but that has not dampened their enthusiasm; Rick and daughter Laura, 4, have been waiting all winter for flounder season. Rick's dental practice

continues to go well. Kathy is substitute teaching and nursing on Rick's day off as well as being Cub Scout den leader, class mom and soccer mom for Christopher, 8.

Gail Spunt Garner (ggarner@erols.com) continues to work at Beth Tlith School in Baltimore where she teaches Lower School science and sign language, directs singing choir, advises the Lower School Student Council, tutors students and is in the process of setting up a new greenhouse. Gail is also involved in JASON project at school and is doing consulting work for National Geographic, writing GeoKits. Children Richard, 8, and Elizabeth, 5, were looking forward to June birthdays, Little League and soccer camp.

Jon Hackbarth continues to work at Villa Maria, a facility in Timonium, Md. which treats children with severe emotional problems. Currently Jon is the associate administrator there. Jon and his dog live in Woodlawn, but are looking to move to Harford County. When he wrote, Jon was anticipating a trip to Utah where he planned to camp out and look for cougars!

Cathy Lewis Hallam continues to work for the First National Bank of Maryland where she now manages the benefits department for the bank. She and her husband Bill moved to Ellicott City in May of 1996 and when they are home they have been working on "fixing up" the house. During the past year they have traveled to St. Bart, as well as going skiing in Sun Valley, Idaho and Summit County, Colo.

William Hamilton continues to work as a systems analyst/programmer for the Traveler's group in Hartford, Conn. where he makes use of his MBA. Bill has been married to his wonderful wife Sue for 11 years and they have two delightful daughters, Joanna, 7, and Lydia, 5. He and his family are very active in their local church fellowship which includes an active prison ministry and outreach to children and the elderly. His faith remains the focal point in his life and he writes that he feels extremely blessed.

Dennis Hanratty wrote that he was in the process of preparing for a move to England where he will be spending the next three years with the Department of Defense, serving as a liaison officer to the British Security Community. He and his wife, **Laura Angel '81**, and daughters, Erin, 6, and Claire, 3, are excited about the move and will be living in Gloucestershire, 95 miles west of London.

Linda Hart (lahart@ica.com) says her life bumps along! She recently began a job as senior minister at the UBU Church in Spokane, Wash. Linda loves her work and is enjoying the Northwest. She writes that she does not get much opportunity to do her favorite Cajun and Zydeco dance but that she still finds time to contradictance and call.

Bob Holcombe left NASA in January of 1997 due to a threatened reduction in force (RIF). He had been there for six years. Subsequently, Bob has transferred to the Department of Justice in Washington D.C. His wife Laurie and daughters Janis and Amy are doing well; the girls are enjoying playing softball.

Nancy Bowers and Dennis Hoy have had an eventful year. In April of 1996, Dennis took a job with Bassett Furniture Industries in Bassett, Va. where he is the general manager for Impact Furniture, a Bassett subsidiary. The Hoy's moved to Martinsville, Va. and Nancy "retired" after 17 years at First National Bank. She is considering some job possibilities including teaching Spanish in the public school system (which would mean a return to college for a teaching certificate) and underwriting mortgages for a small community bank. However she sounds a little reluctant to give up the luxury of her wonderful free time. The family seems to be thoroughly enjoying the slower pace of life in a small town although Nancy says it's strange to be identified by the locals as "not from around here, are you?" because of their accents!

As a freelance writer, **Nancy Mene-fec Jackson** (nancymj@aol.com) has been working for the *Baltimore Sun's* special sections as both a writer and a proofreader. She has also been working with the Johns Hopkins Office of Consumer Health Information on an exciting project where she interviews top experts on medical breakthroughs and then puts their information into a format which is downloaded as a screensaver to 1.7 million subscribers. Nancy also volunteers with the Campaign for Human Development, a group which awards grants to self-help groups. Thanks to modems and the Internet Nancy says she can do it all from home which allows her to manage school snow days and vacations for daughters, Lizzy, 9, and Maddy, 6.

Ron Jones says his only news is a new address in Gaithersburg, Md.

Sue Fowler Katz (MOMNEY@aol.com) and her family have been living on the prairie, 60 miles west of Chicago, for a year-and-a-half now, a situation which gives them all of the benefits of small town living while still being close enough for frequent trips to the big city. Sue's husband, LeRoy, works for Nestle as the regional trans-

portation manager. Son Alan is in the fifth grade. Sue writes that this is their second year of home schooling and that Alan stays quite busy with studies, football, karate, and the church youth group.

Heather Burnett Knutsen writes that she is busy with her children Kristopher and Katarina, who are in the first and second grades. Heather volunteers at their school and is involved with their sporting and scouting activities. The family enjoyed a recent trip to DisneyWorld for the 25th anniversary. And they are looking forward to summer, both for those long afternoons by the pool and because they intend to watch some of the Raven's summer training camp at WMC. Plus, Heather says, any trip to Westminster means a stop at Hoffman's Ice Cream!

Dodie Lazzati is the public relations/development officer for United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore and is involved with coordinating many volunteer projects there.

Kari Olsson Mewbourne (kari@whidbey.net), her husband Dee and their children Hunter, 10, Meredith, 8, and Connor, 3, are living in Widby Island in Washington. After some adjustment they're enjoying the Pacific Northwest where they spend lots of time walking the beaches and biking in the hills. Dee, who has been the Executive Officer of the last A-6 squadron in the Pacific Fleet of the U.S. Navy, was deployed for six months during 1996. But Kari writes that the time passed quickly. She is busy volunteering, working at her children's schools and taking her older two children to their soccer games.

Fred Smyth, his wife Kathy and their daughter Jesse, almost 2, will soon be relocating from Kayenta, Ariz. Fred, who has been a full-time dad, will be pursuing further graduate studies. Kathy, a physician, is hoping to find a part-time position which will allow her more time with Jesse.

Thanks for all of the news!
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85 Janine Meckler Framm writes that 1996 was very eventful. She continues with the Public Defender's office in Baltimore City but is now in the felony drug unit. She is happy to announce that on Nov. 2, 1996 she married David Framm in after a two-year courtship. **Lauren Ruberg Silva** was a matron of honor in Florida at **Ross Brightman** came in from Florida to attend. Janine writes that she and David are now experiencing the thrill of three dogs and two cats under one roof!

Jen MacLean also writes with life-changing news. On April 5, 1997 she married Tano Arobbanca. Many of us got to meet the lucky guy at our 10th reunion. Jen and Tano are living in the home they bought in Rodgers Forge

with their dog and kitten. Jen teaches at Pikesville High School and coaches field hockey, track, and lacrosse.

Laurie Peskin Marchini and her husband, Mike, had a new baby. Joshua Michael was born in March 1996. The entire family moved to Cumberland the following September. Mike took a job with Beall Gaine, Screen and Gear. Laurie keeps in touch with **Carrie Miller Parker**, **Sue Cooke Meurer**, and **Gretchen Fesche Walter**.

Gretchen Onnen Milching has been busy. Baby number three arrived in October 1996, David Ferdinand. Their two girls love their new baby brother. Gretchen continues to teach second grade at Sandymount in Finksburg.

Carole Templeton Wolcott is into her fifth year back at WMC. Carole coaches volleyball and softball and teaches a variety of PE classes. Life as a coach is demanding and rewarding, never a dull moment. She invites classmates to look her up when they come to the Hill.

In May, **Louise Nemshick Montoya** and her family moved to Philadelphia, Pa. They are happy to be back on the East Coast. Her husband Chris graduates from the University of Nebraska Law School in May and will be practicing in Philadelphia after he takes the bar exam. Louise will be working for the Children's Seashore House, a rehabilitation hospital for kids, as a program administrator of the deafness and family communications center. Their children continue to be a great source of joy and fun. Christopher, 5, will start kindergarten and Dominique, 3, will start preschool. Their grandson Anthony is now 2.

Kristen Nystrom Snyder has a busy business. The Elegant Touch, is doing very well. Her first CD with "Innisfree" was released at the end of April. She performs regularly at Gratin's in York and will be performing at Borders in April and June. In October she will perform with "Generations" in Albuquerque, N.M. Kristin and her husband Brandt saw **Randy and Kristin Freed Bennett** over the holidays. They drove to South Dakota last October for the remarriage of **Leslie Cavill '86** to Capt. Matt Burns.

Kathy Marvel Paranzino has been busy this year. On January 18th she married **Tom Paranzino '82**. They had many WMC alumni guests including **Tom Knierim '82**, **Anne McDonough Lepczyk '84**, **Tricia Troy Cammerzell '84**, **Missy Mules Herbert '84**, **Missy Wagner Keyser '84**, and **Frances Fato '89** and **Jim '91 Cardea**. Kathy has shifted her work to the client side with Zeneca Pharmaceuticals in Wilmington, Del.

Carrie Miller Parker changed jobs this year and now works for Marriott International in marketing. Their little girl, Kamber, 2, keeps them very busy. Carrie writes that she misses **Laurie Peskin Marchini** who recently moved from Westminster to Cumberland.

Lee Ann Ware Peck and husband **George '86** are very happy now that George is working closer to home at

Taneytown Bank. This leaves more family time for mom, dad, Lauren, 5, and Kevin, 2. Lauren enjoys ballet and gymnastics and is looking forward to kindergarten in the fall. Lee Ann enjoys teaching English and Yearbook at Westminster High School. For the past two years she has presented workshops in New York City at the Columbia Press Association Convention. She has also served on the Board of Judges at Columbia to evaluate and critique yearbooks across the U.S.

In July 1996, **Tom Quirk** moved to Boston. This summer he married **Trish Bohn**, a public relations executive. Tom teaches special education students at Lexington High School in Lexington, Mass. Tom writes that "things are great!"

Gail A. Raney continues teaching deaf high school students in Worcester, Mass. She just finished a three-year term on the local school committee. She enjoys the challenge of keeping ahead of her students' eagerness to learn. Gail and her husband, also a teacher, love to work on stained glass projects and travel. They have an extensive driving trip to and around Alaska planned for this summer.

Jeffrey and Valerie Wieder Rickett are in the process of moving back to Maryland. Jeff graduated in May from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis with a master's of divinity. Back in Maryland, Jeff will serve as pastor of a small group discipleship at Chelapeake Presbyterian Church in Elicott City. Val plans to retire from teaching and looks forward to her free time and helping Jeff with his ministry. They invite all who are in the area to come visit them at Chelapeake.

Kristin Lathroum Rickett lives in Hampstead with husband Pat and daughters Melissa, 5, Anna, 4, and Natalie, 1. She regularly sees fellow WMC grads — **Sarah Kimmel Lemon '87**, **Susan Cook Meurer**, **Alyce Harden Montanye '86**, **Kari Gustafsen Makar**, **Nancy Hutchinson Carter '86**, **Karen Scheidt Groner '87**, and **Kathy McNiff Blair**. They started a monthly playgroup for all of the stay-at-home moms.

After eight years of corporate life, **Mitzi Munford Roca** is now a home curing burnout and loving life. She volunteers for several organizations and enjoys traveling. In the last year she has visited Arizona, San Francisco, Mexico, St. Thomas, and the Southeast U.S. where she saw **Lee Ann Maybee Hamke '84**. Mitzi is also in a book club with **Helen Stallings '84**.

Beth Roberts-Rose continues to live in Nashville, Tenn. with husband **Tony**, son **Charlie**, 5, and daughter **Ashlee**, 2. Beth continues to work for metro schools, now as a special education consultant to high school life skills classes.

Rick '84 and Helen Potter St. John are happily married and cannot believe they are celebrating their ninth anniversary! Helen is a busy at-home mom with daughter Savannah, 3. Rick works for All State Insurance, but as of January 1997 he is on active duty with the Army Reserve as a captain. Rick supports the peace keeping efforts in Bosnia. He is based in Germany and will be there until September! Helen visited him for a two-week European tour in the spring. Rick would love E-mail from WMC friends. God bless all!

Craig Sarsony is currently director of finance for Eurasia Foundation - travelling to Russia and Ukraine several times a year. Their daughter Clare turned 11 in March. She is a joy. **Linda Ashburn '87** and Craig enjoy restoring their 1831 Victorian home.

Michelle Everett Seibel and her husband John '89 welcomed the birth of their first child, Rachel Morgan, on May 7. They share lots of time with **Lee Ann** and **George Peck** and their children.

Robin Sullivan Sharp is a full-time single mom and a very challenging first-grade teacher in Howard County. Tyson is her "little jock," keeping busy with hockey and baseball. Brittany and brother Tyson are both involved in scouts. Robin and the children love their townhouse in Columbia.

Susan C. Stevenson lives in Frederick and works in Gaithersburg for a biotech company, Genetic Therapy, Inc. She loves her job and is excited about the new science center planned for WMC! Susan plays soccer about three times a week and occasionally sees **Char Wirtz '84** and **Ralph '84 Frith**. Lisa Wylie Arens, and Tracy Serrattelli.

Lynda Rennie Tankersley has had an exciting year. Their second daughter, Hana Lea, was born in March 1996. She joins older sister Rennie Marie, who is now 3. Lynda still works at Johns Hopkins University doing alcoholic liver disease research.

Terri Taheri Tuckey and husband Brian had a house built in Frederick and moved in December of 1995. **Jeanne White Kane** and her family moved just down the street. They are enjoying being neighbors. Terri still works at Centennial High School but is now in the guidance department. She made the change once she received her master's degree from Loyola. Terri keeps in touch with **Joanne Hogan Bonnell**, **Barbara Lawson Foreman**, **Polly Goethe Shoemaker**, and **Marci Sartoph Yaffe**. All are doing great!

Susan Udy-Hilliard sends greetings from "down under" in New Zealand. She and 7-year-old daughter Katie love it. Trips to the States, India and Australia, as well as running her two gymnastics schools, has kept Susan very busy. She is hoping to visit WMC soon and looks forward to seeing how it has changed.

Gretchen Fesche Walter and husband **Jody '83** celebrated their 10th anniversary and the completion of their dream house in Harover, Pa. Jody is busy teaching and attending grad school. Gretchen enjoys being at home mom to Berrett, 5 and Heidi, 3. They enjoy playing with lots of WMC offspring: Brett and Camryn (McHale) Kerns, Ryan and Josh (Peskin) Kermish, Camber (Parker) Miller, and Kelsey and Daniel Fielder. Gretchen had a great time at our 10th reunion but was sorry more people did not attend.

Rose Walter runs a growing veterinary practice for low-income families in the Washington D.C. area. Rose married Matt Oppenheim on Nov. 2, 1996 and they enjoyed a honeymoon to Hawaii. Rose and Matt are now D.C. residents.

David Waring enjoys waterfront living on the Potomac River in Leonardtown. He keeps busy building houses for the thousands of families that the Base Realignment "BRAC" is bringing to St. Mary's county. David invites everyone to come visit him in God's Country! He's not hard to find. He is looking forward to seeing the Bro's at the Bete Reunion in September.

Amy Warlin-Mulholland became a new mother on Aug. 3, 1995 when son Jacob was born. She continues to work as director of operations in the admissions office of Bryn Mawr College. Amy keeps in touch with **Cyndy Brault '83**, **Brian Loftus '83**, **Laine Gillespie '83** and **Johnson Bowie '71**.

Eric Wilhelm took a few minutes between seeing patients and caring for his sons to say hello to all. Eric and his wife have two boys, Dalton, 4, and Dakota, 2. They live in La Plata.

All is well with **Cathy Spivey Wingate**. She and Gary '82 love parenthood with Scott, 5, and Michael, 3. She has a counseling practice and loves her work as well.

Patti Worthington has been a sports agent for the past three years (a female Jerry McGuire she says) and just bought her third house to celebrate! One in Arizona, Lake Tahoe and sunny California. The desert, mountains and beach! In her "spare time" she planned a quick wedding this summer and a big celebration in the fall.

Marci Sartoph Yaffe runs a daycare center out of her home. She has 11 children enrolled ranging from 21 months - 8 years. She and her husband have a son Aaron, 6, who was in kindergarten this past year. They add another baby to the family in May. Marci keeps in touch with **Debbie Waxman**, **Terri Taheri Tuckey** and **Susan Scharf Bush '86**. Susan got married in May and Marci was in the wedding. Aaron was the ring bearer.

Beth Chapman Zimmer writes that all is well on the Eastern Shore. **Tom '84** and Beth have the same jobs and are enjoying the growth of their children, Sarah, 10, Katie, 8, and Corey, 4.

Wow - I'm dizzy keeping up with everything everyone is doing! Maybe that's because I've been so busy too. I am continuing with my consulting business. The flexibility of self employment has been great.

Some sad news has also come our way. On March 1, 1997, **Thomas Holland, Jr.** died as a result of an automobile accident. Tommy was chairman and CEO of Automotive Warehouse Corp. in Bladensburg, Parkway Auto Parts in Washington, Undercar Parts in Columbia and Collington Auto Parts in Bowie. He is survived by his sister, Candice Holland Kriner. Memorial contributions can be made to the Tommy Holland Memorial Scholarship Fund, Citizens National Bank, 390 Main Street, Laurel, MD 20707.

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89 Happy spring to the class of 1989! I hope that this issue of *The Hill* finds everyone happy and healthy. It appears to me that most of our classmates are doing very well. (At least those of you who are writing me!) I hate to complain, but I have not been receiving a great deal of information from our class. Please, next time take a minute or two to fill out the card when you receive it in the mail. So, if you were not included in this column feel free to drop me a line and let me know of any alumni news! Now on to the latest about the Class of 1989.

Jennifer Flynn Swanson was married on July 20, 1996 to Scott Swanson. **Lynn Stone '88** and **Michelle Jolly MS'95** were maids of honor. Jennifer is coaching women's soccer at Western Maryland and is looking forward to a very exciting spring.

Mike Nicholson is still busy keeping the streets safe as a patrol officer with the Fairfax County Police. He is also a captain in the Army Reserve. Mike has been working on the renovation of his house and has also been anxiously awaiting the spring so that he may get back to his favorite form of relaxation - racing motorcycles!

Anita Mikula is teaching in Princess Anne, Md. She is looking into moving to Wisconsin in the near future. Anita keeps in touch with a lot of WMC grads.

Dave Owings's message was brief and to the point. He is teaching and is now married (no kids). His wife's name is Lucia.

Beth Eidenberg Van Pelt writes that between spending time with her friends, skiing, rollerblading, working out at the gym and catering the occasional party, she has been teaching.

Chris Schaber and his wife **Cathi Frantzen '90** welcomed Gillian Christina on August 8, 1996. Their oldest child Abissa is almost three. They are really enjoying their children. Chris is a vice president for Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance for Acute Therapeutics, Inc., a Pennsylvania based pharmaceutical company. He is currently working on his Ph.D. in pharmaceutical science from the Union Graduate School.

Beth Trost Hammer married David Hammer on December 28, 1996. David is from North East, Md. Beth started working as an institute instructor for the Finnigan Corporation in April 1996. They live in Austin, Texas.

Heather Willever-Farr and her husband Steve had a little boy on July 8, 1996. His name is Benjamin Walker. Heather was recently named electronic records archivist for the State of Indiana. Steve works for the Associated Press for Seattle, Wash. They are hoping to move back East soon.

Kim Lohmann Giebel has had quite an exciting year. She married Mark Giebel in September 1996. They honeymooned in the Greek Isles and in Venice. Her bridesmaids included **Debbie Leopold Stern**, **Tammy Fewster**, **Beth Harlow Buckalew**, **Rev Megenhardt Flowers** and **Lori Day**. They also bought a new home in Great Falls, Va. To top it all off Kim was promoted to assistant regional manager of Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in August.

Speaking of **Debbie Leopold Stern**, she herself has had an incredibly busy year. Last February she and her husband, Jonathan, had a little boy, George Morgan. In July she packed up her children and went to Atlanta, Ga. to cheer Jonathan on at the Olympics. He competed in the prone 50-meter rifle shooting event. Debbie added that she had a great time at Kim's wedding in New Jersey and was able to catch up with some alumni. As she was writing us, Debbie and family were in the process of packing up their home and getting ready to move back to the States.

Bryan Lynch says that things are going very well. He finished his first year on the road with the New Jersey State Police as a state trooper. Bryan believes that the career change from teacher to trooper was a good one for him. He really loves his job. If anyone is near the Jersey shore give Bryan a call.

Melissa Schaffner is back from three long and lovely years spent in Europe. She came back in January of

'96. Melissa is now heading towards Texas for a new assignment. She plans to be in two-step country for about three years. She is going to work at Corpus Christi Air Station. The last year was spent in Baltimore enjoying her family. Melissa writes that military life is great and the travel opportunities are excellent!

Tim Whitney started as the library media specialist at Mt. Airy Middle School. He completed his graduate degree in media science in August 1996.

Sara Roberson is working toward her master's in social work. She is almost finished her program and is working at the Office of Maternal Health and Family Planning as a special projects coordinator.

Nelson Spessard continues to work for Global One in Reston, Va. He is really enjoying his son Jacob.

Mark Woodard just wanted to say "hi" to everyone from Salisbury, Md.

Stacy Strohecker Liddick is still working for A.H.E.D.D. She provides employment opportunities for people with disabilities. She helps to supervise and train staff in eight offices and writes proposals. She and her husband have been involved with pee-wee football for six years and really enjoy it. Stacy also makes crafts to sell on the side.

Leslie Brooks Rink and her husband **Jeff '88** had a little girl, Megan Brooke, in November 1995. They recently bought a new home in Fallston, Md. Leslie has gone back to work in Cecil County as a school psychologist, after nine months of maternity leave. The Rink family is going on vacation to Duck, N.C. in July with **Maria Filshie** and **Dave '87**. **Douglas**, Amy and **Joe Bakewell '86** and **Chris '87** and **Maureen Morris**. They frequently see other WMC grads, **Barb Raynor** and **Mike '88 O'Connell** and **Steve '87** and **Lucy Purcell '87 Lutche**.

Sandy Metz has finally separated herself from Western Maryland College! After seven years of working there in admissions, Sandy has changed careers. She is on the Eastern Shore of Maryland working as a guidance counselor at Eastern Middle School. Sandy wrote that all visitors are welcome!

Also living in Eastern are **Maria Filshie Douglas** and her husband **Dave '87**. They welcomed Carol Marie to their family on July 11, 1996.

Sandi Stevens has been teaching physical education at Stoneleigh Elementary in Towson, Md. for the last eight years. She is refereeing lacrosse games in her free time and hopes to tour Africa in August.

Rich '90 and **Barbara Pierantozzi McLaughlin** had a little boy, Colin Richard, on January 16, 1997. Barb is taking some time off from her dental practice but plans to go back when she is ready. Barb and Rich are residing in Port Deposit, Md. Between weddings and sporting events they are able to see a lot of WMC grads.

Heather Smith writes to us from sunny Florida. She is currently going into her second year with the FBI. She is really loving life! She misses seeing all of the Phi Alphas and says "hi" to all!

Kathy Taylor Nicholson has been going through a difficult time recently. On July 11, 1996 her son Matthew received a liver transplant from his father Michael. He was 11 months old. At the time that she wrote he was doing great. She has been working for Dr. Kessler and Dr. Weintraub in Westminster since February 1996. Kathy would love to know if there are any other people in our class that have had transplants or have children with transplants.

What a year! Special thanks to all of you that wrote me. Please let me know whenever you have news, we all want to know what's going on with the class of 1996!

As for me I am still teaching the second grade at Our Lady of Hope/St. Luke School and pursuing my master's degree at Loyola College in Baltimore. I also run into a fair amount of WMC alumni at weddings and social events. I work part time at Ann Taylor in Owings Mills, where I've seen a lot of familiar faces. So basically I keep myself very busy. I am looking forward to an eventful spring and summer. I usually spend as much time as possible in Bethany Beach, Del. and will be in Cape Hatteras, N.C. for a week in July. I hope to see many of you soon. Take care and be safe!

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90 Hi to everyone in the class of '90! Here is the latest info we've heard from our classmates.

Dr. Scott Aaron reports that he successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis on Sept. 11, 1996 at Brandeis University and now is in Bonn, Germany for a two-year post-doctoral appointment as a support scientist at the Max Planck Institute for Radioastronomy. He has visited Paris and Madrid and hopes to spend his free time photographing the sights of Europe. He can be reached at saaron@mpfr-bonn.mpg.de.

Captain Mike Alderley married Kristin Cittadino in July of '92 and they now have a 3-year-old daughter, Erin. As an officer in the Air Force, he is currently a B-52H pilot at Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana and participated in Operation Desert Strike in September of '96. Mike looks forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming in October.

Lisa Brown Arnesen and husband **Rolf '88** have been having so much fun with their son Gunnar, 1, that they time disappear to. She is employed

full time with BGE and is pursuing her master's and stays in touch with **Julie Herling Wagner**.

Shari Barnes recently made a move to Cockeysville and continues her employment with Alex. Brown and Sons as a municipal bond trader. She stays in touch with **Trish Koch Ryan** and **Ellen Marth McCarthy**.

Kristin Mowery Barth and her husband Scott have been married for two-and-a-half years and live in Eldersburg. She is the art director for Laurel and Pimlico Race Courses and in their spare time, she and Scott enjoy playing frisbee with their dog Cody. Kristin tries to stay in touch with **Debbie Hauser Atty '88**, **Mary Beth Steele Richardson** and **Melissa Engel Hartman**.

Julie Biddinger was recently promoted to associate director of admissions at WMC and still enjoys traveling for work and play. She enjoyed spending time with **Lori Wieder Housley**, **Debra Rayne Weber**, **Kim Andrews**, **Shari Barnes** and **Kathy Eskut Krach** at both **Trish Koch Ryan's** and **Ellen Marth McCarthy's** weddings. Julie lives in Owings Mills with **Carol Bentz**, enjoys shopping with **Heather Tull** and **Diana Little Ross**, and has fun working with **Hilary Filer '94**, **Corey Duncan '94** and **James Felton '95**.

Bob Brown teaches mathematics full time at Essex Community College and spends his spare time playing basketball and rehearsing and recording music he's written with his band. He lives in Edgewood with his wife **Julie** and manager of the Bel Air branch of the Biblot bookstore.

Renee Lemire Carnochan teaches first grade in Anne Arundel County and keeps in touch with **Mindy Hastings Lipiwok '91**.

1996 was a big year for **Scott Carter**; he earned his master's in environmental science from Johns Hopkins, quit teaching and moved to Nashville, Tenn., where he is currently working full time as a song writer. He periodically runs into fellow **Bete Bryan Timpe**, who lives in Clarksville, Tenn.

Michelle Ciron lives in New Jersey and works for an assisted-living management firm operating in New York, Delaware and Pennsylvania. She manages seven of the firm's bookkeeping offices and runs billing for two others. Michelle enjoys visits with **Erica Velleggia** and **Dan Hudson '91**.

Lori Clow is busy working on her Ph.D. in molecular genetics at George Washington University, where she hopes to complete her coursework this fall. She keeps busy playing soccer and stays in touch with **Frank Kratovil**, **Wendy Wilson**, **Wendy Ploger Chamberlain**, **Del Graves** and **Deb Thigpen Emon '91**.

Melissa Ridgely Covelovsky and her husband Dave are both stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. along with their three dogs. She is in command of the Garrison MP company and he is in the

special forces qualification course. They both are looking forward to their next assignment — she says seven years at Ft. Bragg is too long! She stays in touch with **Nancy VanNess**, **Rhonda Mize** and **Jeff Hayman '85**. She writes that she can be reached at covob@ao.com.

Chuck Cruise is a computer programmer at the Social Security Administration headquarters in Baltimore and spends his spare time in two recreational soccer leagues. He lives in Owings Mills with his wife **Laura Balakir '91** and daughter **Jessica**, and they keep in touch with **Deanna Dailey '91**, **Bob Hutchinson '89**, **Don Haas** and **Peggy Borowski Campbell**.

Anne Woelkers DeArmon is still celebrating the birth of her third child, **David Eldon**, this past March. Anne chose to deliver little David at home and says yes, she may be crazy. She and her family live in Utah.

David Dinges lives in Annapolis with his wife **Valerie**, sons **Seth** and **Luke** and daughter **Sofia**. He is the supervisor and teacher of the Alternative Education program for Queen Anne County public middle schools.

Dawn Erbe Francis teaches at New Market Elementary School and lives in Frederick, Md. with her husband.

Ben and Denise Bettylon Gonzalez live in Austin, Texas. Ben graduated from the University of Arizona Medical School and now works long hours as an emergency medicine resident in Texas—he loves every minute of it. He writes that with just barely a year under his belt, he has seen some wild and crazy stuff in the ER. Dee completed her master's degree in social work at Arizona State University in 1996. She works near Austin as the social worker in a Pediatrics ICU department. They write that they keep in touch with **Greg and Colleen Dolan**, **Laura Melissa Hallmark**, **Pat and Chris Jarkowicz '89** **Fechan** and **Lisa Diefenbacher Maher**.

Melissa Engel Hartman was married in December of 1996 at Little Baker Chapel to Brian Hartman. Her Phi Sig sister **Shelly Jevings** was in the wedding and Dr. Stevens and Dr. Mangan were in attendance, as well. Melissa received her master's in writing and enjoys teaching at WMC because it allows her to be around all of her great former professors. She also recently was appointed an editor of the Johns Hopkins magazine, *Imagine*.

Eric Hedeman writes that he wed **Laura Lockard** in August of 1995. They live in Fells Point. Eric is president and owner of Charm City Mortgage Corporation in Towson, Md. He works with **Steve Joseph** and **Craig Eijk**.

Joseph Hoffman and his wife **Kelly** are living in Westminster, Md. Joe writes that he works for Giant Food. He and Kelly have two children — **Andrew**, 1, and **Katie**, 2.

Lisa Cantlie Hummel lives in Indianapolis with her husband **John '91** who is an RF engineer for Cellular One. Their daughter, **Maddy**, is 2-and-a-half years old.

Lynn Johnson is still working at Putnam Publishing in Towson. She and her husband live in Baltimore.

Bill Jacobs writes that he is thoroughly enjoying life. He works as chief information officer at Ken Leiner Associates and dabbles in politics.

Arnie Jensen writes that he is working at First Data Corporation, coaching basketball for the local grade school and trying to persuade the town fathers to develop a community park in Greencastle, Pa., where he lives with his wife Laura and their children — John, 10, Eric, 6, and Sarah, 4. He writes that he is still intrigued by the forces of our economy; he wonders why Dr. Law's peach trees produced and whether **John Ols** '67 still has a decent golf swing.

Mark Jozwiak is still coaching football at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y. In the fall he will start as assistant track coach, while remaining defensive coordinator for the football team.

Trish Koch married Rich Ryan this past fall in Virginia. The couple now lives in Manhattan. Trish keeps in close touch with **Lori Wedder Husley**, **Shari Barnes**, **Kathy Murphy** '88 and **Ellen Marth McCarthy**.

Greg and Colleen Dolan Lang moved back to Maryland recently after spending five years stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. Greg flew scout/attack helicopters and Colleen worked in the Medical Service corps. Greg is now attending the Uniformed Services Medical School in Bethesda, Md. and Colleen is teaching at Key Middle School in Montgomery County. They hope to see lots of **Pat and Chris Jarkowicz** '89, **Fechan, Guy** "Butch" **Goddard** and **Lisa Voketi** '91.

Patti Lappin completed her M.B.A. degree at the University of North Florida. She lives in Jacksonville Beach and works for CSX Transportation in the marketing department.

Jeff Little writes that life in the last three years has been wonderful. He bought a business in 1994, Invisible Fence of Baltimore, and bought a house this past year in historic Lutherville, Md. He lives with his dog and keeps in touch with **Scott Carter**, **Cort Sandstrom** '89 and **Bill Hallett** '89. He invites fellow alumni to look him up on the Internet at jlittle@fob.com.

As for the two of us, **Becky Cosentino Robertson** and her husband Chip recently moved from Severna Park to Davidsonville, Md., where they bought a home that formerly belonged to a country music singer Roy Clark. They estimate that it will take them the rest of their natural lives to undo all of the "Hollywood" decorating that Roy left behind. Meanwhile, **Becky** is still working as a

technical writer for Booz-Allen and Hamilton and is pursuing her master's at Johns Hopkins. Chip is director of information systems at Price-Modern and coaches boys varsity lacrosse at Severna Park High School.

This has been a busy year for Tom and me (**Kathy Ekut Krach**). In March I left Ryland after seven years to work as a financial analyst at Manor Care, Inc. in Gaithersburg. We are now firmly settled in Frederick, Md. and have found lots of WMC alumni living there — **Ferran DeMoro Boles** '87, **Julie Bugg Maher** '87, **Mary Mahoney** '92 and **Dawn Erbe-Francis Irwin**. On May 3, we attended the wedding of **Ellen Marth** to Tim McCarthy in Baltimore. They now live in Chicago.

It was great to hear from everyone. If you didn't write back, we hope to hear from you next time. Remember, you can write us any time at the addresses listed below to give us your news.

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94 Thanks for the cards from those who responded in the first half of the class of 1994. If you are not receiving your alumni card, please correct your address with the Alumni Office. If you are getting your card, please be sure to return it so the rest of the class knows what you have been doing!

Maricelle Ainsworth has spent time doing volunteer work on the Navajo Reservation in Arizona. She recently moved to Albuquerque, N.M. with **Paul Heaven** '92 where she is in graduate school in English studies. She especially enjoys the hiking, skiing, and different cultures of the Southwest.

After her one-year tour in Korea, **Sherry Albright** was assigned as an administrative officer of the United States Army Health Clinic. Congratulations to Sherry for her promotion to First Lieutenant! She has also completed a two-year patient administration course in Fort Sam Houston, Texas. For her summer vacation, she visited Las Vegas and went on an eight-day white water rafting trip down the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon.

Heather Bell enjoys her work with the first grade class that she teaches at Winfield Elementary in Baltimore.

Jonathan Boehman is working for Morningstar Design in Frederick, Md. He is part of the Artists' Gallery and is having a show in May 1997. His sister, **Jessica** '99, is following the Western Maryland tradition.

Melissa Borich is working as a pharmaceutical representative and lives with **Heather Bell** and **Dawn Motovildak**.

Scott Brannan is currently a third-year medical student at the University of Rochester School of Medicine in Rochester, N.Y. He is also an Ensign in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Navy Reserves.

Chris Cutler has completed flight school in Alabama for the army. He is stationed in Korea as a platoon leader. He likes to get as many flight hours on the Blackhawk helicopter that he can. Before he went overseas, he coached and played lacrosse for the Mardi Gras Lacrosse Tournament.

A recent graduate student at the University of Baltimore, **Linda Stofberg Cunfer** is aiming for her master's in public administration. She was awarded a fellowship through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and will be working with that for the next two years. Since she is concentrating on urban development and community planning, she is now working with the Empower Baltimore Management Corporation as an interim program director for Public Safety and Community Mobilization. It's part of the federal grant that Baltimore City received to establish empowerment zones to improve economic conditions for different areas of the city and its residents. In addition to all of this, Linda enjoyed the time she spent with her six children and nine grandchildren who traveled from Kentucky and California to her house this summer.

Randi Defino is a kindergarten/first grade teacher at Battlegrove Elementary School in Baltimore. She recently bought a house in Elkridge, Md.

Deborah Milstein Dubrow is in her third year of medical school at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She married Matthew, a fourth-year student at the same school, on August 20, 1995. They currently live in Philadelphia but will be leaving the area for internships and residencies.

Abbi Wickline-Bayne married Scott on December 30, 1994. She completed her master's in museum education in August 1996. She is working as a nanny but is looking for a museum job in the Baltimore area.

Krista Hadernann adored being a nanny for a preschooler and his infant brother for one-and-a-half years. She is now studying for her master's in child development at Virginia Tech.

Marc Getteny is living and working in downtown Baltimore with **Hugh McIntyre III** '93.

Amy Bridgman and **Sean Fritzes** were married on May 25, 1996 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Towson, Md. The reception was held at Pierce's Plantation by the Loch Raven Reservoir. Amy's WMC attendants included her maid of honor **Stephanie Ross** and her bridesmaids **Stephanie Flood** and **Laura John**. The couple bought a house in Harford County where they live with their two Labs and a cat.

Heather Hyland loves being a sixth grade language arts and social studies teacher. She keeps in close contact with **Christy Jones** '95 and **Michele Reay Wilson**.

Melissa Gooding works as an accountant for TRK Services, a staffing agency in Washington, D.C. She was to attend **Laurie Clarke's** '95 Christmas party with **Katherine Hosier** and **Char Gaylin** '96. The four friends can still be found getting into trouble together.

By day, **Jennifer Geers Gearhart** is a mother to 14-month-old Jareth Duncan. By night, she teaches adult basic education for Carroll County Public Schools.

Brian Garfield married Lisa Mary Rybczynski in October 1994. Brian works in Washington, D.C. as an audio technician in the television industry. His clients include: Dateline, Inside Edition, American Journal, E, ESPN, Extra, Swiss Television, and Access Hollywood. Brian and Lisa reside in Westminster, Md.

Linda Sue Harrison started senior in September 1996. Her first class was with her heroine, Dr. Sharon Ringe. Linda has also been active with Maryland Friends of Midwives trying to ensure that midwifery care and homebirths become a safe and viable option in Maryland.

For the past year, **Rance L. Deyo Janowitz** has been working as an income maintenance specialist/case manager at Carroll County Department of Social Services. She also writes the "Preschool Page" and freelance feature articles for *Carroll's Child*. Rance's daughter Amanda and her son Colby are both pioneers at Uniontown Bible Church.

As many of you noticed, I (Greta Powell) now live in Houston, Texas. In May, I joined Teach For America, an Americorps program which places recent college graduates in urban and rural school districts experiencing severe teacher shortages. I teach eighth grade math and chess to 185 amazing young adults. If you would like more information on Teach For America or a free tour of Houston, I am at your service. Peace in 1997.

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95 Inquiring minds want to know what you all have been up to. So, from those who wrote us back, here's the news:

Amy Hess-Landry is currently completing her M.S. in environmental biology at Hood College and is working at a Commercial Testing and Engineering environmental laboratory division as a chemist. On July 13, she was married to Dan Landry. The couple spent their honeymoon in Nova Scotia and now live in Carroll County.

After graduation, **Donna Munson** took a job as the special events coordinator for the Grand Casino in Atlantic City. She recently decided to go back to school to get her master's in public relations and is now working as the special events coordinator for St. Agnes Medical Center in Philadelphia. In her spare time, she has also managed to open a family fun center with boyfriend Mike.

Kelly Maher is a second-grade teacher at Manchester Elementary in Carroll County, where she has taught for the last two years. She recently started her master's in curriculum at Johns Hopkins.

Christine McCauley is currently in her second year of graduate school studying physical therapy at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore. She plans to graduate in September of 1998.

Julie Lucas is at Hofstra University as the assistant dean of admissions. She plans to graduate in June with a master of science in education and has applied to an NYU doctoral program starting in the fall.

After graduation, **Krista Shaffer Rose** lived with **Andrea Romich** in Columbia, where she taught seventh grade. In July of 1996, she got married and moved to Cumberland where she is now teaching eighth-grade science.

Rhoda Repousis spent time as a support counselor with adults with developmental disabilities and was recently accepted into a graduate program for counseling psychology at Towson State University.

After student teaching in the fall of 1995, **Heather Roy** worked in the Carroll County Public Schools as a substitute. In January of 1997, she received a full-time assignment in four schools in Carroll County, teaching physical education and motor development.

Rob Nightingale now owns his own business, Nightingale Catering Inc., and is coaching varsity football at his old high school, Don Bosco Prep. in Ramsey, N.J.

Amanda Lynch will receive an advanced M.S. degree in occupational therapy from Shenandoah University School of Health Sciences. She will then start work as a pediatric therapist.

Sheri Lesher now works for the Social Security Administration in Columbia, Md., where she also lives. She keeps in touch with **Omegas Shana Burdick**, **Hydee Johnson** and **Melissa Slaughter**.

Shortly after graduation, **Christa Mose** moved to Arizona, where she began work as GC Chemist in an environmental laboratory. She also plays soccer on a team going for the National Cup. She says moving was a hard decision, but was one of the best ones she's ever made.

Robert Lauer III will start residency for his doctor of optometry in the spring of '98 at Pennsylvania College of Optometry.

Ed Navarre is in his second year of graduate school at the University of Vermont, where he hopes to get his doctorate in chemistry. Ed lives on a farm collective where he is the beekeeper and part-time broccoli attendant. In his spare time, he has also managed to write a screen play that is soon to be made into a movie by New Line Cinema.

Andrea Romich is currently working for DSG in Columbia, Md., doing job placement for individuals with disabilities. She will enter graduate school in the fall at the University of Maryland's School of Public Affairs. She has been living with fellow Phi Mu's **Claudia Pyers** and **Holly Roback '96** in Elliott City.

Bill Andre moved from Richmond, Va. to Raleigh, N.C. to begin a new job. He's been there almost a year and says things are great!

Adrienne Pugh is currently working at R. Rowe Fire Investment Company in Baltimore, where she is an account sales/service representative for mutual funds. She is also training for her first triathlon coming up in July and has a big backpacking trip planned for Yosemite National Park.

Elizabeth Simons moved to Annandale, Va. where she is an Elementary Interrelated Art Teacher. All is going well with work and school.

Jennifer Yockus moved to Tucson, Ariz. and is enjoying it. She works at the South Park/Pueblo Gardens Community Credit Union, specifically working with educational and outreach programs.

Beth Zawadzki moved to Charleston, W.Va. She recently went white water rafting with **Elise Achuff '94** and **Aimee Dickinson '96**.

Tyler Wilson married **Michele Reavy '94** on June 1, 1996. They have since moved to Brookhaven, Pa. Tyler works at Pip Printing Company in Cherry Hill, N.J. as an accountant.

Denise Spangler teaches physical education at Spring Garden Elementary School in Carroll County. She also coaches JV volleyball at North Carroll High School and is head coach for a team from the Carroll Viper Volleyball Club. When she is not coaching volleyball, she can usually be found playing volleyball with **Alice Smith '91** and **Sue Head Conklin '94**. She also makes time for her boyfriend **Daavid St. Rose '97** who will be graduating this May from WMC.

Jenny Keilholtz Stickler works at McGregor Printing Corp as sales service representative. She is very active with USVA Volleyball and **Brad's '93** baseball season.

Ginger Sisson is working in the accounting department at Sign Language Associates, Inc. in Silver Spring, Md. She takes continuing education classes at Gallaudet and is working toward her goal of becoming an interpreter.

Anna VonSchwerdtner has been a police officer in Prince George's County since joining the force four months after graduation. She also just bought a house! She's having a great time even though she is still single — she spends her free time seeing old college friends who still live nearby, going out with the guys from work or playing with her Doberman.

Scott Stout is the corporate services administrator for London Fog, Inc. in Eldersburg, Md. He has been married for two years now to his wife Angie . . . no children yet.

Angie Graybill Wilhide and her husband have renovated a 200-year-old house outside of Taneytown, Md. She works at East Middle School in Westminster teaching seventh-grade language arts. She is currently working on her master's in education.

Michele Smith has been working at Atlantic Shore Hand Therapy in Northfield, N.J. as an OT aide — she loves it! She is still applying to grad school for occupational therapy.

Carrie Schuster has been very busy since graduation. This May she will be graduating from the University of Maryland at Baltimore, School of Social Work, with her master's in Social Work. Currently, she is looking for employment and is SO ready to begin life in the "real world"! She is also on the Phi Mu Alumni Advisory Council.

Michelle Sabourin moved to Nashville, Tenn. shortly after graduation to attend graduate school at Vanderbilt. She is finishing up her second year of work towards her Ph.D. in biochemistry.

As for me (**Jennifer Daino-Stein**), I am still working at a direct marketing/advertising company in New York. My husband of eight months works for Bear Stearns. Attendants at my September 28 wedding included fellow **Omegas Debbie Melstein-Dubrow '94** and **Kelly Benven**. After a honeymoon trip to St. Lucia, I am now living on Long Island.

As for me (**Julie Lucas**), I moved to Long Island, N.Y. where I live at the beach with my five roommates. I am working at Hofstra University as the senior assistant dean of admissions. I am very excited about graduating this May with my master's in education.

Thanks again for the updates! Glad to hear from so many of you!! Have a great summer, and we hope to see a lot of you at Homecoming! We look forward to hearing from more of you next time so that we can update classmates.

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Alumni were treated to a personal tour by artistic illusionist and visionary, William Cochran '77, whose mastery of trompe l'oeil technique, has transformed the concrete Carroll Street Bridge in Frederick to a community-created mural. Touring the "Community Bridge" project this spring were (l-r) hosts Teresa Cochran, Bill Cochran, and special guests President Chambers, and alumni Pearl and Lee Lodge. For more on Cochran see page 33.

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., September 22
Baltimore 4th Monday Lunch,
Hunt Valley

Sat., September 27
Wilmington Alumni Chapter
luncheon

Sat., October 4
Alumni Military Reunion
9:30-12 noon —
"Scramble" Golf
2-4 p.m. — Era sessions
6:30 p.m. — Banquet

Fri., October 17
Southern Maryland Chapter
Dinner coordinated by Charles
County alumni.
Louise Jameson Highby '39 and
Audrey Meredith Knott '51

Sat., October 18
Mid-Shore Alumni Chapter
Luncheon at Heron Point of
Chestertown. Coordinated by
Kent County alumnus Frank
Tarbutton '42.

Mon., October 20
Alumni Council (formerly the
Board of Governors) meeting,
7 p.m., Hill Hall.

Sat., October 25
Homecoming. Class Reunions
for 1962, '67, '72, '77, '82,
'87, '92

Trumpeters Reunion Brunch,
11 a.m., McDaniel Lounge.
Gospel Extravaganza, 5:30 p.m.,
Alumni Hall. A benefit concert
for Common Ground on the
Hill featuring: Union Street
Gospel Jubileers, Walt Michael
& Company, and others.

Mon., October 27
Baltimore Alumni Luncheon.

Sat., November 15
Sports Hall of Fame Induction/
Fellowship of Champions
Banquet.

Sat., November 22
Nominating Committee
meeting.

Sun., November 23
NoVa./D.C./ Pr.G. Alumni
Chapter

Sun., December 7
Alumni Holiday Buffet at WMC
sponsored by Baltimore
Chapter, G. Fletcher Ward '49,
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The Ultimate Kiss-Off: This newly minted member of the Class of 1997 practiced a spirited way to complete Commencement Day festivities and celebrate her hard-won credentials. For an insider's view of this new group of alumni see page 10.