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Richmond community bids farewell to Dr. George Modlin

The music of J.S. Bach pealed from the Beckerath organ and light shone through the stained-glass windows of Cannon Memorial Chapel at the funeral service for Dr. George Matthews Modlin, University of Richmond president from 1946 to 1971, who died Oct. 4.

When he became Richmond’s fourth president, the chapel had neither a pipe organ nor stained-glass windows. As president and chancellor, Dr. Modlin coordinated these improvements in Cannon Chapel—only a few of the many ways in which he brought transformation to the University. Dr. Modlin asked for and received the historic $50 million gift from E. Claiborne Robins and family in 1969, then the largest gift from a living benefactor in the history of higher education.

But it was Dr. Modlin’s character that was celebrated by a chapel full of guests at the Oct. 7 service of “worship in thanksgiving” for his life.

“George Modlin epitomized the Virginia gentleman,” said Richmond’s eighth president, Dr. William E. Cooper. “He could convince because he believed. He engendered trust. He cared deeply about his community and about education.” Because “serendipity in our history . . . brought together the compelling, intelligent and devoted sincerity of George Modlin and the stunning generosity of Claiborne Robins,” Dr. Modlin was “the builder of the sound and beautiful foundation on which we stand today.”

To his successor, Dr. Modlin was “my friend from the day I was elected president of the University,” said Chancellor E. Bruce Heilman.

Dr. Heilman said in all his associations with Dr. Modlin, “I found him to be not only appreciated . . . but revered for his wisdom, his judgment, his positive spirit and attitude, and his good will.”

Dr. Modlin didn’t take himself too seriously, Heilman said. “He was a man of good humor which he often turned on himself. In later years, “he remarked that he had bought his last automobile four different times.”

“The turnout today is testimony to the character and quality” of Dr. Modlin, Heilman said.

Chancellor Richard L. Morrill also remembered Dr. Modlin as a friend. “Three of us here today have had the special privilege to walk as successors in the tall shadow this slight man cast in the history of this University,” he said.

“Without even knowing that he did so, I submit that George Modlin shaped a rare campus culture, one in which people at the University of Richmond followed his lead and learned to look beyond narrow self-interest to serve the good of the whole. He was a lover of that whole, this place, and he took it to his heart and embraced it with his life.”

“Confidence and hope characterized his days, and frustration and despair were simply not part of his vocabulary.”
—David Burhans
In his eulogy, Dr. David D. Burhans said: “Each of us here today has his or her own private memory of the George Modlin manner: his keen, quick mind; his strong will; his playful sense of humor; his high sense of what is right and proper, kind and courteous; his sense of honor and integrity; his great love for the University of Richmond and his great pleasure in this University’s growing excellence,” but “even these capture too little of who this man was.”

Dr. Modlin’s life had “staying power, successfully negotiating life’s challenges, reaching one’s goals, living life to the fullest,” said Burhans, chaplain to the University.

Also speaking was the Rev. Philip L. Cumbia, R’53, associate minister of First Baptist Church in Richmond, where Dr. Modlin was a long-time member, a life deacon and had served on many committees. “Pastors felt in this man a companion,” Cumbia said, calling him a “spiritual hero for First Baptist.”

The Rev. David F.H. Dorsey, associate chaplain, gave a prayer of thanksgiving for Dr. Modlin, “the gentleman and the gentle man,” who was “small in stature but a giant in spirit.”

Music for the service was provided by organist Suzanne Kidd Bunting, W’58, professor of music, and Schola Cantorum, the student a cappella ensemble. During the afternoon before the service, the Boatwright Tower carillon played a selection of hymns.

And as Dr. Modlin left the chapel for the last time, the Academy of St. Boatwright on the Lake jazz band played at his request “Star Dust,” George and Virginia Modlin’s favorite song for dancing.

Dorothy Wagener

Advance planning

Characteristically, Dr. George M. Modlin, the master of detail, had made his funeral arrangements well ahead of time.

“I’ve been here 24 years and I can’t remember when we haven’t talked about it,” says Dr. David D. Burhans, University chaplain.

The service was to be joyful, Dr. Modlin instructed Burhans, hence the faculty jazz band’s postlude as guests left the chapel.

Chancellor E. Bruce Heilman remembers how Dr. Modlin “had chosen his pallbearers several times and then outlived them, so that it was becoming more difficult to find folks with the courage to accept.”

When Dr. Modlin was working on the stained-glass window project for Cannon Memorial Chapel, he told the chaplain, “David, if I should die before the windows are all in place, I want to be led out of the chapel feet first. If, however, the project is completed when I die, I’d like to be led out head-first.”

Dr. Modlin had his wish before being laid to rest in Richmond’s Hollywood Cemetery.

60 years’ service concluded

Dr. George Matthews Modlin, the University of Richmond’s fourth president from 1946 to 1971, died Oct. 4 at age 95.

Dr. Modlin, who held the title chancellor emeritus at his death, served the University for 60 years.

He came to Richmond from the economics faculty at Princeton University in 1938 to become director of the Evening School of Business Administration. In 1946 he was elected president upon the retirement of Dr. Frederic W. Boatwright, who had served as president 51 years. After serving 25 years as president, Dr. Modlin retired in 1971, serving as chancellor until 1986 and then as chancellor emeritus.

The University had honored Dr. Modlin this July with a 95th birthday party in the George M. Modlin Center for the Arts, the building named in his honor. Dr. Modlin was present for the opening of the center, which was officially dedicated on Oct. 4, 1996.

“George Modlin epitomized the Virginia gentleman.” — Bill Cooper

Dr. Modlin, who had suffered from poor health leading up to the 1996 dedication, had remarked to friends that he wanted to stay alive long enough to be part of the week-long series of events celebrating the Modlin Center’s opening. He died two years to the day after it was dedicated in his honor.

Dr. Modlin’s wife, Virginia Pendleton Brinkley Modlin, who also was honored in the dedication of the Modlin Center, died on July 12, 1997. The Modlins were married on June 2, 1928.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the First Baptist Church Endowment Fund, the Richmond Rotary Club Foundation, the University of Richmond for the George M. Modlin Scholarship or the Virginia Pendleton Brinkley Modlin Fund for Arts Programming, or a favorite charity.

A complete retrospective on Dr. Modlin’s presidency will follow in the next issue of the University of Richmond Magazine.
The University of Richmond's newest chancellor, Dr. Richard L. Morrill, began the transition from the presidency to his new role after Commencement. In August, he was honored for his decade of service with a concert in the Modlin Center for the Arts and a black-tie dinner in the Jepson Alumni Center. During the evening, his portrait was unveiled and Martha Morrill was declared an honorary alumna of Westhampton College.

Shortly after the celebration, he began his year-long sabbatical with an extended trip to France. Next year, Morrill will re-enter the classroom and teach the core course, Exploring Human Experience, a required class for first-year students. He also will hold the Richard L. Morrill Distinguished University Chair in Ethics and Democratic Values for six years.

Morrill plans to use the relationships and contacts he developed as president to help with public relations and fund raising for the University. "I think that at the University of Richmond, former presidents assume a place in the life of the community, and that is the expectation that I know the board has of me," Morrill said in an interview last year. Along with his retirement from the presidency, Morrill anticipates more freedom in his schedule.

"Teaching is a fully involving and demanding activity, but it doesn't have that range of answerability, of constant responsibility, that the presidency does. What I relish is a much greater ability to direct my time and energy toward a wide variety of interests."

Morrill joins former Richmond president Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, also serving as chancellor. For several months this summer, the University had three former presidents as chancellors—Dr. Modlin, Dr. Heilman and Dr. Morrill—until Dr. Modlin's death in October. Each had chosen to remain associated with Richmond after retirement; together they represented a half-century of influential leadership.

Richmond's first chancellor was Dr. Frederic W. Boatwright, who began serving in 1946 after completing a 51-year term as president. Because the bylaws of the University of Richmond do not include a job description for a chancellor, each individual has the opportunity to decide where he will focus his energy, as well as to assist the president and Board of Trustees when opportunities arise.

"The title chancellor," says Heilman, "carries with it the prestige of the University, second only to the presidency, and if the one holding the title has also been president, it perpetuates the tie and allows that one to represent the University in positive ways. "I think of myself first and foremost as an ambassador of good will for the University," he says.

Katherine Harding, AW'99

95th birthday party for Dr. Modlin

Chancellor Emeritus George Modlin celebrated his 95th birthday July 12 with festivities in the Modlin Center for the Arts. Joining him were President William E. Cooper, left, and Chancellor E. Bruce Heilman, center.
Cooper challenges new students

The new academic year began with a welcome to the first-year students by the University's new president, Dr. William E. Cooper, on Aug. 25 at the annual Convocation ceremony.

In his remarks, Dr. Cooper described a community-wide conversation he is leading to determine the University's future course, starting with three key questions: "Who do we want to become? How do we intend to get there? How will we and the world know we are making progress?"

Such bold thinking characterized Richmond's early leaders, he said. "We are the heirs to dreamers and builders and innovators who transformed a seminary into a college and a college into a university, who transplanted a campus wholesale to the wonderful location we enjoy today.

"These courageous forebears expect of us no less as we strive to develop the best within ourselves and within this institution."

Next students heard from Michael G. Ehret, BR'99 and president of the Richmond College Student Government Association. Urging the new students to evaluate their goals, both short-term and long-term, he concluded, "Never take your eyes off the goal...persevere until your goals are met."

A series of awards and recognitions followed. For the second year, outstanding papers written for last year's core course, Exploring Human Experience, earned awards for their authors. Selected were Carla Franceshetti, for her essay entitled "Repression and Ruin in Relationships as Analyzed by Sigmund Freud and Narrated by Mary Shelley"; and George H. Paterson, for his essay, "Serious Monkey Business." Each student received a certificate and a check for $150.

Six faculty were named 1998 Distinguished Educators:
- Dr. Rafael de Sá, biology
- Mary L. Heen, law
- Joe Ben Hoyle, accounting
- Dr. Daniel J. Palazzolo, political science
- Dr. William T. Ross, mathematics, and
- Walter L. Schoen Jr., theatre.

Two of the group are repeat winners of the Distinguished Educator Award: Hoyle has been named four times previously, and Palazzolo has been named once before.

Next to be recognized were faculty members beginning terms and holders of endowed chairs. First occupants of new chairs were Chancellor Richard L. Morrill, appointed to the Distinguished University Chair in Ethics and Democratic Values bearing his name; Dr. Richard A. Couto to the George Matthews and Virginia Brinkley Modlin Chair in Leadership Studies; Dr. James A. Davis to the Roger Francis and Mary Saunders Richardson Professorship in Mathematics; and Rodney A. Smolla to the George E. Allen Chair in Law.

Reappointed to their chairs were Dr. Stephen L. Addiss, in the Tucker-Boatwright Professorship in the Humanities; Dr. W. John Hayden, in the D.A. Kuyk Chair of Biology; Dr. Robert James, in the George and Sally Cutchin Camp Professorship of Bible and Solon B. Cousins Chair of Religion; Dr. James B. Seaborn, in the Robert Edward and Lena Frazer Loving Chair in Physics; Dr. Jerry L. Stevens, in the Joseph A. Jennings Chair in Business; and Dr. J. Patrick Raines, in the E. Carlyle Tiller Chair in Business.

Music was provided by the Academy of St. Boatwright on the Lake, the faculty jazz band; and the University Band, directed by Dr. Gene Anderson. Also participating were Terrence F. Wilson, BR'99, who gave the invocation; Mary R. Richerson, AW'00, who led the audience in singing the alma mater; and Dr. David D. Burhans, chaplain to the University, who gave the benediction.

Richmond's 169th academic session was officially underway.

Dorothy Wagener
Rodney A. Smolla, one of the foremost constitutional law experts in the nation, stepped to the podium on the afternoon of Sept. 11 to speak to about 200 law alumni, faculty, students and friends. This would be his inaugural lecture as the prestigious George E. Allen Professor of Law, and with the events of the day, the room was buzzing.

Less than two hours earlier, the U.S. House of Representatives had released Kenneth Starr’s detailed report outlining allegations that could lead to impeachment of the President of the United States.

Smolla referred to the report, which had flashed first across the Internet, as “an extraordinary national event,” the latest in “an unbelievable, staggering series of events.”

And while he could not have anticipated the timing, Smolla had recognized the environment into which the Starr report would be delivered. His topic: “Paparazzi, Privacy and Celebrity: The First Amendment and Tabloid Culture.”

Before an attentive audience in the Jepson Alumni Center, Smolla discussed differences between the “tabloid” media and “serious journalism,” the forces that seem to be driving the two to converge and the issues this convergence is creating. And in light of the day’s events and all that preceded the report and that promised to follow, he offered some insights into the future.

Tabloids “highlight the salacious elements of human life with emphasis on sex, infidelity, scandal, drugs, deviance, the bizarre, the macabre, and violence. ‘News’ for the tabloid often equates with ‘sin,’” Smolla said.

There is no recognition of dividing lines between public life and private life. There is scant coverage of political and social issues in tabloid publications and shows.

Serious journalism is characterized by thoughtful presentation, with emphasis on political, social, scientific, artistic and financial issues.

But under pressure from competition in an arena where communication can be instantaneous, in an age where changes in cultural norms have brought scandal to the forefront, differences between tabloid and serious media are disappearing, Smolla said.

With the Clinton case starkly before the nation, in an era where rights to privacy and free speech collide with great frequency and public

impact, Smolla predicted that “tabloidization” would bring about a backlash or some “retrenchment” regarding the First Amendment. He anticipated a public “yearning for boundaries” that is likely to be reflected in legislation and court rulings.

More immediately, he said, in the coming weeks there must be time for serious thinking by Americans, thinking “with a touch of compassion and humility and ultimately with optimism. Somehow, we’ll talk things out and ultimately prosper and be better for having lived through this process.”

(For further excerpts from Smolla’s inaugural lecture, see the Vantage Point essay on p. 48.)

Rob Walker

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Dr. Joanne B. Ciulla’s Leadership and Ethics class weighed in this fall on the national debate over whether President Bill Clinton should be impeached.

The class took part in an hour-long live discussion led by Tom Martin of World Radio, a new national public radio station that wants to compete with National Public Radio. The broadcast emanated from the campus of Georgetown College in Georgetown, Ky., where students in another leadership and ethics class held forth as well.

Ciulla, who holds the Coston Family Chair in Leadership and Ethics in the Jepson School of Leadership Studies, told the radio audience that the Clinton crisis gave her class an additional case study they could discuss as it is actually going on.

Her students expressed opinions on a variety of topics, particularly on the intense scrutiny President Clinton has been under. A sampling:

**On the investigation:**

“I grew up near Salem, Mass., and Kenneth Starr’s investigation reminds me of the Salem witchcraft trials. He started out looking to bring down the president, and he kept searching and searching and searching.”

“There is too much emphasis on the morality of a president. CEOs aren’t as scrutinized. It’s unfair.”

**On the media:**

“The media just goes after people.”

**On impeachment:**

“Impeachment is a healthy process. It’s an opportunity to air both views. The country can decide.”

**On running for office:**

“If [the investigation of the president] discourages people from running for public office, we’ve done an awful thing.”

Randy Fitzgerald, R’63 and G’64
Richmond is No. 1 for the fifth time

For the fifth year in a row, the University of Richmond has been named the No. 1 regional university in the South by U.S. News & World Report.

Richmond received an academic reputation score of 4.3 out of 5, the highest score of any regional school. The University also ranked No. 1 for graduation and retention, faculty resources, and selectivity.

Richmond has been included among the nation's best in every issue since the magazine began the survey in 1983.

The latest Princeton Review also gives Richmond high scores, rating the University No. 1 in the nation in its "quality of life" assessment. Richmond students quoted in the Review also are complimentary of the University. One student comments that at Richmond, "students' voices are heard. The deans and administrators really try to accommodate their needs and wants."

The Insider's Guide to the Colleges says that "the University of Richmond fosters initiative and progress while maintaining a core of tradition," and that "Richmond's endowment, reportedly one of the largest per capita in the nation, goes directly to reducing tuition, and allows Richmond to expand and improve institutions at a time when other universities are forced to make cuts."

The guidebook continues, "More than one student emphasized that Richmond 'educates holistically, not just academically,' and that both the university and its students are 'well-rounded.'"

Peterson's 1998-99 edition of Competitive Colleges comments that "Students who attend Richmond find a rigorous intellectual experience that prepares them for the best graduate schools and the most challenging occupations in our society,' and that "students benefit from an average class size of 19, ample opportunities in undergraduate research, and no graduate assistants."

Peterson's 1999 Four-Year Colleges gives Richmond an entrance rating of "very difficult."

The 1999 edition of The Fiske Guide to Colleges rates Richmond as a "Best Buy" for yet another year. The Fiske guide says that "Small classes and terrific faculty interaction are just a few of the perks of being a Richmond Spider.' The guide also comments that "students rave about faculty members, and that 'opportunities for internships in Richmond are plentiful, and students take an active role in the community.'"

According to one Richmond junior in the Fiske guide, "I like best the fact that my college is well respected, especially by big businesses and local residents. I love being challenged, having fun, and being part of a close-knit community."

Kim Sprankle, AW'99

Students produce new admission video

Students did more than talk in the University of Richmond's new admission video, "Students Talk About Richmond."

The entire video—from planning to filming direction to editing—is the work of six Richmond students: Dan Beeman, JR'99; Sumner Johnson, BW'00; Amanda Bruning, JW'98; Allison Jones, BW'98; John Lee, BR'00; and Vinnie Olivieri Jr., AR'98. The six students were nominated by faculty members and selected to produce the video by a task force of administrators and fellow students. "I have always thought that it was a little presumptuous for middle-aged people to produce a video for high school students," says Pam Spence, director of admission. "Current students have the best story to tell so we looked to their creativity, talent and skill to produce this video."

Working with Park Productions, a video production company based in Richmond, the six students created the 13-minute, documentary-style video which reflects what the University is to its students. Unscripted vignettes show students discussing academics, athletics, social life, the Greek system, technology and many other facets of life at Richmond.

Filming for the video began in spring 1997 and continued throughout most of the 1997-98 academic year. One of the most difficult aspects of producing the video, says Jones, was taking the nearly 10 hours of film shot during the year and editing it down to just 13 minutes.

The purpose of the video was not to give facts and figures to prospective students, says Johnson. "Our goals were to represent the Richmond student experience—the learning and living atmosphere—and to entice high-school students to come and explore the University of Richmond."

The video will be sent to 3,500 secondary schools throughout the United States, including all of the high schools in Virginia. Initial admission mailings invite prospective students to request a copy of the video as well. In all, 10,000 copies of the video were made.

Who could better tell the story of the University of Richmond than students themselves, asks Dr. Zeddie Bowen, vice president and provost.

Mary Fehm Gravely, W'89
Casey back for degree

Sean Casey, AR’98, likes to finish what he starts.

The former Spider baseball standout began the 1998 regular season with the Cincinnati Reds, after being traded by the Cleveland Indians on the eve of Opening Day. He missed several weeks in April after his cheekbone was shattered when he was hit by a thrown baseball during batting practice. He struggled on his return and spent some time back in the minor leagues, but he fought back to become the Reds’ regular first baseman for the second half of the season.

In the middle of one of baseball’s most exciting seasons, Casey broke up a no-hitter by Arizona’s Andy Benes with a single with one out in the ninth inning. He witnessed first-hand the home run race between Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals and Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs, as the Reds faced each club six times in the month of September.

In his first full season in the major leagues, Casey batted .272 in 96 games with 21 doubles, seven home runs and 52 runs batted in.

This fall, Casey will finish something he began in the fall of 1992. He will complete his academic work at the University of Richmond for his degree in speech communication. Since the baseball season concluded on Sept. 27, Casey had to receive permission from Dean Richard Mateer in order to enroll that far into the fall semester.

Along with his parents, Casey knew the importance of education and vowed that when he left school following his junior year to pursue a career in professional baseball, he would return to earn his degree. That promise will be fulfilled in December.

Defensive tackle Megna aims for more honors

If it weren’t for Shawn Barber, AR’98, Marc Megna might have been the Atlantic 10 Defensive Player of the Year a season ago. But he has a chance to take care of that this fall.

Megna, a senior defensive tackle from Fall River, Mass., had tremendous numbers a season ago. He was fourth on the team with 93 tackles, including 61 unassisted stops. He set school records with 14 quarterback sacks and 13 tackles for loss. He was a finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award, given to the Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year.

He was first team All-Atlantic 10, first team All-America by Don Hansen’s Football Gazette and third team All-America by The Sports Network. The Richmond Touchdown Club also selected him as the top defensive lineman in the state of Virginia for Division I-A and I-AA.

Many players in Division I-AA feel deep down that they should be playing at a Division I school. Megna showed a year ago that he could play at that level. He had one of his most impressive performances of the season against the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. He had 12 tackles, one tackle for loss and one quarterback sack.

Megna is a four-year starter for the Spiders. He was named second team All-Atlantic 10 as a sophomore as well as first team all-conference as a junior.

One of the strongest and most dedicated workers on the Richmond football team, Megna was selected as a preseason All-American this year and was rated as the best defensive lineman in I-AA football by The Sporting News.

Phil Stanton
Ottavinia now coaches the team she captained

Former Spider field hockey standout Amy Ottavinia, AR’98, remains at her alma mater this fall as an assistant field hockey coach, working with head coach Shelly Behrens.

A native of Flanders, N.J., Ottavinia graduated last spring in second place on Richmond’s career scoring list. She accumulated 93 career points, with 41 goals and 11 assists, placing her behind Dawn Reyerson, AR’94, who finished with 132 career points. Ottavinia ranks second in goals scored at Richmond and third in all-time assists.

Ottavinia was a three-time All-Colonial Athletic Association selection. She started 78 of the 82 games she played in during her career with the Spiders and captained the squad as a senior.

THE HON. LEWIS F. POWELL JR.

Retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., an honorary alumnus of the University of Richmond, died Aug. 25, 1998. He was 90.

Virginia’s most distinguished legal figure in the 20th century, Justice Powell served on the U.S. Supreme Court from January 1972 until his retirement in June 1987. All nine current and one retired Supreme Court justices attended his funeral in Richmond.

A native of Suffolk, Va., Justice Powell grew up in Richmond. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees from Washington and Lee University, where he graduated first in his law school class. He earned his master of law degree from Harvard and in 1932 began practicing law with the Richmond firm of Christian, Barton & Parker.

In 1935 Justice Powell became the 14th attorney at Hunton, Williams, Anderson, Gay & Moore, now Hunton & Williams. According to Thurston R. Moore, the firm’s managing partner, Mr. Powell laid the foundation for Hunton & Williams’ growth to a national law firm.

Justice Powell left Hunton & Williams to serve in the Army Air Force during World War II. He served in North Africa and Italy and was transferred to Washington for military intelligence training. While in service he was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star and the French Croix de Guerre with Palm.

After the war, Justice Powell returned to Hunton & Williams, where he practiced law until he was nominated by President Nixon to the Supreme Court.

On the Court, Justice Powell was known as neither a conservative nor a liberal. His “instincts were toward compromise, agreement and harmony,” according to John C. Jeffries Jr., a University of Virginia law professor and biographer of Justice Powell, as quoted in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Active in the bar, Justice Powell served as president of the Richmond Bar Association in 1947 and 1949 and as president of the American Bar Association from 1964 to 1965.

He served on the Virginia Bar Association in 1947 and as president of the American Bar Association in 1947 and 1949, and as president of the American Bar Association from 1964 to 1965. He served on the Virginia Board of Education and, from 1952 to 1961, was a member of the Richmond School Board.

During eight of those years he served as the school board’s chairman.

Justice Powell was the principal author of the ABA booklet “Instruction on Communism and Its Contrast With Liberty Under Law,” which was selected for the George Washington Honor Medal of the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa., in 1963. He served on the boards of Washington and Lee, Hollins College, Union Theological Seminary and Colonial Williamsburg. In 1970, the University of Richmond bestowed an honorary doctor of letters degree upon him.

Justice Powell is survived by his son, Lewis F. Powell III, of Richmond, and three daughters: Rosemary Powell of Houston; Pendleton Bowen of Whidbey Island, Wash.; and Molly Sumner of Salt Lake City.
The Face of Justice

In 31 years on the federal bench, Robert Merhige dealt not in punishment, but in justice.

And he knew that his cases, however complex and historic, were about human beings.

BY BILL LOHMANN, R’79
In the late 1930s, Bob Merhige was a Long Island kid a long way from home.

A basketball scholarship had lured him south to High Point College in North Carolina. He found a different world.

To earn a few bucks in High Point, he worked as an usher at a movie theater. He was incredulous when he discovered that blacks could enter only through a side door of the theater and then had to sit in the balcony.

"I thought that was ridiculous," he says. But he did nothing.

A few years later when he came to Richmond to attend the T.C. Williams School of Law, Merhige, L'42 and H'76, rode the city's streetcars with blacks who were forced to sit in the back.

"Utterly ridiculous," he says. Again, however, he bottled up his outrage. He had problems of his own. He was studying and working and forever broke. He survived on peanut butter and stale rolls from the A&P. He figured he couldn't solve anyone else's problems until he could take care of his own.

More than two decades passed. Merhige's opinion of discrimination hadn't changed but his position in life had. He went from starving student to successful criminal defense attorney to federal district judge. From the bench, he would have the opportunity to confront wrongs that had plagued American society for generations. In case after case, he would follow the law—Merhige considers the law nothing less than sacred—but he would follow it with his heart.

He did something.

He presided over some of the most emotional cases of the day, including more than 40 school desegregation cases in which he issued rulings that changed social landscapes, that divided whole communities, that made Robert R. Merhige Jr. a human bull's-eye.

Enemies shot his dog, burned down his guest cottage and spit in his face. None of it fazed him. He was interested only in upholding the law, in protecting those who, according to his interpretation of the law, had been treated unjustly.

"When I came on the bench, I came to realize that discrimination in any form is the most dehumanizing experience that anybody could ever have," he says.

From his new 20th-floor office on the riverfront in downtown Richmond, Merhige, 79, enjoys a wonderful view of the city. The state capitol sits on a hill in the distance, but it is the low, red-roofed building at the foot of that hill that catches Merhige's gaze. That is the U.S. Courthouse, Merhige's professional home for more than 30 years.

"That was the best job in the world," Merhige says of the federal judgeship that he retired from in June.

"I miss it."

Which is not to say Merhige does not appreciate where he is now. He does. He was hired by the firm of Hunton & Williams as special counsel to the firm's litigation, antitrust and alternative dispute resolution team. What's not to like? He is treated with the awe and respect normally reserved for religious figures. A grandson, Robert R. Merhige IV, L'91, works in the same firm.

"They've been so nice to me," Merhige says. "The way they've been treating me, I believe I could burn the building down and they'd say, 'We're sorry about the fire.'"

"I'm very proud and grateful to be part of the Hunton & Williams firm."

Merhige remains as funny, charming and self-deprecating as ever. Also as sharp and shrewd.

As a judge, Merhige was the king of his court. There was never any doubt who was in charge. He handled lawyers and cases with skill, wit and a fundamental fairness, which earned him respect and admiration within the legal community.

"He's a prince of a guy, a person of impeccable integrity," says James C. Roberts, L'57 and a University trustee, a widely respected attorney himself as a senior partner at the Richmond law firm of Mays & Valentine. "As a judge, he was one of the fairest individuals I've ever seen at work. He worshipped the law."

Merhige's courtroom was treated like a sanctuary. He was particularly offended by lawyers who used profanity in court and by spectators who dozed off. One time, he had a marshal remove an elderly gentleman who had fallen asleep on the front row: the man was Merhige's father.
Merhige presided over a number of historic cases—issues such as school desegregation, civil rights and environmental protection; events that shaped the last three decades, including Watergate, Vietnam, Indian protesters at Wounded Knee and the Ku Klux Klan in Greensboro, N.C.; and highly complex matters such as the uranium contract litigation against Westinghouse Corp.

Merhige was born in Brooklyn and raised on Long Island by parents who were first-generation Americans. His mother was Irish Catholic. His father, a dentist, was of Lebanese and French descent and was Episcopal. One of five children, he played sports and particularly loved basketball. He determined early he wanted to be a lawyer; he cannot pinpoint exactly why. He had his home regularly included Catholic and Episcopal priests, friends who were Chinese and black, and others.

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So it is understandable the University of Richmond School of Law was ecstatic when Merhige agreed to donate his papers to the school.

"The Merhige papers will be a gold mine for legal historians," says Dr. John R. Pagan, law school dean. "The papers contain valuable information about some of the most important legal issues of our time. Judge Merhige is one of the most significant federal trial judges of the 20th century."

uncles who were police officers and firefighters. His cousins wanted to follow in their footsteps; he didn't.

"I was raised in a religious family," says Merhige, who, like his mother, is a Roman Catholic. "We were not zealots by any means, but we always had a strong sense of what was right and what was wrong. Maybe that was it. I just don't know."

He encountered something else during his childhood: people of other races and cultures. He competed against them on the basketball court, he ate with them around the dinner table. In fact, dinner guests at his home regularly included Catholic and Episcopal priests, friends who were Chinese and black, and others.

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Needing every nickel he could earn for tuition, Merhige took on a variety of jobs. In the morning, he would do janitorial work around the law school, then go to class, and, in early afternoon, coach at St. Christopher's. After practice, a kid from St. Christopher's would give Merhige a ride back downtown, where he worked as night librarian at the law school.
“I loved every minute of it,” Merhige says. “For the first time in my life, my studies became a real joy.”

During his final year of law school, Merhige enlisted in the Army Air Corps. When he delivered word of his impending departure to M. Ray Doubles, dean of the law school and Merhige’s mentor, Doubles came back with an unexpectedly sweet deal: the faculty had voted to award Merhige his law degree because he qualified under a wartime regulation by having completed four-fifths of the work and being in the top five percent of his class. Doubles also provided Merhige a job as a teaching assistant until he was called to war.

Doubles corresponded during the war with Merhige, who served on bombing missions over Europe. Merhige recalls, “He would write to me and say, ‘Come back to Richmond, this is where you belong.’”

Three years later, in 1945, Merhige followed Doubles’ advice and came back.

He was young and cocky and impatient. The war was over. He had a law degree. He wanted a job and he wanted it now.

But an interview at one law firm was delayed and another potential job fell through. When he couldn’t immediately find work with a firm, he decided to change directions and work for the FBI. No, Doubles said, “God put you here to practice law.”

Deep down, Merhige knew that, but it helped to hear it from someone else, someone he held in great respect. With Doubles’ words ringing in his head, Merhige eventually found work with a Richmond law firm and became a terrific trial attorney. He loved it. Doubles was right.

“I never wanted to be anything but a lawyer,” Merhige says.

The notion of becoming a judge never entered his mind. He was too busy building his reputation as one of the best trial attorneys in town.

Murray J. Janus, one of the best of the current crop of criminal defense attorneys in Richmond, worked as a summer clerk at Merhige’s law practice.

“I learned more being with him that one summer than I did in two years of law school,” Janus says. “He’s been like a professional father to me ever since. Whatever success I’ve had in the process of law I owe to a great extent to Judge Merhige.”

However, there was a price that accompanied Merhige’s success. He worked long, crazy hours. He’d come home at the end of the day, eat dinner and go to bed. Sometimes he’d awaken at 2 o’clock in the morning and head back to the office. He was making significant money and investing it wisely in real estate—he owned apartment complexes, a motel and a shopping center, and once
made a failed bid with a group of other investors for his beloved Washington Redskins—but he was getting burned out.

In 1965, his wife Shirley talked him into taking a long vacation to Europe. The Merhiges and their young son Mark—Merhige has an older son, Robert III, B’68, from his first marriage—sailed to Italy, traveled through the French Riviera and settled on the Spanish island of Majorca, where they stayed in a villa with a terrace overlooking the Mediterranean.

On the ship back after seven months in Europe, Merhige received several calls from home, friends and colleagues who wanted permission to put his name up for a judgeship. They wanted him to replace his old friend Dean Doubles, who was now retiring as a judge in Richmond’s Hustings Court.

Merhige was flattered, but he wasn’t ready to give up his law practice when there were still so many legal issues he hadn’t yet addressed; he politely said no. However, he said if another judgeship came open and they wanted him again, he would accept.

Two years later, an opening arose on the federal bench in the Eastern District of Virginia. His friends didn’t forget his offer. Merhige was asked to accept the appointment, and he kept his promise.

As Merhige chatted with a visitor in his new office, there came a knock at the door.

The door opened and the Hon. John Charles Thomas poked his head in the room. Thomas, one of Merhige’s new partners at Hunton & Williams, is a former justice on the Virginia Supreme Court. In fact, he was the first black justice appointed to the state Supreme Court when he went on the bench in 1983.

He is a friend of Merhige and an unabashed admirer.

“You can’t look at him and not recognize all of the things he’s had to do with the history of Virginia...with the history of our country,” Thomas says.

Nodding toward Merhige, Thomas continues, “What you did has something to do with me being here.”

Merhige went on the bench in 1967, his appointment having been helped along by his friend, the late Hon. Lewis Powell Jr., H’70, then the president of the American Bar Association and later a U.S. Supreme Court justice.

Over the next 31 years, he had an impact on nearly every aspect of society. He kept the cases rolling through his magnificent wood-paneled courtroom at an extraordinary clip, averaging 400 cases a year. His schedule became known as the “rocket docket.”

He wielded a sharp wit, treated jurors with the utmost respect—he offered them sweaters when it was cold—and occasionally wore outlandish clothes under his black robe. His lime-green pants were a personal favorite.

“I still have them,” he said recently.

Merhige could be quick and decisive on the bench, but he also was skillful at getting opposing sides to work together. He had a flair for wading through complicated cases and coming up with imaginative solutions. He was always much more interested in justice than in punishment.

Judge John Butzner Jr., whom Merhige replaced on the federal bench, called his successor “a superb trial judge.”

“He had wisdom and compassion,” says Butzner, now a senior judge on the Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals. “I never knew him to do a mean thing.”

But he had a few done to him.

Presiding over Richmond’s class-action desegregation case, Merhige ordered cross-town busing of students and racial balance among faculty members.
It took a hell of a lot of courage," says Oliver Hill, H'94, a legendary Richmond civil rights lawyer who was instrumental in the Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court ruling that outlawed segregated schools.

Merhige became a marked and hated man. Opponents reacted loudly and, in some cases violently.

Political leaders called for Merhige's removal from the bench; others were less formal in their approach. His life was threatened. Protesters, including the Ku Klux Klan, paraded regularly past Merhige's home not far from the University campus in one of the Richmond area's most affluent neighborhoods. A guest cottage 100 yards from his front door was destroyed by arson. His Afghan hound, Kappie, was shot in the head after having its legs tied.

"The cowards," Merhige says with disgust almost three decades later.

U.S. marshals moved in with the Merhiges for two years to provide them round-the-clock protection. They accompanied Mrs. Merhige to the grocery store, and they escorted Mark to school.

"I wish I could paint this picture of what a harrowing experience it was, but the fact is it was kind of cool having the marshals," Mark Merhige said recently. "It was somebody to play basketball with in the yard when I got home from school."

Judge Merhige says he never feared for his safety but he worried for his family and his neighbors.

Did he ever consider leaving the bench? Only if his family had asked him to. They didn't.

"I'd never have told him to leave the bench because he loved it too much," says Shirley Merhige, his wife of 41 years. "But those were not pleasant times, I can tell you that."

Merhige himself never considered stepping down. He never even changed his phone number.

"If I had gotten off [the bench], the kooks would have said they won," he says. "I wouldn't give them the satisfaction."

Dubbed an activist, liberal judge by some, Merhige scoffs at such labels and contends he was merely following the law. In all, he ruled on more than 40 school desegregation cases. Only one—a 1972 ruling that would have consolidated the school systems of the mostly black city of Richmond and those of its surrounding, mostly white counties—was overturned on appeal.

Richmond likely would have been a vastly different place today had the consolidation case stood. Lewis T. Booker, R '50, H'77 and former rector of the University's Board of Trustees, was a member of the Richmond school board during the 1970s. Booker says those were difficult days when it often felt that it was "the judge and the school board against the world."

"I thought people would feel that while they may not like it, they would work through it and make the best of it," Booker says. "But we were wrong.

"It would have taken a far more enlightened citizenry and a far better atmosphere generally among politicians and the press than we had. But you can't

**Milestone decisions**

- Ordered that the University of Virginia admit women, 1970
- Ordered legal due process for state prison inmates, 1971
- Invalidated a Chesterfield County, Va., school policy that teachers couldn't work past the fifth month of pregnancy, 1971
- Decided 42 desegregation cases in school districts across Virginia. Ordered cross-town busing of black and white students in Richmond in 1970; ordered city-county consolidation of Richmond area school systems for further desegregation in 1972—the only one of his school desegregation cases later reversed on appeal
- Sat on an appeals court panel that ruled on Watergate break-in cases and ordered release of some White House tapes, 1976
- Presided over trials of Native Americans accused of crimes at Wounded Knee, S.D., 1976

G.E.'s employee health insurance program "covered vasectomies and hair transplants for men, but not maternity care for women. I held that it was discriminatory."

- Ruled that pregnant women at General Electric Co. were entitled to maternity leave benefits, 1974
- Fined Allied Chemical Corp. a record $13.2 million for environmental damages caused by the pesticide Kepone; later reduced the fine to $5 million after Allied established an $8 million clean-up fund, 1976
- Negotiated settlements when utility companies sued Westinghouse Corp. for defaulting on uranium-supply contracts, 1979

- That was the finest group of attorneys that ever appeared before me."

"That one is memorable primarily because of the massive number of people. I had 15 plaintiffs and 80-some defendants."

- Presided over civil rights trials related to killings of Communist Worker's Party members at an anti-Ku Klux Klan rally in Greensboro, N.C., 1985
- Presided over the bankruptcy reorganization plan of the A.H. Robins Co. and the creation of the Dalkon Shield claimants' trust, 1988
let your view of justice go by the boards because it may not have a clamoring popular approval. You have to do what you believe the law requires you to do. That's what he always did.

It's almost humorous now that Merhige is held in such respect by lawyers and much of the population, even by those who disagreed with his rulings in the 1970s. “I don’t think he’s changed a bit,” says Booker. “I think the community has changed.”

**Merhige’s Georgian** brick home, built on six acres, has several large, gorgeous formal rooms, but he prefers to spend his time in the cozy library. That's where one can find his easy chair, a television and shelves filled with books and family pictures. A game of Trouble sits at his feet; the grandchildren can't be far away.

From the window, he can see the circular drive in front that is not so much for cars as tiny bikes with training wheels. Beyond that is the rebuilt guest cottage that has since been expanded and now is home to Mark, his wife and three children, ages 9, 7 and 2. When barefooted Mariah, the youngest, climbs into his lap and smiles up at him, the judge is in another world.

In recent years, he has survived a serious health scare—he was in intensive care for more than two months because of a blocked aorta—and a spate of lousy seasons by the Redskins. Otherwise, life is good.

And always has been, even during what he calls “the ugly stuff.”

“I’m grateful to God that I was where I was,” Merhige says. “But I wouldn’t like to go through some of it again.”

Some of it, however, he would. He loved the law, and he loved the people, particularly the people who worked with him. A wall in his new office is covered with the framed photographs of the clerks who have worked for him over the years. “They’re the brightest bunch,” Merhige says. “Just great kids.”

Some of the “kids” are pushing 60. Regardless of everyone’s advancing age, time has done nothing to diminish the affection on both sides. Merhige and his clerks periodically hold reunions, the most recent one occurring in September.

“There was all this talk about ‘family’ when I was interviewing [for a clerk’s job], but I thought some of it might have been lip service,” says Gregory J. Golden, L’96, who was a clerk for Merhige during 1996 and 1997. “But once I got on board with him, the chambers really did operate as a family. He had a genuine concern for the welfare of the clerks.”

Brenda “Twiggy” Munford, Merhige’s secretary for the final 16 years of his judgeship, says it was difficult leaving Merhige when he left the bench. She says he was sweet and fair and ridiculously generous.

“If somebody was in need, he would be there with open arms,” she says. “He was always very generous with his money and his time.”

Other memories: one of the most powerful men in America often made coffee for the office and he would fetch other people’s lunches. And then there was the singing and dancing.

“There were some times when he would be in a really exuberant mood,” Munford says. “He would do a little song and dance, ‘Inky-Dinky-Doo.’ Like Jimmy Durante.”

That’s one way to remember Bob Merhige.

Mark Merhige has another. Asked what people should know about his father, a man who had a hand in so much history in the past 31 years, Merhige had a ready reply.

“I’d like them to know,” Mark says, “that he’s the best grandfather on the planet.”

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Spider in SPACE

From record-setting scholar athlete to the first Richmond alumnus to become an astronaut, Leland Melvin has always been a STAR

By Elise Peragchio Daniel
Few would dispute that astronauts have the world's coolest, most coveted job.

Of the thousands who apply for each class, only about 120 are ever called for an interview. Few of those who make it that far actually are selected as candidates, especially on their first try.

And then there's Leland Melvin, R'86. He made it to the winners' circle on his first attempt.

Armed with a powerful combination of academic excellence in materials science engineering, technological experience as an engineer leading a NASA design team, and athletic prowess from his days as a star University of Richmond wide receiver, Melvin blew away the competition to claim one of only 25 slots in the astronaut class of 1998.

Thanks to Leland Melvin, Richmond can soon proudly boast that it helped launch the first Spider into space.

When Melvin's University mentor, chemistry professor Dr. William H. Myers, shared the news with his family, daughter Kathy Myers Burnette, AW'94, summed up the collective reaction of many on campus: "Good for him and good for us!" And good for the future of the space program.

For the next year, Melvin's life will be under NASA's full control, and he will be doing things he's never before even dreamed of doing: learning how to fly and parachute out of a high performance jet, how to survive if a misguided landing leaves him stranded on land or sea, how to function in a space suit and in weightlessness, how to operate the space shuttle, and numerous other practical and scientific skills.

Once he completes the candidacy program successfully and becomes a full-fledged NASA astronaut, Melvin will be just a few years away from his first eight-month tour of duty on NASA's newest initiative: the international space station, a 16-nation project planned to be habitable before the end of 1999.

It has already been a whirlwind year-and-a-half for Melvin. Just making it through the interview process was a trial in itself. Chosen from thousands of applicants, Melvin and 120 other hopefuls endured a battery of probing physical and psychological examinations, the most infamous of which—at least to those who've done it—is the claustrophobia test.

Designed to weed out people who can't take the cramped quarters of space vehicles, the test required Melvin to survive being zipped into a sack that completely encased him, blocking out all light and sound, while NASA evaluators monitored his heartbeat. He quickly found a way to cope with this confining situation: he simply curled up in the fetal position and fell asleep.

For Melvin, the true test came when he sat down for an hour-long interview with the selection committee, which included 15 veteran astronauts.

"At this point, they've already seen your resume and qualifications; they just want to get a feel for who you are," explains Melvin.

"They're trying to see if you can be part of a team, if you have what it takes to fit in on a shuttle or station mission."

Needless to say, Melvin has already proven himself as a team member, and not just with the Spiders. For the past five years, he has worked at NASA's Langley Research Center in Virginia, leading a team of engineers in developing a network of optical fiber sensors that can quickly and accurately determine the condition of space vehicles upon their return from orbit.

Though he took on this task fresh out of graduate school, Melvin quickly experienced success. Dr. Robert S. Rogowski, his optics group leader, says, "Leland was involved with this project from its inception, working with contractors and the NASA civil servants to make sure we met our milestones. He was always able to remain cool, even though we had plenty of tough moments when the pressure was all on him."

In fact, Rogowski says the only time he ever saw Melvin nervous was right before he gave his first major presentation, which happened to be at a large international conference.

As part of his work at Langley, Melvin helped design a $2 million facility for making these optical fiber sensors. "Another co-worker and I designed the building and I monitored all the construction," says Melvin. "We were able to deliver them on time, so I think some of that—being responsible for a big project—made me stand out."

His ability to set records in the Richmond football program while excelling in his chemistry classes didn't hurt either. Add to that the master's degree in materials science he earned at the University of Virginia and his work at University of Maryland toward a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering, and Melvin presents a diverse background, well-suited to working on the international space station, where astronauts will be expected to conduct medical and technological experiments and solve all kinds of problems.

Though he is only obligated to NASA for five years, Melvin seems eager for a long-term career in space. Considering how far he's come in such a short time, it's hard to imagine that it was only a few years ago that he even began thinking about being an astronaut, except perhaps as a passing fancy when he was a young boy.

In fact when the Lynchburg, Va., native graduated from the University of Richmond, it seemed much more likely that he would end up in another highly coveted job—as a wide receiver in the NFL. Melvin's record-setting college career and All-American honors had made him attractive to several ballclubs, and he ended up as the Detroit Lions' 11th-round pick in the 1986 college draft.
His future in the pros quickly turned grim, however, when he injured his hamstring during training camp and, after playing in only three preseason games, was cut by the Lions. But within a week, the Cowboys had tracked him down and signed him for the 1987 season; he was to show up for an early training camp in March 1987.

But by that time he'd already glimpsed a career that would offer him far more than the gridiron ever could. While hiding his time before Cowboys camp, Melvin paid a visit to his alma mater, where he ran into chemistry professor Dr. Raymond Dominey. Dominey, who had heard of Melvin's academic capabilities, encouraged Melvin to visit with Dr. Glenn Stoner, a professor of materials science engineering at the University of Virginia.

"I said, 'Why? I’m going to training camp in March,'" recalls Melvin. "But he said, 'Just go talk to him.' So I went to U.Va. and was hired to perform electrochemical research as a research assistant.

Within months, his new colleagues at U.Va. had persuaded him to begin pursuing a master's degree in materials science, even sending him videotapes of the classes he missed once he’d left for Dallas. It was a strange time. "By day, I’m catching balls and at night I’m watching videos about materials science," says Melvin. In April, his fortunes changed. During his stretching regimen with the Cowboys, Melvin reluctantly agreed to a request by aging quarterback Danny White to go out for a few passes. When White unexpectedly gunned a pass way down the field, Melvin sprinted to catch up—and reinjured his hamstring. "That was pretty much it," says Melvin matter-of-factly. "They cut me during training camp, so I went back to U.Va."

Looking back, he counts himself fortunate that his pro football career ended when it did. "I truly believe that things are planned and that this was meant to be," he says. "If I had stayed there and played in Dallas, this opportunity [to be an astronaut] might have never come about.

Melvin’s path to NASA’s door was equally fortuitous. Near the end of his master’s program, he attended a career fair, where a NASA booth caught his eye. "I wasn’t even thinking of NASA at that time," he says. But then the woman at the booth, Rosa Webster, called him over. Though she didn’t know who he was at first, Webster quickly realized that he was the person she’d been looking for all day.

Webster, a physicist who was recruiting students to work at NASA's Langley Research Center, had heard from U.Va.’s dean of engineering that Melvin was an excellent candidate. "It was serendipity that our paths crossed," says Webster. She quickly convinced him to interview for a job at Langley, where he was hired by the nondestructive evaluation sciences branch and began work on the optical fiber sensors system.

Webster maintained contact with Melvin throughout his time at Langley and was not surprised to hear he’d been accepted as an astronaut candidate.

"Leland has the right set of attributes to succeed: he’s very versatile, knowledgeable in his field and willing to take on responsibility," she says.

Those who knew him at Richmond echo this confidence. When Dr. Stuart Clough, associate professor of chemistry and chair of the chemistry department, first met Melvin as a student, he was immediately impressed.

"Not too many football players take organic chemistry," says Clough. "When he got a high B on the first test, I congratulated him, and he looked at me very seriously and said, 'I can do better.'" Soon Clough thought of Melvin as a scholar rather than an athlete.

"There is no question that he was one of our better students, and one on whom we look with pride. He was one of the standouts."

Bill Myers was both Melvin’s mentor and one of the people Melvin asked to write a letter of recommendation for his astronaut application. "I don’t see how I could be any more proud of him," says Myers of Melvin’s selection for the astronaut program.

Myers rarely sees him these days, but he still displays Melvin’s Academic All-American Award in his office. As for Leland the astronaut, Myers has supreme confidence in his ability to succeed. "He will be able to learn anything they want him to learn," he says. "He’s serious about everything he does, and that affects others. The people around him are going to be better because he’s there. The astronaut corps and NASA are lucky to have him.”

And if NASA’s space exploration continues to move forward as planned, Melvin may take the Spider name even farther beyond the bounds of Earth to set foot on Mars.

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Debbie Gravitte, singer & actress, in *The Best of Broadway with Michael Ormond, piano*

Tony Award-winning Broadway star Debbie Gravitte, performing in conjunction with a special course on the American Musical Theatre

Mon., Feb. 15, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

**San Jose Taiko**

Sounds of the taiko drums, inspired by traditional Japanese drumming, presented in conjunction with the Marsh Art Gallery exhibition, *The Art of Twentieth-Century Zen*

Mon., March 1, 8 pm
Tues., March 2, 8 pm
Alice Jepson Theatre

**Chorovaya Akademia**

A cappella men's choir from Moscow with a diverse program including secular works and folk songs from around the world

Wed., March 3, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

Sponsored by the E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation

**Celtic Roots**

*Heisiperus and Bonnie Rideout, Scottish fiddler*

Instrumental settings from the earliest sources of Scots-Irish traditional music

Tues., March 16, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

**Los Tangueros**

with Pablo Ziegler, piano, and Christopher O'Riley, piano

American pianist O'Riley with Argentine pianist Ziegler perform two-piano arrangements of classic Piazzolla tangos

Wed., March 22, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

**Philadanco**

Innovative works by African-American choreographers performed by the Philadelphia Dance Company — Philadanco

Fri., March 26, 8 pm
Sat., March 27, 8 pm
Alice Jepson Theatre

**Ian Bostridge, tenor**

Brilliant young tenor from England, who debuted in 1993

Wed., March 31, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

**Marsh Art Gallery**

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 5 pm, and admission is free.
The gallery is closed Thanksgiving week, Nov. 22-30; semester break, Dec. 13-Jan. 11; and spring break, March 6-15.

**Images of Veneration: Icons from Old Russia**

Historic examples of the traditional religious votive objects known as Russian icons

Oct. 22 to Dec. 12

**Semi-Annual Student Exhibition**

Student works by art majors and non-majors during the fall semester
Jan. 12-29

**Jackie Battenfield: Four Breaths**

A site-specific installation for the Marsh Art Gallery, based on studies from photographs of water
Jan. 12 to June 26

**The Art of Twentieth-Century Zen: Painting and Calligraphy by Japanese Masters**

More than 70 works created with brush and ink by outstanding Japanese Zen masters of this century, organized by the Marsh Art Gallery and touring nationally
Jan. 29-April 10

**Student Designs for The Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival XXXI**

Designs from Region IV student nominees for the 1998 Kennedy National Theatre Design Awards
Feb. 4-6

**Religion & Politics: The Renaissance Print in Social Context**

More than 60 prints, dated 1395 to 1567, chosen to reflect the life of the period
Feb. 18 to April 2

**Senior Thesis Exhibition**

Works of eight graduating studio art majors
April 14 to May 8

**The Seasons: Monotypes by Joellyn Duesberry with Poems by Pattiani Rogers**

A literary and visual celebration of the natural world, organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
April 21 to June 26

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DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Faculty Guitars!
Corey Blake, Baron Tymus, Kevin Harding, guitarists
Eclectic mix of classical and jazz works for the guitar, including several original compositions
Thurs., Nov. 5, 8 pm
Perkinson Recital Hall

University Choir, Schola Cantorum and the University Orchestra
Jeffrey Reibel and Fred Cohen, conductors
An evening of music during Homecoming Weekend
Fri., Nov. 13, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

University Wind Ensemble
Gene Anderson, conductor, with Russell Wilson, piano
George Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue with Russell Wilson on piano, and Robert W. Smith directing his composition, The Divine Comedy
Sun., Dec. 6, 3 pm
Camp Concert Hall

University Choir and Schola Cantorum
Jeffrey Reibel, conductor
Annual Christmas Candlelight Service
Sun., Dec. 13, 5 pm and 8 pm
Cannon Memorial Chapel

Richard Becker, piano
Works by Debussy and Schubert as well as Becker's own compositions
Sun., Jan. 31, 3 pm
Camp Concert Hall

James Wilson and Joanne Kong, cello and piano duo
Couperin's Pieces en Concert (with harpsichord), sonatas by Delius and Rubinstein and the Capriccio by William Bolcom
Mon., Feb. 1, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

Paul Hanson, piano
Two 20th-century masterpieces: Elliott Carter's Night Fantasies and the Concerto Sonata by Charles Ives
Wed., Feb. 10, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

Affetti Musicali
with Jennifer Cable, soprano; Suzanne Stevens, mezzo-soprano; Jeffrey Reibel, tenor; and James Smith, bass
Music of the late Renaissance and early Baroque periods, in conjunction with the opening of the Marsh Art Gallery exhibition Religion and Politics: The Renaissance Print in Social Context
Wed., Feb. 17, 7 pm
Camp Concert Hall

CURRENTS: Music of Our Time III
Fred Cohen, director
Musical haiku settings with world premieres of settings by 10 American composers, including Stephen Addiss and Fred Cohen
Fri., March 19, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

University Jazz Ensemble
Mike Davison, conductor, with Joe Kennedy, violin
Big band music, featuring one of the premier jazz violinists of this century, local artist Joe Kennedy
Fri., April 9, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

University Choir and Schola Cantorum
Jeffrey Reibel, conductor
Eastern European works in a spring program entitled "Musica Russica"
Sun., April 11, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

University Orchestra
Fred Cohen, director
Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 (Eroica), György Ligeti's Lontano and Arvo Pärt's perpetuum mobile
Wed., April 14, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

CURRENTS: Music of Our Time II
Fred Cohen, director, with guest artist Suzanne Stevens, mezzo-soprano
Virginia premieres of works by James MacMillan and John Adam
Wed., Feb. 24, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

1999 Kennedy Center/ American College Theatre Festival, Region IV
One of eight regional festivals held nationally to identify and promote quality in college-level theatre production. Six mainstage productions, costume and scenic design exhibits, workshops, seminars, and the final round of acting scholarship auditions open to the public. Limited number of tickets available in mid-January.
Feb. 3-7

RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN PLANET
By Bob Carlton
E-movie science fiction meets the Shakespearean canon to the sounds of "oldies" rock and roll, directed by Walter Schoen with musical direction by Homer Rudolf
Nov. 19-21, 8 pm
Nov. 22, 2 pm
Alice Jepson Theatre

DANCE ON THE HORIZON: 1999
University Dancers' 11th annual concert, directed by Myra Daleng
An innovative blend of work by choreographers, musicians and dancers
Feb. 25-27, 8 pm
Feb. 28, 2 pm
Alice Jepson Theatre

THE NORMAN CONQUESTS: A Trilogy of Table Manners, Living Together and Round and Round the Garden in Repertory
By Alan Ayckbourn
The joys and woes of marriage in three plays that take place at an English country house over the same weekend
April 9-10, 8 pm
April 11, 2 pm
April 11-17, 8 pm
April 17-18, 2 pm
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Wed., April 21, 8 pm
Camp Concert Hall

* Tickets are required for this FREE event.
Playing Richmond's new harp

New sounds are coming from the music department: the rippling, melodious sounds of the University of Richmond's first harp, acquired in 1997.

The harp became a possibility for the music department with a grant from the Robins Foundation, says Dr. Fred Cohen, associate professor of music and department chair. "We chose to purchase a harp because it would fill the void, since we had no instruments in the harp family. Our idea was that student harpists would come once the harp was purchased," he says.

A harp was never an option before because of space considerations, Cohen says. Then the music department expanded with the creation of the Modlin Center for the Arts, and a room in the ground floor of the Booker Hall of Music was available to house the harp.

Along with the harp came a new adjunct instructor, Lynne Abbey-Lee, principal harpist with the Richmond Symphony. Abbey-Lee helped the music department select the Venus Diplomat I harp, Cohen says.

Students of all skill levels can take harp lessons with Abbey-Lee. The first to do so was sophomore Dana Wallace, an experienced harpist who began playing the harp in the fourth grade. She has been playing the harp with the Richmond orchestra and choir since she came last year.

Beginning in elementary school, Wallace, a Richmond native, played in the Richmond city schools' long-established harp ensemble. It was another school music program just like choir or band, she says of her days with the ensemble.

"Playing the harp was my mother's idea," Wallace says. "Once I started it, I loved it. It is a beautiful instrument to hear and to look at. The harp is a work of art."

The University's harp was an adjustment for Wallace because it is a concert grand and is bigger than and has different harmonics from her harp at home. The music department chose to invest in sound rather than ornate decoration, Abbey-Lee says.

Wallace, an Oldham Scholar, is a biology and economics major and does not plan to play the harp professionally. She hopes to continue playing for parties and receptions for fun after she graduates.

"Playing for parties is my favorite thing because I can sit back and watch people's reactions to the music," she says.

Richmond's newest harp student is senior Heather Yoxall, an English major and education minor. She decided to begin playing the harp this year because she did not know anything about it and thinks harp music is beautiful, she explains. During her first three years at Richmond, she was in the choir, and she played the piano.

"Even for the beginner, playing the harp is gratifying," Abbey-Lee says. "Just plucking one string sounds nice." She says that even within one semester a new student should have a feel for how to play the harp.

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Harp students Dana Wallace, seated, and Heather Yoxall with instructor Lynne Abbey-Lee, right

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Support for tutoring programs

The University of Richmond campus may be somewhat isolated geographically from the rest of the city but the volunteerism of its students reaches far beyond campus boundaries. More than just a presence in the city’s restaurants, bars and shops, the University’s students are increasingly becoming a presence in Richmond’s schools.

Of the many volunteer opportunities available on campus, tutoring and mentoring programs are by far the most popular choice with about 300 students volunteering in area schools each week. More than 18 tutoring and mentoring programs exist on campus, ranging from the well-established programs to the new and emerging projects.

Richmond CLASS (Children Linked Across Schools and Systems) was formed last year as an umbrella group to provide support for these 18 tutoring and mentoring programs. The University chaplaincy submitted a proposal to Virginia Campus Outreach Opportunity League (VA COOL) to enlist an AmeriCorps member to come to campus to organize this support system.

“We wanted to offer wider resources to tutoring and mentoring programs on campus and also establish standards like mandatory training,” explains Stephanie Gurnsey Higgins, W’92, the Mary Tyler Check Fellow in the chaplain’s office who serves as the coordinator for the Bonner Scholars Program.

Richmond CLASS enables student leaders of the tutoring and mentoring programs to collaborate, share their successes and learn from each other. Emily Martin, W’99, became involved with Richmond CLASS last year as a coordinator with RUPES, a mentoring program that encourages middle school students to pursue higher education. “Richmond CLASS made me aware of the vast array of tutoring and mentoring opportunities on campus I wasn’t aware of,” she says. “It opened my eyes to the significance and impact all these different smaller programs can have.”

Martin says many college students are drawn to tutoring and mentoring programs because they can remember their own, not-so-distant, younger days. On the other hand, it “is also a chance to be an adult and a role model,” she says.

Richmond CLASS requires that all new student tutors and mentors receive three hours of training before venturing into area schools. “We want to send responsible and capable students out into the community to work with children,” Higgins explains.

Last year, through a grant from the University’s Bonner Scholars Program’s community fund, Richmond CLASS also set up age- and curriculum-specific resource kits that students can check out to use during their tutoring sessions.

“It is such a tangible thing to take a college student and get him out into the community working with kids,” says Dr. Scott Johnson, assistant professor of speech communication and co-convenor of Richmond CLASS’s advisory board. “Children look up to college kids so much. Our goal is to really strengthen the work our students do. We want our students from the University to be the best tutors and mentors in the community.”

Jessica Ronky Haddad, W’93

About people who have cheated death; and tales about some of most unbelievable deaths in history fill this book of death trivia. From a cook being boiled to death by Henry VIII to Abraham Lincoln haunting the White House, the stories in this darkly humorous book are both entertaining and spooky.

A resident of Boca Raton, Fla., Orloff is a professional editor and free-lance writer. In her editorial business, she has worked with hundreds of authors and publishers, including several New York Times bestsellers.

Dear Rhonda: Twelve Letters to My Daughter and Her Sisters

DEMITRI C. KORNEGAY, R’79


This collection of 12 essays written by Kornegay to his teenage daughter, Rhonda, and her “sisters” covers important topics of life: searching for God, dealing with death and depression, what love is, how to handle a racist, and how to recognize a “real man.” It is written from the perspective of a father who wants to give his daughter the benefit of his advice in case his work as a metropolitan police officer takes his life before she faces these issues.

A sergeant and 15-year veteran of the police department in Montgomery County, Md., Kornegay also is the author of From Servitude to Self Reliance, The Kornegay Chronicles, Tales and Twisted Trivia about Death

ERICA ORLOFF, W’85, AND JOANN BAKER

Saturn Press, 1998

Unbelievable facts about death, the afterlife, ghouls, ghosts and vampires, amazing stories.
Deep Environmental Politics
PHILLIP F. CRMER, AR'97
Greenwood Publishing Group, 1998
Subtitled The Role of Radical Environmentalism in Crafting American Environmental Policy, Cramer’s book provides a window into the world of radical environmentalism and the political process. The evolution of deep ecology, the influence of its ideas on our lives and how it impacts our laws are covered in this resource for scholars and researchers of contemporary American politics and law, environmental studies and the media.

Cramer is the John W. Wade Scholar at Vanderbilt Law School. A former intern with the U.S. Department of State, where he served as the country desk officer for Bahrain, and with the Students for an Energy Efficient Environment, Cramer is working on a research project on environmentalism, international relations and the American legal system.

Exploring Space: 1999
JOHN MUIR, R'82
McFarland and Co. Inc., 1997
Subtitled An Episode Guide and Complete History of the Mid-1970s Science Fiction Television Series, Muir’s book analyzes the 1970s British television series’ importance in terms of its social, political and entertainment value. A full plot synopsis, writer, director and guest star credits; and a critical commentary for each of the show’s 48 episodes are part of this comprehensive guide to the series.

A self-described science fiction/fantasy/horror fan, Muir writes non-fiction books that analyze television series and movies as art. His third of seven books in this genre will be published this fall.

Wes Craven: The Art of Horror
JOHN MUIR, R’82
Muir takes an in-depth look at the styles, elements and themes that have shaped filmmaker Wes Craven’s career. A director and writer who is credited with reviving horror, Craven created The Nightmare on Elm Street in the 1980s and, more recently, directed Scream and Scream 2. Library Journal calls Muir’s second book “well written” and “thoughtfully researched.”

Muir and his wife, Kathryn Leftwich Muir, AW’93, live in Charlotte, N.C. A former billing coordinator for Presbyterian Laboratory Services, Muir has been a full-time writer for two years.

Law Law Law on the Internet: The Best Legal Web Sites and More
RICHARD P. KLAU, L’96, AND ERIK J. HEELS
American Bar Association, 1998
Klau’s first book focuses on the impact the Internet is having on the legal profession. It provides examples of the effective deployment of a Web site in a law firm and how courts can better use the Internet.

The vice president for marketing and development at TrialNet Inc., Klau was nominated to a three-year term on the Law Practice Management’s Publications Board of the American Bar Association. He and Heels are the editors of legalResearch.com, an online newsletter published by the New York Law Publishing Co. They also are marketing consultants to law firms at their consulting company, Red Street Consulting, which emphasizes the role the Internet plays in marketing.

DR. JOHN FOUBERT, G’92
Learning Publications Inc., 1998
This user-friendly manual was written for people working on college campuses and in local crisis centers who wish to implement a rape prevention program. Scripts for programs, a 45-hour training program for peer educators and a constitution for forming a rape prevention peer education group are included. The book describes what Foubert has found to be the most effective rape prevention workshops and one that is in place at numerous colleges and universities across the country, including the University of Maryland, California Tech, Lafayette College and George Washington University.

Foubert earned his Ph.D. in college student personnel administration in June 1998 and is assistant dean of students for residence life at the University of Virginia. He also is the founder of No More, a national organization of men’s outreach for rape education, which has members from more than 50 colleges, universities and rape crisis centers across the country.

ESSAYS ON LEGAL EDUCATION IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY VIRGINIA
EDITED BY DR. HAMILTON BRYSON, professor of law
Ten lectures by 19th-century Virginia law professors and eight other documents pertaining to early legal education in the Commonwealth are reprinted in this collection which illustrates an early period of legal education in Virginia. In the introduction, Bryson recounts the evolution of the teaching of law in Virginia.

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FACULTY BOOKS

Civil Society in Yemen
DR. SHEILA CARAPICO, associate professor of political science
Cambridge Press, 1998
One in the Cambridge Middle East Studies series, Carapico’s first book is subtitled The Political Economy of Activism in Modern Arabia. Based on in-depth documentary and field research of civic participation in modern Yemen, Carapico challenges the stereotypical view of conservative Arab Muslim society in her wide-ranging analysis of the legal, institutional and financial aspects of state building and of popular liberalization, protest and challenge. A 1993-94 Fulbright Scholar in Yemen, Carapico has served as a consultant to Human Rights Watch, a non-governmental organization that observes violations of the Geneva Conference and reports on human rights abuses internationally.

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**EDUCATION**

* Lynn Riley Hobson, W'69, won the 1996 National Science Foundation Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. The award, given annually to two elementary and two high school teachers in each state, recognizes innovative and creative work of the best math and science teachers and is considered to be the nation's highest honor for mathematics and science teachers. Hobson was recognized for her methods of teaching mathematics. At the time she won the award, Hobson was in her 15th year of teaching fifth grade at Maybeury Elementary School in Henrico County, Va. Now a resource teacher in Henrico, she is a member of the national, Virginia and Greater Richmond Councils of Teachers of Mathematics. Recipients of the award were given a $7,500 grant and were guests of the National Science Foundation for a week-long stay in Washington, D.C.

* Anne Mills Sizemore, W'61, was honored by the Council of Independent Colleges for her national leadership and service at its 1998 College Presidents Institute in January. The CIC is an association of independent colleges and universities working together to support college leadership, advance institutional excellence and enhance private education's contribution to society.

An eight-year participant in the CIC, Sizemore was recognized for four years of leadership on the council's President's Spouses Task Force. Her husband, Dr. W. Christian Sizemore, R'60, has been a college president for 16 years, having served for 11 years at Alderson-Broadus College in West Virginia and at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., since 1994.

A former instructor of journalism at Alderson-Broadus College and a public information news writer at South Georgia College, Sizemore also received the Sertoma Service to Mankind Award from the Liberty Sertoma Club. The award, which recognized her service to the Liberty community, is the highest honor Sertoma gives to a non-member.

**HISTORY**

* Amy Begg DeGroff, W'90, was selected by the American Libraries Association as one of 25 "Emerging Leaders" in the library profession. The senior reference librarian for the Smithsonian National Museum of American History branch library, she was selected for her leadership potential in the American Libraries Association.

An ALA member since 1992, DeGroff joined the Smithsonian after earning masters' degrees in both history and library science from Catholic University in 1994. She is active in the ALA, has published articles and has given presentations at national ALA and history conferences on using Web pages to support collections.

**RELIGION**

* Dr. William Powell Tuck, R'57 and H'77, was selected as the 1997 Parish Pastor of the Year by the Academy of Parish Clergy, an interfaith, voluntary and self-governing association of clergy who serve congregations. The pastor of First Baptist Church in Lumberton, N.C., Tuck received the award at the 28th annual International Conference for Parish Clergy in Atlanta last April. He was honored for his excellence and faithfulness in acts of ministry, including his years of successful local church ministry, his leadership, scholarship and ecumenical and community ministries.

A graduate of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Tuck has taught in seminars throughout the South and has served pastors in Virginia, Kentucky and North Carolina. He is a fellow in the Academy of Parish Clergy and served as the group's president in 1993-94. Many of Tuck's sermons and articles have been published in books and magazines.

**PROFESSIONAL ATHLETICS**

* Shawn Barber, AR'98, and Rahmaan Streeter, AR'98, each had an excellent preseason with the Washington Redskins. A fourth-round draft pick, Barber is playing on special teams and as a linebacker in passing situations. Streeter, who signed with the Redskins as a free agent, was signed to the team's practice squad after the preseason. The former tight end was converted to a defensive end by Washington.

* Brian Jordan, R'89, saw all 70 of teammate Mark McGwire's record-setting home runs for the St. Louis Cardinals in the race against Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs. McGwire gave much credit for his success to Jordan, who batted behind him for the majority of the season. In 150 games, Jordan himself batted .316 with 25 home runs and 91 runs batted in. Jordan also had an outstanding season in the Cardinals' outfield.

* Jennifer Meade, AW'98, is playing basketball professionally in Finland.

At the Smithsonian, DeGroff has been instrumental in the creation of the Smithsonian libraries' Web pages. She was curator of an online exhibition on the 1900 Paris Exposition Universelle, and she was a member of the task force on the Smithsonian's 150th anniversary.
Theresa Pollak, W., of Richmond, was featured in the March 31 issue of Style Weekly, which highlighted her life as the "patron saint of Richmond's visual artists." The article was written by Jessica Ronky Haddad, AW'93.

Louise Eubank Gray, W., of Sahuda, Va., in recognition of her long and dedicated service to the community, received one of the first copies of Middlesex County Marriage Records 1853-1904 and Federal Census 1880 Middlesex County, Virginia.

Frances Elmoro Clift, W., of Baltimore, has been living at the Wesley Home Retirement Center for seven years.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

MARTHA RISS MOORE
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The class is saddened by the death of the Rev. Dorothy Miller Harrison Enslo, who died May 29, 1998. She liked to be called the Rev. Dotti Enslo. Both she and her husband were ordained in the Episcopal Church as deacons. She was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on March 26, 1982, in St. Mark's Parish in Bellevue, Wash. Her husband, W. Hamilton Enslo, R'37, had been ordained several years before Dotti. He preceded her in death. She was very active in the March of Dimes. A native of Nashville, Tenn., Dotti is survived by four children, a brother, and a number of grandchildren.

We also were saddened to hear that Caroline Shaffer Essex died on Jan. 28, 1998, at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. She joined the U.S. Army on Sept. 1, 1943, and served until March 16, 1946, reaching the rank of major. She received the American Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal and the U.S. Army Commendation Ribbon. She moved to Chesapeake Ranch Estates in 1960 and worked at the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory at the U. of Maryland until her retirement in 1980.

I met with our class scholarship recipient and took her to lunch. She is Janine Miller, W'01, from Quincy, Mass.

Nancy Chappell Pettiteway visited her daughter in Columbia, S.C., where her son from Texas also visited. Her son from Richmond accompanied her.

Blanche Bristow Williams and her husband, the Rev. Ed Williams, now live at Westminster-Canterbury.

Constance Fleming Fisher’s son Peter Warwick Fisher opened the Royal Garrison School, a Christian school in Pullman, Wash. Connie has two grandchildren. Her son William lives in Richmond.

We see Jane Lawler Johnston often at the Shepherd’s Center, where we regularly attend.

I still teach Spanish at the Shepherd’s Center and Spanish and French here at Westminster-Canterbury, where my husband, Ed, and I live. We visited my daughter, Lucy Taylor, a horror story writer, in Boulder, Colo. She lives on the side of a mountain.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Christine Vaughan Trosell, of Richmond, has a new grandson, Edward Peyton Luck. His parents are Corinne Mato Luck, R'90, and Ross Luck, AB’90.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Ten of our classmates returned to Richmond the first weekend in May for our 60th class reunion. Those present at either the Boatwright Dinner on Friday or the picnic on Saturday were: Henrietta Harrell Smith, our class president; Mildred Harvey Clark, Mildred Harrell Cling SINGLE, Emily Gedd Creul, Helen Gray, Jean Bobbit Grubbs, Gene Austin Hall, Elsie "Curly" Mitchell Sullivan, Anne Walker and Elizabeth Darracott Wheeler. I regret very much not being able to be there.

According to Hennie, the entire weekend was a big success. It’s always wonderful to get together with old friends to reminisce. This was also a great opportunity for everyone to enjoy the beautiful Jepson Alumni Center, our new campus home for all alumni.

Mildred Lewis Masengill still lives in her own home. She doesn’t travel much anymore but went to Atlanta to visit her daughter Jo Trewevett Melchior sold her home in Rocky Mount, N.C., and now lives in a retirement home in Tarboro, N.C.

Helen Gray visited her niece in Charlotte, N.C., and also her sister-in-law in Clinton, S.C. She enjoyed a visit from Martha Byers Beall, who drove from Upper Marlboro, Md., with friends for the weekend. Mildred Harvey Clark joined them at Helen’s.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Helen Martin Laughon visited Tasha Tudor in Vermont. Tasha has written and illustrated a new book. Helen and her daughter, Nell, did replicas of the silhouettes of the Indians who returned to Washington with the Lewis and Clark expedition. The originals had been on loan to Monticello for two years, and it was requested that they be returned to the Smithsonian Museum. Helen is pleased that their replicas will remain permanently at Mr. Jefferson’s home.

Christopher Bass, grandson of Mary Owen Bass and her late husband, Kenneth, received his college degree from Vanderbilt U. in May.

Betsy Woodson Weaver’s book on Chesterfield County has gone into its second printing.

Marion Vancy Petroff and her daughter Kity, of Alexandria, Va., were in Richmond in March for a luncheon and tour of the Bonsetley House sponsored by the Richmond Club of the WCA. We were pleased to see Alice Dunn Lynch, W'85, who received the Distinguished Alumna Award from the Richmond Club.

Alice has always been so supportive of our class.

Alicia Shadrack Prince and her daughter Mollie enjoyed a restful stay at their Virginia Beach cottage in June.

Other class mothers and daughters on the Atlantic shore at nearby Sandbridge, Va., were Jean Neassmith Dickinson and Julie Anne, and Anna Marie Rue Stringfellow and Charlene and Paul.

Philip Lawrence, R'40, and his wife were visiting relatives at Cedarfield. They came by for a short visit in May.
Many friends, including Westhampton alumnae, visited Kitty Iyle Jordan, '40, of California, who was on her annual trip to see her sister, Lois Iyle Mercer, W'59, and Howard. Jane Stockman, W'58, assisted by Jean Neasmitk Dickinson, captained a happy gathering of Richmond alumni at Cedarfield in April. We viewed the new admission video put together by Richmond students. (They get brighter and brighter.)

Antioinette Worth Whitiet and Mac were in Massachusetts for their granddaughter Margaret Elizabeth O'Conor's graduation from River Schools. She is the recipient of our 1941 Scholarship.

In July 1998, the Whitietes went to Amsterdam to board the new Renaissance I ship for a cruise to France. In August they went with friends to an Elderhostel in Berea, Ky., where they studied "Russia of the Future" and "Appalachian People and Their Music."

Our class has had some sad happenings in 1998:

- Dottie Hewes McGlincy lost her son Stephen, who was in his forties and was the father of twins.
- Marye O'Flaherty Stone's brother Billy died in January.
- Kitty Spencer Philpot, of Martinsville, passed away in Richmond this spring.
- Dr. Stuart Catron, W'39, died at his home in Shilton on March 22. His widow, Frazier Drumwright Catron, who injured her back in a fall, moved to Cedarfield's health care unit on July 1.
- Pen Shifflett, R'36, husband of Mae Chalday Shifflett, W'39, and brother of Robert Shifflett, died in June. Mae and Robert are both residents at Cedarfield.
- Our hearts go out to the families and friends of these people who were special to us all.

While we close ranks, we may keep in touch with each other. Write that letter, make that telephone call. We'll all be glad you did.

One of our own received the Class of '42 Scholarship for the next two years. She is Ellen Leigh Jacobs, the daughter of Robert and Betty Want Jacobs and Bay. Ellen is a rising junior, talented in academics, sports and music. The scholarship now amounts to $2,770 annually.

Virginia Parker Dozier of Los Altos, Calif., thought perhaps she has the class's first great-grandchild. Hate to disappoint you, "Jute," but Frances "Noony" Calisch Rothenberg can claim four great-grandchildren. The first two are twins, and the latest is Kristofer Rothenberg, all born to the same grandson and his wife.

Louise Hall Moser's son, Thomas, who is an opera singer, was in San Francisco in October with "Peter Grimes." Thomas gained his reputation first in Europe. Louise, who has recovered from a broken hip, has a daughter living nearby in Charlotteville, Va., and a younger son involved in the Science Museum of Virginia in Richmond.

Some members of the class of '42 were off in June to their 60th class reunion from Thomas Jefferson High in Richmond. These included "Noony" Rothenberg, Skeo Goode, R., and Leslie Phillips.

Lucy Burke Allen Meyer continues to write mystery novels and has gotten closer to having them published.

Whatever happened to the video of the class's 55th reunion in 1997? Esther Wendling Cline of Falls Church is still searching for it. She needs it for the collection of memorabilia she is putting together. Please call her or the alumni office, (804) 289-8500, if you have it.

Wendy and LaVerne Priddy Muse of Arlington, Va., meet regularly for lunch. Class president, Lillian Jung, of New York, has been limiting her travels to close by. She and her housemate are redecorating their home.

As I wind down more than 55 years as a newspaper reporter, I would like to think I helped to accomplish something for generations to come—the saving of 665 acres of pristine forest land from the development of a private golf course and housing. While I was just the reporter presenting the facts, two spunky women led the battle.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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The Class of '42 thought "beautification" when we decided to dispose of the $550 that had been sitting dormant in a bank account for many years. Our class has planted three Nellie Stevans holly trees around the patio at the Jeppson Alumni Center. A plaque designates the trees as our gift. For the good deed were Frances Calisch Rothenberg, Grace Norris Reese and Lucy Burke Allen Meyer.

Dr. Herbert R. Boyd Jr., R, of Petersburg, Va., became a grandfather for the third time with the birth of Ryan Wayne Goodman, born July 4, 1997, to his daughter Amy. He also celebrated the 50th anniversary of his graduation from MCV in April.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Amy Hickerson Dalton went to the Ozarks, where she and her sister attended an Elderhostel on the culture of the people in that region.

Marie Peachee Wicker has a new address that you can obtain from Barbara Ritchie Branch. Also, I am told that "Ding" Lambeth Shotwell can give you Peggy Macy Chevins' address in New England.

Barbara Ritchie Branch and Leia Phillips Toone are working together to keep in touch with some of our class. They and Mary Frances Bethel Wood met for lunch at Peaks of Otter, Va., early last spring. Barbara went to Portland, Ore., in July to meet her son and his family from Salt Lake City for a beach vacation at Manziita, Ore. She has two grandchildren, a boy and a girl, ages 9 and 5.

Two of our classmates had hip replacements and, happily, both are recovering nicely—Louise Richardson Phipps and Jean White Robeson. Jean and Andy are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year. They returned to the Big Meadows Lodge, where they spent their honeymoon. They helped celebrate Blacksburg's 200th anniversary by driving their 1912 Maxwell in the July 4th parade. They also enjoyed a family reunion in August. The Robesons have three grandchildren in their junior year of college: one at William and Mary, one at JMU and one at Ole Miss. Jean is a cousin of Mary Lucy Willis Bareford, who also attended the reunion.

Calley Goode Jackson had the misfortune of breaking her arm in January, but by April she was traveling to Cornwall in England with a friend from Lauray, Va. Following the history trail this spring, Frances Anne Beale.

**Chapel Guild House Tour**

**Friday, Dec. 11**

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Five houses along River Road:
- home of Debie and Bob Barkley, B'72, and their son, Matthew, AR'02
- home of Phyllis Cothran and Arnold Stolberg
- home of Carolyn Moss Hartz, W'58, and Ransone Hartz, R'58
- home of Betty and Jack Miller, parents of Jacqueline Miller Conway, B'87
- Bottomley House in Jeppson Alumni Center

Tickets $10

Available in the chaplaincy office, (804) 289-8500, and at Jeppson Alumni Center on Dec. 11
Goode and a friend attended an Eldershost in Philadelphia, which covered the history, art and music of that famous city.

Bev Ryland traveled with Jackie Hodges Walker, her husband, Frank, and their son on a 10-day cruise aboard the Nantucket Clipper from Alexandria, Va., to Boston...

Marie Peachee Wicker’s husband, Jake, has retired. He is involved with the North Carolina government and teaches classes for city clerks and consultants. Peachee enjoys her Woman’s Club activities. Their daughter, who is a consultant in Salisbury, England, is the first woman and the first American on the board of directors of the London Stock Exchange.

Peggy Mae Chevis moved to Quechee, Vt., for the summer but returned to her home in the Florida Keys for the fall.

Amy Hickerson Dalson and Allen attended the Boatwright Society Dinner in May. It was a grand evening in our handsome new Jepson Alumni Center. Julian Penselock, R ’45, president of the society, presented Dr. Morrill with a beautifully framed resolution of appreciation for his outstanding service to Richmond.

Lastly, Allen and I spent this March in New Zealand, where we rented a car and toured both the north and south islands, staying in lovely B&BS.

As you can see there’s not much news to send along this time, but with my added e-mail address I expect my inbox to be flooded with items for the next issue.

Shirley Davis Sanborn and I joined them for lunch, which was their first chance to see their alumni center. The Kellys had just returned from a winter vacation in Mexico. During this same time, Nancy Richardson Elliott went to Panama in connection with her work with the Virginia Baptist women.

The second “reunion” occurred in April when LaVinia Watson Reilly came from California to visit family in Virginia. She also visited Gin Elliott. Gin runduced up seven available classmatess for lunch at the Virginia Museum. Besides Gin and LaVinia, Sara Frances Young Derieux, Isabel Ammerman Allin, Marion Collier Miller, Shirley Davis Sanborn and I enjoyed lunch and being together. Gin left for Portugal and Spain in early May, where she boarded a ship for a Mediterranean cruise.

Speaking of ships, Marion Collier Miller has had such a great time going to Europe on the Q2 last year that she did it again in May. She revisited some of last year’s highlights and added some new ones, especially in England. After all these super trips our own little jaunt to Amelia Island, Fla., sounded pretty tame. Since both of us are fond of the beach, it was a welcome change in our routine.

The last “mini-reunion” was at the Boatwright/Society meeting on May 1 at the Jepson Alumni Center. Susan Guard Woody and C.L. were on their way to Myrtle Beach, S.C., stopped here for the night and joined Jack and me at the dinner. The Class of ’68 was inducted and it was fun seeing some of the gala who were just one year behind us. We sat across from Nancy Richardson Elliott and Helen Cole Richardson and Stranghill. While roaming about after dinner we saw Lois Rynaldo and Jean Sadler Surgi.

Please send news of yourselves and your family so that I may bring you up to date with each other.

Paul Duke, R, works as a seniors' correspondent for PBS in Washington, D.C. His latest prime-time television documentary tells the story of the great Berlin Airlift of 1948-49, which prevented a Communist takeover of the city. Frederick “Ted” Booth Uzzle, R, of Jacksonville, Fla., retired after 15 years as a cinema projectionist. He also completed 13 years in the Civil Air Patrol and achieved the rank of lieutenant colonel. He enjoys visiting his granddaughter and great-granddaughter in New York.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Although it is not a reunion year for the Class of ’47, I seem to have been a part of several small reunions this past spring.

The first was the Richmond Club meeting in March. Ann Wiley Kelly and Marion Huskey Moonow came up for the day, as did Lena Thornton Small.

MILITARY A. Weaver, B, was named Small Business Person of the Year as owner of Virginia Dairy Co. by the Martinsville-Henry County, Va., Chamber of Commerce. He was cited for his civic work as well as for his business achievements.

Joseph E. Brooks, B, was again elected to the Richmond City Council for the 4th District. Bill Swartz, B, was honored by the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention on May 5, 1998. He retired as a missionary to El Salvador.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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During the winter, Frances Allen Schools, Betty Munsey Spatz and Bob, and Elizabeth McDougald, B, and Roy visited Nancy Taylor Johnson in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Afterwards, Frances went to Paris to be with her son David, whose band was there for a 10-day concert tour. She also went to Venice for a week before returning home. David continued on a world tour and later played for the Dalai Lama of Tibet in Atlanta.

Betty and Bob’s daughter Kathryn was appointed recreational director for the city of Chapel Hill, N.C.

Lca Thompson Osburn went to Disney World in the spring with her son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren.

Betsy Beth Longborne and Lew went to Charlotte, N.C., for a mini-vacation and car show.

The week after Easter, Charlotte Herrink Sayre spent a few days touring parts of the Shenandoah Valley with her granddaughter. In May, Bob and I and Charlotte spent two weeks visiting our children in Denver and seeing some of the sights out West.

Paula Abernethy Kelton and John have been busy with activities during college graduation festivities. Paula reported that John soon will be fully retired. She gets together occasionally with Sally Taylor Dubose, W ‘48.

Piret Kolle Cruger moved into a retirement community in South Burlington, Vt.

Jo Ashby Hopkins lost her mother in April. Please accept our sympathy, Jo.

Sue Pfitz Holder retired after 13 years as church secretary at River Road Baptist Church. She went to Los Angeles to visit her son; to Nashville, Tenn., to visit her daughter; and to Charleston, Savannah, and Corfu in Greece, and Florida to visit relatives and friends.

Lewis T. Booker, R and H ’77, of Richmond, was elected president of Westminster-Canterbury Foundation. He also received the E. Randolph Williams Award from the law firm of Hunton & Williams for contributing more than 100 hours of pro bono legal service to indigent people and community service programs. He is a member of the University’s Board of Trustees.

Gateway Holland Stoneman, W, was featured in the April 29, 1998, edition of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, as a “recognized champion of agriculture” in Henrico County, Va. She received the “Outstanding Friend of Virginia Agriculture” award from the Friends of Industry of Agriculture and serves on the board of directors for the Henricopolis Soil and Water Conservation District.
Bobbie Brown Yagel and Myron have had their book—
Fifteen Minutes to Freedom: A Tale of Stronger Marriage—published in German. They also traveled through southern Germany in April.

Norma Streeter Doss traveled to Toronto, where she vacations every year. She also made her third trip to New York’s Finger Lake District.

Keep sending your news, especially those of you who haven’t been in touch in years.

Dr. Edward Ruge Carlson, R., compiled the requirements for his doctor of ministry degree at the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, Texas. He lives in Metairie, La.

James Seithler, R., was featured on the cover of the fall issue of School Days, a magazine published by Henrico County Public Schools. He was among 200 senior citizens who attended the county’s first Swinging with the Seniors prom on April 25, 2008.

Dr. Desiree E. Stuart-Alexander, W., of Aptos, Calif., enjoyed a trip through the California deserts in February.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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It is with deep sorrow that I report the death of Lucile Hedley Slette on July 24, 1997, in Waco, Texas. She died in her sleep of a quiet heart attack. Her husband, Darrell, answered a Christmas card sent to Lucile by Harriett Stubbs.

Mary Anne Coates Edel and Isabel Sanford Rankin chose the 1998-99 recipient of the Class of ’52 Scholarship. Sara Lee Trimble, AB’01, is from Norfolk, Va., and is the daughter of Nancy Jones Trimble, W’75. In addition to her coursework, Sara Lee has an outside job and tutors. She also is an active member of the Baptist Student Union.

Among the hostesses at the Jepson Alumni Center on April 23 for Garden Week were Mary Anne Coates Edel, Norlie Hall, and E. Also serving as a hostess was Mary Lee Moore Vinson, W’51.

Our sympathy goes to Addie Eicks Conoggs and her daughter Kate. Addie’s husband, Brock, died Feb. 10, 1998. Our family is so glad that he was able to attend our reunion with Addie in May 1997.

In June, Addie attended her 50th high school reunion at Concord Academy and received the Joan Shaw Berman Distinguished Service Award for promoting full and meaningful inclusion of people with severe disabilities into all phases of life.

In June, Bobbi and I went to Europe and visited Northern France, Belgium and Holland. Usually Beverley Randolph Shannon goes with our travel group. We missed you this year, Beverley.

Congratulations to all of us who attended 50th high school reunions this year.

Bettie Kersey Gordon, W., retired on March 31, 1996. She and her husband, Bill, bought a townhouse in Greenville, N.C., in December 1995. They have a grandson, Andrew McRae, born Feb. 11, to son Stuart and his wife, Anne Bond Gordon, W’88.

Dr. Cecil Marsh, R., of Richmond, was a trustee and member of the Oak Hill Board. He is retired from the Virginia Baptist General Board.

Orrin D. Morris, R., retired as a director of the Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, and works as a free-lance artist in Comyers, Ga.

From the Westminster Class Secretaries

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All agreed it was a great 50th reunion. This was the first one I missed, and see what happens when you aren’t there—you get elected. We are all the luckiest people to be there for our 50th. From those who attended, some updates on what they’re doing these days:

Pat Moran Taylor retired from teaching learning-disabled children and began teaching preschool migrant children part time in Arcadia, Fla. She and Charlie now have more time to visit their son in Asheville, N.C., and their daughter in the San Francisco Bay area.

Gladys Tatarake lives near Westhampton College now and enjoys bicycling in her retirement.

Jane Willcoxon Councill and Phil were planning their third middle-aged trip to Colorado and Utah. A son is in the restaurant business in Atlanta, and their other son is a free-lance photographer in Durango, Colo. Their daughter was married last December and lives in Baltimore.

Carolyn Carter Birdsong has done some traveling since retiring. She went to England, Wales and Italy, and to the opening Olympic games in Atlanta. Their son is a chef with the Country Club of Virginia, and their daughter and son-in-law are both teachers.

Bettie Kersey Gordon and Bill retired and moved to Greenville, S.C. Their business is their first grandchild, born Feb. 11.

Betty O’Nan Culp and Ralph still live in Denton, Texas, where Ralph teaches at the U. of North Texas. Their four children live in Texas, Kentucky and Washington state. They have eight grandchildren.

Betty Montgomery Marsh and Cecil celebrated the birth of their fifth grandchild. Betty enjoyed a teaching trip to Japan last year.

Betty Andrews Rhudy attended her first reunion since her fifth and reported that everyone is thin, happy and successful. She and Bill retired to St. Simon’s Island, Ga., three years ago.

Harriet Wheat Fralin and Coton graciously hosted our Saturday night reunion party, which was a great success. Their four children and seven grandchildren were all there.

Pat Moran Taylor left on May 5. Joe was elected to his fourth term on the Richmond City Council. Both of their daughters live in New England.

Patti Thompson Story attended her first reunion since 1988. She and her husband live near Chapel Hill, N.C., and went to see the Spiders play the Tarheels there. They love to walk and live near four of their seven grandchildren.

He and Kathy from Memphis, Tenn., to take Patti’s 89-year-old mother clothsinging and shrirmping. They also enjoy Elderhostel.

Jo Deter Sullivan said everyone at our reunion looked great—she wondered how we’d possibly possibly have passed.

Jo Fugate Lozier still lives on Marco Island, Fla. Gayle Mehmeh Hensley still lives in Williamsburg, Va., and Lois Moody Markley is still in Deltaville, Va.

Pat Moran Taylor, W’53, retired from teaching learning-disabled children and began teaching preschool migrant children part time in Arcadia, Fla.

Bettie Kersey Gordon and Bill retired from teaching at Buncombe Community College in Asheville. She is a breast cancer survivor and is active in Life After Cancer. She had time for bobbin lacemaking, grandmothering, writing and having time that is her own. She is planning some “big-time travel.”

Marilyn Bowlin Gordy enjoyed a trip to England and Scotland in March. She also went to Colorado in February. The Gordys and Janet Francis Midgett and her husband went to Disney World and met with Sandy Bukal Kline.

Nancy Carpenter Jordan and Bill are still in Richmond. One daughter lives in Oregon, and their other daughter soon will be there, too.

Page McCray Miller and Jiminy are still in Norfolk. Their daughters live in Richmond and both have sons, ages 8 to 11.

Jo Hall Mitchell (did we hear you breathe a sigh of relief that your five years is over?) went along a wonderful article from the Richmond Times-Dispatch on Mary Creath Payne’s work with the Capitol Area Agency on Aging and Mary’s retirement in the summer. Jo also mentioned the three classmates who attended the farthest away:

Doris Johnston MacEwan (Nova Scotia); Betty O’Nan Culp (Denton, Texas) and Jane Wilson Roebolt (Fort Collins, Colo.).

Fritz and I moved last year from Reston, Va., to Evergreen, a golf course community in Haymarket, Va. We have been rehousing to the house to our taste. We bicycled 300 miles through the Netherlands last spring—rain, sleet and fields of tulips in bloom. We went to Antarctica to see the penguins the year before that. I volunteer with the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity. Ain’t retirement grand?

Bobbie Warren Beardon and Jack spent a couple of days with us this spring. They still enjoy the house they built in Rockville, Md., and hold Mother Nature at bay in their 10 acres of woods. Their six children have given them 15 grandchildren, including a set of twins. All live in Richmond except for one son in North Carolina.

Betty Lear Miller reported some sad news at our reunion. Our heartfelt condolences to Marilyn Keeton Comer, who lost her husband, Russ. We are also sad to report the death of our classmate, Pat Shomo Medford, who passed away earlier this year.

My goal is to hear from each one of you, no matter how long it’s been. So please drop me a note, an e-mail or so I don’t have to break the bank on long distance calls. That’s a threat.

Ellen Hunts Price retired from teaching at Buncombe Community College in Asheville. She is a breast cancer survivor and is active in Life After Cancer. She had time for bobbin lacemaking, grandmothering, writing and having time that is her own. She is planning some “big-time travel.”

The Hon. Edgar L. Tolrington Jr., R, and U.S., of Richmond, was elected honorary vice president of the Richmond Bar Association. He is a judge in the 13th Richmond District Court.

Robert L. Burrus Jr., R., chairman and senior partner of the law firm of McPherson, Woods, Battle & Boote in Richmond, was named as one of “The Region’s 100 Power Players” in the March 1998 edition of Richmond Magazine.

Margaret English Lester, W., of Martinsville, Va., was named a trustee and member of the Oak Hill board.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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Angie Lucas "came out of retirement" to help with a school’s reading program in Myrtle Beach, S.C. She has found the work rewarding.

Polly Buednik Dize and Barbara "Robbie" Reynolds Wyke got together to celebrate birthday at a Virginia Symphony Concert at William and Mary. It was raining. Just as they arrived on campus the tent collapsed, and the concert was canceled. They enjoyed their visit anyway, and it didn’t dampen their celebration.

Our sympathy goes to Mary Anne Logan Morgan, who lost her mother in the spring.

Also, Dorothy Smith, who was with us for two years at Westhampton, passed away at her home on June 5, 1998, after a courageous battle with cancer. We extend our condolences to her family.

Dr. Phillip H. Kirkpatrick, R., of Petersburg, Va., retired after 36 years as a federal civil servant with the U.S. Army Quartermasters Center and School at Fort Lee, Va. He continues to serve as chairman of the board of directors of the Community Bank, where he has served for 38 years.

The Rev. Nollie Averette Witcher Jr., R., of Sutherlin, Va., retired from Danville Public Schools, where he served in various capacities for 30 years. He continues as pastor of Arbor Baptist Church, where he has served 15 years, for a total of 41 years in the ministry.
Class Secretaries

“she also enjoys having Doris Stephen Clark all but one daughter, Carolyn Moss Hartz. From the Westhampton Class Secretaries

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On March 21, the Richmond Club of the Westhampton College Alumnae Association met at the Jepson Alumni Center for lunch and a program. What a beautiful facility it is. If you have not yet seen it, do try to get there soon. It promises to impress you. Our class was represented by Helen Melton Lukhard, Janet Knobel Jones, Lillian Stephens Stroud, Diane Brown Higgins, Anne Pope Kitchin, Mary Lou Watson Lamb, Anne Stuart Hartz Garnett, Dorothy Stiff Price and Edna Wagstaff Warncke. We really missed those of you who were not with us.

Dorothy Stiff Price was joined by her sister-in-law Adrienne Price Cox, W’61, and her daughter, Leslie Price Taylor, W’86. Dottie was looking for a potential home in the Richmond area. We learned that Anne Pope Kitchin has a new grandson and that Helen Melton Lukhard enjoyed a trip to Quito, Ecuador, and the Galapagos Islands. Mary Lou Watson Lamb is building a new home and is planning to move to Wintergreen, Va.


Every year finds Pat Ballard Larus and her husband, Charlie, enjoying the Caribbean. They continue to enjoy Sandbridge: every summer as well as gardening for Pat and computer time for Charlie. They also enjoy having Doris Huffman Moore and Bill back in town. The Moores live in western Henrico County, Va. Bill retired, and he and Charlie enjoy woodworking and refinishing together.

During an e-mail exchange, I found out that Ellic Simmonds Smart is looking for a publisher for her new book, How to Teach Your Child to Read Without His Noticing. She also enjoys her grandson, age 1 1/2, who lives in Dallas.

It was fun talking with Carolyn Baker. She keeps herself busy writing a column related to Beatrix Potter for a small national publication. She is interested in Potter and related collectibles and has visited Potter’s home about six times. Making her job most interesting is the network of people she has met.

It’s time for you to remember to put Anne Stuart and Edna on your holiday letter mailing list so that we have plenty of news to share with classmates in the year ahead. Please send your news to us rather than to the alumni office, if you don’t mind.

Grace spent the month of April in Paris visiting her son, her wife and their two children. Alexandra, 5, and Christian, 2. They hoped to return to Washington, D.C., in July for a year before their next State Department posting to Turkey. Grace was looking forward to having them within driving distance for a while and planned to be an active babysitter. Grace’s daughter lives in San Francisco.

Shirley Hill Bishop, W’61, has been selling real estate for 15 years. She has three children: Suzan “Sue” Lucy Dickinson, W’61, and her husband have three children and six grandchildren. They plan to enjoy more trips as retirement draws near.

Jane Fred Espy, W’61, of Savannah, Ga., works as the financial officer for the local art museum. About 10 years ago she remarried, to a widower with three grown sons. Her daughter, Cathy, the class baby, lives in Atlanta and wrote a book, Healing Depression, which offers alternatives to drugs. Her son, Richard, is an ophthalmologist in Savannah.

Robert Graver, R’61 of Fredericksburg, Va., is a accountant executive with Hilldrup Moving & Storage in Stafford, Va. He achieved more than $1 million in line-haul sales for 1997 and was inducted into the president’s club. Phebe Goode Holladay, W’61, is co-owner/innkeeper of the Holladay House, a bed and breakfast in Orange, Va. She also works as a part-time tutor at Gymbus Memorial School.

Annie Owen Hubbard, W’61, of Houston, retired from teaching math in 1992 and enjoys traveling. She went to Tuscano, Italy, in April.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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The 40th reunion was a great success, highlighted by the class gift of Jane Stockman’s portrait to the University. It now hangs in the Jepson Alumni Center.

In attendance were: Eleanor Driver Arnold, Nancy Jane Cyrus Bains, Elonor Delong Bell, Genie Barum, Suzanne Kidd Bunting, Marilyn Yates Burkholder, Dot Wiltshire Butler, Pat Doggett Colonna, Sue Lacy Dickinson, Mariett Ayers Eggleston, Jean Anderson Farmer, Jean Hudgins Frederick, and Dawn Irvine Freese.

Also attending were Karen Diedrich Gardner, Mary Jane Simpson Garrett, June Gray, Carolyn Moss Hartz, Martha Shotwell Hickson, Nancy Goodwyn Hill, Sarah Ashburn Holder, Phebe Goode Holladay, Margaret Williams Ketner, Emily Damereel King, Edwina Kniplng Lake, Lola Hall McBride, Constance Booker Moc, Violet Moore Neal, Sue Hudson Parsons, Betty Blair Rhodes, Coral Eulmore Spyrill, Juanita Kogan, Peggy Ware, Joanette Garrett Williams, Carol Briel Williams, Suzanne Prillaman Wilshon, Nancy Prickett Yarbrough and Carolyn Smith Yarbrough.

We heard from several classmates who could not attend. Becky Branch Faulconer lives in Lexington, Ky., and sent pictures of her grandchildren. She wrote that the Kentucky Derby conflicted with the reunion.

Beverly Coker had to help out with a new baby and sent news that her children are in Connecticut, New Mexico and Chapel Hill, N.C.

More news next time from those who attended. If you didn’t order the class picture, contact me. It’s a lovely moment of a great event.

L. Page Ewell Jr., R, is board chairman and chief executive officer of Richmond Window Corp. His son, L. Page Ewell III, R’85, was promoted to president and chief operating officer of the company.

William P. Slaughter, R, of Richmond, was named president of the Virginia Society of Computer Users Group.

Jehane Flint Taylor, W, and her husband, Sam Taylor, R’58, returned to the United States after many years teaching in Buenos Aires, Argentina. They live in Cape May, N.J.

Robert G. Padgett, B, of Tucker, Ga., keeps busy, especially at tax time, in his own CPA firm. In his spare time, he enjoys playing on and coaching a church softball team, coaching for Little League and contributing to a monthly computer publication. His grandchildren live in Chicago.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

LYNN MAPP WIGGINS
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Sarah Hudgins Rice went to the spring luncheon meeting of the Richmond Club of the Westhampton College Alumnae Association last March. The meeting was followed by a tour of the Jepson Alumni Center—what a spectacular addition to our campus. Please take advantage of any opportunity to visit this facility, if you have not already done so.

Sarah and I were disappointed that no other Richmond area residents from our class attended. Not only did we want to see you, but we are desperately seeking some news. Please write.

Robert F. Brooks, R, U’61 and G’92, joined the board of trustees of the Central Virginia chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Let us hear from you! You help us keep L&umlt;/&quot;u.s in touch with each other.

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He is a partner in the Richmond law firm of Hunton & Williams, where he was honored with the E. Randolph Williams Award for contributing more than 100 hours of pro bono legal services to indigent people and community service programs.

Sidney H. Greer, R, and his wife, Joan, of Vero Beach, Fla., enjoyed a visit from Ed Allisond, B’61, and his wife, Joyce Smith Allisond, W’61.

Dr. Charles K. Price, R, ran for the 1st District seat on the Richmond school board.

Anne Mills Sizemore, W, See Alumni Notables, p. 26. Dr. Carey E. Stronach, R, a professor of physics at Virginia State U. in Petersburg, Va., was appointed by Virginia Gov. James Gilmore to the governor’s advisory council on boards and commissions and as the local organizing committee for the International Symposium on Clusters and Nanostructures, which will be held in Richmond in October 1999.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Susan Ford Collins, president of Miami-based Our Children Are Watching Inc., specializes in teaching leadership skills nationwide to parents, teachers, businesses and government through books, television, seminars, magazine articles and workshops. Her book, Our Children Are Watching, connects the nation’s education and parenting communities. She appeared on CNN with Lou Dobbs twice last summer and has completed a video series with Simon and Schuster, which will be used for in-service training for public school teachers nationwide. She also is developing “The Leadership Relay” for Arthur Andersen Corp., an innovative program to combine leadership development with community service.

Patricia “Pat” Chandler Smith became a first-time grandmother in November 1997 with the birth of Grace O’Leary Smith, daughter of Christopher Chandler Smith, R’88, and his wife, Nell. Put works as a cytotechnologist in South Charleston, W.Va., and is active in the Woman’s Club and her church. Both of her sons live in Richmond.

Betty Miller Morris was prepared to be a member of the “Sandwich Generation,” but she had not planned on being a triple-decker—caring for three generations of family members. After her husband retired in 1988, they left Maryland and moved to Chesapeake, Va., Betty’s hometown. There, they tend to both of their mothers, a daughter with serious medical problems and their son’s daughters, Sarah and Heather. They are delighted that their son, a child protection detective, and his wife live nearby.

In her church, Barbara Berguin Clancy has been trained to be an active listener through the Stephen Ministry Program. She works part time in the Norfolk Public Library system. She and Paul enjoy the Norfolk, Va., area and own a boat. Their daughter Jennifer is a third-year student at MCV. Their daughter Beth is a designer in New York.

When Andrea Sandy “Sandy” Weeks attended the 40th reunion of her class at John Marshall High School in Richmond she reconnected with Jean Stonestreet Mann Loyd and Ruth Carver Moss. Sandy attended three years ago from Sopus River College, where she taught art. She now works as a teacher’s aide in an alternative high school in Canton, Ill.

Virginia “Ginny” Needham Whitfield changed jobs from the Navy to the Army when base closure caused her former Navy command to relocate to rural southern Maryland. She is now assigned to the Pentagon.

Bradley H. Gunter, R, of Charlottesville, Va., was named chairman of the U.Va. Cancer Center board of directors. He is president of Scott & Stringfellow Capital Management Inc.

President of Virginia Parking Service, was elected to the board of directors of the Jewish Community Center of Richmond.

Sally Clark Crooker, W, of Wappingers Falls, N.Y., spent two weeks in Hawaii with her husband, Joe, and their son Jay Crooker, R’99, who competed in the Ironman World Championships in October 1997. He finished 42nd out of 1,500 entries from 50 countries. Their daughter Cheryl graduated from Susquehanna U. in May 1997.

Michael M. Foreman, R, of Winchester, Va., has served 22 years as clerk of the Winchester Circuit Court and as past president of the Virginia Circuit Court Clerks’ Association. He was a keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Treasurers and Election Officials held in Philadelphia.

Caroline Hollemann Thomas, W, of Midlothian, Va., continues teaching math at Midlothian Middle School. Her husband, William B. Thomas, B’61, retired from Chesterfield County Schools.

Robert H. Trent, R, attended the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. Professor of Commerce from U.Va.’s McIntire School of Commerce, where he served for 28 years. Roy Young, R, of Tallahassee, Fla., celebrated the birth of his second grandson on May 31, 1998. He attended his 55-year reunion.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

FRANCES PITCHFORO GRIGGS 210 North Moorfield Road Richmond, Va. 23229-7102

From Josie Rogers Lovelady: This is my last letter to you before Frances Pitchford Griggs takes over as class secretary, so let me tell you what fun I have had for the last few years keeping in touch and hearing from you.

We just returned from our 15th reunion, and I bet everyone is resolved to do a better job of keeping in touch. So, get busy and write to Frances today.

Those of us who seldom get back to campus probably were not surprised at all the building activity and pleased that it has remained true to the modified Gothic architecture that surrounded us as students. The sculpture at the Medlin Fine Arts Center is spectacular and the northwest section of the campus, where College Grove and Boalwright Drive intersect, has been enhanced with a stately brick entrance—impressive and yet calming at the same time.

I took my own tour of the Jepson Alumni Center; it is a beautiful setting for large or small groups. Twenty-six of us attended our Friday gathering, and 31 of us attended our Saturday cocktail party/dinner at the Lora Robies Gallery. Some of the following information is from Marcia McMillin Caneel. She cleaned up calls made by our classmates who worked on the reunion: Peggy St. Clare Stevens, Kakki Elmer Rogers, Gail Marcus Genderson, Charlotte Hines Forrestier, Frances Pitchford Griggs and Marcia.

Nancy Berkowitiz Sokol’s son married last February, and her daughter Debra lives in Atlanta. Her daughter Jody is an attorney. Alice Moyers Nerz and his daughter married in September 1996, and her son Chris married in April. Alice enjoys yard work, painting with watercolors and golf. Nancy Hybler Murphy is youth director at a Baptist church and also enjoys golf. Her son Jonathan is married.

Betty Lou Giles Montgomery teaches at a new concept school, “Foccu Schools” for ninth and 10th graders and for 11th graders well next year. Her husband is at Averett College. She enjoys reading and sailing.

Ellen Nash is still in relocation management, handling corporate moves for Bell South Project. She enjoys diving, especially in the Caribbean.

Cecilia Stiff Mahan was sorry she couldn’t come, but she was in Paris that week (can you blame her?). She continues selling real estate. She and her husband enjoy travel and went to Italy last year. One child is married and one son lives in England.

Foster Robertson Foreman works in art and art history at the visual resource department at the U. of Texas. She has also published two books of poetry. Her daughter is a junior at Bryn Mawr, and her son is a senior in high school.

Pat Kirby WRITE was very interested this October in the Home Design and Garden Show and was excited to see all the new ideas and creative ways to decorate and accessorize your home. She and her husband were able to take time off to visit her daughter Debra and have a wonderful time. They enjoyed looking at all the unique and creative ideas for decorating and accessorizing their homes.

Gillette and talked from start to finish, catching up on the important things and sharing our pictures. We decided that Phyllis Pollack Yaffa, from Miami, came the farthest. We went to lunch with two children going to Richmond, I suppose she’s used to traveling.

Carol Winfield Eliot read a letter from Jean Copeles Forbes. She and Preston Forbes, R’62, live in Warren, Ohio, where she is executive director of Rebecca Williams Community Center. Preston is executive director of East Central Colleges, a consortium of eight liberal arts colleges in the area. Their children are grown and married but live close enough to visit.

A new letter came from Archer Randlett Parker and was read by Carolyn Anthony Powers. Archer and her husband are both retired and enjoy travel. Their son Chip is in the Navy and their daughter Cathy was planning their wedding. Archer and Terry hoped to take a cruise to Alaska this past July.

I was married this October. I never thought I would feel love a second time, but Frank Cuffe is a wonderful man. We have known each other for more than 50 years and used to be neighbors many years ago. His wife died five months after Buddy. We met again by accident one day as I was walking my dogs, and the rest is history. We will live in his house, which is about five miles from where Buddy and I lived for 25 years.

I’d like to remind you that when you donate money to the University, please consider designating it for the Westhampton Class of ’63 Scholarship Fund, which tells us we have never endowed our scholarship.

If you know of the whereabouts of Ann Perry Hughes, please notify the alumni office. Thanks again for five years of fun.

Spiders get a taste of the Big Apple

Richmond alumni and parents now have the option to join and enjoy the facilities of the Penn Club of New York, to which the University of Richmond has recently been accepted as an affiliate member. Features include educational and social programming; meeting rooms; health club facilities; guest rooms; and reciprocal arrangements with other clubs. For more information, contact the alumni affairs office, (804) 289-8027.

Carole E. Bradley, W, of Richmond, retired in June 1997 after 33 years of teaching music in Virginia’s Chesterfield, Fairfax and Henrico counties.

Maxwell G. Cisne, G, was named a director and treasurer of Gateway Homes of Greater Richmond.

Vincent J. Mastrazzo Jr., L, of Norfolk, Va., was appointed to the Virginia Business Committee for the Arts.

Donald N. Patten, R, of Newport News, Va., was elected as one of the two presidents of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association.

Herbert C. Peterson, B, of Manakin-Sabot, Va., was elected to the board of the Steward School. He also serves as UR’s vice president of business and finance.
Bonnie Louellen Redditt, W., received the Outstanding Service Award from Georgetown College in Georgetown, Ky. She is director of the college's alumni and corporate relations.

William B. Thomas, R., retired from Chesterfield County Schools. He and his wife, Caroline Holleman Thomas, W.63, live in Midlothian, Va.

Barry Zell, B., president of Nathan's Custom Tailors in Richmond, received an Executive Award at the Custom Tailors and Designers Association of America's fashion show in New Orleans in February.

James R. Chisman, B., of Chisman Development Co. in Hampton, Va., was elected president of the Jackson-Feld Homes Foundation.

Michael C. Kushela Sr., R., of Kilgore, Tex., was re-elected chairman of the computer science, legal assistance and office administration departments at Kilgore College, where he has worked for 20 years.

E. Morgan Massey, GB, of Richmond, was inducted into the West Virginia Coal Hall of Fame. He is CEO of Evan Energy Co. and also serves as a Richmond trustee.

Suzanne Smola Reynolds, W., continues teaching music at St. Mary's School in Alexandria, Va. She also directs the children's choir for St. Mary's Catholic Church and serves as senior national organizing secretary for Children of the American Revolution and as a state officer in the Virginia PEO Sisterhood. Both of her daughters are married and have careers, and her son is a senior at JMU.

Dr. Anthony D. Sadowski, R., an ophthalmologist, was voted one of the "Top Doctors" in the April 1998 edition of Richmond Magazine.

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Virginia Blanton Bailey, W., of Muncie, Ind., reported that her youngest, Lee, graduated from the U. of Pennsylvania in May 1998.

Dr. Alvin L. Milam, R., of Washington Township, Ohio, retired from the Air Force after 22 years of service in 1985. He started a second career and taught military science until he was promoted to assistant principal of Wayne High School in Huber Heights, Ohio.

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Nelle Haag Pitman, W., her family enjoyed living in Williamsburg, Va., where she substitute teaches part time and volunteers at Jamestown Rediscovery’s archaeology lab. She and her husband, Mike, a systems analyst with Virginia Power, and their daughter, Helen, 12, enjoy riding their two quarter horses. Sterling C. Proffitt, R., superintendent of Central Virginia Regional Jail in Orange, Va., received his Certified Jail Manager designation from the American Jail Association on Nov. 14, 1997. Michael S. Robertson, R., of Cincinnati, was named national sales manager of the health care division of the Jones-Ylton Co. Dr. Robert Stokes, R., an associate dean at Villanova U., heads the school’s new part-time studies and university outreach division, including his summer sessions, office of continuing education and former university college. He serves on the University of Richmond’s Philadelphia alumni chapter committee.

Charles F. “Rick” Withoffi, R., of Richmond, is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

W. Shields Jett, R., joined the commercial real estate and land consulting firm of Grant-Massie/Galler in Richmond. Walter E. Prillaman, R., of Midlothian, Va., and his wife, Tricia Mason Prillaman, W., ’72, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary with a trip to Palm Springs, Calif., and Maui, Hawaii. He works as a regional manager for Morton International. Their son Brett, 18, received an appointment to VMi; daughter Anna, 16, earned second team All-Metro in basketball. Twins Emily and Erin are sixth graders at Midlothian Middle School.

Charles Stevens, R., of Annapolis, Md., earned a Master of Advertising specialist designation from Promotional Products International. He is vice president of Goldman Associates in Baltimore. Michael G. Williams, R., of Marassus, Va., joined Joyce Engineering Inc. as a project hydrogeologist in the Richmond area.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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Our 25th reunion has come and gone. Even though we had hoped to have everyone join us, I think most will agree it was a success. Many thanks to our fearless leader, Martha Poston Turner, who kept us all in line and encouraged us during the planning process. Other Westminster members of the planning committee were Kelly Hardy, Betty Rodman Harris, Nancy Jones Trimble, and me. Thanks also to the male contingent of the group, Micky Dwory, R., 73, who co-chaired with Martha, John Clarke, Richard Johnson and Craig Poole, all B.’”

Our planning included a phantasia, when we called as many classmates as possible. We found ourselves talking to a lot of machines, but I did get news from some.

Anne Ferrell Draper lives in Martinsville, Va., where she teaches school and helps in the menswear store that she and Steve own. They have two daughters, Kate and Sarah. Kate’s prom presented Anne from joining us.

Another one who missed the reunion because of a prom was Polly Winfrey Griffin. When we talked to her, Polly was excited because her prom had been accepted to Richmond.

Cathy Williamson MacQuarrie lives in Creve, Va., and teaches first grade. Her daughter is a student at VA Tech. At the time of our phantasy, her son was still undecided as to where he planned to go to college this fall.

Virginia “Burchie” Chisholm Carroll lives in Hopewell, Va., with her husband and two sons. Her husband is a forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry, and the family owns a Christmas tree farm. Burchie also teaches piano.

Sharon Foster Burdick missed the reunion because of activities leading up to her daughter’s high school graduation. Emily is a freshman at Vanderbilt U.

We also talked to Donna Kingery Hudson, who lives in Charleston, S.C. She had a library book to return and had to wait in the book store. When we finally reached Sandy Snovid Howard she had just returned from a family trip to England to celebrate her parents’ 50th wedding anniversary.

Over the weekend I had the pleasure of seeing many of you. Attending some portion of the festivities were: Carol Baker, Lynn Moncure Barber, Margaret Binns, Betsy Davis Bushkar, Gayle Goodson Butler, Nancy Bendall Emerson, Agnes Mobley Fuller, Patty Stringellow Garbelle, Temple Adair Glenn, Kelly Hardy, Betty Rodman Harris, and Nancy Merriam.

Also attending were Meg Kemper, Rosanna Painter Myers, Linda Gooding Sarfary, Marianne Hanbury Shanaberger, Kay Zarau Shelton, Susan Hamill Smith, Nancy Lee Jones Trimble, Martha Poston Turner, Jeannie Nicholson Veitch, Martha West, Jane Woodward Woolfolk and Nancy Bass Zilli. It was great to see everyone. Michael and those who haven’t been back in so long.

The weekend started with some pretty struggle playing golf in the rain, including a threesome of Pat Turner, R., ’72 (Martha Poston), Jack Cepol (Kelly Hardy), and Mike Smith (Susan Hamill). The rest of us waited until our evening function that we decided at the last minute to combine with our classmates from across the lake. Saturday started with a picnic at the new Jepson Alumni Center. Many of us took tours and spent money in the bookstore. Saturday night we went back to the alumni center for a cocktail party/ dinner dance, where we were entertained by a fabulous video of our four years which was put together by Martha. We also watched a preview of a new admissions video. Music was provided by our own Danny Rucker, R., ’75. Rich Johnson announced that we had had a successful fund-raising campaign, and Carol Baker won a weekend in the alumni center.

The winner of the prize for traveling the farthest was Jeannie Nicholson Veitch, who came all the way from Germany, Jeannie is a civilian with the Air Force and does child development training. Her husband, who retired from the Air Force, is now a civilian systems analyst with the Army. They have two sons, one is an apprentice in the travel industry and the other is in high school. Jeannie shared a wonderful scrapbook of her life since college.

Jane Woodward Woolfolk lives in Louisv, Va., where she teaches school. She has a son at VA Tech and a son in high school.

Meg Kemper came from North Carolina, where she lives with her husband and two children. Meg practices psychology in Chapel Hill, and her husband is an attorney. Nancy Bendall Emerson was able to sneak by our Friday night party after she catered a rehearsal dinner and the "C" and L, WU, brought their two boys to the picnic before rushing off to cater a wedding.

It was great to see Linda Gooding Sarfary, Nancy Lee Jones Trimble and Martha West after all these years. Linda was down from Fairfax, Va., where she lives with her two children and works for the CIA. Nancy Lee came from Hampton, where she teaches the fourth grade. She also was in Richmond to pick up her daughter who had finished her freshman year at Westminster and had the short trip in—from Gooschland, Va. The news from those three was that their roommate, Shelby Jones Walker, had just become a grandmother. Congratulations, Shelby.

Betty Rodman Harris made the trip on cruises. She injured her leg on a trip to Switzerland, where her son John was in a school exchange program. Betty and Scott’s other son, John, is a student at Hampden-Sydney.

The “lost” Marianne Hanbury Shanaberger joined us from Purcellville, Va. She commutes to Washington, D.C., where she works at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She was looking forward to her daughter’s graduation from Mary Washington College.

Nancy Russ Zilli and Kenneth came down for our Saturday night party from the University of Virginia in Burke, Va. Nancy continues to fly with Delta Airlines.

Thanks go to Kelly Hardy for having all her hard work made our special reunion. It was fun to see our college faces—we actually compared pretty well. Kelly’s husband, Jack, survived his first 1973 reunion.

Carol Baker was unable to use her weekend in the alumni center during reunion and hopes to save it for another time. Of course she won’t have far to travel; she lives in Richmond and works for Media Group. Her sister, Barbie Baker, also lives in Richmond and has her own consulting business.

We were happy to have Gayle Goodson Butler stay at our house for the weekend. Gayle is now the managing editor of the Better Homes and Gardens special publications division, the third largest division of Meredith Publishing. Gayle’s husband, Scott, and two daughters were unable to make the trip east from Los Angeles.

Meg Kemper came from North Carolina, where she lives with her husband and two children. Meg practices psychology in Chapel Hill, and her husband is an attorney. Nancy Bendall Emerson is a controller for a development firm in Richmond.

Now that the nest is empty for Lyon Moncure Barber and Bill, B., they are buying a new home in Fauqonna County, Va., near the river.

Margaret Binns lives in Maryland and works in Washington, D.C., where she is the assistant commissioner in the Office of Regional Services, Federal Technology Service of the General Services Administration. She married and has two stepchildren.

The surveys that some of you filled out were a lot of fun to read. I did learn from the addition to my daughter Lee, several of the names have deatuated at Westhampton: Fran White Chetham (Ann, AW ’01), Nancy Martin Jett (Maureen, AW ’01), Nancy Lee Jones Trimble (Sarah, AW ’01).
and Kay Zarub Shelton and Gordon Shelton, R. (Kristen, AW’01).

And that is just the Westhampton news from recently. It was fun to see our classmates from across the lake who joined us, as well as the husbands and significant others who came.

Elizabeth Cocks Adkins wrote that she enjoys retirement in Glen Allen, Va., with her children, grandchildren and a special niece and nephew.

The alumni office has compiled a new list of "lost alumni." It includes Kathy George Canning, Shelly Jean Smith Foster, Sharon Henderson and Fanida Kale Johnson. If you know how to contact any of those classmates, please let me know or have them contact me.

For the lack of other volunteers, Martha and I have been asked to continue as president and secretary of the class. Nancy Martin Jett will be our fund-raising chair. Now please make my job easier and take the time to write. It won't take but a minute, and it sure makes the classmates more interested.

Alfred G. Bridger, Jr., of Richmond, was voted vice president of the Virginia Mediation Network. He is director of the dispute resolution program of Consumer Affairs of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

W. Dwight Graham, of Midlothian, Va., is serving his 24th year as a choral director for Chesterfield County Schools, the last 19 years at Moranac High School. His vocal ensemble students sang at the White House and at the National Cathedral during the 1997 Christmas holidays.

Louis Hite, R. of Richmond, joined Air Conditioning Equipment Sales Inc. as sales manager.

Paulette Posey Parker, of Scarborough, Maine, enjoyed a trip to the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Her daughter Kristina, the first baby born to the Class of ’74, studied the Turkish language, politics and history in Istanbul, Turkey.

Thomas David Riddell, R., was featured in the Metro Business section of the March 10 edition of the Richmond Times-Dispatch. He is owner and president of Amazing Pots of Gold.

The Hon. Charles H. Warren, L. of South Hill, Va., was elected a judge to the 10th Judicial District Court.

Suzanne Heffner Brown, W. of Richmond, is a "soccer mom" to sons Will, 11, and Alex, 7, both St. Christopher’s School students. She works in part-time retail sales and enjoys tennis.

Jack Carman, R., a landscape architect in Medford, N.J., started a consulting firm that specializes in the design of the exterior environment for senior residences. V. Earl Dickinson, Jr., R. of Richmond, was elected a trustee of the Jackson-Field Homes Foundation. He is a partner in Keystone Builders Resource Group.

Fred Itzkowitz, C., was elected to the board of directors of the Jewish Community Center of Richmond. He is also a principal in Strauss, Itzkowitz & LeConte Implant.

John G. Lee, R. of Lee-Gartis Insurance Service in Fredericksburg, Va., was recognized by the Professional Insurance Agents of Virginia and the District of Columbia for his years of service as an officer and/or committee chairman.

Bobbie Heilman-Murphy, W., a second-grade teacher in Knoxville, Tenn., went to Egypt and Kenya in the summer of 1997 with her partners, Richmond Chancellor Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, H’86, and Betty Heilman. Also traveling with them were Bobbie’s sisters, Nancy Heilman-Davis, W’76; Terry Heilman Sylvester, B’76; Sandy Heilman Van Der Geer, W’77; and nine of Dr. and Mrs. Heilman’s grandchildren.

John R. Marks, L., of Franklin, Va., was promoted to first vice president, investments, of Davenport & Co.

The Hon. Nina K. Peace, L. of Ashland, Va., was named one of “The Region’s 100 Power Players” in the March edition of Richmond Magazine. She is a judge in the 15th District Court in Hanover.

Gerald Bowman, R. of Munich, Germany, became a board certified diplomate in clinical social work, a national credential issued to advanced practitioners by the American Board of Examiners in Clinical Social Work. He also attained clinical membership status with the American Association of Marriage & Family Therapy. He maintains a private practice for Americans who live abroad. He also works for Internationaler Bund in Munich.

Katrien Belyen Colamurino, L., vice president and assistant general counsel at Chase Manhattan Bank in New York City, and her husband, Leonard, became grandparents on July 25, 1997, with the birth of Ari J. David Gibbs, R. of West Hartford, Conn., was appointed president and CEO of claim services for Travelers Property Casualty. He was formerly executive vice president of claim services and president of the field claim services division.

Brooks Hutch, R. of Corvallis, Ore., was lead reporter for the Corvallis Gazette-Times’ series on the resignation of Oregon State football coach Terry Pottharst. The series won first place in the Northwest Region Society of Professional Journalists’ sports news story competition and honorable mention in the Oregon Newspaper Association’s sports news story 1996 competition. He also took second place in the sports feature competition for a story on Willamette U. football.

Michael Osglesby, L. of the Virginia ABC Department, was named to the board of the Virginia Voice for the Print Handicapped.

Gregory Robertson, L., of Richmond, is a director of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

Beth Ann Sears, R., works as a bookkeeper and business manager at St. Michael’s School in Richmond. She and her husband, Don, her son Scott O’Neill, 16, and her daughter Molly O’Neill, 15, live in Midlothian, Va. Don also has a daughter, Taylor, 6.

Kenneth J. McCo, L., of Richmond, was promoted to first vice president, investments, of Davenport & Co.

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Bill Horan, R. of Glen Allen, Va., is a vice president of investments for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co. He and his wife, Amy, have two sons, Sean, 5, and Cole, 3.

Fred R. Kozell, R., joined the Richmond law firm of Beale, Ballou, Davidson & Etherington.

R. Thomas Wagner Jr., B’78, state auditor of Delaware since 1988, has been elected president of the National Association of State Auditors.

John V. Coghill III, L., was among the "Region’s 100 Power Players" in the March edition of Richmond Magazine. He is a partner in the law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe.

Edward Franklin DePew, R. of Midlothian, Va., was profiled in the Metro Business section of the Richmond Times-Dispatch on May 25, 1998. He is president and CEO of Mid-Atlantic Pension Group, which specializes in 401k plans.

Kimberly Moody Golden, W., was invited to be a visiting lecturer of choral and general music education at the U. of Virginia-Oakwood for the 1998-99 academic year. She presented her paper, "Singing the Way to Socially Appropriate Behavior," at the First International Conference on Music in Human Adaptation in Roanoke, Va., in November 1997. She has published that paper and another one, "Strategies for Teaching: Guide for Music Methods Classes."

Antonia Precipee Corby, W. of Fredericksburg, Va., celebrates her 10th year in business as Antonia Corby Design Inc., a home furnishings designer. Her company was featured on the "Kiplinger Magazine" television show in "Business Start Ups" magazine and in The Washington Post. She and her husband, Bill, have three children: Ryan, 14; Jesse, 11; and Skylar, 8.

T.A.O. Lambo, R., is executive director of the City Estates Ltd. in Lagos, Nigeria, a family-owned company with interests in building materials and development.

Colleen A. Murphy, W., was promoted to vice president of corporate communications for Time-Life and Book-of-the-Month Club. She lives in Manhattan, N.Y., with her husband and their 2-year-old son.

Sue Panzer, W., was promoted to account vice president of Showtime Networks Inc.'s New York office. She is responsible for the New York and New England markets.

Geoff "Rocky" Rockwell, R., received his master of forest resources degree in 1986 and has been working with the Georgia Forestry Commission for 10 years.
Stephen E. Baril, I., was among the "Region's 100 Power Players" in the March 1998 edition of Richmond Magazine. He is with the law firm of Willmott, Mullin, Christian & Dobbins.

David R. Beran, GB, of Ridgefield, Conn., was appointed district director for planning and information systems for Philip Morris U.S.A. He is responsible for information systems, planning, systems and marketing and sales information. He formerly served as vice president, Marboro promotions.

John Gordon Clarke, R., works as a vice president with Markel Corp. in Richmond.

Bruce Fichter, GB, of Midlothian, Va., was named director, quality, Americas, for Viessmann Technology Corp. He formerly was global account executive for Lacent accounts, a predecessor of Viessmann.

Dr. Michael Link, R., was appointed to the Virginia Board of Dentistry by Gov. George Allen. He and his wife, Melissa, live in Newport News, Va., with, Joey, 2, and baby Megan.

Warren F., R., of Richmond, joined Primerica Financial Services as a personal financial analyst.

Sally Brewer Syrquin, W., lives in Fargo, N.D., with her husband, Mickey, a neurosurgeon, and their son, Thomas, 3. She enjoys tennis, the symphony, gold and the Junior League.

Jody Buffington And, W., owns her own public relations firm in Owings Mills, Md. She was elected to a two-year term on the national board of directors for the Public Relations Society of America. She and her husband, Charles, have a daughter, Madison, 2.

P. Dale Bennett, R., executive vice president of Virginia Trucking Association, was profiled in the Richmond Times-Dispatch on Feb. 24, 1998. The association, which represents 400 companies statewide, has won the American Trucking Associations' highest safety award each year since 1985. He and his wife, Sandra, live in Richmond with their daughter, Olivia, 6, and Elizabeth, 2.

Anne Winskie Hill, GB, of Richmond, was promoted to assistant vice president, claims, at American National Lawyers Insurance Reciprocal. She was formerly director, legal professional liability claims.

Cliff Jones, B., relocated back to Richmond with his wife, Garole Leary Jones, B'84, and their children, Chris, Kelly and Matthew. He works for Automatic Equipment Sales.

George M. Longest Jr., B., of St. Stephens Church, Va., was named senior vice president and chief lending officer at the Bank of Essex. He was formerly vice president of credit administration.

Leslie Connelly Stricker, W., of Richmond, is executive editor of Enterprise Virginia, a statewide business magazine. She is president of CEO of the Free Communications, publishers of kielo magazine. She also served as co-chair of the Hand Workshop's annual Collectors' Night art auction.

John D. Whitlock, L., of Richmond, was elected president of the Family Foundation. He is president of the Whitlock Group.

Chris Beale, C., is president of Resource Mortgage, a division of Resource Bank. He and his wife, Rhonda Poina Bealer, B'77, live in Glen Allen, Va., with their daughters, Jessica, 9, and Kristin, 7.

Harry L. Brightly Jr., W., was named manager of public relations at Ethyl Corp. in Richmond. He is a member of their employee development and training group.

Mary Jarvis Long Futelew, W., and her husband, Scott, a Navy pilot, live in Orange Park, Fla., with their children: Mary Elizabeth, 9, Patrick, 7, Isaac, 5, and Christian, 2.

Jeter, W., was promoted to senior application consultant for OneWorld Distribution Systems.

Lowell W. Tustall, R., accepted a position as director of database operations at the Mortgage Bankers Association of America in Washington, D.C.

Mark S. Williams, L., opened his own firm, Williams & Associates, attorney at law, on Jan. 1, 1998, in Olean, N.Y. His practice is limited to personal injury cases. He and his wife, Patti, have four children: Jack, Jane, Kate and Nathan.

Dan Getzweich, R., is vice president of National Communications. He and his wife, Jennifer, and their three children, Christopher, Amanda and Elizabeth, live in Alpharetta, Ga.

James F. Massengill, R., a senior vice president of Branch Cabell in Richmond, was named a voting shareholder.

Stuart Matthai, R., of Owings Mills, Md., joined Hyperion Software as project manager/consultant.

Littleton "Lil" Maxwell, GB, was elected faculty director of Region III of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honorary society. He also was elected to the board of governors of the Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals. He is director of Richmond's Business Information Center.

Stamford Y. Noon, R., of Richmond, was promoted to vice president, investments at Dri Wnter Reynolds.

Rich Rusor, R., was promoted to New York manager of Ski and Skiing magazines.

David P. Robinson, R., a CPA in Richmond, was the guest of 10 editors and writers of the American Institute of CPAs' Journal of Accountancy magazine in New York City. He discussed issues facing small public accounting companies. His firm offers a weekly newsletter, Tax Fix, on its web site at http://www.greatcpa.com. He was also named Virginia Accountant Advocate of the Year by the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Kirk Schroder, R., of Richmond, was elected president of the Virginia Board of Education.

Michael V.Z. Summers, R., a certified financial planner in New Freedom, Pa., received his master's degree in financial services. He chairs Congressman Bill Goodling's re-election campaign and serves as a director on 12 corporate and not-for-profit regional boards.

Mary Scott W. Swanson, W., works as director of development and alumni affairs at the VCU School of Business in Richmond. She and her husband, Bruce Swanson, R'85, an investment analyst for Crestar Bank, have two sons, Harry, 3 1/2, and Charles, born on Feb. 20, 1998.

Glenn E. Tallia, R., was promoted to senior counselor for atmospheric and space services and research at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which includes the National Weather Service and the U.S. government's environmental satellite operational and licensing programs, atmosphere, weather and oceanic research programs. He and his wife, Suzanne V. Tallia, R., have two sons, Jeffrey, 6, and Matthew, 3.

Suzanne Tyner Tallia, B., works part-time for the chairman of the National Democratic Coalition and Thanksgiving Ball of Washington, D.C. She and her family live in Poolesville, Md.

J. Thomas Bradley Jr., R., works as managing director for Waterhouse Securities in New York City. He and his wife, Susan, live in Essex Fells, N.J., with their children, Sarah, 4; Drew, 2; and Grant, 6 months.

Paul C. Edmunds II, B., of Richmond, was promoted to managing director at Bankers F & Co.

L. Page Ewell III, R., of Richmond, was promoted to president and chief operating officer of Richmond Window Corp. He and his wife, Linda, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary.

Deborah Bright Gardner, W., works as an account representative at John Deere Health Care Inc. in Bettendorf, Iowa.

Deborah Fricks James, B., works as a project manager at AT&T in Herndon, Va.

Pamela Formero Kulesh, B., received her MBA from Columbia U. in August 1996 and works as a partner for Ingersoll-Rand in the capital markets business assurance practice. She and her husband, Robert, live in New York City.

Kevin M. McCarthy, R., his wife, Claudia, and their children, Brendan, 3, and infant son, Michael, moved to Germany in July for three years with the U.S. Air Force.

Andy Mack, B., of Chicago, works as a project manager for McGraw-Edison.

Colin O'Keefe, R., works as a property manager for Equity Office Properties. He and his wife, Kristine, live in Deuxbry, Mass.


Mark H. Pearce, GB, of Lake Worth, Fla., works as an investment planner with A.G. Edwards & Sons. He and his wife, Cindy, have two children, Sarah, 7, and Will, 1. They enjoy church and community activities as well as reading, camping and hiking.

Karen Hansen Steele, W., works as a legal assistant at the law firm of Wharton, Levin, Ehrmantraut, Klein & Nash in Annopolis, Md. She and her husband, Scott, have a daughter, Samantha Lynn, born Feb. 23, 1998.

Kevin Stubble, B., relocated from Philadelphia to Richmond with his wife, Cindy, and their children, Nick, 9, and Morgan, 6. He works as a bond manager for Great American Insurance.
Sitting on the state Supreme Court

Lawrence L. Koontz Jr. graduated from the T.C. Williams School of Law in 1965 and less than three years later he was appointed to the bench of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court in Roanoke. He was 27 years old, the youngest judge in Roanoke and one of the youngest in Virginia.

The judgeship, he says, "was not something I had sought... I knew it was going to be difficult, but then, challenges have always excited me.”

Now he is a Virginia Supreme Court justice, the first Richmond Law alumnus to sit on that court since former Chief Justice Harold E Snead, R '25, L'29 and H'58, retired in 1974. Koontz’s latest appointment crowns a long and distinguished career in the judiciary.

Since his years as a boy in Roanoke, Koontz has continually met challenges and moved ahead. He graduated from Virginia Tech with a degree in biology—his early plan was to be a dentist—did a bit of postgraduate work and applied to law school. "My interest in law really developed when I was at VPI, where I was a defense attorney on the honor court," he recalls, "but one individual led him to Richmond. "I was just so caught up with Dean [William T.] Muse and his personality and I knew I wanted to go to his law school."

When asked about those days, he says, "All of my memories of law school are fond." He remembers being urged by Dean Muse to develop a life outside the classroom, so he took up the game of ping-pong. Apparently the frequency with which Koontz played ping-pong in the basement of the law school building came to Muse’s attention. Walking by one day, Muse commented, "I certainly hope you’ll be as good a lawyer." Koontz took the hint and curtailed his play.

"I have a warm feeling for the law school. At least for me, it was a great experience, and I have never regretted it. I enjoyed the discussion of and continual immersing of yourself into issues of the law. The small class size encouraged interaction between students and professors. "And the professors were there to teach them. They wanted you to learn, wanted you to understand the law. It was a very user-friendly law school."

Practice of law has changed since his early days of private practice. People are more litigious and, "there's more extensive use of discovery," Koontz says. "When I first practiced, there was very little." Plus, with more and more lawyers flooding the marketplace, things are done more formally.

"There's less opportunity to know each other. Back then many more things were done verbally. Cases were set and settled with a conversation."

Being a judge has had its own set of challenges. Of his days in Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, Koontz says, "I continue to think that that is one of the most important courts in terms of being faced with very real-life decisions. What makes it hard is that there’s no way to know if your’re right or wrong.” He has had several former delinquents call to thank him for holding them accountable.

For most of his career, Koontz has served on the bench. Following his juvenile court appointment he was elevated to serve as judge of the 23rd Judicial Circuit Court. Then in 1984 he became one of the first 10 judges to sit on the newly established Virginia Court of Appeals. Less than six months later, his fellow judges elected him chief judge upon the death of Chief Judge E. Ballard Baker, L'47. He served the Virginia Court of Appeals until his appointment to the Virginia Supreme Court in 1995.

He has held positions on the Judicial Council of Virginia, State-Federal Judicial Council, Commission of the Future of the Judiciary of Virginia, and the board of governors of the Family Law Section of the Virginia State Bar. He has been a faculty member for the Virginia State Bar Professionalism Course as well as an adjunct professor in police science for Southwest Virginia Community College and in sociology at Roanoke College. He is an active member of the American Bar Association and the American Judicature Society.

Justice Koontz also has served his community as president of the Roanoke Valley Mental Health Association and as chairman of the Roanoke Valley Alcohol Safety Action Program. He is a recipient of the Roanoke Jaycees Outstanding Young Man Award.

These days, when he’s not preparing and writing opinions for the highest court in Virginia, Koontz plays racquetball and spends time refinishing furniture in his home woodworking shop. He is married to Eberle L. Smith, a professor at Roanoke College in Salem, Va. He has a son and two daughters, one granddaughter and three grandsons.
Julie Nenon, W. 86, works as field director for Centre for Common Ground, an NGO in Angola, South Africa.

Sylvia Infante Lecky, W, completed the requirements to become a fellow of the Society of Actuaries. She works as an actuary at Aetna. She and her husband, Steve, live in Middletown, Conn. Nancy Sullivan, W, joined the National Committee for Quality Assurance as a communications specialist in Washington, D.C.

Kris W. Anderson, R, of Chesterfield, Va., works for East West Realty in Midlothian. He and his wife, Katrina, moved to a new home in the Birkdale subdivision.

Dr. Beryl Sandler Brown, W, of Virginia Beach, Va., joined the surgical practice of Surgical Care Inc. in Norfolk.

Michael A. Condyles, L, of Richmond, serves as treasurer of the law firm of Malone, Huenecker, Parke, Geiser & Parsons.

Thomas J. Dillon III, R and L'90, of Richmond, became a shareholder at the law firm of Hirschler, Fleischer, Weinberg, Cox & Allen. He is a member of the firm's litigation section, employment law and intellectual property practice groups.

Margaret Kadel Eck, B, is an associate of Loeb & Loeb in Los Angeles practicing real estate transactional law and insolvency. She and her husband, Tom, have a son, Brian Thomas, 1.

Marc Greenberg, R, is president of MDC Realty Services in Mechanicsville, Va., a commercial real estate leasing and brokerage firm. His wife, Chris Hall Greenberg, B, is an employee benefit consultant who specializes in retirement plans for Slabaugh Morgan White & Associates. They live in Glen Allen, Va., with their children, Lauren, 3, and Aaron, born in April 1998.

Holly Hamilton Hazard, W, works for the law firm of Bryan Cave, where she practices aviation law. She and her husband, Lt. Cmdr. Charles A. Hazard, live in London.

Laura Smith Keane, W, worked for Acteon Life & Cassity for 10 years, but she now owns being a full-time mom to Julia, 2 1/2, and Daniel, 1.

Veronica Hormones, W, of Santiago, Chile, has been working for six years in her own company, which represents Jetform software in Latin America. She and her husband, Jorge Martinez, have two children, Diego, 4, and Sofia, 3.

Suzanne Kurtz Nagle, W, received her master’s degree in exercise physiology and community health education. She works for Montgomery Regional Hospital and coordinates all marketing and public relations. She and her husband, Steven, live in Blacksburg, Va., with their son, Andrew, 1.

Kevin F. Oddo, L, received the Virginia Bar Association’s 1997 Fellows Award from the Young Lawyers Division for his “outstanding work for the VBA.” He is a partner in the law firm of Flippin, Densmore, Morse, Rutherford & Jesse in Roanoke, Va.

Jamie A. Parrilla, W, was promoted to executive director of communications at Cathedral, a nonprofit organization that works with businesses to advance women. She also serves on the organization’s executive committee. She and her husband, John Randazzo, live in Pellan Manor, N.Y., with their children, Kristiana, 5, and Alexandria, 4.

Marc D. PolICASTRO, B, is an attorney in the law firm of Greenbaum, Rowe in Woodbridge, N.J., and specializes in environmental compliance, commercial real estate and corporate matters. He and his wife, Cheryl Behrens Policastro, W, have son, Marc Gregory, 5.

David W. Rice, B, returned to Trigon Blue Cross Blue Shield in Richmond after a two-and-a-half year absence due to hemophilia-related AIDs. He volunteers as a speaker on HIV/AIDS education and prevention in schools and serves as a big brother with Big Brothers/Big Sisters Services Inc. He also serves as a youth Sunday school teacher and counselor at his church.

Nanci Steinberg, W, accepted a new position as assistant director of development at M.I.T’s Sloan School of Management in Cambridge, Mass.

Elizabeth E. Smith, L, of Richmond, was elected vice president of fund development for the Family Foundation. She works for the Home School Legal Defense Association.

Dr. Joel I. Sorger, R, of Cincinnati, moved to Boston for a year for a fellowship at Harvard U. in musculoskeletal oncology. He will start a new department in both the U. of Cincinnati Medical Center and in Children’s Hospital in Cincinnati as well as a group orthopedic practice. His wife, Dr. Kathy Sorger, will take a leave of absence from her pediatric practice to join him, along with their sons Jacob, 4, David, 2 1/2, and Michael, 10 months. He also was featured in a cover story in *Academy News*, published by the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, concerning open fracture infection and treatment.

Michael Welch, B, joined J.D. Edwards World Solutions Co. as an account executive.

Meaghan Coulthyn Williams, W, works as marketing manager for global equities at PaineWebber in New York City and her husband, Tim, and their son, Ryan Todd, 1, live in Chatham, N.Y.

Mark E. Ambrose, R, works as a detective in the organized crime division of the Richmond police department. He was formerly with the Drug & Firearm Strike Force.

Mark D. Aucker, B, joined Pfizer Pharmaceuticals as a healthcare market research representative. He and his wife, Kathy Griger Aucker, B, live in Augusta, Ga., with their sons, Aaron, 5, and Stephen, 3.

Chris J. Bailey, B, joined Charter One Mortgage in Richmond as assistant vice president, secondary marketing. He was formerly with Signet Bank.

Geoffrey Breitfuch, R, is president of Continental Mortgage & Investment Corp. in Arлингton, Va.

Andrew P. "Andy" Cerny, B, works for IDD & Co., a leading medical software company based in Alexandria. He and his wife, Lynn, have a daughter, Carino, 3.

Christopher R. Clapper, R, works as a special agent for the U.S. Secret Service, assigned to the Richmond field office. He was formerly with the Richmond police department.

Susan Judge Golby, W, of High Point, N.C., enjoys being at home with her children, Zachary, 4, and Jessica, 1. She also is writing a second novel.

Scott M. DeLelme, B, works as marketing manager, electronic commerce, at America Online. He and his wife, Sue-Anne, live in Arlington, Va.

Debra J. Dowd, L, was elected chairman of the bankruptcy section of the bar association of the City of Richmond. She is an attorney/officer with LeClair Ryan.

Theodore J. Edithfield, L, was elected chairman of the Richmond Bar Association. He is a shareholder at Williams, Mullen, Christian & Dobkins.

Bud Follett, R, works as media manager at DMB&B Worldwide in Richmond. He is responsible for managing advertising for Coca-Cola throughout Russia.

Gloria L. Frey, L, of Midlothian, Va., became a partner in the law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe. She specializes in real estate, land use and zoning law.

Reynaldo P. Guzman, R, of Richmond, joined JBH Marsh & McLennan of Virginia Inc. as an employee benefits analyst and client advisor. He was formerly with Trigon Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Wendy Kelley Inlow, W, received the Senior Professional of Human Resources certification in May 1995. She and her husband, Bob Inlow, B, relocated to Kettering, Ohio, where he works at Appleton Papers, and they stay home with their sons, Colin, 3, and Ryan, 5.

Robert Job, B, works as a consultant relations manager at Potomac Investments Inc. in Boston.
The only blind judge in California

"I was anxious to explore new territory," says David Szumowski, R'67, of his decision to attend the University of Richmond. "And I had an uncle living in Richmond." Leaving his hometown of Gloversville, N.Y., a burg about a half-hour northwest of Albany, was not difficult. "Have you ever been to Gloversville?" he jokes.

At Richmond he pledged Phi Kappa Sigma, enrolled in ROTC under Col. William 'Full Bull' Cox and majored in history. After graduation, Szumowski's goal, he says, was to stay in the Army.

Things changed for Szumowski in a dramatic way on March 20, 1969. While directing movement of his 11th Armored Calvary Regiment unit into unfriendly territory in Vietnam, a rocket hit near his position in a tank turret. Instant blindness resulted from the rocket flash and shrapnel.

Official reports stated that Szumowski refused immediate medical attention and continued to direct his troops to a successful conclusion of the mission. His gallantry and heroism were later recognized with a Silver Star Medal, two Bronze Stars, a Purple Heart and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry.

Back home, Szumowski attended law school at University of Denver, graduating in 1973. But his Vietnam experience and resulting blindness kept him from starting a career right away. "I took a three-year hiatus and came up," he says. "It wasn't much of an issue. It wasn't much of an issue. I always got along with people and tried to treat people with the same respect that I hoped for.

He also developed extrasensory tools to help him in the courtroom. "I listen much more carefully. I'm sensitive to the way people speak, nervousness, breathing patterns, if they're not facing the questioner, if they're squirming—I try to keep a squeaky seat around."

Twelve years later, his career as a prosecutor came to a close with a welcome step up the legal ladder: California Gov. Pete Wilson appointed him as a judge for the San Diego Municipal Court. He was sworn in on March 20, 1998—29 years to the day after his blinding battlefield injury.

Szumowski is the only blind judge in California and one of only a few nationwide.

The most notable difference between prosecuting and sitting on the bench, he says, is that now he's in the middle of all of the action, ensuring that the process runs as it should. A judge's main role, he explains, is to see that a fair and impartial trial is conducted and "to decide the issues before me."

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traffic infractions to homicides. He says in the almost 100 trials he participated in, his blindness never came up. "It wasn't much of an issue. I always got along with people and tried to treat people with the same respect that I hoped for."

Twelve years later, his career as a prosecutor came to a close with a welcome step up the legal ladder: California Gov. Pete Wilson appointed him as a judge for the San Diego Municipal Court. He was sworn in on March 20, 1998—29 years to the day after his blinding battlefield injury.

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K. Scott Witmer, R., wrote that after seven years in Vienna, Austria, he planned to go to Latin America to study Spanish and "learn from life." Tracy Vancey, W., received her master's degree in education in 1997 and works with an educational publisher and marketer in Philadelphia. She and her husband, Mike, bought a home in Strafford, Pa.

Dr. Sarah Russell Younger, W., finished her second year of residency in internal medicine at Eastern Va. Medical School. She and her husband, Dr. Ross Younger, live in Norfolk, Va., with their infant son, Griffen.

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Dr. Beth Agresta, W., received her Ph.D. in molecular microbiology in December 1996 from SUNY-Stony Brook and is a postdoctoral fellow at the National Institutes of Health, where she does HIV research. She and her husband, J.D. Donaldson, B.S.N., live in North Bethesda, Md.

Jessica G. Allan, W., of Hoboken, N.J., works as a production manager at Scholastic Inc. in New York City.

Dr. Paul Antal, W., opened his own family medical practice in September 1997. He and his wife, Leah Grifffen Antal, W., live in Manistee, Mich., with their daughter, Taylor, 1.

Kelly Whitley Brock, W., has been a freelance copywriter, designer and creative director since May 1996. She specializes in the travel industry. She and her husband, Andy Brock, B.S.N., live in Westfield, N.J., with their new daughter, Hailey Elizabeth.

Matthew Cann, W., was promoted to service leader in the 40th compliance testing unit at the Vanguard Group of Investment Companies in Malvern, Pa.

Jay K. Chapman, R., a captain in the U.S. Army, commands the 142 soldiers of the 269th Signal Co. at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. He directs the rapid deployment and early entry communications in support of the Joint Chiefs of Staff's directives. He went to Kuwait in support of Operation Southern Watch.

Amy Beeg DeCroff, W., works as head of reference services for the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History Branch Library in Washington, D.C. (see Alumni Notables, p. 26). Her husband, Tom, is public address announcer for the Bowie Baysox, the Baltimore Orioles’ AA farm team. He also manages Facciua Luna Restaurant in Old Town, Alexandria, Va.

Sandra Dollar, W., was named a board member of TOP Tennis Opportunity Program of Virginia Inc. She works at the Steward School in Richmond.

Josh Easter, R., works as an investment analyst at Columbia/RCA Healthcare Corp. in Nashville, Tenn. He and his wife, Laura, have daughter, Ella Frances.

Tom Garrett, R., graduated from U.Va.’s law school in May and works at the law firm of Wiley, Rein and Fielding in Washington, D.C.

Catherine Barkley Geary, B., of Richmond, works as assistant director, select commercial operations, at Hill, Rogal & Hamilton.

Christine "CJ" Radziewski Hardenberger, W., works at Cherry Creek Mortgage Co. in Denver.

William F. Howell II, B., started Howell-Franklin Construction in Fredericksburg, Va. He and his wife, Shannon, have a son, Billy, 2, and daughter, Maggie, 6 months.

Rob Inlow, B., and his wife, Wendy Kiley Inlow, W’, relocated to Kettering, Ohio, where he works at Aplington Papers and is pursuing his MBA at the U. of Dayton.

Dr. Kristin Thompson Jankowski, R., works part time as a veterinarian. She and her husband, Art, also a veterinarian, live in West Chester, Pa., with their son, Eric, born Dec. 19, 1997.

Donna Rossetti Klein, W., works as a co-marketing manager at Warner Lambert. She and her husband live in Island Mills, N.Y.

Peter E. Krutsa, R., is an attorney with the law firm of Robert J. Donatoni and Associates in West Chester, Pa. He specializes in criminal defense. He was formerly with the Chester County public defender’s office.

Paul Rakov, R., after spending a year in Telluride, Colo., works as a senior account executive for the Horn Group, a high-tech public relations firm in the San Francisco Bay area.

Martin W. Simpers, R., of Naples, Fla., is a senior trust and estate settlement associate with Northern Trust Bank of Florida.

Carole Sevitt-Taylor, W., of Richmond, is director of marketing for the McCammon Mediation Group. She was formerly local and specialty relations coordinator for the Virginia State Bar.

Jeanne Arnold, W., joined DeSoto Insurance Co. in Tallahassee, Fla., as a systems administrator. Georgia State University seeks him as a prosecutor with the Montgomery County state’s attorney’s office in Maryland.

Michelle Addison Ballman, R., received her master’s degree in physical therapy on May 22, 1998, from the U. of Maryland. She and her husband, George Ballman, R., live in Rockville, Md., with their daughter, Madison.

Dr. Amanda B. Bower, R., received her doctorate in August 1997 from the U. of South Carolina, where she received USC’s Educational Foundation Graduate Teaching Assistant Award and the Outstanding Student Teaching Award from USC’s College of Business. She joined the marketing faculty of Louisiana State U. as an assistant professor.

Karen Schiliro Breenfleck, W., transferred to New York with Dan & Breenfleck, where she works in sales. She and her husband, Robert Breenfleck, R’, live in Centerport, N.Y.

Steven Burton, R., of Milwaukee, Wis., works as a financial planner at Equitable in New York City.

Kathy Bass Clevenger, W., works as special events coordinator for her alma mater, Sewanee School in Sewanee, Tenn. She and her husband, Bryant, live in Bowie, Md.

Paul Coffman, R., studied in Florence, Italy, and received his master’s degree in architecture from Syracuse U. in 1997. He works as an architect at Architectural Resources Cambridge Inc. and lives in Broad Run, Va.

Edward Condon, R., is an assistant principal at Hickory High School in Chesapeake, Va.

Jeremy Gordon, B., works for Viewtech as a project manager. He and his wife, Libby Zaidon Gordon, W’, live in Richmond with their daughter, Anna-Suzanne, 1.

John Harper, W., works as vice president at Marshall & Sterling, an insurance agency in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. In his free time, he teaches Spanish at St. Croix Country Day School.

Julie Maust Helman, B., of Martinez, Calif., joined Catholic Charities in April 1998 as director for fiscal operations. She was formerly with KPMG in their not-for-profit sector.

Christopher J. Kriz, R., received his master’s degree in health care management from George Washington U. as a specialty management in Norwalk, Conn.

Charles P. Lycett, R., of Frederickburg, Va., in February became deputy superintendent of programs for Purnanism Green Regional Jail in Bowling Green, Va.

Kristina Hornberger Marchant, W., works as director of development at the Virginia League for Planned Parenthood in Richmond. She and her husband, Chuck, bought their home in 1997.

Carolyn Louttit McGarry, W., of Ranford, R.I., works part time as an employee services coordinator at Texas Instruments Inc.

Kei Patterson Morrison, B., was promoted to manager of financial reporting at G.S.I. Corp. in Richmond.

Valerie Newman, W., works as a legislative aide for the Delaware Senate Senate and lives in Newark, Del.

Lori J. Sohns Patterson, W., is a program manager/training specialist for the U. of Cincinnati and works at GE Aircraft Engines in Cincinnati. She continues to sing but primarily at weddings and for church records.

Cindy Payne Pryor, B., of Richmond, was elected treasurer of Philanthropy by Design Inc.

Danni Reams, W., of Virginia Beach, Va., was promoted to senior sales representative at Vistalorn Johnson & Johnson Vision Products Inc., based in Jacksonville, Fla. She enjoys living at the beach.

Paul Webb, R., works as assistant curator of the monkey house at the San Francisco Zoo. He and his wife, Alexis, live in San Francisco with their daughter, Rhys.

Todd Zarntan, R., graduated magna cum laude from Delaware Valley College in May 1998. He and his wife, Karen, live in Hatfield, Pa., with their son, Benjamin.

J. David Adams, C., of Richmond, works as special assistant to the secretary in the office of the secretary of education.

Wendy MacEwen Browning, W., works as a physical therapist in Wilmingon, N.C., where her husband set up his orthopedics practice.

Luke Bunting, R., continues as a partner with the pump music and clothing store, Angry, Young, & Poor, in Lancaster, Pa. He also opened Brick City Skateboards.

Paul J. Casalaspi, G.B., of Midlothian, Va., is information systems manager in the library development and networking division of the library of Virginia in Richmond.

Greg Cousins, B., was promoted to district manager at Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in Guilford, Conn.

Marc D. Crain, R., of Richmond, serves as chairman of the program committee of the board of the Greater Richmond chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning.

Jason Crum, R., received his master’s degree in computer science from George Washington U. and works as a technical manager for NGC Digital in Alexandria, Va.

Dr. Howard Scott Dilzer, R., graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry and has his own practice in Martinsville, Va. He and his wife, Annette, live in Rocky Mount, Va.

Nicole M. Felini, W., moved to Nicaragua, where she serves as a first lieutenant with the 33rd Fighter Wing in the U.S. Air Force.

David A. Foreman, R., of Winchester, Va., was promoted to business editor at The Winchester Star, the largest daily newspaper in the northern Shenandoah Valley.

Dr. John Foubert, G., See Bookmarks, p. 25.

Celia Henry, W., was promoted to associate editor at Analytical Chemistry magazine. She bought her own home in Takoma Park, Md., in December 1996.

Todd Hochrein, R., of Richmond, was promoted to director of finance of Prudential Virginia and North Carolina markets. He was formerly finance manager.

Amy Sonne Hoeing, W., is a member of the dance faculty at the Arlington Center for Dance in Arlington, Va. She and her husband, Brian, have a daughter, Paulina, born Jan. 21, 1998.

Phyllis Hollimon, W., moved to Matoaca, Va., and teaches ninth-through 12th-grade Spanish at Richmond Christian School.

William W. Hooper, R., was promoted to captain in the U.S. Marine Corps and received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his "outstanding achievement in training and recreational efforts" as the Marine liaison officer with Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 121, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Naval Air Station Miramar, San Diego." He serves as a navigator aboard the F-18D Hornet and was deployed for the second time to Japan for six months.

Christopher Hopkins, R., practices civil litigation with the law firm of Nicklaus & Wicks in Coral Gables, Fla.

Ann Hedges Kellett, W., works as director of youth ministries at Church of the Redemptor (Episcopal) in Bryn Mawr, Pa. She and her husband, Roderick, bought a house in Annapolis, Md., where they live with their daughter, Cyanthia, 1 1/2, and Hindley, their golden retriever.

Eric Kukanic, R., of Richmond, joined CapTech Ventures as a consultant.

Travis Spann, W., moved from Manhattan to Denver. She keeps in touch with Lexi Peyer, W., who has moved to San Francisco.
Advising the governor

“What’s exciting about a law career is that you never know where it’s going to take you,” says Margaret M. Foti, ’78. A quick look at her resume shows she knows of what she speaks.

Foti’s 20-year legal career has included everything from a short stint as an FBI agent to practicing with a private law firm to serving as chief counsel to New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman. In between she’s prosecuted environmental law violators as a New Jersey deputy attorney general and served as secretary of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

“You have to be open to opportunities and go where they lead you,” she advises. “If you do that, everything else will follow.” This philosophy has paid off in spades for Foti, who has allowed her personal interests to be the guiding force in her successful law career.

A native of Englewood, N.J., Foti attended the University of Richmond’s T.C. Williams School of Law after graduating from Villanova University with a bachelor’s degree in education. She had a friend who was studying at T.C. Williams who had told her great things about the school. She visited campus and says she was “instantly impressed.”

Prior to law school, Foti spent a summer semester abroad in T.C. Williams’ England program at the University of Canterbury, Kent. She still remembers the courses she took there in international business and common law. “It was a tremendous opportunity for a future lawyer to see the origins of the law,” she says of her time in England. “That’s something that stays with you throughout your career.”

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After law school, Foti took a job as a special agent with the FBI in Newark as a member of its white-collar crime squad. Foti was hired in 1978, just four years after the agency began admitting women.

Although she did not practice law as an agent, the subject was never far from her mind: Foti had just taken the New Jersey bar when she began FBI training. Foti remembers.

She left the FBI after less than a year to become a deputy attorney general for New Jersey. Although her FBI career was short, it did have one lasting effect—that’s where she met her husband, William Morrison. Today the couple has two children, Christina, 15, and William, 12.

In the criminal justice division of the attorney general’s office Foti was involved in the prosecution of toxic waste polluters, a hot issue in New Jersey in the late ’70s and early ’80s. “We would execute search warrants,” she says.

“I remember once we were flown from North Jersey to South Jersey by helicopter at 2 a.m. to execute a warrant at an illegal toxic waste site. It was a lot of fun.”

Wanting to get involved in the civil side of law, Foti next worked in the public utility and consumer affairs section of the attorney general’s office. “I wanted to get involved with issues that were important to everyday people,” she explains. “Everyone uses water and turns on the lights.” In this job Foti represented the Board of Public Utilities. Later she was appointed secretary to that board, where she first met Christine Todd Whitman, board president.

The two women hit it off and Foti became involved in Whitman’s 1990 Senate bid and successful 1993 gubernatorial campaign. In 1995, Whitman appointed Foti to the position of chief counsel to the governor. “That was probably one of the most interesting positions I’ve ever had,” Foti remembers.

As chief counsel to the governor, Foti assisted Whitman with judicial and prosecutorial appointments, helped evaluate all pending legislation, advised her on pardons and clemency requests, and assisted her in issuing executive orders to the state.

“The chief counsel position is extremely important,” Foti says. “It’s a position of enormous responsibility and sensitivity. You are dealing with major, weighty issues that affect everyone in the state.”

Foti held the position for 14 months, then returned to private practice with LeBouef, Lamb, Greene & MacRae in Newark. Although she enjoyed her stint in the political arena, Foti says she has no political aspirations of her own. However, should Whitman someday be elected to higher office, Foti does not rule out the possibility of stepping in to assist her administration once again. “I would certainly be one of her greatest supporters and do everything in my power to make sure whatever she did would be successful,” she says.

Today Foti continues to serve the public as a trustee on the board of directors of the Hackensack University Medical Center, an opportunity that she says allows her “to get involved with one of the No. 1 issues facing the American public today—health care.”

Foti credits her University of Richmond law degree as a key factor in her own success. “Your degree is a privilege,” she says. “It can take you as far as your imagination, creativity and hard work will lead you.”

By Jessica Ronky Haddad, ’93
Daniel M. O'Kane, AR, received his master's degree from New York U. Robert Onsi, BR, graduated from the Darden School at U.Va. in May and works as a management consultant. He and his wife, Elision, have a daughter, Alexandra, 1.

Heather Phillips, BW, of Indianapolis, Ind., was promoted to communications and merchandising manager of the Indianapolis Colts. She also teaches ice skating.

Amy Todd, JW '94, was elected president of the student bar association at the University of Virginia Law School.

Donna Pickering Shomo, BW, was promoted to assistant manager of corporate reporting at Perot Systems Corp. in Reston, Va. Her husband, Porter Shomo, BR, is an account manager at Cognos Corp. in Vienna, Va.

Shawn Banerji, AR, and Rebecca Stockner Banerji, AR, traveled for Portugal to their honeymoon. Mike Lynch, AR, was best man in their wedding. Dawn Blessing, Lizzy Bowsfes Knowsely, Missy Adle, all AR '93; Matt Villa, BR; and Archie Foster, JC Cacciabue and Mike Sabatino, all AR '93, were in the wedding, too.

Bob Gibbons, AR, got married in May, and Bill Maglisceau, AR, was his best man.

Rebecca Stockner Banerji works for Andersen Consulting, and Shawn Banerji works for the Landstede Group/MVR, an executive search firm in Hong Kong. JT Cacciabue and Archie Foster are vice presidents at Smith Barney, and Mike Sabatino works there, too.

Mike Lynch is with the Manhattan district attorney's office as a prosecutor. Matt Villa is in compliance at Dreyfuss Mutual Funds. Dawn Blessing is an analyst of bio tech stock at Asahi Chemical Industry America, Inc., and she travels to Boston quite a bit.

Andrea Daily Bell, BW, passed the Certified Internal Auditor exam. She also serves as a co-chair on the five-year reunion committee of Richmond's Young Graduate steering committee.

Brenna McCarthy Berger, AR, works as a revenue officer for the IRS, where she has worked since graduation. She and her husband, Capt. Joseph B. Berger III, live in Arlington, Va., but will be relocating to Germany in December.

Julie Finner, JW, resigned as executive director of Project America in Richmond and moved to Charleston, S.C., where she is director of Phase Four Inc., a growing business institute. The organization promotes free enterprise by providing education to managers and owners of small firms.

Rhonda Gaines, BW, of Richmond, joined the Prudential Insurance Co. of America. Lisa Dunlaf Greer, BW, works at Norfolk Highlands Primary School and is studying for her master's degree in elementary education with an endorsement in library media at Old Dominion U. She and her husband, Michael, live in Norfolk, Va.

Michael Grossman, AR, works as a police and court reporter for the News & Record in Greensboro, N.C. Beth Holt, AR, is a licensed social worker and director of clinical services and the primary therapist on the adult unit at Brasier Psychiatric/Chemical Dependency Hospital in Atlanta. She received her master's degree in social work from the U. of Georgia in May 1997.

Sarah C. Johnson, L, received the E. Randolph Williams Award from the Richmond law firm of Hunton & Williams, for contributing more than 100 hours of pro bono legal services to indigent people and community service programs. She is an attorney with firm.

Matthew A. Klidanian, AR, of Mount Pleasant, S.C., works as director of ticket sales/corporate sales for the South Carolina Stingrays in the East Coast Hockey League. Kristen S. Knight, BW, joined Dain Burscher, a regional investment services and investment banking firm in Kansas City, Mo.

Heather Krajewski, AR, was promoted to assistant director of the College Fund at the U. of Chicago. Jennifer L. McClein, AR, passed the Virginia Bar Exam and works as an associate with the Richmond law firm of Hunton & Williams.

Dr. Kate McKnight, AR, graduated from medical school on May 24, 1998, and began an internship at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Robb Moore, AR, is finishing his master's degree in religion at the U. of Chicago.

Stephanie E. Nolan, AR, of Haddonfield, N.J., works as an associate at the law firm of Brown & Connerly in their commercial litigation department.

Stacy Navarro-O'Connor, AR, received her juris doctorate from Rutgers U. School of Law in May. She works as an associate for Angelini, Vinnar & Friedman in Cherry Hill, N.J. She and her husband, Matthew S. O'Connor, AR '93, live in Philadelphia.

Kristen Almond Pheps, AR, works as a continuing professional education assistant at the Virginia Society of CPAs in Richmond. Thomas B. Polk, BR, works as a mutual fund accountant in Wilmington, Del. His wife, Jeanine, is an environmental chemist.

Roger W. Porter, BR, was promoted from investment consultant to associate vice president of Branch Cabell & Co. in Richmond.

Eric Radziejewski, AR, founder of the Lanslide Creative Services design studio and ESR Design, joined Tempu Marketing as chief art director. He continues as a practicing fine artist and lives in New York City.

Mindly Lynn Retett, AR, works as a counselor at Poplar Springs Hospital in Petersburg, Va.

Jim Riley, AR, joined National Data Corp.'s Health Information Services as a sales representative in Richmond. He continues his involvement as a Big Brother and encourages others to volunteer.

Lynn M. Rosseth, AR, moved back to the United States after working in Brussels for more than three years. She works as manager for market development programs at the Foodservice & Packaging Institute in Atlanta, Ga.

Brad Schwartz, BW of West Point, Va., was promoted to senior vice president of Citizens and Farmers Bank and oversees general banking operations.

Shari A. Stout, AR, received her master's degree in museum studies from George Washington U. in May 1997. She and her husband, 1stLt. John W. Lee, AR '95, live in Baumholder, Germany, where he is stationed with the Army.

Brook C. Swinston, AR, is a graduate student of international business studies with a concentration on China at the U. of South Carolina. He is spending 18 months in China and will return in December 1999.

Amy Todd, JW, was elected president of the Student Bar Association at U. Va.'s law school. Jennifer Vest, JW, works as an assistant to the dean for research studies at Washington College in Chestertown, Md. She received her master's degree and is working on her Ph.D. in higher education policy at the U. of Maryland.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary
Serving the community

Julie McClellan is one of those people who does it all, and then some. A full-time attorney, she is the mother of a one-year-old, serves the community in countless ways through her nonprofit involvement, and is active in many professional organizations.

A self-described opportunist—"in a positive way," McClellan, W'87, L'90, says that she has always sought opportunities to grow and learn and to help those who are less fortunate. "I've never been one to sit back and wait for things to happen," she says. "I've always tried to make things happen."

The assistant corporate counsel at LandAmerica Financial Group Inc. in Richmond, McClellan is definitely making things happen. A strong supporter of women's rights and advancement, she is a member of Commonwealth Girl Scout Council's board of directors and is a former chair of the group's annual Sports and Fitness Auction, which raises funds to provide at-risk girls with scouting opportunities. "Girl scouting is so important," says McClellan, who was a Girl Scout as a one-year-old, serves the community in countless ways through her nonprofit work toward making the world a better place for those who are less fortunate.

Also close to McClellan's heart is her work with Planned Parenthood, where she serves on the board of directors. "Planned Parenthood represents an issue of great importance to me," she says. "An individual's personal medical decisions are not the purview of the government or anyone else. ... But Planned Parenthood isn't just about being pro-choice, it is about education and believing that no pregnancy should be unplanned and no child should be unwanted." McClellan's community service doesn't end there. She is vice president of the board of Virginia Special Olympics, is an executive committee member for the Richmond chapter of the American Red Cross and a registered Girl Scout. "It is an organization that believes the best way to make a strong woman is to make a strong girl."

McClellan's community service doesn't end there. She is vice president of the board of Virginia Special Olympics, is an executive committee member for the Richmond chapter of the American Red Cross and is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 1998, a leadership development program that educates and motivates a diverse group of leaders to address community problems.

An active member of local and national bar associations, McClellan is president of the 8,000-member Virginia State Bar Young Lawyers Conference and is a member of the executive committee of the Virginia Association of Black Women Attorneys (VABWA), for which she is editor of VABWA News. And the list goes on.

McClellan's service to her profession and community hasn't gone unnoticed. Her numerous honors include three in 1997 alone: Inside Business magazine named her to its "Top 40 Under 40" list; she was selected by the University of Richmond to receive the Distinguished Young Graduate Award; and she was the recipient of the first Virginia Association of Black Women Attorneys Presidents Award. In 1996 she became the youngest ever to win the Richmond YWCA's Outstanding Woman Award and in 1995 was named the Young Lawyer of the Year by the Virginia State Bar.

Hard work and commitment helped McClellan earn her many accolades, just as they helped her earn a bachelor's degree, law degree and an MBA from the University of Richmond in just six years.

McClellan came to the University as a CIGNA Scholar in the Class of 1988. With a full load of courses every semester, in addition to internships and summer classes, McClellan had earned enough credit to graduate in 1987 with a degree in political science and sociology. She was handed her bachelor's degree on a Sunday and started classes toward an MBA and a law degree—on a full scholarship—on Monday. Three years later, she had both degrees in hand.

McClellan and her husband, Greg Beckwith, have five Richmond diplomas between them. A 1986 Richmond College graduate, Beckwith also earned his master's degree in sports management from Richmond in 1989. McClellan's sister, Jennifer, AW'94, is a Richmond graduate as well.

"What I loved most about the University was that there were so many opportunities other than just course work that allowed me to grow," McClellan says. She served internships in the attorney general's office, at American University's Washington Center, in the executive secretary of the governor's office and in a Congresswoman's office. As a law student she was managing editor of the University of Richmond Law Review, won the 1988 Carrico Moot Court Competition and was a legal writing teacher assistant.

In 1993 McClellan returned to the law school's classrooms. But this time it was as an adjunct professor. She taught for two years and, while scheduling conflicts forced her to discontinue teaching, she hopes to someday teach again at the college or law school level.

Until then, she plans to remain in a challenging job and to continue, through her volunteerism, to work toward making the world a better place for her daughter. "No matter how busy you are," McClellan says, "you need to find the time to do the things that are important to you, things that will make a difference."
membership in the Woolseck Honor Society at the Dickinson School of Law at Penn State U. Membership is limited to seniors who rank in the top 15 percent of their class.

Carlton Greer, AR, received his master's degree in Latin American studies/political economy from New York U. and is enrolled at the U. of Miami School of Law.

John M. Holloway, L, received the E. Randolph Williams Award from the Richmond law firm of Hunton & Williams for contributing more than 100 hours of pro bono legal services to indigent people and community service programs. He is an attorney with the firm.

Steve Jacobells, BR, works in New York City at Republic National Bank as a foreign currency trader.

Janet Stuart Jensen, L, joined the Richmond Law firm of Wright, Robinson, Oshinumi & Tatum. She practices labor and employment law.

Mary-Ellen Kendall, L and GB, of Gain Spring, Va., received the 1998 Distinguished Faculty Award from Richmond's School of Continuing Studies, where she is an adjunct faculty member.

Eric Klaus, BR, works as assistant vice president of marketing at PainWebber in New York.

John W. Lee, AR, served a tour in Bosnia and was promoted to first lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He and his wife, Shari Stout, '94, live in Bensalem, Pa.

Ellen Leoning, AW, is a law student in Baltimore.

Sarah Meadows, AW, was elected to the board of directors of the Virginia Association of Fund Raising Executives, where she chairs the membership services division. She is assistant director of development at the Museum of the Confederacy. She also serves as 1998-99 chair of the Richmond Young Graduate Program steering committee.

Lauria Moore, BR, joined Hamilton Beach Commercial as marketing associate in Richmond.

Bob Murphy, BR, works as a systems analyst with Virginia Power in Richmond. He continues as an actor and technician in several local theaters.

William Ray, GB, of Midlothian, Va., was promoted to senior wholesale credit manager at Southern States Cooperative.

Jennifer L. Ridly, AW, of Fairfield, Conn., graduated from Sacred Heart U. in May 1997 with master of arts in teaching. She also completed a year internship at Darien High School teaching Spanish and received her certification to teach Spanish.

Jennifer St. Ouge, AW, joined the Martin Agency in Richmond as an account executive. She formerly worked for a public relations firm in Raleigh, N.C.

Adrian L. Tarquinio, BR, joined Computer Associates in Annapolis, Md.

Betsy Thielecke, AW, completed her first year of graduate school at Richmond in a master of teaching program with a focus on early education.

Cassandra Thompson, AW, joined Richmond, and Brandermill Country Club as an assistant in the marketing and membership department.

Donna Lee Wallain, C, received the Jean H. Proffitt Student Award from Richmond's School of Continuing Studies. She is a coordinator at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond.

Ellen White, AW, works as a client consultant at J&H Marsh & McLennan Inc. in Washington, D.C.

Joe Wilson, BR, relocated to Pembroke Pines, Fla., with Cartrax in January 1998 to be purchasing manager of a new store in Miami.

Donna "Shelly" Wright, AW, works as a transportation underwriter at American Management Corp. in Conway, Ark.

Jennifer Burback, AW, of Richmond, is a recruiting and staffing coordinator at DSC Resources.

Brian Blackburn, BR, received his international MBA from the U. of South Carolina and the Vienna U. of Economics. He works for Information Resources Inc. in Los Angeles as manager for the Hunt-Wesson account.

Audrey Swank Brindis, L, works as a law clerk to Judge Manuel Monendez and Judge Edward Ward. Her husband, Richard Brindis, L, is an associate with the law firm of Butler, Bunette & Pappas. They live in Tampa, Fla., with their son, Richard, born Nov. 20, 1997.

Diana Cichecki, AW, is working on her Ph.D. in pharmacology and toxicology at MCV in Richmond. She lives with Kim Woodward and Jennifer Hein, both 'AW 97.

Caroline C. Clayton, AW, is a graduate student of public administration at Ohio State U. in Columbus.

Bryn Anne Cuthbertson, AW, is working as a financial analyst at Friedman, Billings, Ramroth & Co. Inc. in Arlington, Va.

Jennifer Susan Dick, AW, is a medical student at the U. of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa.

Jennifer Sr. Onge, AW, joined the Martin Agency in Richmond as an account executive. She formerly worked for a public relations firm in Raleigh, N.C.

Lauren Erera, AW, works as manager of public relations for Virginia Special Olympics in Richmond.

Carmen Brown, BR, works at Northrop Grumman in Baltimore.

Brandy Johann Flounory, L, joined the Richmond law firm of Saunders, Cary & Patterson. She specializes in taxation, estate planning and corporate legal matters.

Christopher Fussell, AR, a Navy ensign, completed the Navy's Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training at Naval Special Warfare Center in San Diego.

Carole Ann Zahumney, AW, works in the human factors group for wireless products at Philips Consumer Communications in Piscataway, N.J.


Jennifer Marie Berry, BR, works as a staff analyst at Arthur Andersen in Charleston, SC.

Hardin S. Bettea, BR, works in corporate finance at NationsBank in Richmond.

Ann Marie Gamm, AW, of New York City, joined Deutsche Bank in February 1998 as assistant business technology services coordinator for the directors of infrastructure/information technology for the Americas.

Sharvari "Parry" Dalal, AW, joined the Peace Corps in September 1997 and moved to Benin, West Africa, where she volunteers as a rural community development worker. She faces issues such as child/maternal health and women's development. She has no electricity or running water.

Shawn Demeers, BR, received his master's degree in accounting in August from the U. of Tennessee-Knoxville. He works as a staff accountant at Deloitte & Touche in Nashville.

Rhonda Laurene Earhart, L, opened a law practice in Richmond. She specializes in family law and criminal defense.

Sean E. Ekkert, BR, of Richmond, was named associate vice president of Davenport & Co.'s finance department.

George Nelson Fearnow III, BR, of Glen Allen, Va., is a partner at Booz Allen & Hamilton.

Kevin E. Goetz, BR, worked as a forensic counselor for the Virginia Acute Psychiatric Ward at Riverside Regional Jail in Hopewell, Va. He moved to Williamsburg, Va., in August to enter a three-year school psychology program at the College of William & Mary.

Dorian Lynn Haldeman, AW, is a student at the U. of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine in Philadelphia.

Tracey Lynn Klaus, AW, is a community relations assistant at Vytra Healthcare in Melville, N.Y.

Rita K. Kochch, AW, works as assistant to the export marketing and sales manager department of IGN Alsaceidae Hungarly Co., Ltd., a manufacturer of pharmaceutical specialties and active ingredients. She lives in Budapest, Hungary.

Kelly kurz, BW, of Garden City, N.J., is a graduate D student at Hofstra U. in elementary education.

Alison Courtney Lages, AW, is a sports marketing assistant at Metropolitan Richmond Sports Backers in Richmond.

Stephen Anthony Messner, AR, is a medical student at MCV in Richmond.

Jennifer Franzy Peek, AW, teaches eighth-grade math and English at Short Pump Middle School in Glen Allen.

Laura C. Sneade, AW, of Gainesville, Pa., was promoted to product assistant at Firstrust Bank.

Tara Stanley, AW, moved to New Jersey in July 1997 and works as an admissions counselor at Centenary College in Hackettstown.

Scott R. Swanson, BR, works as an administrative consultant in Lincolnshire, Ill.

Clifford Lee, BR, works as a consultant for Doughton Systems Inc. in Richmond. He also serves on Richmond's Young Graduate Program steering committee.

Sarah Zika, AW, works as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ghana, West Africa, where she teaches high school science.

Patricia L. Thompson, GB, joined St. Joseph's Villa in Richmond as director of development and public relations.

MARRIAGES


1985/Julie Annette Leftwich, W, and Randolph Allen Beales, May 9, 1998, in Richmond. Included in the wedding party were Sarah Leftwich Branch, 'AW 95; Amy Leftwich, '86; and Rebecca Fry Long, 'W 82. The couple lives in Richmond.

1986/Patricia M. Clark, W. and John Jacob Miller, May 9, 1998, in Wilmington, Del. Included in the wedding party were matron of honor, Sue Ann Kelleher Kane, and bridesmaids, Lisa LeVan Haarman and Lleen Angel, both W'86; and Mariska May Maffiantino, B'86. The couple lives in Toughkenamon, Pa.
1988/Scott M. DeBen, B. and Sue-Ann Williams, June 14, 1997, in Cooperstown, N.Y. Included in the wedding party were Jeffrey Reiser, Todd Bright, Christopher Shenck and Paul Whaley, all B'88. The couple lives in Arlington, Va.
1990/Andrea Potocat, W. and Lee David Salzman, Sept. 10, 1997, in London, Tenn. Included in the wedding party were Stephanie Paulison Baka, B'89, and Gregory Baka, B'89. The couple lives in Anser, Wis.
1990/Beth Agresta, W. and John David "JD" Donaldson, B'89, Sept. 6, 1997. They live in North Bethesda, Md.
1990/Jessica M. Allan, W. and Charles Eirrig, May 5, 1997, in Chatham, N.J. Included in the wedding party were Kristin Allan Winter, W'87; Megan McGauley, W'90; and Charles Allen, R'94. The couple lives in Embobden, N.J.
1991/Dr. Lori Soltis, W. and Adam H. Patterson, Sep. 28, 1996, in Cincinnati. Included in the wedding party were matron of honor, Lori Riegert Gattens, W'91, and Shari Adams, B'91, who played the flute. The couple lives in Cincinnati.
1992/Brian J. Popp, B. and Cheryl Myron Fischer, April 5, 1997, in Hobo Sound, Fla. Included in the wedding party were best man, Tom Yeabe, R'87; Frank Honerkamp, B'91; and Steve Conner, R'92. The couple lives in Grand Rapids, Mich.
1993/Jennifer Himes, BW, and Chad E. Gottsman, Sept. 7, 1996, in Wilmington, Del. Included in the wedding party were Wendy Phillips Lance, BW'95; and Margaret Hamilton, BW'94. The couple lives in Stamford, Conn.
1993/Carrie Ingalls, BW, and Dr. Gregory Slichty, June 20, 1998. The Rev. Patrice A. Young, R'93, performed the ceremony at Ferry Farm Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, Va. The couple lives in Arlington, Va.
1993/Jill Morgan, BW, and Steven Burton, B'91, Nov. 15, 1997, in Deal, R'91. Included in the wedding party were Heather Logan Lefever and Laura Smith Mozolowski, both AW'93; Kevin Morgan, B'90; and Chris Larkin and Chris Axt, both R'90. The couple lives in Westfield, N.J.
1993/Donna Pickering, BW, and W. Porter Shomo Jr., BR, Sept. 27, 1997, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were JoAnn Cleek and Marc Kozak Rambo, both BW'93; Connie Whitaker, B'92; and Douglas Bledsoe, Scott Berger and Randy Weinhard, both BR'93. The couple lives in Ashburn, Va.
1994/Bradley J. Conner, BR, and Laura A. Kimmon, Nov. 1, 1997, in Richmond. Included in the wedding party were Chad Paisley, Chris Garnett, and Jim Riley, all AR'94; and Tripp Leonard, BR'94. The couple lives in Richmond.
1994/Craig Hammit III, AR, and Rebecca Elizabeth Hammett, May 25, 1998, in Richmond. Included in the wedding party were best man, Nicholas Hammett, AR'96; and groomsmen, Timothy "TJ" Church, AR'94. The couple lives in Richmond.
1994/Christine Marie Natale, AW, and Randy Peterson, R'92, May 16, 1998, in Summit, N.J. Included in the wedding party were matron of honor, Kathryn Hansen Eden, and Amy Dallamora, both JW'94; Suzanne Schneller, AW'94; Kevin McCann, BR'94; Brannon Atkinson and Geoff Briginito, both AR'93; Jeremy Hellman, B'92; Steve Price, BR'91; and Bill Warshauer, R'92. The couple lives in Alexandria, Va.
1990/Mimi C. Ridpath, W, and her husband, Mark, a daughter, Marlee Rebecca, July 7, 1997.
1990/Any Ruble Sanderson, W, and her husband, David, a son, Eric Michael, Sept. 27, 1997.
1990/Julia Katz White, L, and her husband, Bill, a daughter, Rebecca Elena, Nov. 14, 1997. She joins a sister, Miranda, 2.
1991/Michelle Addison Ballman, B, and her husband, George Ballman, B, a daughter, Madison Channing, March 31, 1998.
1991/Carolyn Louttit McGarry, W, and her husband, Todd, a son, Nicholas James, Aug. 12, 1997.
1991/Kelli Patterson Morrison, B, and her husband, Mark, a daughter, Kaitlyn Temple, June 15, 1997.
1992/Mike Stewart, R, a son, Brian and his wife, Laura, a daughter, Madison Sage, Oct. 13, 1997.

1993/Martha Thompson Stoops, BW, and her husband, Mark, a daughter, Emily Margaret, March 31, 1998.

DEATHS

1992/Stuart W. Westhurst, R, of Richmond, March 5, 1995. He was the founder and retired president of Whitehurst Paving Co. Inc. and Whitehurst Transport Inc. in Richmond. He was a member of the Local Order of Masons and Seventh Street Christian Church.
1992/Eleanor Waters Ramsay, W, of Willow Street, PA, Nov. 12, 1992. She received her master's degree from the U of Pennsylvania and taught mathematics for several years.
1992/Eleanor Sanford Turner, W, of Alton, Feb. 12, 1998. She was a retired teacher from Henry County Schools and a retired director of music at Axton Baptist Church, where she served for 34 years. The daughter of T. Rylend Sanford, a 1904 graduate of Richmond College, she earned her library science degree from William and Mary.
1993/Homer E. Rowland, R, of East Brookfield, MA, March 16, 1995. He was a former director of Montgomery Mutual Insurance Co. in Philadelphia. He also served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Reserve.
1993/Rev. Dorothy Miller Harrison Enslow, B, of Bainbridge Island, Wash., May 29, 1998. She was a deacon in the Episcopal Church.
1994/James William Fletcher, L, of Sperryville, VA, March 10, 1998. He practiced law in Rappahannock, VA, for more than 50 years and was active in the Democratic Party. He served in several community positions, including commissioner of accounts for Rappahannock County, chairman of the 7th District Democratic Committee for 20 years and chairman of the county's Democratic committee. He served as president of the Rappahannock County Bar Association and as a member of the boards of the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind and the Rappahannock National Bank. He was a former master of foxhounds and a member of the Rappahannock Hunt Club.
1994/Alec Wakefield Finlayson, R, of Richmond, March 18, 1998. He was a partner in the general practice of law.
1994/Robt. Watson, W, of Richmond, March 24, 1998. He was an attorney for 40 years, retiring in 1976 as senior vice president. He served as chairman of the Southern Industrial Relations Conference, president and board member of the Robert E. Lee Council of the Boy Scouts and as a trustee of Randolph-Macon College. His service to the community included being a member of the boards of Southern Bank and Trust Co., the Richmond Home for Ladies, the Better Business Bureau and the Crippled Children's Hospital, and serving as director of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce. He belonged to the Boulevard United Methodist Church in Richmond, where he was a past chairman of their board.
1996/Dr. Philip B. Bost, R, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Feb. 17, 1998. He was a clinical psychologist for the Broward County Public Schools in Pompano Beach, Fla. He earned his Ph.D. from the U of Minnesota in 1969.
1996/David W. Fowler, B, of Fort Myers, Fla., March 10, 1998. He was an executive vice president with Profit Technologies Corp. of Oviedo, Fla. He served as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.
1970/The Hon. Frederick L. Hoback, Jr., L, of Salem, Va., March 21, 1997. He was a former judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court of the Roanoke Valley for 15 years before his retirement in April 1993. Prior to becoming a judge he was an attorney in private practice and served as a substitute judge for the 23rd Circuit Court.
THE FIRST AMENDMENT AND TABLOID CULTURE

Over the last decade the sensational "tabloids" and the more thoughtful "serious" publications have merged in the public mind. Occasionally tabloids scoop "serious" stories, or are distinguished by highly probative and reliable reporting.

The convergence, however, comes more from the 'serious' side, as traditional mainstream news organizations — print and broadcast — present material and engage in practices that seem to cross over into the tabloid world. At one time or another in the last decade, most major 'serious' news organizations have engaged in virtually every type of practice that we once associated primarily with tabloids.

What are the First Amendment consequences of this convergence?

The first consequence relates to issues of subject matter. An ongoing debate in modern First Amendment discussion concerns the question of whether the constitutional protection enjoyed by speech does or should increase with the "importance" or "seriousness" of the topic.

One view is that the First Amendment should not be calibrated to judgments about the importance of subject matter; the construction of any "hierarchy" of speech topics is itself seen as antithetical to free speech values. Thus political speech is not more "favored" than speech concerning sex, sin and scandal.

In the opposite view, speech is prioritized from speech of highest value to speech of lowest value; and constitutional doctrines increase or decrease their protective intensity — like different levels of First Amendment sun-block — accordingly. Speech on political affairs is usually ranked highest; speech on sex is ranked at the bottom. Other topics are arrayed in between, depending on who is doing the ranking.

There is something to this case. The Supreme Court has remarked with some frequency that political speech is at the "core" of the First Amendment. At the opposite end of the spectrum, obscenity is given no First Amendment protection at all, because it is deemed to contribute nothing of significance to the marketplace of ideas.

The relevance of these First Amendment subject matter doctrines to tabloid journalism is obvious. If the First Amendment is understood as a hierarchy, in which important speech gets greater protection than unimportant speech, what will courts do when confronted with libel or privacy cases involving sex and scandal?

A second consequence has to do with the standard of care that journalists must observe in presenting material. First Amendment doctrine has tended to focus on the intent, recklessness, or negligence of journalists with regard to the truth or falsity of a story. Although it has been applied to an array of torts, contract and criminal law sanctions against journalists, far and away the most well-developed area of law here is in the libel field.

As journalists become increasingly "tabloid" what impact is this likely to have in the evolution of standard-of-care norms? How will the well-grooved doctrines that have evolved in libel law be applied to other torts, particularly privacy invasions? A third consequence concerns aggressive news-gathering techniques, including publication of leaked material and surreptitious news-gathering. Challenges to these techniques are just beginning to filter their way through litigation.

The publication of material that is classified or judicially sealed is a commonplace in modern journalism, and it is a practice with venerable roots in mainstream media publications. Whether a leaked document comes from lawyers or court personnel, and whether it is the product of deliberate disobedience or negligent oversight, the press has a First Amendment right to examine the information, make an independent judgment as to whether it is newsworthy, and disseminate it to the public. Less clear, however, is the question of whether journalists may be punished after the fact for such publication.

The liability of journalists for surreptitious news-gathering techniques is an evolving branch of mass media law. It has been augmented by the calls, following the death of Princess Diana, for new legislation targeting tabloids or attempting to control or curb paparazzi tactics.

Mainstream media are now being called to task for tactics that appear as aggressive as those of many paparazzi, as for example, in the case in which undercover ADC reporters infiltrated Food Lion operations and used hidden cameras to document alleged safety and sanitary violations by the store.

The mainstream media, and indeed all of us in American culture, will continue to struggle with these legal and ethical questions. That struggle will inevitably be influenced by the extraordinary events surrounding President Clinton, Monica Lewinsky, the Starr Report and the question of possible impeachment.

There has never been an event in American history that so graphically illustrates the "tabloiding" of our public life, and it will be fascinating for us all to participate in the cultural and legal debate over the question of how and when private business becomes public business, private wrongs become public wrongs, and personal failings merit public accountability.
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