On a cold, wet afternoon at UR Stadium, the Spiders scored twice in the last three minutes to post a 10-3 win over Youngstown State in the first round of the NCAA I-AA Playoffs on Nov. 25. It was Richmond's first win in a playoff game since defeating Boston University in 1984. In addition, the victory was Coach Jim Reid's first playoff win.

Sophomore Doug Kirchner nailed a 24-yard field goal that tied the game at 3-3 with 2:47 left. Junior cornerback Jason Hill returned an interception 44 yards for a touchdown with 1:22 remaining to secure the win. The eighth-seeded Spiders advanced to play top-seeded Montana on Dec. 2 in the quarterfinals. Richmond's 10 wins set a program record for victories in a season. See also story on p. 2.
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Spiders advance to NCAA quarterfinals

Picked during the preseason to finish seventh in the league, the Richmond Spiders instead won their second Atlantic 10 football title in three years and advanced to the NCAA I-AA quarterfinals before falling to top-seeded Montana 34-20 on Dec. 2. The Spiders finished the season with a 10-3 overall record and a 7-1 mark in the Atlantic 10.

Richmond's 10-3 victory over Youngstown State in the first round of the NCAA I-AA Playoffs on Nov. 25 was the Spiders' first win in a playoff game since defeating Boston University in 1984.

The Spiders' 10th win of the season set a school record, topping the nine wins registered by the 1998 squad and eight victories by five other Richmond teams.

Among postseason honors, head football Coach Jim Reid was named Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year, and 10 players were named All-Atlantic 10. In his sixth year at the helm of the Spiders, Reid was recognized as Coach of the Year for the fifth time overall and the third time while at Richmond. He has a 38-28-1 mark in six seasons at Richmond, and a 74-57-3 record in 12 seasons as a head coach.

Named first team All-Atlantic 10 were senior offensive lineman Eric Beatty and junior defensive end Josh Spraker.

Beatty, a captain for the Spiders, was a preseason All-American selection. He anchored an offensive line that set a school record with 2,932 rushing yards this season. The Spiders led the Atlantic 10 and were 10th in the nation in rushing offense, averaging 266.5 yards per game on the ground.

Spraker was fourth on the team with 64 tackles and 33 unassisted tackles. He led the Spiders and was fourth in the Atlantic 10 with 16 tackles for loss.

Senior linebacker Mac Janney and junior tight end Mike Millard were selected second team All-Atlantic 10. Named third team All-Atlantic 10 were senior tailback TyRonne Turner, junior offensive lineman Ken Farrar, senior defensive end David Lewandoski, senior cornerback Harold Hill, junior safety Chad Blackstock and sophomore linebacker Mark Thompson.

By Phil Stanton
Asian studies concentration
Beginning with the Spring 2001 semester, students can major in Asian studies, the newest concentration in international studies.

The program draws on both the existing strengths on campus and exciting opportunities for studying in Asia, according to concentration adviser Dr. Vincent Wei-cheng Wang.

Currently the University offers language instruction in Chinese and Japanese, and courses on Asian art, business, culture, economics, history, people, philosophy, politics and religion.

Students also have opportunities to study at Richmond's partner institutions in Japan, China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, and they can propose study in another country.

The concentration requirement consists of two courses of Chinese or Japanese at 300-level or above (taken at Richmond or abroad) and 36 hours of coursework, which includes three international studies required courses and nine electives on Asia.

"The Asian studies program offers undergraduate students a liberal education to achieve a degree of competence in an important region of the world," says Wang. "It also serves as an excellent preparation for graduate study or for business and professional careers in which an understanding of Asia is essential."

Environmental studies major
An environmental studies major is being inaugurated this spring with the first introductory core course.

Dr. John Bishop, director of the major, believes the curriculum—which encompasses natural and social sciences, humanities, law and business—is distinctive. The interdisciplinary nature of the major is necessary in order to deal with the multifaceted aspects of environmental issues, Bishop says.

Faculty from across the campus helped design the major and will help teach its courses. The basic issue that ES will address is how humans should relate to their natural environment, one of the most important issues in the world today, Bishop believes.

The curriculum will require a minimum of 36 credit hours, 21 of them required courses, and 15 of them electives from the natural sciences, the social sciences and the humanities. Two elective hours must be in experiential learning.

Leadership studies master's degree
Since the Jepson School of Leadership Studies opened its doors in 1992 as the nation's first school of leadership studies, it has focused on developing an undergraduate major in leadership studies. Beginning in January 2002, the school will offer a master's degree in leadership studies.

The new program was approved by the Board of Trustees last May. Its director is Dr. Fred Jablin, professor of leadership studies.

The initial class will be limited to approximately 20 students, Jablin says. Applicants should have 10 years of experience in their fields, be on the fast track to senior leadership positions, be committed to a demanding academic program, and have the financial support of a sponsor.

Students will come from a wide variety of professions and sectors, including business, government and non-profit organizations. The program will be organized around a series of learning modules varying in length from one week to long weekends over the course of a year.

Jablin believes the program will draw "world class scholar-teachers" to the school.

Ivins to speak on "spin"
Following the November event with comedian Lily Tomlin on truth in humor, the final major Quest 2000 event focuses on political journalism, truth, "spin" and what really happened in the 2000 elections.

Texas observer and political journalist Molly Ivins will talk about what she knows best—the press and politics—a few days before the inauguration.

"Inauguration is prime time to talk about truth and 'spin,'" muses Quest project director Dr. James H. Hall, professor of philosophy. "Here we are trying to figure out what we have done to ourselves. Maybe somebody can tell us."

Ivins is a nationally syndicated columnist. She is the author of Shrub: The Short But Happy Political Life of George W. Bush; You Got to Dance with Them What Brung You: Politics in the Clinton Years; and Molly Ivins Can't Say That, Can She?

Ivins speaks on "The Truth as We Know It About the Election" on Wednesday, Jan. 17, in the Modlin Center for the Arts. Admission is free, but tickets are required. For more information, call (804) 289-8980.

A competition for the next Quest question is under way, with the winner to be announced in the spring.
Capital One MBA begins

A new MBA program designed in cooperation with Capital One begins at the Richard S. Reynolds Graduate School of the University of Richmond on Jan. 7, 2001.

The new venture, called the CapOne MBA program or the CMBA program, will be launched with an opening residency Jan. 7-12, 2001.

Dr. J. Patrick Raines, academic director of the program, believes the innovative residency requirement will encourage bonding and also impress the complexity of an MBA program upon the students, all Capital One employees.

A teams case competition will conclude the opening residency. Richmond faculty members and Capital One employees will serve as judges.

“The CapOne MBA program has all of the components and competencies that one would expect in a traditional MBA program,” Raines says, “but it also has the opening residency and a two-week, in-depth overseas experience with problems and applications unique to Capital One’s students.”

After the opening residency, the first of eight teaching modules will begin on Jan. 19 and run through March 31. Seven other modules will run through December 2002. Each module lasts for 12 weeks, and classes will be every other weekend. Only the opening residency and the international residency require full-time attendance by the students.

By Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64

NEW LIFE FOR OLD COMPUTERS

State-of-the-art technology for learning is the standard throughout the University, but not so far from campus are schools and individuals who are being left behind in the Information Age.

Dr. Joe Essid, director of the University’s Writing Center, has found a way to bridge the gap. Essid and Barry Riddle, a chemist at the Enon, Va., Alcoa Aluminum facility, initiated Project Reboot a year ago in their spare time to restore old computers and supply them to Richmond-area residents.

The small operation, consisting of four volunteers, began as a series of e-mails among friends contesting who had the oldest Macintosh computer. This led to a discussion about old or damaged computers that are thrown away despite their usefulness. Essid and Riddle decided to launch Project Reboot not only to fix broken computers, but to find places where they are desperately needed.

“Even the oldest PC or Mac can be put to use,” Essid says.

Project Reboot has placed about 50 computers with students in Chesterfield County’s Bellwood and Enon elementary schools, as well as with refugees who have settled in Richmond. Older computers are donated by University faculty and staff as well as local businesses.

One recipient of a refurbished computer is a Bellwood Elementary student whose mother had to carry the system home in two trips because she had no car. Home for the family is a motel room shared by the boy, his mother and two siblings.

Even though the schools receive funding for technology, there are still not enough machines available. Many of the Project Reboot machines are placed in school libraries, while others go to classrooms to improve the student-to-computer ratio.

“We try to fill the gap between what they have and what they need, given the enrollment,” Essid says.

By Chris Meekison, AR'04

By Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64

UR in Peace Corps top 20

The University of Richmond is among the top 20 Peace Corps-producing colleges and universities in the Mid-Atlantic region, according to thePeace Corps.

The Mid-Atlantic region includes Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia and North Carolina.

Richmond made the list with 11 alumni actively serving in places around the world. Gillian Buckley, AW'98, for example, works in Nepal as a community service volunteer developing and implementing after-school and extracurricular activities for youth.

“These Richmond alumni are launching service-oriented and international careers. They are speaking the indigenous language, absorbing the local culture, and intimately experiencing life overseas as few Americans ever do,” says Peace Corps recruiter Shawn Davis.

With an undergraduate population of about 2,900, Richmond was the smallest university to make the top 20, some four to five times smaller than most other ranked universities.

Established in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy, the Peace Corps has sent more than 160,000 trained volunteers to 134 countries to help fight hunger, bring clean water, teach children, start new small businesses and stop the spread of HIV/AIDS.

By Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64

By Chris Meekison, AR'04

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University of Richmond students found an easy and convenient way to vote by absentee ballot in the 2000 elections through V.O.T.E. (Voting Opportunities to Everyone), a Web initiative created by Josh Ilgen, JR’02; Timothy Sullivan, JR’02; and Devin Weisleder, BR’02.

“We saw that most students at the University are not from Virginia and thus, they wouldn’t be home on Election Day,” says Sullivan, who is from Hanover, Mass. (Ilgen is from Denver, Pa., and Weisleder is from Bay Head, N.J.) “In order to vote, they’d have to switch permanent residences or cast an absentee ballot,” Sullivan says.

The three students compiled information on absentee ballot voting in all 50 states, and designed a Web site. In many cases, students could download absentee ballot applications to sign and mail in. It quickly became one of the most popular pages on the University’s Web site.

Originally conceived as a project for Dr. Gill Hickman’s leadership studies course titled “Leading Change,” the V.O.T.E. Initiative garnered support from numerous student organizations.

“With this Web site, Richmond students had their right to vote at their fingertips and at one comprehensive, incredibly easy-to-use site,” says Sullivan, vice president of the Young Democrats on campus. The Web site also had links to the official sites of the Republican and Democratic national committees, among others.

Other students and faculty members from all political leanings were heavily involved in election activities. Off campus, members of the University’s Young Democrats and Young Republicans organizations attended rallies, manned phone banks, distributed literature, went campaigning door to door, and attended events for the candidates of their choice.

On campus, programs were developed by residence life staffs and group discussions were led by faculty members in and out of classrooms. At one memorable gathering in October, students met with Dr. Daniel J. Palazzolo, associate professor of political science, then watched the second presidential debate on a projection screen in Whitehurst. The event was sponsored by the RA staffs of Moore, Jeter and Wood halls.

“What made the event so remarkable was that NBC-12’s Julie Bragg came and covered it, and cast a very positive light on the University’s students and their civic awareness,” Sullivan says. 

By Laura S. Jeffrey

Investiture honors Lindsey

The Richmond College Investiture in September featured tributes to Donnie Earl Lindsey Jr., who drowned in Westhampton Lake in 1999 on the night of the ceremony. One student sang a song in honor of the first-year student from Springfield, Va., and another spoke about Lindsey’s unique qualities.

Also during the Investiture, the Donnie Earl Lindsey Jr. First-Year Spirit Award was given to Eric T. Zwayer, AR’03. The award will be given annually to a freshman or red-shirt freshman student-athlete who has excelled at the University in athletics, leadership and academics.

The ceremony ended with an organized walk through Tyler Haynes Commons, in front of Boatwright Memorial Library, and on to Whitehurst, where the traditional charge speech was given and a reception followed. Members of the football team stood shoulder-to-shoulder along the path in memory of Lindsey, who was a highly recruited football player.

The Investiture is a traditional ceremony recognizing first-year male students as they sign the honor code and become part of Richmond College.
Dan Kalmanson has been named the new director of communications. In this position, he will oversee the University’s marketing, media, publications and public relations efforts.

Kalmanson comes to Richmond from the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fl., the largest private research institution in the Southeast.

As executive director of media and external relations, Kalmanson promoted Miami via the national news media and coordinated several external relations activities including Web marketing, special events and community relations. He also served as a consultant and contributor to university publications and internal newsletters.

Kalmanson holds a bachelor’s degree in communication from Loyola University, and a master’s degree in broadcast journalism from the University of Southern California. He has a wealth of experience in media and higher education including 10 years at Florida International University, where he progressed from coordinator of broadcast services to associate director and then director of media relations.

Kalmanson also worked as a media relations specialist for Florida State University and has been a television writer, producer and investigative reporter.

“His broad experience in media and marketing, plus his academic record, made him an early strong candidate,” says Chris Withers, vice president for development and university relations. “Once I got to meet him and learn more about his skills, he became a front-runner. He’s a great fit for us.”

Kalmanson began working at Richmond in October. He succeeds Kim Bolger, who left to become executive director of the University’s Management Institute.

“I am truly excited about joining the University of Richmond,” Kalmanson says. “This is an outstanding institution that is moving forward at a steady pace. I want to assist the University in its quest for excellence, and help to spread the word on a national level about how great our faculty, students and programs are.”

By Laura S. Jeffrey

Richmond in the news

• CBS Sunday Morning recorded the Richmond Quest 2000 event with Lily Tomlin in the Robins Center and opened its Nov. 12 segment on the comedian/actress with her receiving an honorary doctor of humanities degree from President William E. Cooper. It also aired some of her comedy routine as well as audience shots. The Tomlin Quest event also was previewed in USA Today.

• Rolling Stone magazine featured the Jepson School of Leadership Studies in its College 2000 section on Oct. 26, 2000, in a feature called “No Major Too Minor.” The article, which is about highly focused undergraduate majors, also includes Harvard (folklore and mythology), University of Pennsylvania (biological basis for behavior), Carnegie Mellon (human-computer interaction) and MIT (aerospace engineering information technology).

• National Public Radio’s PerformanceToday aired several segments of a performance at the Modlin Center for the Arts by Ensemble Haydn-Berlin with guest flutist Emmanuel Pahud and an interview with Pahud. It also aired portions of the Shanghai Quartet performance with guest artist David Soyer at the Modlin Center and an interview with new Shanghai member Nick Tzavaras.

• The Christian Science Monitor on Nov. 7 published an op-ed article titled, “Trust Flourishes When Students Enforce Their Own Honor Code” by Justin Imperato, AR’01, chairman of the Richmond College Honor Council. “The honor-code way of life fosters the free exchange of ideas,” Imperato wrote. “Students and faculty find that our code signals to the world outside the university that we are people of character and integrity.”

• Law professor Rodney Smolla, a nationally recognized expert on the First Amendment, was quoted in a page-one story about appointing Supreme Court justices in USA Today on Sept. 28. He also was quoted in The Washington Post, The Times of London, The Christian Science Monitor and in numerous other newspapers. A TV version of his book Deliberate Intent was aired as FX’s first original movie and was reviewed nationwide.

• Leadership studies professor Dr. Joanne B. Ciulla was interviewed by Reuters and USA Today about the 2000 election results.

• Andy Ferguson of the Career Development Center was quoted on student job searches in USA Today and The Oakland Tribune.
Dean Harwood resigns due to health

Dr. Patricia C. Harwood, dean of Westhampton College and associate dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, resigned in September for health reasons. Harwood suffers from fibromyalgia, which is characterized by pain in muscles and connective tissues.

During her 13-year tenure as Westhampton dean, she focused campus attention on leadership development and a sense of history, reviving student interest in the student governance system and college traditions. She helped articulate the value of small living units, services to students, and opportunities for personal development through gender-based activities.

Harwood championed the growth of WILL (Women Involved in Living and Learning), a model program of women's personal and educational development. Under her guidance, the program attracted the attention of the Wellesley College Center for Research on Women. The center's positive assessment enabled WILL to attract national support and financial support, including a $931,000 grant from the Robins Foundation.

In 1999, 19 colleges and universities from around the country sent representatives to a conference at Richmond to learn how to replicate WILL on their own campuses.

"We honor her contributions and admire her steadfast courage," says Dr. William E. Cooper, University president. "In the best tradition of the University, Pat has put the interests of students first. Her work has been vital to the growth of our institution."

Harwood earned undergraduate degrees in French and English from Longwood College; a master's degree in psychology from Middle Tennessee State University; and a doctoral degree in higher education administration from the College of William and Mary.

Laurie Neff, associate dean of Westhampton College, is serving as interim dean while a national search for Harwood's replacement is under way. Harwood says she intends to remain active in University activities to the extent appropriate and possible.

SpiderWeb delivers news by e-mail

Alumni and friends of the University began receiving e-mail campus news bulletins via SpiderWeb in early November, courtesy of the offices of alumni affairs, media and public relations, and information services.

SpiderWeb is an electronic mailing list that will deliver one or two messages a month containing news about campus people, events, honors—even crisis information, if necessary. When possible, each message will include an Internet link to more detailed information, usually on the University Web site (www.richmond.edu).

The first bulletin on Nov. 9 advised SpiderWeb subscribers to watch CBS Sunday Morning on Nov. 12 to see Lily Tomlin receive an honorary doctor of fine arts degree at the Richmond Quest "Truth in Comedy" event (see story, page 10.) The presentation opened a segment about Tomlin by correspondent Rita Braver.

"SpiderWeb will be a useful and timely way to let Richmond alumni, supporters, parents and really, anyone with an interest in the University, know what's going on," says Alice Dunn Lynch, W'85, executive director of alumni affairs. "You can subscribe or unsubscribe at any time."

To sign up for SpiderWeb, send an e-mail message to SpiderWeb-request@richmond.edu containing only the command "subscribe" in the body of the message and leaving the subject line blank.

Gen. Colin Powell speaks on campus

President William E. Cooper welcomed Gen. Colin L. Powell and Virginia Attorney General Mark L. Earley, left, to the Virginia's Future Mentoring Summit 2000 in the Robins Center in September. Powell was the keynote speaker at the conference, sponsored by the attorney general's office, which was held to promote mentoring and tutoring youth in Virginia.
Women’s soccer goes to NCAA

The University of Richmond women’s soccer team capped a watershed season, competing in the NCAA Division I Women’s Soccer Championships for the first time in the program’s five-year history at the varsity level. The Spiders captured its first-round match, scoring a season-high five goals in a 5-1 victory over West Virginia on Nov. 8. Richmond concluded the tournament with a loss to No. 2-ranked Nebraska in second-round play.

With a 13-7-0 overall mark, the Spiders set a program record for highest winning percentage in a season (.650). In addition, Richmond tied for the Colonial Athletic Association regular season title with a 6-2-0 conference mark.

At the conclusion of regular season play, Richmond placed a league-best five players on all-CAA teams, including Defender of the Year Jaclyn Raveia, AW’01. Raveia garnered the honor for a second straight season. Peter Albright was named Coach of the Year.

Also garnering all-conference recognition were freshman midfielder Edda Gardarsdotir, sophomore midfielder Jenna Merriam, senior forward Brooke Sands and sophomore midfielder Natalie Stallings. Sands concluded her outstanding career as the program’s leading scorer with 124 points on 51 goals and 22 assists.

Counted among the Spiders’ 13 victories were wins at nationally ranked Virginia (4-1) and Maryland (1-0). Richmond appeared in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/Adidas Coaches Poll on four occasions during the fall campaign. In addition, Richmond captured its host event, the Wachovia Classic, with victories over nationally ranked Princeton and Radford.

Men’s soccer honors

Colonial Athletic Association men’s soccer Player of the Year
Craig Zaidie, JR’01
First Spider with that honor since Leigh Cowlishaw, BR’94

All-CAA first team selection and UR-Nike Challenge Cup Most Valuable Player
Ken Holiday, AR’04

All-CAA second team recognition
Cam Letke, AR’02
Shawn Alexander, BR’02

Point guard Koclanes is one of nation’s best

For the University of Richmond women’s basketball team, 5-0 junior point guard Michele “Belle” Koclanes has emerged as one of the team’s and nation’s top point guards.

Last season, the 5-0 Koclanes, the smallest Division I women’s basketball player in the state of Virginia, also ranked third among the nation’s assists leaders with a team- and Colonial Athletic Association-best 7.56 per contest.

“Belle handles the ball better than any point guard I have ever seen,” says Richmond head coach Bob Foley. “She makes everyone around her a better player. That, in and of itself, is the sign of a great player.”

In just two seasons, Koclanes has made a big impact on Richmond basketball, already ranking second on the program’s all-time assists chart with 364. As a sophomore, Koclanes dished out a program-record 204 assists, shattering the previous record of 160 that she established as a freshman.

Last year, Koclanes reached career bests in nearly every statistical category. In addition, she led the Spiders in assists in 19 of her 27 appearances, and had five games with 10 or more assists.

“I think I use my size to my advantage,” Koclanes says. “I’ve never doubted my ability to compete and I just love playing the game of basketball.”

For Koclanes and the Spiders, prospects are high for the coming season with the return of four starters and a host of talented newcomers.

“My main priority is helping this team win,” says Koclanes. “We are not a Tennessee or a Connecticut, and that is something I like. I like being a part of building something, and that is what we are trying to do here at Richmond.”

By Andrew Blair
Six to be inducted into Hall of Fame

Six former Spiders will be inducted into the University of Richmond Athletic Hall of Fame on Jan. 20, 2001. They are:

CHARLES S. "CHUCK" BOONE, R'60
Director of athletics from 1977 to 2000, guiding the program through more than two decades of tremendous growth • As head baseball coach from 1972 to 1976, led team to first NCAA appearance • Played football and baseball for Richmond from 1956-60 and was all-star and captain in each sport • Spent six years with the New York Yankees organization as player and coach.

LEIGH COWLISHAW, BR'94
Career leader in men's soccer with 54 goals scored, 31 assists and 139 points • CAA Player of the Year and an All-American in 1990 • Two-time Academic All-American • Has been part of the Richmond Kickers Professional Soccer team since its inception in 1993 • Currently Kickers head coach.

JOHN R. DAVIS JR., R'86
Outstanding defensive basketball player from 1982-86 • Second on Richmond's career steals list with 182 • During his three years as a starter, the Spiders went to two NCAA Tournaments and one NIT • Honorable mention Academic All-American and earned an NCAA postgraduate scholarship • Currently a member of Richmond's Board of Trustees.

BETTY ANNE GUSTAFSON, W'47
Outstanding athlete who played four years of varsity tennis, three years of varsity basketball and field hockey, and one year of varsity track • Basketball team captain in 1947 • Westhampton College Blazer and Seal winner her junior year • Has had a 40-year career teaching physical education and coaching athletics in Richmond public schools.

JAMES E. MCKEON, R'85
Lettered three times each in cross country, indoor and outdoor track • Ranked third in the nation in the indoor mile in 1985 • Two-time Division I All-American in the 1000-yard run and the 1500-meter run • Two-time member of the U.S. National Track and Field Team • Threetime qualifier for the U.S. Olympic Trials and semi-finalist at the 1984 U.S. Olympic Trials.

GLENN F. THISTLETHWAITE
Head football coach and director of athletics from 1934 to 1941 • Had only one losing season as head football coach, compiling a 41-26-9 record • In 1934, led the Spiders to an 8-1 record, the best campaign in Richmond history at the time • During his tenure as athletic director, the Spider basketball squad compiled its only undefeated season in Richmond history, a 20-0 record in 1934-35. He will be inducted posthumously.

If you would like to attend the Hall of Fame induction ceremony, please call Karen Tait in the Richmond athletic department at (804) 289-8371.

JOHN L. FENLON
John L. Fenlon, former head football coach at the University of Richmond, died on Sept. 2, 2000. He was 90.
A native of Cheboygan, Mich., he graduated in 1933 from George Washington University, where he had been a standout on the football, baseball and basketball teams. He played professional football and basketball and coached a high school football team in Fredericksburg, Va., before joining Richmond in 1937 as freshman football coach. He was named offensive backfield coach in 1941, and head coach in 1942.
Mr. Fenlon left Richmond to serve in the U.S. Navy during World War II, then returned as head football coach in 1946. He was named Southern Conference Coach of the Year that season when the Spiders finished 6-2-2.
Mr. Fenlon unexpectedly left Richmond in 1947 to return to high school coaching in Fredericksburg. "The development of character is more important than the winning of athletic contests," he said at the time. He was inducted into Richmond's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1994; a year later, a football scholarship was established in his honor.
He also is a member of the George Washington University Hall of Fame and the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame.
Memorial gifts may be made to the John L. Fenlon Scholarship Fund at the University.
Lily Tomlin worries.

Onstage at her Robins Center appearance in November, she shared with her audience of some 4,000 students, faculty and townspeople some of the things she and her famous characters worry about.

If olive oil comes from olives and peanut oil comes from peanuts, how do we account for baby oil? If truth is beauty, how come no one has their hair done in the library? Did the person who thought up “quality control” worry that it would get out of hand if we didn’t control it? Is it okay to carry a new wastepaper basket home in a paper bag?

Tomlin also worries about truth. “My mother told me so many things that aren’t true,” she said. “She told me only tramps get their ears pierced. She told me the people in Washington, D.C., wouldn’t be there if they didn’t know what they were doing.”

By Barbara Fitzgerald

Free-lance writer and frequent magazine contributor
It was truth, in fact, that brought Tomlin to the Richmond campus, a visit made in conjunction with Richmond Quest 2000, a yearlong series of activities exploring the question, “Is truth in the eye of the beholder?” That query was the winning entry in a campus-wide competition last year to select a question appropriate for long-term exploration by the entire campus.

Quest was conceived by University of Richmond President William E. Cooper as a recurring, ongoing effort to bring the campus together and stimulate intellectual engagement. A new question will be selected for Quest 2002 this spring, to inspire its own classroom and dormitory discussions; faculty participation; and parade of guest speakers, panelists, debaters and other expert visitors to campus.

Tomlin’s appearance was the second major event among scores of Quest 2000 activities this year and last involving nearly all departments, programs and divisions of the University. At a press conference prior to her Robins Center appearance, Tomlin said that she was pleased to be part of the Quest experience and termed the program “ambitious and far-reaching.” Speaking for herself and other celebrities and experts appearing as part of the evening’s Quest symposium, she added, “I only hope we can do it justice.”

Tomlin’s show was called, “And That’s the Truth: An Evening of Comedy with Lily Tomlin.” Her performance was laced with truth-seeking or truth-revealing comments from many of her most famous characters, including the devilish 5-year-old, Edith Ann, and sassy telephone operator, Ernestine. The half-dozen or so characters she brought to her performance were joyously greeted by the audience.

President Cooper terms Tomlin’s selection by the Quest committee, headed up by philosophy professor Dr. James Hall, a “brilliant” choice. “She is a comic genius, of course,” Cooper says. “And she is also bigger than comedy.”

When Hall and his committee picked truth and comedy as a theme of its premier campus-wide event this fall, Tomlin immediately came to mind as one who used her talent to spotlight the truth. “Her name was in play from day one,” says Hall, “and a quick review of her work made the final decision to invite her an easy one.”

Tomlin has used her characters and her stage to satirize American society, politics and human nature. “For example,” says Hall, “her Tony-winning show, The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe, is a paradigm for comedy that illuminates the human condition.”

Tomlin’s Richmond visit came just 10 days before her return to Broadway in the reopening of that one-woman, critically acclaimed show. When it first opened in 1986, Search won Tomlin not only a Best Actress Tony but a Drama Desk Award and the Outer Critics’ Circle Award as well.

The veteran performer’s list of awards include another Tony for her one-woman Broadway show, Appearing Nightly; two Peabody awards; a Grammy; and six Emmys. She also has received several other Emmy nominations, some for comedy performances and others for dramatic appearances on shows such as Homicide: Life on the Street. Tomlin was nominated for an
Academy Award for her role as Linnea in *Nashville*, and she has since appeared in more than a dozen movies, including *9 to 5*, *The Incredible Shrinking Woman*, *All of Me* and *Tea with Mussolini*. She has further credits for writing and producing.

Following her stand-up performance, Tomlin was awarded an honorary doctor of fine arts degree by Dr. Cooper, a presentation a good deal more colorful and amusing than such ceremonies usually are, thanks to Tomlin's mugging and interruptions.

A doctor of comedy at last, Tomlin returned to the stage as part of a panel of humor experts for further exploration of the nature of truth and its relationship to comedy.

Joining Tomlin in a free-for-all discussion that ranged from serious examination of humor to raucous jokefest to fielding questions from the audience were:

- Robb Armstrong, creator and cartoonist of the syndicated comic strip *Jump Start*
- Dr. Lawrence E. Mintz, editor of *Humor: International Journal of Humor Research*, professor of American studies at the University of Maryland and the author of *Humor in America*
- Rick Reynolds, comedian, author and television performer, noted for his one-man show *Only the Truth Is Funny*, with both Emmy and Ace nominations to his credit, and
- Dr. Ted Cohen, professor of philosophy at the University of Chicago, whose most recent book is *Jokes: Philosophical Thoughts on Joking Matters*.

The panel discussion, moderated by Richmond's Dr. Irby Brown, R'54, professor emeritus of English, explored audience—and occasionally panelists'—questions. The panel acknowledged that under the guise of humor, a comedian can explore issues and make comments that often would be off limits in another venue.

Cohen spoke of comedy as creative art: "Without humor, the world would be impossible," he said. "Some things are so painful that we can't say them, or others won't let us say them. It's the unsayable things that can be said as humor. It's possible to live with certain unbearable things," he noted, "if you can bring humor to the situation."

"Some people can do it, and others can't," said Rick Reynolds. He spoke of humor as the spoonful of sugar that makes the medicine go down. "Truth goes down far more easily when you guise it as comedy."

Panelists also agreed that humor is at its best when it deals with contentious things. Tomlin spoke of looking for the humanity in comedy. "If you have a reason to say something, you can get away with saying it."

Mintz suggested that trying to dissect humor is very like dissecting a frog. "The thing dies in the process," he said, "and the innards are of interest only to a select few."

Mintz and Cohen, the two academics on the panel, met with several classes and student groups before and after the symposium.

Mintz explored with an American Studies class the evolution of American humor. "Humor has always been such a large part of American culture," he said. "Europeans have always thought us to be very funny people—
rude, less mannered, less civilized, but
funny." Mintz explained that Americans
are good at using comedy to transfer
conflict from a threatening environ­
ment to the safe venue of humor.
"Humor has been a response to
immigrants, to racial and gender
disharmony, to marital discord—as a
people we have always used humor to
deal with very important issues."

Across campus in a lunchtime
discussion, Cohen met with students
from several philosophy classes and
members of a philosophy club to
explore comedy as art. "What it is like
to laugh at a joke," Cohen proposed,
"is very similar to a response to art.
There is no such thing as a joke that
doesn’t require an audience to bring
something to it."

Among those attending Cohen’s
lecture was Larina Orlando, AW’00,
who as a Richmond senior last year
had submitted the prize-winning
question to the Quest committee. Her
"truth in the eye of the beholder"
entry won her $23,360, the cost of a
year’s tuition then at Richmond. Now a
graduate student at the University of
Virginia in French literature, Orlando
returns to campus periodically for
some of the special events inspired by
the question she had posed.

After Cohen’s talk, Orlando admitted
that she had had no concept when she
submitted her question of the hoopla
that would result if she won. "This
thing just seems to be inexhaustible," she
marveled. "I could see when I
thought of it that the question could
be related to all fields of study—which
was one of the requirements—but the
wide variety of headings under which
the topic has been pursued has totally
amazed me."

Orlando says that too many students
come into the door at college looking
for answers, without realizing that
they need to ask the right questions
first. "I had a professor tell me," she
says, "that you never get anywhere in
life if you don’t know how to articu­
late a good question."

Meanwhile, the quest for truth
at Richmond has been, as Tomlin
termed it, "far-reaching." Last year’s
series of special programs on the
subject featured a symposium search­
ing for the truth to be found in the
Thomas Jefferson/Sally Hemings
debate, bringing to campus DNA
experts, authors, scriptwriters and
historians involved in exploring the
controversy, as well as representatives
from the Monticello Foundation.

The Tomlin appearance this fall was
the "marquee" event in the series and
also the most accessible treatment of
the subject for the widest audience.
Though campus-wide participation in
the current Quest will continue
through the spring term, the major
public events of Quest 2000 will
culminate in January 2001 when the
University brings syndicated columnist
Molly Ivins to the Modlin Center for
the Arts in a program devoted to
political journalism, truth, spin and
what really happened in the 2000
elections (see article, p. 3).

Interspersed among the two years of
national publicity and headlining
events on campus have been a surpris­
ing variety of Quest-related activities
sponsored by many of the University’s
various departments and schools. A
year ago, two prominent mathemati­
cians visited campus to debate the true
nature of mathematics. The modern
languages department has supported a
Latin American film festival exploring
“Truth and the Lens.” The psychology department is offering a Quest-related speaker series, and the University libraries have supported a book-and-author presentation.

Quest has also been incorporated to both greater and lesser extents in University classrooms, from speech to biology, psychology to modern languages.

In political science, associate professor Dr. Daniel J. Palazzolo found the Quest question particularly appropriate during his classroom discussions of the recent political campaigns. “We explored the use of truth in the realm of attack,” Palazzolo says. “There were a number of issues of truth in politics in this campaign, especially with respect to advertising. The students did some ad watches and concluded that all negative advertising is not bad, just the untrue negative ads. By Election Day, though, I believe we were all prepared to accept the basic point that deception is alive and well in the media.”

Biology assistant professor Dr. Jeff Elhai has also been touching on issues of truth in his classes, leading his students to an understanding that the ultimate arbiter of truth in science is testing. “It’s been hard for them to accept that something in the book isn’t true until we test it against reality,” he says. Next semester, Elhai and mathematics associate professor Dr. Michael Kerckhove have jointly planned a Quest course titled “Gogel, Escher and Bach,” a look at the truths of mathematics, art and music.

Their is far from the only course to be designed around the Quest program; in fact, the University has provided incentive grants to fund some of the more interesting ideas for Quest-related classes. Hall thinks that about 20 such classes have been taught either last year or this, some grant-funded, some not.

They include a biology course called “Truth in Art and Science,” to be offered in the spring and taught by biology associate professor Dr. Roni J. Kingsley and art history professor Dr. Stephen Addiss. Also in the spring, Dr. Robert S. Alley, R’53, professor emeritus of humanities, will offer a continuing studies course in biblical myth, legend and history: “Faith Claims in a Democratic Republic and the Historian’s Quest for ‘Truth’.”

Dr. Sydney Watts in history, Dr. Peter Smallwood in biology, Dr. Erik D. Craft in economics and Dr. Catherine L. Bagwell, AW’94, in psychology have combined efforts to create “The Truth about Courtship, Sex and Marriage.” Modern language’s Dr. Aurora Hermida Ruiz is offering a Spanish course called “True Lies: Fiction and Truth in Don Quixote.”

Quest participation has even extended to the University’s libraries. Melanie Hilner, in the Science Library, was part of an effort to pull together books from that library related to the Quest theme. “A very interesting list was generated from that effort,” says Hilner. “We came up with some books we hadn’t thought about in that way before, and we discovered others that we should have had and didn’t.” The books gathered by the Science Library, along with collections from other University libraries, ended up as part of a display of Quest-related materials at Boatwright Library.
President Cooper is gratified that the response to his first Quest program has been enthusiastic on both campus and off. "If you can get 2 percent of an intellectual community interested, you've got a foothold," he says. "But certainly anything as ambitious as this is not a turnkey operation. Motivating a campus is not simple. Learning to ask questions is not simple. For the 2002 Quest, we'll try to develop the process more fully, but I'm more than satisfied with what we've accomplished so far."

In looking over results of the first Quest that he found especially pleasing, Cooper pointed out a greatly increased synergy among certain departments. "One of the problems all college presidents face is bringing departments together," he says, "and Quest 2000 has definitely added synergy."

To institutionalize the Richmond Quest experience, the University's strategic plan, adopted last May, calls for creation of a permanent endowment.

An unexpected benefit of the Quest idea, and another particularly satisfying to Cooper, is that a number of high schools and colleges have approached him with ideas for Quest programs of their own. John F. Kennedy High School in Berlin, for example, designed and promoted its own Quest question; Cooper was invited for its inauguration. A school in Valparaiso, Ind., has adopted Richmond's truth theme for its initial Quest, and Richmond-area Atlee High School is working on a question related to Virginia's Standards of Learning tests, a controversial education issue throughout the state.

Other schools have contacted Dr. Cooper, and the University is actively talking up the Quest idea when the opportunity arises—for example, at a meeting of school administrators held at Richmond last summer. "I believe Quest could provide a pipeline from the University to key high school students who are hungry for challenge, just the kind of students we want to attract," Dr. Cooper says.

Cooper also sees the Quest as a way to enhance the University's reputation: National publicity has already resulted. "But ultimately," he says, "Quest should energize and make more coherent learning experiences across the campus, challenging our students to think big and think deeply. This is a grand experiment, and the University should have great cauldrons of experiments going at all times."

"I love the various directions all this has taken off in," Cooper adds. "An idea is fruitful if it leads to unintended consequences that support the original premise. And this first Quest has certainly done that."

For students and faculty who might be planning to enter the competition for a new question, Dr. Cooper offers some guidelines. "The question must be appropriate University-wide," he says. "It must be applicable in all five schools and colleges."

"It should also be good enough to have a long-term life. It must have 'tread.' If something is worth thinking about for two years, it's worth thinking about for five years, or for life. I hope, for instance, that whatever the focus of the next Quest, Richmond students will continue to think about the nature of truth for years to come."

Tomlin's precocious character Edith Ann may have had the last word on the subject, though, in the comedy symposium's closing remark: "The truth can be made up if you know how. And that's the truth!"
"If you want a job in journalism, go to journalism school." Once upon a time, that was standard advice for young people seeking careers in print and broadcast media. It was believed that only "J-schools," with their emphasis on the technical aspects of the career field, could turn out graduates able to succeed in this highly competitive industry.

But ever since Joseph E. Nettles, R'30 and H'77, developed the first journalism class on Richmond's campus in 1940 and established the journalism program in 1961, liberal arts graduates from the University have landed prestigious print and broadcast positions around the country. They have helped to prove that liberal arts colleges also can turn out top contenders in the field of journalism.

Among Richmond's most recent students well on the way to making names for themselves as journalists are Anne E. Chiappetta, AW'02, who already has held two major internships and worked at ABC headquarters in New York during the presidential election; Jason S. Emery, AR'00, a White House beat reporter for one of the most influential newspapers in Japan; Jennifer H. Hoyt, AW'00, who covered the Firestone tire hearings, the dedication of the World War II Memorial and other headline events as an intern reporter in the Washington bureau of the Houston Chronicle; and Christian R. White, AR'98, manager of editorial production at the Washington Post Writers Group.

"The University of Richmond has allowed me to be involved in every activity I could fit into my schedule," says Chiappetta, who is double-majoring in journalism and political science. "I have learned how to work hard inside and outside of the classroom."

Chiappetta, who grew up in Fairfield, Conn., interned as a production assistant with ABC's Good Morning, America in New York last summer. Eager to get closer to the political scene—and on track to graduate early—she took an internship with This Week in Washington, D.C., for the fall semester. In this job, she worked closely with anchorwoman Cokie Roberts, "doing a lot of research and wire-watching," Chiappetta says.

"One day, I was working with Cokie picking clips for an interview she was going to do with [Demo-

By Laura S. Jeffrey

Editorial assistant for the University of Richmond Magazine and author of eight nonfiction books for children
cratic vice presidential candidate Joe Lieberman," Chiappetta recalls. "Cokie was actually listening to my input and using it to make decisions. I realized how cool my job was."

"Annie is just a treat," says Cokie Roberts, who has become Chiappetta's mentor, "and she is wonderfully helpful. So many young people come in thinking they're the next Peter Jennings—or, they're afraid to open their mouths. Annie is confident without being overbearing."

In October, ABC headquarters' special events department hired Chiappetta as a paid assistant to the production manager for election coverage. She flew back to New York for the final days of the presidential campaign.

"I worked 13-plus hours a day, doing everything from buying props to helping pick out stuff for the set," Chiappetta says, adding that getting summoned to ABC headquarters for the election "was really a dream come true. The people here are overwhelmingly talented, and I am working with them. Sometimes I have to pinch myself."

After the election, Chiappetta returned to Washington, D.C., to conclude her internship with This Week. She planned to come back to the University in January to resume her studies.

"Never in my life have I met two more dedicated professors than Mike Spear and Steve Nash," she says. "Every day I apply something one of them has taught me into my work and personal life."

Richmond's journalism program is small but significant, with Nash and Spear the only full-time faculty members. However, they are assisted by a cadre of adjunct faculty who work in local media, who teach students the fundamentals of copy editing, public affairs reporting, feature and magazine writing, broadcast news and computer-assisted reporting, among other topics.

Nash, who holds a master's degree in journalism from the University of California at Berkeley, has written and reported for a number of magazines and daily newspapers. Author of the 1999 book Blue Ridge 2020: An Owner's Manual, he came to Richmond in 1981. Spear, who earned a master of arts degree from the School of Journalism at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was a reporter and editor for several metropolitan daily newspapers in the United States and Europe. He has taught at Richmond since 1983.

At Richmond, journalism majors are required to take 27 hours in the major. This enables students to "be intellectually curious," Spear says, and explore other academic areas in the liberal arts that further enrich their education.

"We are very eager to get students" from schools like Richmond, says ABC's Roberts. "Liberal arts graduates bring a good solid educational background to the field. They know not only how to write, but also how to think."

"These students already are bright when they come to Richmond," Spear says. "By graduation, they're well prepared for any journalism job in the country."

"A lot of this business is chance and luck," he adds. "But it certainly helps if you're dedicated, hard-working, energetic and resourceful."

"Some people think that because Richmond isn't a 'journalism school,' its journalism program can't compete," says Jennifer Hoyt, a former Collegian editor. "But at Richmond, I could drop by my journalism professors' offices any time I wanted. Not only did they know my name, they knew me as a person and well enough to recom-
mend great internships that suited my interests."

Hoyt, another journalism and political science double major, grew up in Bethesda, Md. She held several internships as an undergraduate, including one with the Pew Center on the States, an initiative of the Pew Charitable Trusts administered by the University. In this position, she researched the 50 state governments for stateline.org, Pew’s online source of state government news. She also helped compile the daily roundup of state government news stories from more than 100 newspapers, and wrote about state ethics laws.

“It was a fantastic learning experience,” Hoyt recalls. “It’s so easy to get wrapped up in the national government and forget that many important policy decisions are made at the state level.”

In early September, Hoyt began her internship with the Houston Chronicle, the ninth largest U.S. newspaper, through the Washington Center for Politics and Journalism. "The program’s mission is to teach young journalists about politics so that they will become better political reporters,” she says. “Two mornings a week, I attend seminars on political issues ranging from campaign fund raising to the role of interest groups, to myths and realities about voting,” she says. “The rest of the time, I work in the Washington bureau of the Houston Chronicle, reporting on Capitol Hill issues.

“It’s thrilling to cover events at the Capitol, interview members of Congress, and watch history being made,” she adds. “I covered an event at the White House the other day. Just being there was pretty amazing.”

“We’re fortunate to have her” as an intern, says Houston Chronicle bureau chief John Henry. “She’s helped us on a number of stories.” Hoyt has covered immigration issues, the Million Family March, the World War II Memorial groundbreaking, the White House 200th anniversary, and the Firestone-Bridgestone hearings. She has completed about 20 stories as sole reporter and five have appeared on the front page of the newspaper.

“Jennifer is very talented, well-organized and thoughtful, and she has a good career ahead of her,” Henry says.

Hoyt’s internship was scheduled to end in December, and she was unsure what would happen next. “I know I want to stay in Washington,” she says. “I’m looking into print and online reporting positions, but I am also keeping my options open. I’m young and have my entire career in front of me.”

Meanwhile, Hoyt is confident that her education will enable her to succeed. “The University of Richmond expanded my ability to think,” Hoyt says. “I know that sounds simplistic, but it’s very true and very important.

“My journalism classes taught me how to write,” she adds. “The journalism program offered me the opportunity to work closely with my professors, who challenged me and encouraged me.”

"Working on The Collegian and in the journalism department was a constant reinforcement of editing and writing skills," agrees Chris White, AR’98, who served as the campus paper’s opinion editor, managing editor and editor-in-chief. “And I can’t stress enough the importance of the ethics class, particularly in opinion writing.” White, who grew up in Media, Pa., double-majored in journalism and history. After graduation, he became a reporter and editor for the Bureau of National Affairs. Then, he moved to the Washington Post Writers Group as a production administrator before receiving a promotion to become manager of editorial production in September 1999.

White’s daily duties involve copy editing and proofreading columns written by nationally known writers, including David Broder, Ellen Goodman, Neal Peirce, Jane Bryant Quinn, William Raspberry and George Will. “Once I’ve finished, I go over any changes or suggestions with both my boss and the writer,” White says. “Then, once we’re all clear, I send the column out to subscribers."
“It’s always great when you make a catch that no one else saw, or when a writer calls to thank you for your help,” he says. “But then you have to keep going and focus on the next wave of columns.”

Like the other Richmond students, Jason Emery has positive things to say about his Richmond education. “The experience I gained through internships and working for The Collegian was invaluable, but that never would have mattered if my professors hadn’t done such a quality job of providing a strong journalistic foundation,” he says.

Emery has praise not only for Nash and Spear, but also for the adjuncts who assist them. “When you bring together people who have been out there doing the things they talk about, it makes a greater impact on the students,” he says. “It generally would be pretty boring for students for a professor to teach about newspaper editing. But when [adjunct instructor] Tom Mullen [a Times-Dispatch editor] brings in a copy of the newspaper and tells us why they decided to write this headline or run that story, it adds much more to the experience.”

Emery, originally from Medina, Wash., worked as a reporter for a local television station while he was at the University. After graduation, he had a short stint working for a small lobbying and public relations firm in the Washington, D.C., area. He is now a reporter in Washington for Asahi Shimbun (Rising Sun), a Japanese newspaper with circulation of more than 8.4 million worldwide. “I work as a reporter along with four other Americans, and do the legwork for stories that are then written by our Japanese correspondents,” he says.


Emery’s primary responsibility is to cover the White House. He attends the afternoon press briefing and the morning “gaggle,” an off-the-record background session with the press secretary. He compiles the information and turns it over to Japanese correspondents, who then write the stories.

“It’s my primary asset to this paper is that I speak English,” Emery says. “I don’t even pretend to know any Japanese, but with a little time and explanation, I can pretty much convey the information I’ve gathered.”

Possible upcoming assignments include reporting trips to North Korea and Cuba, and interviews with the president-elect. “I just graduated, and now I am doing something that I never would have imagined,” Emery says.

“The high point of my career so far would have to be the first time I walked through the White House briefing room, and the double doors across the room opened to the Rose Garden.

“It was surreal, like right out of a movie,” Emery says. “I couldn’t tell you what President Clinton spoke about—the budget, I think. I just remember standing there, pulling out my cell phone and calling my mom. I had to tell someone.”
Retiring after 27 years, energetic alumni director Jane Stockman has conducted a comprehensive program

By Linda Niemann Evans, W’71
Richmond-area free-lance writer

Jane Stockman and Stephanie Bennett Smith, who worked closely together as executive director of alumni affairs and Westhampton College dean, once shared with each other their secret fantasies of what they’d like to do when they “grow up.” Bennett Smith wanted to be a ballerina; Stockman dreamed of being an orchestra conductor.

For 27 years, Stockman has done just that. She has “conducted a beautiful symphony” directing alumni programs at the University of Richmond, said Bennett Smith. She and others spoke in tribute to Stockman this fall at a dinner in the Jepson Alumni Center, honoring Stockman upon her retirement and celebrating her decades of alumni leadership.
A 1958 graduate of Westhampton College, Stockman had taught school in Richmond and worked as teen-age and camp director for the YWCA in Danville, Va., but it was her appointment as director of alumnae relations for Westhampton College in 1973 that was to be the defining event of her career.

“When I came on board,” she recalls, “the University was changing so much because of the $50 million gift by the E. Claiborne Robins family. There was a lot of planning going on, and a new direction had been set.”

“Not since Dr. [Frederic W.] Boatwright was elected president and later moved the campus to this location was there so much change at hand all at once,” says Stockman’s former supervisor, H. Gerald “Jerry” Quigg, who served for 28 years as the University’s vice president for development-university relations. “Following the Robins gift in 1969, it was a new era.”

Stockman’s energetic personality fit well into the mix of activities, events and volunteers that made up the Westhampton Alumnae Association.

“I did all the alumnae work for Westhampton—all the fund-raising, all the activities, all the clubs,” she recalls. She remembers having a part-time staff of two. “We kept our own finances; we kept up all the data on alumnae,” she says, noting that the University now has a central office to handle those tasks.

When the alumni programs of Westhampton, Richmond College, and the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business were brought together in a 1987 reorganization, Stockman was named to the newly created position of executive director of alumni affairs, has known Stockman well since Stockman hired her a few months after her graduation. They worked together through the 1987 reorganization of alumni staff, which Lynch says sailed through “because of her leadership. We [staff] didn’t realize what a daunting task it was.”

Bennett Smith recalls that Stockman took on the job of explaining and interpreting “to loyal and sometimes intensely partisan alumnae the ‘why’ of change.” While Stockman cherished and guarded “the legacies of Dean Keller, Pauline Turnbull, Fanny Crenshaw, Catherine Bell, and other creators and proponents of the Westhampton tradition, she faced the daunting task of blending this heritage with the future directions of the University.”

After the reorganization, a staff position was created specifically to develop alumni chapters, Stockman says, and it was filled by Mark B. Evans, B’83. Prior to this time, there were several Westhampton alumnae clubs and a few University chapters, primarily in Virginia; now, thanks to Evans’ leadership, there are 35 very active chapters throughout the United States.

Stockman credits the success of the entire alumni program to a talented, dedicated and stable staff. In addition to Evans and Lynch, she applauds Ann Vazquez, Diane Mast, Sandy Westmoreland and Paul Hagenmueller, R’67, along with many student assistants.

There are two basic reasons for the University to provide an alumni relations program, Stockman believes. The undergraduate years “are times of change. The University becomes a vivid memory and a special part of who you are.” Alumni want to remember the friends, associates and professors—all the people you met and were influenced by”—so the alumni program helps them stay in touch with each other and the institution.”

On the other hand, the institution’s reputation “is shown through its graduates.” Where they go, what they become, and how they perceive their education influences the University’s reputation.

“For a long time, colleges and universities have depended upon alumni for financial support and for opening doors to all the things alumni can bring to the institution.” Bringing alumni together several times a year through boards and other events solidifies their friendships. “They really enjoy each other,” says Stockman, and the associations have carried over into their professional lives, “permitting good things to happen,” she says.

Stockman’s approach in orchestrating alumni relations “has been a partnership with the alumni,” says Lynch. “She has been creating a shared vision with them.”

In addition to managing the alumni associations for Westhampton, Richmond College and the Robins School of Business—each with its own board—she helped create an association of graduates of the School of Continuing Studies. “The boards have become very strong,” Stockman says. “They do a lot of different projects and activities.”
But work with the boards was just the most obvious of her responsibilities through the years. She also initiated or enhanced many other alumni-based organizations, including:

- **The Lake Society**, a group of volunteers who offer hospitality to international students, present the University of Richmond Book Awards to Richmond-area high school students, and serve as ushers and assistants for a variety of cultural events and alumni activities.

- **The Dunlora Society**, an organization of retired faculty and staff. Largely informational and social group, “they enjoy seeing each other and getting the latest scoop on what’s going on,” she says.

- **The Boatwright Society**, which is made up of alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. The society’s 20-member board meets three times a year and sponsors an annual gathering of its membership.

- **The Young Graduates Program**, developed by Lynch, which sponsors social events, a cultural event and a service event each year for alumni who graduated within the last five years.

As she hands over the baton of alumni leadership to Lynch, Stockman notes that there is a new planning committee in place now to “plan the future for the next 27 years!”

**Stockman’s principal contributions** to the University’s alumni program, notes Quigg, have been in the areas of alumni board development, chapter structure and managing on limited funds.

Alumni organizations are “supportive, involved and devoted to the University,” said Quigg in his remarks at Stockman’s retirement dinner. “It was not always so. Jane’s personality and volunteer management skills created that climate.”

**Chapter development**, he said, has left “a strong foundation with supportive volunteers that bodes well for this aspect of the alumni program.” And surviving “on a shoestring,” Stockman always “managed to pull off the programs each year with creativity and energy—and remain in the black.”

Stockman notes that during her time at the University, several alumni associations established dues systems. The income helped make the organizations more viable, she says. Now the associations “pay for a lot of activities which the alumni office could never support, and they give money away to fund special student requests and sponsor traditional student events.”

Planning and running events took up a great portion of Stockman’s time: For example, “there are about 30 different events during Reunion Weekend, planned by 12 or 13 different committees.” Homecoming is another significant event in the alumni calendar and, she says, “The Richmond Club of the Westhampton Alumnae Association is an entity of its own.” Large and very active, the club holds an annual Christmas party for children of alumnae, among other regular events.

**One activity** that Stockman conceived and has seen grow beyond her imagination is the annual Arts Around the Lake.

“I’m proud of that endeavor under my regime,” she says. The annual program to promote Richmond-area artists began as an alumni activity to celebrate the University’s 150th anniversary in 1980. Now, she says, “it has become a huge town-gown event with anywhere from 15,000 to 20,000 people attending.”

**The volunteers** who have worked with Stockman through the years have nothing but praise for her leadership, friendship and energy.

“Jane is the reason why we’re in the Lake Society and the reason we’ve stayed in it,” says John Stultz, R ’58, who has known Stockman since their days as students together at the University. “She is a super-nice person; she works hard and has a lot of energy.” Although most people stay in the Lake Society for three years, he and his wife, Burrell Williams Stultz, W’55, have asked to continue well beyond that term because of Stockman’s leadership and ability to make the organization so enjoyable.

Robert R. Martin, R’39, a member of the Boatwright Society, praises Stockman for her ability to plan and organize events. Having known her for many years, he observes that “she is known as a person who didn’t beat the drums too loudly” but “didn’t want anything to fail because she didn’t make it run smoothly.”

A trip to Vienna and Munich with an alumni group, he recalls, could have been a disaster due to a major hailstorm, but “she had things so well organized,” they hardly noticed the setback. Stockman, he says, “always wanted to make people feel at home” at the University. “If you were an alumnus, you had to know Jane.”

Stockman worked well with each of the University’s alumni associations, says Barbara Selby Wells, W’80, immediate past president of the Westhampton College Alumnae Association, who has worked closely
with Stockman for the past 15 years. "No one [association] felt favored, no one felt slighted."

In addition, Wells says "she has been a teacher to all of us." Stockman took time to teach alumnae about the history of their college—"things we wouldn't otherwise have known." Sharing stories and videos of University history, Stockman "made us much better ambassadors for the University."

**Stockman's ability** to work with volunteers of all age groups stems from the ease with which she builds relationships, observes D. Chris Withers, the University's vice president for development-university relations and Stockman's supervisor for the past four years. "People are attracted to her energy and excitement."

Stockman's role as a part of the university relations team meant that she was also a part of ongoing fund-raising activities of the University. Withers says that Stockman, however, was not so much into "fund raising" as she was into "friend raising." She was a "strong magnet" for building the relationships necessary for the advancement of the University, he says.

Her achievements at the University have been acknowledged with her induction as an honorary member of Omicron Delta Kappa leadership fraternity and Mortar Board. In addition, the Westhampton College Alumnae Association established the Jane Stockman Award in 1987. This award is presented annually on Proclamation Night to a Westhampton College senior who is a "hard-working optimist" in the manner of Jane Stockman.

Finally, the Jane Stockman Scholarship has been established in her honor (see p. 49).

**What Stockman will miss most** besides the people—alumni, faculty and staff—is the campus. "I never took it for granted. I always recognized that this campus inspires," she reflects.

One thing she won't miss, however, is the amount of time the job required—especially the nights and weekends, which were nearly always filled "because that's when alumni were free to do their thing." As sponsor of Mortar Board, she welcomed the opportunity to work with a group of students, but one year, she says, "they met at 10 o'clock at night!"

Combining professional and personal life came naturally to her, however. "My father was a Lutheran minister, so there was no delineation between work and play, or family and professional life—it was just life. My father's role was our role also."

Stockman has also found time to be active in the community, serving on boards of the YWCA, Grace House and William Byrd Community Center. She enjoys music, reading, travel and spending time with her son, William, and grandchildren Carrie and J.C.

A key role Stockman played that the University will miss with her retirement is that of "our voice of heritage," says Withers. "She cares deeply about the roots of the University." Stockman helped create a video about the University's history and served on a trustee history committee. You don't replace that institutional memory, he says, but "you count on people with that information to create a legacy and pass it on."

Stockman believes the best part of having served the University was "having a terrific event and feeling so good about it." As a recent example, she recalls the first Boatwright Society event in the new Jepson Alumni Center. More than 350 people were expected, but she was told on the day of the event there was no way to fit them all in. Her response was simply, "We have got to do this—let's work to make this happen." It did, and when she got home that night, she couldn't sleep for the excitement.

As the alumni program expanded and matured, so too did Stockman grow as a professional. "Jane developed new skills, expanded her capabilities, and gained in self-confidence and independence," noted Bennett Smith at the retirement dinner. Stockman "grew into a woman who possesses the important qualities that make her personal and professional accomplishments possible." These include strength of character, respect for others and a strong sense of loyalty and commitment, Bennett Smith said. And her creativity and enthusiasm bring about "new ideas, new ways of doing things, and a positive outlook toward challenges."

While most of his remarks at Stockman's retirement dinner were light-hearted roasting, William B. Tiller, R'86, past president of the Richmond College Alumni Association, ended on a serious note. Remembering his annual talks to graduating seniors during his presidency, he told them to look at the portraits in the alumni center and to reflect on the fact that the University was built on the shoulders of those men and women.

"If I were president today," he said, "I would tell them to pause a little longer in front of Jane Stockman's portrait. I would tell them that no university can be a great university without a strong, active and vibrant alumni program. And I would tell them that the beautiful lady in that portrait leaves the alumni program of the University of Richmond just that way."

**"No university can be a great university without a strong, active and vibrant alumni program."**

—William B. Tiller, R'86
The following is condensed from a speech Dr. Ciholas gave in September 2000 at the Westhampton College Proclamation Night, the ceremonial welcome to first-year students at which they sign the honor code.

**PROPER BEGINNINGS**

Like this one are very important, but I must confess that my beginnings at Westhampton were shaky indeed. I arrived a week late and I never went through orientation. And if anyone needed an orientation to college and to this university in particular, it was I.

Arriving from Switzerland as a junior, I was as green and clueless about American campus life as a Martian would be. Everything seemed foreign. I was jet-lagged, exhausted from my orals in Switzerland, and scared.

It was September 1960. Passionate rivalries and heated arguments filtered out through open windows in South Court as I lugged my suitcase to my new room. After all, it was an election year. Nixon versus Kennedy.

Getting through my first weeks of American college was like walking a maze. I learned the hard way that there was a rule about everything, after I had committed a faux pas. Though I had traveled alone across the ocean, I was not allowed to go across the lake to the library unless I signed out of the dorm, and I couldn’t have sign-out privileges until I had taken a test about the rules, and I couldn’t take the test about the rules until I had learned the school song. There was a kind of infinite regression back to some starting point that I had obviously missed out on because I missed orientation.

I remember my first test. I had never had a course in English before and therefore found myself in Freshman English with Miss Josephine Tucker. Two days later, I was called to Professor Tucker’s office.

“Please sit down,” she said. She held up my bluebook. “You wrote a fine essay on The Oresteia, but I’m afraid I cannot give you credit for it.”

“Why not?” I asked.

“You didn’t sign the honor pledge statement.”

“Honor pledge statement?”

“Oh dear,” she said. “Didn’t they tell you about that?”

I explained my orientation deficiency and assured her that the work was entirely my own.

She took off her glasses and studied me for a moment. “I believe you,” she said. “You should know, however, that at Westhampton we take the honor code very seriously.” Indeed.

**AND WITH THAT**

In mind I would like to make the following comments in memory of two of the finest professors who ever walked the hallowed halls of this institution: Dr. Mary Gotaas and Dr. Jean Wright. Both spent the better part of their lives dedicated to the teaching of French at Westhampton College. Mary was tall, blond, energetic and sharp. Jean was petite, dignified, soft-spoken and calm. She had a way of wiggling her shoulders back and forth as a prelude to the hardest questions.

And the hardest questions are the ones you must ask yourselves. What are your moral obligations to others? What are your moral obligations to yourself? The answers you give to these questions will determine not just what kind of students you are in college, but how you will live your lives.

Most of you, no doubt, know the story of Camus’ Stranger. Meursault kills an Arab on the beach. He readily admits that he did it. He is found guilty more because of who he is than because of what he has done, and he is executed. Almost without exception the students in my classes defend
Meursault. They show great fervor in condemning the society that condemned him. "Yes," I say, "They condemned him for all the wrong reasons. I agree. And there are certainly extenuating circumstances that would be relevant in a proper defense. But aren't we left with a dilemma?" My students give me perplexed looks.

I finally ask, "What about the Arab? Is he any less dead? What if we changed the point of view and wrote the story from the point of view of the Arab?" For a moment there is total silence in my classroom. Then a young woman says that we cannot just change the point of view like that, because then it would be a totally different story.

"My point exactly," I say. "We cannot presume to know the Arab's story, since the author chose not to tell it. Meursault tells only his own story, and Meursault never thinks about the Arab he killed. He never expresses remorse or regret, only ennui. Why the ennui? Because in prison Meursault can no longer walk along the beach he loves. What about the Arab who can no longer walk along the beach?"

I ENJOY TEACHING French literature where so many great works allow us to push at the boundaries of existential questions, the great questions in life: Who are we? Are we free? Does each human life have intrinsic worth or are we thrown into this world as the result of some chance combination of DNA? Does the life of one Arab matter? Do integrity and honesty matter? How do we reconcile our desire for freedom with the need for responsibility?

Another French writer, André Gide, grappled with this question all his life. In his novel, Les Faux-Monnayeurs, his young hero, Bernard, stumbles across the best answer he finds for the conflict between the quest for personal freedom and the need for responsibility toward society. His solution: "You must follow your inclinations provided they lead upward." Provided they lead upward is the key condition.

Indeed, my message to all of you tonight is: Become all that you can be, follow your heart and your intellect, provided your personal growth guides you to a higher plane of moral awareness and virtue.

At my home in Kentucky, we have a room set aside for our library with two sayings inscribed upon our walls. The Latin one says: SUB SPECIE AETERNITATIS—"In the perspective of eternity." The Greek one says: ARETHE ADESPOTON—"Virtue has no master," a quotation from Plato.

"In the perspective of eternity" is both comforting and challenging. Most of the problems you encounter (such as my first experiences at Westhampton) during these coming months will not matter in the perspective of eternity. At the same time, there are things that matter for all eternity. Your integrity. Your character.

As for "virtue has no master": It means that as we evolve from birth into moral beings, we will seek to do good for its own sake, not because some law said so, not because some honor code dictated we had better, but because we want to seek the Good of our own free will. Why? you ask again, and I'm glad you keep asking. Because leading the good life of virtue will bring happiness. Because the Good gives meaning to our lives in the way the sun sustains life on earth.

I hope it is a quest you will engage in while you are here by taking at least one course in philosophy. For Plato, Socrates and Aristotle, education must aim at virtue, the Good. Without honor, the degree you aspire to at the end of the process has no meaning.

"Follow your inclinations provided they lead upward."

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Dr. Karin Nordenhaug Ciholas, W'62

Westhampton College Alumnae Association Distinguished Alumna Award for 2000

After her graduation in 1962, Dr. Ciholas earned both a master's degree in Romance languages and a Ph.D. in comparative literature from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

A 26-year veteran at Centre College in Danville, Ky., Ciholas is the Van Winkle Professor of Language. She teaches French, German, interdisciplinary courses and freshman humanities. She served nine years as associate dean of the college, and played an instrumental role in establishing Centre's overseas study programs.

Also an author and playwright, Ciholas has published a book about André Gide as well as numerous award-winning short stories, and has written plays that have been performed at Centre and in the community.

In 1999, she received the Acorn Award, which is presented annually by the Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education Inc. to an outstanding professor at a Kentucky college or university. She also was a National Endowment for the Humanities Distinguished Professor of Humanities at Centre from 1994-96.

Ciholas and her husband have two sons who are engineers.
Dr. Charles H. Wheeler III, H'75, was a professor who didn't mind giving countless hours of individual tutoring, a treasurer who led the University to balanced budgets through every economic cycle, and an administrator who built campus landmarks and initiated important benefits for faculty and staff.

Dr. Wheeler, former vice president for business and financial affairs at the University of Richmond, died on Sept. 16 after a long illness. He was 95.

President William E. Cooper says of Dr. Wheeler's place in Richmond history: "Charles Wheeler is among the forebears of Richmond who, through careful and considerate financial stewardship, fostered and, in fact, enabled our progress from a small college of several hundred students to a university of several thousand."

"Dr. Wheeler marshaled our daily budget and, with the vision of the most astute financiers, funded our dreams," Cooper says.

That stewardship was so inspired that a University tribute presented to Dr. Wheeler on his retirement noted, "Not once during the years of war, depression, inflation and recession has the University operated at a deficit, a record equaled by few, if any, institutions of higher education in the country."

A 1997 tribute to Dr. Wheeler in the Religious Herald, the weekly newspaper of Virginia Baptists, was titled "The Man Who Had to Say No."

Author Fred Anderson says in it: "As a joke someone once gave Wheeler a novelty sign which read, 'If you want a quick decision, 'No!'' He often had to say 'No' so that the institution could survive. And because he said 'No' often and loud, and because the institution's resources today have grown, there are many opportunities now to say, 'Yes.'"

Herbert C. Peterson, B'64, vice president for business and finance, was both a student and employee of Dr. Wheeler. He also now holds one of the jobs Dr. Wheeler held.

The ability to keep the University afloat during hard times was Dr. Wheeler's legacy, Peterson believes: "Between him and Dr. [George M.] Modlin, we were here to receive the gift. It could fairly easily not have been so."

That $50 million gift from the E. Claiborne Robins family in 1969 kept the University from "closing or throwing itself into the state system," according to Peterson. "During most of his tenure," Peterson says, "the University was a two-person administration: the president and the treasurer."

Dr. Wheeler was involved in so many areas of the University, Peterson says, it is not surprising he became a legend. One story repeated down through the years has a faculty member going to Dr. Wheeler for paper clips. Wheeler asks the supplicant, "How many?" and starts counting them one by one out of a box.

Those stories "are no doubt exaggerated," Peterson says, "but they are founded in truth. If you
don't have anything, you can't give it away."

"He always operated in the best interests of the University, and he had a deep interest in education," Peterson says. "He tended to do it right or not at all. The buildings he put up, like Maryland Hall, were built to stay forever."

Dr. Wheeler also was perceived as a very gruff person. Maybe so, says Peterson, but "he was as soft underneath as he was hard on the outside."

"At one time he ran an employee loan fund out of his own pocket," Peterson says. "He had a great concern for people who were disadvantaged and was interested in helping anybody he could help."

"As a teacher," an Alumni Bulletin editorial said in 1967, "he flunked his share, but his competence and fairness were so much admired by the students that usually those who failed wanted to repeat the course under him."

**It was a teacher** that Dr. Wheeler first came to Richmond. Born on Oct. 30, 1904, in Wheeling, W.Va., he received a B.A. degree from Washington and Jefferson College in 1926 and a Ph.D. degree from Johns Hopkins University in 1933. He began his 47-year career at Richmond in 1928 as assistant professor of mathematics, serving as department chairman from 1941 to 1956. For 13 of those 14 years as chairman, he also was the University's secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Wheeler recalled in 1994: "In the spring of 1928, I arrived in Richmond by rail from Johns Hopkins University and rode the Westhampton streetcar to the beautiful University of Richmond, where a few Gothic-type buildings had been built. Dr. Robert E. Gaines, professor of mathematics at the University of Richmond for 40 years, interviewed me under the tall pines near the frame playhouse auditorium, which overlooked the tree-lined lake where students were canoeing and swimming. After passing his inspection, I was introduced to President Frederic W. Boatwright, professor at the University since 1887."

He also remembered a student body of only 710, a faculty of 59 and an administration of five. There was only one men's coach, Frank M. Dobson, who coached football, basketball, baseball and track, and one women's coach, Fanny G. Crenshaw.

In 1956, he became the University's full-time treasurer. From 1972 until his retirement in 1975, he was vice president for business and financial affairs. Upon his retirement, he was named professor emeritus of mathematics and vice president emeritus for business and financial affairs.

During Dr. Wheeler's 33 years as top financial officer, the University's total assets grew from $6 million to $114 million, and its endowment grew from $2.8 million to $58.6 million.

Dr. Wheeler was responsible for most of the non-academic operations of the University: grounds and buildings, residence halls, non-academic personnel and clerical staff, as well as business and financial operations. He oversaw the construction or renovation of 18 buildings, including Maryland Hall, Cannon Memorial Chapel and the Robins Center.

**No job was too small** for Dr. Wheeler's attention. Dr. Edward C. Peple, R'32, professor of English emeritus, who came to Richmond as a freshman the same year Dr. Wheeler joined the faculty, recalls seeing Dr. Wheeler during an unexpected temperature drop taking newspapers and kindling to unoccupied University houses on Bostwick Lane to start fires to keep the pipes from freezing. "In days past, that, too, was the treasurer's responsibility," Peple remembers.

"If it's 8:30 in the morning or 3:30 in the morning," once said Robert T. Marsh Jr., the University's rector from 1957-1973, "Charlie Wheeler's on hand if there's a job to be done at the University."

Dr. Wheeler received an honorary doctor of science degree from Washington and Jefferson College in 1944 and an honorary doctor of laws degree from the University of Richmond in 1975.

He was a founding member and former president of the National Federation of College and University Business Officers, and a former president of the Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers. He also was among America's first Chartered Financial Analysts, and was president of the Richmond Society of Financial Analysts and vice president of the National Federation of Financial Analysts.

He was a member of honor societies Pi Delta Epsilon, Sigma Xi, Beta Gamma Sigma, Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa and the social fraternity Kappa Sigma.

From 1933 to 1976, he served as president and treasurer of the University of Richmond Board of Publications. He also served as secretary of the Virginia Institute for Scientific Research and secretary/treasurer of the E.R. Patterson Educational Foundation.

He was a director of the Collegiate Schools, Dominion Bank, Kiwanis Club, American Red Cross, SPCA and the Bond Club. He was president of the Virginia Credit Union from 1977 to 1989.

He was deacon, elder, clerk of the session, trustee and treasurer of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Wheeler and his wife, Elizabeth, W'38, established the Charles and Elizabeth Wheeler Scholarship Fund, and Dr. Wheeler donated the presidential chain of office in 1971. A conference room in Dr. Wheeler's honor was dedicated in 1971.

Dr. Wheeler is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Darracott Wheeler; three children, Charles H. Wheeler IV, Anne Wheeler Stratton and William Darracott Wheeler, all of Richmond; and six grandchildren.
Seeking solutions in summer research

Sean Drummond, AR'01, wants to teach art after graduation. He became concerned about the safety of teaching printmaking in the public school classroom because most of the substances used in the etching process are dangerous. Some are flammable, some are carcinogens, some produce harmful fumes.

"I wanted to look into nontoxic alternatives to these materials," he says. So the Richmond native applied for and received funding from the University for undergraduate summer research. Under the direction of art assistant professor Erling Svold, he spent his summer experimenting in the printmaking studio of the Modlin Center for the Arts, with some success.

"I found that acrylic floor wax works just as well as the traditional asphaltum when used as a hard ground to cover zinc plates before etching," he says, "and I could eliminate turpentine if I used cooking oil to clean oil-based ink from the plates." Drummond is scheduled to share these and other findings with county art teachers at an in-service meeting, and he has plans to create a Web site to share the information more widely.

An art major with an education minor, Drummond specializes in printmaking. In addition to student exhibitions, he has had a solo show at the Grove Avenue Coffee and Tea Co. and participated in a group exhibition at the Jewish Community Center, both in Richmond.

Drummond was one of dozens of Richmond students who pursued research interests last summer, and one of more than 20 whose projects received funding through the University. Other students conducted research funded by foundations and government grants in connection with ongoing work by faculty members.

Dana Wallace, AW'01, received a fellowship for summer research from pharmaceutical giant Merck Research Laboratories, in partnership with the United Negro College Fund. As a UNCF/Merck Scholar, she spent last summer—and will spend next summer after graduation—working in a Merck lab in Rahway, N.J., in the area of immunology and rheumatology.

Her assignment was to help study chemokine receptors as possible targets in inflammatory skin diseases, to see if different chemical compounds could reduce secretions by cells that cause inflammation.

Wallace's Merck award included a $10,000 grant to the biology department, used to purchase equipment in the cell and molecular biology lab.

Back on campus, Wallace works in immunological research with Dr. Krista Fischer-Stenger, assistant professor of biology.

"I am looking at the effects of delta-9-THC, the major psychoactive component of marijuana, on B-lymphocytes, the antibody-producing cells of the immune system," Wallace says. "THC is also known to suppress the immune response, so this project is significant because it helps to elucidate regulatory mechanisms in the immune system."

An Oldham Scholar from Richmond, Wallace is a double major in biology and economics. She plans to apply to medical school but might also like to try clinical research. It's the problem-solving aspect of research that especially appeals to her, she says.

"If something in the lab baffles me, either here at the University or at Merck, there's always a different method to try" in seeking a solution, Wallace says.

Not all research involves pursuit of new knowledge in a lab setting; sometimes it means developing a new approach to addressing an old problem.

Esa Sferra, JW'00 and L'03, discovered that was the case in her summer internship with the Pew Partnership for Civic Change. Administered by the University and funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts in Philadelphia, the Pew Partnership investigates solutions to the problems of America's cities.

Under the direction of the Pew Partnership's executive director, Dr. Suzanne Morse, Sferra researched and co-authored a paper examining the key elements necessary for creating social movements, and how these elements could effectively be translated to small communities. The specific topic she studied was children's rights.

With a double major in leadership studies and women's studies, Sferra found the internship a fitting transition to the next stage of her education: She is now a first-year student at the University's School of Law.

"I was, and still am, very interested in children's rights and advocacy," says Sferra. "But a larger interest of mine is social change—how people come together to get what they need, want and believe is right."

Summer research and internships like these can be a transforming experience for students, as Sferra explains.

"I got an up-close look at people making a living doing what they believe in," she says. "I worked with, and was challenged by, a wonderful teacher and mentor. I had the opportunity to directly apply and continue my education. And through our paper, I directly impacted a community of people working for change."

By Dorothy Wagener
ALUMNI BOOKS

The 1st Goopy, Goofy, Loopy Adventure
ERICA ORLOFF, W'85
AniMagic Entertainment Group, 2000

After a bizarre experiment, five ordinary teenagers are turned into rubbery heroes called Balloonatiks. In this adventure, they learn to set aside their differences and become a team. This is the first of four books Orloff has written in the Balloonatik series, which is based on a Warner Bros. television show for children. The other titles, Deflator's Revenge, The Great Computer Caper and Zeppelinaged, are scheduled for publication in April 2001.

Orloff, a former editor for Simon & Schuster, is co-author of The Big Sleep: True Tales and Twisted Trivia about Death. She has opened a literary agency, the Orloff-Levinson Group, with offices in Boca Raton, Fla. and East Hills, N.Y.

The New Gwynn's Island, Va.: Stories of a New World Settlement from the First Families to the Present
DAVID D. RYAN, R'66
Dietz Press, 2000

Gwynn's Island in Mathews County, Va., was settled in 1650 by four English sea captains who brought immigrants to the New World. In 1776, English Governor Dunmore destroyed their property, and descendents of the first families—the Gwynns, Brooks and Reades—left to settle in nearby Virginia areas as well as North Carolina. Descendents of the Kebbles, the remaining family, continued to live on the island until 1900. They were joined by other families, many of whose descendents remain today. This book traces the lives and times of the first four families and includes plats, maps, photographs and paintings.

Ryan, who worked for several years at the Richmond Times-Dispatch, has written nine other books on Virginia history.

What Death Can Touch
ROBERT M. MISKIMON JR., R'66
Xlibris Corp.

After the death of his daughter, Peter Dabney discovers the intersection between physical death and spiritual transformation. Through acceptance of a higher power, his journey takes him from alcoholism, loss and grief to serenity and the ability to release his ties to the ordinary world.

Miskimon, former editor of the Messenger, the student literary magazine at the University of Richmond, lives on Vashon Island, Wash. He has written two other novels: Plastic Jesus and A Wind is Rising.

FACULTY BOOKS

The Acquisition of Lexical and Grammatical Aspect
By Dr. Ping Li, associate professor of psychology, and Yasuhiro Shirai
Mouton de Gruyter, 2000

As children, almost all human beings learn to understand and speak at least one language. It is a process that seems to take place without obvious effort. This book, part of the publisher's Studies on Language Acquisition series, offers an understanding of the acquisition of lexical and grammatical aspect. The authors have studied patterns of acquisition of English, Chinese and Japanese for both native speakers and those who learned them as second languages.

Li, associate professor of psychology at Richmond, received a faculty research grant from Richmond as well as a grant from the National Science Foundation to complete this work.

The Big Bang: Brown v. Board of Education and Beyond
EDITED BY JONATHAN K. STUBBS, professor of law

Now in his 90s, Richmond native Oliver Hill is one of the most distinguished attorneys in America and a leader of the civil rights movement. He has spent the past three decades working to secure the rights of citizenship for African Americans, and has been particularly interested in civil rights litigation on their behalf. In 1999, President Bill Clinton awarded him the highest honor bestowed on civilians, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

This book, his autobiography, was written with assistance from Stubbs, who had approached Hill in 1992 with the idea of writing the book. Hill sat with Stubbs for a series of interviews describing his life and work. Hill's "words and deeds...provide inspiration and direction for the 21st century civil rights leaders to continue the battle to make America the country it is destined to be," writes Charles J. Ogletree of Harvard Law School in an endorsement of the book.

Stubbs has taught at the University of Richmond School of Law since 1989. He holds law degrees from Oxford University, Yale Law School and Harvard Law School, and he also holds a master's degree in Harvard Divinity School.

Inequality and Christian Ethics
Dr. DOUGLAS A. HICKS, assistant professor of leadership studies and religion
Cambridge University Press, 2000

In this book, which is part of the Cambridge University Press New Studies in Christian Ethics series, Hicks draws on Christian social ethics, political philosophy and development economics to provide a moral and empirical analysis of contemporary inequality. The book seeks to create an interdisciplinary conversation that illuminates not only the contemporary realities and trends of inequality, but their moral significance as well.

Hicks covers the many forms of inequality including disparity in income, education and health as well as differentials based on race, ethnicity, gender and nationality.

Hicks, an ordained Presbyterian minister, has participated in seminars in South Africa, Kenya, India, Guatemala and Mexico. His articles have appeared in World Development, The Journal of Ecumenical Studies and Sojourners. He also contributed to the CD-ROM On Common Ground: World Religions in America.

FACULTY BOOK AWARDS

Making Democracy Work Better: Mediating Structures, Social Capital, and Democratic Prospect, by Dr. Richard A. Couto, holder of the Modlin Chair in the Jepson School of Leadership Studies, has received the 2000 Virginia A. Hodgkinson Research Prize from the Independent Sector.


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ATHLETICS

★ Cynthia B. Meyer, B'87, placed fifth in the finals of women's double trap shooting during the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, and tied for 10th in women's trap. Meyer, who represented Canada, improved on her performance in the '96 Olympics, when she placed 15th. She was second in the 1997 world championships in double trap, and won the 1998 Atlanta Grand Prix in trap. Meyer also was Canada's female shooter of the year in 1997 and 1998, and an eight-time Amateur Trap Association All-American. She took second place in women's double trap and fourth in women's trap at the Pan American Games in the summer of 1999.

Meyer holds a law degree from New York Law School. She is a financial services adviser in New York.

FILM

★ Douglas N. Smith, B'82, was one of 12 U.S. film students from eight universities selected as winners in the 27th annual Student Academy Awards, which were held in June in Los Angeles. He received a bronze award in the documentary category for his film, Between Two Fires.

Smith's film is the story of Russian anti-Communist who were held on American soil and then returned to Stalin's Russia during World War II. Smith incorporated into his film interviews, archival photographs and motion pictures, and re-enactments based on archival testimony. Smith made the film when he was a graduate student in Regent University's School of Communication. He received his degree in film directing and editing last summer.

LAW

★ John M. Vittone, R'64, became a member of the American Bar Association's board of governors at the 2000 ABA annual meeting in July in London. Vittone will serve as judicial member-at-large on the 36-member board.

Vittone, of Silver Spring, Md., is chief judge of the U.S. Department of Labor. He has been an active member of the ABA since 1972. Previous positions with the organization include chair of the National Conference of Administrative Law Judges and delegate to the ABA judicial division council.

Vittone received a law degree from the University of Kentucky. In 1975, he joined the antitrust division of the Department of Justice and in 1980, was appointed an administrative law judge with the Civil Aeronautics Board. He became deputy chief judge of the Department of Labor in 1987, and was appointed chief judge in 1995.

RELIGION

★ Dr. James E. Baucom Jr., R'87, was named moderator-elect for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship during the group's general assembly in Orlando, Fla., last summer. He will serve as moderator, the CBF's highest elected office, for the 2001-2002 year. Moderators preside during the General Assembly and coordinating national council meetings. The council, comprised of 83 people, meets three times a year to plan missions and ministries.

Baucom is a member of CBF's coordinating council, and a past moderator for CBF of Virginia. The senior pastor of Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Va., he holds a master of divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a doctor of ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary.

TELEVISION

★ Dr. Walter S. Griggs, R'63, L'66 and G'71, was featured in an Arts & Entertainment television series, Love Chronicles. He was interviewed for the "Love in the Old South" segment about his book, General John Pegram C.S.A. The book, which was published in 1993, told the tragic story of the Virginia-born and West Point-educated Pegram, who was married to the beautiful Hetty Cary in Richmond. Three weeks to the day after the couple was married, Hetty attended Pegram's funeral in the same church. Interviewed in the White House of the Confederacy for the series, Griggs told the story of the tragic romance while photos and images were displayed.

Griggs is associate dean of the business school at Virginia Commonwealth University, and teaches law and honors courses in history. He has received VCU's distinguished teaching award. His wife, Frances Pitchford Griggs, W'65, edited and proofread the Pegram manuscript, and daughter Cara, AW'98, typed it.

RESEARCH

★ John G. "Greg" Morrisett, R'89, was one of 59 researchers named by President Clinton as recipients of the fifth annual Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers. This is the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on young professionals at the outset of their independent research careers. Morrisett received the award in October in a White House ceremony.

Morrisett is an assistant professor in Cornell University's computer science department (see the Spring 2000 issue of the University of Richmond Magazine). His cutting-edge research on computer security is supported by a variety of organizations including the U.S. Air Force and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.
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From the Westhampton
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Mary Holt Woolfolk Carlton
continues to enjoy old friends while living in the home she and her husband, Louis, built. Sarah
Poole Batkins has moved to the health care division of Lakewood Manor.

Jenny Lennox of Chestertown, Md., was the guest of Margaret Bowers Gill for several days. She
was entertained at lunch by Sue and Herbert Chermside. Helen Hopson joined them for lunch.
The year 2000 has been a happy one for Sue and Herbert, who helped celebrate the weddings of
several grandchildren and friends. A grandson was married in June in New York.

Margaret Bowers Gill accompanied the Chermsides to the wedding of Sue's grandson,
Margaret's god-granddaughter, who is also Margaret's god-granddaughter. In August, the
Chermsides attended the wedding of another granddaughter. They also flew to France, to the wedding
of a Belgian exchange student.

The year 2000 has been a happy one for Sue and Herbert. In June, Sue attended a church luncheon in
Virginia Beach. She continues to enjoy her hobbies in Virginia Beach. She volunteers with a theater group.

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Relocation seems to be the theme of news from our classmates recently. Virginia
"Woodie" Wood Hawkins reports that Ann Phillips Bonifant is living at the
Hermitage. Antoinette Wirth Whitted and Mac are planning to move into a condo soon.

Eleanor Whitehead
Straffin and her two daughters, Anne Hall and Mary Horner, traveled to Oberammergau,
Germany, in May to see the Passion Play that is performed every 10 years. Marjorie Pugh Tabb has not been well. She lives
at Westminster-Canterbury.

Jacquelin Warner Warren continues to enjoy her hobbies in Virginia Beach. She
does get around!

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T. Stacy Lloyd Jr., R, was recognized by the Fredericksburg, Va., city council for devoting over
50 years to the citizens of the area as a physician, member of the city
council, and chairman of the memorials advisory commission.

I know you will be sad to hear that Ann Ware Fry died on June 9 of an aneurysm. She and her husband, Bill, had just
returned from a trip to Italy to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The funeral service
held in Falls Church was a real celebration of her life. The minister of music had written a
song in her honor. Ann and Bill had been very active in their church, and Ann helped to
develop the English-as-a-second-language program.

Pat Husbands Bernton and her husband, Bill, took a trip to Canada and Philadelphia during the
summer and had visits with their children. Last year, Pat had several surgeries. She has
improved, but it's been a long haul. Pat stays in touch with Frances Anne Goode, who
shared the news with me.

Frances had a mini-reunion of the "Rat Alley Gang" at the Goode cottage in Delrayville, Va., in August. Bev Ryland, Louise
Richardson Phipps, Jackie Hodges Walker, Mary Lou Willis Bareford, Julia Shelton
Jacobs and I were there. We were amazed to think how long it has been since we arrived as
freshmen at Westhampton, and how well we remember those times. We look forward to next
spring, when all of us can gather for another reunion at the
University.

Jackie Hodges Walker and her husband and son went to Greece in November with a
group from their church. She and Bev were in London with the same group in late May. They
have been enjoying a class at the Smithsonian Institution in
Washington, D.C. Frances and Bill were in London with her
Woman's Club, Interfaith Council, Shepherd Center and
her church. She will spend her birthday in the mountains with her family.
I had a long letter from Cora Lynn Goldsborough in McLean, Va. She has had five major operations since her husband died, but her recovery is on track. She has given up her practice because of being in California with her children and these medical problems.

Cora Lynn keeps in touch with Isabelle Gunnels Snyder, who has retired from teaching but is active in a number of historical organizations in the county in Georgia where she lives. She is helping Cora Lynn with some writing about Westhampton in the World War II era.

Lola Carter Goodell has moved to Washington state to be near her daughter. In May, Allen and I spent three weeks in Greece near her daughter. In May, Allen was the first to be fully covered by our Fishing Bay Yacht Club. We were a flotilla of six boats and I spent three days in small towns and visiting ancient sites. We spent three days in Istanbul at the end of our trip.

Paul W. Duke, R and H ’73, of Washington, D.C., produced a television documentary, “The Great Campaign of 1960,” that aired as a PBS special on Oct. 30. The documentary examined how John F. Kennedy beat Richard Nixon in what was then the closest election of the 20th century. The 1960 election also was the first to be fully covered by television, the first in which there were candidate debates – and the first election Duke covered as a rookie reporter.

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John R. Hoffman, R, was appointed by the governor of Colorado to be a member of the commission to nominate judges and justices for the Colorado Supreme Court and Colorado Court of Appeals. He is a retired executive vice president of Kaman Sciences Corp., and is a member of the board of directors of Red Spot Paint and Varnish Co.

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Our much-anticipated 50th reunion has come and gone. Kudos to Janice Brandenburg Halloran and her committee. Our class gift of $115,000 will be used for scholarships. Doris Balderson Burbank is our new class president.

Some classes celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries: Mary Bowles Flanagan and Robbie, Clarice Ryland Price and Fuzzy, Dot Warner Gardner and Doc, Peggy King Nelson and Earl, and Helen Lampathakas Kostyal and Dick.

With eight grandchildren in the Richmond area, Joyce Betts Pierce finds it helpful having memberships at the Children’s Museum of Richmond and the Virginia Science Museum, where Alice Clarke Lynch and Bob volunteer. Carol Sidolovsky Schepps saw Elaine “Kuffy” Kuffner, who was in our freshman class. Kay Mallory Loudermilk missed the reunion because her son and his family were leaving for a three-year tour of duty in Germany.

Julia Wann Pittman and Al were moving their mother into a medical facility, where she died in July. Our deepest sympathy to Al, and also to Frannie Sutton Oliver on the loss of her brother, Nelson, R ’48.

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Christine Coates Sanders is content with her retirement home in the old William Byrd Hotel. Maryanne Beck Duty and Lester had three trips abroad. Barbara Lee Jones had been on the road attending reunions, graduations and weddings. Gene Hart Joyner and Floyd had a great week in Nags Head, N.C. Lee Reeves Childress had a bridge week at the river cottage of Jean Brumsey Biscoe, W’48. Vivian Betts Lewis attended a family reunion at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach.

Tish Erl Pfanz looks forward to the return of her son from Germany. Ellen Largent Perlman and Al keep busy with many cultural events in their area of Florida. Wilda Whitman Oakley is a volunteer in Williamsburg, Va., where Ida Smith Hall’s son, Channing, is vice mayor. Neil Ford Brill enjoys singing with her Sweet Adelines group.

Charlotte Herrink Sayre, Betsy Bethune Langhorne and Lew, Gina Herrink Coppock, and Mary Lee Moore Vinson and her fiancé were there.

Nancy Taylor Johnson and Frances Allen Schools had a wonderful European trip, which included a river cruise on the Rhine, Main and Danube, beginning in Amsterdam and ending in Vienna. In August, Bob and I had a wonderful week at Ocean Isle, N.C., with our children and friends.

Our sympathy goes to Jean Love Hanson, whose oldest sister died in August.

Charles W. Gibson, R, has accepted the position of interim pastor of Powers Memorial Baptist Church in Hope Valley, Va. He has served five churches as the interim pastor and one additional church as the interim pastor since retiring in 1992.

Fred T. Thrasher, R, has been on the road attending gatherings and attending his wrestler, Bob, and his wife, Barbara, attended the reunion. A new granddaughter born in Italy, giving her great incentive to fly there as often as possible.

Carolyn Billingsley Forch, who was with us at Westhampton for a year, still lives in Annandale, Va., and has recently begun a new career in real estate. She has two grandchildren, the babies of her daughters, Pat, a nurse-midwife, and Lynn, who makes documentary films. Carolyn’s oldest daughter, Robin, is a freelance writer in Miami Beach. From the Westhampton Class Secretary

James S. Howell, B, has retired as chairman of the board of trustees of Evergreen Funds. He hopes to travel more and enjoy his grandchildren.
Edna Wagstaff Warncke
spoke with real enthusiasm about her 11-day cruise to
Greece and Turkey in May. She
spent as much time as possible at
Lake Gaston during the summer.

Pat McElroy Smith bought
a house in Richmond and moved
from King George, Va. When Pat
called me with this news, I
naturally thought of her son's
name: Palm Smith.

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Bonnie Cox of Rockville, Md., reports that in July, her older daughter donated a kidney to her stepfather. According to Bonnie, her daughter, husband, and the kidney are all doing marvelously.

Maridell Blugg Wingfield of Fredericksburg, Va., reports that her daughter graduated in December from Radford College with a degree in psychology and elementary education, and will be an elementary school teacher. Her son is a junior at ODU, majoring in computer information systems. Maridell began her own career in medical research and is now tutoring high school students in algebra, geometry, math analysis and chemistry. Her husband is retired from IBM.

Janet Ann Shea raised five children during the years she lived in Boston. She then moved to Maine, where she ran a bed and breakfast for seven years. She has written a novel and is now writing poetry and essays. Her husband, John, is retired from Polaroid, and they live year round in Tenants Harbor on the beautiful coast of Maine.

Georgia Lingle Waldrop, who is in real estate in Northern Virginia, describes herself as the "galloping grandmother." When her first grandchild was born, Georgia bought her second horse. Later, to celebrate the birth of her granddaughter, she bought "a handful of horses." She is in the Welsh pony business with her daughter, who lives on the farm in Hanover County. Georgia also has become interested in Hanoverians and participates in show jumping with her horses. One of her retirement goals is to compete with her champion Welsh driving pony.

Mary E. Wingfield remembers that most of the time she was the only girl in her evening business classes. Working full time, it took her 12 years to complete her degree in accounting. Mary worked for Berry-Burk, ending her 51-year career there as assistant treasurer and office manager. She then was assistant secretary for Ardley for seven years, retiring in 1996. She is active in Boulevard United Methodist Church and continues to live in Richmond.

We extend deepest sympathy to Mary Lou Robinson Carr, whose husband, Fred, died in June. In addition to having a private dental practice, Fred was an adjunct professor of dentistry at the Medical College of Virginia, a retired colonel in the Army Reserves, and a past president of the Richmond Dental Society.

Paul Brickner, R., has written "Kaufman's Cardozo: Judicial Biography as Legal History," which has been published in the June issue of Georgetown Law Journal.

Darlene A. Morgan, W., enjoyed last winter in Palm Springs, Calif., with a side trip to chilly San Francisco. She also visited a cousin in Hermosa Beach. She spent her birthday in Blacksburg, Va., and attended her nephew's graduation from Virginia Tech. He will attend University of Virginia Law School.

Stewart Lee Richardson, Jr., B., has been appointed a member of the clinical laboratory improvement advisory committee of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He is also the former president of the Maryland Citizens Consumer Council, and has been active in consumer movement matters for 30 years.

Patricia "Pat" Brumble Gracie, W., retired in 1999 from a 37-year career with the Social Security Administration. She spends much of her time on genealogy. Research has taken her on trips around this country as well as to Ireland. She also spends time at home in Baltimore spoiling her two grandsons.

We'd like to collect names of University of Richmond alumni who have given their time to full-time volunteer service with any of the following:

- Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)
- AmeriCorps
- National Senior Service Corps
- International Executive Service Corps
- Peace Corps
- or any other national or international service or mission organization

Thank you for helping us recognize the long-standing tradition of service at Richmond.

Yes, here's my record of service

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Please check one:
[ ] I'm willing to have this information shared with my service organization.
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If you have other news for Class Connections, please share it here.
Mark your calendar

Alumni Weekend 2001

May 4-6, 2001

Reunions for classes ending in 1 and 6

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Nancy Martin Jett had lots of
pictures to share of her new home in
Beaverdam and of 2000 Ring
Dance. Maureen has one more
year at Westhampton and Caroline
is at William and Mary. Kelly
Hardy and her husband, Jack, are
still in Washington. They have
enjoyed several trips to their place in
Pinehurst. Margaret Binns
works for the General Services
Administration in Washington and
lives with her husband, Pat, in
Gathersburg, Md.

Rosanna Painter Myers
and Bobby live in Roanoke,
where Rosanna is a school
librarian. Their daughter,
Caroline, graduated from the
University of Virginia and is
working in Charlottesville at the
Boar’s Head Inn. Their son
McDowell is a student at Radford
and Livingston is in high school.

Betty Rodman Harris has
an empty nest in Roanoke.
Rapids. Scottie is a student at
Hampton-Sydney and John is at
Tulane. Patty Stringfellow
Garbee’s sons attended the
National Outdoor Leadership
School this fall. Greg had been
living in Blacksburg and Ben
had been at East Carolina.

Temple Adair Glenn
is teaching in Roanoke while Barry
stays busy with jobs for Virginia
Graduates. Their son Charlie is a
senior in high school. Adair is a
sophomore, and Thomas is in
middle school.

My daughter, Lee, graduated
in May and will be teaching
French at her old high school.
Christopher will be at VCU in the
fall. Lee and I took a trip to
Farmville this summer and
visited the Esther May Shoppe
owned by Marcia Weinburg-
Rue. If you ever need wedding
gowns or formal wear, you need
to visit Marcia. The store is
fabulous and the service is great.
Marcia and her husband and
daughter live in the West End of
Richmond, and she commutes to
Farmville every day.

Agnes Mobjley-Wynne
and her daughter, Laurel, came to
visit us on their college tour. They
toured Richmond and stayed in the
Alumni Center.
Studying, treating liver diseases

When Preston P. Purdum III, R’80, was studying at the Medical College of Virginia, he found himself talking to a friendly physician who had treated his mother for a liver ailment several years earlier. The doctor suggested to Purdum that he undertake his internal medicine residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. They’re doing some fascinating research on liver disease, the man said. You might find it interesting.

Purdum took the advice. As predicted, he not only found the research intriguing, but he also found his life’s work. For the better part of 12 years now, Purdum has studied liver diseases and new ways to treat and prevent them as well as issues related to gastroenterology. His research has included both clinical and laboratory work.

Today, Purdum is studying how to develop better drugs to deal with hepatitis C, and ways to use existing medications more effectively. He has participated in both national and international clinical trials. The results of all his efforts have been a solid body of research, documented in his more than 70 publications, which include manuscripts and abstracts.

According to Purdum, the intellectual foundation for all this effort was built during his four undergraduate years at Richmond. In fall 1976, he arrived on campus without a clear idea of possible career. However, he did have a clear sense that Richmond was only a short stopover. Having grown up in nearby Henrico County and graduated from J.R. Tucker High School, he was ready to move on to a college further from home.

“I came to the University of Richmond because my Dad went there and from going to a few football games,” he said, referring to his father, Preston P. Purdum Jr., B’54, a business major. “I thought I’d just go to Richmond one year, and then I’d transfer to some other school.

“That idea didn’t last but a few weeks. Very shortly after I arrived, I realized that I was having a blast, and this was where I wanted to be. It worked out fine. My parents gave me a lot of space during my college years, when I lived on campus. Richmond really was a fun place to go to school.

A key reason he stayed was the quality of the University’s education, reflected in small classes and the commitment of its teachers. Purdum, a biology major, recalls “lots of great professors.” He has especially fond memories of Dr. Francis Leftwich, biology professor emeritus, and Dr. Richard Mateer and Dr. William Myers, chemistry professors. In fact, the inspirational quality of these men led Purdum to both medicine and research. Their lessons served him in good stead at MCV, Thomas Jefferson University and during two MCV fellowships, one in gastroenterology and another in hepatology.

With the passage of time, Purdum, who has board certifications in internal medicine and gastroenterology, also has come to value the breadth of his Richmond education. He’s discovered that the liberal arts courses he took—such as English, political science and Spanish—have enriched his life. He also says that an economics class recently came in handy when he became president of a private practice, Carolina Digestive Health Associates.

Located in Charlotte, N.C., the group is composed of 14 physicians affiliated with seven hospitals in the Charlotte metropolitan area. In addition to his position with that organization, Purdum is medical director for liver transplantation at Carolinas Medical Center. He lives with his wife and two children in the Charlotte area, which he says combines the charm of a small town with the cultural offerings of a much larger city.

Purdum also continues to do research. He focuses most of his attention on hepatitis C, a virus that affects the liver. In fact, about 3.2 million Americans have hepatitis C, which in its chronic stage is the leading cause of liver transplants. Hepatitis C also can promote development of liver cancer. Once contracted, the virus is hard to eradicate. Only 15 percent of adults with hepatitis C are able to get rid of it on their own without drugs.

Purdum finds his work fascinating and says that ultimately, eradication of the disease may be possible. Certainly, he will tell you that progress is being made. Cure rates are up, and doctors increasingly are finding that the liver has a remarkable ability to heal itself.

“We are just now understanding why the human immune system is unable to get rid of the hepatitis C virus on its own,” he says. “We are learning how to stimulate components of the immune system to come up with treatments. I am really interested in understanding why the immune system has troubles with hepatitis and why certain treatments against it are effective. If you know why something happens, it’s all downhill from there when it comes to finding a cure.”
I have had several communications from Jeanie Nicholson Veith in Germany. Jeanie was planning a trip to the States with her son, Jerome, who will be looking at colleges, including Richmond. Jeanie has taken a new job with the Air Force, managing group leisure travel for its agency in Germany. She has some wonderful trips planned. She invites anyone who is interested to contact her if they would like to plan a trip. Jeanie is still very active as a Red Cross volunteer in the adoption support activities for Americans overseas. She chaired the eighth International Adoption Symposium in the summer.

Linda Wilkins Muirhead was at U.Va. with her son, Kevin, and another student from Pogoza Christian School as they competed in the School of Tomorrow International Convention. Kevin competed in the 800-meter run, and had a pen-and-ink drawing of North Court that took first place in the regional competition. While in the area, Linda visited with Sally Voris and Drew Brown in Baltimore. Kevin and his brother, Paul, are both active in Child Evangelism Fellowship. Kevin wants to fly fighter jets someday and has sights set on the Air Force Academy.

Carol Baker wrote that she and Barbie met Maryann Ryczak Casterline in Washington during the Cherry Blossom Festival and toured the White House. They also had brunch with Laurel Faile Scary. Barbie and Carol met up with John Hall, R’73, and his wife, Giselle, in Portsmouth for O enough 2000. They also saw Dennis Leitwich, R’72, and his wife, Frances. The Halls were visiting from their home in Montreal. Carol is trying to master the game of golf and is always looking for playing partners, if anyone is interested.

My e-mail was forwarded to Susan Peterson McLaughlin, who now lives in St. Louis and is vice president/business manager for Home Focus Services LLC, which is a national vendor management company and a subsidiary of Bank of America. Susan has been doing a lot of traveling to Europe, and is planning a trip to Rio de Janeiro in the fall.

Peggi Heath Johnson, B, received the 1999-2000 Spirit of Volunteerism Award at Flint Hill Elementary School in Vienna, Va.

Garry Wilmot, B, was named Rookie of the Year in Dekalb County, Ga., by the Board of Realtors. He was also top agent in the company and one of the top 15 producers in Dekalb County for 1999.

Elizabeth Pitzer Gusler, W, has been hired as vice president of the George Washington Fredericksburg Foundation. She will oversee the archaeology, education and interpretation programs as well as member services at Kenmore and Ferry Farm.

Kay Lambert King, B, has accepted a new position with the YMCA of Richmond. She is now senior vice president for leadership development.

Richard Weil Moyer, R, has earned a master’s degree in English and creative writing from Temple University.

Thomas M. Ray, B, has been selected as the new vice president and media director of Sawyer Riley Compton.

Stephen R. Stahl, B, has been promoted to senior marketing representative for Victoria Insurance Group, a subsidiary of Prudential Property and Casualty Companies. He presently holds the chartered property/casualty underwriter designation from the American Institute, as well as the chartered life underwriter and the chartered financial consultant designations from the American College.

Sandy Heilman van der Meer, W, recently set up a Richmond information booth at college night for high school students in Okinawa, Japan, where she lives and works.

Mike Radford, R, recently became a colleague of Pfizer as a result of Pfizer’s acquisition of Warner-Lambert.

Edwin G. Robinson, R, has relocated to Myrtle Beach, S.C., to join Conway Hospital as medical director for the newly established occupational medicine/student health facility on the campus of Coastal Carolina College. He has also been named a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians in Dallas.

Mark Kneidinger, R, is an executive computer consultant in the Richmond area and living in Chesterfield.

Emily Lewis, W, and her husband, Buddy, traveled to Rio de Janeiro on vacation.

Mary Cremins Lotkenhaus, W, is a policy analyst for the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services. She and husband, Jerry, recently celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary. They have two children: Anne, 11, and John, 5.

David C. Lundahl, R, was named to fill the newly created position of executive vice president at Langley Federal Credit Union. He will also serve as acting president when the president is unavailable.

Douglas Noel Smith, B, See Alumni Notables, p. 30.

Kenneth S. Johnson, B, is branch manager for operations in the Norfolk and Norwich branches of General Electric.

William E. Kohn, Jr., R, was promoted to manager of corporate telecommunication services for the Potomac region of Bell Atlantic. He lives in Laurel, Md., with his wife, Darlene; his daughter, Jessica; and his son, Willy, 6.

Charlie Lindsey, B. See profile on p. 41.

Peter O’Connor, R, was elected chairman of the pediatric department in Kingston, N.Y. His wife, Sarane, B’88, has left her job to stay at home with their baby in Woodstock, N.Y.

Jim Baucum, R. See Alumni Notables, p. 30.

William King, R, has completed a one-year assignment as the chief of plans, G3, 8th U.S. Army in Seoul, Korea. He is now chief of the warfighter division, Maneuver Support Center, in Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.


Libby Busha Starr, W, recently moved to Cleveland, where her husband, Todd, is working in the family insurance business. They have two daughters, Sarah, 4, and Katherine, 15 months.
Improving abdominal imaging procedures

While Dr. Ann Fulcher, W'83, was going through some keepakes in her mother's home, she came across an item from her days as a Brownie. Fulcher's troop had written down what they wanted to be when they grew up, and Fulcher was sure of her future even at age 6. Her badge said, "Doctor."

"I got a chuckle out of that," Fulcher says. "I've always known I wanted to practice medicine; there was no question about it. About the time that I was in the seventh grade, I decided I was going to go to Westhampton [College] and then to MCV. I know that sounds ridiculous, but it's true."

Indeed, Fulcher has fulfilled the aspirations of her youth. She earned a degree in biology from the University of Richmond and her M.D. from the Medical College of Virginia of Virginia Commonwealth University. She is now an associate professor of radiology at MCV Hospitals and the director of abdominal magnetic resonance imaging.

As a radiologist, Fulcher specializes in the interpretation of MRIs and CT scans of the abdomen and pelvis. In her position, she interacts frequently with different areas of the hospital, something Fulcher enjoys.

"Radiologists are a physician's physician," she says. "Other doctors send their patients to you and you act as a consultant to help them arrive at a diagnosis."

Fulcher is the lead investigator of a research effort to improve the method of imaging the bile duct, gallbladder and pancreatic duct. The traditional means of getting an image from that area of the body is invasive: A scope is inserted through the esophagus and into the stomach, then into the intestine. Patients must be sedated for the procedure; sometimes serious complications occur.

Compare that to the procedure coming out of Fulcher's research: The patient simply lies in an MRI scanner, and an image is captured in a few seconds.

This new procedure, called MRCP, is made possible by advances in MRI hardware and software. Machines now scan faster and with more detail. Fulcher's group at MCV Hospitals has done more of these procedures than any other hospital in the United States; patients from out of state come to Richmond for the MRCP procedure, instead of the more invasive alternative.

"The medical community is just beginning to tap into MRCP," Fulcher says. "When we began, we had to prove that it was feasible. Then we had to prove that it was useful in diagnosing diseases of the bile ducts and gallbladder. Now we are focusing its impact on patient care and outcome."

Fulcher's work has resulted in dozens of peer-reviewed journal publications, four book chapters, two CD-ROM publications, numerous presentations at professional conferences, and award-winning exhibits.

In addition to her duties at the hospital, Fulcher works one day a week as the senior deputy editor of Radiology, an international medical journal based in Richmond.

"It's a nice difference from the clinical work I do, and it allows me to see papers that other radiologists have written," she says.

Fulcher is a Virginia native and has never strayed far from home. After graduating, she practiced radiology at Andrews Air Force Base for four years, the last two as department chairman, before returning to MCV Hospitals.

"I've always loved MCV. It's a great thing being able to work with your friends. Every day I go to work with people that I've trained, or who trained me. I've built relationships over a long time. It's a very comfortable way to work."

Fulcher feels similar fondness about her years at Westhampton, as she reminisced about her job working for former Westhampton Dean Stephanie Bennett.

"She was a very good role model," Fulcher says. "I was convinced that this school was the best choice, and I was right. I also made a good number of friends at Westhampton, some of whom I still stay in contact with."

Fulcher's daunting work schedule leaves little time for alumni—or any other—activities. MCV Hospitals has a large number of organ transplant patients and includes a Level One trauma center, two elements that combine to keep Fulcher busy. Her days are often long. Still, she's happy with the career she selected as a child.

"I wouldn't do anything else. Out of all the specialties I might have pursued, nothing could've suited me better than radiology," she says.

"You're confronted with patients who have complex medical problems and who often do not have a straightforward diagnosis. The radiologist must determine which radiology studies will benefit the patient most, and then use those studies to arrive at the correct diagnosis. I could not wish for a more challenging or rewarding career."
Karen Knettel, B, is a prime broker account executive with Banc of America Securities in New York.

Rebecca R. Mitton, W, is a loan specialist at Citizens and Farmers Bank in Quinton, Va.

Paula Gatewood Reid, W, is a personnel analyst for the County of Henrico in Virginia.

Suzanne DiVito Simonelli, B, has earned a master's degree in journalism from Temple University. She hopes eventually to use her degree doing freelance marketing but now is a full-time mom to son Michael, 3.

Martin W. Simpers, R, was promoted to account manager with Northern Trust Bank's corporate and institutional services division. He lives in downtown Chicago.

Jill Hinkle Spellman, W, is a senior manager at Emerald Solutions Inc. She lives in Westfield, N.J., with her husband, Kevin, and their son, Luke.

Ben R. Mayes III, R, received a doctoral degree in political science at the University of Virginia in 1999, and is at the University of California at Berkeley on a postdoctoral fellowship. He also taught in the political science department at Richmond this past year.

Gregory S. Thomas, B, is the regional manager of modern women's apparel at Nordstrom-Northeast in Paramus, N.J.

Julie B. Seabury, R, received a master's degree in physical therapy at Emory University. She is working at Grady Memorial Hospital as a certified hand therapist in the Hand Rehabilitation Center.


Benjamin “Todd” Zartman, III, R, is a business and technology teacher with the Palisades Academy of the Palisades School District. The academy is a “school within a school” that reinvents the way high school students learn. He lives in Kittsenville, Pa.

Cynthia Moegs Wright, W, has joined the Science Museum of Virginia's outreach department as the Standards of Learning enrichment coordinator.

Daniella Cortez, AW, has moved from San Francisco to Baltimore for an internship at the Baltimore Veterans Affairs Hospital. This will complete her last year of doctoral training in clinical psychology.

Carla Deluca, AW, was promoted to director of corporate communications at Brodia, a San Francisco-based Internet start-up company.

Todd Fيخ, AR, has taken a position with the Los Angeles office of Edelman Public Relations Worldwide. His focus will be on technology and public affairs. He lives in Santa Monica, Calif.

Mark Glago, AR, has been practicing law for the past three years. He and his wife, Janessa, who is also an attorney, live in New Orleans with their daughter, Julia.

Jennifer Lyons, AW, is living in Northern California with her husband, Matthew. She works for Pacific Forest Trust, a conservation organization.

Susan Kirchofer, BW, has completed an internship in New York at Citibank in the e-business department and will return to the Chicago Marathon. Her focus will be on technology and public affairs. He lives in Santa Monica, Calif.

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Sarah Manchester, AW, is an editorial coordinator at CourseCrafters Inc., which develops and produces educational products in English as a second language, Spanish and French. She has just completed a project for Berlin and Sesame Street to teach English to young children overseas.

Heather MacAllister, AW, is a second-grade teacher at Twin Hickory Elementary School in Henrico County, Va.

Kristen McNamara, AW, graduated from VCU and is project administrator in the client services division of MIS, an ADP company in Norwell, Mass.

Shelly Francis, AW, is a first-year doctoral student in the School of Public Health studying adolescent sexuality and high-risk behaviors. She often sees Tricia Hooker, AW, who is a doctoral student in psychology at UNC. She spent the summer traveling in the United States and Bermuda.

Marcy Greenberg, AW, earned a master's degree from VCU and is director of parks and recreation for New Kent County, Va.
Specializing in facial plastic surgery

Dr. W.H. "Charlie" Lindsey, R'86, has received prestigious research awards and two grants for his investigations into repairing facial bone defects from cancer resection, trauma and birth defects. Yet as an undergraduate student at Richmond, "I was completely uninterested in anything with a lab," Lindsey recalls, "except for endocrinology class as a senior, where we had the opportunity to operate on rats."

Fortunately, Lindsey changed his mind. Now combining medical research and practice, Lindsey is assistant clinical professor at George Washington University Medical Center in the department of surgery, division of otorhinolaryngology-head and neck surgery. (Otorhinolaryngology is the branch of medicine that combines treatment of the ear, nose and throat.) He also has opened a private practice, the Northern Virginia Facial Plastic Surgery, in Reston, Va.

Lindsey specializes in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, skin cancer, congenital disorders and cosmetic surgery. His research interests include osteoconductive implants for facial reconstruction, laser effects on wound healing, tissue engineering, and gene therapy for facial reconstruction.

Lindsey grew up in Harrisonburg, Va. When it came time to choose a college, he applied to only one school. "Richmond seemed like it would provide a quality education in a pleasant environment," he says. "I was attracted to the small class sizes and the good science department."

After graduating in 1986 with a biology major and business option, he continued on to medical school at the University of Virginia. That's where his interest in research developed.

He worked in U.Va.'s microsurgery lab in the summer between his first and second years of medical school, researching the use of biological adhesives to speed wound repair.

"I was able to complete two projects and lay the groundwork for several more projects that I could complete in my spare time in the following two years," he says. "Later, as a resident, I was able to see applications for my previous research experience in new clinical areas."

For his work in the U.Va. lab, Lindsey received the Mead Johnson Overall Excellence in Research Award from the National Student Research Forum. He also was selected as one of the top 10 medical student researchers in the United States by the American Medical Association.

Lindsey graduated from medical school in 1990, then completed an internship in general surgery at the University of Virginia Medical Center and a residency in otolaryngology-head and neck surgery. He also completed a private-practice fellowship in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery in Florence, S.C.

In 1995, he married the former Jennifer Rae Hoare and in 1996, returned to Charlottesville to become an assistant professor of otorhinolaryngology at U.Va. That same year, Lindsey traveled to El Salvador with Children's Cross Connection, a nondenominational religious medical mission. He and other surgeons provided medical services to 60 children with cleft palate and other facial defects.

"My most memorable professional experiences occur every time I repair a child with a cleft lip deformity," Lindsey says. "The parents hand me a 2-month old baby that they love, but who looks different from other children and who may have difficulty eating. Two hours later, I can return to them a child who looks and functions like the baby they were expecting. It is consistently the most rewarding of procedures."

Lindsey has authored more than 15 papers for peer-reviewed journals, and contributed a chapter to a book. In 1999, he received the Ira Tresley Award for Excellence in Research from the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

Lindsey also received a research and development grant from the University of Virginia Medical Center for 1998-2000, and a Young Investigator Grant from the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery for 1999-2002. This summer, he reported on the first use of gene therapy for facial reconstruction at an international symposium of tissue engineering at the University of York, England.

Lindsey and Jenny, a pediatric cardiologist, have two children. They moved from Charlottesville to McLean in August, when Lindsey began working at GWU's medical school.

Lindsey maintains ties to Richmond through the President's Council of Emerging Leaders. This advisory group of already distinguished young alumni provides feedback to Dr. William E. Cooper, president of the University, about Richmond's planning process.

"I feel honored to help make recommendations to President Cooper in the quest to continually improve the University of Richmond," says Lindsey, noting that he is particularly impressed with the caliber of students. "Richmond was great when I graduated, but it's even better today."
Tara Hamilton Bennett, BW, was promoted to supervising senior assurance specialist with KPMG LLP in Richmond, Va.

Ted Brently Clark, BR, graduated from MCV/VCU with a master of health administration degree in May, and is working as a sales representative for Lake and Rock Martin in Richmond.

Elizabeth Ann LePere, AW, is an admissions counselor and international admissions officer at the University of Delaware. She travels overseas to recruit students for the college.
Treating patients with bone tumors

As Dr. Joel Sorger, R'87, neared the end of his residency, he wasn't sure what his next step in medicine would be. He was persuaded to go into orthopedic oncology (the treatment of bone tumors). Two years and a Harvard University fellowship later, Sorger is director of musculoskeletal oncology at University of Cincinnati Medical Center, and is conducting research to aid bone cancer patients.

The sage career guidance came from Dr. Peter Stem, University of Cincinnati orthopedic department chairman and Sorger's mentor.

"I didn’t know I was going to do tumors until my fourth year of residency," Sorger says. "Peter and I started talking and he said, 'You need to do tumors.' I said, 'Nah, not interested.' Three weeks later he asked me, 'Do you know where you're interviewing for your tumor position?' He pushed me."

Stern was also influential in helping Sorger gain a fellowship at Harvard from August 1998 to July 1999. While in Boston, Sorger practiced at Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston Children's Hospital alongside 72-year-old Dr. Henry Mankin, one of the fathers of sarcoma surgery. Massachusetts General is one of the world's leading medical centers for bone tumors. Sorger treated patients from across the globe, an invaluable experience.

"It was amazing to be at two hospitals like that," Sorger says. "We're in the championship game."

At University of Cincinnati, Sorger is also an assistant professor of orthopedic surgery. Half of his practice is general orthopedics, the other half musculoskeletal oncology, for which he established a new department at the medical center. Sorger says, "I have a lady whose breast cancer had spread through her body to her pelvis, and she'd been in a wheelchair for four months. I reconstructed her pelvis and her hip joint. Now she's able to walk.

"These people are so grateful. You can’t imagine how grateful they are. I can help them, and help guide their families through the emotions of it."

Sorger, who attended medical school at the Medical College of Virginia, is board-eligible and will take the oral board certification exam next year. In spite of his professional achievements, Sorger is nothing if not humble. In fact, he says his career has been shaped by chance.

"By chance I visited the University of Richmond and liked it," he says. "By chance my wife and I went to Cincinnati and liked it. I met Peter and he gave me a job. By chance he encouraged me to go into tumors. I always knew I wanted to do medicine, but I can't say there was very good planning on my part."

In contrast, Sorger plans his free time carefully—almost all of it with his family. He has three sons, ages 3, 5 and 6, and coaches the oldest, Jacob, in soccer. Although he insists he's not an overly intense soccer dad, he does love to win: "We're awesome," he says. "We’re in the championship game."

Ask Sorger, a biology major, about his favorite professors at the University of Richmond, and he'll quickly rattle off a list, with Richmond College dean Dr. Richard Mateer at the top. Among his undergraduate honors, Sorger was named to Omicron Delta Kappa as well as biology and chemistry honor societies, served as president of Sigma Chi fraternity, received the Outstanding Senior Award, and was a student representative on the Board of Trustees.

Sorger returns to campus regularly as part of President Cooper's Council of Emerging Leaders, an advisory group of distinguished alumni from the past two decades. He says, "I love coming back. I look forward to it. I like going back to Virginia and seeing people. I’ll be a part of the committee until they kick me off."

BY ADAM FOLDERNAUER


1993/Jennifer Hessmer, JW'94; Michele Carey, both AW'94; Chris Barnett, and Stephen W. Huddleston, R'94; Brian Clifford, BR'94; Chris Schaffer, BR'95, April 10, 1999, in Cincinnati. Included in the wedding party were Bryce Holsinger and Erin Thornton, both BR'95; Julie Anos Waugh, Ellen Mahoney and Cindy Poindexter, all AW'96; and Bradley Baur, BR'95. The couple lives in Richmond.


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1993/Erika Nelson, BW, and Christine Anne O'Neill, BW, and Michael Yost, April 8, 2000. Included in the wedding party were Allison O'Neill Hess, AW'99; Amy O'Neill, BW'99; Elizabeth MacKenzie, JW'96; Christopher Hess, BR'96; Nadie Nagle, AW'97; and John Better, AW'97. The couple lives in Richmond.

1993/Heather Lynn Scull, BW, and Richard Adam Stombers Jr., May 29, 1999. Included in the wedding party were Tracy Kathleen Goode, BW'96; and Kristen Elizabeth Villani and Sarah Katherine Villani, both AW'96. The couple lives in Falls Church, Va.


1993/Elizabeth L. Woodworth, BW, and Christina P. Spencer, May 20, 2000, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were Margareta Hamilton Bennett and Erin Watkins, both BW'97, and Tara Messmore, JW'97. The couple lives in Richmond.

1993/Tara Hamilton, BW, and Philip Henry Bennett, May 6, 2000. Included in the wedding party were Summer Gathercole and Erin Watkins, both BW'97, and Catherine Brashaw, AW'97. The couple lives in Richmond.

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1984/Jennifer Elsmar Brady, W, and her husband, David B. Brady, R’82, a daughter, Grace Alice, Nov. 9, 1999. She joins brothers Matthew, 7, and Mark, 2, and sister Erin, 5.

1984/Christopher McKenna Sr., R, L’93 and GB’93, and his wife, Carolyn, twins sons, William Greene and Brendan Collins, April 6, 2000. They join brother Christopher Jr., 2.

1984/Richard Pearce II, B, and his wife, Kristen, a daughter, Ashley Kristen, May 22, 2000. She joins sister Nicole Elizabeth, 2.


1985/Phoebe W. Figland, B, and her husband, Yuri Rozenfeld, a daughter, Rachel Helen, Jan. 30, 2000.


1985/Lisa Wintrude Martin, W, and her husband, Brian, a son, Luke Thomas, June 8, 2000. He joins sister Sydney, 5, and brother Jacob, 8.

1985/Christopher O’Malley, B, and his wife, Leigh, a daughter, Lauren Marie, March 15, 2000. She joins brother Matt, 6, and sisters Morgan, 4, and Jenna, 2.


1987/Allison Bates Cale, W, and her husband, Frank, a daughter, Emily Anne, Feb. 16, 2000. She joins brother Nicholas, 2.

1987/Katherine Johnson Greco, B, and her husband, David, a daughter, Gracey Mertherew, April 3, 1999. She joins Robert Adam, 4.

1987/Dana Gusmer Gruber, W, and her husband Chris Gruber, B’S 85 and GB’92, a daughter, Greta Elizabeth, July 6, 2000. She joins sister Heidi, 8, and brother Timothy, 6.

1987/Maureen Johnson, B, and her husband, David, a daughter, Paige Anne, March 16, 2000. She joins twin brothers Billy and Ryan, 3.


1987/Lisa Stiles Licata, L, a daughter, Brianne Whittier, June 1, 2000.


1988/Patrick Vincent, R, and his wife, Sheryn, a son, Matthew, April 27, 2000. He joins brother Ryan, 2/2.


1989/Ann DiGoia, B, and her husband, Steve, a daughter, Grace Allison, June 5, 2000. She joins sister Sarah Lynne, 2.


DEATHS

1927/Dorothy Daughtrey Anderson, W, of Richmond, Aug. 11, 1999. She taught English and Latin in Virginia and Maryland high schools, and held a master's degree in religious education from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. She and her husband were co-authors of a history of Richmond's Fulton Baptist Church, which later became Montrose Baptist Church. 1927/MIs Loch Bailey, W, of Fredericksburg, Va., April 20, 2000. She helped establish professional services for the mentally ill and mentally retarded during her 55-year tenure as Fredericksburg's welfare superintendent. She also served as leader of various organizations, including the Virginia Association of Mental Health, the Citizens Housing Improvement Committee, and the Fredericksburg Youth Council. She received many awards for her work, including a community service award from the American Association of Retired Persons. 1932/Marie Davis Deatelausser, W, April 1, 2000. 1933/William J. Hudgins, Jr., R, of Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 5, 2000. After earning a chemistry degree from Richmond, he began his lifelong career as a paint chemist and manufacturer. He was an active church member and community volunteer. 1934/Thug Holcombe Baird, R, of Midlothian, Va., May 30, 2000. 1935/Clifton D. Cosby, R, of Richmond, Dec. 27, 1999. He was a retired industrial engineer with DuPont Spruance Fibers Plant in Richmond. He served in the military during World War II, and was a member of the Bootswright Society. 1938/William H. Perkinson, R, of Lawrenceville, Va., June 22, 2000. He was a banker and lumberman who took over his father's lumber company, and sold it and became a wholesale lumber broker. He also owned a cattle operation and several tobacco farms. He was a founder and former chairman of the Bank of Brunswick, a longtime board member of Lawrenceville Brick and Tile, and a former trustee of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. 1939/Fleming Wood Gill, R, of Richmond, Aug. 27, 2000. He was medical director of Westminster-Canterbury of Richmond for 11 years, and a former chief of staff at Stuart Circle Hospital. During World War II, he served with the Army Medical Corps and treated German prisoners of war. 1940/Mary Margaret Crabtree Sutherland, W, of Wytheville, Va., April 4, 2000. She retired after teaching in Wythe County for more than 40 years. She was a member of the Wytheville Baptist Church and the Women's Christian Association. 1942/Lemuel W. Fitzgerald, R, of Covington, Va., Nov. 23, 1999. A distinguished educator and athletic coach, he was active in his church and community affairs. He was awarded the Bronze Star for service in World War II. 1943/Dr. John L. Decker, R., of Bethesda, Md., July 13, 2000. He was chief of rheumatology at the National Institutes of Health from 1965 to 1984, then spent seven years as director of the Warren G. Magnuson Clinical Center at NIH. After retiring in 1990, he did consulting work for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He wrote numerous scientific papers and edited a six-volume series on understanding and managing ailments including arthritis, hypertension, ulcers and osteoporosis. The son of missionary parents, he spent much of his childhood in China. He received the Purple Heart during military service in World War II. 1944/Natalie I. Lum, W, of Petersburg, Va., Aug. 12, 2000. 1947/Harold L. Flax, R and L, of Charlotte, Va., Oct. 5, 2000. He was a retired vice president of risk management and counsel for Ryder Transportation Services Inc., and previously worked for Markel in Richmond, Canada, Chicago and Knoxville, Tenn. He lived in Jacksonville, Fla., for 25 years and helped to establish an alumni chapter in that area. 1948/David Nelson Sutton, R, of West Point, Va., Aug. 7, 2000. He practiced law with Sutton and Causey for more than 40 years and was a member of the Public Defender Commission for 25 years. He also was a special justice for the Commonwealth of Virginia. He was a lifelong member of the West Point Christian Church, and a member and past president of the West Point Kiwanis Club. He also was former president of the Middle Peninsula Bar Association. 1950/Clarence Lee Beebe, R, of Woodbine, Md., June 17, 2000. 1950/Lucian M. Ferguson, R, of Alexandria, Va., July 16, 2000. 1950/Joseph C. Hantin, R, of Elmhurst, Ill., July 21, 2000. He was a former promotion writer for The New York Times and public relations manager for Uniroyal and RCA Corp. Earlier, he was a member of the Richmond Living Room Players, a little theatre group that performed in homes. 1950/Norman A. Krumenacker, L, of Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 2, 1998. 1950/Thomas R. Richardson, Sr., R, of Wachapreague, Va., July 2, 2000. He worked as a farmer, chemical salesman and insurance representative, and was founder and president of the Hall-Richardson Agency Inc. He served for more than 20 years on the board of directors of the Farmers and Merchants Bank - Eastern Shore. In 1994, he was appointed by then-Gov. George Allen to the regional economic development advisory council. 1969/J. Franklin Wilson, GB, of Chesterfield, Va., Jan. 31, 2000. 1983/Brian Robeson, R, of Sterling, Va., July 5, 2000. 1997/Susan Ellen Samuel, AW, of Bel Air, Md., Aug. 2, 2000. Correction: Ernest W. Mooney Jr., R'43 and G'47, an English and journalism teacher in Virginia high schools, was not a founder of the John Marshall High School student newspaper, as stated in the Fall 2000 University of Richmond Magazine. The magazine regrets the error.

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HONOR AND INTEGRITY ON CAMPUS

Rush Kidder, founder of the Institute for Global Ethics, defines ethical behavior as "obedience to the unenforceable." In my business ethics class, I ask students to reflect on this definition and to consider how it applies to their lives.

They discuss the challenges of living in an environment where self-regulation is vitally important but tough to maintain. Over four years, undergraduates face an extraordinary number of difficult situations. The internal standards they develop for resolving these dilemmas are likely to guide the decisions they'll make later in life. Because the complexities surrounding important choices are sure to grow after graduation, establishing an ethical foundation while on campus is crucial.

In his book How Good People Make Tough Choices, Kidder suggests that the most difficult ethical decisions we face are those that pit two justifiable alternatives against one another. The most common type of "right versus right" dilemma is truth versus loyalty.

When I ask students for examples of decisions involving truth and loyalty, discussion inevitably leads to the University's honor code. Like other schools, the University of Richmond's code contains a non-toleration clause. It requires students to report infractions by classmates or to risk disciplinary action for having violated the code. Such a clause is intended to create a right versus wrong decision for students by making the option to remain silent less attractive.

In discussing this case with students, however, it is clear that they continue to view this as a right versus right scenario. On one hand, it would be right for the student to be truthful about what he has seen and to submit the case to the University's Honor Council. On the other hand, the witness may have loyalties to his classmates that lead him to consider silence.

In ethics class, I present this choice to juniors and seniors, asking them to decide between truth and loyalty. Again and again, my students are nearly unanimous in telling me that they would not turn in a classmate whom they knew to have violated the honor code. Such a response contradicts the pledge they made upon entering the University. Each of them knows that failing to turn in a classmate is itself an honor violation that can potentially lead to punishment. Nonetheless, most decide to accept the risk.

Evidently, failing to report an honor violation is not limited to students at Richmond. Donald McCabe, a professor of organization management at Rutgers and founding president of the Center for Academic Integrity, recently conducted a study on peer reporting of violations at college campuses. He and his colleagues found that at 14 schools with traditional honor codes, only one in 12 students who had witnessed a violation actually reported it.

In a forthcoming article in The Journal of Higher Education, McCabe and his colleagues conclude that "students on campuses that require or encourage reporting of cheating face strong, countervailing pressures that may lead them to believe it is not appropriate to report violations." One explanation can be found in Kidder's definition of ethical behavior. In a literal sense, "unenforceable" means unable to be enforced. I am beginning to think that this definition fits most non-toleration clauses.

The University of Virginia, which has had a student-run honor system since 1842, eliminated its statement on non-toleration in 1979, citing the impracticality of enforcing such a statute. In the nine years that the clause was in place, no student was brought up on charges of failing to report. The University of Richmond has had a similar history. The current chairman of the Honor Council here knows of no cases involving a student's failure to report suspected violations.

The lack of enforcement of the non-toleration clause damages the atmosphere of trust on campus and can lead to deeper problems. As McCabe says, "it allows students to conclude that the reporting requirement, and maybe the entire code, don't mean very much."

When this sentiment takes hold on campus, the pursuit of academic integrity is stifled. If the object is to catch those who cheat, perhaps we can live with this consequence. If, instead, the goal of the system is to build a community of trust, the codes must be modified.

Instead of relying on outdated standards that jeopardize the core of an honor system, we must encourage students to build a culture of integrity in which unethical behavior is addressed appropriately and consistently. Eliminating the strict non-toleration clause is a step in the right direction.

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Post-game party

Spider fans of all ages relaxed in the Greek Theatre after the win over the University of Maine, 17-6. Music was provided by the Bart Chuckers (R'86) Band.

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Young Grads

Among the 1,500 graduates at the Young Grads party Friday evening in Millhiser Gymnasium were five members of the Class of 2000 returning for their "100-Day Reunion." They were Brian Leypoldt, AW'00; Karen Macdonald, AW'00; Quinn Cornelius, BI'00; Elaine Buschek, AW'00; and Amanda Crawford, AW'00. Young Grads are all alumni who have graduated in the past five years.

Pre-game barbecue

The alumni associations sponsored a tent party featuring barbecued pork and chicken with all the trimmings. Among the 250 who attended were William J. Bugg, R'66; William F. Ranson, R'64, and his grandson, Patrick Ranson; and William N. Whitfield, R'63.

Jepson School alumni brunch

Among the Jepson School faculty and alumni who gathered on Sunday morning were Dr. Elizabeth Feier, assistant professor of leadership studies; Brent Gears, JR'00; and Elizabeth Hopfinger, JW'00.
Alumni leaders gathered Homecoming weekend in October to recognize the work of Jane C. Stockman, W’58, retiring executive director of alumni affairs, and to honor recipients of alumni volunteer awards.

Reflecting on Stockman’s 27-year career at Richmond were Dr. Stephanie Bennett Smith, president of Centenary College and former dean of Westhampton College; H. Gerald Quigg, principal of H. Gerald Quigg and Associates and former longtime vice president for development-university relations at Richmond; and William B. Tiller, R’86, former president of the Richmond College Alumni Association. Presiding at the dinner was Dr. Claire Millhiser Rosenbaum, W’54 and G’73.

The University of Richmond has established the Jane Stockman Scholarship to honor the former executive director of alumni programs. Jane C. Stockman, W’58, returned to her alma mater in 1973 to direct alumnae relations. In 1987, she became the first executive director of Richmond’s undergraduate alumni programs. During a period of growth and change at the University, Stockman encouraged the alumni office to expand its scope. Today, the alumni affairs office offers a broad spectrum of opportunities for alumni to remain involved with the University and to stay in touch with each other. (See article, p. 20.)

Stockman retired in July. The Jane Stockman Scholarship was established to recognize the significant impact she made during her 27 years as alumni director. This scholarship will provide financial aid to worthy students, thereby providing them the means to attend the University of Richmond.

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Consultation gatherings held in key cities

Seventeen dinners were held in several cities throughout the fall for Richmond alumni, parents and friends of the University. The dinners provided opportunities for these constituents to meet with President William E. Cooper and discuss the University’s strategic plan.

The dinners were held along the East Coast in New York; Connecticut; Philadelphia; New Jersey; Baltimore; Washington, D.C.; and Atlanta. In Virginia, they were held in Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News and Roanoke.

At each, guests were asked to read the strategic plan, ask questions of Dr. Cooper and other University representatives, and share their ideas about the plan’s initiatives and priorities.

The strategic plan was adopted by the Board of Trustees last May after a 17-month planning effort. It details how the University can propel itself into the top tier of American universities. The plan stresses that Richmond has tremendous opportunities to combine liberal arts with professional education, teaching and research; extensive choices among academic specialties; curricular and co-curricular programs; and high levels of student-faculty interaction.

Arts Around the Lake

The weather was chilly, but business was brisk for the 90 Richmond-area artists who participated in Arts Around the Lake in October. The annual event is sponsored by the Richmond Club of the Westhampton College Alumnae Association, and proceeds go to a scholarship the club offers to a Westhampton College student.

Finance students hit the Big Apple

Eleven senior finance students took a field trip to New York in October to visit brokerage houses and meet with Richmond alumni and friends of the University working in the financial services industry. The students are members of the Spider Fund, a unique undergraduate student organization. The students actively manage a portion of the University’s endowment in an all-equity portfolio, gaining valuable experience in monitoring, analyzing and investing in financial markets.

“It was a wonderful opportunity to see the real-world application of what they are studying,” says Dr. John Earl Jr., associate professor of finance, who advises the fund managers and accompanied them to New York. Earl adds that all the students had job interviews, and at least one later received an offer.

After spending time at the New York Stock Exchange, Merrill Lynch, Goldman Sachs and Lehman Bros., the students attended a reception with about 40 Richmond alumni and friends. Dr. Karen Newman, dean of the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business, also attended the reception.

The Spider Fund, which was established in 1993, is comprised of growth and value segments. Each segment is managed by five seniors concentrating in finance and a general manager who oversees both segments. Starting in January, members of the fund will conduct a rigorous and competitive selection process to choose their successors.
At their October meeting, the University’s Board of Trustees approved a proposal to construct a memorial garden and columbarium next to Cannon Memorial Chapel. An old tradition in the United States and abroad, a columbarium is a burial vault or structure that contains urns holding human remains. The word “columbarium” is Latin and derives from the word “columbary,” a structure where doves may nest.

The Memorial Garden will be located on the east side of Cannon Memorial Chapel and will contain a columbarium of 3,000 niches where the cremated remains of alumni, faculty, staff and students could be placed. Each niche could accommodate up to two urns. Construction will begin in the spring, with completion planned by November 2001. Further details will be available later in the year.

Meet your alumni affairs staff

The alumni affairs staff of seven is housed in a wing of the Jepson Alumni Center. They are, seated, Ann Vazquez, office manager; Brenda L. Fogg, B‘87, associate director; and Bernard C. “Bert” Brown Jr., R’90, associate director. Standing are Diane Mast, operations coordinator; Linda Acors, administrative assistant and Class Connections editor; Paul O. Hagenmueller, R’67, associate director; and Alice Dunn Lynch, W’85, executive director.

Brown, the newest appointment, works with alumni chapters and the Young Grad program. After graduation, he served as a project manager with University facilities for nine years, then left to be director of construction operations at Tony Anthony Inc. Construction Co. He has long been involved with the alumni office as a volunteer, serving on the Young Graduate steering committee and as chair of the Class of 1990 five- and 10-year reunions.

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President’s Council of Emerging Leaders

A group of 45 alumni from the last two decades has been hard at work serving as a think tank to respond to University of Richmond initiatives and advise President William E. Cooper. Leaving their hectic schedules, they gather twice a year on campus at their own expense to hear from senior administrators and offer their perspective.

“Our hope is to involve people who had not previously been engaged in University affairs since their graduation,” says Alice Dunn Lynch, W’85, executive director of alumni affairs who staffs the council. “We’re asking for a high level of commitment from very busy and talented alumni.”

Organized by the University’s Board of Associates, the President’s Council of Emerging Leaders includes a cross-section of alumni who have been noted for unique or distinguished achievements early in their careers. They come from academia, athletics, business, entertainment, government, law, medicine and the media. They come from East Coast to West Coast, and even from Europe and South America.

“The group is very diverse in every way possible,” Lynch says. “Its strength is in its diversity.”

Last year, the council provided feedback to help refine the University’s strategic plan. This year, council members are being asked to provide their input in specific areas of the University such as admission and career development, or in their specific spheres of influence. Each serves a three-year term.

Council members believe their perspective and their contacts can help the University. “Our group brings a youthful exuberance that I think can help the University reach a new height,” says Maura McCarthy Dunn, W’85, director of business development for Brown & Root Services, Halliburton.

“It has been interesting to see how similar the issues confronting the University are to issues most of us confront in business, government or at other institutions of higher learning,” she says.

“Input from ‘end users’ is an important part of the planning process,” says Dr. Amanda L. Graham, AW’93, a research psychologist at Brown University. “The council serves as an ideal focus group to receive such input.”

Council members also appreciate the opportunity to serve their alma mater. “I had such a positive experience as an undergraduate and was very well prepared for graduate school and my current occupation as a result,” says Graham. “Participation in the council is an appealing way to somehow give back to the University.”