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Students, faculty and staff form a giant number one on
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AN "INTENSE SENSE OF POSSIBILITY" characterizes the University of Richmond, says President Richard L. Morrill.

That sense is based on the University's history and traditions, its resources and supporters, its committed faculty and staff, and its distinctive characteristics as a small, undergraduate liberal arts university. Every year, the University's aspirations of academic excellence rise higher.

To better capture that sense of possibility and aspiration, the University of Richmond Magazine has a new look beginning with this issue.

The magazine sports fresh design and color photos, but the changes are more than cosmetic. We have reorganized the contents and added several new sections for better coverage of a University on the move.

Reader input was an important part of the process. Thanks to the readership survey conducted over the summer, we had information about what's important to our readers as we contemplated changes.

At the front and back of this issue are sections that have very high readership: Around the Lake, which includes short news articles about what's happening on campus, and the class news.

Almost half the respondents in our survey said the main reason they read the University of Richmond Magazine was for coverage of alumni news. Half said they "almost always" read the class news section and one-fourth said they usually read class news first.

We know class news is the heart of the magazine for our alumni readers, who depend on it to help them stay in touch with their classmates. That's why we've given it a new name — "Class Connections" — to reflect that role.

Meanwhile, coverage of alumni events has been given to a new newsletter, Momentum, which will appear several times a year alternating with the magazine, allowing more space for reunion and chapter photos and news.

You'll still find our feature articles and Vantage Point, our faculty essay, but we've added several new sections.

Following the features is "Explorations," a section designed to share with readers stories of inquiry and research by students and faculty, and involvement in learning by students. This section will give readers more glimpses into the academic program, one of the topics they say they're most interested in reading about.

Readers are also very interested in alumni achievements, and two other new sections are designed to highlight achievements. One of those sections, "Bookmarks," will allow us to recognize alumni who have recently published books, as well as faculty who have done so. Previously, alumni books were included in Class Notes.

The final new section, "Alumni Notables," appeared for the first time in the Summer 1994 issue. Here we salute a few of our 29,000 alumni who have received some form of outstanding recognition.

Above all, the magazine seeks to share stories of the University and its family, as it keeps alumni in touch with their alma mater and with each other.

We hope you enjoy reading the redesigned magazine as much as we enjoyed planning it.

Dorothy Wagner
READERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS
Every issue of the University of Richmond Magazine brings responses from a few readers who call or write. This summer, we solicited feedback from more than 3,000 readers through a formal readership survey.

We asked Media General Research, a subsidiary of Media General Inc., to conduct the survey. We chose to use a mail questionnaire, which was sent to randomly selected readers several weeks after publication of the Spring 1994 issue (see "Methodology," below).

When the results were in, the magazine received high marks. We learned it has a high readership as a whole and by individual sections, that it has a high degree of "pass-along" readership, and that readers give its various attributes very good ratings.

Nearly three-fourths of all respondents had read the last four issues of the University of Richmond Magazine, and almost 90 percent had read the Spring 1994 issue.

The average time spent looking through a typical issue was 28 minutes. Nearly half said their copy is read by someone else — usually a spouse — and about half said they keep some copies of the magazine.

Why do they read the magazine?
Almost half (43 percent) of all respondents said the main reason they read the University of Richmond Magazine was for the coverage of alumni news. Among alumni alone, 40 percent said their main reason for reading was alumni news, and 45 percent said they want to read articles about the University as it is today.

In what order do they read the magazine?
Media General noted no statistical difference in the order respondents indicated they read the publication, but in the alumni subgroup, half read class news first.

Asked to rate qualities of the magazine, respondents gave highest marks to "general appearance" (an average of 7.7 out of 10, with 10 being excellent and 1 being poor), and the lowest marks to "coverage of sports" (an average of 6.4). Also rated "very good" were "quality of writing" (7.5) and "quality of photos" (7.3).

Clearly, the top three topics of interest to all respondents were "future plans for UR," "academic programs" and "alumni achievements." Alumni respondents ranked "alumni achievements" and "future plans for UR" highest (see chart, p.2).

Asked if they would like a different content mix of feature articles, campus news, alumni achievements and other news, nearly half said they would like the mix to remain just as it is.

We're now analyzing the individual comments and suggestions many readers took the time to make on their questionnaires, which will give us even more helpful information.

Many thanks to those of you who responded to the survey. Three respondents won a drawing to receive the new photo book, University of Richmond: A Portrait (everyone who returned a questionnaire through Sept. 23 was eligible). The winners were George H. Moore, R’81, of Paxton, Mass.; Dr. Arthur Harovas of West Hartford, Conn.; and the Richmond law firm of Williams, Mullen, Christian & Dobbins.

According to the survey, then, readers are satisfied with the University of Richmond Magazine. We hope the changes incorporated into this issue will make it easier for readers to find the news they want.

SURVEY METHODOLOGY
The purpose of the study by Media General was to assess the reading habits of University of Richmond Magazine readers and to measure current readership satisfaction levels.

The method was a four-page questionnaire mailed to 3,108 readers, who were randomly selected from five constituent groups: alumni, parents of students, faculty and staff, givers to the University, and corporations and foundations.

The questionnaires were mailed July 23, 1994, and a second mailing was sent the week of Aug. 15. Media General continued to receive questionnaires through Sept. 23.

A total of 981 completed questionnaires was returned by that date, representing a completion ratio of 32 percent. Using a base of 981 respondents, at the 50 percent level, the standard error would be plus or minus three percentage points 95 out of 100 times.

In addition to the random survey done by Media General, the magazine editor mailed the same questionnaire to all members of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Associates, and alumni association boards — a total of 233 individuals.

A total of 108 completed questionnaires was returned for a completion ratio of 46 percent.

Results of this "in-house" survey were virtually parallel to the results of the random survey.
The University of Richmond was named No. 1 in its category in the 1994 U.S. News & World Report survey of "America's Best Colleges." The magazine, which hit the newsstands in September, ranked UR as the best undergraduate university in the South. Other number ones in different geographical regions were Villanova in the North, Valparaiso in the Midwest and Trinity University (Texas) in the West.

Harvard University ranked No. 1 in the national universities category, and Amherst College was No. 1 among the national liberal arts universities.

After the news was announced, UR students, faculty and staff the next day gathered some 800 strong to form a giant No. 1 that was photographed from a helicopter. The color photo from that shoot is on the cover of this issue of the University of Richmond Magazine and also is on a poster that proclaims, "UR What UR And We're No. 1." "They finally got it right," UR President Richard L. Morril said jokingly about UR's No. 1 ranking. For the past five years UR had been ranked second in its category, and UR has been included among the nation's best in every issue since U.S. News began the survey in 1983.

While Morril was delighted with UR's high ranking, he said: "There continue to be problems with the survey in spite of the magazine's efforts every year to rectify them. "The classification system the magazine uses, for example, is largely borrowed from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. In adjusting these classifications for its own use, U.S. News uses somewhat misleading labels of its own that create some confusion.

"UR, for example, is classified as a regional university when its student composition is increasingly national and international. "Ironically, some distinctively regional state universities are listed as national universities because the basic classification system is based not on whether an institution is national or regional but whether it grants doctoral degrees. A better classification for those schools might be 'research and doctoral universities.'"

U.S. News surveyed college presidents, deans and admissions directors, asking them to rate all the schools in the same category as their own institutions. The response rate was a record 66 percent.

The resulting reputational rankings were then combined with educational data that had been provided by the colleges themselves. These included statistics that measured student selectivity, faculty resources, financial resources, graduation rate and alumni satisfaction.

UR also was included in Peterson's Competitive Colleges, 1994-95, a book that looks at the nation's "350 leading colleges."

"Student/scholars benefit from an average class size of 20, ample opportunities in undergraduate research, and no graduate assistants. Richmond's rigorous curriculum makes this medium-sized school a great college choice," states the guidebook.

Another book, The Fiske Guide to Colleges (self-described as "the highest-rated guide to the best and most interesting colleges in America") says of UR: "Richmond is an excellent choice for anyone looking for a solid education in business, international studies, natural sciences or the liberal arts. Caring professors and a lovely setting round out the school's very pleasing scenario."

"Says a senior, 'The university combines the human touch with a strong and nationally respected academic reputation.' All good reasons to remember the university in Virginia's state capital, Richmond."

Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64
Convocation begins new year

The 1994-95 academic year officially began Aug. 31 at the University's annual Opening Convocation ceremony in the Robins Center.

Student speaker Jason B. Roop, AR'95 and president of the Richmond College Student Government Association, reflected on his experiences at UR and the role of individual responsibility and collective action.

In addressing the first-year students, Roop emphasized the importance of teamwork, saying, "If we support each other, we can make ourselves stronger. We will have a more powerful force for change. We can channel our resources and funnel our concerns so that our

Student speaker Jason Roop, above left. Chairholders, from left: Davis, Jablin, Hall, Eakin and Bolt

impact on University policy is greater."

Named 1994 Distinguished Educators were Dr. David H. Dean, associate professor of economics; Dr. Margaret Fields Denton, assistant professor of art; Dr. Andrew F. Newcomb, associate professor of psychology; Dr. Daniel J. Palazzolo, assistant professor of political science; Dr. Ed Pierce, assistant professor of health and sport science; and Peter N. Swisher, professor of law.

Opening Convocation also provided an opportu-

nity to recognize appointees to newly endowed faculty chairs. Dr. G. Scott Davis, associate professor of religion, has been appointed to the Lewis T. Booker Professorship in Religion and Ethics, and Dr. Fredric M. Jablin, professor of leadership studies, has been appointed to The E. Claiborne Robins Distinguished Chair in Leadership Studies.

Reappointed holders of endowed chairs were recognized as well. They are Dr. Ernest C. Bolt Jr., professor of history, in the Samuel Chiles Mitchell-Jacob Billikopf Professorship in History; Dr. Frank E. Eakin Jr., professor of religion, as Marcus M. and Carole M. Weinstein and Gilbert M. and Fannie S. Rosenthal Professor of Jewish and Christian Studies; and Dr. James H. Hall Jr., professor of philosophy, as James Thomas Professor of Philosophy.

The invocation was given by Jennifer L. Collins, BW'95, and the benediction was given by Dr. David D. Burhans, chaplain to the University. Music was provided by the Academy of St. Boatwright on the Lake, the faculty jazz band, and by the University Band.

Ellen Bradley, W'91

1994 first-year undergraduates

- There were 5,432 applications for the 1994 first-year class in the School of Arts and Sciences. A total of 825 students — 390 women and 435 men — enrolled.
- Of those with class rank, 88 percent of the women and 61 percent of the men were in the upper one-fifth of their graduating secondary school class.
- The middle 50 percent of the combined SAT scores ranged from 1130 to 1270 for men and 1150 to 1260 for women.
- The new class includes 44 valedictorians or salutatorians, 395 members of the National Honor Society, 29 National Merit Finalists, 139 student government officers or class officers, and 347 who were recognized for community service involvement.
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Biologist Radice named one of top 150 young science educators

Dr. Gary Radice, assistant professor of biology, is one of the top 150 young science educators in America.

Project Kaleidoscope, which is supported by the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Education and several other prestigious foundations and corporations, recently named Radice one of the "Faculty for the 21st Century."

The nationwide group was selected "on the basis of their promise as leaders, their excellence in teaching and research and their willingness to dismantle traditional professional boundaries," according to Project Kaleidoscope.

The idea was to identify and bring together early in their careers faculty members who are "dedicated to transforming science and mathematics education" and who have shown talent in developing new ways to teach the sciences.

The 150 junior faculty will take part in national meetings so they can network; their first public gathering was October in Atlanta.

They also are divided into smaller groups based on their academic disciplines and geographical regions. Finally, each of the junior faculty members is assigned a senior scientist to serve as mentor.

Two of the questions Radice had to answer during the selection process were, "What are some of the current challenges facing you in your professional life?" and "What do you view as your most promising options and opportunities for the future?"

Radice said his biggest challenge was finding the time to juggle teaching and research. The answer to the problem, he felt, is to involve students in research as a part of his teaching.

"I really like to have all of my students doing real research projects," he says. "That's a big investment of my time, because each student has a unique problem."

In the conventional laboratory, Radice explains, the instructor has control because everyone is doing the same project. Individual projects, however, are "a better way to do science," he says.

Giving students more control in both the lab and the lecture room sometimes results in chaos, but the results are worth it, Radice believes.

Technology also provides some powerful teaching tools. A $200,000 grant from the W.M. Keck Foundation allowed the University to buy an electron microscope and other imaging equipment, and a $40,000 grant from the National Science Foundation made available two "microscope imaging work stations."

The equipment allows the students to go far beyond looking at just one slide at a time. "They can put together 100 slides and look at them in 3-D. That's very powerful," Radice says.

"The best way to bring together his teaching and research is to have his students work along with him on his own projects."

Radice's area of expertise is in muscle development in embryos. In fact, he spent 10 years doing just research. After receiving his Ph.D. from Yale University, he did post-doctoral work in amphibian development at Indiana University in Bloomington, Stanford University and the University of California at Davis.

His first full-time teaching position was at UR. Coming from large, research-oriented universities, however, to a small, predominantly liberal arts undergraduate university was fine with him be-
Faculty study Latin America

A group of nine faculty members traveled to Argentina, Bolivia and Brazil last summer to participate in UR's sixth faculty seminar abroad. The group explored cultural, economic and social issues central to these countries in the first of a two-part series studying Latin America. The second seminar will study and travel to Mexico, Cuba and Jamaica in the summer of '95.

The focus of each year's seminar abroad is chosen in response to world events, and, in the last three years, in conjunction with the first-year Core Course, says Dr. Uliana Gabara, director of international education and seminar leader.

Since the course includes literature from various parts of the world, faculty members can incorporate personal insights from the seminar into their teaching.

"One of the goals is to create the possibility for faculty from various departments and schools to study a region of the world that they don't know," Gabara says. "We anticipate that they will include that experience in their teaching — and certainly not only in the Core Course."

"As a community, we decide what region needs to be better represented on the campus," Gabara says. "Since Latin America is finally becoming very important, especially in our hemisphere, we decided that more faculty need the opportunity to gain knowledge of some of the countries in the region."

For a number of years, there has been a Latin American concentration in the University's international studies major. Faculty members who have been teaching and conducting research on the area spoke to the group about Latin American history and economics, social issues and religions in Brazil, and recent events in Argentina.

For the first time, a librarian attended the seminar. Lee Christner, '89, a reference librarian in the Boatwright Memorial Library, established an exchange program with libraries in Cordoba and Buenos Aires during the visit. She will send duplicate copies and obsolete editions in exchange for hard-to-find books for UR's Spanish language collection.

"We don't have a written contract, but I'm hoping we can send each other books," she says. "Because our faculty is focusing more on Latin America, the exchange should help us create a nice collection."

Dr. J. Van Bowen, chair of the mathematics and computer science department, also is trying to arrange a cross-cultural exchange with the University of Blas Pascal in Argentina.

"The seminar sensitized me to the advantages of these exchanges," Bowen says. "The international presence in the classroom will expand our views."

"I have been preparing for a trip to Latin America to study natural history for 20 years or so," says Dr. John Hayden, associate professor of biology. Hayden, an avid bird watcher, returned from the seminar with more than 400 photographs of birds, plants and natural landscapes, and a log of 85 species of birds.

Hayden plans to work with students in his Systematic Botany class to accumulate data about plants of the region to aid local researchers.

Other faculty members who took part in the seminar were Dr. John Bishop, professor of biology; Dr. Michael Kerckhove, associate professor of mathematics; Dr. Alan Loxterman, professor of English; Mark Rhodes, assistant professor of art; and Dr. Joseph Troncale, associate professor of Russian.

In the six years that the seminar has been offered, almost 50 faculty members from 15 departments have participated. They have traveled to countries as diverse as Poland, China, Yemen and Israel, and also to countries no longer on the map, such as the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, East Germany and Yugoslavia.

Kathleen Gallagher, AW'96

New historical journal created

A new student-published historical journal was created last spring to recognize outstanding papers written by UR students and to publish lectures delivered by the visiting Douglas Southall Freeman Professor.

The Douglas Southall Freeman Historical Review was published by members of Phi Alpha Theta, UR's history honor society.

The first issue of the journal, which will be published annually, contained undergraduate and graduate student papers and book reviews, along with lectures delivered by the 1993 Douglas Southall Freeman Professor, Dr. Emory Thomas.

In addition to lectures on Robert E. Lee and Confederate strategy, Dr. Thomas also wrote his personal observations for the journal.

A board of six students edited the 84-page journal, which included three student submissions. The first student paper was an honors thesis by history and classics major Dave Defries, AR'94, on Russian and Germanic law.

Tara Stanley, AW'97, submitted the second paper, which explored the occupations of Westhampton graduates from 1920 to 1980. The third paper, written by graduate history student Doug Post, focused on France's role in African history.

This year's issue will include lectures on American presidents and the South given this fall by Dr. William E. Leuchtenburg, the 1994 Freeman Professor. More than 20 student papers have already been submitted for consideration by the board of editors.

The students' interest in the journal was initiated by Dr. Robert C. Kenzer, associate professor of history and adviser to Phi Alpha Theta.

Both the journal and the professorship honor Dr. Freeman, R'04, who won Pulitzer Prizes and international recognition for his biographies of Robert E. Lee and George Washington. He was editor-in-chief of The Richmond News Leader for 34 years, and for 16 years, served his alma mater as rector of the Board of Trustees.

To obtain a copy of the journal for $2, contact Dr. Robert Kenzer at (804) 289-8990.

Kathleen Gallagher, AW'96
Poem about the streets wins award for student now working to help the community

Serving her community has always been spiritually and emotionally rewarding for Camisha Jones, AW'94, but last April she received a different kind of reward.

For her poem, "What Will I Tell My Children," which expressed her concerns about the future of children in a violent society, she was awarded the College Language Association's Creative Writing Award for Poetry. At the CLA annual convention, she received $1,000 and an engraved plaque.

"For this poem, I thought about people I knew who have been affected by violence in the streets," says Jones, who has written poetry for many years. "How do they keep their children safe? It's an unanswered question in the poem, just as it is in real life."

Thinking of an aunt and others like her, Jones wrote the poem for a creative writing class during her senior year.

"My aunt has lived her whole life in poverty, but still has a very positive outlook," Jones says. "In the poem, I wondered about some of the things she faces everyday."

Jones showed this poem and 25 others to Dr. Daryl Cumber Dance, professor of English and a longtime CLA member. The CLA is an organization of college professors of English and foreign languages that focuses on African-American and Caribbean languages and literature.

Each year, it awards prizes for excellence in poetry and short fiction. Dance encouraged Jones to submit her poem for the CLA's national competition.

After graduating from UR in May with a degree in political science, Jones went to work to help the Richmond community.

Under a grant through Virginia COOL (Campus Outreach Opportunity League), located on the UR campus, Jones was hired as one of the first 20,000 members of AmeriCorps, a service program created by President Bill Clinton. Jones recruited students from Virginia Commonwealth University to volunteer at inner-city schools, at a homeless shelter and with park clean-ups.

Along with other Virginia AmeriCorps members, Jones was invited to the White House for the official launch of the program on Sept. 12, 1994 — the day a plane crashed on the White House lawn.

The crash site happened to be the spot where the event was planned. The schedule was pushed back to late afternoon, which left over 100 AmeriCorps members waiting on the lawn for half the day.

"The Secret Service took pity on us and gave us hamburgers," Jones says.

After remarks by Vice President Al Gore and President Clinton, the AmeriCorps members were sworn in, pledging to "get things done" for America.

Jones plans to continue writing poetry and short stories in her spare time, and would like eventually to write a novel. Until then, she is content with her work and her favorite hobby: watching cartoons.

Kathleen Gallagher, AW'96

What Will I Tell My Children

By Camisha L. Jones, AW'94

What will I tell my children,
When love is all we have
And the shadows grow long and dark
In our unlighted halls?

What will I tell my children,
Against the setting sun
And our dinner table seems
More barren with the dragging days?

What will I tell my children?
For I know that they will ask
Why they have charity and hand-me-downs
Why sometimes I weep
Why their friends must die.

Oh, what will I tell my children
When they grow burdened on the streets
And love is a quick high
And respect a loaded gun?

What will I tell my children
To keep their souls alive,
To make them know that our love is enough?

(Printed with permission of Camisha L. Jones)

Men's Week focuses on gender issues

Programs on gender identity, dual career relationships, college dating and male spiritual-ity made up the fourth annual Men's Week, held on campus Oct. 15-19.

The Richmond College dean's office sponsored the week.

"We wanted to attempt to change the stereotypes of masculinity and create greater awareness of men's issues," says Dr. David Braverman, Richmond College assistant dean.

Braverman says the week's programs were based on a programming model for Richmond College, which defines six areas of development: intellectual, spiritual, emotional, social, life planning and physical wellness. At least one program was designed to address each area during Men's Week.

Featured speaker was Dr. Gregg Eichenfield, a psychologist in private practice in Minneapolis, who specializes in men's issues.

In addition to the events open to the public, Eichenfield also led programs for smaller focus groups. He met with fraternity men to discuss sexuality and with faculty and staff to discuss working with men of color.

A group of Richmond college students known as the Committee for Men planned the week. They also help design men's programs throughout the year.

"It is very important to raise awareness of men's
issues," says committee member Andrew Assir, AR'96. "That's the main purpose of Men's Week."

According to Braverman, men's issues are often overlooked. He cites common problems among men such as alcohol abuse, obsession with power, and homophobia.

"Men have conflicts when they feel they are not living up to masculine line expectations," Braverman says. "They need to be seen as individuals with emotions."

By sponsoring programs such as Men’s Week, Braverman says, the University hopes to address these issues. Next spring, Braverman will teach a new course entitled The Psychology of Men, which will focus on how the individual develops a sense of gender and how that affects the person. Students who take the course may receive credit through either the psychology department or the women's studies program.

Dr. Elisabeth Gruner, coordinator of women's studies, says, "I'm glad to see that there are people realizing that men have gender, too. The speakers from Men's Week have been pro-feminist, and I have been pleased with the programs."

*Sarah Meadows, AW'95*
Adam Ward plays two varsity sports

He is the most prolific scorer in Richmond water polo history, but if you asked a majority of UR students what sport Adam Ward plays, they would say basketball.

Ward, a junior leadership studies major from St. Louis, plays both varsity basketball and water polo for the Spiders. He is one of 12 athletes at UR who play two varsity sports.

Heavily recruited for water polo and basketball out of John Burroughs School, Ward made the tough decision to give up basketball and devote his time to water polo at UR. Once he was on campus, the basketball bug began to bite.

"I had pretty much given up on basketball," Ward says, "but my father told me that if I didn't try, I'd regret it. So I gave it a shot."

He sent a letter and a tape of a high school game to then-coach Dick Tarrant. Two days later, a player on the team broke his leg, and assistant coach Bill Dooley called Ward to fill the spot.

Because he is a walk-on, he plays more of a support role on the hardwood, stepping in when the game is well in hand.

Last season he was the crowd favorite, beckoned from the bench by a "We Want Ward" cheer. When he checked into a game, a roar went up in the student section. When he scored, it was pandemonium. His biggest game came against William & Mary, when he scored eight points and pulled down two rebounds.

In water polo, however, Ward has a different role. He has led the water polo team in scoring and assists in his three years at UR. A captain this season, he has helped the Spiders to a 16th ranking in the country, the highest in school history.

He tried out for the East Team in water polo at the U.S. Olympic Festival last year, competing against the top athletes from colleges on the East Coast. Although he did not make the squad, he has two more years to try out. "It's impressive and it's humbling," Ward says.

"It's nice to play a sport like water polo where I am contributing on a more obvious level, but also being a part of a big-time basketball program lets me see both ends of the spectrum," he says. "It's a lot of fun."

The two seasons overlapped in October, and Ward practiced two-and-a-half hours for each sport six days a week. The work-outs could not have been more different from one another, he says.

The water polo team spends much of its practice time in the pool, working on conditioning and drills. "It is serious, but fairly laid-back," Ward says. "We work hard, but we have time to talk."

Basketball is another level of intensity, he says. Most of the practice is spent sprinting around the court during rigorous drills. There is no time to breathe, let alone talk.

"My main motivations are my faith and my family," Ward says. "I think I would go crazy if they weren't so strong."
**Dr. Thomas Gregory**

Dr. Thomas W. Gregory, associate professor of English and adviser to the English education program, died Sept. 16.

Dr. Gregory taught classes in American literature, English composition, and the relationship between poetry and art during his 16 years at UR. He also designed the curriculum for a special program for English majors who planned to become teachers.

He served on the faculty of the Governor's School for the Humanities, held at the University in the summer, and received several National Endowment for the Humanities awards for summer study.

Dr. Gregory enjoyed a reputation as a painter, and his work was sold and exhibited at galleries. He also was a member of numerous organizations, including the Virginia Historical Society, the Jamestown Society and the Society of the Cincinnati.

Before coming to UR in 1978, Dr. Gregory taught at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pa., for six years.

Earlier, he taught in Virginia public schools in Alexandria and Albemarle County, and worked as a teaching assistant at the University of Iowa. He also served four years as an editor and case control director for the U.S. Army Intelligence Corps.

Born in Norfolk, Va., Dr. Gregory was raised in California.

He is survived by his wife, Joy Reynolds Gregory of Richmond; his father, Thomas W. Gregory Sr. of Anchorage, Alaska; and his mother, Mrs. Robert Lovelock of San Leandro, Calif.

Kathleen Gallagher, AW'96

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**Carroll L. Saine**

Carroll L. Saine, GB'66, a University of Richmond trustee since 1982 and a former member of the Board of Associates, died Aug. 18. He was 59.

Mr. Saine was chairman of Central Fidelity Banks Inc., the organization with which he spent his entire 37-year career.

A native of Lincolnton, N.C., he earned a bachelor's degree from Lenoir-Rhyne College in 1954. After service with the Army from 1954 to 1956, he went to work in 1957 as a management intern at what was then Central National Bank in Richmond.

Moving up through the ranks, Mr. Saine became a trust officer in 1965, a vice president in 1968, and executive vice president in 1973. In 1976, he became president of Central National Bank and Central National Corp., the bank holding company. He became chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Central Fidelity Banks Inc. in 1982.

Under his leadership, Central Fidelity experienced 19 consecutive years of increased earnings. It is now the third-largest banking company based in Virginia.

Through Mr. Saine's efforts, the bank has had a long partnership with the University's athletic program. It had sponsored the Central Fidelity Holiday Classic men's basketball tournament at the Robins Center for six years, and now sponsors the Central Fidelity Women's Invitational for women's basketball.

In addition to his bank responsibilities and his duties as a UR trustee, Mr. Saine served on boards of several other local companies.

He was a director of the Virginia Independent College Foundation, a member of the Newcomen Society and a member of the Richmond Society of Financial Analysts. He was a former chairman of the Virginia Public School Authority and a former chairman of the Virginia Center for the Performing Arts.

In 1990, Mr. Saine was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Lenoir-Rhyne College. He was a member of First English Lutheran Church.

Mr. Saine is survived by his wife, Wanda Boring Saine; a daughter, Martha Saine Condyes, L'88; a son, Mark Saine; his parents, Henry and Velma Saine of Lincolnton, N.C.; a brother, Larry Saine of High Point, N.C.; and a granddaughter.

In memory of Mr. Saine, Central Fidelity Bank has made a $100,000 gift to the Carroll Saine Scholarship Fund at the University, which was established in 1992. The fund is used to benefit UR students from Virginia.

Dorothy Wagener

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**Students shape up at renovated facility**

Student fitness instructor Erin Devine, AW'96, a sport science major from Orland, Pa., coaches David Kleinschuster, AR'95, a sport science major from Chadds Ford, Pa., in the recently renovated fitness facility in the Robins Center.

Boasting twice as much fitness equipment as the previous facility, the Spider Sports Center draws an average of 500 participants a day. Since it opened in August, the center has been used by more than 1,000 different female students and more than 1,000 male students — approximately two-thirds of the undergraduate student population.

Students, faculty and staff have access to the facility from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. weekdays and from mid-day to 10 p.m. on weekends.
CRITICAL MASS

Last summer, three University of Richmond students helped dig into the secrets of the atom at the Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility, a half-billion-dollar research operation that attracts some of the world’s top physicists to Virginia.

CEBAF, managed by a consortium of 41 southeastern colleges and universities, of which UR is a charter member, is under contract with the U.S. Department of Energy. It is a basic research laboratory built to make use of a high-speed beam of electrons targeted at different materials in order to study nuclear reactions.

The goal: to discover how nuclei are held together at the quark level.

Sounds like pretty heady stuff for undergraduates.

But Michael Nimchek, Christopher West and Brian McKeever are not typical undergraduates and the University knows it.

They are among 11 students at UR in the Ethyl Science Scholars Program, which aims to bring top students in the sciences, mathematics and computer science to campus. The program is one of several merit scholarship opportunities available at the University.

McKeever, a junior physics and math major from New Canaan, Conn., worked with Dr. Michael Vineyard, UR associate professor of physics, in developing systems that will control the nuclear detector.

Nimchek, a junior from Torrington, Conn., who is majoring in math and physics, worked with Dr. Jerry Gilfoyle, associate professor of physics. Their project was simulating possible reactions that might occur during an experiment.

And West, working with Dr. Phil Rubin, assistant professor of physics, wrote inventory programs and worked with new software that analyzes energy pulses, which are converted into signals that can be read.

"It's an incredible opportunity," says West, a sophomore computer science and math major from Staunton, Va.

Ethyl Science Scholars form a nucleus of students who stimulate others in math and science

"None of my friends at other schools have had that kind of experience at this level."

Ethyl Scholar Sharon M. Connin, a junior mathematics major from Forked River, N.J., is gaining experience in a different field. She's worked summers and during the school year on statistics-related projects with Dr. J. Van Bowen, Roger Francis and Mary Saunders Richardson Professor of Mathematics.

One memorable project uses sophisticated computer software to study the effects weather patterns have on fish populations.

"It's really fascinating," Connin says, pointing out that hurricanes, which are viewed generally as destructive forces, actually spawn population booms among some fish species.

She also worked with Bowen on customer-service surveys for a Total Quality Management team studying businesses, including banks and department stores. She wrote a statistical report on the survey's findings, and learned to use new software to put together her presentations.

She likes doing research with such practical applications, Connin says. "You know this is going to go somewhere."

Gregory K. Kapp, a sophomore from Wilmington, Del., and a biology major, has begun doing research in cell biology on heat shock proteins with Dr. Valerie Kish, Clarence E. Denoon Jr. Professor of Natural Science. His studies have been on algae "but the same proteins exist in humans," he says, so the work has potentially far-reaching consequences.

The work should culminate with publication of a paper at the end of the semester, he says. "It's really exciting."

Bryan Myers, a sophomore chemistry major from Richmond, went to Columbia University during the summer after his first year, to work with faculty from that university and UR who were developing tutorial programs for use in chemistry labs. The programs, which run on Macintosh computer systems, give a three-dimensional animated view of molecular dynamics, Myers says.

Dr. Raymond Dominey, associate professor of chemistry at UR, presented the opportunity to him, though he was just a first-year student, Myers says.

That's an example of how Ethyl Scholars, whose abilities are known before they start college, are singled out for advanced research from the start. "It's like you come in with a halo around you," Myers says.

While the Ethyl program's first goal was to bring these outstanding students to campus with the lure of such opportunities as well as "full ride" scholarships, it also was designed to be a catalyst, says Dr. William H. Myers, professor of chemistry and chair of the Ethyl Scholars committee.

"The Ethyl Scholars are beginning to provide a critical mass" among students in the sciences and mathematics with whom they interact in class, in laboratories and in less formal activities around campus, he says. "They raise the level for everyone. It's working like a charm."

The Ethyl program was a direct outgrowth of the University's 1990 strategic plan.

"Our clear intent was to develop a program to attract young men and women of the highest ability from across the United States and the world," says Dr. John Roush, vice president for planning and executive assistant to the president.

"The sciences and math and computer science were already areas of recognized strength at the University, and it also was
an area of significant need on the national level," Roush says. "We need to attract additional creative, bright people into these fields."

"We understood, as this program was developed, that whatever happens in the economy is going to be heavily dependent on achievements in math and science," Professor Myers says.

The program, established in 1991, was made possible by the Ethyl Corp. of Virginia, a Fortune 500 company and producer of chemicals for the petroleum industry, plastics and aluminum products; and by gifts in honor of E. Claiborne Robins, the University's most generous benefactor.

Each year, two entering first-year students are recognized as Ethyl Scholars and two others, as Robins Scholars — all under the "Ethyl Science Scholars Program."

Brian McKeever, Michael Nimchek and Christopher West at CEBAF

They are required to major in biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics or physics in preparation for graduate work, and eventually careers, as scientists, researchers and educators in one of these areas. In consultation with an adviser, the
scholars plan their programs of study based on individual interests, goals and needs.

They receive full tuition, fees, room and board for eight undergraduate semesters; a $2,500 stipend for summer undergraduate research; access to all arts and sciences, business and leadership studies courses; registration for courses before other students in their classes; and assignment as an advisee to the faculty adviser for the Ethyl Science Scholars Program.

These students also have the opportunity to conduct independent research like the CEBAF work in close coordination with faculty, and they have opportunities for publication of their work in scholarly journals and for presentations at scholarly meetings. They may also apply for grants to conduct further research during the academic year or in the summer.

Just as importantly, the Ethyl Scholars bring to campus an intellectual curiosity and excitement for learning “that makes the entire place more lively, more stimulating,” Roush says. “Putting in place these students pulls everybody — faculty and the other students — up to a higher level.”

“Those kids often come out of high school thinking MIT, Harvard or Stanford,” says Professor Myers. “We agree that they should think about those schools, but on the graduate level.

“We think that for undergraduates, we can offer a solid foundation and opportunities to develop their interests. Then they’ll get into these graduate programs and go on to contribute throughout their careers.”

“It will take some time to see if they’re getting there” because the students in the first class in the program are juniors this year, he says, “but we are very optimistic.”

The idea looked like a good match for Ethyl and for Floyd D. and Bruce Gottwald, who have made significant contributions to the University and to other science-oriented programs for years.

Their gifts keyed construction of the Gottwald Science Center on campus and they have contributed generously to the Virginia Science Museum. They also have set up a scholarship program for Richmond-area students interested in

“With some encouragement through programs like this, we think they’ll understand that it’s interesting, basic to life, and important to our nation’s development.”

Under the program’s admissions guidelines, Ethyl Scholars must have shown during their high school years a clear commitment to the study of science and an intention to pursue graduate work in preparation for careers in the sciences. They also must have been active in school and community activities related to science.

They must have exceptional high school academic records as well as superior scores on the Scholastic Achievement Tests.

The University sends information on the program through its admissions office to high schools across the country. The materials are aimed primarily at guidance counselors and the math and science teachers most familiar with students who may be interested and qualified.

Typically, some 130 students apply, Professor Myers says, and a faculty committee representing the relevant fields of study reviews the applications. The sense of ownership this gives faculty is an important factor in the program’s success, he says.

There is no question the program is bringing to campus students of the highest caliber.

The 1994 finalists had an average score of 1460 out of a possible 1600 on the SATs. Three of 16 finalists ranked number one in their classes and 11 were in the top one percent. The group included six National Merit Scholarship finalists.

The University doesn’t always get the four who are its first choices.

“Students this talented have lots of options,” Professor Myers says. “We lose some to MIT, Princeton, Yale or to some of the big research universities like Texas A&M that have special tracks for science students.

“The truth is, though, that there is not a lot of difference between the top and the bottom of the finalist group. We’d be glad to have any of the students we interview.”

On the other hand, the University sometimes wins students who came to campus for the interviews but who were not
selected for an Ethyl scholarship. So far, an average of two students a year who fall into this category have chosen to attend UR anyway.

Nimchek says that after his visit to UR he liked the University so much that he probably still would have come here had he not been offered the Ethyl scholarship. And he's convinced that would have been a good choice.

Like many of the Ethyl Scholars, Nimchek has found himself engaged in a variety of activities on campus within and outside the sciences and math. He is president of the University Players theatre group and he writes columns for The Collegian. "I definitely wanted more than just a science education," says Thomas J. Carroll, a freshman from Norristown, Pa. "The scholarship was a big draw, along with the chance to do research over the summer."

But he also was attracted by an environment in which the scholars are able to get to know faculty and students in a variety of fields, and in which he is encouraged to take courses outside the sciences.

Michael N. Lack of Holtsville, N.Y., who plans to major in math and computer science, is taking music and hopes to study philosophy during his UR career. "I want to see where my interests take me as I move along," the first-year student says.

All University students have the opportunity to apply for summer research stipends, Professor Myers says, "but with the Ethyls, I know these kids and work specifically with them from the first week of classes, rather than after a year or so when we recognize their talents. "So they're special in that they come in hungry for research opportunities. Then they become role models for their friends and other students who may have similar interests. We want all our students to take full advantage of these opportunities."

This cross-fertilization works both ways, says West.

"I didn't want to go to some big engineering school where you're stuck in one program with people with one kind of interests," he says. "I hang out with people who have similar interests and I hang out with non-science, non-math majors too. I like the broad spectrum of personalities."

West says he hopes to go into business for himself at some stage in his career and the contacts and programs available at the University should be helpful then.

Bryan Myers

With all four classes of Ethyl Scholars on campus for the first time next year, "we'll have a critical mass that will have an effect on a lot of other students," says Vineyard. "They should elevate the entire science program."

The students also are encouraged to present papers at conferences like the National Conference on Undergraduate Research. There, they rub shoulders with undergraduates from Harvard, Cal Tech, MIT and other top universities. "That's a great experience," Gilfoyle says. "They get to see what the competition is like out there and they get to see how they measure up."

Ethyl Scholars are among the University's top students who have had work published in scholarly journals. They also have made presentations at a variety of national conferences, Vineyard says. "We urge them to get involved in these activities."

"That has quite an impact on the students," Bowen says. "And when people see how good they are, it's going to raise awareness of the University as a center for math and science students."
When the first-year class arrived on campus this past August, they were greeted with a bonus that students entering the University of Richmond had not been offered in nearly 25 years: a new general education curriculum.

In place and waiting were a two-semester first-year Core Course, new and more stringent requirements to be met in the sciences, and six general fields of study to pursue. In addition, some of the new and revamped courses also feature a brand new style of teaching and learning.

But while the revisions look extensive in the catalog, the revised general education requirements still introduce students to the breadth of the liberal arts curriculum.

According to Dr. Emma Goldman and Dr. Frank Eakin, coordinators of the faculty committee that spent three years revising the curriculum, the recent changes represent a new approach to basic and traditional requirements.

"It's the focus that's different," says Eakin, professor of religion and chair of the religion department. "The principal change is that we've moved away from focusing on departments and disciplines, and we're looking instead at broader and interdisciplinary fields of study."

While there are still graduation requirements to be met in, for instance, historical studies and literary studies, the courses that fill those requirements no longer necessarily need be taken in the history and English departments.

Eakin himself has this year created a course in the religion department to meet a literary studies requirement, a class, incidentally, that he had always wanted to teach: The Bible as Literature.

"I could never figure out a way to fit it into the curriculum before," he says, "but with the new system, I was inspired to get busy and do it."

Goldman, an associate professor of chemistry, considers the breaking down
of departmental barriers on campus to be the best byproduct of the curriculum revisions.

"We have the faculty thinking in interdisciplinary terms now," she says. "And, even better, we have everyone around here thinking about courses in a new way. We're asking ourselves, 'What am I doing in class, and why am I doing it this way?'

WHILE SOME PARTS of the old curriculum remain basically unchanged — language requirements, for instance — Goldman's own natural sciences field of study was drastically revised.

"We used to require one year of either chemistry, physics or biology," she says, "which meant that 85 percent of the freshmen chose biology and pretty much repeated what they had in high school.

"The new requirement is one semester each of two different sciences. In addition, the new courses are narrower in their focus; they concentrate on how science is done. Now students will have the opportunity to explore two different areas of natural science."

Goldman and Eakin explain why the new curriculum was instituted: "Faculty members had been unhappy with the old system for years," says Eakin. "It had gotten to the point that the way we did it by departments wasn't making sense. There was no rationale for it, and no cohesiveness in the overall program."

Goldman adds: "We had also gotten too heavy in terms of requirements. Over the years faculty had proposed new courses and added them on, and part of our revision process was weeding things out.

"Also, more and more often we were hearing from students that their freshman year here was too much like another year of high school. They took their math, their English, their history, and most of their reading was from textbooks rather than primary sources. 'This is just like grade 13,' they'd say."

NO ONE'S SAYING IT anymore. Under the new plan, students are not only still responsible for content, but for utilizing content as well.

Their involvement in the learning process is much greater, and it often starts with complex and contradictory primary sources. The courses are writing-intensive and heavily oriented toward discussion.

Dr. Martin Ryle, professor of history and also a member of the committee that worked on the new curriculum, sees the goal as "trying to get students to discover rather than merely be told."

The best ways to lead students into discovery may require different approaches. Ryle points to the traditional lecture method of teaching as an assumption faculty members have questioned.

"Many people think history is a dull recitation of facts, names, dates, battles. But the truth is, whether in history or psychology or English, the lecture approach is only one way out of very many ways of looking at the facts, and is not necessarily the best way, at that."

Ryle says that he was in graduate school before he had the revelation that his chosen field, history, was as much a matter of interpretation of facts as it was facts themselves.

"Since early in my teaching career, I've been trying to make that very clear to students by showing them how historians arrive at history. The most beneficial lesson is one that provides an understanding of what it is we all do in our minds, in our various disciplines, when we tackle some issue or event or area of study."

Dr. Scott Allison, associate professor of psychology, joined his colleagues in redesigning the introductory psychology course to meet the "social analysis" field of studies requirement. The faculty have not been disappointed in the results.

After a year of teaching under the new guidelines, Allison says, "This has really brought a new excitement to the classroom. Students had gotten so smart that it was an insult to have them memorize what we said and regurgitate it back to us on tests.

"Now we've designed a course that assumes they read and know the material; then we ask them to think critically and analytically about that knowledge."
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In the case of psychology, and in other fields of study as well, they'll be using what they learn to explore real world problems. For instance, we might look at why boys seem to hit more than girls, or why girls seem to cry more often than boys. Or what caused the L.A. riots.

To teach students to think within the discipline, the department's new and revised course is being team-taught. "If we're studying human emotions, for instance," says Allison, "we bring in three different faculty members with three different areas of expertise to teach the subject from various perspectives.

"The social psychologist is interested in the influence of society on emotions, what society would consider an appropriate display. The developmental psychologist might explore how children acquire a sense of appropriate emotional responses. Then the neuroscientist comes in and sheds light on neuro-chemical bases of emotions.

"What the student very quickly learns is that there are a variety of different ways within psychology to explore the answer to scientific questions. Learning then becomes a process rather than cut-and-dried facts."

Allison is quick to point out that content has certainly not been tossed aside, though.

"We still require students to know the content of psychology. In the old system of teaching introductory psych, we would merely teach facts and theories and principles, and test how well the students could memorize those things.

"With the new upgraded course, we still expect them to know those theories and principles, but to the end of seeing how scientists and psychologists tackle questions, approach problems and find answers.

"These are the sorts of skills they can use whether they go to graduate school or into the business world."

DR. DAVID E. LEARY, dean of arts and sciences, has watched the evolution of the new curriculum from the very day he arrived on campus in the spring of 1989, when he was offered the position he now holds.

"That happened to be the day the faculty voted down the last proposal for curriculum changes," he recalls. "But at the same time that plan was defeated, a motion was passed to appoint a new committee to continue to study the matter. So all this has been done under a faculty mandate."

And under an administrative mandate as well. Leary points out that the University's new strategic plan, soon to be unveiled, includes frequent references to "engagement in learning."

"With the revised curriculum," says Leary, "the students are much more engaged. There will be no more silent partners here. When they're not just sitting taking notes, education becomes a much more interactive process.

"The faculty are to be commended highly," the dean says, "for a lot of effort on this new curriculum. A number of people have served on the curriculum committee over time.

They've held workshops, breakfast meetings, and afternoon meetings. The discussions were spirited. The result is definitely a challenge pedagogically, but the changes will result in a tighter academic community."

A 28-YEAR veteran of that community, professor of English Dr. Irby Brown, R'54, is already seeing that effect.

"This approach provides a focus," he says, "something coherent that a whole community can build upon."

"Many of us were already engaged in revising our courses on our own terms anyway. I have been, and while I didn't revise mine to meet the field of studies guidelines, I feel a part of this change and am enthusiastic about it.

"A university is not a sacrosanct institution," says Brown, "not untouchable. These changes have actually been decades in coming.

"I believe that this proposal passed where others have failed because there is now a general movement in education toward cross disciplines. And there's also a lot of new blood on the faculty trained from graduate school to approach learning in new ways.

"It's certainly increasingly important for a university to function as a part of the social and political climate. The good thing here is that we're not all being driven in any one narrow direction. There is still plenty of room for alternative concepts, and it's always healthy when you can approach teaching and learning with new goals and from differing perspectives."
New dean leads continuing education in evenings, summers and special programs
EVENING COMES, and the campus is bustling.

As twilight falls across the campus and many University employees depart, parking lots rapidly fill with cars from around the Richmond area. Students of all ages have come to the University after a full workday to attend night classes.

Many generations are represented in the classrooms. Classes are taught by 75 faculty members who have careers in the metropolitan area other than teaching: business, industry, law.

The University’s evening program, a part of what has been known for years as University College — UR’s continuing education division — is undergoing a transformation.

This fall the school got both a new name and a new dean.

The new dean, Dr. James Narduzzi, was named last summer upon the retirement of long-time former dean Dr. Max Graeber.

Narduzzi came to UR from the University of Hartford in Connecticut, where he had been associate academic dean and assistant vice president for university programs and conferences. He has 15 years’ experience in continuing education at the University of Hartford and at American University in Washington, D.C.

Narduzzi holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from Miami University in Ohio, and a master’s degree and Ph.D. in political science from American University. He is the author of numerous publications and journal articles about continuing education and international education.

Not long after he arrived in August, the name of University College was changed to the School of Continuing Studies. Narduzzi is pleased with the new name.

“I think it more accurately describes our place in a national network of lifelong learners,” he says. “The new name also symbolizes the University’s renewed commitment to serving the Richmond community.”

In addition, Narduzzi points out, the new name is consistent with the other divisions of the University. Academic divisions are known as “schools”: the School of Arts and Sciences, the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business, the T.C. Williams School of Law and the Jepson School of Leadership Studies.

On the other hand, the two coordinate “colleges,” Richmond College for men and Westhampton College for women, are residential in nature. Their purpose is to integrate various forms of learning along with social and residential life.

In this setting, Narduzzi says, “University College is really an academic school and should be referred to as such.”

The School of Continuing Studies includes several divisions. One is the evening school, which offers certificate programs as well as associate and baccalaureate degrees.

There are also the summer school, a partnership with the other academic divisions of the University, which provide the faculty and the curriculum; and the special programs division, which offers non-credit courses such as oriental arts, financial planning and English-as-a-Second-Language for teachers.

Narduzzi is especially interested in expanding the offerings in the special program area. “I would like to see us plan more programs for greater learning across the life cycle. That would include courses designed for children and senior adults,” he says.

Such changes would increase the already large pool of potential students in the Richmond area. Since its inception, the continuing education division has attracted nontraditional students: those with full-time jobs and often families as well.

The University has fulfilled their special needs by offering the courses and schedules they need, as well as the generous resources available to all undergraduates.

Alumnus Robert Staples, C’72 and chair of the University College Annual Fund, was one of those working students who was unable to attend a traditional college. "University College seemed to fit what I needed," he says. "It really was a grand opportunity for someone like me who needed to work while going to school."

Staples enrolled in University College after transferring from a two-year school elsewhere in Virginia. Now director of human resources for Eskimo Pie, he explains his choice.

"My dad worked in public education throughout Virginia, and he knew Ed Merrick, UR's former head football coach. Ed suggested to my dad that I should consider transferring to University College."

Staples came for a visit and liked what he saw. He enrolled shortly thereafter at the school, then located in downtown Richmond.

"We referred to it as "UCLA" — University College at Lombardy Avenue — since that's where many of our classes were held," he says.

Staples also attended classes in the old Second Baptist Church building located at Foushee and Adams streets. "A tobacco plant was nearby, and we would sit in class and smell tobacco wafting through the windows," he says, laughing.

While earning his bachelor of commerce degree, Staples held a full-time job with the state Alcoholic Beverage Control Department. "I needed to spend my days working so that I could pay for my education," Staples says.

Like many nontraditional students, he was very disciplined. He often took four courses per semester — one class per weeknight. "My job called for a day off during the week," he says. "That way I could study for a test or write a paper when I needed to, but I would have liked more study time."

As University College, the school has been providing quality educational programs to Richmond-area students like Staples for decades.

It shares its origins with those of what is now the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business, dating back to the organization in 1924 of the Evening School of Business Administration, an outgrowth of the Richmond College department of economics and applied economics. One of the evening school's early directors was Dr. George M. Modlin, who came to the University in 1938.

When Modlin became president of the University in 1946, he and the new

BY ELLEN BRADLEY, W’91
Bradley is publications assistant at the University.
evening school dean, Dr. E Byers Miller, worked together to plan establishment of a full-scale school of business administration as a new division of the University. When that happened in 1949, both day and evening business classes were combined in the new school.

Then in 1962, the evening school portion was separated from the School of Business Administration to form the nucleus of University College, and Dr. Martin L. Shotzberger was named its dean. He was succeeded in 1968 by Dr. James A. Moncure, the first dean without a business background to head University College.

As there were needs, the division added programs to meet them. By 1974 University College consisted of the Evening School, Summer School, School of Christian Studies, and the Institute for Business and Community Development (now the Management Institute).

Dr. Max Graeber was named dean of the newly organized division and served in that position until his retirement earlier this year. Under his leadership, the women’s programs became the basis for what soon became the Women’s Resource Center (see box, p. 23).

In its earlier years, University College was located on two campuses in downtown Richmond. As part of the reorganization of 1974, University College physically moved to the University’s Westhampton campus.

This move marked the first time since 1834, except for a five-year period during the Civil War, that the University had not had a physical presence in the heart of the City of Richmond.

But the move made the school especially convenient for University employees like Carolyn Martin, C’86 and UR’s director of university services. Still, she insists that there were other factors that influenced her decision to enroll at University College in 1977, while working in the office of then-president Dr. E. Bruce Heilman.

force for alumni affairs and is a past president of the Spider Club.

“When I was a student, I didn’t have time for sports,” says Staples. “But now my wife and son and I rarely miss a game.”

To prove his point, he tells a story from early in his career. “The company I was working for at the time was downsizing. I was offered a transfer to either Boston or California.”

Staples refused the transfer and chose to take some time off to spend with his son instead. “I told them, I have season tickets to the Spiders’ games. I can’t leave Richmond!” Staples says, chuckling at the memory.

It is alumni like Robert Staples and Carolyn Martin that Dean Narduzzi hopes to enlist in his new marketing strategy for the School of Continuing Studies. “Alumni and faculty will be the key to getting our message out to people,” he says.

While in a similar position at the University of Hartford, Narduzzi conducted a very successful marketing campaign designed to broaden participation from the community in that school’s continuing education program.

He plans to do the same thing here. “My hope is that we can do a better job of communicating the quality of our programs, the excellence of our faculty and the successes of our alumni to the community,” Narduzzi says.

University provost Dr. Zeddie Bowen says Narduzzi has “an excellent reputation as a creative continuing education dean and has valuable experience in many different areas of education.” Specifically, Bowen says Narduzzi has been involved in “the kinds of programs we want to develop at UR, such as international education and community outreach.”
Elizabeth S. Scott, adjunct faculty member of the School of Continuing Studies and a member of the search committee that selected Narduzzi, describes him as "a bridge builder — someone who has experience in creating a program out of diverse elements.

"Dr. Narduzzi knows what it's like to handle a great variety of programs such as those that are a part of the school here."

Potential students in the Richmond area have many choices when it comes to continuing education.

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Narduzzi points to the campus's beauty, convenience and the low tuition rate as just some of the school's advantages over its competitors. Specifically, he mentions that the tuition rate is $6 less per course than VCU's and free parking is available.

"For a number of reasons, this is the most exciting time to be involved in continuing education," he says. "First, the current economy demands educating and retraining employees. In addition, we are living in a society that values lifelong learning. And finally, many major institutions such as UR want linkages with their community.

"UR's School of Continuing Studies can provide all those things."

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**GROWTH OF THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER**

**DR. MAX GRAEGER** had been dean of University College for only a year when he realized something would have to be done about the women's programs the college offered.

Very high enrollment in several specially designed courses for women in 1974 and 1975 seemed to indicate a new area of need in continuing education.

Responding to that need, Dean Graeber may have been more forward-looking than he realized when, in 1975, he called together a committee to develop a women's programs component of University College.

Early on, the committee recommended Phyllis Brown, a researcher who had developed a very practical "Life Planning Seminar." That seminar became the core curriculum of a series of offerings designed to help community women who were searching for the best ways to meet their personal goals in a sometimes non-supportive world.

In 1975 Brown became the first director of women's programs, and in one year the number of women served jumped from 157 to 1,149. In 1976, the women's programs became the "Women's Resource Center."

For the Women's Resource Center, Graeber and Brown were the right leaders at the right time.

Graeber had been recognized as a pragmatic administrator who used community advisory boards effectively to implement new ideas. He says of Brown, whom he hired, that her "ability to work with people and her creativity in developing programs for women were a vital force in the growth of the Women's Resource Center."

Over the past 18 years, the Women's Resource Center has evolved into a place where last year more than 6,000 community individuals were served with more than 49 courses in the areas of career and personal development.

Courses and seminars cover such topics as job search, professional development, leadership skills, life management and personal growth issues. As it has evolved, the center has become a model for a number of similar centers across the nation, though it remains one of the largest university-based centers.

The center continues the University's emphasis on women's issues.

Dr. Zeddie Bowen, the University's provost, believes the center complements programs such as Women's Studies in the undergraduate school and WILL (Women Involved in Living & Learning), a co-curricular offering of Westhampton College.

Today under its current director, Lee Brazzell, the Women's Resource Center is once again reassessing its central mission: to serve community women — and men — as they seek ways to define and achieve their individual goals.

Brazzell believes the center will continue to thrive to the degree that it is responsive to the expressed needs of those it serves, and to that end, the center has just completed an extensive marketing survey. Brazzell expects "the center to listen closely to our clients when they speak and to respond quickly."

According to Brazzell, the center will soon be experimenting with satellite locations for wider community service.

Susan Quinnberry, W '65, current chair of the center's board of directors, sees a bright future for the center.

She believes that Phyllis Brown was quite accurate in her observation that "whenever it has facilitated or enabled a woman to connect with her own resources it has been of deep and lasting value... After all, the center was founded for that individual woman who must eventually discover the resource center within herself."

For more information about the Women's Resource Center, call (804) 289-8020.
The surprises of collagen

Discoveries are really exciting when you find out just the opposite of what you expect to find.

Dr. Roni J. Kingsley, associate professor of biology, shared that scientific excitement with her students when they became the first researchers to discover collagen in the skeletal structures of a species of octocoral they were studying. They were even more surprised when they discovered that the collagen disappears in winter.

Kingsley first discovered collagen in the spicules of octocoral. She remembers that "one of my students shouted one day, 'What kind of cell is this?'"

The octocoral, an animal related to the sea anemone, actually looks more like a plant. One specimen in Kingsley's office looks like a fan, another like a whip. They come in yellow, purple, orange and white.

They operate best when they live in a strong current and are thus difficult to maintain in an aquarium. Kingsley can keep colonies alive for about a month using strong pumps, so that she and her students can conduct experiments on living specimens.

She and students take summer field trips to the Duke Marine Laboratory to collect specimens to bring back to campus to conduct experiments and to study under the University's new transmission electron microscope.

She terms her students as "excellent... very motivated, very bright." In fact, "many of them perform at the graduate level," she says.

For their work, students are eligible to receive summer research funds and Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship funds. Kingsley has received several grants, including a three-year National Science Foundation grant in 1992 for $127,153 to study the "Seasonal Turnover of Organic Matrix Collagen in Octocoral Spicules."

Spicule emerging from a scleroblast, the spicule-forming cell

Like her UR colleagues she believes in "hands on" experience for students, doing science as a means of learning science.

Kingsley and her students have co-authored papers and made presentations together. One of Kingsley's scholarly articles was published in 1993 in the prestigious journal, Cell and Tissue Research, with J.L. Dupree, G'92, a former student of hers at UR who is now a graduate student at the Medical College of Virginia.

Kingsley says the research she and her students are doing may help explain the evolution of mineralization in vertebrates and invertebrates. It also may help explain how all organisms calcify and add to the understanding of human bone and teeth calcification.

- Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64

The beauty of numbers

To the uninitiated, Dr. James A. Davis' current research project looks like nothing more than rows of tiny numbers scribbled on a legal pad. But the associate professor of mathematics and computer science sees it a little differently.

"I find it aesthetically pleasing to see a mathematical structure come together," he says. "I almost look at it like someone would look at a beautiful painting."

Davis' rows of scribbled numbers are part of his work to prove — or disprove — theorems about discrete mathematics, the branch of mathematics concerned with finite numbers of objects. The pages of handwritten numbers help him discover mathematical patterns, build structures and write codes using geometry.

In a larger sense, Davis is searching for explanations for how the universe works.

"I find it fascinating how the universe is put together," says Davis. "I can discover bits and pieces of how intricate things are."

But Davis' research also has a practical application.

The structures and patterns that Davis discovers are used in the digital transmission of signals, such as photographs sent back from space. Davis' codes are used to send those signals, so that if errors occur during transmission, messages can still be deciphered. Using these so-called "error-correcting codes," electronic signals can be sent cheaper, faster and more accurately.

"I got into mathematics because I found it beautiful," Davis says. "But I'm fascinated with the idea..."
that something I pursued could be useful.”

This semester, Dr. Jonathan Jedwab, a research mathematician from Hewlett-Packard Laboratories in Bristol, England, and an expert on practical applications for discrete mathematics, has come to the University to collaborate with Davis.

Davis and Jedwab began working together several years ago using e-mail, and published several papers together before they actually met. “We work well together,” says Jedwab. “Some things that are quite clear to me are opaque to him, and vice versa.”

Davis and Jedwab presented a paper on “Codes and Designs” at the 896th meeting of the American Mathematical Society that was held Nov. 11-13 at the University.

The weekend event, which drew about 200 mathematicians from across the country, was a first for UR. The completion of Jepson Hall, where the mathematics and computer department is located, gave the department enough space to host its first national conference, Davis says.

Davis works as a theoretical mathematician doesn’t mean he can reduce everything to numbers and formulas.

“The more I look into mathematics, the more order I see in the universe,” Davis says. “I think there was an intelligent being behind all that. I’m trying to get glimpses by the work I do as to who that God might be.”

Mary Helen Frederick

Age-related memory changes

Most people think misplacing one’s car keys and forgetting to turn off the coffee pot are an inevitable part of aging.

Not Dr. Jane M. Berry.

The assistant professor of psychology wants to find out why many older people are forgetful, and through her research, hopes to discover ways to help them.

Berry is an expert on memory and aging, a field that’s attracting increasing attention as the oldest baby boomers near 50. “Specifically we’re interested in the negative changes that occur with memory in old age,” she says.

One of the key variables in predicting memory performance is the confidence people have in their ability to remember, Berry says.

Like a self-fulfilling prophecy, people who believe they have a good memory perform better on memory tests than people who don’t.

Berry’s research focuses on the effect that confidence — what she calls “memory self-efficacy” — has on the time and energy, or effort, that people put into remembering.

Her studies show that subjects who believe they have good memories spend more time studying lists of words for memory tests, and as a result perform better. People who have less self-confidence in their memories expend less effort and perform worse.

That may sound like common sense, Berry says, but “it needs to be demonstrated empirically before it can be used.”

Results from Berry’s studies may eventually be used in clinical programs to teach older people how to improve their memories.

“When older adults are told to remember something, anxiety may get in the way,” she says. “They may start to avoid memory-demanding situations.”

And older adults must “use it or lose it,” she says.

Students, who test subjects, are a key part of Berry’s research. “I couldn’t do my research without them,” she says.

So far this year, Berry has taken six students to psychology conferences in Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and College Park, Md., where she made presentations.

For Berry, who came to the University after four years as a research psychologist at University of California at Berkeley, UR was her first experience as a full-time teacher. “I’m liking it more and more,” she says. “I would not be as good a researcher as I am without the hours spent in the classroom. And my research really informs my teaching.”

As she continues to delve further into memory and aging, she wants to look at a wider range of adults, including the little-studied middle-aged population. She also hopes to bring in older adults as consultants.

“I really think older adults have a lot of wisdom,” she says. “And we can draw on their vast experiences to inform our research and teaching efforts.”

Mary Helen Frederick

Older adults must “use it or lose it.”

-Dr. Jane Berry

Harriet Bosse

BY DR. CARLA WAAL, W’53

Southern Illinois University Press, 1990

Published in Sweden in 1993

“The first biography in English of Harriet Bosse, Swedish actress and inspiration for the playwright August Strindberg, the book traces the development of Bosse’s career and her troubled three-year marriage with Strindberg. It also records the history of early Swedish filmmaking and four decades of Swedish theatre.

Waal, an actress, director and author, is professor emeritus of theatre at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

The Kekulé Riddle: A Challenge for Chemists and Psychologists

Edited by DR. JOHN H. WOTITZ, R’43

Catch River Press, 1993

For most of the 20th century, German scientist August Kekulé has been credited with the birth of modern organic chemistry after he conceived of the benzene ring structure in a dream. This revisionist book examines whether Kekulé merits that reputation and whether the Kekulé legend is an accurate story of creative problem-solving by the unconscious.
Our Baptist Tradition
Dr. William P. Tuck, R'57 and H'77
Smith & Helwys, 1993
In his sixth book, Tuck helps the reader understand the historical heritage of Baptists over the centuries. Tuck explains that many people are unfamiliar with this legacy, and he proposes that Baptists are a non-creedal people who believe in the authority of scriptures that are not necessarily inerrant. Baptists also prize religious liberty, autonomy and vitality of the local church, and priesthood of believers.

Now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lumberton, N.C., Tuck had previously served 10 years as pastor of St. Matthews Baptist Church in Louisville, Ky., and five years as a professor at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Environment
Dr. Frank Kurt Cylke Jr., R'85
HarperCollins, 1993
Cylke's first book is a introductory-level textbook to be used in Introduction to Sociology courses dealing with the sociology of environmental problems. The book traces the historical context of environmental concern from 1600 to the present, with an emphasis on the social response by environmentalists, government and industry.

Social Problems: The Search for Solutions
Dr. Frank Kurt Cylke Jr., R'85
Roxbury Press, 1994
His second book provides an alternative to the idea that sociologists only study the problems and have no solutions. It also challenges students to become involved in their community and country and to take political responsibility in the process of social change and problem remediation.

Religion and Cultural Freedom
Dr. E.M. Adams, R'41, G'44 and H'92
Temple University Press, 1993
In his 11th book, Adams presents a study in the nature and function of religion in life and culture. He also examines how religion can achieve cultural coherence and intellectual respectability in a culture that is held accountable to ongoing experience and critical thought.

Apocalyptic Realism: The Science Fiction of Arkady and Boris Strugatsky
Dr. Yvonne Howell, assistant professor of Russian
Peter Lang Publishing Inc., 1994
This book is a study of philosophical, religious and intellectual culture in the Russian scientific community, as reflected in the novels of Arkady and Boris Strugatsky. The Strugatsky brothers have been Russia's most popular science fiction writers since their first publication in 1959.

The Winning Image: Present Yourself with Confidence and Style for Career Success
James C. Gray Jr., R'69
AMAON, 1993
A successful professional image depends on total presentation skills, believes Gray, who is founder and head of Media Impact, a consulting firm specializing in helping executives and professionals develop their personal image.

The book provides help in communication skills and body language as well as wardrobe. It includes multicultural guidelines for those with international careers.

Gray also is chair of the department of corporate communications at Montgomery College in Maryland.

From Civilization to Segregation: Social Ideals and Social Control in Southern Rhodesia, 1890-1934
Dr. Carol Summers, assistant professor of history
Ohio University Press, 1994
This study examines the social changes that took place in Southern Rhodesia after the arrival of the British South Africa Company in the 1890s. Summers' work focuses on interactions among settlers, British officials, humanitarian groups in Britain and groups of Africans.

International Accounting: A Case Approach
Co-authored by Dr. James A. Schweikart, associate professor of accounting
Schweikart and a professor at the University of Glasgow present 39 cases in international accounting, auditing and taxation. The cases were contributed by scholars from eight countries on four continents, and are accompanied by introductory chapter.

Passionate Enlightenment: Women in Tantric Buddhism
Miranda Shaw, assistant professor of religion
Princeton University Press, 1994
Shaw argues that women were outspoken and independent founders of the Tantric movement, which was the crowning cultural achievement of medieval India. In her view, the Tantric theory promotes an ideal of cooperative, mutually liberative relationships between women and men, while encouraging a sense of reliance on women as a source of spiritual insight and power.

The Reptiles of Virginia
Dr. Joseph C. Mitchell, research biologist
Smithsonian Institution Press, 1994
Mitchell, an adjunct professor of environmental biology and conservation biology at the University, offers the first complete catalog of the reptiles of Virginia, from the sea turtles of the Atlantic coast to the snakes, turtles and lizards of the Piedmont and Blue Ridge Mountains.

In addition to information about individual species, the book also explores the human impact on their natural habitats. There is also a chapter on snakebites and their prevention.

Shakespeare Films in the Classroom: A Descriptive Guide
By Dr. Josephine McMurtry, professor of English
Arcban Books, 1994
Designed for teachers who want to use films to supplement study of Shakespeare's texts, this guide provides descriptions of over 100 films readily available on video. McMurtry analyzes the films in terms of their faithfulness to the texts, their strengths and weaknesses from a literary perspective, and actors' interpretations of their roles.
THE ARTS

**Betty Schafers Gladstone, W'53,** had an exhibition of her work at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., and another show at the Cambron-Black Gallery in Beaufort, N.C.

Her special interest is liturgical painting; one of her works includes a set of 14 fresco-like paintings accompanied by contemplative writings. She has an art studio, "Adriel," in Morehead City, N.C.

ATHLETICS

**Louis F. "Weenie" Miller, R'47,** was inducted into the Virginia Athletic Hall of Fame in Portsmouth, Va.

Miller was recognized for his decades of involvement in Virginia athletics, most recently as director of athletics at Hampden-Sydney College, where he led the basketball team to the NCAA Division III Sweet Sixteen for the first time and the baseball team to its first NCAA bid.

He had served Hampden-Sydney as baseball and basketball coach in the 1950s, and had held coaching positions also at Washington & Lee College and at Virginia Military Institute. In 1964, his VMI basketball team made it to the NCAA tournament.

For a period of 18 years, he served in personnel work with Burlington Industries before returning to athletics in 1986. He also was a radio announcer for the VMI sports network.

EDUCATION

**Dr. W. Christian Sizemore, R'60,** has been named president of William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., after serving as president of Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, W.Va., for 11 years.

During his presidency, Alderson-Broaddus experienced a five-fold increase in endowment and significant enrollment increases. Sizemore also led the college to develop the nation's first post-baccalaureate physicians' assistant master's degree program and to computerize the campus.

Earlier, Sizemore served at South Georgia College for 17 years, including positions as librarian, professor, dean and finally acting president for a year.

His wife, Anne Mills Sizemore, W'61, has had multiple careers. She has taught both mathematics and journalism at the college level, has served as a college news writer and has had numerous church and civic responsibilities.

**Dr. Patricia Shands Neidhardt, W'67,** was one of 150 secondary school educators from 25 states who last spring received Milken Family Foundation National Educator Awards of $25,000 each.

Neidhardt, like the other recipients, had no idea she was even being considered for the award because there is neither an application process nor a nomination procedure. Recipients are selected anonymously by committees appointed by each participating state's department of education.

The purpose of such a major financial award, according to the Milken Family Foundation, is to celebrate exemplary educators and to heighten public recognition and appreciation of the teaching profession.

Neidhardt teaches environmental science and marine biology at Broadneck Senior High School in Annapolis, Md.

MEDICINE

**Dr. Alton R. Sharpe Jr., R'49,** president of Thyroid Specialists Inc. in Richmond, received the Distinguished Medical Faculty Award from the Medical College of Virginia Alumni Association in April 1994.

He had served on the MCV faculty for 35 years as professor of radiology and medicine, and was chairman of the division of nuclear medicine from 1967 to 1982.

Earlier, he had received the Charles Caravati Outstanding Alumnus Service Award from the MCV Alumni Association in 1990. In 1991 he was awarded first prize for scientific exhibits at the annual meeting of the Medical Society of Virginia for an exhibit on thyroid function.

RELIGION

**Tommy P. Baer, R'60,** was elected in August as the international president of B'nai B'rith, the world's oldest and largest Jewish service organization, with representation in 54 countries. Baer says his priorities during his two-year term will be improving black-Jewish relations and working for peace between Arabs and Israelis.

Baer has served in other leadership positions with B'nai B'rith, including recent terms as international senior vice president and as co-chairman of B'nai B'rith's Center for Jewish Family Life. He also has been chairman of the Richmond Jewish Federation's community relations council and president of his synagogue.

Baer is a partner in the law firm of Canfield, Moore, Shapiro, Sease and Baer, and he also is on the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

SOCIAL WORK

**Gerald Bowman, R'76,** a clinical social worker with the Internationaler Bund für Sozialarbeit in Munich, Germany, was elected president of the international chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

In addition, he has a small private practice. He first went to Germany in 1988 to accept a position as a clinical social worker with the U.S. Department of the Army.
Editor's note: News included in this issue of Class Connections was received by the Alumni Office before July 15, 1994. News received after that date will be included in the Winter 1995 issue of the University of Richmond Magazine. See p. 43 for deadlines.

William G. Bevill, R'42, of Petersburg, Va., was appointed to the Governor's Advisory Board on Aging for Va. He is on the board of directors for the Crater District Area Agency on Aging for District 19, a position appointed by the Dinwiddie board of supervisors.

C. Irvin Dawson, R'48, retired after 40 years with the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board, on which he served in California, Arizona and Atlanta. He has 10 grandchildren and lives in Clayton, Ga.

William C. Day, R'49, a retired dentist and alumnus of the VCU School of Dentistry in Richmond, was appointed to the VCU Foundation.

John Goode, R'49, vice president and general underwriting counsel at Lawyers Title Insurance Corp. in Richmond, was appointed to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws by Virginia Gov. George Allen.

Ben Triplett, R'49, and his wife, Fran, live in Bayonet Point, Fla. After 50 years, they had the pleasure of renewing his friendship with Sig Ep brother Willard Burton, R'43, and his wife, Anabelle, who visited them in Florida.

Floyd D. Gottwald Jr., G'51 and R'53, of Richmond, was elected president of the board of trustees at the Va. Museum of Fine Arts. He serves as chairman of the board and CEO of Albemarle Corp., and vice chairman of the board of Ethyl Corp. He also serves as a trustee of UR.

Dr. Charles B. Nunn Jr., R'51, executive director of the Richmond Baptist Association, has been elected first vice president of the Southern Baptist Conference of Associated Directors of Missions. He was chosen during the conference's annual meeting in Orlando, Fla.

Richard J. Guilford, R'54, of Richmond, is president and CEO of HazWaste Industries Inc. W. Eugene Thomas, R'54, is president of Brunswick Insurance Agency Corp. in Lawrenceville, Va. His son, Michael Thomas, R'82, managed George Allen’s successful gubernatorial campaign and is now secretary of administration for the Commonwealth of Va. His son was also awarded an honorary degree by Southside Va. Community College, where trees were planted as living memorials to his contributions.

John L. Anderson, R'55, of Re-Max All Pro Ltd. in Richmond, was recognized during American Home Week with a 15-year Outstanding Production Award from the Richmond Association of Realtors.

The Rev. Robert F. Ellis, R'56, retired two years ago after serving 32 years in the Baptist ministry in Virginia. He and his wife, Beatrice, live in Spotsylvania and are active in the Mine Road Baptist Church, which was his first pastorate. He enjoys his big front porch and collects cartoons and videos of “B” western movies.

Dr. Phillip H. Kirkpatrick, R'56, retired in February after 36 years as a civilian civil servant with the U.S. Army Quartermaster Center and School and has opened his own consulting business, Total Quality Now, in Petersburg, Va. He and his wife, Esther, have two children, Kelly and Robert, and one grandchild, Taylor Elizabeth Ewko, born Jan. 25, 1994, to Kelly and her husband, John.

William E. Baker, R'59, of Roanoke, Va., received an Ed.D. from Va. Tech and is director of the department of pastoral care at the Good Samaritan Hospice in Roanoke. He received a master of divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1964 and a master's degree in education from Va. Tech in 1962.

Lawrence H. Rauppuss, R'59, owner and president of B.W. Wilson Paper Co. Inc. in Richmond, was featured in a Richmond Times-Dispatch article reporting on his 24 years with the 90-year-old wholesale paper company.

Dr. David Cosby Tribby, R'59, owner of the Augusta West Veterinary Clinic, was named 1994 Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick’s Day Parade and Festivities in Augusta, Ga.

Ken Gross, R'60, of Richmond, has earned qualifying and life status in the Million Dollar Round Table, an independent association of life insurance agents worldwide. He is one of only six percent of agents who qualify for the distinction based on sales and customer service. He works for Financial Concepts.

Earl D. Barker, R'61, of Round Hill, Va., is the executive development coordinator of the U.S. Secret Service in Washington, D.C.


R. Preston Nuttal, R'62, was promoted to managing director in the investment management group of Wheat First Butcher Singer in Richmond.

Philip J. Bagley III, R'63, was elected a fellow of the Va. Law Federation. He has been with the Richmond-based law firm of Mays & Valentine since 1970 and is a member of the American Bar Foundation.

Dr. Jacob Van Bowen Jr., R'64, is a partner in QualityPlus, a total quality management consulting firm in Richmond.

Dr. J. Decker Frazier, R'64, an osteopathic gynecologist and surgeon in Jacksonville, Fla., was re-elected to the American Osteopathic Association’s board of trustees at their AOA meeting in Atlanta.

Donald N. Patten, R'64, of the law firm Patten, Woron & Watkins in Newport News, Va., was elected vice president of the Va. Trial Lawyers Association.

O. Martin Shorter, R'64, of Midlothian, Va., was elected vice president of the Instructive Visiting Nurse Association board of trustees. He is with New York Bay Co. Ltd.

J. Patrick Keith, L'65, and Stephen Hall have formed Keith & Hall, a law partnership in Richmond.
Joseph J. Aponica, R’66, of Alexandria, Va., joined the law firm of Mudge Rose Guthrie Alexander & Ferdon in Washington, D.C. He formerly served as senior litigation counsel in the United States Attorney’s office for the Eastern District of Va. He received the Attorney General’s Distinctive Service Award for his work on an Ohio investigation, in which he sought 65 convictions against white-collar criminals and set a prototype for future investigations into environmental crime, health care fraud, insurance fraud, consumer fraud and government contract fraud.

Wilson “Bill” Bailey, R’66, and his wife Ginger Blanton Bailey, W’66, have been transferred from Houston, Texas, to Metuchen, N.J., for Mobil Chemical. They have two children: Catherine, a junior nursing student at Texas Christian U.; and Lee, a freshman at the U. of Pennsylvania.

W. Birch Douglass III, L’68, a partner with the Richmond law firm of McGuire Woods Battle & Boothe, was elected vice president of the Hanover Tavern Foundation. He also serves on U.S. board of associates.

Danny M. Payne, B’68, was appointed by Virginia Gov. George Allen as state tax commissioner in May. He and his wife, Joyce, live in Richmond with their two sons, Marshall, 16, and David, 12.

Preston M. Yancey, G’68, of Richmond, has been appointed vice president of academic affairs at Va. Union U. He joined the faculty in 1969 and has taught English and humanities as well as serving as chairman of the department of communications and chairman of the division of humanities. Joseph J. Harding, B’69, of Harding & Associates Inc., was elected 1994-95 vice president of the Richmond Real Estate Group, an association of commercial real estate industry professionals.

James E. Maddux, R’76, was promoted to professor in the department of psychology at George Mason U. in Fairfax, Va. Luther W. Patterson Jr., R’76, was promoted to lieutenant colonel and transferred to Fort Irwin and Alaska, where he is assigned to III Corps Headquarters.

James S. Quarforth, B’76, with CWI Communications, was named president of the Va. Telephone Association. He lives in Waynesboro, Va.

Michael S. Robertson, R’72, is the sales manager for American BioMed/Cathlab Division, a research and development company for cardiovascular and vascular products, based in Irvine, Calif. He and his wife, Linda, live in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jeb Rockman, R’73, of Southern States Cooperative Inc., was elected vice president of Friends of the Industry of Agriculture.

Eugene J. Hofmeier Jr., C’73, foreclosed on the business he sold several years ago and is back in the bakery business. He is now owner and president of Northside Bakery Inc. in Richmond. He and his wife, Carol, have two sons, Adam, 3, and David, born Jan. 12, 1994.

Alfred G. Bridger Jr., B’74, a certified state mediator and member of the American Bar Association, was elected executive director of the Dispute Resolution Center, sponsored by the Va. State Bar, the Va. Association and the Better Business Bureau of Central Va. He lives in Richmond.

James S. Register Jr., R’76, of Craige Inc., was elected vice president of the Bond Club of Va. for 1994-95.

Mark Frederick Rowley, R’76, joined the Richmond Public Defender’s Office and has been working in juvenile court since Sept. 1993, after working in the appeals court. He is a 1982 graduate of Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State U.

James R. Wilkins, R’76, accepted the pastorate of the Gloucester Point Baptist Church in Gloucester Point, Va. He and his wife, Lucy Rex Wilkins, W’76, live in Hayes, Va., with their three children: Brian, 12; Ben, 10; and Beth, 7.

Kevin Eastman, R’77, became head basketball coach at Washington State U. He has coached at UNC-Wilmington since 1990 and moved to WSU in May. He and his wife, Wendy Haynes Eastman, B’76, and their son Jake, 4, live in Pullman, Wash.

Thomas L. Hotchkiss, B’77, of Signet Bank in Richmond, was elected a vice president of the National Kidney Foundation of Va.
Robert Bell, B'83, a partner with Applied CD Technologies Inc., has set up the company's headquarters in Charlotte. N.C. ACT has the capacity to store photographs, data and graphic images digitally on a compact disc, accessed through a CD-ROM drive on desktop computers or a photo CD player linked to a television or other projection device. Jim Martin, B'83, is Mid-Atlantic manager of Meredith Corp. in Hunt Valley, Md. He and his wife, Nancy Lindquist Martin, B'84, have two sons, James and Luke.

Daniel J. Scavour, B'83, of KPMG Peat Marwick in Richmond, was elected a vice president of the Richmond chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants for 1994-95.

Richard G. Alexander, B'84, is a territory manager for Smithkline-Beecham Animal Health and has achieved "Summit Council" status with the firm two times in the past four years. He and his wife and their twin sons live in Charlotte, N.C.

William J. Brown, B'84, is a sales representative for Bell Atlantic Yellow Pages in Richmond.

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Scott DeMartine, B'84, was promoted to manager of planning and administration of Van Munching & Co. Inc., and relocated from Hermosa Beach, Calif., to New York City. He and his wife, Kristin, live in Allendale, N.J.

Dean S. Dowers, B'84, relocated from Los Angeles to San Francisco just before the earthquake and is taking a course, "English as a Second Language." He will be returning to Southeast Asia next year to teach in Vietnam and Thailand.

J. Russell Pentress III, B'84, is a partner in the law firm of Pentress & Pentress in Norfolk, Va. He specializes in the areas of products liability, personal injury, criminal defense and domestic relations. In November 1993, he ran for the Va. state legislature.

Charles "Charlie" Fraas, R'84, graduated from George Washington U. Law School in 1987 and is a consultant and in-house counsel for U.S. Realty Consultants in Columbus, Ohio.

Patrick C. Gottschalk, L'84, with the Richmond law firm of Hazel & Thomas, was elected secretary of the Instructive Visiting Nurse Association board of trustees and chairman of the business council of the Metropolitan Richmond Chamber of Commerce. Scott A. Johnson, R'84, has been named Richmond operations manager for Southern Title Insurance Corp. He took over the position in 1985, he is a former member of the Southside Rotary Club.

Michael Rossetti, D.D.S., R'84, took over the second dental practice, located at the Parham/1-64 office building in Richmond. He and his wife, two sons, Peter, 2, and Paul, born Dec. 16, 1993.

Michael V. Z. Summers, R'84, was appointed to serve as a trustee of the York County Parks and Recreation Systems. He and his wife, Jackie, and their daughter, Madison, live in New Freedom, Pa.

Todd L. Bolig, R'85, of Clinton, N.J., completed his juris doctor degree at Seton Hall U.

John G. Davenport, B'85, of Richmond, was promoted to managing director in the investment management group of Wheat First Butcher Singer. He joined the firm in 1990.

Christopher G. Hopper, R'85, has joined The Wilton Co. in Richmond as a commercial real estate representative. He was formerly with Va. Realty and Development Co.

Hugh A. Joyce, B'85, of Montpelier, Va., was named president of James River Air Conditioning Co.

Henry D. Kreuter, R'85, of Kreuter & Associates, Screenwriting & Marketing in Sacramento, Calif., completed a master of arts degree in French with a film production minor from California State U. He spent August 1993 in France setting up screenwriting seminars.

Mark Alan Sweeney, R'90, played three years of professional baseball with the Cleveland Indians organization.

Bern Mahon, B'85, of Richmond, was hired by Union Bank and Trust to start and head their new investment services, Union Investments, in Bowling Green, Va.

Patrick Marr, R'85, was promoted to chief officer of CB Commercial and specializes in the representation of commercial property owners in Washington, D.C. He and his wife, Maureen, and their daughter, Catherine, born July 6, 1994, live in Alexandria, Va.

Kevin T. Camilli, B'86, has been working for Salomon Brothers in their finance department since February 1994. He and his wife, Emily Reed Camilli, B'89, live in Tampa, Fla., with their son, Michael.

Rich Cobuzio, B'86, is a senior manager in the tax department of KPMG Peat Marwick in Short Hills, N.J. He and his wife, Monica Manno Cobuzio, B'86, and their son, Matthew, 1, live in Demsville, N.J.

Drew Forrest, R'86, is president of Pompeii Tile Co. Inc. in Newport News, Va.

Donna Joyce Hall, R'86, of Virginia Beach, Va., was elected president of the Tidewater Bankruptcy Bar Association for 1994-95. She is an associate in the Norfolk office of Mays & Valentine.

Robert N. Lundy, B'86, accepted a position as an account executive with Acordia Benefits of Florida in Tampa. He and his wife, Amy, director of contracting for Southern Management Services, live in St. Petersburg.

William Mashek, B'86, received a master's degree in public communication from American U. in April 1994 and serves as press secretary for U.S. Representative Jim Chapman, D-Tenn. He and his wife, Marianne, and their daughter, Emily, live in Washington, D.C.

Christopher J. Moore, R'86, was promoted to vice president and chief operating officer of Mailing Services Inc. in Richmond. He joined the company in 1993 and was previously director of sales.

John Seebach, B'86, of Kenilworth, Ill., received an MBA degree from The Darden School at U.Va., and also received the C. Stewart Sheppard Award for exceptional service. He is a store manager with Circuit City Stores Inc.

Dan Lynch, L'87, was named partner in the Richmond law firm of Venable, Fleisch. He specializes in civil litigation, insurance defense and workers' compensation.

Barry McDonald, R'87, of Montpelier, Va., was named district executive of the Battlefiel district of the Robert E. Lee Council of the Boy Scouts.

Daniel T. "Dave" Oog, R'87, is sales manager of East West Partners of Va., which runs the Raintree Swim & Racquet Club in Richmond.

Scott Thorbahn, R'87, is sales manager of his family's business, Interstate Shelter-All, an outdoor advertising firm in Media, Pa. He plans to buy the business in 1996.

Andy Georg, B'88, is a sales consultant with HBO & Co. in Atlanta. He sells specific software developed to run managed care entities. He and his wife, Lynn, a high school history and social studies teacher, live in Marietta, Ga.

John Dornberger, B'88, is an attorney with the law firm of Labram & Doak in Philadelphia and lives in Havertown, Pa.

Daniel E. Evans, R'88, is associate director of admissions at Elizabethtown College in Elizabethtown, Pa. His wife, Susanne Shue, is a fourth-year medical student at Penn State College of Medicine.

Kevin S. Flanagan, R'87, moved to Louisville, Ky., to start his residency program. He and his wife, Kelly, and their son, Shane, born July 27, 1994, live in LaGrange, Ky.

Edward Baptist, B'89, of Richmond, joined KV Times Magazine as southern sales manager. He was formerly a senior typesetter with the Herald-Progress newspaper in Ashland, Va.

John Garrett Burke, B'89, of Mount Pleasant, S.C., received his juris doctor degree from the Wake Forest University College of Law at Ohio Northern U.

Jim Keating, R'89, of Herron, Va., works as an environmental scientist at Verseur Inc. in Springfield, Va. His wife, Suzanne Farrar Keating, W'89, took a leave of absence from teaching to care for their new son, Connor.

Vincent J. Manganella, B'89, was promoted to vice president of Wheat First Butcher Singer Inc. in Richmond. He is a trader in the taxable fixed-income trading department and joined the firm in 1991.
Alumni representatives at inaugurations

The following alumni served as University of Richmond delegates at presidential inaugurations between July 1, 1993, and June 30, 1994.

Janet Butler Barker, W '57 • Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Dr. Henry A. Shockley, R '55 • Regis College, Weston, Mass.
Dr. Alice Sulley Mundanis, W '52 • Marymount University, Arlington, Va.
Connie Booth Collins, W '69 • Columbia University, New York, N.Y.
Charles A. Christopherson, R '59 and L '62
Truett McConnell College, Cleveland, Ga.
Charles B. Upshaw III, R '74 • Bicentennial Opening Convocation, University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill
The Rev. Dr. John B. Polhill, R '60
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
Dr. William H. Myers, professor of chemistry
Installation of chancellor at North Carolina Central University, Durham, N.C.
Dr. Carla Waal, W '53 • Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.
H. Clay Stallworth, R '65 • Rice University, Houston, Texas
Dr. Duane E. Brookhart, G '73 • Huntington College, Montgomery, Ala.
S.D. Roberts Moore, L '61
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Va.
Dr. Emory Y. Maiden Jr., L '67
Installation of chancellor at Appalachian State University, Boone, N.C.
William E. Phillips, R '82 and L '85 • Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va.
David H. Easley, R '82 • Jersey City State College, Jersey City, N.J.

Matthew A. Terrell, G '92, returned to his undergraduate alma mater as assistant director of the Davidson College Alumni Association in Davidson, N.C., where he handles chapter programming and summer college.
Todd Flora, AR '93, is a graduate student in political management at George Washington U. in Washington, D.C. Justin B. Friederichs, AR '93, accepted a position with Business Telecom Inc., a long-distance company, in Raleigh, N.C.
Grady Hebert, AR '93, of Richmond, joined the sales department of Kloke Transfer as residential-commercial sales consultant.
Michael P. King, AR '95, is an assistant trader with Sherwood Securities in New York City.
Andrew S. K. Kriz, AR '93, has been teaching at Lycee Massena in Nice, France, for the past year.
Ryan Larkin, BR '93, returned from a six-month stint in the French Foreign Legion Post in Nairobi.
Jason D. Winters, AR '93, an aspiring actor/model, works as a manager of a cafe on Melrose Avenue in Hollywood, Calif.

MARRIAGES

1949/Carolyn Jones Lynn, (W), and Robert Harman Davis, Feb. 6, 1994, in Roanoke, Va., where they live.
1953/Dr. John J. Kriz, (R), and Gillian Dennis, March 21, 1994, at Loch Lomond in Scotland. His son, Christopher J. Kriz, R '91, was best man. The couple lives in Ashby, Conn.
1972/Michael S. Robertson, (R), and Linda Wright, Oct. 1, 1993, in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. They live in Cincinnati.
1981/Virginia Bailey, (W), and Robert L. King, Nov. 7, 1992. Included in the wedding party were Bernadette Douthit Harris, W '81, and Caroline G. Wilcox, W '88. The couple lives in Gardiner, Maine.
1981/Lee Melchor, (W and L '86), and Judge Edgar Lawrence Turlington Jr., R '53 and L '59, March 5, 1994, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. They live in Richmond.
1981/Vicky Reeve, (B), and Frank Ludlam, Nov. 5, 1993, They live in Richmond.

Christopher J. Kriz, R '91, of Washington, D.C., is front office manager at Hyatt Hotels & Resorts in Bethesda, Md., and began a master's program in health administration at George Washington U.
Greg Lombardo, R '91, was named artistic director of the National Shakespeare Co. in New York City.
Paul Webb, R '91, finished his master's degree in marine biology and is in a Ph.D. program in marine biology at the U. of California, Santa Cruz. He works as a researcher at the Long Marine Lab.
Mark A. Williams, B '91, has been a financial adviser with Mass Mutual for two years in Glen Allen, Va.
Shawn E. Atencio, R '92, is a graduate chemistry student at UCLA in Los Angeles.
Wayne Painter, R '92, is the bar and restaurant manager at David's Bistro in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. He also serves as a charter captain for diving, fishing and sightseeing and as a first mate on a sportfishing boat. He plans to move back to the states and live in Montana.
Brian Popp, R '92, is membership director of American Family Fitness in Richmond.
Wesley B. Tailor, R '92, a financial consultant with the Atlanta office of CGI Financial Advisors Inc., was named to the All-American Team of the American Funds Group of mutual funds. He has been with CGI since July 1992 and has received the Award of Merit, First and Second Honors and been named to the President's Conference. He lives in Marietta, Ga.
1983/M. Timothy Smith, (B), and Susan Reilly, April 13, 1993. The couple lives in Bermuda.
1984/William J. Brown, (B), and Dee Hardie, Dec. 6, 1992. Best man was Rich Harrison, B’84. The couple lives in Richmond.
1984/Scott DeMartine, (R), and Kristin Lear, June 1993. They live in Norwalk, Conn.
1985/Richard Rason, (B), and Kathleen Brustman, Aug. 6, 1994, in Larchmont, N.Y. Included in the wedding party were best man Greg Harley; and Frank Stuttmann III, Peter Scharf, Greg Chianese, Michael Gardner and Jake Moore, all R’84. The couple lives in Larchmont.
1985/Kathy Whitehouse, (B), and David King, Huntington, Sept. 10, 1994, at Wake Forest U., in Winston-Salem, N.C. They live in Atlanta, Ga.
1986/John T. Ging, (B), and Anthony Schauf, Greg Chianese, Michael Gardner and Jake Moore, all R’84. The couple lives in Richmond.
1988/Patrick W. Cottle, (R), and Anna Kowalchuk, July 25, 1992. They live in Geneseo, N.Y.
1989/Evan Missulla, (B), and Christopher Dolan, R’90, April 30, 1994, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were Kahi Sturr Corm, W’86; Anthony Owens, B’83; and Jim Malloy, B’90. The couple lives in Richmond.
1989/Tom de Tro, (W), and Jeffrey Scott Alvino, on Long Beach Island, N.J. They live in Gahmen, N.J.
1987/Kyra Anne Lawson, (W), and Rodney J. Moore, Sept. 11, 1993, in Roanoke, Va. Included in the wedding party were Susan Daniel and Dorri Demco Stergar, both W’86; Catherine Weatherston Gardner, W’87; Michelle Key Alcott, W’88; and Catherine MacLean, W’89. The couple lives in Chesapeake, Va.
1986/Megan Barber, (W), and David Steed, June 12, 1993. Lauri Linder, W’98, was maid of honor. The couple lives in Washington, D.C.
1988/Alicia Bartsanti, (R), and Jeffrey D. Trimm, April 16, 1994, in Vienna, Va. Included in the wedding party was Michelle Collins Towczko, W’88. The couple lives in Tampa, Fla. Included in the wedding party was Denise Fitzgerald, W’90. The couple lives in Cairo, Egypt.
1990/Heather Quick, (B), and Tim Allison, May 21, 1994, in Medinah, N.J. Bridesmaids were Caroline Farmer and Jennifer Danerek, both W’90. The couple lives in Rockville, Md.
1990/Suzanne Rozum, (W), and Edward Lyle Buck III, July 9, 1994, in Richmond. They live in Boca Raton, Fla.
1990/Nora Schmidt, (W), and Scott McPherson, May 28, 1994, in Stamford, Conn. Bridesmaids included Jacqueline Foley and Joanne Markel Mitchell, both W’90. The couple lives in Stamford.

Tara Kraft, B’90, and James A. Modzelewski, who married in April 1994, are living in Cairo, Egypt.

1991/Carol Foard, (W), and Anthony Morgan, May 14, 1994. Christine Stilgher, B’90, was a bridesmaid. The couple lives in Richmond.
1991/Catherine Grimm, (W), and Eric Meyer, B’92, Aug. 6, 1994. Included in the wedding party were Kristin Jones, Holly Pettman and Rachel Young Peteleier, all W’91; Erika Floyd-McDonald, W’89; Richard Cushman and William Hoover, both R’92; and Chris Spano and Andrew Taylor, both B’92. The couple lives in Richmond.
1991/Kari Launersohn, (W), and Michael K. Kramer, April 23, 1994. Included in the wedding party were Dina Lowe Kenagy, W’91; and Rachel Presto, W’94. The couple lives in West Chester, Pa.
1991/Dina Lowe, (W), and Rodney Kenagy, Sept. 25, 1993. Included in the wedding party were Lori Launersohn, B’91; Jennifer Heck, Tracy Parent and Melissa Jolly Conners, all W’91. The couple lives in Springfield, Mo.
1991/Michelle Martin, (W), and Jay Chapman, R’90, May 21, 1994, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were Sharon Matson, Kathy Bass Glevenger and Sandra Tacy, all W’91; Kim Sims, B’91; and Mark Schmidheiser and Eric Engelke, both R’90. The couple lives in Augusta, Ga.
1992/Charles P. Abate, (B), and Nicole Marie Tibbitt, May 21, 1994. Included in the wedding party were Katie O’Briain, R’93; and Michael Dolan and Robert Rose, both B’92. The couple lives in Agawam, Mass.
1992/Julie Schmidt, (W), and William K. Baitz, (B), June 18, 1994, in Huntington Valley, Pa. Included in the wedding party were Cynthia Patrick, W’92; William Hoover, R’92; Michael Usy, B’92; and Eric Johnson, B’93. The couple lives in Richmond.
1993/Pamela Erickson, (W), and Mark Sakalosky, R’91, July 2, 1994, in Richmond. Included in the wedding party were Kerry Horan and Laura Janes, both W’93; and Richard Carrano, B’91. The couple lives in Tampa, Fla.
1993/Kristen Greenwood, (W), and Kevin Hebert, B’87, Aug. 13, 1994. Included in the wedding party were Elissa Faletti, B’93; Kim Lauro, W’95; Tracy Rowley, B’95; Greg Robins, B’87; and Max Hernandez and Thomas Yeakle, both R’87. The couple lives in Richmond.
1993/Michael P. King, (B), and Brantley Fage, May 28, 1994, in Hilton Head, S.C. They live in New York City.
1994/Katherine Myers, (W), and Michael Burnett, B’91, July 23, 1994, in Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were Kate DeVilbiss, Laura Riddles and Jennifer Whipple, all W’94; Leslie Anderson, W’91; and Tim Holtz, R’91. The couple lives in Richmond.

1973/Eugene J. Hofmeyer Jr., (C), and his wife, Carol, a son, David Nathaniel, Jan. 12, 1994. He joins a brother, Adam, 3.
1976/Gerald Bowman, (R), and his wife, Iris, a son, Vincent, May 2, 1994. He joins a sister, Jillian, 3.
1976/Mark Frederick Rowley, (R), and his wife, June, a son, Mark Frederick, Feb. 19, 1993.
1977/Susan Peoples Gillson, (W), and her husband, Briton, a daughter, Emily, Nov. 11, 1993. She joins siblings Geoffrey, 10; Andrew, 7; and Claire, 3.
1977/Still Stewart Percky, (B and GB’80), and his wife, Richard, a son, Connor Oakley, Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25, 1993.
1980/John W. “J.J.” Hammer, (B), and his wife, Penelope, a daughter, Erin Elizabeth, Dec. 5, 1993.
1980/Debbie Mahon Schlegel, (W), and her husband, Bob Schlegel, (R), a son, Andrew, May 1994.
1980/Jan Elledge Shaw, (W), and her husband, Andy, a son, Scott Edward, May 11, 1994. He joins a brother, Roy, 2.
1981/Mary Beth Capasse Carroll, (B), and her husband, Jim, a daughter, Erin MacKenzie, April 26, 1994. She joins a brother, Jay, 2.
1981/Elizabeth Olson Eudy, (B), and her husband, Joe, a daughter, Caroline Grace, March 24, 1994. She joins a brother, Jackson, 3.
1981/Cynthia Russell Knowles, (B and GB’86), and her husband, John, a daughter, Alison Russell, Jan. 4, 1994.
1984/Elizabeth Anne Kitchen Caldwell, (W), and her husband, Grant Caldwell, (R), a daughter, Rachel Brooks, April 17, 1994. She joins a sister, Hannah, 4.
1984/Nancy Lindquist Martin, (B), and her husband, Jim Martin, B’83, a son, Luke Fitzgerald, May 17, 1994. He joins a brother, James, 2/2.
Marine scientist studies the Bay

Several days a week, Dr. William J. Hargis Jr. can be found prowling the halls and laboratories of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. When he’s not there, you can probably track him down in his office at home, working on research and scientific manuscripts.

This would not be particularly noteworthy except that Hargis retired three years ago.

“Really, I don’t feel like I ever left the place,” says Hargis, a smile beginning to creep across his face. “But the biggest difference between pre-retirement days and retirement is I can leave when I want.”

Hargis, R’S 50 and G’S 51, figured to spend his retirement sailing on the Chesapeake Bay. Instead, he still spends most of his time studying it.

Hargis was the longtime director of VIMS, serving in that role from 1959 to 1981 (concurrently he was dean of the School of Marine Science at the College of William & Mary, which now is the administrative parent of VIMS). Under his leadership, VIMS grew into an independent state organization, shedding its earlier name and smaller image — Virginia Fisheries Laboratory — and affording Hargis the stature and authority of a college president.

Since 1981, he has continued to work through VIMS, situated at Gloucester Point, as a professor of W&M’s School of Marine Science. In retirement, he holds the title of professor emeritus some impact, but the problem primarily has been too little.

The work has been stimulating and satisfying. The politics, though, has left him scratching his head.

“We’ve never been able to come to grips with the fact that natural resources react in accordance with the rules of nature,” Hargis says, “and irrelevant political compromise doesn’t have any impact.”

He reels off a list of marine creatures in serious trouble in Virginia waters: sturgeon, shad, sheepshead and oysters.

Oysters, something he has studied for years, are a prime example of a slimy golden goose, he says. Oysters were a rich, self-renewing resource that required no cultivation. They did require, however, some human restraint.

Hargis says oysters have been overharvested for more than a century and a half, and their natural habitat — oyster reefs — gradually destroyed. Pollution has had some impact, but the problem primarily has been too many people taking too many oysters.

Hargis leafed through papers in his crowded pre-retirement days and retirement is as if it’s possible to save them without losing everything.

“Unfortunately, I’m pessimistic,” he says. “We continue to fail to recognize that population growth — and inadequately regulated use — are the major factors putting pressure on our resources,” Hargis says. “We know largely what should be done. We just can’t get it done.”

Ask Hargis if he’s optimistic about the future of marine life in Virginia waters, and he turns apologetic.

“Unfortunately, I’m pessimistic,” he says. But come Monday, he will be back in the lab or his office trying to do something about it. Sailing is for another day.
1920/Kathryn "Kina" McclinthoftOdel, (W), of Greensville, S.C., June 15, 1994. She was the first woman to serve on the Greenville County School District's board of trustees. She received a bachelor's degree in home economics from Furman U. and later received the Mary Sullivan Award from Furman for community contributions. She earned a master's degree in history from Columbia U. and taught history at Greenville High School. She served as director of public and school relations for Greenville City Schools and later with the consolidated Greenville County School District. She served on the board of directors of Greenville Community Chest (now United Way), the executive committee of the Council of Social Agencies, the Greenville YMCA, executive board of American Field Service and the board of the Senior Center. She was vice president and trustee of Greenville Woman's Club, and member and secretary of the Family and Children's Center.

1929/Ann Elizabeth Smith Labino, (W), of Sylva, N.C., July 6, 1994. She was one of the first students at UR to be inducted into Phi Beta Kappa in 1929, the year it was founded at the University. She taught at Central High School in King William County, Va., and was awarded a fellowship to the U. of Mexico to study Spanish. After her marriage to a glass artist, she became his collaborator and business manager and served as an honorary docent of the Toledo Museum of Art. 1931/Virginia Beck Hargrave, (W), of Dinwiddie, Va., July 1, 1994. After graduating from Westhampton College with honors and as a member of Mortar Board, she graduated from the College of And Mary. She was president of B.T. Hargrave Co., and also taught English, French and history in Dinwiddie, Va. 1932/Cecelia C. Henrickson, (R), of Durham, N.C., May 29, 1994. A CPA, he was vice president and treasurer of Duke U. until his retirement in 1972. He received his master's degree from U.Va. 1932/Charles Henry Duggins, (R), of Richmond, June 17, 1994. He worked for Reynolds Metals Co. as corporate records manager and retired after 31 years. He was a member of St. Matthews Episcopal Church and served as junior warden, senior warden and chairman of the acolytes and crucifers for 20 years. 1932/Thomas Burwell Robinson, (R), of Richmond, May 3, 1994. He retired in 1972 as a director of corporate personnel for A.B. Robinson Co. He joined Robinson in 1951 as credit manager and two years later was asked to establish the company's first personnel department. Previously, he had worked for the Veterans Administration. He was a member of the Sales Executives Club, past president of the Northern Virginia Lions Club, life member of the B.P.O.E. Ellis Lodge 845 member of the American Legion Post #125, and past president of the Richmond chapter of The Retired Officers Association. 1935/Grace Ashton Nichols, (W), of Carlisle, Pa., June 13, 1994. She was director of volunteers at the Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens until her retirement. During the 1950s she also worked as a librarian for the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C., and later as a coordinator of volunteers at the United Way of Greater Baltimore. She was a member of the Church of the Redeemer in Baltimore.
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Clarksburg, Va., Dec. 10, 1994. Glen motors Corp. was renamed as National Casualty vice president by R. A. Randolf, Jr., and was also a past president of the company until early 1994. He was a former president of the Greater & Graham Co., a plumbing, heating and air conditioning contracting company, which merged with Eveready Corp. in 1982. He headed the division at Eveready until his retirement in 1988 and remained as a consultant for the company until early 1994. He was a former president of the George L. Suthor Foundation, a charitable organization in Richmond. He served as a trustee of Trinity United Methodist Church, where he taught Sunday school for more than 20 years, and he was active in Rotary International, serving for many years on the central Richmond Rotary Club's foreign scholarship selection committee, most recently as its chairman.

1938/Randolph J. Germans, (R), of Roanoke, Va., April 19, 1994. He was the co-founder and chairman of the board of Rusco Window Co. and served as superintendent of the Greene Memorial United Methodist Church school for 14 years. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army 11th Airborne Division, retiring as a first lieutenant. He was a past president of the Roanoke Rotary Club, receiving the Rotary's Paul Harris Fellow Award, and was also a past president of the Roanoke Sales and Marketing Executives Club. In 1977, he was selected as "Father of the Year" in the Roanoke Valley.

1940/Hunter W. Martin, (R and D-46), of New Kent, Va., July 8, 1993. He was an attorney in Richmond and New Kent. He served on the board of the Va. Bar Foundation and the Board Association for the City of Richmond.

1941/The Hon. W. Harris Grimes, (R), of Alexandria, Va., May 28, 1994. He was a retired U.S. magistrate judge for the Alexandria district of the Eastern District of Va. He graduated from the U.Va. Law School and practiced law in Culpeper before he became a trial lawyer with the land and natural resources division of the Justice Department in the 1940s. He served as a judge from 1972 until his retirement in 1992.


1942/Kathryn Gillelan Crutchfield, (W), of Virginia Beach, Va., Jan. 20, 1994. She worked with Western Electric in New York before her marriage in 1944 to a career Navy officer. She was a member of Galilee Episcopal Church, the Navy Relief Society, Retired Officers Wives Club and was a past president of Birdneck Point Garden Club.

1945/The Rev. Dr. Joseph Powhatan Cox, (R), of Martinsville, Va., June 6, 1994. He retired in 1990 from Edge Baptist Church in Gladys, Va., where he had served for six years. Previously he was pastor of Memorial Baptist Church in Pulaski, Va., and was also pastor of churches in Georgia and Alabama. He received both his master of divinity and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He served as a trustee of the Religious Herald and held various positions in the Highlands Baptist Association.

1946/Naomi Hall Kingery, (W), of Franklin, Va., May 9, 1994. She was a former model and service supervisor from 1946-1951 for Miller & Rhoads department stores in Richmond. For many years she helped her husband, Charles E. Kingery, R'45, in his business, the Parker Drug Co. Inc. She was a member of Franklin Baptist Church, Franklin Woman's Club and the Southampton Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Earlier this year she was honored when the Naomi KIngery Rural Training Center in Bangalore, India, was named for her. The center is sponsored by a group from Asia, founded by her son, Dr. Charles F. "Chip" Kingery Jr., R'76, and his wife, Jean. Her other children, Donna Kingery Hudson, W'73, and Terry H. Kingery, R'78, also are U.Va. alumni.


1950/Charles E. Moffatt, (R), of Reedsville, Va., Dec. 11, 1993. He was a retired public accountant.

1951/Doris Goodwyn Bridgforth, (W), of Kenbridge, Va., July 8, 1994. She completed her undergraduate and graduate degree in education at Longwood College in Farmville, Va., and served as headmistress of the former Kenbridge Day School. She continued as an elementary teacher at Kenston Forest School in Blackstone until her death.

1951/Curtis David Oaks, (R), of Martinsville, Va., Oct. 2, 1993. He retired after 25 years as a regional manager of General Telephone Co. He was a president of the local chapter of the American Heart Association and helped organize the Horsepasture Volunteer Rescue Squad. He was a member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church, where he taught Sunday School and served as chairman of the building committee. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

1953/The Rev. Paul B. Logan Jr., (R), of Hampton, Va., June 4, 1994. He served as pastor of Second Branch Baptist Church in Chesterfield County as well as at other churches in Virginia. He was a graduate of Southerwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

1957/Marion W. "Skip" Ward Jr., (R), of Covington, Va., Jan. 17, 1994. He was a principal at Lord Botetourt High School in Covington, Va., from 1970 to 1981. He received his master's degree of education in secondary administration from U.Va. and served as chairman of the Va. High School League. He was a history teacher and guidance counselor at Robert E. Lee Junior High School in Danville, Va., and an advanced government teacher at George Washington High School, also in Danville. He served as director of secondary education with the Prince William County Public Schools in Manassas, director of the superintendent training program of the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C. and coordinator of special education with Fairfax County Public Schools in Fairfax, Va. He was active with the Virginia High School League, serving as chairman and on the executive committee.

1959/John Melvin Smith, (R), of Vienna, Va., Feb. 25, 1994. He was a mathematics professor at George Mason U. and a consultant to the National Institute of Standards and Technology. He received his master's degree and doctorate in mathematics from the U. of Maryland. He served as a volunteer for the Boy Scouts and was a member of Vienna Presbyterian Church.

1960/Patricia Crawford Keller, (W and G'63), of Snellville, Ga., June 22, 1994. She worked as an administrative assistant in the department of pathology at Emory U. for nine years and previously was a medical research psychologist at MCV in Richmond. She received her master's degree in psychology from U of Richmond in 1963.


1978/The Rev. Dr. John B. Hesch, (R), of Richmond, June 5, 1994. He was an appointed member of the Tribunal of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond but had not begun to serve. He received a master's degree in theology and a doctor of ministry degree from Catholic U. He served as an associate pastor at St. Augustine Parish in Richmond from 1982 to 1986 and was parochial vicar at St. Nicholas in Virginia Beach for a year before serving as pastor at Sacred Heart Parish in Big Stone Gap in 1987.

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Class 70th Year Reunion,
May 5-7, 1995!
Fanny Marks celebrated her 90th birthday in January 1994 and has decided to retire. She and her partner, sister Marcella, have "closed the doors" at Fanny's, their clothing store in Roanoke Rapids, N.C.

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Class 60th Year Reunion, May 5-7, 1995.

Our scholarship recipient, Claire Barrett, W'97, is an honor student. After spending the summer teaching children in New Mexico, she was thrilled to be selected to live in the International House at UR during the 1994-95 year. Your contribution to the scholarship fund is helping an outstanding young woman attend college.

Eleanor Caperton Farley and her husband attended the Boatwright Society dinner and meeting.

Otelia Francis Bodenstein and her husband have recovered from the ice storm that damaged so much of their property.

Katherine Grace has been very faithful to Westminster through the years. She lives in Lunenburg, a lovely part of Vermont.

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Grace Ashton Nichols, who died in June 1994.

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Dot Shell Wood, Garland Wilson Brookes, Betty Conrey Van Buskirk and Scotty Campbell Jacobs had a lot to talk about at the Alumnae Luncheon, which all enjoyed. Dot is moving into a condo and discovered a lot of Weshampton memorabilia while cleaning out her attic. Scotty and Pete still swim daily and are now proud great-grandparents!

Jessie McElroy McCall and Don retired from their mission in Yorkton and now live in Montrach, N.C. They are well and have been visiting friends and relations and speaking all over the country. They also enjoy two new grandchildren. They have volunteered to work in China for six months and are awaiting the details.

Judy Florance reported the death of Bess "Pat" Walford, Feb. 6, 1994.

Fifteen W'39ers came to our 55th year reunion and had a lovely time. Some of our favorite haunts and exchanging news. Many of them expressed a wish to have our usual class reunion dinner, which was missed this year. Mauda Elliott.

Deichter hopes to reinitiate it at our 60th. So keep well and join us for that one.

W'39 secretary apologizes for the scanty news this year. She has had numerous medical problems, but is feeling back to normal now. In fact, this is being written at the start of an RV tour of British Columbia and Alaska with her son and family.

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We are distressed to report that Anne Addison Bowling died in May 1994. We remember so well her speaking in memory of Bette Melos Warnke at the 50th reunion, telling how they came from New York together in 1937 to enter Westminster.

At the Boatwright Society Dinner in May, Jean Neasmith Dickinson presided with authority and grace. Weshampton "41 members in attendance were Mayme O'Flaherty Stone, Virginia Garrett Wimmen and Elizabeth Holden Slupek, Royal Brandon, R'41, and Paul Saumier, R'41, who drove down from their homes in Charleston.

It was nice to see "Miss Smith," now Gladys Smith Barlowe, who looked amazingly young at the secretary of Dean Keller way back when.

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Eulalia Edwards Pitts went to Sofia, Bulgaria, in April to visit her daughter, Marianne, and her son-in-law, Lee, and their two children. Lee works as a foreign service officer at the U.S. Embassy. Marianne also works at the Embassy. Eulalia had tea at the U.S. Ambassador's residence.

Ruth Latimer is playing golf and running her boat again.

Gladys Kaufman Metz and Art entertained Nancy Lazenary Stables and Linton in June at their New Jersey home. They all traveled to central Europe with a group of friends, 16 of whom met at the Metz home for a cool down. Prior to this celebration, Gladys and Art had met Nancy and Linton for an Elderhostel program in Vicksburg and traveled together to Tennessee to tour the Shiloh battlefield.

In spite of the extreme winter weather, Katherine Mumma Atkinson and Jack met Gladys and Art for dinner to discuss plans for a trip to Spain and Portugal in the fall.

Jen Lea Guthrie Yancey is busy with gardening, grandchild renvolunteering at the hospital, church committees, and duplicate bridge.

Lottie Blanton Applewhite, now living at Carol Woods in Chapel Hill, N.C., had a visit from Jean Motter Dempsey at which time they made plans to attend the 50th reunion next May.

Lottie participates in a research study on osteoporosis.

Alma Rosenbaum Hurwitz was in Alexandria, Richmond, and Baltimore in June for visits with old friends and an 88-year-old cousin. Also in June, she traveled to her home on Lake George and transferred her sailboat from the marina to her dock on the lake. The arrival of daughter Robin and children was a welcome event.

Natalie Heller Barnicle has abandoned her exotic cruises for the moment in order to rest at home.

Dorothy Francis Atkinson wrote of the death of her husband, Ben, on May 21, as a result of a massive stroke. They were married for 36 1/2 years.

Married in Math & Science

Probing the way things work

As long as she can remember, Margaret Carter Foster, W'57, has been fascinated by what makes things work.

Her inquiring, probing mind has found her studying the rod and cone cells of the eye, secretory granules in pancreatic islet cells, neuronal and glial cells in a central nervous system, or the subatomic particles of high energy physics.

She is looking, she says, more for the "why" than for the practical application of what she has found.

There are applications, however. Her studies of cells may shed some light on how cells communicate. The rods and cones are light-sensitive cells. The secretory granules in most pancreatic islet cells store either insulin or glucagon. The subatomic particles are clues to the structure of matter.

Following her intellectual curiosity has taken her around the world. With a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, Foster has been the recipient of awards that have taken her to England and Switzerland for residency.

Early on, first while she was at Westhampton, and later, as a Rotary Fellow, she spent time in Germany, living with a family and studying at various universities.

A native of Waverly, Va., where her father was superintendent of schools for 35 years, she has lived in the Midwest, California, Maryland, and now in Port Jefferson, N.Y., an historic village on Long Island where she is within minutes' walk of the Sound.

In 1972, she switched careers, going from teaching and research to research only; and from experimental high-energy physics to the physics of biological research — biophysics.

She was an assistant professor of physics at the State University of New York at Stony Brook; a research biologist at the University of California at San Diego, at La Jolla; and a research physicist at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

Today, in still another career shift, she has put aside the role of prober to edit the papers of other researchers, as assistant to the editor of the Physical Review for the American Physical Society in Ridge, N.Y. And she taught a course this summer at the department of physics at SUNY, as an instructor.

Obviously, she has not been afraid to take risks. "I went where the opportunity took me," she says, in retrospect, "and when the opportunity ended, I moved on."

That's the scientific side of Margaret Foster, exploring realms of physics which the average layperson cannot comprehend.

But, just as there was at Westhampton, there is a very accessible side to Foster. As an undergraduate, she was one of few women who majored in physics — she speaks of nights she studied alone with the one available text for the course in the library of North Court — but she also was a three-letter varsity athlete.

She excelled in hockey, basketball, and tennis. She played trumpet in the band. And, at the same time, she made Phi Beta Kappa.

A college suitemate, Carolyn Naumann Robertson, W'57, who lives across Long Island Sound from Foster in Fairfield, Conn., is not surprised that Margaret has a hard time articulating her scientific achievements.

"In college," Robertson recalls, "she was a very private person. She never talked about herself. The two do visit and Robertson says her children found Margaret fun because she is very outdoory.

Foster's social life today is on two levels, she says. A winning toastmaster, she is founder and past president of a Toastmasters club. "I thought I needed to learn to make a better presentation," she explains of her speaking engagements, which form a large part of her nonscientific life.

The other fun part is her folk-dancing activities, some of it nurtured by her time in Germany, and her folk-singing, usually in groups.

With her working days spent in a confining situation while she focuses on a computer terminal containing information about scientific manuscripts and reviewers, her off-time is devoted to the outdoors, hiking and even canoeing. A pair of snowshoes is stacked against her front door. She uses them to get around Port Jeff in the winter.

Of Westhampton, she remembers best her German professor, Dr Wilford Skinner, who motivated her to spend the summer after her junior year in Germany. While German used to be the language of the scientist and Foster is proficient in it, she remarks that most of the papers today are written in English.

Foster reflects on her career, which has been very successful from the standpoint of accomplishment and awards, and admits she might have done it differently.

"I was following what was interesting to me," she says, "and at the same time, adhering to the mandate, 'publish or perish.' On hindsight, I might have gone into biophysics sooner. I feel I should have gained more career savvy.

"Teaching is growing very attractive to me again," Foster says. "Colleagues who received their doctorates when I did are professors with tenure today. My career may have been richer and personally more satisfying, but I lack the security they have obtained.

"I was taking an alternative path," she muses.

And then she was off to join some toastmaster friends for an afternoon. Her other life.
Betty Ann Gustafson, W'47, won the tennis matches for her age division in the NationsBank City Championship.

Betty Brown Parsons has a home at White Stone, Va., where her daughter and son from Virginia Beach join her for recreation on the water. Bea Mahon Daniels has now moved to Irvington, Va., her permanent home. Her daughter has a catering business in nearby White Stone.

Sara Elizabeth Jones Bruni and her husband, Rudy, are "resting" enthusiasts, too, as they enjoy life in the Chesapeake Bay area. (I enjoy working with Sydney Bruni, Sara’s daughter-in-law, in the Westhampton Garden Club.)

Sara Frances had word from Ann Murphy Dameron, whose husband, Zach, and their daughter planned to spend time in Spain last summer.

Sara Frances and Sam, who is semi-retired, have their vacation home at Wintergreen in the Blue Ridge Mountains. They are, at times, joined there by daughter Justin and her husband, Leigh, and the children, Sara, 11, who is on the Country Club of Va. swim team, and Robbie, 7, who live in Fox Chapel, not far from Grandma and Grandpa. Thanks, S.F., for sharing those bits of news!

Virginia “Gin” Eillet added Greece to her list of places in Europe she has visited. In July, Shirley Davis Sanford flew to Boca Raton, Fla., where she enjoyed a relaxing time in the sunshine with daughter Susan. Howie Bingham Kiser and daughter Lissa stayed with Shirley, following a family reunion in Richmond.

In July, I had the good fortune of traveling to Alaska with a group that included Nancy Richardson Elliot (my roommate) and Helen Cole Richardson and Straughan. We cruised the Inland Passage from Vancouver, British Columbia, to Seward, Alaska. We flew home from Anchorage.

Please call me specifically if you are continuing to pursue your career (still working)!) Let us know, so we can salute you!

BETH WILBUR HOOKER 2917 Skipton Road Richmond, VA 23225

We had a wonderful reunion in May. We missed those of you who were unable to attend but hope you will make our next one. Betty Evans Hopkins will be in charge of that reunion in 1999.

Those attending this year were Kitty Wyatt Towns, Rosie Calhoun McCarthy, Betty Ann Allen Dillon, Martha Hall, Virginia Shaw Warren, Mimi Anderson Gill, Barbara Rhodes Barker, Pat Allen Winters, Jane Sanford Jennings, Ann Bing Abbitt, Harriet Smith Powell, Dorothy Richwine Korb, Jane Dennis McManigal, Jean Harper Sellers and Elaine Leonard Davis.

Also attending were Helen McDonough Kelly, Peggy Harris Barnett, Flo Gray Tullidge, Joyce Robertson Goforth, Cornelia Ayres Bales, Hazel Jennings Beninghove, Frances Hix, Betty Evans Hopkins, Alda Marlin Nolfinger, Audrey Bradford Saup, Khaki Smith Spratley, Ida Eanes Patrick, Ann Pulsford Rakes, Hathaway Pollard Clemens, Nancy Berry Fulcher and Beth Wilburn Hooker. We also had a record number of husbands attending. Mimi Anderson Gill is now in charge of our scrapbook, so please, if you have any pictures or clippings, send them to her at 9019 Woodsonor Drive, Richmond, VA 23229.

Peggy Harris Barnett’s husband, Bill, died just after our last reunion, which he attended. This time Peggy brought her fiancée. She still works six days a week in the bridal business and lives in Bridgewater.

Flo Gray Tullidge and Tommy have bought a large tract of land near Tappahannock, but they haven’t started building yet. They have children and grandchildren living in Richmond.

Mary Burton Haskell McKenzie was unable to come for the reunion because of children visiting from California. As our families get larger, it’s sometimes hard to make our own plans. Hope those of you who attended our reunion party on Friday night at the Commonwealth Club got pictures from me. The official photographer didn’t show but Jane Sanford Jennings had a camera. Thanks so much, Jane, for sharing the film with us; she took other snaps, which I have passed on to Mimi for the scrapbook. Those photos included some from Saturday night at Keller Hall.

Lou Winn McCutcheon was on a trip to Bermuda at the time of the reunion. We missed you, Lou.

Betty Evans Hopkins enjoys retired life. She and husband, Jim, live at Brandenberg on the golf course. Their son Jim lives in Oklahoma with their two grandchildren, and their daughter lives in Germany. Isabell Taylor Staples lives in Pensacola, Fl. She didn’t make the reunion because her husband can’t travel. Izzy has four boys, two of whom are twins.

Randy Mann Ellis wasn’t able to attend because one of her daughters had serious surgery. We hope all went well. Her husband is still working and they all play tennis. She and Dick have three grandchildren.

Mary Barnett Small wrote the Alumni Office regretting that they could not attend the reunion because of a conflict, but she hopes to attend our 50th. Her daughter, who graduated from Westhampton in 1973, is in medical school and was inducted into the honor society.

Laura Sanders James lives in Edenton, N.C. She was unable to attend because of babysitting duties in Florida, where her daughter is an attorney.

Cynthia Patrick Lawson also missed because of babysitting duties — in California, where her daughter had a second baby just a few days ahead of our festivities. Cynthia’s husband, Jack, died in January. We extend her our deepest sympathy.

Jane Denis McManigal’s daughter Elizabeth had a little boy in May. Jane, of course, went to Atlanta to help. She and Mick now have seven grandchildren. They have bought property in North Carolina, so we hope they will soon be on this coast.

Audrey Bradford Saup and Bob were also going at this property on this coast. They were in Richmond in July visiting us and then went to Williamsburg, where they saw Virginia Shaw Warren and Ruth.

Shirley Armstrong Sutton passed away in Lynchburg on Feb. 8, 1994. We extend our sincerest sympathy to her family.
Have we got it right? Let us know!

You were recently notified about our new Alumni Directory. If you haven’t already done so, please return your questionnaire today to ensure an accurate listing.

Within two or three months, the verification phase of this project will begin. Alumni will receive telephone calls from Harris Publishing Co., the directory publisher. When your call comes, please give the Harris representative a few moments to verify your listing.

Note: Be sure to tell the representative who calls if you wish to order a copy of the Alumni Directory, since this will be your only opportunity to place an order.

The UR Alumni Directory will be available in April or May 1995.

Don’t miss your chance to be listed among our 29,000 alumni!

Caroline Lynn Doyle was married on Feb. 6, 1994, to Robert Harman Davis. They will live in Roanoke.

Martha Hall is our new secretary. Please be sure to send her lots of news for our next newsletter — 309 East Atlantic St., South Hill, VA 23870.

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We offer condolences to Elizabeth Gill White on the death of her mother, Rachel Trues Gill, age 94. Before her mother’s death, Elizabeth wrote about their first grandson born to daughter Dorothy and husband who live nearby in Bowie. Elizabeth continues to teach, play and perform on the organ while serving as

Suzanne Holt Bagley celebrated her parents’ 75-year marriage last July. Her father, 95, and her mother, 94, live in their own home! Suzanne retired in 1993 after 25 years of teaching. Her husband, Bill, had successful open heart surgery in 1993 and continues working for the Postal Service. Her daughter Anne is married and lives in Richmond; son William works for Dibrell Brothers Tobacco; son Steve suffered head injuries in 1975 and is enrolled in a day program at Charlotte Courthouse, Va.

Ernestine Allport Sasser reports building a home in Montpellier in 1976 while working in Richmond. Later she became church secretary. First Baptist Church in Ashland and retired in 1982. Since then she’s enjoyed being home, writing and traveling three times to England.

Anne Marie Hardin Bailey: Her husband Ben’s mother died after a debilitating five-year illness early the morning their daughter Beth was married. All the relatives stayed an extra day for the funeral. Beth is an administrator for the emergency department of George Washington U. and her husband is a coffee entrepreneur. For a rest, Ben and Anne Marie visited Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Living in their beloved Williamsburg, she volunteers in the Adult Skills Literacy Program, teaches Sunday school and serves on the board of the Middle Peninsula Club of Westhampton College.

Among Richmonders who traveled last summer were: Marylyn Cooper McGraw and Lee Thompson Osborne, who vacationed at different times in Alaska last summer; Mary Lee Moore Vinson, who enjoyed Virginia Beach; Virginia Herrick Coppock and Bob, who delighted in seeing two World Cup Soccer games in Washington, D.C.; Norma Streever Doss, who returned to Toronto and also enjoyed a Leesburg wine festival; and Sue Pitts Hodder, who met her son John in Los Angeles, and traveled up the coast to wine country.
Patty Smith Kelley and Page traveled four different weekends to visit their four married sons and families.

Mary Francis Arrighi Tonacci and Robert thrilled at the wonder of the upper Southwest.

Frances Allen Schools traced her ancestors on her father's side in Scotland, toured the Scottish Highlands and ended her trip in London.

Gwen Priddy Donohue's annual outing with her daughter went well in Virginia Beach, with a stop at Sugarloaf Mountain for an annual outing with her grandchildren and children. She then enjoyed a four-week trip to New England and studied acting with the British American Drama Academy. Jeremy Irons spoke at one session and she found him to be "just a regular guy."

Betty Lehr Miller and her husband, Jules, have moved into a new home on Chesapeake Ave. in Hampton, Va., a few blocks from their former home.

Ruby Vaughan Carson had an interesting and meaningful tour in May to Bastogne and the Normandy beaches as well as Paris and Luxembourg. In July, she visited Nova Scotia, where she and her husband, Bob, cruised on the Aegean Sea, followed by a land tour of Turkey. Last February they were blessed with a seventh grandchild, Katie, who joins sister Elizabeth, born to son Edward and his wife Patty. Son Robert works with Bob as the project manager on the award-winning common development, Way at Worman's Mill in Frederick, Md. Bob is now moving to the town square and designing town houses, as well as continuing to build single family homes. They went to Kansas with an evangelistic team to share their faith with schoolchildren; their son Kenneth joined them there.

When I spoke to Jean Crichten Kauffman, her daughter Lisa was visiting from Wisconsin with her two children; they all spent two weeks at Virginia Beach together. Jean's daughter Leslie, who lives in San Francisco, had previously been with them for a week. Jean and Myron enjoy many family reunions, not only with their three daughters, but also with Jean's mother and sister, who live in Dallgharn, and Myron's family, who live nearby.

Myron, a general and vascular surgeon, is cutting back on his workload somewhat, so they are able to travel. They've been to England 11 times! Jean is very involved with work on the auxiliary board of the Old Dominion Academy of Medicine, raising money for charity with their annual antique show, which is said to be one of the best in the East Coast.

Jackie Kilby Brooks was invited to Bangalore, India, in March to a consultation between the two Christian international schools in India that are supported by an organization, KWI, in the United States. Jackie taught at one of the schools in Kodai Canal several years ago and now serves on the board of KWI. It took her 45 hours to get home from India! I hear from the grapevine that two classmates are enjoying their first grandchildren — Ginnie Thomas Phillips and Betty Leigh Stemmbridge Leggett.

Sunshine said that Betty Leigh's granddaughter is named for her and moon. Let's hear more of the details! You will be hearing the details later, but please start planning for our 40th class reunion in May — it promises to be a wonderful time.

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Class 40th Year Reunion, May 5-7, 1995!

Marjorie Blevins Alexander and her husband, Jimmy, (we knew him as "Sonny") celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary in August with a cruise to Alaska. They are happily retired from the ice cream business, having moved to town from the farm. They spend the majority of the year at their condo on a lake in Knoxville, Tenn., and two months every winter at their Florida home at Hillsboro Beach, below Boca Raton.

They are both avid boaters, spending a lot of time with extended family on their yacht. Their son Jimmy has two boys, ages 12 and 9, and daughter Kim has a girl, 5, and a boy, 3. Margie's mother, who's 82, lives nearby and is very active.

I spoke to Virginia "Sunshine" Murden when I was in Portsmouth for my niece's wedding. Sunshine loves the freedom of retirement and is able to visit often with classmates from Westminster.

Mary Anne Logan Morgan came for a week's vacation, and they spent much of the time at Polly Bundick Dize's place in Cranberry, N.C. She often sees Bobbie Reynolds Wyker and Buddy, who have a lovely home built in the 1800s on the point in Urbana. Buddy runs a "fix it shop," and they both drive to Richmond each Wednesday for supplies.

Joy Winstead traveled to England in June with Alice McCarty Haggerty. They spent the first week holidaying London, staying at Mariah Chisholm Hasker's flat, and the second week on a Smithsonian tour of the Cotswolds.

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Developing the 80 mpg automobile

To tap into the titles of his many jobs, Dr. Claude Carrington "Cary" Gravatt Jr., R'62, would seem unapproachable to the nonscientific mind.

On the contrary, he is so environmentally savvy that what he has to say touches the lives of all of us.

At the moment, he is working with the Big Three of the auto industry to develop a car that will get 80 miles on a gallon of gas. The time frame: within the next 10 years.

Gravatt is manager of the federal team which is working with the car manufacturers — GM, Ford and Chrysler — in a breakthrough partnership between government and industry.

The research, Gravatt says, is vital on two levels: to the American auto industry to make it more competitive in the 21st century when it hopes to sell cars to such countries as China and the former Soviet Union, and to government to reduce the need to import oil. Both factors, Gravatt feels, could be a major boost to the economy.

There is such promise involved that the government has allocated $250 million to $300 million a year to the studies and the auto industry at least that amount, Gravatt says.

His title is executive secretary of the Partnership for a New Generation of Vehicles (PNGV), Government Operational Steering Group. His day-to-day responsibility takes him often from his base in Washington to Detroit, where he has learned more than he ever expected to know about the auto industry.

In addition, he has management responsibility for two other manufacturing and technology functions in the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Gravatt's career in the scientific world goes back to 1969 when he joined research in chemical physics at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., working with Nobel Prize winner Peter Debye, before joining Bell Labs.

Gravatt and his wife, Ann, who is also a scientist, live in Rockville, Md. They have two daughters: Ann, who graduated from the University in 1992 with a political science major and plans to attend law school next year; and Lee, who is in a surgical residency at the University of Michigan.

Gravatt looks back over his career with a feeling of accomplishment. "I hope I have made a difference in people's lives," he says.

By Betty Sessler Tyler, W'42
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dinner at the Deancry, children, one of whom, Je an
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Sally Ann Clarke Crooker has survived the massive
cutbacks at IBM and is still a programmer in Poughkeepsie.
Her husband, Joe, retired early from AT&T but is working part
time in the advertising business.
Their son, Jay, graduated from
Richmond in 1993 with a degree in chemistry and is now
a student at UNC Chapel Hill. Cheryl, a sophomore at Susquehanna U. in Pennsylvania.

Julie Haynie has retired!
She was teaching in Colorado
where she has lived for many years.
She said she has several unique
party themes for her (I'm wondering what "unique"
meals, Julie?nds hopes to travel
a lot, play more tennis and learn to play golf.

Frances Pitchford Griggs' husband, Walter, is writing a second book.
His Civil War book I mentioned in the last newsletter is in the bookstores.
Their daughter, Cara, an honors
roll student at Colgate, entered Westphal this fall, possibly to major in history.

When I wrote the last newsletter I mentioned Carol
Winfield Elliot but had misplaced her Christmas letter.
I have found it and feel
compelled to include a little of it even though some things may have
changed. Her twin
Andrew and Phillip, who are both interested in science,
were accepted at Yale and Harvard. Carol playfully
suggested that she'd entertain
suggestions for paying the bills!
They have traveled west in Colorado, New Mexico and Utah, including Grand Canyon and Zion. Next time they'll do
more hiking.

Chirstopher, their oldest, is by now in his third year at
Kenyon College in Ohio,
majoring in biology. All the boys play musical instruments.
Husband Frank is serving on the staff of the director of
Central Intelligence, overseeing
technology development
activities. Carol is chairman of
the religion department at National Catholic School in Washington, D.C., and has
colauthored an eighth-grade
curriculum, "Values in Action."

Buddy and I just got back from a trip out to Phoenix,
where Buddy's cousin lives, and Las Vegas. We took a
tubing ride down the Salt River near Mesa. Whoa! We
explored the new casinos —
MGM is huge and has an
Emerald City inside. We also
saw Rita Rudner and Paul
Anka, different turns.

Thanks again to everyone
who wrote or called. The next
deadline for news is Jan. 15, 1995.

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Class 30th Year Reunion, May 5-7, 1995.

everyone pretended to be "Miss Bush" (remember her?)
for this deadline, so I'm sorry there's not much news to
report.

Susan Gunn Quisenberry of Quisenberry and Warren Ltd., in Richmond, has been
named to the 1993-94 board of
directors of UT's Women's
Resource Center. The center is in capable hands.

Linda Holt Lilly and Eddie
have become accustomed to
their empty nest in Norfolk and
enjoy tennis, bridge and travel
in their spare time. Linda does a
lot of volunteer work and participate in a French book
club and a French bridge
group. Their son Ned and his
wife, Susan, live in Arlington, Va., and the work in the area.
Son Kevin graduated from U.Va.,
in May, spent the summer at
Officer Candidate School at Quantico and is now attending
the T.C. Williams School of Law.

Barbara Vaughan and Millie Bradshaw have been
hanging out at Millie's beach

house in North Carolina. Millie continues to teach math in Florida. Barbara works in
Richmond.

Starting plans now to attend our 30th reunion on
May 5-7. The last reunion was
great, and the more who come,
the more fun it is! See you there.

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Well, girls, here's the news. The only trouble is, there's not
much of it. You know, a lot of us
read these Class Notes but fail
to put our own stories in them.
Since for most of us this is the
only way to keep up with old
— sorry, bad choice of words, let me say, fondly
remembered classmates, please take a minute to drop
e-mail and let me know what's
new in your life.

Patricia Shands Neidehart received a $25,000
Millen Family National
Educators Award in April.

Pat teaches at Broadneck Senior High School in Maryland. Like the rest of the 150
educators recognized at the conference, Pat had no idea
she was even being considered.
A committee appointed by the state's department of education quietly and anonymously
made the selections based on criteria
provided by the Foundation.

Congratulations, Pat!

Let me hear from the rest of you, where you are and how
you are. Remember, there is
no such thing as small news. If it's from you, it's important.
How to get your news in Class Connections

Along with our other changes to the magazine, we’re studying ways to strengthen the class news. Some alumnae, for example, are concerned that Westhampton news takes too long to be published. For many years, it has been published on a twice-yearly "odd-even" system, which guaranteed that it was always out-of-date; we’re looking at better ways to collect and print it. We’re also looking at a system of collecting news via electronic technology.

For the next few issues, however, our process remains the same. We’re still dependent on readers to send us news according to the deadlines at right:

Please continue to keep our files updated with your current address and telephone numbers, even if you don’t have other news.

And many thanks to all of you who write — you help us keep UR alumni in touch with each other.

Material received by Appears in issue
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April 15 (W, even) Summer
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Oct. 15 (W, even) Winter

Catherine Holmes Hubbard, her husband, Rick, and their three sons moved from Amelia County to Northampton County, Va., five years ago. They bought a restored 1799 colonial home and started their business in the community. Cattie teaches preschool handicapped students at a new elementary school.

Linda Niemann Evans lives in Ashland and works as the director of public relations for Randolph-Macon College. She was elected treasurer of the College News Association of Va. and the District of Columbia. She and her husband, Jack have one son, 20.

After a short time in a new job, Betty Conner returned to her position as personnel analyst at the Va. Department of Social Services in Richmond, where she had been since 1982.

Kathy Neale White teaches a seminar class in government and economics at Richmond Rapids High School. Her husband, Bill, practices law. They have two sons in high school and one in middle school.

Rev. Minor Palmer and Patty Collins both live in Brooklyn, N.Y., and attended dinner and a play together. Patty is a lawyer in her own practice. Rev. is a medical examiner with both medical and law degrees.

Yvonne Olson updated her news with a note about further travels with her husband, Charlie Hall. A five-week trip took them across the United States, up the West Coast and into the Canadian Rockies. Yvonne has now been to all of the 48 contiguous states.

Dave Adams lives in Rochester, N.Y., where she is an underwriter for General Accident Insurance Co. Her leisure time is happily spent working on her house. I have included information about only 60 percent of our classmates, so there are still many of you who need to send news!

Spring 1994

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Classmates have been sending a lot of news, pictures and news clippings.

Meg Gilman-King sent a photograph of her twin daughters whom she and her husband, Mike, adopted from Russia on Thanksgiving Day 1993. Molly Elizabeth and Mary Catherine were born in December 1991. Meg really values her summers off from teaching high school in Hanover County to be with her girls.

Beverly Black Sholton and her husband, Dick, and their 15-year-old daughter, Suzanne, moved from Virginia Beach to Little Rock, Ark., in August 1992. Beverly "retired" from teaching elementary school when her husband's job transfer occurred, and she started classes at the U of Arkansas in fall 1994.

Bet Harrell Neale lives in West Point, Va., with her husband, Mark, and their three children. Their oldest daughter, Nancy, was hospitalized in November 1993 for two months after a serious car accident. She still managed to graduate third in her class and entered the College of Charleston in fall 1994. Bet appreciates all the support of her Westhampton friends during their crisis. Bet is a lobbyist at the Va. General Assembly on behalf of the state's school superintendents.

Bet sent a clipping about Ruth Lankford Chamowitz, who was elected president of the Alexandria Bar Association for the 1994-95 year. In the past, she has been awarded certificates for her pro bono legal services. She and her husband, Mark, and their two sons reside in Alexandria. Ruth was originally in our class but graduated early.

Another classmate who accelerated her graduation was Catharine Dixon Dowda. Cathy has lived in Greensboro, N.C., for 18 years. She and her husband, Lamar, and her two daughters enjoy traveling together. Cathy is employed by a clinical psychologist as a counselor in private practice.

Cheryl Carlson Wood and her husband, Andrew, have a law practice in Richmond. Cheryl attended the T.C. Williams School of Law of from 1977 to 1979. Their practice and two sons, ages 11 and 8, keep them very busy.

Paula Galbraith manages the company libraries for Mary Kay Cosmetics at their headquarters in Dallas, Paula has a master's degree in library and information science and has been a special librarian for more than 20 years. Her work has taken her to Japan, Mexico and other foreign lands. She also teaches graduate classes at the U. of North Texas.

April Frames Gaskins is the head teller/customer service representative for Signet Bank in Heathsville, Va. She and her husband, Leonard, vacation annually near Key Largo, where they enjoy two weeks of sun and deep sea fishing.

Ollie Weaver Hudgins was an "older-than-average" student when he attended Westhampton as a psychology major. He garnered many honors in college, then put her skills to use in special education instruction in Henrico County Public Schools. She has just retired and plans to hone her tennis skills and enjoy her grandchildren.

Spring Crafts Kirby
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I am writing this during one of the hottest summers that I can remember ever suffering through in Richmond, but you won’t get it until sometime in the late fall or early winter. Hope this finds all of you well and inspires you to WRITE!
Esther Small is back in school working on her medical degree at MCV. She plans to finish in May 1995. Esther's mother, Mary Burnett Small, W'49, wrote that Esther has been interested in medicine since she was a small child and "after many years of nursing, she is well on her way to realizing her life-long dream." Congratulations to Esther, who received recognition for the highest grades in three subjects and three scholarship awards; she was inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha, the medical honor society. Many thanks to Mrs. Small for her letter.

In May, several of us got together for an absolutely wonderful weekend in Sandbridge (Va. Beach). The weekend was planned by Kelly Hardy and Patty Stringfellow Garbee after our last reunion. We also sent notes to people in the Tidewater area. Attending in addition to Kelly and Patty were Sandy Snidow Howard, Gayle Goodson Butler, Nancy Martin Jett, Martha Poston Turner, Betty Rodman Harris and me.

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Biostatistician studies drug interactions

With her mathematics degree from UR, Dr. Chris Gennings, W'82, is tackling medical and drug-related issues from across the country.

She is an assistant professor of biostatistics at the Medical College of Virginia and divides her time among teaching, researching, and consulting. Biostatistics is a branch of statistics with applications in biomedical research.

She teaches graduate programs for master's level and Ph.D. students in her field. She also spends much of her time in statistical research.

"In order to do the kind of research I am interested in," she says, "I spend a lot of time finding out what real world problems are in other fields and I think, 'How am I going to handle that from a statistical analysis perspective?'"

Gennings' main concentration is in chemical interactions. In chemotherapy, for example, where six or seven chemicals are often involved in one treatment, she develops statistical methods useful for describing the effects when one chemical or drug is increased.

"I'm more of an applied person," Gennings says, "so I am motivated by applications and not just by the theoretical aspects."

Along with her research, Gennings serves as a consultant in biostatistics for physicians, toxicologists and pharmacologists. "It's nice when your research and your consulting go hand-in-hand," she says.

As part of a grant from the U.S. Army, Gennings studied chemicals in the treatment of nerve agent exposure through the Department of Chemical Defense in Aderdeen, Md. The Army was concerned about the treatment of those exposed to nerve gas. Gennings researched which combination of drugs would provide maximum survival probabilities for personnel exposed to nerve agents.

Presently, Gennings has three cooperative agreements assessing the risks of chemical mixtures for the Environmental Protection Agency. One application she is focusing on is the clean-up of dump sites. The statistical methods are motivated by the regulatory problem of determining which site is the most hazardous and should be cleaned up first because of the nature of the chemicals found in combination at the site.

She was recently appointed for a three-year term to an advisory board to the Federal Drug Administration. She meets three or four times a year with the board to discuss drugs that affect the nervous system. When a drug company has a question about a drug's use or restrictions, the question is sent to the advisory board.

A recent question presented to the board dealt with the safety of a compound for the treatment of epileptics.

"The drug really turned peoples' lives around," Gennings says. "It was wonderful to see the effect."

Gennings has published more than 30 papers and made numerous presentations across the country since graduating from UR.

She decided that she wanted to pursue a career in statistics when one of her professors, Dr. Van Bowen, suggested it her senior year. "He is a great guy," Gennings says. "He took an interest in me and encouraged me to think about a career in statistics."

She was offered a stipend for graduate work in statistics at MCV, where she earned her Ph.D. in biostatistics in 1986.

"I didn't want to be a theoretical mathematician," she says. "Statistics seemed like an interesting field. I didn't know much about it when I came to MCV and I just sort of fell into it."

Although Gennings had not had all the statistics classes that someone at a large university might have taken, she felt that she was a more well-rounded person for having chosen UR.

"I'm a real liberal arts-backer," Gennings says. "A lot of people feel if you're in a technical field, you should get into it early. I don't agree, because I really enjoyed the liberal arts part."

While at UR, Gennings was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board and the Baptist Student Union. She was an officer in Pi Mu Epsilon, the mathematics honorary, and tutored high school students. She spent her free time with members of the "Duke St. Kings" club sports team and enjoyed running.

Her twin sister, Carol Gennings Harsh, W'82, was an art history and studio art major at UR. Although the two were close, they did not see much of each other.

They often confused professors because they looked alike. During Chris' first year, she worked in the mathematics department and met Dr. Bowen. He greeted someone he thought was Chris outside the bookstore, and was shocked when he was ignored.

"He really thought I was a big snob," Gennings says. "I didn't know anything about it until someone finally told him I had a twin."

Their older sister, Lynn Gennings Ford, W'81, was one year ahead of them at UR. "It was nice to have them around," Gennings says, "but we didn't spend a lot of time together. That's the way it should be."

Gennings did not think seriously about any other colleges before she applied to the University for early decision. She had frequently visited her older sister at UR and thought "it just felt right."

In 1992, Gennings married Otis Fulton, an educational consultant. The couple had their first child, a daughter named Drew, in May.
Lise Holdorf Tracey had a son, John Clayton, on Oct. 8, 1999. She and her husband, Brian, live in Silver Spring, Md. She still keeps in touch with Elizabeth "Liz" McLaughlin, who lives in Irvine, Calif. Liz has a son, Call, who was born during the summer of 1993.

Barbara Horton works for Circuit City Stores at their headquarters in Richmond; she is in communications and management recruitment. Given how much Circuit City is growing, I am sure Barbara is busy.

Malia O'Connell Flatt and her husband, Neal, who is a Chesterfield County police officer, moved back to Richmond after having spent seven years as an Army family. Malia left the Army in 1992 as a captain after serving as company commander in Korea. Malia and Neal have three children — Corey, 5; Ian, 4; and Jesse, who is less than a year old.

Grace DiLiberto, who was a special assistant for the investigation and prosecution of securities law violations, was appointed assistant in the investigation and enforcement section of the public safety and economic development division of the Va. Attorney General's Office. She was also elected a member of the law firm of Taylor, Hazen & Kauffman, where she has been since 1990. She concentrates on estate planning, administration and tax.

Elizabeth Morris Reddick was married in May 1989 to Christopher Reddick, who graduated from Notre Dame in 1978. Elizabeth gave birth to a daughter, Jennifer Elizabeth, in October 1990. She also has a stepson, David. On the career front, Elizabeth left Mutual Broadcasting/NBC Radio, where she worked as a budget/financial analyst, to stay home with her children and to start her own business.

Natalie Garnett Dardick lives in Goochland County, Va. She married in February 1993, and is pursuing a master's degree in teaching at VCU. She also works part time as a systems consultant.

One of the sweetest letters I got was from Denise Brown, who wrote that she is definitely in the "managing to persevere" phase of her life. Her second son, Barrett Avery, was born June 22, 1999, and her oldest son, Anderson (Andy), 3, loves being the big boy of the house.

When Denise returns to work in October, after an extended maternity leave, she will be working as a project manager in the training area of NationsBank and participating in a pilot program for employees who telecommute to work. Denise wrote that otherwise her life is very routine — trying to remember to pick up the drycleaning, cursing at the construction speed limits on Pump and Church roads and wondering what happened to the last 10 years.

Deeena Brandreth Brown married J. Michael Brown on July 9, 1994, in her hometown of Blue Bell, Pa. The couple were well represented in Deeena's wedding party: her sister, Kelly Brandreth, W'87, was maid of honor; Gunny Yoder, who traveled from St. Louis and Kerri Purvis, who traveled from San Francisco, were bridesmaids. Other alumni who walked in the wedding party were Anne Barrett, Karen Barclay Robinson and her husband, Michael, W'84.

After the wedding, Mike and Deeena honeymooned in Hawaii for two weeks, and Deeena wrote that it was wonderful but made returning home to Hoboken, N.J., and working in the big city of New York a culture shock.

In April, friends and classmates gathered to remember the late Mary Beth Donnelly, B'85, and to dedicate a bench in North Court in her honor.

In April, friends and classmates gathered to remember Mary Beth Donnelly who dedicates a bench in her honor. Nancy Williams, Suzanne Krachun Green, Laura Quarles Spillane, Janet Muller Young, Alice Dunn Lynch, Sally Mattews, Terri Allen Hendley, Tad Davis, B'84, and I had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly in Keller Hall. We spent many hours remembering Mary Beth and looking at pictures brought by the students. It is funny we did not think we had aged until we started looking at pictures from sophomore year! The bench is under the arches in North Court. So, if you ever get on campus and want to stop to remember Mary Beth, you'll know where to look.

Well, now you know how I have been spending my year: buying wedding presents, going to weddings, working and finishing — finally — my MBA.

Maura Meaney Blaul and her husband, Frank, had a baby girl, Sarah, born April 15, 1994. Maura changed divisions of Xerox Corp. in January to Xerox Business Services. She sells facilities management services to law firms in Washington D.C.

Kris Rowland Rossie is director of lower school admission at Cape Henry Collegiate School in Virginia Beach, Va. She received her master's degree in education from William & Mary in August. Before I go, I want to share with you one more thing that Deeena Brandreth Brown wrote. She said she was thankful to URI for being a place where she made so many friends, that 10 years (yikes!!!) later we are still close and keep in touch even though we've spread out all over the United States.

I know from your letters that many of you feel like Deena does, so I hope that you will all plan to come to our 10-year reunion (double yikes!!!) next spring, and in the interim keep those cards and letters coming!

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Hi everyone! I've moved again. My husband and I are living in Alexandria, and I am the public relations specialist for the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA) in Washington, D.C.

Kyna Lawson-Moore is an in-home family preservation counselor for First Hospital Corp. in Norfolk. Kyna also works as a private practice therapist with a Christian agency. She and her new husband, Rodney, live in Chesapeake, Va.

Diane pacifico Marnam graduated from St. John's Law School in 1990 and is now an attorney at Pacifico, Di Gregorio & Pacifico law firm in Mineola, N.Y. She and her husband, Peter, and daughter, Samantha Joan, live in Hicksville, N.Y.

Paige Harrison Patton and her husband, Steve, and their new baby, Lindsay Diane, live in Irondequoit, N.Y. Paige is a bookkeeper for Birmingham Radiological Group.

Melanie McElhinney, of Arnold Finnegan Martin, was appointed to the 1993-94 board of directors of UR's Women's Resource Center.

Michelle Morey works as a claims examiner for Fremont Compensation Insurance, a worker's compensation insurance company, in San Francisco, Calif.

Kristi Kern Nelligan, B'85, is the manager of the Gayton branch of Pioneer Federal Savings Bank in Richmond.

Karen Froid Bullard is general counsel for Chestnut Lodge Hospital in Rockville, Md. Kelly Brandreth was selected for membership in the Wells Fargo Honor Society at the Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle, Pa. The society recognizes academic excellence, and membership is limited to seniors who rank in the top 15 percent of their class.

Margaret Gehret, B', has taken a job with PNC Bank Delaware as a trust investment officer.

Maria Grady Murphy is the director of meetings at the National Association of Life Underwriters in Washington, D.C.

Beth Jacobson, B', was elected treasurer of the Va. Chapter of Meeting Planners International. She lives in Glen Allen and works for the Va. Society of CPAs.

Paige Chicklo is still working at Beaufort Academy in Beaufort, S.C.

Amy Weston DeVoe, B', was elected secretary of Prevent Blindness Virginia. She works for Boehringer Mannheim in Richmond.

Linda Galvin, B', graduated in May 1994, from MCV with a master's degree in physical therapy. She works as an orthopedic physical therapist at Sheltering Arms Physical Rehabilitation Hospital in Richmond.
Lisa Kent Duley, (W and L'93), finished a clerkship with a federal judge and started a new job with the law firm of Brault, Palmer, Grover, Zimmerman, White & Mims in Fairfax, Va. Her main area of practice is insurance defense.

Kristen Cobbs Jewick graduated from UR with a master’s degree in special education and works as a resource teacher for elementary students with learning disabilities. She and her husband bought a house in Rockville, Va.

Kristi Wilkinson graduated from Hahnemann U. in Philadelphia with a master’s degree in physical therapy and works as a physical therapist at Mercy Medical Center in Denver, Colo.

Susan Daniels Collett, (B), has been named practice administrator of Hanover Family Physicians in Mechanicsville, Va. She graduated from MCV and served her administrative residency at Johnston Willis Hospital in Richmond.

Martha Mock received her master’s degree from VCU in 1992 and is in early childhood special education in Richmond.

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Congratulations to our classmates who have recently married: Lori Laurenson Crumner, (B), Carolyn Louttit McGarry, Ellen See Dickerson, Elizabeth Morrow Clark and Michelle Martin Chapman.

Amy Patteson Holtz received a master of divinity degree in May from Union Theological Seminary in Virginia. She serves as the youth director for Oakwood Memorial Baptist Church in Richmond.

Karen Schiller has made a switch from teaching and is now working for Dunn & Bradstreet in Los Angeles.

Karen Tomlin has joined the advertising firm of Barbes Martin & Associates Inc. as a traffic manager. She still lives in Richmond.

Alisa Mayor is a third-year graduate student in the department of Slavic languages and literature at Brown U. in Rhode Island. She has earned her M.A., and is nearing completion of her Ph.D. Alisa also works as a teaching assistant in Russian language.

Katie Miller received a master’s degree in psychology from Va. Tech and is continuing her studies for a doctorate in clinical psychology. She is a member of the American Psychology Association, Va. Psychology Association, the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy and Psi Chi.

Tricia Gosselin, (B), is a district manager for Manning Resilient Floors in San Diego, Calif.

Susie Corl attends Boston U. School of Social Work, pursuing a dual master’s degree in social work and public health.

Carolyn Louttit McGarry was promoted to advertising sales assistant at Rhode Island Monthly Magazine and had her first article published! She also married Todd McGarry.

Sara Cofield completed her master’s degree in Spanish at Middlebury College in August 1993. She now teaches Spanish at Moorestown Friends School in New Jersey.

Lorraine McCullion, (B), received a juris doctor degree from the Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle, Pa. She graduated cum laude and was selected for membership in the Woolsack Honor Society for academic excellence, which includes seniors who rank in the top 15 percent of their class.

Ellen See works as a marketing coordinator for DMR Architects in Rochelle Park, N.J.

Danna Doyle is a second-year medical student at Tufts U. She does her clinical rotations at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Mass.

Lori Rieger graduated from Georgetown U. law school in May 1994. She serves as a clerk for a judge in New Jersey Superior Court/Criminal Division.

Laura Petillo is teaching and working on a Ph.D. in English at Louisiana State U. She played Laura in “The Glass Menagerie” and Dorothy in “The Wizard of Oz” at a Baton Rouge theatre.

Lori Laurenson Crumner, (B), married Michael Crumner. She is an accountant at Prudential Stancato Real Estate Co. in West Chester, Pa.

Julie Garber, (B), has returned to Richmond and works as an account administrator at Thompson, Siegel & Walsman Inc.

Lisa Toews, (B), has been promoted to marketing coordinator at Wheat First Butcher Singer in Richmond.

Katie Davison was promoted to research analyst at Paine Webber, managed accounts department.

Valerie Newmann graduated in January 1994 with a master’s degree in environmental policy from the U. of Delaware and was a student speaker at spring convocation. Valerie was appointed to the position of research associate with the Center for Energy & Environmental Policy at the U. of Delaware.

Elizabeth Morrow Clark and her husband, Paul, live in Lawrence, Kan., where they are both graduate students.

Elizabeth finished her M.A. in Russian/Eastern European history and hopes to complete her Ph.D. soon.

Michelle Martin Chapman finished her master’s degree and works for the Medical College of Georgia as a perinatal genetic counselor. She is a new mother and will work in Germany for a little while longer, so she’d love visitors!

Melanie Lawrence, (B), was promoted to supervising senior accountant at KPMG Peat Marwick in Richmond. She also serves on the UR Young Graduate Program steering committee.

Christie Marks received her juris doctor degree from Loyola Law School, where she was a member of Law Review and on the moot court board. She now practices as an attorney in New Orleans, La.

Julie Tschorn received her master’s degree in physical therapy from Emory U. in May 1994. She now works as a physical therapist at Grady Hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

Dina Lowe Kenagy is an administrative assistant at International Division Inc., an export management company in Springfield, Mo.

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Sarabeth Haden Johnson celebrated her first wedding anniversary on Aug. 7, 1994. She works as a health educator at Augusta Medical Center in Staunton, Va., and is in graduate school at JMU in health sciences.

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...AND HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH!
I spent the past summer in Sierra Leone, Nigeria and The Gambia. Much of my time in West Africa was spent in Sierra Leone. This was my first trip home since a bunch of young upstarts in the army staged a coup d’etat on April 29, 1992, that toppled the unpopular one-party dictatorship of the All Peoples Congress (APC).

The new government claims to be revolutionary, but I was not the least impressed. Far from being revolutionary, the National Provisional Revolutionary Council (NPRC) is a ruthless dictatorship that is hopelessly corrupt, intolerant of political pluralism and inherently incapable of launching a progressive era in Sierra Leone politics.

That the present leadership in Sierra Leone squandered the promise of a popular coup d’etat is not surprising because:

- the leaders of the 1992 coup were motivated by personal and corporate grievances rather than by a genuine desire to improve the living conditions of subaltern masses
- a background of chronic material destitution predisposed the new leadership to the same venal patterns of wealth accumulation characteristic of the regime it ousted from power
- the Sierra Leone army is dangerously lacking in discipline and professionalism and has become a monster that cannot be caged, at least not by the NPRC leadership, and
- with maybe a few exceptions, the new regime has invited and rewarded sycophancy, mediocrity and opportunism in a manner all too reminiscent of the APC days.

I found no substantive difference between the NPRC and the regime it forcibly removed from power — the characters and functionaries may have changed, but the rules of despoliation remain the same.

Banditry, violence, plunder and the wanton destruction of lives and property are the order of the day, especially in areas affected by rebel activities.

Just a month prior to my arrival in Sierra Leone, an Irish priest and a Dutch doctor, with his wife and five-year-old daughter, were brutally murdered by what many believe to be government soldiers.

Military regimes were the rule in Nigeria and The Gambia also, although Gambia had a civilian government during my stay there. This was my first visit to Nigeria, the most populous country in Africa, and The Gambia, the least populous state in Africa.

I found civil society in Nigeria to be very robust and vibrant but the military continues to pose a serious obstacle to institutional and social progress. The military has been in power in Nigeria for much of the independence period and shows no signs of disengaging from politics in the near future.

Moshood Abiola, a Yoruba tycoon, had his 1993 election as president annulled by the military, was arrested and charged with treason after he declared himself president of Nigeria, and is currently languishing in prison.

An uneasy calm pervaded the political atmosphere while I was there, but the failure of the Hausas and the Igbo to throw their weight behind the campaign for democracy seemed to have played right into the hands of a military that has no intention of relinquishing power.

Gambia was a different story altogether. Where Nigeria was chaotic, overcrowded and engulfed by political crisis, The Gambia seemed the quintessence of social tranquility and political stability. Life in The Gambia was less stressful, the people are more laid-back and there was an abundance of food and other basic items.

This stability, however, masked a corrupt political system steeped in patronage, nepotism and cronyism. A month after my visit, a coup d’etat ousted the 29-year-old civilian government of Dauda Jawara. A military junta is now in charge of the country and it will be some time before the true intentions of the new leaders become manifest.

Although conditions in Sierra Leone appear to be more desperate — about a quarter of the total population of four million has been displaced by the so-called rebel war — than in Nigeria and The Gambia, all three societies share striking commonalities.

For one thing, they all now have military governments. These governments operate within a neopatrimonial, oligarchic framework characterized by patron-clientelism, repression and the privatization of public resources and offices.

Political power is not institutionalized in any of these states, but civil society is relatively more underdeveloped in The Gambia and Sierra Leone than in Nigeria. This does not, however, mean prospects for democratization in Nigeria are any better, especially given the more intrusive role of the military in Nigeran politics.

As is often the case in these circumstances, going home was a many-sided experience. I savored some good old-fashioned home cooking, familial warmth, the spontaneity and adaptive ingenuity of Africans and the cultural treasure and depth of everyday life.

As hard as life is in these countries and as difficult and frustrating as were some of my experiences, I could not help but feel that I was in my moorings in West Africa.
When the Wilton Center for Interfaith Campus Ministries opened in 1990, the lovely building seemed to call for a collection of art that would visually complement the building’s purpose.

An art advisory committee with representatives from the chaplain’s office, faculty, staff, students and alumni chose to focus on the concept of “frontiers of faith,” which was drawn from the chaplaincy’s theme, “Journey Toward Wholeness.”

The committee commissioned glass artist and designer Eric Hilton of Odessa, N.Y., to do “Pathways” as the theme piece for the art collection.

His charge was to symbolize frontiers of faith and reason that challenge the individual on the spiritual journey inward and outward.

Among the symbols used by the artist in his design are light, representing the light of knowledge and the word of life; the tree of life, with the seed of consciousness in its branches; a sphere, representing the human journey toward wholeness through education, personal faith and service to others; and three towers that act as divine guardians in the quest for truth. The crystal sculpture stands on a base of slate, which is 300 million years old.
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Gregory Kapp, one of 13 students
in the ESB program, is doing research in cell biology. For more on the University's
Program, see p. 12.