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Students sponsor AIDS quilt display

Eighty panels from the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt were displayed in the Modlin Center for the Arts on Oct. 27. Each three-foot by six-foot panel commemorates the life of someone who died of AIDS, several of whom were Richmond residents. The panels on display were only a portion of the entire AIDS Memorial Quilt, which includes more than 41,000 panels.

The quilt's first appearance at the University of Richmond was sponsored by the student organization HEART, Helping Educate about AIDS in Richmond Together. It was a dream of HEART president Elizabeth Counselman, AW'99. The organization recruited 30 student volunteers for the event, which attracted nearly 1,000 visitors from the campus and the community.

During an evening program HEART organized for the day of the display, President William E. Cooper told of a friend and colleague who had died of AIDS. "We are reminded by the panels how short life is," he said. "Here we pay tribute to the wonderful lives of those who are no longer with us. They are remembered and we are grateful for them."

"The quilt represents to me the majority of my professional career," said Dr. Lisa Kaplowitz, director of the HIV/AIDS Center of Virginia Commonwealth University, and a speaker on the program. "We've made enormous strides in treatment. We know how to prevent infection, but we have yet to apply our knowledge. Each new HIV infection should be viewed as totally preventable, a failure of education and political will."
Also speaking was Sue Butler, executive director of Caracole Inc., a nationally recognized HIV/AIDS service organization in Cincinnati. Members of HEART read “Letters from the Quilt” as well as the 80 names from the panels.

The program also featured the University Dancers performing as the Shanghai Quartet played, and concluded with a selection sung by Schola Cantorum.

The entire AIDS Memorial Quilt was last displayed in 1996 on the Mall in Washington, D.C. The NAMES Project Foundation displays sections of the quilt some 2,200 times a year to raise awareness and money for education and prevention.

Dorothy Wagener, HEART president Elizabeth Counselman, AW’99, had been working on the quilt project since her first year at Richmond.

"As a university community, we are glad to be a site for the display of this moving, personal tribute which cannot help but raise awareness and promote efforts in prevention and care."

—Dr. William E. Cooper

Chief Judge Susan Webber Wright, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas, spoke on uncertainties in sexual harassment law Nov. 12 at the University of Richmond School of Law.

Her talk, given as the 13th annual Emanuel Emroch Lecture, concluded a daylong symposium entitled, “Sexual Harassment in the Nineties: The Issue That Won’t Go Away.” Several panel discussions by legal scholars and attorneys addressed the impact of recent developments on the law of sexual harassment.

In 1994 Judge Wright dismissed the sexual harassment case brought against President Clinton by former Arkansas state employee Paula Jones. Because the Jones case was on appeal at the time of the lecture, she couldn’t discuss it—but it was settled the very next day.
At a national conference in November whose participants included 12 Nobel laureates, research from two small Virginia colleges took center stage.

Media attention—from the *Los Angeles Times* to Jay Leno—centered on a poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, reporting on the work of Dr. Craig Kinsley, associate professor of psychology; his students; and their colleague Dr. Kelly Lambert from Randolph-Macon College. Their findings were that hormones released during pregnancy and nursing cause female animals to become permanently smarter.

Pregnant and nursing rats performed better on spatial tests involving learning and memory than other rats, concluded Kinsley and his students, Lisa Madonia, AW '98; Regina Trainer, AW '98; Kara Tureski, AW '99; Garrett Griffin, AR '01; and graduate students Gordon Gifford and Stephen Miller, along with Lambert, a Randolph-Macon associate professor of psychology.

The mother rats had to find and remember the location of food caches, water sources and nest sites; and they did these and other tasks significantly better than non-pregnant rats. The findings were so intriguing that Jay Leno mentioned the story two nights in a row (mentioning the University of Richmond the second night). Wire services such as The Associated Press, United Press International and Reuters also picked up the story, as did major newspapers such as *The Washington Post* and the *Kansas City Star*. Kinsley was interviewed by *Time* magazine and *New Scientist* magazine, among others.

Kinsley was interviewed by the BBC, the CBC, German television, and TV stations from Washington, D.C., to San Francisco, as well as radio stations in California, Finland, Germany, Sydney, Australia, South Africa and British Columbia. Kinsley considers his students full-fledged colleagues: "They are smart," he says, "and they spent all hours of the day and night working on the project. He also notes that the University provided much of the funding for the faculty, undergraduate and graduate research done on the project."
Philanthropy program offered

Thanks to the $50 million Robins family gift in 1969 and the following 30 years of successful development campaigns, the University of Richmond has made something of a name for itself in the world of philanthropy. Now the University is sharing its expertise with other nonprofit organizations.

The Institute on Philanthropy, a new program offered through the School of Continuing Studies, offers courses on fund-raising management leading to a certificate.

"We found a high need in the Richmond area for nonprofit management skills," says Dr. Patricia Johnson Brown, the school's associate dean. "We offer a solid curriculum, with 'how-to' information, not just theory. The goal is increased productivity in philanthropy for the 21st century."

Among the core courses in the program are Introduction to Grantsmanship, Financial Management for Fundraisers, and Prospect Research. Electives include Legal Issues, Ethics and Fund Raising, Public Relations and Fund-raising Strategies; and Fund Raising on the Information Highway.

Courses offered last fall were full to capacity with an average of 30 students each, Brown says, and "evaluations have been extremely positive." Participants included several undergraduates, who studied alongside alumni and professionals.

For information about the Institute on Philanthropy, call (804) 289-8133.

Suzanne Price, AW'99

1998-99 Institute on Philanthropy faculty

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Whitehurst dedicated

At a dedication in October for the new Richmond College social space, Mrs. John D. Whitehurst Jr., right, and vice rector Elaine Johnson Yeatts, W'64, unveil the plaque naming the building in memory of John D. Whitehurst Jr., R'27 and L'31.

"The unstructured interaction that will take place at Whitehurst will cultivate and generate personal warmth on campus," said Timothy P. Holtz, R'91, guest speaker. The building houses meeting rooms, study lounges, a game room, snack bar and office space for the Richmond College dean and staff.
Bryan works for C.F. cure

Living with cystic fibrosis has not restricted K.C. Bryan, a sophomore at the University of Richmond; instead she envisions a career raising money that will lead to a cure.

When Bryan was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis at age three, the life expectancy was 19. Now Bryan is 19, and because of the progress in research and medicine, the life expectancy has been extended to 29.

Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that causes her body to produce thicker mucus that can easily trap bacteria, making her lungs a haven for disease, Bryan explains. The mucus also blocks enzyme production in the pancreas, preventing food digestion. Before Bryan eats anything, she must take three enzymes for digestion.

"C.F is not the focus of my life," she says. "I have to be conscious about my health, but I've been fortunate enough to lead a pretty normal life."

Bryan has been unusually healthy, she says. "I have not been hospitalized since I was diagnosed with C.F. It is a source of pride for me, and I'll do whatever it takes to avoid it."

Bryan got a glimpse of a cystic fibrosis-related career last winter when she was asked by Boomer Esiason, a former Cincinnati Bengals quarterback whose son has C.F, to speak at a major fund-raising dinner for the Boomer Esiason Foundation in New York City.

"I think that the reason that I am so healthy is so that I can use my life for fund raising," Bryan says. "As I said at the dinner, the drugs made in the past five years have helped my quality of life. A cure is close and money and awareness are important now."

Bryan's dream job would be to travel to every major league baseball stadium and speak about C.F before a game. "If each fan gave $1, it could raise so much money," Bryan says.

Meanwhile, Bryan is considering a major in American studies. She stays busy at Richmond on the mountain bike team, intramural teams and as a waitress at the Cellar. She also coaches soccer and basketball for the YMCA.

Katherine Harding, AW'99

Leadership forum underway

National and international leaders are coming to campus this year to discuss major issues and interact with students as part of "Leadership in a Democratic Society: The 1998-99 Jepson Leadership Forum."

In October three seasoned Washington journalists conducted a spirited question-and-answer session on the presidency, power and challenges of leadership today. The three were Paul Duke, R'47 and H'73, former moderator of PBS' "Washington Week in Review"; Jack Nelson, chief Washington correspondent for the Los Angeles Times and a Pulitzer Prize winner; and Steven Roberts, a former senior writer at U.S. News & World Report.

Frances Hesselbein, founder of the Peter F. Drucker Foundation for Nonprofit Management, spoke in December on changing lives and building communities. For her work, she was given the Medal of Freedom by President Clinton and named one of President Bush's Points of Light.

Dr. Cornel West, author and scholar on matters of race and diversity, will be on campus Feb. 17. West is professor of Afro-American studies and philosophy of religion at Harvard University and is the author of Race Matters (1993) and a new book with Sylvia Ann Hewlett, The War Against Parents.

Calling March 23 will be Dr. Oscar Arias Sanchez, Nobel Peace laureate and former president of Costa Rica. With Nobel Prize money, he created the Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress, devoted to diversity and peace in the developing world. His lecture will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Jepson Alumni Center.

Speaking March 23 will be Diane Nash, who spoke about her pivotal role in the civil rights movement; and Quintin Oliver, who heads the "Yes" campaign favoring the peace accord for Northern Ireland.

For information, call (804) 287-6627.
Champions compete at invitational
In the Wachovia Women’s Invitational Tournament Dec. 5-6, the Richmond women’s basketball team battled two teams which appeared in postseason play last year.

Bob Foley’s Spiders tipped off the tournament meeting Penn State, last year’s Women’s National Invitational champions. Penn State forced several early Lady Monarch turnovers to lead 19-10 in the first seven minutes, but by halftime ODU was ahead 52-38.

In the second half, Richmond closed to 71-70 after a Travece Turner steal and layup. Although ODU led 98-81 with under two minutes to play, Richmond refused to quit, closing to within six points with under one minute to go before falling 104-97.

Penn State garnered tournament title honors, beating Old Dominion 77-68 before slipping past Alabama 77-73 in the championship. The tournament, sponsored by Wachovia Bank, was attended by more than 10,000 fans.

Freshman Turner, who accounted for a game-high 24 points as well as three assists and two steals against ODU, was named to the all-tournament team.

By Andrew Blair

Highest honor for Hogan
Synchronized swimming coach Peg Hogan earned her sport’s highest honor when she received the Lillian MacKellar Distinguished Service Award at the United States Aquatic Sports Convention in Cincinnati in October.

Hogan was recognized for her lifelong dedication to the development of athletes of all ages. She currently coaches three levels of athletes: the Octopi of Richmond age group club, the University of Richmond varsity squad and the Ramapo (N.J.) Aqua Masters. Hogan has served on many national committees, is an internationally rated judge and has won more than 55 national titles, two Pan American titles and three world championships.

Hogan’s dedication has been recognized by her peers, including a 1997 International Swimming Hall of Fame Masters athlete nomination and a 1988 ISHOF contributor nomination, a 1990 nomination for the Women’s Sports Foundation Masters Athlete of the Year, the 1997 South Zone coach of the year award, and the 1980 Mae McEwan Award for her commitment to the Masters program in the United States.

By Phil Stanton
In its third year as a varsity program, the Richmond women's soccer team advanced to the championship game of the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament before falling to William & Mary 1-0.

The Spiders had never won a CAA Tournament game in their first two years, falling each time to James Madison in the quarterfinals. Richmond again faced the Dukes in the first round of the 1998 tournament, but this time the Spiders prevailed 2-0 on goals by sophomore back Nicole Froman and junior forward Maya Clark. Richmond won by that same 2-0 score in the semifinals against UNCWilmington. Clark netted both goals for the Spiders against the Seahawks.

Appearing in its first-ever CAA Finals, the Spiders surrendered an early goal to the Tribe, and William & Mary made it stand up for a 1-0 victory and its third consecutive conference crown.

For the second consecutive season, sophomore back Jaclyn Raveia was named First Team All-CAA. She was also named to the all-region team. Junior forward Kirsi Cronk and freshman goalkeeper Kristen Samuhel were selected Second Team All-CAA. The Spiders finished the season with a 13-7-1 record.

By Phil Stanton

Richmond participated in the NCAA Tournament for the second time in the program's history, traveling to Maryland for the first round match. The Terps scored a pair of goals in the first half and held on for a 2-1 victory.

Senior midfielder Peter Luzak and sophomore back Craig Ziadie were named First Team All-CAA, while Cesare was named Second Team All-CAA. The Spiders finished the season with a 14-7-2 record.

By Phil Stanton
Record wins for football

Richmond's football team had its most successful season in history, winning a school-record nine games and claiming the 1998 Atlantic 10 Football Championship.

The Spiders dropped their first two games of the season, but then reeled off nine straight wins, including six consecutive road wins. Richmond had a tremendous month in November, winning at Villanova 28-14, crushing #12 Delaware 45-6 at UR Stadium and prevailing 42-17 over #12 William & Mary. That result, combined with Connecticut's 28-27 win over Massachusetts, gave Richmond the Atlantic 10 title.

Jim Reid was named Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year. Senior defensive tackle Marc Megna was recognized as the league's Defensive Player of the Year and was the recipient of the 1998 Dudley Award, honoring the top collegiate football player in the state of Virginia.

Joining Megna on First Team All-Atlantic 10 were senior offensive lineman Eric King, senior defensive back Winston October and junior linebacker Paris Lenon. Spiders named to the Second Team were senior offensive lineman Joe Douglas and junior defensive back Chris Anderson. Third Team All-Atlantic 10 members include senior running back Jasper Pendergrass, sophomore offensive lineman Eric Beatty and sophomore linebacker Mac Janney.

By Phil Stanton

Rehab center named for McNeal

The University of Richmond dedicated the Leonard D. McNeal Sports Medicine Rehabilitation Center in late September, named for Richmond's long-time athletic trainer. The newly renovated facility is located on the ground floor of the Robins Center.

"The original design was for men only and was to handle eight sports," says Chris Hanks, director of sports medicine. "We now have 21 sports and around 400 student-athletes."

"It was a much-needed expansion," he says. "We were able to increase our rehabilitation space. We have 3,700 square feet now. As well as having storage space, we added room for treadmills, stairmasters and bikes. Much rehab now requires movement, so we have space for that. And we were able to cosmetically take care of the place."

Dr. McNeal passed away on Dec. 1 following a long illness.

By Phil Stanton

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Leonard D. McNeal, R'50 and G'58, professor emeritus of health and sport science, died Dec. 1. He was 74.

Former chairman of the health and sport science department, he also served as athletic trainer from 1947 to 1973 and as men's tennis coach from 1951 to 1967. He had joined the health and sport science faculty in 1951.

In 1988 Dr. McNeal was inducted into the National Athletic Trainers Hall of Fame, and he also was a member of the University's Athletic Hall of Fame. He had served as trainer for the USA Decathlon meet in 1979 as well as the U.S. track and tennis teams, and was the historian of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

After retirement, Dr. McNeal was an active volunteer, working with mentally handicapped children and adults as well as literacy programs for children. He was a long-time member of River Road Church, Baptist, where he was a teacher and deacon.

Born in Ontario, Canada, he grew up in upstate New York. Prior to coming to Richmond, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II in Europe with the 101st Airborne Division. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry and a master's degree in psychology at the University, and later a Ph.D. in educational psychology from the University of Virginia.

He is survived by his wife, Deborah T. McNeal; his children, Rebecca L. Miller, Judith A. Saunders and Robert D. McNeal; and two grandchildren.

Football player Tom Woodward, AR'00, works with Chris Hanks, director of sports medicine.
"We are the heirs to dreamers and builders and innovators who transformed a seminary into a college and a college into a University....Our forebears are urging us to continue, to think and act boldly. I am confident we will."

— Dr. William E. Cooper, Convocation 1998

It is tempting to focus on the demarcations in our history, to imagine that the story of the University of Richmond is chapter after chapter of eras, each marked by a distinct beginning and end. The traditional markers of graduation year, faculty tenure, presidential inauguration and retirement support this. The passing of our fourth president, Dr. George M. Modlin, and the arrival of Dr. William E. Cooper as our eighth president beg this tendency, but to stop there leaves us short of a larger truth.

Immerse yourself deeply in the story of the University of Richmond and you will find not separate eras, but a continuum in which each chapter, however different, bears the same unique character. While the changes have been many and deep on our journey from Baptist seminary to streetcar school to top regional university, the spirit that has fueled our climb has remained ever true and consistent.
The University of Richmond story

We sometimes cling to points in our history, changes after which we believe everything was unrecognizably altered. The stunning generosity of the Robins gift in 1969 is one such watershed event. A closer examination reveals, however, that Claiborne Robins would never have granted such largesse to a place and a president without the vision to ask and the inspiration to spend it wisely.

And how, though poor in resources, did Dr. Modlin’s University of Richmond richly qualify in vision and spirit? Perhaps the root can be found in Dr. Frederic W. Boatwright’s outrageous decision to move the campus west to a location it would take years for paved roads to reach. The origin of that portentous choice can perhaps be found in the Rev. Robert Ryland’s decision, in 1840, to expand the curriculum of Richmond College beyond preparation for the seminary.

If we use as our guide this persistent pattern in our history, which Dr. Cooper identified in his first speech at the University as a propensity for “carefully chosen, bold initiatives,” we can see a theme of this University that has persisted since the day the Rev. Edward Baptist opened his academy at Dunlora in 1830.

We are and have always been a place of change. This is a place where curricula and campuses, students and teachers, finances and leadership have constantly changed in the name of offering the best, most needed and most meaningful education. Students once reached us by streetcar from a few miles away; now they travel from all over the country and the world to find us. Their mission of growth and learning and preparation is the same. The scope of our accomplishments has grown, but the spirit remains the restless force of bettering ourselves and this university.

That is not to say that we always embrace change and change-makers. When Dr. Boatwright was chosen to become president in 1895, fellow faculty members resigned in protest and he was burned in effigy on campus. Young Dr. Boatwright prevailed, and over the next 51 years led the University to and through a new campus, the birth of Westhampton College, the advent of an evening school, and two world wars before ceding the presidency to George Modlin. Perhaps our cautious nature is the “carefully chosen” element of our “bold initiatives.” But, in our history, change triumphs when it represents genuine improvement.

It is also important to pay homage to discipline, the quiet companion of change. It is often noted that the meticulous budgeting and frequent “nos” given by vice president Charles Wheeler in answer to requests for University funds ultimately allowed his successors to occasionally say “yes” to the best plans. This steady refrain of fiscal conservatism, coupled with the continuous brick-by-brick improvements accomplished daily by all of us, enables the bold initiatives ahead.

In this issue, we celebrate and thank our torchbearer George Modlin for his deep and gracious undertaking of our legacy of change. He well understood the spirit of possibility he inherited and he served it long and well.
KEEPER of Our Flame

Inheriting the presidency from a legendary leader, George Modlin guided the University through critical times to new horizons.

By Joy Winstead, W'55
The time: spring of 1946. The place: a hotel room in New York City.

George M. Modlin heard the phone ring early on a Sunday morning as he was dressing. The caller was Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, R'04 and H'23, rector of the University of Richmond, with the startling news that Dr. Frederic W. Boatwright was resigning after 51 years as president.

"He had been the University for half a century," Dr. Modlin recalled in oral history tapes made much later. "Nobody had thought of anybody else being president except Dr. Boatwright. We all felt he was going to live forever, so when he announced his resignation we were all caught by surprise."

The trustees were meeting the next day, Dr. Freeman continued, "and we think you'd better be in town."

"I didn't know quite what he was talking about, but I did what he said," Dr. Modlin said. Cancelling plans to attend a professional meeting in Chicago, he caught the overnight Pullman to Richmond while his wife, Virginia, continued on their trip.

At mid-day on Monday, Dr. Modlin received a call from Dr. Charles Wheeler, University treasurer, saying, "Come to the country club. The trustees are having a meeting and you've just been elected president"—a mere three days after Boatwright's resignation.

At the time, Dr. Modlin's thought was that "everybody was off to war and everywhere else, and I was the only person around so they made me president." For eight years he had been dean of the Evening School of Business Administration and chairman of the department of economics and applied economics.

The trustees asked for Dr. Modlin's assurance on two items: that Westhampton would continue as a coordinate college, and that the University would continue to have the Collegiate Gothic style of architecture. He replied that he heartily favored both coordinate education and architectural consistency.

The next day, as the new president stood in the receiving line at a reception for graduating seniors, several faculty members asked the whereabouts of Mrs. Modlin.

Dr. Modlin joked, "Unfortunately, Virginia has gone to Nevada [then the 'divorce capital' of the U.S.]. She doesn't want to be the wife of a college president."

Reno had been on the Modlins' original trip itinerary.

The end of World War II brought a revolution to college campuses, and the University of Richmond was no exception. Thousands of veterans, armed with the financial aid of the G.I. Bill, were knocking on college doors across the country. Like many other institutions of higher learning, Richmond was short of faculty, housing and equipment.

Dr. Modlin went to work right away. By the time he met with the trustees for the first time in February 1947, he recommended 15 appointments to the faculty and authorized the acquisition of prefabricated houses for faculty and "temporary barracks" for students. Building materials were scarce, and South Court was not finished until the second semester of 1946-47. It was the first of 19 major and 15 minor buildings added to the campus during the Modlin administration.

The faculty viewed the new president as one of their own, and he fought for higher salaries, a liberal retirement program, and health and hospitalization benefits. "He was determined to have a top-flight faculty," says Marion J. Stokes, professor of mathematics emerita, who arrived in 1950.

In 1957 the Russians launched Sputnik, and America found itself second in the space race. The government jump-started a major money flow into state-supported colleges and universities. Small, private institutions without large endowments, like the University of Richmond, could not keep up. It became the "creeping crisis."

No one dreamed that Dr. Modlin, R'42 and H'71, a modest man who was uncomfortable asking others for money, would unite with pharmaceutical entrepreneur E. Claiborne Robins, R'31 and H'60, to change the course of the University's history.

E. Claiborne Robins Jr., B'68, H'86 and a Richmond trustee like his late father, emphasizes the importance of the Modlin presidency as the transitional link between the legendary Boatwright and the growth initiated by the Robins family gift of $50 million to the University in 1969. At that time it was the largest gift from a living benefactor in the history of higher education.

"It was not just 1969, when Father's gift was made, that the University had difficulty," Robins says. Dr. Modlin was able to "keep the University together that entire 25 years....He always found an answer and was able to lead the University to what it is today."

Dr. Modlin was the person who asked for and received the record-setting gift, says trustee Ann Carol Marchant, W'67 and a daughter of the late Mr. Robins. "He was the one who convinced Father to do it."

And yet, adds her mother, Lora McGlasson Robins, H'73, Dr. Modlin "didn't want credit for himself, he just wanted what was good for the University. He was very modest."

"I asked my husband one time if he would have done this same thing for another institution or university. He said, 'Yes and no. If they had had a similar president, I think I would have done the same thing.' "

The place: a hotel room in New York City.
In 1947, shortly after he assumed the presidency, Dr. Modlin first met alumnus E. Claiborne Robins. He had gone to Robins’ office to ask him to serve on a fund-raising committee, but Robins was just getting his business off the ground and couldn’t spare the time. Nevertheless, Robins immediately wrote a check for $5,000—a very large sum at that time—and handed it to Dr. Modlin.

Robins was persuaded to become a Richmond trustee the following year and soon joined the executive committee. His family continued its generosity with Robins Hall (a men’s residence hall named in memory of Mr. Robins’ mother), Robins Memorial Field, the Robins Center and later, Lora Robins Court at Westhampton College (named for Mrs. Robins, treasurer of the Robins corporation for many years and a mainstay in developing the business). Other gifts were less visible, but the family has quietly given more than $175 million to the University over the years.

In University lingo, however, “The Gift” always refers to the $50 million gift in 1969 because it came at a critical point in Richmond’s history.

With the “creeping crisis” picking up speed, Dr. Modlin saw three options: continue to struggle for funds, apply to be taken into the state university system, or find a benefactor who would give the University $50 million to place it on the path to becoming a small but first-class university on the national level.

When President Modlin learned that trustee Robins was considering offering financial assistance to the University if it could become free from denominational control—the charter at the time stipulated that all trustees would be appointed by the Virginia Baptist General Association—he paved the way with quiet diplomatic skill, organizing a charter change. The Baptists released control of the University; Robins agreed to nomination by Virginia Baptists of eight of 40 trustees. Mr. Robins transferred more than a million shares of his stock to the University the afternoon before commencement.

On June 9, 1969, before a commencement crowd of 4,000, Dr. Modlin announced—in very matter-of-fact tones, I’m told,” he recalled—a gift of $50 million, $10 million being a challenge gift.

The announcement was greeted with utter pandemonium. The business school’s Dean David W. Robbins threw his hat up in the air and there was a standing ovation. The next day, it was national news—and the faculty had already spent three times that amount on their favorite projects.

The gift, however, went into the endowment to strengthen the institution. “[Robins’] dream was to make this an institution of outstanding quality. I am so glad it could be accomplished during Mr. Robins’ lifetime,” Dr. Modlin said. He saw the $50 million as “seed money,” a gift to inspire other major gifts, which it promptly did.

“It was very difficult for Dr. Modlin to ask for money,” says Robbins, business school dean emeritus, “but he turned out to be one hell of a fund-raiser.”

The man who led the University to a new level showed promise early. George Matthews Modlin was born on July 13, 1903, in Colerain, N.C., son of John W. Modlin, a bookkeeper for a business wholesale company, and his wife, Nancy E. Matthews Modlin.

As a boy, according to trustee emeritus Charles H. Ryland, R’36, E’39 and H’71, the adventurous young Modlin liked to ride the drawbridge of a new railroad span. There were Sunday School picnics at the beach and trips to his grandparents’ farm via steam boat, railway and horse and buggy. “He did all the things that boys do,” Ryland says.

Modlin distinguished himself in public schools as a scholar and as an energetic athlete. In 1920 he entered Wake Forest College to study history. When he was accepted at Princeton University’s graduate school, he was advised to switch to economics because of Princeton’s national prominence in that field.

“I had had only one course in economics at Wake Forest, and I must confess I received the lowest grade in college in that course,” Dr. Modlin recalled on the oral history tapes. He had to take undergraduate courses in finance and labor relations at Princeton to catch up. Across the aisle in one class sat John D. Rockefeller III.
After receiving his master's degree in 1925, Dr. Modlin was offered a full scholarship to return to Princeton for his Ph.D. He taught there from 1927 to 1938. During the Princeton years, while summering at Virginia Beach, he met Virginia Pendleton Brinkley of Norfolk. They were married in June 1928 and every summer afterward they returned to the beach.

Ten years later Dr. Modlin's Princeton mentor ran into the about-to-resign head of Richmond's Evening School of Business Administration at a meeting in Washington, D.C. Was there anyone in Princeton's economics department who might be interested in the job? The Modlins' Southern connections were mentioned. Shortly afterward Dr. Boatwright interviewed Dr. Modlin in Princeton and then invited the Modlins to visit Richmond. Richmond College Dean Raymond B. Pinchbeck chauffeured the prospect around town. It was not Dr. Modlin's first glimpse of the campus; he had played basketball for Wake Forest against the University in 1924.

In the fall of 1938 Dr. Modlin took up his dual position as dean of the Evening School of Business Administration and chairman of the department of economics and applied economics. He vigorously promoted his classes among area businessmen, inviting them to lecture to the students. The Modlins joined First Baptist Church and he became active in the Richmond Rotary Club and numerous other organizations.

When World War II was declared, both Dr. Modlin and his close friend, Dean Pinchbeck, wanted to volunteer, but President Boatwright would spare just one for the war effort. Pinchbeck was chosen and left for Washington, D.C.

Looking back over his presidency, Dr. Modlin once listed what he considered to be his administration's top three achievements:

- the $50 million Robins gift
- establishment of a School of Business Administration in 1949 (later named for Robins), and
- the creation of University College in 1962.

He also strengthened academic offerings, added new degrees and drew the University closer to Richmond’s business community. On the state level he founded the Virginia Foundation of Independent Colleges and served as president of several statewide organizations.

Administratively, he created positions for a dean for administrative affairs (former Dean of Students C.J. Gray); a provost (the late Dr. Robert F. Smart); and the University's first director of development (H. Gerald Quigg, later vice president for development-university relations).

Dr. Gray, who retired in 1979, notes the Modlin interest in bringing the University and the city closer together. "I think that showed in his interest in a center for the arts that would bring people from the city to the campus," he says. "He was a masterful leader, kind, generous and thoughtful, but he didn't escape the hard decisions. He was easy to work for, but he did too much detail himself."

Quigg agrees. When he arrived at the University in 1969, Dr. Modlin was proofreading all of the University catalogs. Asked why, he replied, “I'm president of the University. I'm accountable for everything.”

Among the characteristics of Modlin's tenure, Quigg notes that Dr. Modlin put the University on a sound financial footing; in spite of great odds in earlier times, the University has never run a deficit in the 20th century, Quigg says. And he was “Mr. External of the University,” creating good will as he served on dozens of boards of businesses and community organizations.

Trustee Robert S. Jepson Jr., B'64, GB'75 and H'87, whose generosity helped make possible the Jepson Alumni Center and the Jepson School of Leadership Studies among other gifts, says that Dr. Modlin "absolutely" was a factor in his generosity to the University. Jepson was an undergraduate when he first knew Dr. Modlin, and he served as president of the business school's student government association in 1964.

"He set the tone for the faculty, the trustees, the student body—everyone was moved by his dedication," Jepson says. "I remember him for the class he brought to the place and the vision he instilled in everyone there, a vision that was a wonderful mix of conservatism and being whatever you can dream of being—a cross of those two philosophies."

Two years after "The Gift," Dr. Modlin retired as president. He had served in the top post for 25 years.
Faculty: full-time
1946—73 1971—215

Faculty: part-time
1946—38 1971—113

He set the tone for the trustees,

Salaries rose more than 300 percent
Like Dr. Boatwright, Dr. Modlin became chancellor; unlike his predecessor, he was a very active chancellor. He headed a committee on the history of the University, conducted the research for a directory of trustees, and chaired the committee on stained glass windows for Cannon Memorial Chapel. He became a link between the University's past and present.

"He brought the history of the University to life," said former rector Lewis T. Booker, R'50 and H'77, in a 1990 interview with the Richmond Times-Dispatch. "He gave us a sense of institution and history, a knowledge of the customs that's so valuable."

With Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, H'86, the University's fifth president, Dr. Modlin adopted an attitude similar to Chancellor Boatwright's. He avoided any comments, suggestions or criticism regarding his successor, but he was always available to listen when Dr. Heilman wanted to talk.

"He would never impose himself because he didn't want me to have to turn down his advice," Heilman says, "but he was always supportive....We [presidents] stood on his shoulders." Although Dr. Modlin was old enough to be his father, their relationship was more like that of close brothers, Heilman says.

Age failed to diminish Dr. Modlin's love of sports or his support of Richmond athletic events during his years as chancellor. "Sometimes I'd call him on a wet, icy night and suggest that he should skip that game and he'd say, 'That's ridiculous. I'll be ready,'" says Charles S. "Chuck" Boone, R'60 and director of athletics, who often chauffeured him to games. "He was one of our greatest fans."

When Richard L. Morrill succeeded Heilman as president, Dr. Modlin was well into his retirement. He became chancellor emeritus.

"For me he was a model of grace," says Morrill, H'96. "He was the senior statesman, a man of remarkable humor and consummate grace. I looked at him as a kind of exemplar, a warm presence, dignified, funny and tactful, the epitome of a gentleman. "George was also grace in motion," Morrill remembers. "He was the first on the dance floor and the last to leave, having exhausted several partners along the way... How, I often wondered, did a Baptist ever learn to dance like that? He told me it was Virginia, a worldly Episcopalian, who taught him."

For his part, Dr. Modlin loved to point out that the University finally had a president who was "Rich." 

In 1998 the presidential torch was passed to Dr. William E. Cooper. Although he came to the University when Dr. Modlin's health was rapidly failing, Dr. Cooper caught the essence of the man. He paid tribute to the "serendipity" in University history which combined Dr. Modlin's "intelligent and devoted sincerity" with the "stunning generosity" of Robins to build "the sound and beautiful foundation on which we stand today."

Dr. Cooper says Dr. Modlin "epitomized the Virginia gentleman." It was a description used often by colleagues and friends in describing Dr. Modlin. The "gentleman" image permeated every aspect of his life, from his appearance to his speech and actions.

"Right up until the very end he insisted on being dressed every day in a jacket and tie, sometimes a three-piece suit," says Martha Morgan, the personal assistant who supervised the care of the Modlins in later years.

The chancellor's home at 2 Bostwick Lane overlooks the main entrance to the University of Richmond. From his glass-enclosed sun porch, Dr. Modlin had a perfect view of the campus. He knew fall was coming when he could see the students returning to his beloved University.

On Oct. 4, 1998, his hilltop guardianship of the University ceased. He died two years to the day after the Modlin Center opening. In all, Dr. Modlin had devoted 60 years of his life to the University of Richmond.

His 25-year presidency had bridged the years between the last century and the next; between Dr. Boatwright, who was elected in 1895, and the trio of men who would lead the University through the final quarter of the 20th century.

"He was [the University's] protector and its guardian," says Morrill, "the keeper of our flame."

Joy Winstead, W'55, is a retired journalist living in Williamsburg, Va.
Passing the Torch

On the brink of retirement, four who’ve taught at Richmond since the Modlin administration reflect on commitment to students— their own and their successors.

By Mary Fehm Gravely, W’88

Editorial assistant for the University of Richmond Magazine
After many unhappy hours in the chemistry and zoology labs as a University of Minnesota freshman in 1950, John Rilling decided he wasn’t a pre-medical student after all. Looking around for a new major, he settled on history because two professors from that department had shown some interest in him.

That bond between faculty member and student has been the pattern for Rilling during a 40-year career teaching history at the University of Richmond that draws to a close this spring. Also planning retirement are long-time faculty members Suzanne Kidd Bunting, W’58, in music; Dr. John D. “Jack” Welsh, R’60, in theatre; and Dr. Harry Ward, also in history.

Rilling, Bunting, Welsh and Ward all were hired by Dr. George M. Modlin, R ’42 and H’71, during his 25-year presidency, and they’ve remained at Richmond for a combined total of nearly 150 years.

When the four arrived at the University in the late 1950s and early 1960s, they found a campus very different from what it has become.

First to arrive was Dr. Rilling, who came in 1959 with a newly-minted Ph.D. in history from Harvard. At the time he was something of an anomaly since most other Richmond faculty members were graduates of Southern colleges and universities. Now, says Rilling, his colleagues are more diverse, integrated and cosmopolitan. They come from the best graduate schools in this country and abroad and as a result, the “University of Richmond’s intellectual horizon and course offerings have expanded.”

Commitment to the student has been a constant, however, even as the size of the faculty has doubled. “In and out of the classroom, faculty have been teaching and challenging students, advising them in academics and providing vocational guidance,” Rilling says. “They have been building relationships that often go on long after a student graduates.”

Dr. Jean Scott, W’68, is one such former student. She has kept in touch with Rilling, whom she credits with inspiring her to consider the field of higher education and to pursue a doctoral degree. So it seemed natural to ask her long-time mentor and friend to speak last October at ceremonies inaugurating her as president of Bradford College in Haverhill, Mass.

“Dr. Rilling had a very profound effect on me,” remembers Scott. “He challenged me to set my sights higher, to do things I hadn’t thought I could do.”

During his career Rilling has worked closely with some of Richmond’s best students. He has been an adviser to and coordinator of a number of scholarship programs, including the Oldham Scholars Program. Nearly 150 students have graduated from the honors history program he created in 1961 and taught for more than 30 years.

His door has always been open to students, and they recognize his dedication to them. Student assessments as well as commendations by faculty colleagues have brought him the University’s Distinguished Educator Award five times. He also was a finalist for 1981 Professor of the Year designation, sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Music professor

Suzanne Bunting is another whose students respond to her commitment. Among those who have maintained a collegial relationship with her over the years is Lindsay Peters Christiansen, W’68.

Christiansen, who considers her former professor to be one of her closest friends, held her wedding reception at Bunting’s home. A professor and chair of the voice department at Rider University’s Westminster Choir College in New Jersey, Christiansen has enormous admiration for Bunting.

“Suzanne has had a tremendous impact on my life and my profession. Right off the bat, I wanted to be just like her. A woman of the greatest integrity, she has always been a wonderful role model for her students.”

Christiansen calls Bunting “the ultimate facilitator.” In addition to teaching and chairing the music department for 15 years, Bunting can take much of the credit for securing the internationally renowned Shanghai Quartet as Richmond’s quartet-in-residence and she has been involved with fund-raising efforts to purchase new instruments, including a harp.
Suzanne Kidd Bunting, W’58  
Professor of music  
Music department chair for 15 years  
First full-time faculty member in organ  
M.Mus., University of Michigan; attended on a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship  
Graduate work at UNC-Chapel Hill; study with renowned organists in Switzerland and Denmark  
- Accomplished performer as pianist and organist from Virginia to Europe  
- Published author of journal articles  
- 1992 Alumni Achiever Award, 1989 Distinguished Alumni Award  
- Phi Beta Kappa, 1973  
- Omicron Delta Kappa, 1986

for student use. “Suzanne Bunting opens doors that change people’s lives,” Christiansen says.  

Also a student of Rilling’s, Christiansen says she “majored in Suzanne Bunting and minored in John Rilling.” Rilling was an amazing thinker and, she declares, “he was the most intellectually challenging professor I have ever had. He taught me to look at knowledge and information differently and I have done so ever since.”  

Strong faculty-student relationships are in evidence among the next generation of Richmond faculty as well, say those about to retire. Bunting praises Dr. Jennifer Cable, assistant professor of music, for her “top rate” teaching and frequent attendance at student and alumni independent performances. “She will even take her students who are having vocal problems to the doctor. Her commitment to students is limitless.”  

Rilling cites Dr. Jane Berry, associate professor of psychology, and Dr. Philip Rubin, assistant professor of physics, as examples of younger colleagues remarkably committed to their students. Both attend cultural and intellectual events with their students and invite students to their homes for meals and discussion.  

Berry has worked with Rilling on the Oldham Scholars committee and has served as a faculty adviser to the psychology honor society, Psi Chi; Rubin advises the CIGNA in Science Program, a merit-based scholars program for top-flight African-American students interested in science careers. And as a college fellow, Rubin and his family live on campus in Thomas Hall, a Richmond residence hall.  

Being active and involved in students’ lives is a vital part of teaching, Berry says. “Faculty value the ready access, the personal relationships, the contact with students that Richmond, as a relatively small school, offers.”

Like many others on the faculty, in addition to a full teaching load, Rubin is active in research. The numbers of faculty conducting research have skyrocketed since the Modlin administration, in large part because resources needed for research were not available before Modlin secured the Robins family gift. “Today faculty are involving students in research in ways we never dreamed of in the past,” says Bunting.

For a role model of a professor who both teaches and conducts extensive historical research need look no further than Dr. Harry Ward. Hired by Dr. Modlin in 1965 after teaching at colleges in Kentucky, Ward has taught colonial and early American history at Richmond while maintaining a productive scholarly output. A prolific writer, Ward is the author of no fewer than 13 books—several of them award-winning—and hundreds of reviews, abstracts and articles in his field.

As other aspects of University life have changed, Ward has noticed differences in the students. For one thing, there’s more concentration on student involvement in the community. Students today have greater opportunities for community service—a very important change,” he says. And he believes students these days seem friendlier, more cooperative and interactive in the classroom and out. They also have more outlets for their social life, thanks to the University’s commitment to providing more campus venues for entertainment.

The long-time faculty have definitely seen changes in the physical environment at Richmond. In 1959 faculty and students did without telephones, to say nothing of state-of-the-art laboratories or arts facilities.

Dr. Harry M. Ward  
William Binford Vest Professor of History  
B.A., William Jewell College  
M.A. and Ph.D., Columbia University  
- Colonial/early American historian  
- Author of 13 books, many articles, more than 300 book reviews and 900 abstracts  
- 1990 winner of the Fraunces Tavern Museum award for the best book relating to the Revolutionary War era  
- 1992 winner of the Virginia Social Science Association’s Scholar Award for “expanding the horizons of knowledge in history”
Now there is the splendid new George M. Modlin Center for the Arts, but for Jack Welsh’s first theatre students, it was the Quonset Hut or bust.

When Welsh, R’60, returned to his alma mater to serve on the faculty in 1965, theatre was more a club than a program. “We had no facility and no money but we had a great time,” he says. Welsh says he and his students never let the lack of facilities hinder their theatre ambitions. A self-described idealist with “rosy eyes,” he remembers as a student directing a full-scale musical in the Keller Hall gymnasium. He and his classmates once went so far as to take the wheels off a car they wanted in their production in hopes that it would fit through the gym doors (it didn’t).

Like Rilling and Bunting, Welsh sees his younger colleagues as continuing the Richmond tradition of faculty commitment to students. Reed West, R’76, and Walter Schoen, associate professors of theatre, both have established a strong work ethic in all that they do for students, he says. They put students first, often passing on their own opportunities in local theatre so that they can concentrate on student productions.

And West, a former student of Welsh’s, is another example of a faculty-student relationship that has continued long past graduation, since the two are faculty colleagues. West calls Welsh the best director he has ever worked with in terms of the craft.

In the 1980s Welsh directed two plays to regional theatre festivals and the University Players’ production of Hiawatha straight to national competition finals at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

But Welsh emphasizes that any production’s success is a team effort, and the University’s dedicated staff is just as much part of the team as the faculty and students. He cites Henry Gilliam, a retired lead worker in housekeeping—“whenever something needed to be done, Henry got it done”; John Hoogakker, director of University facilities—“I could call him at 10 or 11 at night and he got us air conditioning or heat”; and most of all, his students and fellow theatre professors—“you’re only as good as your cast and crew.”

To Welsh, theatre students are and have always been a rare breed. “They go above and beyond the call of duty, often working until one or two in the morning on sets or lights for a show. And they work without compensation,” he says. “They do what they do for the love and excitement of theatre. Whether you’re a student or faculty member, the way of the theatre program at the University is to give it your all.”

Bruce Miller, R’72 and a founder of Theatre IV, Virginia’s largest professional theatre, thinks that Welsh’s own incredible dedication to the theatre is what has inspired his students. “We were able to become so entangled in the joy of theatre because Jack Welsh truly believed in the validity of what we were doing.”

In every program of every play that Miller does he credits Welsh. “He was my mentor,” Miller states. “I owe my career to him.”

Whether in mentoring, teaching, advising or research, the quintessential relationship of the University—faculty to student—has been well served by the group preparing to retire this spring. And Rilling, Bunting, Ward and Welsh acknowledge dedication similar to their own in the next generation of Richmond faculty who will carry the spirit of teaching and nurturing young minds into the next century.

Dr. John D. Welsh, R’60
Professor of theatre arts
Department chair for 24 years
M.A. and Ph.D., Tulane University
• Actor in television and film
• Directing: Barksdale Theatre, Swift Creek Mill Playhouse, Theatre IV, and London’s Drama Studio
• Two-time winner, Richmond News Leader’s Phoebe Award for Best Director
• Omicron Delta Kappa Professor of the Year, 1985
• Who’s Who in the South and Southwest, 1980-81
• Phi Beta Kappa, 1976
Westhampton friendship lights the way for 14 women

We were cheerleaders and Homecoming queens, elected by girls to positions of leadership and charmed by boys to positions of compromise. We exchanged confidences and clothes, makeup and men.

We partied till dawn, studied when we had to, and became each others' families through our years together. We dreamed of being more and having more than our mothers as a benefit of women's liberation, the sexual revolution and, oh yes, a fine private college education.

Now we are women—wives, mothers, professionals—certified leaders of lives our mothers could not have imagined for us.

We are actresses and psychologists, counselors and teachers, attorneys and accountants, corporate executives and business partners, married and single, independent all. We have 10 advanced degrees, 18 marriages and 21 children to our credit. We value the men in our lives as best friends and seek meaning in spirituality.

We speak of challenges with careers and children, compare investment strategies and relationship strategies, share fears of growing older. We laugh a lot and cry a little.

While separated by work, family and geography, a respect for life and each other binds us as friends whose first common experience was the University of Richmond. We have grown up together and shall age together, knowing that the autumn of our lives will be enriched and comforted by the friendships founded in that autumn of 1971.

How could we have known that tuition was an investment in our souls as well as our minds?

—From an essay by Deborah Blankenship Edlund, B'75
For Deb Edlund of Chicago or Diane Barnes Kohn of New York City, Katie Schutz Amrhein of Norfolk or Judy Forrest Newlin of Greensboro, Martha Schoonover in D.C. or Ellyn Watts Foltz in Atlanta—or any one of eight other University of Richmond graduates of almost a quarter-century ago, best friends in 1999 are best friends from 1971.

They are a group of 14 women graduates from 1975 who have remained close and fast companions over the miles and through the milestones of life.

The women are CPAs and Ph.D.s, managing directors and general managers. They’re company presidents, TV talk show hosts, psychologists and teachers. They’ve worked for Sotheby’s and Microsoft, Bethlehem Steel and Lucent Technologies. Among them are pioneers, including the first woman salesperson hired by Procter and Gamble and the sixth woman member of the New York Stock Exchange.

Now, as forty-somethings, they e-mail several times a week, get together in two- or threesomes every few months, and meet en masse at least once a year in May.

Dr. Martha Mullen, W’75, a former therapist, analyzes why this particular group of “extremely diverse” women has been able to maintain and build on relationships formed so long ago.

“We went through college together during the crucial years of the women’s revolution, a time when women were discovering their potential, welcoming the pill and heading to business school,” Mullen says.

“We were all highly goal-oriented and ambitious, and we came to have a respect for each other. We were competitive, but in the sense that each of us was forced to aim high because all the others did.”

Mullen feels that her class came to Richmond not just at a time of great change for women in the world but also at a time of great change for the University. “We entered with Dr. [E. Bruce] Heilman his first year as president,” she notes. “He was an incredible force for change at the University—academically, economically, in terms of building and growing. After us, even the nature of the student body changed, I think.”

The young women in this group all worked to help pay for their education. All were serious and excellent students. All were active in student government and leadership positions. More than half of them were cheerleaders; one, Joan DaVanzo, now a Ph.D. in health services from UCLA, was both a cheerleader and Phi Beta Kappa.

Over a group photo taken at a New York City gathering two years ago, one of them has written a caption: “The Cheer Girls in the Big Apple.”

“Not a bad name for us, actually,” says Cindy Lowe Rynning, W’75, a special education teacher in Bloomingdale, Ill. “The core of the group were all freshman cheerleaders who then brought in their roommates and friends until we became a very diverse company. It was cheering that brought us together, and in a different way, cheering has kept us together.

“We’ve always been cheerleaders for one another, totally supportive and there for each other.

“We’ve also been cheerleaders for women in general, for working women as we worked our way up in careers, and for wives and mothers when we took a hiatus to raise our kids. Women have so many choices these days—we really feel we’ve exercised a lot of options.

“We are also still cheerleaders for the University of Richmond. We’re committed to the school even after all these years.”

As the co-chair of Richmond’s Chicago alumni chapter, Rynning often tells prospective students about her group.

“I think it speaks well of the University,” she says, “that it gave us the kind of atmosphere where girls from such different backgrounds and interests would come together and stay together all these years.”

Some of the credit goes to Richmond’s coordinate education system, says Edlund, general manager of Lucent Technologies in Naperville, Ill. “The fact that we had classes with just women, lived with women, interacted every day with women—that was the environment that allowed us to value women, to form friendships that would make a difference in our lives.”

Diane Barnes Kohn, B’75, of New York, who was the first woman (non-family member) appointed president of a major U.S. contract furniture firm, says that college women of her day were the first to take on the world under new ground rules.

Those rules, she feels, were that there were no rules. “In the days of curfew and strict supervision at Westhampton,” Diane recalls, “the first thing we had to learn was how to get around the rules. We were such rebels back then. This group was thinking ‘empowerment’ before that word was popular.

“I think this University sent us out to accomplish a lot, but also to know what is priceless in life,” she continues. “And this
group is one of the things priceless to me. I recently read that you are blessed if you have even a couple of ‘four a.m. friends’—those you can call at four in the morning and they’ll be there for you.

“I have a dozen like that. If the University gave me these friends to carry all the way from college to old age, it’s the greatest gift I ever got.”

Nancy Heilman-Davis, W’75, daughter of President and Mrs. Heilman, was and is a Cheer Girl, too, though not a cheerleader in college. “They took me in, adopted me,” she recalls, “and made me feel as special as I always thought they were.

“There is such a security in these friendships,” she adds. “Sometimes one of us will call another and say, ‘I’m worried about so and so. What can we do to support her right now?’ What a comfort to know so many people have your interests at heart.”

“We all feel that the University gave us the courage to take risks, and that’s the way we’ve gone at life. I know we would all be happy if our kids chose to come to the University but you can’t push.”

In at least one case, group ties extend more deeply into Westhampton history than 1971. The mothers of group members Diana Blackburn and Carol Goode Nugent—Lois Hester Blackburn Bryan and Mildred Cox Goode, both W’44—were friends and classmates at Westhampton College in the 1940s. Now Diana’s and Carol’s eleven-year-old daughters are best friends in middle school. “I would love for my daughter to go to Westhampton,” Blackburn muses. “I love the school and what it stands for, though I’m not sure she would have the experience I did.”

It was, Blackburn concludes, a combination of the times, the environment, and the particular group of girls involved “that allowed us to become what we have to each other.

“But we are definitely not all sugar-sweet and honey dripping. Whenever one of us needs whipping back into shape, it happens. I’ve received my share of lectures and given my share. That kind of honesty may be a big part of why this group is different from other friendships, as well as why it’s survived so long.”

Nugent recalls that not only did she sense that the University was in transition during her undergraduate years but that her parents and grandparents, Richmond graduates of other eras, sensed change as well. “They were in fear for awhile,” she remembers, “of where the University was going and what it might become. Now, of course, my parents are so proud, and I am, too. Though a different school in many ways, it has kept both its sense of community and its quality.”

Karen Hutcheson Wimbish, a managing director with Mentor Investment Group in Richmond, and her college roommate, Martha Schoonover, a special counsel for immigration and naturalization at the international law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski in Washington, D.C., lived in the brand-new Gray Court dorm their senior year.

“You could see the University growing and moving forward around you,” she recalls. “Our freshman year was the year they opened the Robins Center, and the Commons was being built.’

Students were changing, too. “When I was a freshman,” Wimbish says, “about two-thirds of the senior class was engaged and planning weddings. Mine was the first class, I feel sure, in which most of us weren’t engaged.

“But there also weren’t many of us with jobs. We graduated in ’75, right in the middle of a recession. One of the few who left with a job was Debbie, the first woman salesperson hired by Bethlehem Steel.

“We have all chosen to be working women and we’ve worked our entire lives, with a few years off for child-rearing. Like all working women, we’ve paid some personal prices for this—divorces, stress, relocations.

“We haven’t escaped any of the issues women face today. But I do think we’ve been able to face them a little more confidently because we’ve had each other.”
COMMUNITY SERVICE

★ Edwina Knipling Lake, W'58, was a recipient in 1998 of JCPenney Corp.'s Golden Rule Award, which honors community volunteers across the country. One of 15 Northern Virginia winners, she was recognized for her work with Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services Inc. of Fairfax, Va., where she is an advocate for programs for the mentally ill.

A writer and former teacher, Lake has been a member of the board of directors of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services since 1992. With the PRS she has worked to secure housing for homeless people with serious mental illness. In 1997 Lake and her family were interviewed for a United Way television special on recovering from mental illness.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

★ Howard W. Moore, R'47, went to Lithuania last spring to advise a start-up management consulting business, on an assignment with the International Executive Service Corps. IESC is a nonprofit organization that sends retired Americans to assist businesses and private enterprises in the developing world and the new emerging democracies of Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Moore has also consulted as a volunteer executive for the IESC in Poland and in Malawi, East Africa.

Moore retired in 1989 as the executive vice president of the Massachusetts-based Parker Group, and began his volunteer work with the IESC in 1991.

He is the father of George Moore, R'81, and Steve Moore, R'83.

LAW

★ Dennis I. Belcher and Louis A. Mezzullo, both L'76, were named among the 45 best trust and estate lawyers in the United States in the August 1988 issue of Town & Country magazine.

Belcher is a partner in the Richmond firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe, specializing in estate planning and estate administration.

A fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel, he is a frequent lecturer at tax and estate planning seminars. He is past secretary of the American Bar Association's Real Property, Probate and Trust Law section, and is a representative to the ABA house of delegates.

Mezzullo is a director of the Richmond law firm Mezzullo & McCandlish and is an adjunct professor at the University of Richmond School of Law. He is the author of numerous articles on tax and estate planning as well as a number of books, including An Estate Planner's Guide to Qualified Retirement Plan Benefits and Limited Liability Companies in Virginia.

Both Belcher and Mezzullo serve on the University of Richmond estate planning advisory council.

MEDICINE

★ Dr. Charles M. Bova, R'70, is a team physician for the U.S. Olympic Ski Team and for the Salt Lake City BuzzAAA baseball team and the International Hockey League's Utah Grizzlies.

A partner in Spine & Sportsmedicine, a private practice of 'progressive non-operative orthopedics,' Bova has worked for two years with the Olympic freestyle ski team at its headquarters in his hometown of Park City, Utah. A specialist in physical medicine and rehabilitation, Bova practiced emergency medicine for 14 years. While serving as the state medical director for New Mexico's EMS system, he helped put together the state's trauma system.

SCIENCE

★ Dr. John H. Wotiz, G'43, was named "Doctor Honoris Causa" in November by the Scientific Council of the Technical University of Ostrava, Czechoslovakia, in recognition of his lifelong teaching and research activities and his efforts in establishing close cooperation between U.S. and Czechoslovakian universities. He was presented with the award in Ostrava, where he grew up.

A resident of Carbondale, Ill., Wotiz is a professor emeritus of chemistry at Southern Illinois University. He is the author of The Kekulé Riddle: A Challenge for Chemists and Psychologists, is past editor of the Journal of Chemical Education column, "The Story Behind the Story," and is a recipient of the international Dexter Award for outstanding contributions to the history of chemistry.

★ Paul M. Webb, R'91, participated in a research expedition to Antarctica in July aboard the icebreaker Aurora Australis. A week into the trip a fire in the engine room left the ship, its crew and passengers stranded in the ice without power and in temperatures below -50 degrees Fahrenheit. After four days the crew was able to get a secondary engine running and, a week later, the ship made it back to port. A detailed account of the journey aboard the Aurora Australis can be found at: www.discovery.com/exp/antarctica/antarctica.html.

Webb is pursuing a Ph.D. in biology at the University of California-Santa Cruz, where he earned his master's degree in marine sciences. He was aboard the Aurora Australis to study the diving behavior, energetics and physiology of crabeater seals, the second most abundant large mammal on earth. A native of Australia, Webb has co-authored a number of journal articles on northern elephant seals.
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Louise Evanbanks Gray, W, of Saluda, Va., enjoyed her 70th class reunion in May with Frances Anderson Stallard, W.

Virginia Bell Burruss, W, of Ruther Glen, Va., reported the death of her husband, David C. Burruss, who died in August. They had been married for 56 years.

Charlotte Emerson, enjoyed a trip to Sutherland, Va., and her daughter, Helen M. Hulcher, W, in Cornwall, Conn.

Ashby Hunter, R, also visited her son, John, who lives in Richmond, enjoys attending reunions of the classes she taught for many years.

Mildred Clay Green, W, of Sutherland, Va., and her daughter, Charlotte Emerson, enjoyed a trip to Colorado this past summer. She sponsored at John Marshall High School, where she taught for many years.

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From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Mary Holt Woolfolk Carlton attended a dinner recognizing the 25th anniversary of the Richmond chapter of the National Organization for Women. She and Zelda Nordlinger were charter persons of the Richmond NOW. They helped change the face of Richmond by writing and staging peaceful protests. (Miller & Rhodes and Thalheimer's department stores had separate lunchroom areas set aside for women and a "Men Only" bar in those days.)

A sprinkling of men attended the dinner celebration this past summer just as a sprinkling of men attended NOW's first meeting in July 1948, when 68 women and 52 men signed the Women's Declaration of Sentiments in Seneca Falls, N.Y.

In June, Rae Norford Hess attended the graduations of her grandson from Enfield Academy in Rocky Mount, N.C., and her granddaughter from Villa Marie in Erie, Pa.

Our class president, Helen Denoon Hopson, is recovering at Westminster-Canterbury from a fractured hip.

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Dot Ilnken graciously agreed to put together another scrapbook for us all to enjoy at the reunion. Please, as soon as you read this, send her clippings and recent photos of you and your family. Her address is 1003 Forest View Drive, Colonial Heights, VA 23834-1218.

Juanita Tiller Elmquist was recognized for her volunteer work at the Shepherd's Center. More in the "we do good work" department: Harriet Shaffer gave 10,000 hours of volunteer time at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond, then took
some time off. Now she volunteers at Henrico Doctors Hospital. Nell Collins Thompson concluded a two-year term as president of the Virginia Baptist Historical Society; then became a member of the 175th anniversary committee for the Baptist General Association of Virginia for 1998-99. She is a member of the advisory council of Roanoke for the Baptist Homes Inc. She continues with the Roanoke branch of the National League of American Pen Women, and ballet dancing remains a favorite. In July, she attended a ballroom dancing Elderhostel-type program near Birmingham, N.Y. Both of her grandchildren attend college. In July, she vacationed in Nags Head, N.C., and in August, she spent a day in Highland County, Va., with Dr. O. William Rhodenisher, R.R. #4, and his wife, Nancy.

Millie Cox Goode has recovered sufficiently from her February back surgery and was able to travel in August to Maine and New Bern, N.C., visiting with family.

Norma Sanders Granite and Ed vacationed in Southern California in July with their daughter Sara’s family. They then joined us for our mini-reunion week at Sky Valley, Ga., after which the four of us attended an Elderhostel at Clemson U. Joining us at Sky Valley were Anne McIlroy MacKenzie and Mac, and Dorothy Monroe Hill and Stonie. After they left us, Dot and Stonie took an extensive tour of the western national parks. Jim and I flew west to visit our son’s family in Nevada and our daughter’s family in Southern California.

Kan Hayley Wery wrote from Hawaii that Dolly Lederer Maass’ husband, Richie, died at home under hospice care in September. Our sympathy to Dolly at this time.

Lillian Belk Youell, W. of Virginia Beach, Va., moved into a bay villa at Westminster Canterbury.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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Many thanks to Ruth Latimer for details of the mini-reunion that took place in Raleigh, N.C., June 11-14, 1998, and was hosted by Ann Clark Howe and her husband, Chuck. Freedom included dinner on Friday night at the Howes’ home, and a visit to the art museum and dinner at the Velvet Cloak Inn on Saturday. Classmates in attendance were: Gladys Kaufman Metz, Alma “Bunny” Rosenbaum Hurwitz, Mary Campbell Paulson, Mildred Draper Atkinson, Ann Clark Howe, Doris Mills Harwell, Kathy Mumma Atkinson, Nancy Lazenby, Kathy Munna Atkinson, Jane Wray Bristow McDorman and Ruth Latimer. Gladys Kaufman Metz and Art spent two weeks in the Provence area of France in September with a large group, including Kathy Mumma Atkinson and Jack, Mildred Draper Atkinson and Frank, and Mary Campbell Paulson and Jackson.

I must end this letter with the very sad news of the death of Ann Scary Jackson’s husband, J.B., on June 7, 1998.

The Rev. Zane Grey Ross, R. of Richmond, completed nine years as minister of pastoral visitation at Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church. Virginia Lambeth Shotwell, W., and her husband, Dr. J. Ralph Shotwell, R., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Willowbrook Ballroom in suburban Chicago. She received her Advanced Toastmaster Award and led a seminar on “Miracles” at the International Council of Community Churches annual conference. She also was published in the National Poetry Association’s anthology and in the magazine of Religious Science International.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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It is with sadness that I tell you that Joyce Eubank Todd died at her home on July 6, 1998. A memorial service was held at the Chamberlayne Baptist Church in Richmond, where Joyce and her family have been active. Several of our classmates were there: Nancy Todd Lewis, Libby Thompson Schmidt, Leila Phillips Toone, Amy Hickerson Dalton, Frances Anne Beale Goode, Galley Goode Jackson, Ann Ware Fry and J. At the reception after the service, there was a table with memorabilia of Joyce’s life, including many pictures and mementos of the time we all spent together at Westminster. It was heartwarming to remember. I’m sure all of us wish to express our sincere sympathy to Joyce’s husband, Hank, and their family.

Marie Peachee Wicker’s daughter, Beth, called me in mid-July to say that she and her brother and sister were having a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party for Peachee and Jake at their Baptist church in Chapel Hill, N.C. We were unable to attend, but I’m sure any one of our classmates were represented at that happy event. Congratulations to the Wickers from all of us.

In August, eight of the “Rat Alley Gang” met ingreat department at the office, where we live close to one another. Marie White Robeson, Mary Lucy Willis Bareford, Julia Shelton Jacobs, Ann Ware Fry, Louise Richardson Phipps, Bev Byland, Frances Anne Beale Goode and I enjoyed a wonderful day together on the “Rhiva.” Jackie Hodges Walker was unable to join us because she had just gotten home from 10 days in the hospital after suffering a severe asthma attack. She and Hank have five great-grandchildren who have never all been together, so she was hoping to attend a family get-together in Georgia.

Frances Anne Beale Goode was in Lynchburg, Va., this past summer and talked with Mary Francis Bethel Wood. She and Buddy were planning for a cruise in October. Frances Anne went to Randolph-Macon Woman’s College to see “All Under Heaven” with Pearl Buck played by Valerie Harper, a graduate of BMWC.

My deadline for the summer issue is April 1, so please send me news with that in mind. Let me know if you have an e-mail address. Do write, e-mail or phone. I’d love to hear from every one of you.

Howard W. Moore, R., of Paxton, Mass. See Alumni Notables, p. 27, Margaret “Peg” Hawthorne Charlton Reidd, W., of Fork Union, Va., and her husband, Bill, spent their 50th wedding anniversary in England and Scotland in August. She continues painting and exhibiting statewide, and he continues cultivating his camellia garden. They enjoy their grand-children, including son Paul’s newly adopted son from Russia.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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First, a tribute written by Marion Collier Miller. Dear Class of ’47, On July 23, we all lost our dear friend Jean Waldrop. She quietly suffered a brief illness, with only her immediate family being aware. As was her custom, she gave her love graciously, asking nothing in return. Her mature judgement and wisdom were strengthening to many of us. Her friendship and love will endure.

Jean’s devotion encompassed her family and friends. She impacted the lives of the many young persons whom she counseled in her long career within the state court system. Whatever was happening in Richmond interested Jean, and she strongly supported our city and state, particularly theatre and arts events. Her talent for travel became her favorite way to go. Dental care to residents of the home on the QE II.

Betty Tinsley Andrews and I visited by phone. She and Dick were planning a trip to St. Louis in September. She was going to try to get in touch with Kimi, who lives there. Betty has a grandson (son of daughter Lucie) who was planning to enter VMI this fall. After living in Petersburgh, Va., for many years, Mary Lou Massic Cumbly is relocating to Chester, Va., to be near her youngest daughter.

Dr. Thomas O. Layman, R., a dentist in Richmond, was awarded the Mrs. P. Manning Hark Volunteer of the Year Award for providing free dental care to residents of the Virginia Home for Boys for more than 55 years.

From the Westminster Class Secretary

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Thanks for all contributions for expenses and for your news. Keep the news coming—remember, only events that have already occurred. Millicent Hutcherson Taylor and Sim enjoyed a 13-day cruise from Barcelona, Spain, to Istanbul, Turkey. They now live in Melean, Va.

Pat Parlow Broman and Herb went on an Elderhostel trip to Scandinavia in July. They went to Prince Edward Island, Canada. They did some whale watching out at sea from Bar Harbor, Maine.
Anne Bruner Woo keeps busy with 11 grandchildren.

The first week in August, I was in Orlando, Fla., where my 12-year-old grandson from Del Rio, Texas, participated in a two-day competition of World Tang Soo Do Karate. The next week I visited my sister in Sarasota, Fla. In late August, I spent a week in Oakland, Calif., visiting my oldest son and family.

Russell B. Harris, L, a lawyer in Charles City, Va., was named a life member of the Virginia Bar Association at its 108th summer meeting at the Homestead.

Dr. Farrar W. Howard, R', and his wife had four overpasses on Virginia's Route 33 named for them in recognition of their service to the community.

Helen McDonough Kelley, W', was named the mother of a cup winner, Karen, the daughter of Dick. Karen is a National League of Women Voters alumnus from our class.

Last winter, Mary Sue Mock McMillon and Ceci went to Australia and New Zealand. In June, their son Tom and his wife became the parents of twin sons.

Jean Bishop Porter and Joe bought a new Honda in the spring and put 10,000 miles on it traveling from Miami to Rochester, N.Y., visiting friends at many places in between.

Margaret Alexander Anderson's son Chris enjoyed an around-the-world trip for almost six months, including a 24-day trek in Nepal and a seven-week African safari. Margaret joined Libby Givens Pierce and her husband on a trip to the Eastern Shore of Virginia and Maryland. While there, Libby chatted with Mokey Rounds Holloway, who was planning a cruise to Alaska.

Barbara Coleman Augustine and Jim went to the Big Sur of California and Kauai Island in Hawaii. A highlight of the English trip that Joanne Waring Karpipi and Bill took was the visit to the ancestral home of the Waring family, which dates back to 1518. They also took a tour of many British cities and Scotland.

Bernadine Arey Clarke and John took a folk-dance cruise around Norway, and then went to Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia, to visit relatives. Doris Balderson Burbank and her husband enjoyed their first cruise in May to Bermuda.

Alice Clarke Lynch and Bob went to England in May to visit the parents of an exchange student who had visited in their home. Their son Pat met them and toured with them. The Lynches have enjoyed theircondo in the West Virginia mountains.

Linda McClintock Barbour has a busy year with a Nova Scotia cruise; a Caribbean cruise; an European trip that included Spain, Portugal and Italy; plus a trip to Montana. Ellen Largent Perlman and Al enjoyed an Elderhostel in Williamsburg, Va. In June, they spent a week seeing productions at the George Bernard Shaw Festival in Canada.

Claire Noreen Griffin and her husband visited Greece in May and enjoyed a family reunion in New Jersey in July. Hilda and Aggie Field Burke visited "B" Covington O'Flaherty at Manor Care Assisted Living in Richmond. She has lived there since Bill passed away and appreciates the kindness of area classmates who have visited her.

Marianne Beck Duty and her husband went to England in August. This past March, they took a cruise to South America, their longest trip so far.

Charlotte Westervelt Bispham and her husband spent time in 1998 in Palm Beach, Fla., and also in Italy and Sicily. This past summer they went to Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Liz Rowse Wilson and her husband visited Sedalia, Colo., to see the new home of their son Gary and his wife.

How proud we are of our baby cup winner, Karen, the daughter of Helen Lampathakis Kostyal and Dick. Karen is a National Geographic tour guide.

Traveling has kept Libby Givens Pierce and Bucky busy this year. In April, they flew to Phoenix, where they visited Libby's sister and her husband. They also went to the Grand Canyon and returned by way of Sedona, Ariz., where they were surprised to meet the younger brother of Bernie Arey Clarke at church on Easter.

In July, they rode a tourist train for two days to see the Canadian Rockies and visited Victoria Island, Canada. The last phase of this trip was a bus tour from Seattle to San Francisco.

Margaret Bock Wayland and her husband enjoyed Duck, N.C., with their three sons and their families. They also spent time at their lake cottage in North Carolina.

Miriam Weddle Whitt works part time at the Virginia Baptist Historical Society on campus. She attended the Richmond Club spring luncheon at the Jepson Alummi Center, where she was one of two alumnae from our class.

Talented Wilma Whitman Oakley does beautiful needlework at the Dewitt Wallace Museum in Williamsburg, Va. A piece of her embroidery has been accepted by a panel restoring Sulgrave Manor in England, which is George Washington's ancestral home.

Eventually this piece will be applied permanently to the bed hangings at Sulgrave.

In April, the Class of '50 had quite a few hostesses at the Jepson Alumni Center when it was opened during Garden Week. The Bottomley House is such a beautiful place, and you will want to see it when you return for our 50th reunion.
From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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It was good to hear from Liz Latimer Kokiko. In October 1997, she attended her 50th high school reunion in Washington, D.C., where the celebrity guest was Warren Buffett, who was in Liz’s graduating class. The Rex Al Pittman, ‘51, and his wife, Julie Ann Pittman, ‘50, also attended. Betty Musney Spatz and Bob attended an Elderhostel in London last August on the study of the English detective novel. They enjoyed 42 fellow students from many different areas of the U.S.

Jane Lawson Willis took several short trips during the summer to the beach, mountains and to Connecticut with friends. She spent a week in September caring for her 1-year-old twins grandsons. My news is that I have gone back to work and love it! I work two nights a week for the Prince William County Schools as an English teacher for non-English-speaking adults.

Please send more news. We haven’t heard from some of you in years.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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A nice note came from Jane Wilson Rolston in Fort Collins, Colo. She attended her first class reunion last May. Jane’s husband, Holmes, was Gifford Lecturer at the U. of Edinburgh the preceding year. This past June, they went to Finland, where he spoke at the International Conference on Aesthetics and the Wetlands. They took a passenger/cargo boat up the coast and around the hook of Norway. From there they went to Murmansk, Russia’s northernmost seaport.

Gerrie Kautner Jones and Harvey have been volunteering with their local Habitat affiliate, raising their usual summer garden and canning. Their son Lewis, his wife, Kim, and 16-month-old John were due for a visit in October. Their son Franklin is back in Richmond attending Union Theological Seminary.

Our condolences to Kay Beale Coute, whose mother passed away on Aug. 1, in Sparta, Va. She was 95.

Harvey C. Latins, L. of Roanoke, Va., was recognized as a life member by the Virginia Bar Association at its 108th summer meeting at the Homestead. He is a partner of Latins & Shapiro.

Robert L. Burress, Jr., R., was named rector of the University’s Board of Trustees. He is chairman and senior partner of the Richmond-based law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Bothe.

While preparing this news, I am reminded that when you read it, more than half the time between our 40th and 45th reunions will have passed, and the 1998-99 Annual Fund campaign will be well under way. If you consider your gift, keep in mind our hope to establish a Class of 1956 scholarship or lectureship, for which we must raise $25,000. Be sure to note “Westhampton College Class of 1956 Fund” on your check, and give by our class in memory of...

Sallie Magruder Rawls has retired from teaching elementary school in Henrico County, Va., but not from teaching. She tutors ESL adult education students and conducts a crafts class for senior citizens. She enjoys a grandson who lives nearby. At their annual get-together this summer, Catherine "Kitty" Thorburn Neale, Sally Spiller Settle and Nancy Tingle Traynor joined Sallie in touring the Jepson Alumni Center on campus. Ann Bertsch, of College Park, Md., retired in 1995 as supervisor of a program for the visually impaired in the Prince George County, Va., public schools. For three years she joined a federal project at the U. of Maryland. She planned to retire again this December and to travel, visit family, play and volunteer. Barbara Bertsch Cox of Staunton, Va., is the head of the middle school at Stuart Hall, where she also teaches. In the summers, she works as business manager for a girls' camp that she and her sister Ann attended as children. Barbara's two children and their families live in the Richmond area. Her daughter, Charlotte, has two children, and her son, Bertsch, a CPA, has a one-year-old daughter, Emily.

Dr. Katharine Bonum Fitzhugh, W, and her husband, Parke, moved back to Richmond after 32 years in Florida. Judith O. Mueller, W, executive director of the Women's Center of Northern Virginia, was one of nine women honored as "Virginia Women of Style and Substance" by the Council of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Barbara Goodwyn Eggleston's son Gerald is a commercial artist. Barbara serves as a volunteer in the public schools for many years, earning a distinguished citizen award last year. She rewrote and updated the history of her church, First Baptist of Madison, Wis. She sings with the Madison Symphony Choir, teaches English as a foreign language to the wives of foreign students at the U. of Wisconsin and serves as vice president of the Wisconsin chapter of the Jane Austen Society of North America. Since Charlotte Epps McGlohon retired from the Durham, N.C., public school system and her husband from the City of Durham, they enjoy splitting their time between homes in Durham and Kiawah Island, S.C. The B Mc Glohons had twins, and one of the twins has a sets of twins. Another daughter has four children, which makes family get-togethers lively events.

Robert "Robbie" Arnold Gagliano and Frank Gagliano, R'61, of Fairfield, Va., have two sons, two daughters, and three grandchildren. In May 1998 the Gaglianos lost 10-month-old grandson Miles, who had many special needs. Robbie also lost her mother, Louise Fristoe Arnold, W'25, in January 1998. Frank has been Georgetown U.'s track coach for the past 14 years and Robbie retired from the local elementary school two years ago.

Barbara Ross Cobb 

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Hey, '63ers: Let's hear a rousing ovation for Josie Rogers Lovelady! the great job she has done as our class secretary for the past five years. Following in her footsteps will not be easy unless you keep in touch and send me lots of news. Please help me out here.

In a catch-up letter from Littleton, Colo., Julia M. "Julie" Haynie reported that she retired four years ago and keeps busy as a volunteer in several senior centers. She also plays in two ladies' golf leagues. Bridge and tutoring keep her busy through the winter. During this past year she traveled to Hawaii, Florida, California and New Mexico. I spoke with Patricia "Pat" Cordle Mixey, who works part time at an insurance agency and serves as a hospice volunteer. Pat and her husband have two daughters: Sarah, a paralegal, who is married and lives in Richmond; and Amy, who teaches high school math, coaches and lives in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The Grgis family has been moving in different directions. In August, my husband, Walter, R'63, L'66 and G'70, became the associate dean of undergraduate studies at VCU's School of Business.
In September, we helped our daughter Cara, AW'98, with her move to Chicago, where she attends graduate school at the U. of Chicago. I stay busy rounding up news of my classmates.

Again, please keep in touch, write newsy letters, and let's send Josie and Frank our best wishes for a happy future.

J.N. Bussey, B, vice president/sales and marketing
continues to teach gross anatomy and physical anthropology at Florida International U. in Miami. He also serves as a consultant in forensic facial reconstruction for the Miami-Dade Police Department and enjoys drawing portraits as a sideline. He wants brothers of Lambda Chi to "come on down!"

Patricia Ryan Madson, W, of El Granada, Calif., received the 1998 Floyd Dinkelspeil Award for Innovation in Undergraduate Education at Stanford U. She is a senior lecturer in the drama department and serves as coordinator of the creativity initiative. Her husband, Ross, built their retirement home near the Moon Bay, Calif.

Louis Oliver Wilson, W, a case manager at Scarborough Community Care Access Centre in Scarborough, Ontario, reported the birth of granddaughters, Savannah Wilson, on Dec. 15, 1997, to his son, Bryant Wilson, R'92, and his wife, Karen Fallin, AW'93.

Elaine Johnson Yeatts, W, was named vice rector on the University's Board of Trustees. She is a senior regulatory analyst with the Department of Health Professions.

Dr. Dennis McLaughlin, G, professor of psychology at MERRIMACK COLLEGE IN NORTH ANDOVER, MASS., received the 1998 RODDY AWARD, the college's outstanding teacher of the year award. He has taught at Merrimack since 1968.


Roderick Mathews, L, serves as president-elect on the board of directors of Children's Hospital in Richmond. He is senior counsel at the law firm of Hazel & Thomas.

Leslie B. Anderson, R, works as a financial services representative at Financial Services of Virginia in Richmond.

Dr. Robert M. George, R, professor of psychology at VMI, was appointed chairman and CEO of the Virginia Home for Boys for his artistic contribution.

Dr. W. Baxter Perkins, R, a dentist in Richmond, was recognized by the Virginia Home for Boys for his artistic contribution. He donated one of his watercolors to the home and its reproductions are used in the home's promotions and events.

John Rocovich Jr., L, a partner in the law firm of Moss & Rocovich in Roanoke, Va., was appointed to the Board of Governors of the Virginia Dental Society.

Charles B. Walker, C, of Doswell, Va., was named a director of the board of directors of J. M. Smith Corp.

Ron Whitworth, R, of Great Falls, Va., completed the senior training program at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces on June 10, 1998. He was assigned to the Pentagon, where he works as a policy action officer in the Defense Department's Office of Cooperative Threat Reduction. His focus is coordinating policy to help Russia and former Soviet Republics in dismantling and destroying weapons of mass destruction.

IRVING BLANK, L, was elected to the board of directors of the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond. He is a partner in the Richmond law firm of Blank & Brown.

Dr. Dr. Charles M. Bova, R, of Park City, Utah, See Alumni Notables, p. 27.

R. Keith Brower, Jr., C, and G.72, retired in 1997 with the rank of colonel from the Army after 26 years of service. He was named vice president for Global Procurement Operations, Rubbermaid Inc. He and his wife, Kathleen, live in Wooster, Ohio.

John P. Henderson Jr., GB, was named a trustee of Prevent Blindness Virginia. He is director of Reynolds Metals Co. Foundation.

R. Larry Lyons, R, was named a director and vice president of the Capital Area Agency on Aging. He is president and CEO of Central Virginia Bank of Powhatan. He also serves as chairman of the board of trustees of Children at Risk Today.

Paul N. Shelley, R, of Richmond, joined First Health Service Corp. as director of human resources. He was formerly a consultant with Warren Whitney and Sherwood.

R. Matthew Hall, R, of Midlothian, Va., was named business services officer and vice president for the Richmond office of BB&T Corp.

Dr. Joseph E. Talley, R, works as associate clinical professor in the department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Duke U. He serves as past president of the Academy of Counseling Psychology of the American Board of Professional Psychology and was elected chairman and CEO of the Council of Presidents of Psychology Specialty Academies. The council consists of 10 academies, representing 5,000 of the top board-certified psychologists in the United States and Canada.

R. Kenneth Heskett, B, retired in 1997 with the rank of rear admiral and 25 years of service. He was named vice president for Global Procurement Operations, Rubbermaid Inc. He and his wife, Kathleen, live in Wooster, Ohio.

Dr. Frank W. Bacon, B, an associate professor of finance at Longwood College, was elected chairman of the Virginia. Maryland and Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives. He lives in Kenbridge, Va.

R. Kenneth Hesekett, B, serves as president of the board of the central Virginia chapter of the Financial Executives Institute. He is vice president and general manager of Gifford-Hill Concrete Products in Richmond.

D. Tennant Bryan, H, of Richmond was honored by Richmond Memorial Hospital at its replacement medical center, Bon Secours Memorial Regional Medical Center in Hanover County, Va. He is chairman of the board of Media General.

Patricia Jennings Dolan, W, a teacher at Gresham Elementary in Richmond, enjoyed a visit from Penny Barlow Lewis, W, in June. Penny's daughter Alison is a member of the Westminster Class of 2002.

George C. Dunn, R, works as director of retail locations, mainland Japan, for NationsBank.

Jeanette Nicholson Weith, W, and her husband, Joe, continue to live in Germany with their sons, Joe and Jerry.

From the West Hampton Community Center

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Not much news to report. PLEASE help me by sending me your news at the above address. I will even write you back.

Agnes Mobley Fuller had a wonderful trip to Paris this summer with her daughter, Lauren. They spent a week touring. Aggie and children also visited Richmond to see the University. Lauren is a sophomore in high school and is thinking about college.

Fran White Cheatham has finished graduate school at Catholic University, where she earned a master's degree in library and information science. She is a

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Robert W. Jones, C, joined Richmond Goodwill Industries as director of marketing. He oversees the development and implementation of the organization’s marketing and sales plans and programs. He was formerly with Reynolds Metals Co. for 30 years.

Robert M. Norris III, B, and his wife, Anne Tolstian Norris, W’72, are proud that their daughter Kara Elizabeth is a first-year Westhampton College student.

Susan Lindler Stephenson, W, of Tappahannock, Va., and her family spent two weeks in England through a home-exchange program. She serves on the WCA governing board and hopes to see everyone at the 25th reunion, April 30–May 1, 1999.

Edward W. Watson, C, works as a policy analyst at DMV in Richmond.

principal of the law firm of Baskin, Jackson & Hinsburger in Falls Church, Va.

Dennis F. Belcher, L, of Richmond, See Alumni Notables, p. 27.

Lucretia A. Carrico, W and L’78, was named to the board of trustees of Children At Risk Today. She is with the Richmond law firm of Hayes & Carrico.

Paul E. Galanti, G, of Richmond, was named executive director of the Science Museum of Virginia Foundation.

Bruce A. Kay, GB, was named a 1998-99 trustee of Youths Matters, an initiative of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce. He is owner of B.G. Lacy & Associates.

Robert W. McClintock Jr., R, became economic development director of Hanover County, Va. He also serves as a manager for the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and is a former director of planning and development for Amherst County, Va.

Robert W. Jones Jr., R, of Providence Forge, Va., works as safety/environmental manager at Aquafin Co. in Hopewell, Va.

Theodore L. Chandler Jr., L, of Midlothian, Va., was named a member and secretary of the board of the Richmond chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth. He is a partner with the law firm of Williams, Mullen, Christian & Dobkins.

Rick Chess, L, is the director of institutional service at Gon Goodman Segar in Richmond. He also serves as editor of Transaction Catalyst, a publication designed to help the acquisitions, mergers and sales personnel of real estate investment trusts and other commercial real estate institutions.

Merlin T. Grim, B, executive vice president, secretary/treasurer at Craigie Inc., is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 1999.

Beverly G. Lacy, G, was named a 1998-99 trustee of Youths Matters, an initiative of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce. She is owner of B.G. Lacy & Associates.

Robert W. McClintock Jr., R, became economic development director of Hanover County, Va. He also serves as a manager for the Virginia Economic Development Partnership and is a former director of planning and development for Amherst County, Va.

David Blair Patteson, R, of Scituate, Mass., works as corporate vice president and general manager for Foxboro’s field measurement and controls division. He and his wife, Jean Francis, have two sons, James Jr. and Jonathan.

Edward L. Baber Jr., R, of Providence Forge, Va., works as safety/environmental manager at Aquafin Co. in Hopewell, Va.

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Frank B. Atkinson, R, of Ashland, Va., serves as a director and chairman, logistics, for Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation’s Celebration 2007, the foundation’s 400th anniversary celebration. He is a partner in the law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe.

John V. Coghill, L, was elected to the board of directors of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce. He is a partner in the law firm of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe.

H. Benson Dendy III, R, serves as vice chairman, marketing and finance for Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation’s Celebration 2007, the foundation’s 400th anniversary celebration. He is president of VeeCorp.

Stephen A. Butler, B, joined IPC Technologies in Richmond as a consultant.

Pamela Asbell Cavedo, W, of Richmond, was named director of development for Commonwealth Parenting Center. She also serves as secretary of the executive board of

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Alumni Weekend ’99
April 30 & May 1, 1999
Reunions for classes ending in 4 and 9
Melissa S. Andrews, B, a commander in the U.S. Navy, departed on a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln. She visited Hong Kong, where she participated in Project Handbag, which provided humanitarian aid to adults and children residing in a disaster-relief organization, a school for the mentally handicapped and an international Christian school. Jodi Buffleton And, W, was named vice president of corporate communications for Magellan Health Services in Columbia, Md. She formerly owned the Pro Group, a communications firm, and served as community relations manager for Baltimore County Public Schools.

Glenn Michael Callihan, R, was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army. He serves as chief of the Global Command and Control System at Fort Lewis, Wash. Elizabeth Upshaw Chambless, W, and her husband, Sam Chambless, R’81, live in Atlanta with their five children.

Seeing the congregation as a family system

In recent years, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence E. Matthews, R’54, has been on campus serving as a member of the Board of Trustees and participating in the annual Pastors School sponsored by the chaplaincy office.

"What I appreciate most is seeing that the institution is keeping alive the values and goals of its founding fathers and mothers, ones that cross the generations...the same values and goals that were here when Dr. Modlin was president. I hope the legacy of leaders like him will be here in the future."

Like those individuals who have shaped Richmond and Westminster colleges, Larry Matthews has marked his academic and professional life. As president of his Granby High School class in Norfolk, he was already showing leadership potential. A Norfolk pastor who was an alumnus introduced him to Richmond College.

Matthews was duly impressed, but lacking adequate finances, he didn’t think he would be able to attend. A scholarship award from his high school and the tuition scholarship offered to all ministerial students enabled him to matriculate.

Moving into his freshman quarters in the barracks, Matthews says, "I became active in campus life." A friendship with A.E. Dick Howard, R’54 and H’84, led the two to form the "Camptown Party," an alliance of campus and town students that put together a slate of candidates for class officers. Matthews was elected president of the freshman class and even managed to avoid the tradition of being thrown in the lake by sophomores.

He was appointed to the Honor Council as a sophomore and elected junior class president. He also coached the Ministerial Association’s touch football team and was a member of the Richmond College Glee Club. He was elected to membership in Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa. As a senior, he was president of the Richmond College Student Government Association.

Following graduation from Richmond in ’54, Matthews attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. After receiving his divinity degree there, he served pastorates in Orange County and Front Royal, Va. In 1966 he became pastor of Vienna Baptist Church in Vienna, Va., a position he held for 32 years.

In the ’70s, Matthews earned a doctorate in ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary while continuing to pastor in Vienna. "I call that my mid-career retooling," he says. In 1982 he received from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary the prestigious Citation for Excellence in Christian Ministry.

Though Matthews recently retired as senior pastor at Vienna Baptist Church, his leadership skills continue to come into play as he conducts leadership in ministry workshops for clergy of all denominations in cities throughout the United States. "We apply the insights of family systems theory to ministry," he says, explaining that family systems theory views both the family and the congregation as relational systems in which many of the same dynamics are present. "Teaching ministers and rabbis to think this way helps them cope with the demands of a modern congregation and minister to their church members effectively," he says.

He is married to Jean Burroughs Matthews, W’56, and they have four children and seven grandchildren. He recalls fondly their days on the Richmond campus. The Evening Watch services held every afternoon in the chapel of the student center and the weekly vespers services in Keller Hall offered opportunities for Richmond College students to gather with Westhampton students. Date rooms in Keller Hall could be reserved, and the Byrd Theatre was a favorite weekend destination.

"It was a great time to be at Richmond," Matthews says of the days when the resident student body numbered only a few hundred. "There were lots of opportunities for informal contacts. The campus was a real community."

He remembers that on walks across campus he’d frequently cross paths with Dean Raymond B. Pinchbeck, who greeted everyone as "neighbor" and would stop for a chat. "Dr. Modlin knew many of the students by name," he says, "and over the years when I’d return to campus, he was always interested in how things were going in my ministry and with Jean and our family."

"During my years as a member of the student affairs committee of the Board of Trustees," he says, "I came to appreciate the many ways the University administration still stays in personal touch with students and the numerous opportunities today's students have to mature, not only intellectually, but also as responsible contributors to their larger communities.

"Richmond may now be a much larger and more prestigious university, but the qualities I cherished from my student days are still here."
their five children: Carter, 11; Amity, 9; Jennie, 4; Bo, 6; and John, born Feb. 9, 1998. She stays busy home-schooling their children.

Herbert A. Claiborne III, L, was elected a director of Leadership Metro Richmond. He is with Carpenter & Co.

Dorlc L. Griggs, W, finished a year internship as a student pastor at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Roswell, Ga. She is the director of Simpsonwood, a conference and retreat center in Nocorss, Ga., which is affiliated with the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Frank D. Hargrove Jr., L, of Ashland, Va., is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 1999. He is general manager of A.W. Hargrove Insurance Agency.

Stephen M. Lodereck, B, was elected president of the Greater Richmond Society of CPUC. He is a partner at Markel Corp. in Richmond.

Richard J. Mayer, B, has been a financial analyst since March 1997 at Philip Morris U.S.A. in Richmond. He and his wife, Lisa, and their daughter, Mary Grace, live in the Western subdivision near Richmond’s campus.

Margaret Dyzkhen Roberteson, W, was named account manager and head of the direct marketing department at Mumford Marketing Communications in Richmond.

David B. Robinson, B, a CPA in Richmond, won the Virginia Accountant Advocate of the Year from the U.S. Small Business Administration. He also hosts a weekly radio show concerning entrepreneurship on Radio WVNZ (990 AM) in Richmond.

Maria O. Tabb, W, was named vice president, funds and insurance at Davenport & Co. in Richmond.

Edward C. Tosh, GB, director of administrative affairs at Media General, is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 1999.

Searching for alumni

New alumni directory now in progress

To help you locate classmates around the globe, a new University of Richmond Alumni Directory will be available in early 2000. You’ll be able to search by name, class year, geographic location and occupation — and a special section will list e-mail addresses.

Soon you’ll receive a questionnaire from the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Co., publisher of the new directory. Please complete and return it right away. And if we don’t have your current address, contact the alumni office now to be sure you receive a directory questionnaire.

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Megan Anderson, W, received her MBA in marketing in May 1998 from Loyola College in Baltimore. She works as an associate vice president at BT Alexander Brown and has a 2-year-old son, Matthew.

Susan D. Bland, W, was elected to the board of directors of Richmond Goodwill Industries. She works at Norfolk Southern Corp.

Chad Felt, R, and his wife, Nobuko, and their sons Rene, 5, and Momo, 3, moved to Berlin, East Germany, where he teaches in the JFK International School. He met with Barbara Baroody, the University’s director of intensive language programs, and 19 undergraduates at her Rochele Study Abroad program. He also saw Maurice King, R, in Paris for Nike’s World Cup exhibition this past summer.

Tracey Fousz, W, and her husband, Roy, moved to Roanoke, Va.

Roy B. Goodman, GB, of Glen Allen, Va., was named a member and treasurer of the board of trustees of the Carpenter Center for
Dealing in precious metals

Speaking by phone from his office near Pittsburgh, Larry A. Pryor, B'65, was in the middle of a few projects. Having recently returned from a 10-day vacation, he was flying out of town for a business trip as soon as he finished his phone call.

"I tend to perform at my best when pressed," says Pryor, who was all too familiar with pressure during his four years at the University of Richmond.

Recruited by Hal Hunter to play football for Richmond, the Pittsburgh native quickly became engrossed in campus life, serving as the president of his fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and the president of the E. Claiborne Robins School of Business student government association during the spring and fall of 1964.

Pryor, who graduated with a bachelor of science degree in business administration majoring in industrial management, also was president of his junior class, an initiate of Omicron Delta Kappa, and a four-year member of the football team. Because of an injury however, the running back turned linebacker was redshirted for a year and completed only three of his four years of playing eligibility.

Pryor says he was initially drawn to Richmond because of its athletic program, plans for the business school, and overall campus climate.

"Some of my fondest memories are of the student body," recalls Pryor, "I enjoyed the ambiance of the school relative to the campus and the class atmosphere."

Through his leadership roles, he also developed fond memories of business school Dean W. David Robbins and former President George M. Modlin, with whom he interacted during campus events such as Convocation and Family Weekend.

"[Dr. Modlin] was a very positive influence and projected the image of the University extremely well," remembers Pryor of the man he described as even-tempered and easy to talk to. "I looked up to Dr. Modlin:"

Following his graduation, Pryor returned to Pittsburgh, married his wife Claudia, and began a management trainee position with U.S. Steel, where he became the youngest buyer of raw materials in the history of the company. Five years later, Pryor moved into the international trade arena at Derby & Company, a subsidiary of the English company Philip Brothers, where he ultimately became senior vice president. He was responsible for the ferrous metals side of the business and was second in command of the company.

Pryor continued to build on his success and in 1982, with five Philip Brothers' partners, became one of the six founding partners of Bomar Resources Inc., an international trade company. In 1988 he sold his share of the company to start his own business.

Formerly called AICO-Pryor Inc., the international broker of ferrous metals and carbon products was sold in 1996 and is now known as Oxbow Carbon & Minerals. The company has 170 employees and offices in Pittsburgh; Chicago; West Palm Beach, Fla.; and Pleasant Hills, Calif.

Through his work, Pryor interacts with brokers from all over the world, including Turkey, South Africa, Russia, South America, and the Ukraine. Although he studied Spanish in college, Pryor believes that foreign language skills are not necessary for his job because most international trade workers speak English. As for his international business skills, Pryor says he learned them on the job, which he supplemented with metallurgical courses while at U.S. Steel.

The father of two and grandfather of three, Pryor lives with his wife in the Sewickley Heights section of BellAcres Borough, a suburb of Pittsburgh, and serves as president of his borough council. His youngest son works for Oxbow as an account manager in the Pittsburgh office, and his oldest son works for Nissan as field operations manager in Ponte Verde, Fla.

When he's not working, Pryor enjoys golf and automobile racing, a 20-year-old hobby. He says he regrets not being able to race in the last two years but hopes to return to the track soon. A professional racer in 1985 and 1986, Pryor races with the Sports Car Club of America.

Pryor has not forgotten his University of Richmond roots and remains an active part of the Richmond community by serving on the Board of Associates. In addition to providing ideas and feedback to the Board of Trustees, his role on the Board of Associates allows him to promote Richmond to alumni and prospective students in the Pittsburgh area. Pryor also was a member of the Class of 1965 reunion gift steering committee in 1989.

"The University of Richmond emphasizes leadership," says Pryor, who built upon that emphasis through his own leadership positions in college and continues to do so today.
The Rev. Dr. James E. Bacon Jr., R, of Lynchburg, Va., is pastor of Rivermont Avenue Church. He received his doctor of ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary on May 18, 1998. Thomas J. Dillon III, R, and L'90, was promoted to shareholder at Advance Paradigm in Hunt Valley, Md., joined the international law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski. He and his wife, Kim, live in Linwood, N.J., with their three children: Grace, 5 1/2; Abigail, 4; and John James IV, born July 9, 1998.

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**Practicing pathology**

Pathologist Dr. Carolyn Edmunds Thomas attended Westhampton College during a pivotal four years in the 1960s.

When she arrived girls were not allowed to wear pants. They changed into gym suits in their dorm rooms and then had to wear raincoats over them as they crossed campus to gym class. Going downtown to shop meant wearing white gloves and hats.

Then Dr. Mary Louise Gehring arrived in 1965 as the new Westhampton College dean. Thomas remembers that when Westhampton students met with her for the first time, Dean Gehring was wearing a pair of slacks. "We all stood up and clapped," says Thomas. By the time she graduated in 1968, she says, "everyone was wearing jeans...we were really there during the change."

Throughout the changing times of the '60s, Dr. Modlin was a "very kind, father-like figure for campus as a whole," remembers Thomas, who was Westhampton student government president her senior year. "He was very supportive and full of wise advice." Although times were turbulent at other campuses around the country, the only real revolt Thomas recalls was one regarding the scheduling of exams. "We were attuned politically but there were no protests," Thomas says.

Growing up in Berryville, Va., population 2,000, Thomas was familiar with the University of Richmond early on. Her next-door neighbor attended the University and she became interested as well. "I was looking for a relatively small college but one with high academic standards. I wanted all girls, but I didn't want to be isolated. Westhampton seemed to fit my bill so I applied early decision."

Arriving on campus as a freshman, Thomas says, she found a lake that "had no water in it and the fish were in jars in the biology building. And there was an algae bloom in the James River." She lived in North Court and found a lake that "had no water in it and the fish were in jars in the biology building."

Throughout her career, Thomas, a fellow of the College of American Pathologists, has been very active in the medical community, serving on many committees. She has been a member of the executive committee of Chippenham Medical Center medical staff since 1988 and was chief of the medical staff in 1990 and 1991. Society memberships include Alpha Omega Alpha, American Society of Clinical Pathologists, American Association of Blood Banks, Medical Society of Virginia, American Medical Association and others.

She is a member of the board of trustees of the Richmond Academy of Medicine and was, until earlier this year, chairman of the University's advisory committee for women's varsity athletics. She currently serves as a deacon at River Road Church, Baptist.

When not in her office, Thomas is at home in Chesterfield County with husband Dr. George Thomas, R'68, whom she met in chemistry class at Richmond. Says Thomas, "He jokes that back then at Westhampton you had to check women in and out like books," referring to the strict dorm visitation policy. Today, George Thomas also is a pathologist, practicing at Johnston-Willis Hospital.

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As the rare woman in upper-level science classes at the University at the time and one of 10 women in a class of 168 at MCV, Thomas appreciated the role she played in moving away from academic growth she was given. "At a time when women were struggling to establish their rights and independence," says Thomas, "Westhampton offered opportunities to develop leadership skills...we were encouraged to reach for the stars."

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**Timothy David Black, B.** received his MBA degree from the Darden School at U.Va. on May 17. He works at Wheat First Union in Richmond.

**Dennis Chan, R.** and his wife, Pamela Mellinger Chan, AW'95, moved to Guangzhou, China, in June 1998. Dennis helps start-up clinical pathology at Chippenham Medical Center and Johnston-Willis Hospital in Richmond in 1976.

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**Norma Thomas (Bennett), M.D.** received her M.D. degree from Duke University School of Medicine in 1971. After internship and residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at Duke University, she joined the faculty of the Department of Pathology, where she was associated for many years with the practice of anatomic and clinical pathology.

After a brief stint on the faculty at MCV, she joined Clinical Laboratory Consultants in the practice of anatomic and clinical pathology at Chippenham Medical Center and Johnston-Willis Hospital in Richmond in 1976.

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M. Chris Floyd, L., of Goodview, Va., was elected treasurer of the Virginia Women Attorneys Association. He is with the law firm of Garber, Hock, White & Moreo.

Daniel Hocutt, R., of Richmond, joined the University’s School of Continuing Studies as director of the Governing School’s School for Humanities and Visual and Performing Arts.

William W. Hooper, R., a captain in the U.S. Marines, participated in Exercise Southern Frontier with Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 121, based in Iwakuni, Japan. His squadron flew with and against members of the Royal Australian Air Force. They also visited Australia.

Christina E. Kearney, L., serves as a director of the Metro Richmond Women's Bar Association. She works for the Virginia Department of Labor.

David Kozo, R., works as an assistant news editor at Dow Jones News Service in Jersey City, N.J.

The Hon. Elizabeth B. Lacy, II, of Richmond, was elected to a two-year term on the board of directors of the American Judicature Society. She is a justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

Tracey Mannion Lawson, W., works as manager of psychiatry at Interim Physicians in Denver, Colo.

Jane Lebens, W., works as a neonatal nurse practitioner for Magella Medical Associates in Dallas.

Patricia Phau Mottley, W., is a school psychologist for Chesterfield County Public Schools. She and her husband, Kevin, an attorney, live in Richmond.

Dave Moyer, R., works as an industrial hygienist at Air Products & Chemicals Inc. in Allentown, Pa.

He and his wife, Kirstin, live in Macungie, Pa.

Wendy Withers Naine, W., and her husband, Gilles, and their 2-year-old daughter, Gabriella, moved back to Richmond for a Sabbatical from their work on the mission in Lebanon.

Steven T. Rhoads, R., is a second-year medical student at MCV in Richmond. His wife, Lynn, is a second-year law student at the University of Richmond School of Law.

Wendy A. Boger, BW, was promoted to manager at KPMG Peat Marwick in Richmond. She concentrates on industrial products clients.

Dr. Colleen Quigg Bratsch, AW, earned her doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine on May 24. She is serving an internship at Doctors Hospital North in Columbus, Ohio.

Pamela Mellinger Chan, AW, and her husband, Dennis Chan, R’92, moved to Guangzhou, China, in June 1998. She is studying Chinese and giving English lessons. They will be living in China for at least two years.

Christine Gould Daniels, GB, of Chester, Va., was promoted to area president for the greater Richmond tri-cities by First Union Corp.

Kerry T. DePuy, BR, was named treasurer of Big Brothers & Big Sisters Services Inc. in Richmond. He works as an investment executive with PainWebber and also serves on the Keck-Blaliney Robins School of Business Alumni Association governing board.

Chris Fleming, AR, plays basketball for a team in Weeknbrook, Germany, and has led his team to two division championships.

Cathie Floyd, AW, was named managing editor of Government Finance Review magazine in Chicago.

Lisa M. Gray, AW, is director of diversity education and programs at the College of Charleston. She was formerly coordinator of multicultural programming at Holy Trinity College in Massachusetts.

Jeffrey B. Hoag, BR, is a second-year medical student at MCV in Richmond. His wife, Lynn, is a second-year law student at the University of Richmond School of Law.

Anne Whiting Kenyon, AW, and her husband, Darren, moved to Sumter, S.C., to be closer to her new job with WTS International as fitness director at Farmington Country Club.

Mark E. Leep, GB, and L, was appointed vice president, Ben Secours HealthPartners Regional Laboratories in Richmond. He and his wife, Marsha, have two sons, Parker, 9, and Clayton, 1 1/2.


Robert M. Onsi, BR, was elected Memories consultant. Her husband, Dr. Wesley Bowman, AW, is with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit in the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf.

Cullen D. Seltzer, L, joined the Richmond law firm of Rawlings & Wood as an associate. He specializes in general civil and criminal law. He was formerly a clerk to Judge James W. Benton of the Virginia Court of Appeals.

Baldwin Smith, BR, and his wife, Works for the firm of House and Center in Dallas. She graduated in a master's degree program.

Susan Kyle Foster, AW, received her BSN at UNC-Chapel Hill. She moved to Nashville, Tenn., in the summer of 1996 after getting married. Her husband is doing residency at Vanderbilt, where she works as a research nurse. She works on an adult vaccine trial for whooping cough funded by the NIH. The trial takes place at seven other sites across the United States and involves 3,000 volunteers. She and her husband hope to move to the East Coast when his residency is completed in three more years.

Sarah Manchester, AW, received her master's degree in international management from Thunderbird in Phoenix in May 1997. She works as a research analyst at International Data Corp. in Boston.

Diane Bochniak, AW, manages one of the newest Talbot's stores, in Greenwich, Conn.

Tracy Beverly Nellins, AW, teaches AP high school biology in U. of Wisconsin in Oshkosh.

John D. Moniz, AW, is finishing coursework for her master's degree in oceanography at the Florida Institute of Technology. She plans to complete her thesis by next summer.

Meisha Mogelnicki, AW, works as a physician's assistant in anesthesia in Atlanta.

Dr. Vince Lim, AR, finished dental school at the U. of Maryland and is doing his residency in Long Beach, Calif.

Charles A. Banks, L, president of Ferguson Enterprises Inc. based in Newport News, Va., has integrated his company with Falmor Corp. based in Los Angeles.

Catherine Clay Bergethon, AW, teaches fifth grade at Williamsburg Christian Academy and coaches girls basketball. She also enjoys a home business as a Creative Memories consultant. Her husband, Greg Bergethon, BR, is a second-year law student at William & Mary School of Law and was chosen to join the Bill of Rights journal.

Dr. Wesley Bowman, AW, is serving a four-year residency program in obstetrics and gynecology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Patrick J. Gable, AR, works as a realtor associate at Gabley Agency in Newport, Va.

Jenni Lee Wilkins Crocker, AW, joined the Whitlock Group in Richmond as an account representative in its business solutions division.

J. Christopher Dimond, B, moved to Philadelphia in September, where he works as a financial adviser at Morgan Stanley.

Marion McCartney Earnhardt, AW, is studying for a master's degree in the physics assistant program at Emory U. Mariella Marquez, AW, is in the program with her.

Gail Ferrari, AW, earned her master's degree in public communication at American U. She moved to Philadelphia, where she works as an account executive at Tatler Cutler-LDI Public Relations.

Brad Hill, BR, works as a financial adviser with Legg Mason in Easton, Md. His father, Tom Hill, R’64, and mother celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mia Mutascio Herock, AW, is pursuing her master's degree at the U. of Wisconsin in Oshkosh.

Scott Hydahl, AR, works as a physician's assistant at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg, Va. He earned his master's degree at the U. of Virginia.

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Balancing study and family

For Catherine Outland, getting her bachelor's degree at University College was a long road that brought her life-changing experiences. During eight years of evening classes, she met her husband, had three children, served as student government president and earned a degree in business.

After two years at Mary Washington College, Outland began working full time and in 1963 enrolled in her first class at University College, now the School of Continuing Studies. In that class, she met her future husband, Edward Outland.

"He sat right behind me. We dated that first semester and within a year we were married," Outland says.

Over the next few years, Outland and her husband continued to work on their degrees, leaving home on various evenings during the week to attend class. As they came closer to graduation, Outland joked that she would not be able to stand her husband coming home every night.

While they were in school, the Outlands had three children. Catherine's first baby was due in late January of 1965, during final exam time. Her English professor, Mrs. Gurney, expressed concern. "She told me not to come for the last two weeks because she was afraid I would have the baby in class. So we rescheduled the final and I took it late."

Outland had her other two children midsemester — in April of 1966 and 1968 — and only missed a couple of weeks each time.

For Outland balancing child care and study was not a problem. "I could do it because I wasn't working. Ed was studying, too, and there was always nap time to get work done," she says. Her mother-in-law, who lived a block away, watched the children while the couple went to class. "I was very fortunate that she was there, and I didn't have to work. Without that, it might not have been possible," she says.

Not only did Outland take on academics at University College while raising a family, but she also took office as the student government president. "Student government is different in University College. Because classes only met once a week, people didn't know each other very well. I spent the most time creating ways to bring them together," she says.

As president, Outland planned picnics, compiled a newsletter and was a member of Cross Keys, an honor society for outstanding leadership. Outland's commitments, her favorite job was planning the University College dances at the Tantilla Ballroom above a bowling alley on Broad Street.

Throughout their academic careers, the couple took four classes together, and they graduated at the same time. In 1971, on the day Catherine received her bachelor's degree in business, Edward received his master's degree in business.

After she graduated, Outland spent most of her time raising her children. In 1995, a few years after her husband retired from a career as a CPA at Reynolds Metals Co., Catherine and Edward Outland purchased a tax office.

Catherine found a bit of irony in their business endeavor. She remembered a final exam in an economics class, in which she was faced with a question about income taxes, a subject she knew little about. "I had never filled out a tax return and didn't intend to. I just answered that question without knowing anything about it," Outland says. She wishes she could go back and show the professor how far she has come.

Over the years, Outland has invested time and energy in her community. She joined the Henrico Rescue Squad and has been a member for 25 years. As a member of the Red Cross, Outland also served on disaster-relief teams. On the teams, she traveled to South Carolina to aid in the aftermath of Hurricane Hugo and to Ohio during the floods. Outland teaches CPR and first aid.

"Once I get any kind of certification, I hate to lose it because I worked so hard to get it, and you never know when you might need it," she says. Her certifications have allowed her to continue teaching swim lessons for the past 30 years. In the '70s she taught around 200 children through the YWCA.

Between the tax office and her hectic schedule, Outland finds time to garden. "Picking butter beans is my therapy. I can work everything out through my hands."
Julianne H. Taylor, AW,
Julia Althouse Szarko, AW,
Jill Stewart, BW,
Association of Fairs and Expositions Inc.
The Grand Teton this past summer.
C.A.M. Wagner, AR,
works as a school psychologist for
Henrico County , Va., public schools.
She earned her master's degree in
developmental psychology from Penn State
U. and is working on her Ph.D.
Liam Connolly, AR, works as
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wife, Beth Resua Proudfoot, AR, works as
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Sharon McDermott, AW, is back in Richmond after living in Nags
Head, N.C. She is a first-year nursing student at Richmond Memorial Hospital and works part time for
Richmond Ambulance Authority.
Kevin McCann, JR, is the
controller for C&K Mortgage Corp.
in Richmond.
Matt Zemmon, JR, moved to New York City, where he is a producer with Red Sky Productions. He is currently working as a consultant on the Broadway production of
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Heather Briggs, JW, works for
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John K. Byrum Jr., L, joined the
Richmond law firm of Hirschler,
Fleischer, Weinberg, Cox & Allen as an
associate. He practices in the
firm's litigation section.
Alison G. Carpenter, JW, graduated from the Dickinson
School of Law at Pennsylvania State
Liam Connolly, AR, works as
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affairs for the Smith, Bucklin & Associates in Washington, D.C. He
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Lynn Lorraine Aprahamian, AW, of Midlothian, Va., continues to
teach fourth grade at Crestwood
Elementary in Chesterfield County. She is a proud aunt to Jack
Thomas, born on May 2, 1998, to her brother, Matt Aprahamian, B'92, and his wife, Susan Aprahamian, BW'93.
Michael R. Cook, AR, was
two years with a national information service firm in Fairfax, Va., as an
adviser. He lives in Bethesda, Md.
Robert M. Himmel, L, joined the Richmond law firm of Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller in the
firm's employment law practice group.
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Chrisy O’Neill, AW, is in her third year of hospital rotations at the U. of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

David Rosebaum, AR, is a student in the master’s degree program for film producers at the American Film Institute in Hollywood, Calif.

Julie Lucille Cahill, AW, is in her third year of hospital rotations at the University of Virginia.

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Andrea Stigall, AW, is a second-year medical student at the W.Va. School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg, W.Va.

Will Turnage III, GB, of Ashland, Va., joined the Martin Agency as an account planning manager for research and strategic planning.

Andrew Youhas, BR, is studying for his MBA and JD at William & Mary.

Rachel Zimmerman, AW, of Glenstone, Pa., completed her master’s degree in occupational therapy at MCV and works as an occupational therapist at Chestnut Hill Rehabilitation Hospital.

Anna Culp, GB, is pursuing her master’s degree in higher education administration at William & Mary.

Tanya Thrasher, AW’95, works at the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

Sean E. Ekiert, BR, was named associate vice president, public finance department, at Davenport & Co. in Richmond.

George Nelson Fearnnow III, BR, passed the CPA exam and works as a staff accountant at Deloitte & Touche in Richmond.

M. Alice Finley, L, of Richmond, joined the Chesterfield office of Barnes & Bhatia. She specializes in family law and civil litigation. She is a member of the firm’s employment law practice group.

Alexis Fullam, AW, works as a graphics/production director for the international logistics trade magazine, American Shipper, at its office in Jacksonville, Fla.

Heidi Gottschalk, AW, moved to Minneapolis, where she works at Campbell Mithun Esty, an advertising agency. She works on the Celestial Seasonings tea account.

Tracey Klaus, AW, works in the corporate affairs department at Ytira Health Plans, an HMO for Long Island, N.Y.

Erika Lassila, AW, has been volunteering at an orphanage in Honduras for the past year. She plans to return in December 1998.

Alan J. Lee, L, joined the law firm of Jones, Blechman, Zolt & Kelly based in Newport News, Va., and is a member of the firm’s estate planning and taxation practice group.

Brian Lofthus, GB, was named president-elect of the Virginia chapter for the Healthcare Financial Management Association. He works at Ernst & Young in Richmond.

Rebecca Morris, BW, moved to Los Angeles and lives with Sheila McKenna, AW, and Anna Culp, AW’96.

Brendon Jerome O’Neill, AR, of Neptune, N.J., works for Betoek Sports Club as a program director and personal trainer in New York City.

Jeffrey W. Saunders, L, joined the Richmond law firm of Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller in the firm’s employment law practice group.

Erin Shiffer, BW, joined Matrix Capital in Richmond as an administrative assistant.

Robert W. Shinn, L, vice president of CSX in Richmond, was profiled in an article in the June 23, 1998, edition of the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Jason Todd Shull, BR, works as an associate systems engineer at LifeWay Christian Resources, formerly the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, in Nashville, Tenn. He and his wife, Katie, a graphic designer at LifeWay, live in Thompson Station, Tenn.

Tara Stanley, AW, is pursuing her master’s degree in higher education administration at William & Mary.

Laura Comerat Stewart, AW, was promoted to editor at Taylor Publications, an international trade association publisher. She and her husband, Tim Stewart, AR, moved to Gainesville, Fla., where he is studying dentistry.

James E. Stone III, C, is a second-year student at Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond earning his master of divinity degree.

Jennifer Anne Vitale, AW, works as an account manager for Variety magazine in New York City. She lives with Gwynne McCue, BW.

Carrie Anne Woods, G, of Mechanicsville, Va., joined the Governor’s School of Government and International Studies as an English teacher.

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Marriage in Richmond.

Kirsten Lechner, all W '89. The couple lives in Richmond.

Andersen Consulting in Richmond. Eric Weisenberg, BR, and Caroline Moncure Woodard, AR, both W '97, was a groomsman. The couple lives in Savannah, Ga. and Castleberry, R, both W '96, was a reader. The couple lives in Savannah, Ga.

Charles Cefalu, K, and Janine Marie Cefalu, March 24, 1990/Sandra Andersen, all W '89. The couple lives in Richmond.

MARRIAGES


1988/Leanna St. Augustine, Fla. Included in the wedding party were Allison Reitmeyer, B , and Gustavous and her husband , Bill, a daughter, Mary Carole Bahr, AW '96; best man, John Charles Alexander III, and Vincent Doherty, both BR '95; and bridesmaids, Julie Morecroft Beiger, B'91, and Angie Bauer, W'91. Kelly Freeman Warfel, W'91, was a reader. The couple lives in Belmont, Mass.

1989/Catherine McAdoo, B, and Martin C. Boyd, Jr., both W '94. They live in Spring Lake, N.C. Included in the wedding party were best man, Eric Atherton, and Vaughn Maurer, both AR '94. The couple lives in Fredericksburg, Va.

1990/Marion McAnaney, AW, and Jeff Earnhardt, Aug. 16, 1997. The couple lives in Richmond. Aminah Addison, W '97, was a reader. The couple lives in Richmond.

1992/Tracey Mannion, W, and Todd Lawson, July 18, 1998, in Garden City, N.Y. Included in the wedding party were Lexi Peyer and Maury Scott and Marrela Marquez, both AR '94. The couple lives in Los Angeles, Calif.


1995/John Charles Alexander III, and Vincent Doherty, both BR '95; and bridesmaids, Julie Morecroft Beiger, B'91, and Angie Bauer, W'91. Kelly Freeman Warfel, W'91, was a reader. The couple lives in Belmont, Mass.


1998/Karen Dunham Hastings, all W '88. The couple lives in Bloomington, Ind.

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1981/Elizabeth Upshaw Chamblish, W, and her husband, Sam Chamblish, R'80, a son, John, Feb. 9, 1998. He joins sisters Carter, 11, Alexy, 9, and Jennie, 4, and brother, Bo, 6.

1982/Susanne Lyon Daley, B, and her husband, Bill, a daughter, Elizabeth Amanda, July 1, 1998.

1984/Sophia Phass Boullis, W, and her husband, Steven, twins, Calista Sophia and Christopher Steven, June 6, 1998. They join a sister, Catherine Anne, 4.


Marriage in Richmond.

1990/Jeffrey Weese, AR, and Jackie Weichert, AW, live in Danbury, Conn.


1994/Emilie Alford, AW, and Paul George Kirbiris, R'90, Sept. 15, 1998. Included in the wedding party were Alisa "Ali" Gentry, Kristin Johnson and Sandra Stevens, all AW '94; Richard Alford Jr., AR'87; Gerald Lyon, B'90; and David Cane, Chad Hanes and Brian O'Gorman, all R'90. The couple lives in Richmond.

1994/Julia Althouse, AW, and Andy Szarko, BR'93, Oct. 18, 1997, in Chalfont, Pa. Included in the wedding party were Allison Leah and Margaret Hamilton, both BW '94. The couple lives in Richmond.


1997/Laura Connerut, AW, and Tim Stewart, AR, June 27, 1998, in Savannah, Ga. Included in the wedding party were Molly Haining, JW '97; Jennifer Meade, BW'98; Laurie Linder, Susan Whitmore Parker and Susie Samuel, all AW '97; Mike Stewart, R'92; Dave Smith, BW'97; Charlie Johnston, BW'97; and Kevin Goetz and Brad Trull, both AR'97. The couple lives in Gainesville, Fla.


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1999/Eric Weisenberg, BR, and his wife, Jennifer, live in Richmond. They join a brother, Jonathan, 5.


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1985/Deborah Frishly, James, B, and her husband, Randy, a son, Connor Patrick, Jan. 1, 1998.
1985/Elizabeth Alexander, B, and her husband, Mike, a daughter, Lauryn Michelle, May 13, 1998. She joins sisters Leanne, 4, and Renee, 2.
1988/Sara Ross Knoll, W, and her husband, E. Joseph, a daughter, Emma, February 1998. She joins a sister, Sophie, 1 1/2.
1988/Doug Steele, B, and his wife, Becky, a daughter, Peyton Alexandra, Aug. 24, 1998. She joins brother Tyler, 2 1/2.
1989/Elizabeth Berman, W, and her husband Pasquale Brancato, a son, Samuel Berman Brancato, April 14, 1997.
1989/Susan Latz Gallicchio, W, and her husband, Robert, a son, Dominic Latz, June 1, 1997.
1989/Sarah Fussell Younger, W, and her husband, Ross, a son, Griffer James, March 26, 1998.
1990/Jeff Snead, R, and his wife, Margaret, a son, Thomas Bailey, Oct. 11, 1997.
1990/Mara Sales Street, B, and her husband, Rick, a son, Erik Larson, June 18, 1997.
1991/Jacqueline Perry Stevens, B, and her husband, Brian Stevens, B, a daughter, Lindsey Anne, June 13, 1998.
1991/Trista Trumbull, L, and his wife, Jenna, a daughter, Olivia Ann, July 8, 1998.
1992/Claudia Sgro Smith, W, and her husband, Mike Smith, R, a daughter, Ashley Dakota, July 15, 1998. She joins a sister, Alexandra, 2.
1992/Peter Viets, L, and his wife, Gwen, a daughter, Hollins Elizabeth, Oct. 27, 1998. They join brothers Brian, 8, and twins David and Daniel, 5.
1992/Michael Pacific Aprahamian, BW, and her husband, Matt Aprahamian, B'92, a son, Jack Thomas, May 2, 1997.
1993/Karen Fallin Wilson, AW, and her husband, Bryant Wilson, B'92, a daughter, Samantha Fallin Wilson, Dec. 15, 1997. Proud grandmother is Louis Wilson, W'64.
1993/TraCy Kathleen Googe, BW, and her husband, Jeff, a daughter, Kelly Elizabeth, Jan. 5, 1998.
1997/Bryan Hall, WR, and his wife, Anne, a daughter, Eleanor Catherine, Sept. 17, 1997.
1997/Sharon Briggs Lamb, WR, and her husband, James, a son, Laura Katherine, June 7, 1998.
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1933/Dr. Sidney Grey Page Jr., R, of Richmond, June 16, 1998. He was a retired internist and Army Reserve colonel. He graduated from MCV in 1938 and served his internship at Harvard Medical School Hospital. After setting up a private practice in Richmond he joined the Army Medical Unit. In 1942, as a member of the Army Medical Corps, he was among the first medical groups sent overseas during World War II. After the war, he resumed his practice in Richmond and also served as medical director of the Salvation Army’s Evangeline Booth Home for Unwed Mothers. He was a member and former vestryman at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church.

1933/Mrs. Gresham Wall, R, of Richmond, July 4, 1998. He was a retired textile executive and real estate broker. He joined Wortendyke Paper Co. in 1953 and resigned as executive vice president in 1946, when he founded Virginia Fiber Corp in Petersburg, Va. In 1951, he founded and served as president and CEO of Virginia Cordage Corp. and Southern Printing Ink Corp. in Richmond. He later joined Columbus Mills Inc. as executive vice president until his first retirement in 1971. A year later, he established Gresham Wall Realty Inc., where he served as president until his final retirement in 1995. He served on the board of directors of the State Chamber of Commerce from 1951 to 1953 and was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church.

1935/Dr. Elmer Shackelford Robertson, R, of Richmond, Sept. 19, 1998. An internist who specialized in cardiology, he retired in 1986. He graduated from MCV in 1940 and served as a captain in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He later worked at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital and the Richmond Metropolitan Hospital, where he served on the board of directors. He was a member of several medical associations and a fellow of the American College of Physicians. He was a member of the Flying Physicians Association and flew his Cessna 170 coast to coast. For more than five years he was a member of Second Presbyterian Church, where he also served as an elder.

1936/James M. Hart, R, of Richmond, Aug. 10, 1997. He was a retired production analyst with DuPont Co.

1937/Jack M. Bristow, R, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., May 20, 1998. He was a retired advertising executive who served as executive vice president at both Fulton Morrissey and Earle Juddin in Chicago and as vice president and group leader at Grieswold Ehlman in Cleveland. After retiring from early and Associates in Cleveland in 1983, he opened his own advertising firm in Fort Lauderdale. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy Amphibious Forces and earned the Silver Star medal for bravery at the invasion of Arawe, New Britain, in October 1943. He served on the board of governors for the Cleveland Council of the American Association of Advertising.

1940/Katherine “Betty” Scherer Miles, R, of Richmond, Aug. 12, 1998. She assisted her husband, Dr. Robert L. Miles, in his dental office for many years. She was a lifetime member of First English Evangelical Lutheran Church. In 1941, she served as a social worker for the American Red Cross. She received her master’s degree in social work from Richmond Professional Institute, now VCU, where she founded.

1943/Richard C. Owen Jr., R, of Rochester Hills, Mich., Feb. 21, 1998. He was the son of the late Richard C. Owen Sr. of Detroit, Mich., and Lila (LaRue) Owen. He was retired as an attorney with the law firm of Venable, B Foot & Torrès. He was a former president of the Richmond Bar Association and served as a partner at the firm. He was a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the Virginia Bar Association. He was a member of the Richmond Professional Institute, now VCU, where he founded.

1943/Dr. J. Clinton Hulcher, W, of Ashland, Va., July 8, 1998. He was a retired medical executive and是一位retired medical executive and former president of Land Title, a retired executive vice president until his retirement in 1987.


1949/Nancy Berry Bolcher, W, of Richmond, Aug. 15, 1998. She was a former president and board member of St. Mary’s Hospital Auxiliary and was a member of St. Mary’s Catholic Church.


1949/George Ira Johnson, R, of Mechanicsville, Va., July 28, 1998. The retired assistant insurance commissioner of the SCI, for 30 years he entertained children as “Moonshine the Magic Clown” and donated his earnings to help finance the Childhood Language Center. He had served as a board member and treasurer at the center, which was founded in 1991 by the Sherrills. During World War II, he served in the Navy.


1950/Stuart B. Cary, B, of Richmond, December 1996. He was a former real estate developer at Ashland Realty Inc. in Ashland, Va.

1950/Dorothy Darracott Duarte, W, of Richmond, June 27, 1998. She was a former physical education teacher at Herritage High School in Henrico County, Va. In 1950/John M. Wyatt III, R, of Richmond, April 20, 1998. He was a former president of Wyatt-Gormick Inc., who retired and became an independent manufacturer of children’s clothing. He served as president and board member of the Textile Sales and Exhibitors Association during the mid-1970s. He was a member of St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church.


1948/Education/“Pat” Velenovsky, R, of Waynesboro, Va., July 8, 1998. He was a retired managing editor of the News Virginian. He joined the Richmond Times-Dispatch in 1951 and served as its managing editor until his retirement in 1987.


1953/Jack W. Bristow, R, of Richmond, Sept. 14, 1998. He was a retired colonel with the Virginia Air National Guard. He joined the National Guard and served during the Berlin Crisis and Vietnam, where he flew 214 combat missions. He worked full time for the Virginia Department of Aviation and became a full-time air traffic controller for the Virginia National Guard from 1974 to 1987, when he was chief of training, chief of standardization and evaluation officer and squadron commander. He was promoted to colonel in 1988 and served as deputy commander for support until his retirement in 1993.


1965/The Rev. Lawrence Edward Brett Jr., R, and G’74, of Bumpass, Va., June 21, 1998. He was a former missionary and Baptist pastor who served as assistant education director for the Department of Corrections. He graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in the late 1950s and served as interim pastor for several small churches in Virginia’s Louisa and Spotsylvania counties. He joined Virginia’s department of corrections as a teacher in 1968 and worked there for 20 years. His missionary work took him to Belize and Tanzania to build churches and teach.

1971/Robert C. Carter III, B, of Austin, Texas, May 14, 1998. He worked as a vice president and chief of information services at Keller Williams Realty in Austin.


INGREDIENTS FOR TRANSFORMATION

A cinematographer, looking down on those lingering after Dr. Modlin’s funeral, might have seen an abstract mass of well-dressed people circulating in flowing patterns of separations and regroupings.

On closer view, this abstract pattern would resolve itself to a coalescence of old friends, colleagues, administrators, alumni, faculty, staff—all taking time to exchange a handshake or a hug and a few words of greeting. We were all Dr. Modlin’s “family.” Jane Pope, Ann Carol Marchant and I moved together to speak. Jane and I reminisced briefly about our days together in Dean Pinchbeck’s office. When I came to the University of Richmond on a work scholarship in mid-September 1950—incredibly, almost a half-century ago—I was assigned for several years to Dean Pinchbeck’s office, located in a space which was formerly Dr. Modlin’s office. Jane and I shall both always hear the cheery Pinchbeck voice, which ranged along an operatic line from falsetto to deep bass as it rang out, “Good mornin’, neighbuh.”

Ann Carol drew the important lesson from this shared recollection: how typical this is of the University of Richmond, where there are interconnections among so many people over such a length of time. She noted the chapel full of celebrants for a student whose presidency had ended more than 25 years ago. This wouldn’t happen in very many places.

Just a few months ago Jerry Quigg sent me his fine brochure, “Transforming Acts, Reflections on Philanthropy at the University of Richmond, 1969-1995.” One of his conclusions is that we have been “transformed” since the Robins gift, “from a small, rather sleepy Southern school to a vibrant, nationally recognized university.” I agree, but would add that the ingredients for this transformation were here from the beginning.

Dr. Modlin was keenly aware that the continuity from founding to the present was remarkably strong. He used to make an annual speech about “four locations, four presidents,” which I first heard in 1950. Claiborne Robins Sr. and his family have expressed themselves eloquently on this linking of then and now. The gift in 1969 was predicated on the faith that a great university needed only financial help to make it even greater.

Much has been made of the dire economic straits that the school had been reduced to at that time. Perhaps, however, we should make less of the crisis and more of Mr. Robins’s faith in alma mater, his notion that his help could lift a ship, not sinking but just uncomfortably moored on a sandbar!

I had the opportunity to observe this spirit once in a Board of Trustees meeting, when several faculty members were expressing feelings on the proposed Jepson School of Leadership Studies. I was, frankly, quite skeptical and said so, concluding something like this: “If we accept this idea of a leadership school, we would be somewhat sentimentally investing a lot of our money, effort and reputation in what seems to be a dreamy idea. This is just a leap of faith.” Mr. Robins leaned forward, with his characteristically quiet excitement: “Yes, that’s it, Irby, a leap of faith.”

When I try to think of specifics that bridge the Modlin era with the present, perhaps most of my examples rest on the individuality of our enterprise.

This has never been a large school, and Mr. Robins wisely cautioned that his gift not be used for making a small university larger. Small classes, personal instruction, collegiality. A feeling that smaller is often better. Smiles and greetings on the walk to lunch or class. The closeness of adviser and advisee, student and teacher, learning from each other. These are the ideals that, for 50 years, I have found to be not just concepts but everyday facts of existence.

There has been plenty of room for progress. The library represents the best of these. I remember its beauty in Ryland Hall, but I also remember it was a masterpiece of cramped confusion. The new building in 1955 and its subsequent additions have transformed our arena of learning. Similar changes have occurred with laboratory equipment, the media resource center, the computer center—to name them is to indicate change.

What we have most refined, I think, is the spirit of the scholar adventurer, present among our founders in 1830 and continuing today in our quest for excellence. The adventure is now played out on a national and international scale. Its proofs are not so exclusively in the classroom, but also are in work published in important journals and papers presented at prestigious conferences.

Yet I see that the anchor is still performance in the classroom. Why conduct research? Why publish? Why attend conferences in San Francisco and London? Why give everybody a separate office with a computer and a private telephone?

Because, remaining who we were, we strive to move ahead. The doctrine is Infinite Perfectibility; the reality is Hard Work.
When they meet this spring for their 50th reunion, members of the Class of 1949 will establish a new merit-based scholarship, the EW Boatwright Society Scholars Program.

The Boatwright Scholars program will award a scholarship each year to direct lineal descendants of University of Richmond alumni. The program will be funded with this year's 50th reunion gifts as well as those of every 50th reunion class to follow.

"Fifty years ago, many of us struggled to come up with $330 a year for tuition," says Gordon Cousins, R'49 and a member of the 50th reunion committee.

"Times have changed dramatically since 1949, of course, but the families of the Class of 1999 are experiencing many of the same financial struggles we did.

“Our gift today will help children and grandchildren of alumni receive a world-class education in the small, traditional, value-based setting we enjoyed as students here.”

The committee is asking every member of the Class of 1949 to make a “now” gift for the Boatwright Society Scholars Program and the Annual Fund, and a “planned” gift to support the scholarship.

For more information, contact Diane Lowder in the planned giving office, (804) 289-8969.
Homecoming
President William E. Cooper, right, greets Sandra and Frank Schultz, R'66, and Wayne Demeri, R'66, at the pre-game party.

Society for Alumni Presidents
Former law association presidents George Varoutsos, R'70 and L'73, and Ed Turlington, R'54 and L'59, and scholarship recipient Stephen Webb, L'01, were among those present when the Society for Alumni Presidents met with President Cooper during Homecoming.

Chips off the old block
Richard E. "Rick" Carter, R'68 and L'71, and J. Waverly Pulley III, R'68 and L'72, were college roommates. Now their sons, Richard E. "Ted" Carter and Waverly Ryan Pulley, are members of the Class of 2002. All alumni and their children entering as first-year students were invited to a dinner in August.

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Parents' breakfast
The Society of Families sponsored a Richmond-area Parents' Breakfast in November, hosted by committee chair Robert S. "Bobby" Ukrop, B'69, and his wife, Jayne. They are shown with student speaker Vinaliya Ganbea, AW'01, center, and her mother, Eileen P. Ganbea.

Founders Dinner
The "Roaring '20s" was the theme for the 17th annual Founders Dinner Oct. 19 at the Fox Head Inn in Richmond. Some of the guests, including Herb Seal and Ann Michael, got into the spirit with spats and flapper dresses.

Alumni center hostesses
A new alumnae group, les Châtelaines, has formed to serve as hostesses in the Jepson Alumni Center during major events. They provide information to visitors about the historic Bottomley House and its furnishings. Shown Homecoming Weekend are, from left, Janet Knobel Jones, W'56, Helen McLowen Kelley, W'49 and committee co-chair, and Lee Reeves Childress, W'50. Susan Wiedie Gaskill, W'68, not shown, also serves as co-chair.

For more photos of Homecoming and other events, visit the alumni office Web page at www.richmond.edu/~alumni/