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Oasis of Honor

On January 16, Robert E.R. Huntley '50, '57L, president of W&L from 1968-1983, gave the keynote speech for the Founders' Day Convocation and the Symposium of the Institute for Honor. In "Oasis of Honor: The Importance of Honor in a World of Eroding Morality," Huntley used the Enron scandal to explore notions of integrity, as did participants in the symposium. Here are some excerpts from his talk:

... With Enron, and the raft of other corporate misbehavior, we suddenly came face to face with the risks of living in a free society where ethical norms, personal morality, honest behavior, have been shelved by many fellow citizens ...

... Americans now more than ever entrust their futures to businesses, their managers and their boards. For a number of highly visible and trusted companies to completely ignore that trust and consume it in the fire of their own obscene grasping is profoundly disruptive to the basic fabric of the nation ...

... If you ever serve as a director of a publicly owned company, take this simple advice: first, do your homework, and then never vote for anything you don't understand. Ask questions and insist upon information until you do ...

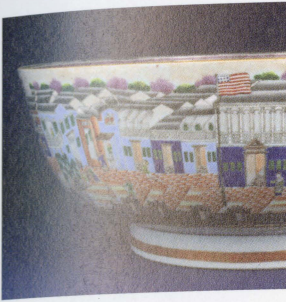
... You here at W&L are part of a very special community, not only a community in quest of educational excellence, admirable as that may be. Over the years I have known and talked with thousands of our alumni. Almost all cite living in this community of honor as the single most important and lasting feature of their W&L experience ...

... If it was important in the lives of those who were part of this community in years gone by, it must be vastly more precious because vastly more rare today. Now it is like an oasis in a world when many around us seem to have discarded their belief in the virtue of honorable conduct and trustworthiness and accept personal responsibility only for their own gratification. Many appear to value unearned self-love (sometimes called self-esteem) above self-respect. One who has the privilege of being a committed part of this community of trust—this Oasis of Honor—is rarely going to make a blunder like that ...

... This code of honor, this community of trust, must be constantly nurtured. It has not and will not survive merely because it has a tradition of scores of decades. Despite its age and the respect in which it is held by generations of alumni, it could die in a single student generation. And once dead it could no more be revived than it could be begun anew at some institution that never practiced it. In short, it is yours to care for, the most precious heritage this old school will give you—and by far the most important thing you can give it.



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On March 18, 2003, the President's Advisory Committee released a report about the academic calendar. The W&L community, especially alumni and students, reacted with vigor. The report, which was essential to deal with our University's prior decision to reduce the teaching load,

THE PRESIDENT AND SPRING TERM

addressed our unique calendar. With the new teaching load and other parameters, the committee recommended to our new president, Tom Burish, that the academic calendar be changed from three semesters (12, 12 and 6 weeks) to two (14 and 14)—which would mean the end of W&L's signature spring term. Cries not heard since the decision to become coeducational were as loud as they were clear. "Save spring term!" became a student mantra, and many parents and alumni joined in.



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Fast-forward to Friday, Feb. 6, 2004. After almost a year of tumultuous meetings, exhaustive reports and communication to every W&L constituent, Burish stood in front of the trustees to express his findings and to make his recommendation. I don't know if the trustees required a recommendation, but I do know that leaders take positions, and our president demonstrated great leadership in what I view as a defining moment for our University's future. As you know, he recommended that we keep a 12-12-6

calendar and therefore save spring term.

While it was a popular choice, it was far from the easy choice. In fact, I think President Burish chose the most difficult of calendars. In his remarks to the trustees, he said he was endorsing the calendar with "the greatest potential, even if it is the most challenging." Calling for a strict evaluation of the calendar and hard work on the financial end, he pointed out, "If done right, this calendar can be a national model for teaching and learning." Burish concluded, "We should march forward with determination, conviction and the tradition of success that has always characterized W&L."

I felt I was witnessing an event of far greater consequence than the decision on our calendar.

As I listened to this in-depth, thoughtful analysis, I felt I was witnessing an event of far greater consequence than the decision on our calendar. I was witnessing a highly qualified man being transformed from simply a university president to something quite different. I was witnessing Tom Burish become the president of Washington and Lee.

I know the journey has not been easy for Tom and Pam Burish. Acclimating to our culture must surely have its moments of difficulty and frustration. The spring term debate was especially contentious, even though the circumstances leading to it were not of Burish's making. Never once did I hear him state that fact, yet he knew the issue was his to solve. I applaud them both for persevering and for taking the time necessary to graciously become the president and first lady of Washington and Lee.

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Politics on the Page

In response to the letter from Scott Ainslie '74 (Winter 2004), asking for a more critical approach to the engagement of our soldiers in Iraq, I would respond that those engaged are more in need of a pat on the back from our alma mater than an academic discussion as to whether the cause to which the nation has been committed is just or worthwhile. To those engaged in it, war is anything other than an academic exercise.

As a decorated combat veteran of Vietnam, I was pleased that the University values the contributions of its military-affiliated alumni. I am assured that these soldiers will know that their commitment is appreciated rather than disparaged.

*J. Walter Shugart III '61
Midlothian, Va.*

In your Winter 2004 issue, Scott Ainslie wrote regarding "Generals at War" (Summer 2003), which was intended to honor our soldiers in Iraq. While alumni are free to have their own political views and support or oppose our country's actions, I find it distasteful that your publication would print such a blatantly one-sided political diatribe. Mr. Ainslie misses the non-political point of the article and uses it as an excuse to utilize your airwaves to speak his own political views.

Shame on you for printing it as legitimate commentary.

*Arthur Loring '69
Palm Beach, Fla.*

I would expect your publication to print honest differences of opinion but not to allow blatant political polemics (Winter 2004, letter from Scott Ainslie). I am very disappointed that you would allow this Vermont Phi Beta Kappa (sort of makes me want to turn in my own key) to discourse about such extreme (dare I say, staunch leftist) views as "rhetoric of deception" and "imprudent... fiscal policies." I think that an apology to your readers is in order.

Or do you feel the same way he does?

*Hunter B. McFadden
New Orleans*

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Diversity Denouement

Ted DeLaney '85 (letter to the editor, Winter 2004) defends W&L's diversity initiatives while commenting unfavorably on an earlier letter by Peter J. Stelling '65 (Spring 2003). Mr. Stelling's letter suggested the blind audition process as a fair means to attain meritorious diversity among students admitted to the University.

To suggest that Mr. Stelling wrongfully implies that "unqualified" African-American students are admitted to W&L is somewhat disingenuous on Prof. DeLaney's part. Likewise, Mr. Stelling's recommended color-blind process appears equally flawed in the W&L context. The W&L admissions policy has

always been subjective rather than objective. Unqualified students have been coming to W&L for decades.

Anecdotes about academic and social success among the University's African-American students are certainly welcome and would be predictable among the student body of a highly selective college. What Prof. DeLaney may not realize is that in the pre-integration era he describes, there were informal strictures known as the Catholic quota and the Jewish quota, never codified, but undoubtedly initiatives that the dean of admissions, Dr. Frank Gilliam, advanced to promote diversity.

Racial diversity at W&L is just part of a natural pattern of historical evolution, as Ted DeLaney, associate professor of history, surely must appreciate. To say that minority students are not or should not be helped with initiatives toward diversity strays from the truth and the purpose of an important center of learning.

The bad old days of pre-1966 racial segregation and the exclusion of women were not as monolithic and troglodytic as students of history may be taught today. There were diversity issues then as now—the mix of Northern and Southern students among the biggest.

One hopes that other subjective means to preserve the uniqueness of the W&L experience will survive, and that the gradual embrace of change—while preserving the traditions of civility, honor and generosity—will put balm on the wound that will not heal: racism.

One further hopes that the African-American students and alumni of the present era will enjoy early-selection favoritism when their own children and grandchildren apply to W&L in future years. My son, Casey, opted out of the early-selection process

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to interview at other schools, and in 1996, W&L was the only university that rejected him.

What does that tell you?

*Stephen J. Cokvin '64
Arlington Heights, Ill.*

Permit me to add my voice to that of Professor DeLaney (letter to the editor, Winter 2004). As he notes, W&L's admissions process has never been blind—at least not to geographic origin, athletic talent, leadership, special academic interests and other distinguishing personal characteristics. The mission of a liberal arts college is promoted by inclusiveness, not exclusiveness. That inclusiveness is captured by the concept of enrolling a well-rounded class of angular individuals. A blind admissions process does not see the angles.

Regrettably, race relations is the most difficult domestic social issue of our day. In my view, it is simply beyond denial that race and financial disadvantage are necessary angles in a liberal arts college, especially in these times.

I would like to see the University devote to the diversity initiative at least the same amount of financial resources and administrative attention that it gave to the Fraternity Renaissance program some years ago and to the recent construction of sorority houses. The educational experience of all students would be enriched and the vitality of the University community would be enhanced. Without such an effort, W&L will not be fully preparing its students for the world in which they will work and live after Lexington.

*Bill Schildt '64, '68L
Hagerstown, Md.*

I read with surprise and then sadness the response of Ted DeLaney (Winter 2004) to my letter (Spring 2003). To say that I implied "that W&L admits minority students who are unqualified" shows that he grossly misunderstood what I was trying to say. Isn't this the very heart of an issue that should long ago have ceased to be debated? Misunderstanding.

I am delighted, if not at all surprised, to hear that minority students, once admitted, have proven themselves and that many of them have excelled. Admission to W&L is only entry to the starting gate. It's a tough race, and only the best will prove themselves.

It is not the admission of minority students that I complained about, but what I perceive to be an unfair process. They must always be treated fairly and with sensitivity, not with agendas and an attitude that the end justifies the means. To do otherwise compromises the very fabric of

our University's credo.

People of African-American descent in my circle of friends are opposed to affirmative action initiatives. One is a retired IBM executive. Another is the CEO of his company. Another has a Ph.D. They feel that to admit someone based on affirmative action gives the appearance of compromising ensuing accomplishments and provides those who might have a bias against their presence grounds to support a flawed argument.

Yes, W&L presents an opportunity to all who are granted admittance a unique chance to grow as individuals and to become exceptional citizens. Let's make sure that such admittance is granted on a level playing field, and that there can be no chance for those on the sidelines with a hidden agenda to cast aspersions.

I regret the mistakes of the past, which prevented Prof. DeLaney and me the opportunity of being classmates. When I am in Lexington again, I hope he will do me the honor of sitting down at the Palms and discussing whatever it pleases him to discuss over a beer.

*Peter J. Stelling '65
Smyrna, Ga.*

Editor's Note: These are the 17th, 18th and 19th—and, we hereby declare, last—letters commenting on an article (and subsequent letters about it) that appeared two years ago. Thank you for a lively discussion.

Remembering a Friend

I realize that obituary notices cannot be mini-biographies, but the obituary for my former roommate, Daniel Kling '59 (Winter 2004), was considerably more terse than that which I called in. Out of loyalty to Dan, but more because of his loyalty to our alma mater, I wish to elaborate just a bit on this fine man.

As noted, Dan was the football manager for all four years he attended W&L, but it is important to know that he gave this often-downplayed role his full commitment. For each of the last 10 or so years, Dan hosted foreign students who were attending his high school alma mater, and at his expense he treated the students to extensive tours of this country, with a visit to W&L being the focal point of every trip. Dan's love for Washington and Lee was manifested by his generous contributions but even more by his frequent gifts of W&L items and his unabashed insistence that these foreign students go home knowing about Washington and Lee.

Having said this, let me say that I feel the Washington and Lee alumni magazine is premier

among publications of its kind, not only because it is of high interest to us alumni, but also because it is of a high quality befitting our University. Thanks for your splendid work.

*Bert Hudnall '59
Charleston, S.C.*

Guilty or Not Guilty

I just read the blurb on Sol Wachtler '51's book in the new alum magazine (Winter 2004). The name rang a bell so I Googled him. Yep, it's the same guy guilty of several crimes.

As the online magazine *Slate* said in a 1997 review of Wachtler's earlier book, *After the Madness: A Judge's Memoir of His Time in Prison*: "He was arrested for stalking his former mistress, Joy Silverman, and charged with extortion, interstate racketeering and blackmail, among other crimes. Wachtler had written her harassing letters in the guise of a fictional alter ego, and mailed a condom to her young daughter. The judge claimed mental incapacitation: Jilted by Silverman, he'd succumbed to a manic depression that was exacerbated by an addiction to prescription amphetamines. Wachtler pled guilty to sending threats through the mail. In September 1993... the 63-year-old first-time offender began serving an 11-month term in federal prison."

Please don't write a glowing report of some alum who was a financial officer at Enron or WorldCom.

*Charlie Bensinger '66
Louisville, Ky.*

And luckily not yet guilty of any major crimes

Editor's Note: After serving his sentence for the crime noted above, Wachtler received the 2000 President's Award from the Mental Health Association of New York. He is an adjunct professor of law at Touro College Law Center in Huntington, N.Y. During Homecoming last October, he spoke at the Law School and signed his novel at the University bookstore.

Corrections and Clarifications

Libby Norwood is the mother of Dalton '00, Elizabeth and Hope Norwood ("All Leaders Are Servants: Rector Phil Norwood '69," Winter 2004).

Please see p. 48 for a corrected obituary for H. Lee Israel '61. ❖



Anna Johnson-Winegar listens intently as the students highlight the topics of their research papers. From South Africa's decision to abandon its nuclear efforts to the motivations driving Iran's nuclear push, the students spied off their endeavors to understand today's deadliest weapons and the ever-heightening international tensions they are causing.

"You've got your work cut out for you," says Johnson-Winegar, the day's guest lecturer and one of the Pentagon's highest-ranking chemical and biological experts. She recently retired as deputy assistant to the U.S. Secretary of Defense. "You've hit on many of the topics I've spent most of my life studying."

Robert Strong, professor of politics, and Frank Settle, professor of chemistry, beam at their students' fine showing and then quickly drive the discussion toward the complexities of the radiological, biological and chemical weapons that threaten the world as never before. Welcome to "Avoiding Armageddon: The Art and Science of Non-Proliferation," a new interdisciplinary course at Washington and Lee.

Settle and Strong joined forces last winter to launch the class, one of the few of its type in the country. Combining their respective expertise in nuclear weapons and American foreign affairs, the two professors, nationally recognized in their fields, are taking their students through the history, science and politics of nuclear, bio-chemical and radiological warfare.

Staying ahead of breaking news—and staying on top of 16 of W&L's highest-achieving students, in the University Scholars program—has been a major undertaking. "I want to use this course as a wedge to show students how much they need scientific knowledge to understand a whole raft of international issues," says Strong. "This is a launching pad to get students more interested in the relationship between technology and policy. People who deal with these issues as policy makers need to know both."

"We're really trying to be true to the science," adds Settle, director of W&L's Alsos Digital Library for Nuclear Issues (alsos.wlu.edu), which is part of the National Science Digital Library sponsored by the National Science Foundation. "We

also want the students to see from the various countries' perspectives how difficult these issues are."

While Settle has repeatedly taught an interdisciplinary course on the nuclear age, and Strong created a course in terrorism several years ago, neither felt their individual courses fully captured the multiple layers of interconnected issues that affect international decisions on weapons of mass destruction.

Last summer, the professors began designing the seminar to engage students in the many considerations that world

leaders face. "The science literacy," says Strong, "is the missing component in far too much of the public debate on non-proliferation issues.

"I want our students to have greater sympathy for Bush, Kerry, whoever has to handle these issues," he adds. "Once you deal with these issues, it's easier to understand the anxiety of other countries and the hard choices they have to make."

Strong and Settle agree the course would not be possible without the infusion of their diverse backgrounds, as well as the addition of guest experts, including Johnson-Winegar and Washington physicist Charles Ferguson of the Monterey Institute of Non-Proliferation.

Both also credit the hard work of their students in keeping the course hopping. "About a year ago, you said your greatest worry is anthrax," Strong asks Johnson-Winegar in opening a class discussion. "Is that still the case?"

"It's at the top of my list," she says. "It's one of the easiest biological substances to make, it's cheap, the substance doesn't need any special handling and it lasts for decades.

"The FBI still has to resolve the anthrax-letters case of 2001," she adds. "One question is whether there is a large stockpile of anthrax

ARMAGEDDON IN THE CLASSROOM



PARTICIPANTS IN THE INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSE LISTEN TO ANNA JOHNSON-WINEGAR, AN EXPERT ON BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS.

"I want to use this course as a wedge to show students how much they need scientific knowledge to understand a whole raft of international issues."

—ROBERT STRONG,
PROFESSOR OF POLITICS

that has been made, or was this the work of a lone terrorist who mixed up a strain in the kitchen? It's still not known."

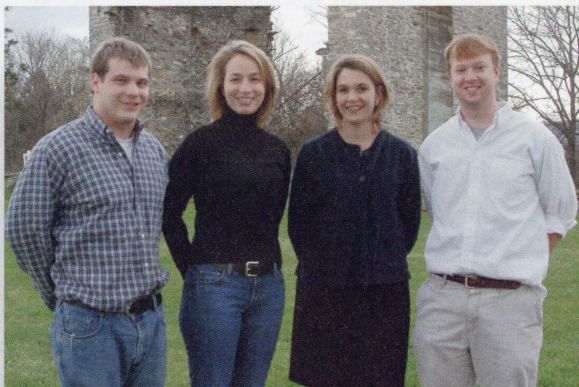
"If this got spread in an airport," asks Tiffany Nicole Jenkins '05, of Valdosta, Ga., "how prepared is the government to deal with protecting the country?"

"We're not very well prepared, unfortunately," Johnson-Winegar says. "It is a high priority of the U.S. Homeland Security agency. But they have moved out of science and into politics, in my opinion."

"In the past, there were no regulations in place, nor was there good diligence on the part of scientists in keeping records on anthrax strains," Johnson-Winegar adds. "Hundreds of laboratories had strains over the years."

In the case of infectious diseases, asks another student, "Is there nothing the government can do beyond quarantine to stop mass contamination?"

"Most efforts are voluntary," Johnson-Winegar says in her characteristic blunt yet diplomatic fashion. "The Center for Disease Control has no enforcement authority."



Award-Winning Archaeologists

Paul LaRaia '04, Lisa Sauer '04, Alison Bell '91, assistant professor of archaeology, and Brian Maher '04 pay a visit to Liberty Hall. Under Bell's tutelage, last fall the students presented their analyses of artifacts from Longdale, a 19th-century iron-mining community in western Virginia, at the Archaeological Society of Virginia's conference. Sauer won two awards in the student-paper competition: the Julian and Martha Williams Award for best paper in historical archaeology, and the Ben McCary Award for best paper overall.

"I think there will be additional legislation and regulations passed to restrict the sharing of biological materials and information on how to grow these things," she added. "But there's certainly a lot of backlash in the scientific communities."

Adds Settle, "We saw that in the 1930s and 1940s with restricted publication on nuclear weapon development. They disappeared until long after World War II."

Back and forth go the twice-weekly discussions that left Strong and Settle exhausted—and exhilarated—by the end of the two-hour class. Further challenging them and enriching the entire class were several international students who added an invaluable depth and perspective.

"I feel like I did when I first began teaching," says Settle. "It's starting from scratch. I suspect I've learned more than the students have, especially in the area of politics."

"Some of these students will go on to become policy makers," Strong says. "I feel like Frank and I are really doing something important here."

—Ruth S. Intress



Carras Named First Associate Provost

George Carras, a professor of classical studies and a senior research fellow in religion, has been appointed the University's first associate provost. He will work on long-range planning, interdisciplinary programs and international study. He also will continue to serve as director of corporate and foundation relations on W&L's development team.

Carras' expanded duties will enhance the connection between corporate and foundation fund-raising and academic units and projects. "I look forward to working closely with George in furthering the academic goals of Washington and Lee," said Provost Tom Williams. "His talents and experience will greatly enhance the services that can be provided through the office of the provost."

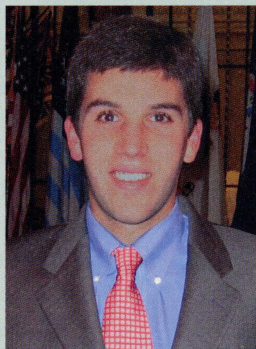
Since joining W&L in 1997, Carras has focused on corporate and foundation relations and faculty grant and fellowship support. To date, \$34 million has been raised under his oversight. In 2002, W&L's development efforts in the corporate-foundation area ranked sixth among those at the country's top 50 private liberal arts colleges.

A 20-year veteran of higher education, Carras has served as a faculty member, academic administrator, dean, development director and sponsored-research director. He specializes in Hellenistic Jewry, early Christianity, Pauline studies and Josephus studies within a Greco-Roman context.

SETH MARTIN '04: UNsung GENERAL OF THE YEAR

Seth Martin '04 received the John W. Elrod Unsung General of the Year Award from the Celebrating Student Success Committee, which chose him for his leadership and volunteer service to the W&L community. The award carries a \$1,000 stipend, which Martin will split with the campus or local organization of his choice. Martin also will have his name engraved on a plaque in the Elrod Commons.

A senior biology major from Bryn Mawr, Pa., Martin has served as social chair and president of Hillel, recruiting Jewish students and adding to the University's diversity. He serves on W&L's Hillel Advisory Board and the Multicultural Advisory Board and is a former member of the Career Services Advisory Board.



He also is president of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and a three-year letter winner in men's tennis. He serves as the tennis team's Student-Athlete Mentor (SAM) and is a member of the SAMs Council. A member of ODK and Phi Beta Kappa, Martin has also served as a tutor at the Natural Bridge Juvenile Learning Center and volunteers at the Stonewall Jackson Hospital Birthing Center.

The Celebrating Student Success Committee recognized ten other students as well: Kristin Crawford '05, who serves as Nabors Service League Saturdays chair and has served as children's chair, and coordinator of Reading Week, the Fall Service Festival and the International Holiday Celebration; Ryan Duffy '04 for his work with the Rugby Club; Caleb Dulis '04 and Brandon Waddell '04 for their work with the theater department; Monea Hendricks '04 and Jessica Taylor '04, who directed and inspired the University cheerleaders; Kelly Jo Larsen '05 for working with the *Calyx*, co-chairing the Gay-Straight Alliance and serving on the Multicultural Advisory Board; Ansel Sanders '04 for his work with the committee studying the academic calendar; Paul Seifert '04 for his financial direction of the *Ring-Tum Phi*; and Paul Sibley '04, who served Phi Kappa Psi as social chair, philanthropy chair and vice president.

12-12-6 Calendar Retained, Modified

At their February 2004 meeting, the Board of Trustees decided to retain and enhance Washington and Lee's 12-12-6 calendar. Students will take three spring terms, rather than the current four, and the minimum course load for the spring term will be six credits. It will take approximately three years to completely implement the modifications.

Full implementation also will require raising funds, primarily for additional faculty. The University also will provide funds to help faculty design or redesign spring-term courses.

When the revised calendar is up and running, students will take more courses than are required at almost every other top liberal arts college; W&L will have more faculty and hence a smaller student/faculty ratio than ever before; and the school will have new programs to encourage creative teaching during spring term.

Next-Door Neighbor Pays a Visit to W&L

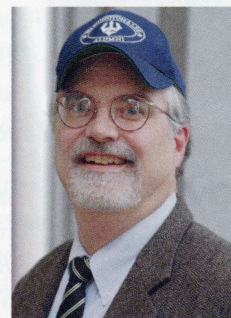
Cash Koeniger '71 is finally getting to have his cake and eat it, too. The W&L graduate has returned to Newcomb Hall—not as an alumnus but as a visiting professor, a role that for this historian is a longtime dream.

In 1971, Koeniger left Lexington with a W&L sheepskin and his sights set on law school. Soon after, however, his love of history won out, and he was ready to return to Lexington. In 1986, he did—not to W&L but to Virginia Military Institute, where he teaches the history of the American South, the Civil War and the 20th-century United States.

"Teaching at W&L is a paradise for me," said Koeniger, who's filling in for Barry Machado, professor of history, during the 2003-2004 academic year. "The experience has not proved illusionary. The students are remarkably gifted—I've never had better ones—and the opportunity to teach a U.S. survey course is refreshing."

Next fall, Koeniger will resume teaching at VMI, but he'll still have a role here—that of W&L parent. His son, Anderson, a senior at Rockbridge County High School, was accepted through the early admission program and will carry on the family tradition of studying at Washington and Lee.

—Wendy Lovell '90



Calendar of Upcoming Events

June 2: Undergraduate Baccalaureate

June 3: Graduation

July 4-30: Summer Scholars Program

*Creditworthy***Using His Brains**

John J. Wielgus, a professor in the neuroscience program and the department of biology, has published an article about his brain research in the special anniversary issue of the international journal *Brain Research*. His

article had originally been slated to appear in a different journal, *Developmental Brain Research*, but editors quickly elevated it by selecting it for *Brain Research*, which is widely read by the worldwide neuroscience community. The work suggests that pregnant women who smoke or use nicotine replacement face a higher risk of having children with hyperactivity disorders such as ADHD and other developmental deficits. The article is co-authored by L. Corbin Downey '02, Katelyn W. Ewald '02, Melissa Hatley '02, Kathleen Wilson '04 and Ruth Hill Yeilding '03.

Fulbrights Just Keep Coming

Hampden H. Smith III, a longtime professor of journalism and mass communications, has received a Fulbright Grant to teach in eastern Europe. He has been asked to lecture in several areas of journalism at the University of

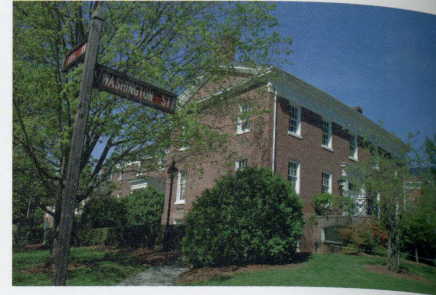
Tirana, Albania's capital, on reporting, journalism ethics, editing and design for print publications and developing news sites on the Web. This is Smith's third Fulbright. He taught at Moscow

University Center Renamed

The University Center, located at the corner of Washington and Lee streets, is reverting to its original name of Early-Fielding Memorial Building. W&L made the change to avoid confusion with the new John W. Elrod University Commons. The revived name remembers the generosity of Annie Fielding Early, of Roanoke, and her daughter, Annie Early Fairfax, of Roanoke and Washington. Early left her estate to W&L in the late 1920s subject to a life income for Fairfax, who died in 1964.

W&L named the building after the two women in recognition of their involvement. At the building's dedication in December 1969, Dr. John Newton Thomas, then a senior member of the Board of Trustees, said, "This building is in truth a symbol of our solidarity in this academic community and the promise of its continuance."

W&L's Business Office joins the offices of the University registrar, institutional research, student Executive Committee and W&L counseling in Early-Fielding this spring.

**EXCELLENCE IN ETHICS**

Faculty advisor James Mahon, assistant professor of philosophy; Matthew McDermott '04; Samuel Russell '05; Miriam Rodgers '04; and Mehul Srivastava '04 celebrate their first-place win at the statewide Ethics Bowl Competition on Feb. 16. They competed against 15 student debate teams drawn from 14 other private colleges across Virginia. The students analyzed corporate-oriented, ethical case dilemmas and presented their recommendations for the best ethical solutions. The theme of this year's competition was "War and Ethics." The win is the third first-place finish for W&L students in the competition's five-year history. This team was the only one in the competition to reach the final round unbeaten, defeating Roanoke College, Bridgewater College, Hollins University and Sweet Briar College before taking on Hampden-Sydney College in a debate over two previously unseen cases to clinch the victory.

Shenandoah Shares the Wealth

Shenandoah: The Washington and Lee University Review announced the winners of its annual fiction, essay and poetry prizes for 2003. At it happens, they all appeared in the Winter 2003 issue.

Ann Harleman of Providence, R.I., received the \$1,000 Goodheart Prize for Fiction for her story, "Will Build to Suit." The prize is named for the late Jeanne C. Charpiot Goodheart and is made possible by a gift of her husband, Harry G. Goodheart Jr., and her son, Harry G. Goodheart III. Harleman is the author of *Bitter Lake* (1996) and *Happiness* (1994). She is on the faculty at Brown University and has received Guggenheim and Rockefeller fellowships and the O. Henry award. Latha Viswanathan judged the category.

Jeffrey Hammond of Takoma Park, Md., won the \$500 Thomas H. Carter Prize for his essay, "Night Moves." Judged by Rebecca McClanahan, the Carter prize honors the late Thomas H. Carter, co-founder of *Shenandoah*. Hammond's most recent books are *Ohio States: A Twentieth-Century Midwestern* (2002) and *The American Puritan Elegy: A Literary and Cultural Study* (2000). The recipient of a Pushcart Prize, he teaches at St. Mary's College in Maryland.

Cody Walker of Seattle took the James Boatwright III Prize for Poetry for his poems, "Hephzibah Cemetery, April 1889" and "New Orleans, August 1890." The \$1,000 prize is made possible by gifts from friends of the late James Boatwright, former editor of *Shenandoah*. Aimee Nezhukumatathil judged the poems. Walker's work has appeared in *The Cream City Review*, *The Cortland Review* and *Poetry Motel*. He teaches at the University of Washington.

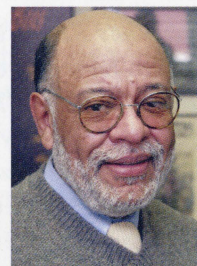


Creditworthy

State University in 1992 and at the American University in Bulgaria from 1995-1996. Now in phased retirement, he recently completed 15 years as head of the journalism and mass communications department.

Talking About History

The Virginia Foundation for the Humanities has awarded W&L a \$10,000 grant for an oral history project, "Telling Our Stories," documenting the desegregation of public schools. **Ted DeLaney '85**, associate professor of history, will direct the project. Joining him are Alison Bell '91, assistant professor of archaeology; Sasha Goluboff, assistant professor of cultural anthropology; Doug Cumming, assistant professor of journalism and mass communications; and students Lauren Rowe '06, Julianne Shelley '05 and Kelly Jo Larsen '05, backed by a Robert E. Lee Research Grant.



The Better Half

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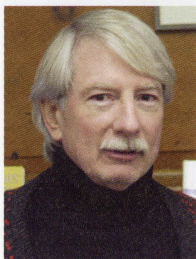
Smile

Mary Woodson, publications manager and one of this magazine's two designers, won a third-place award for spot news photography from the Virginia Press Association in March. In her free time, Woodson takes photos for the Lexington *News-Gazette*. Her winning shot depicted a car caught up in the flooding of South River following Hurricane Isabel in September 2003.



*Creditworthy***Reading and Writing**

R. T. Smith, editor of *Shenandoah: The Washington and Lee Review*, will have a short story, "Docent," included in the prestigious *Best American Short Stories*, to be published later this year by Scribners. It originally appeared in the *Missouri Review* and also is scheduled to be reprinted in *New Stories from the South: The Year's Best, 2004*. Smith also was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in poetry for his recent collections, *The Hollow Log Lounge* and *Brightwood*.

**Backing for Biology**

E. William Hamilton III, assistant professor of biology, has received a \$131,000 National Science Foundation grant to study how rising carbon dioxide levels in the atmosphere are endangering plant life and whether this growing global problem ultimately could impact the productivity of agricultural crops. The grant will allow Hamilton, the project's principal investigator, to conduct field and laboratory research with his biology students into how different types of plants are affected by climatic extremes, specifically heat stress, and whether increasing global temperatures may lead to changes in the survival of some plant species. Joining him on the project is Scott A. Heckathorn, assistant professor in biology at the University of Toledo.

*Lenfest Gift Packs a Punch*

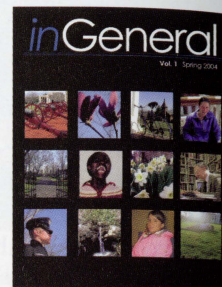
Marguerite and Gerry Lenfest '53, '55L recently made a surprise donation to W&L of this rare piece of Chinese export porcelain. The Reeves Center gratefully accepted the beautiful and valuable hong punch bowl, which is decorated with an American flag and dates to c. 1790-1802.

"The importance of the Lenfest bowl is twofold," said Peter Grover '73, director of University collections. "It is a magnificent work of art and, with its depiction of the hong (factories), a valuable historical document."

In a Word: inGeneral

This spring, students unveiled a new magazine, *inGeneral*. Editor in chief Mina Azodi '06 "woke up one night" during her freshman year with "a far-fetched idea: to start a student-run magazine for Washington and Lee and its extended family." She enlisted Johnson Bazzel '06 and Sara Kell Bowers '06 as managing editors and Vishal Sapra '06 as business manager. Designers, editors, writers, a photographer and an advertising staff soon joined the founders to produce an 18-page magazine "for all those lucky enough to claim a connection to this charming little town in the Shenandoah Valley," writes Azodi.

For more information see www.ingeneral.wlu.edu.

**MAYOCK NAMED ASSOCIATE DEAN OF COLLEGE**

Ellen Mayock, associate professor of Romance languages, begins a three-year term as associate dean of the College for faculty and program support on July 1. The College is the arts and sciences division of the University, which oversees the freshman curriculum and advanced coursework in humanities, fine arts, natural sciences, mathematics, computer science and several social sciences.



Mayock will help the College assess its academic programs and assist in the accreditation process, developing and tracking capital projects and hiring additional staff. She will work with the dean, other administrators and faculty. She will continue to teach.

Mayock came to W&L in 1997 as assistant professor of Romance languages, earning the rank of associate professor in 2002. Her scholarship covers 20th-century Spanish literature, with an emphasis on female writers. Her book, *The "Strange Girl" in Twentieth-Century Spanish Novels Written by Women*, will be published by the University Press of the South later this year.

Mayock has been a strong contributor to the Women's Studies program and has developed with students an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program in Lexington to serve the area's growing Spanish-speaking population.

Two students, **Vanessa Adams '04** and **Kenneth "Neth" Walker '04**, have won Fulbright Fellowships for study abroad—at opposite ends of the earth. Adams, a dual major in mathematics and biology, will conduct research into endangered plant species at the University of Queensland, Australia. Walker will take classes at the University of Iceland and conduct research on the impact of climate change with the country's National Energy Authority.

Adams, of Albuquerque, N.M., made As in almost every course in biology, botany, genetics, evolution and environmental sciences, as well as abstract algebra, calculus, partial differential equations, computing and mathematical modeling. "I've taken everything but geometry," she says. "It's the one form of math I don't like at all."

She was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, belongs to the cross-country and track teams, works as a residence hall advisor and laboratory assistant and volunteers as a math and science tutor to area middle-school youngsters and W&L students.

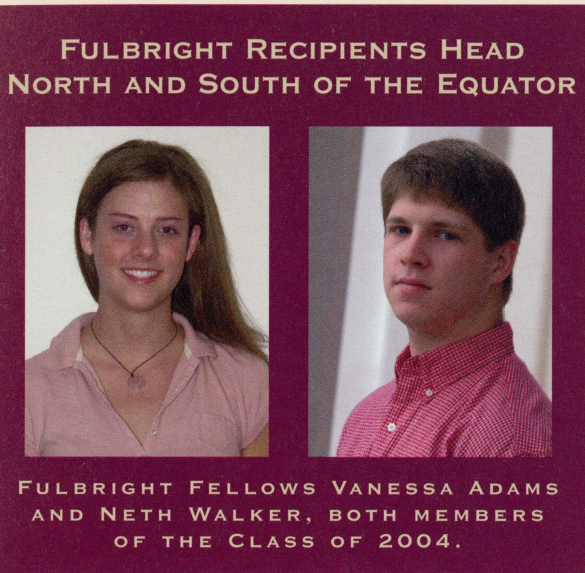
"I like to volunteer and be with different groups of people," she says. "I don't want to be around only pure science-math types. W&L has been the best place for me to keep doing sports and be able to do science and math but still get a background in the liberal arts."

Walker, of Glen Allen, Va., intended to study politics or history when he arrived at W&L. But a course in geology and a 2002 summer research program in Iceland lured him in another direction.

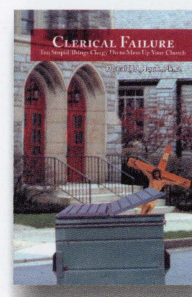
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—NETH WALKER '04

"Entering college, I wanted to discover a course of study that would allow me to utilize my curiosity and interest in the natural world," says Walker. "As I began to embrace geology and environmental studies, I realized I wanted to use these fields of study not only for personal enjoyment but also to participate in solving natural resource problems. By focusing on current environmental issues that impact the health of mankind, I hope to be part of the solution."

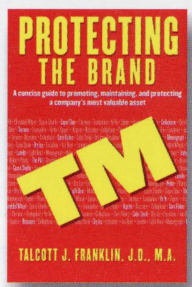
Walker has received several scholarships, grants and awards and is in charge of the University's Peer Tutoring Program. He is an assistant head dorm counselor, a University Scholar and a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa and the Order of Omega.



Books



Clerical Failure: Ten Stupid Things Clergy Do to Mess Up Your Church, by **Donald D. Hook '50**, is "directed at the laity of Christian churches, although it is hoped the clergy will also read it and see themselves as if in a mirror," writes the author in the preface.

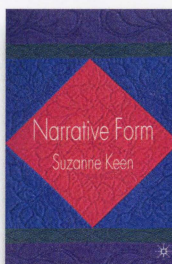


Protecting the Brand: A Concise Guide to Promoting, Maintaining, and Protecting a Company's Most Valuable Asset, by **Talcott J. Franklin '95L**, explains copyrights, patents and trademarks.

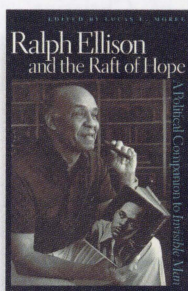


Jewish Russians: Upheavals in a Moscow Synagogue, by **Sascha Goluboff**, assistant professor of cultural anthropology, uses ethnography and archival research to study a Russian Jewish community in the mid-1990s.

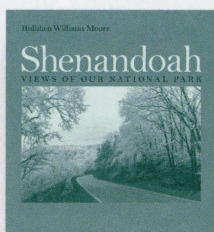
Books



Narrative Form, by **Suzanne P. Keen**, professor of English, discusses narrative form and formal analysis for students of fiction.



Ralph Ellison and the Raft of Hope: A Political Companion to Invisible Man, edited by **Lucas E. Morel**, associate professor of politics, is a collection of essays about Ellison's famed 1952 novel, *Invisible Man*.



Shenandoah: Views of Our National Park, by **Hulihan Williams "Hullie" Moore '65**, presents 51 photographs of Shenandoah National Park, along with essays, by an alumnus who studied with renowned photographer Ansel Adams.

Last fall, Tran Kim '05 took a few minutes from her packed schedule to check her e-mail. As a University Scholar with a double major in politics and journalism, she has precious little spare time. One message in particular caught her eye—a Richmond music promoter needed gospel singers for a one-time performance. They would be accompanying not another gospel artist but Lyle Lovett, the Texan singer-songwriter who stirs country, folk, blues, jazz and R&B

FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA TO SINGING WITH LYLE LOVETT: TRAN KIM '05



TRAN KIM AND TOM WHITE, A COUPLE OF AFICIONADOS TALKING ABOUT MUSIC.

into his own brand of acclaimed popular music. He was booking local groups in each city on his tour. As Kim would soon be singing with Lovett on his song "Church": "Something quite unusual happened on that day."

You might call her path to W&L unusual too. Kim was born in Cambodia outside of Phnom Penh in 1981, after her parents had fled from Vietnam just after the fall of Saigon. Two years later, her mother, Toan Nguyen, died after giving birth to her younger brother, Anh. Under these difficult circumstances, her father, Cao Kim, was forced to give up Anh for adoption. Father and daughter then escaped by foot through the jungles of Cambodia to a refugee camp in Thailand.

The Kims received political asylum to come to the United States and in 1989 moved to Richmond. In their new home, they found a circle of friends who became a second family. She attended the demanding Governor's School, a high school for select students, and her father became a social worker helping other immigrants.

Music filled the Kims' house. "I've sung my entire life," she says. "I had a 10 p.m. singing curfew at home." At W&L, she sang for a time with General Admission, the coed a cappella group, and now performs with Joyful Noise, the student gospel group, of which she is the assistant coordinator. Kim, who also favors jazz and soul music, is trying to start an a cappella group on campus to sing R&B

and gospel. Despite her love of music, however, she didn't know a note of Lovett's before she received a CD with the three tracks that the pickup group would be performing.

To complete her crash course, Kim turned to Tom White, W&L's director of communications and external relations. "I knew of Tran even before I met her, because President Burish had been citing her as one of the exceptional students in her class," says White. "Then I got to know her at WLUR (the W&L radio station), where her shift followed mine on Tuesday evenings."

When Kim told White about the Lovett concert, "I was beaming with pride and joy," he remembers. "To know Tran is to believe that this is the kind of remarkable thing that will continue to happen to her." White, a serious music fan with an extensive collection, loaned his Lovett CDs to Kim so she could further prepare for the big night.

On Nov. 12, 2003, Kim arrived at the Carpenter Center in Richmond and met the rest of Gospel 911, as the temporary group was dubbed. Most of the other eight singers knew each other, but she was acquainted with only one. "I was the youngest person, and I had the least performing experience." And, she says with a smile, "I was the only one who wasn't black." None of that mattered one bit, and the group jelled during four hours of rehearsal with Lovett's musical director. However, they were unable to meet the star, who stayed on his tour bus, and listened to the show from the basement until Lovett introduced them for the final three numbers.

When Gospel 911 hit the stage, the rookie wasn't nervous at all. "It happened so fast," Kim says. "It was just amazing. A 'wow' moment. People danced in the aisles—there was a lot of energy in the auditorium." The whole scene was a sort of epiphany for Kim: "At that moment, I really thought seriously about being a singer."

For now, however, she focuses on her studies. "I love this academic community," she says of W&L. "I have definitely found my niche here." Opting out of sorority life, she spends her time volunteering in addition to studying and singing. As for life after W&L, Kim is pondering law school, graduate studies or a career in journalism. Whatever she decides, the field must accommodate her "high energy," she

says, and if that field happens to include music, she's open to it. She also plans a trip back to Vietnam with her father to visit her brother and her father's family.

Two summers ago, Kim interned in New York City with the Shepherd Poverty Program and roomed with casting agent Will Cantler '77 and his wife,

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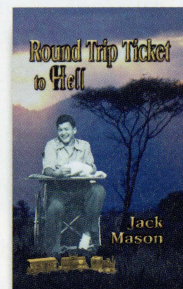
—TRAN KIM '05

Jan. There she developed a fondness for New York's "coffee shops, bookstores and jazz clubs," she says. "Oh—and shopping." Last summer, Kim taught high school students at Yale University for the Exploration Summer Program. This summer, she is looking forward to a "fabulous opportunity" working at the *Indianapolis Star* newspaper as a recipient of a Pulliam Journalism Fellowship.

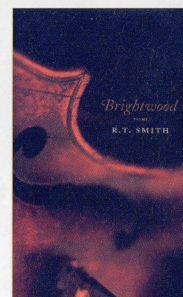
Whether she's singing or studying, "Tran works very hard to develop her many talents," says White. "You just get the sense that she will unflinchingly use these talents for the greater good."

—Julie A. Campbell

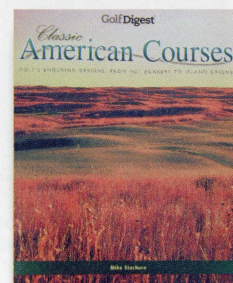
Books



Round Trip Ticket to Hell, by **A. Jackson Mason '57**, is a memoir of the eight years leading up to Mason's graduation from W&L, a time when he coped with polio.



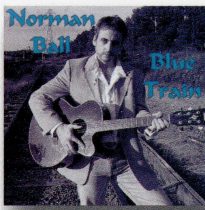
Briarwood, by **Rod Smith**, editor of *Shenandoah*, contains poems about flat-foot dancing in Rockbridge County, potatoes and drive-in movies, among other subjects.



Classic American Courses: Golf's Enduring Designs, from Pot Bunkers to Island Greens, by **Mike Stachura '86**, features enticing color photographs and descriptions of fifty U.S. golf courses.

Music

So many musical alumni and other members of the W&L community are producing CDs that we are now running descriptions of them along with books. To have your new CD included, please e-mail a brief description, ordering information (if it is not readily available in record stores) and a jpeg of the cover (300 dpi minimum) to magazine@wlu.edu.



The latest music from **Norman Ball '83** appears on "Blue Train." He also composes sonnets, some of which are read by actor Edward Gero on a CD titled "Return to One: A Sonnet Odyssey." To order his work, see Ball's Web site, www.normanball.com.

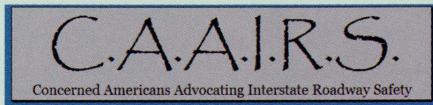


Jennifer Kirkland, an attorney in W&L's Office of General Counsel, also is a professional singer. Her new CD, "You Must Believe in Spring," features jazz standards and show tunes. To purchase a copy, email KangaRooProductions@msn.com.

Julie Powell '96 has issued three CDs of her original music since graduation. You can learn more about her latest work, "Julie Powell

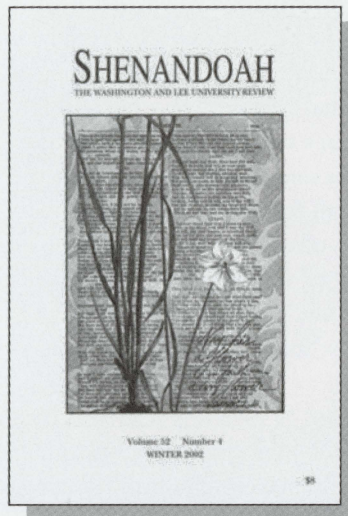
C.A.A.I.R.S. FOR CULLUM

Steve and Susan Owings, the parents of Cullum Owings '03, who died in a car accident during his senior year at W&L, have established a nonprofit organization called Concerned Americans Advocating Interstate Roadway Safety (CAAIRS). The Atlanta couple want to educate people about speed allowances for trucks and to encourage grassroots advocacy of safe highway conditions. For more information, see their Web site, www.caairs.com.



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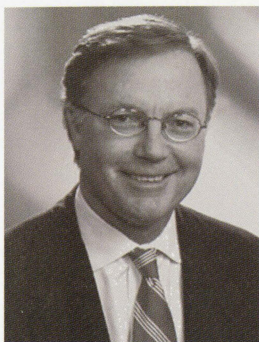
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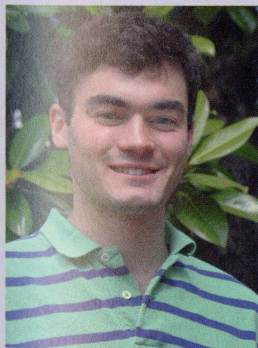
Harry J. Phillips Jr. '72, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Cornell Companies Inc., has been elected to the Board of Trustees and will take office in May 2004. Phillips also serves as president of Phillips Investments Inc. and Timberlake Interests Inc. and as a general partner of ECOL Partners, which has a special emphasis on environmental entities. After graduating with a B.A. in history, Phillips began his career at Browning-Ferris Industries in Memphis, where he grew up. He became executive vice president for North American operations of Browning-Ferris in May 1985 and soon thereafter moved to Houston. He was elected to the Browning-Ferris board of directors in 1986. In 1992, he became chairman of the board and chief executive officer of American Ecology



Corp., a publicly traded environmental service company. Phillips was co-chairman of the Houston-area committee that helped raise more than \$243 million for the just-completed capital campaign. He also serves as an emeritus member of the Williams School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics Board of Advisors. Phillips joined the board of Cornell Companies Inc. (NYSE) in 2001 and was named executive chairman in early 2002. He is a member of the board of directors and former chairman of the Metropolitan YMCA of Greater Houston. Phillips also is a former trustee of the Hutchison School, Memphis, and Episcopal High School, Houston. He and his wife, Kathryn, have three children: Kathryn "Laurence" Phillips Bragg '98; Reed Phillips; and H. Johnson Phillips III.

FISHING ENTHUSIAST LANDS A BIG ONE

This summer, Paul Seifert '04 will put his passion for fishing into practice as the winner of one of 50 Thomas J. Watson Fellowships. He is one of four W&L students in the past three years to win the \$22,000 award. The year-long project for the native of Dallas: "Where Fishing is Life: Recording Angling Cultures with Paint and Poetry."

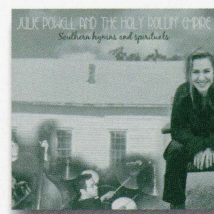


"I want to study fishing villages on the coasts of Cameroon, Mozambique, India, Malaysia, Peru and Brazil, where the people's reliance on catching fish—their constant struggle with the sea—causes fishing to seep into other parts of their culture: into everything from their art to religion, architecture to education, clothes to cuisine, lore to legend."

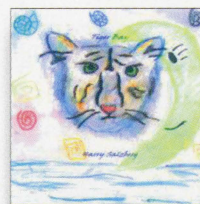
Seifert wrote in his Watson proposal. "I want to document that struggle—the daily routine around the water—and its cultural influences with poetry and with paintings, drawings and prints."

Seifert, who will graduate with dual degrees in art and English, has served on the Student Judiciary Council and as business manager of the *Ring-tum Phi*.

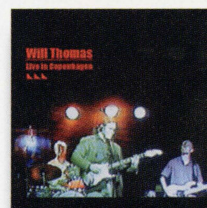
Music



& The Holy Rollin' Empire," by reading her Web page, www.juliepowell.com. The site contains ordering information for the CD, which comprises Southern hymns and spirituals.



Harry Salzberg '70 describes his work as "New Age music with attitude" and "rock without vocals." "Tiger Bay" can be ordered through various online sites, including Amazon.com, CDBaby.com and Salzberg's own page at www.mp3.com/harrysalzberg.



Will Thomas '92's latest CD is "Will Thomas—Live In Copenhagen," a blend of blues, country, Southern rock, folk and R&B that he calls "Alabama music." Check out his Web site, www.willthomas.com.

 To read excerpts and listen to music, visit magazine.wlu.edu

We sailed along the Dalmatian Coast on the Monet. It was thrilling to enter the long, islanded harbor of Pula, our first call in Croatia, once an imperial Roman port. We could distinguish the silhouette of the Roman arena emerging from the shadows of early morning. On land, we saw Roman gates, triumphal arches and the pedimentary walls of the city's original fortified hill.

In the forum, we examined a temple to Jupiter and a Roman mosaic. Here something of the ancient Romans seemed visible, as if they could reappear by the simple act of our imagining them placing the tiny tiles of the mosaic. Back on the ship, Lamar Cecil, distinguished visiting professor of history at W&L, entertained us with a lecture on the Balkans.

At Split, the second largest city in Croatia, we could see the white limestone facade of its most important attraction, Diocletian's Palace. Most of its inner structures were converted long ago into residences for the common folk. After Split, we headed for Korcula, a medieval coastal village. As we approached, most travelers stood at the bow of the Monet to study and photograph the narrowing strait. A long procession of cars, horns honking and headlights flashing, snaked down from the hills into town for a wedding. The town is a compact cluster of buildings constructed of the famous pale limestone quarried on the island and topped with orange tile roofs. Local historians trace Korcula's history to pre-Christian times, though the buildings date from the 10th century. It is famous as the home of Marco Polo.

The atmosphere for visiting such a setting was perfect. In the twilight, standing on the tiny square immediately beyond the gate, we had sufficient light to admire the handsome limestone construction. Especially noteworthy were the 14th-century Cathedral of St. Mark and the 17th-century Bishop's Palace. At the cathedral we caught up with the wedding. Once the bride and

groom had followed friends and family through the front door—to a round of cheers and a shower of rose petals—our guide took over. A couple of stern nuns swept away the petals.

On our way back to the ship, we paused along the way to admire Korcula's original 11th-century church, tiny and modest. We also stopped at the house of our guide's 89-year-old mother, for it offered a fine display of windows from the Romanesque, Gothic and Renaissance periods (evidently the old house was built very slowly). We sailed at midnight for Dubrovnik.

Any first-time visitor to Dubrovnik is smitten by its magnificent appearance. A UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979, it is one of the world's finest and best-preserved fortified cities, tracing its history to the 7th century. Enchanted, we passed over the wooden drawbridge at the Pile Gate and descended to the Old City's main promenade. Here, on the Placa, a limestone avenue lined with tile-roofed stone buildings housing open-air cafes and boutiques, we quickly discovered why Du-

brovnik is so popular as a tourist destination. Further, it was easy to understand why the Serbs, the unfriendly neighbors to the east, shelled it with such spiteful envy during the 1990s war.

Our first sight was the city's 15th-century domed water fountain, the terminus of a long aqueduct. A 14th-century Franciscan monastery included a lovely Romanesque cloister and a fascinating medieval apothecary. We visited the 15th-century Dominican monastery, with its late Gothic cloister and museum of reliquaries and fine paintings, including a recently cleaned Madonna and Child by Leonardo da Vinci. Thereafter, we visited the Rector's Palace and the Sponza Palace.

Nearly everyone chose to remain in the Old City instead of taking the coach back

VENICE AND THE DALMATIAN COAST: OCTOBER 21-31, 2003



THE OLD AND THE NEW MIX ON
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to the ship. For some, the shops beckoned, proving again Dubrovnik's preeminence as the ultimate tourist destination. Others simply wanted to wander, to observe people, to revel in the magical beauty of this authentic place. Dubrovnik has had to rebuild itself a few times, but it appears to have done so exquisitely, remaining a masterpiece of civic architecture.

After our roughest night of sailing, we arrived in Zadar. Our guide expressed great pride in its age, for it is arguably the oldest city along the Dalmatian Coast. The Romans developed it into a port; as a medieval town, it became a center of Christianity and the location of the most splendid churches in the region.

We followed our guide through its narrow, Venetian-style streets, noting the salutary effects of Western tourism on this former Communist port—lots of cafes and upscale shops. We wandered over to the Roman forum, now little more than a long courtyard, as large as a football field, with paving stones worn by the millennia. Next to the forum stands the impressive Romanesque Church of St. Donatus. A cylindrical building nearly 100 feet tall, its foundation is the remains of the Roman forum.

We paused outside the rough, Romanesque edifices of yet more 800-year-old churches: the Cathedral of St. Anastasia, the Church of St. Chrysogonus and the Church of St. Mary. We entered the Treasury next to the Church of St.

Mary to see the famous Gold and Silver of Zadar. A smiling Benedictine nun spoke softly and methodically as she swept through the exhibits, explaining the provenance of each wondrous object.

Following an overnight cruise to Ravenna, Lamar offered his final lecture, a fine overview of the history of that city from early Roman times. Delivered with his customary mastery and sardonic wit, the talk proved a better preparation for Ravenna than the port itself, which is heavily industrialized. We met a tour at the Basilica of San Vitale, Ravenna's greatest church, which has truly extraordinary mosaics. Half of our group walked to the Galla Placidia Mausoleum, the little gem that contains Ravenna's oldest mosaics.

After San Vitale, we pushed on to Sant' Apollinare Nuovo, built by Theodoric in the early 6th century and later reconsecrated as a Catholic church. It has an astonishing array of mosaics. We also made a brief stop at Sant' Apollinare in Classe, contemporary with the other two.

For our final night aboard ship, we enjoyed a lecture by an Italian professor, celebrated a birthday and then retired to our cabins to pack. It is curious how disruptive such a process seems

after one has settled into a ship's cabin. Home is always where we make it.

—Rob Fure



W&L TRAVELERS ON THE TRIP TO THE DALMATIAN COAST SIPPED COFFEE IN CENTURIES-OLD TOWNS, TOURED MUSEUMS AND GOT MORE THAN JUST A GLIMPSE OF ANCIENT CHURCHES.

White Takes on a New Challenge

Thomas White, director of communications and external relations at Washington and Lee University, left his position on May 21 to join Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J., as its assistant vice president for public relations and marketing. He came to W&L in November 2000 from Indiana University, his alma mater.



White was responsible for W&L's Office of Communications, which each year produces six alumni magazines for the University and the School of Law along with hundreds of official brochures, posters, newsletters

and reports. The office also comprises a media relations program, graphic arts and photography. WLUR, the University's radio station, also reported to White, who helped secure professional management, better facilities and upgraded equipment for the station.

He instituted and oversaw a major redesign, expansion and content management strategy for W&L's Web site, including its Gateway, alumni, development, media and other major pages and features. The alumni magazine Web site that debuts with this issue developed under his direction.

As W&L's spokesman, White worked closely with President Tom Burish and the Board of Trustees on matters including the recently completed capital campaign and strategic planning. He did the same with the late president John W. Elrod and his successor, acting president Larry Boetsch '69.

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dents, faculty and staff to parents, alumni and friends are informed of W&L's growing programs and the University's exciting future," said Burish. "We will miss Tom's leadership, his absorption into the life and work of the University and his collegueship. We extend our best wishes for much success and fulfillment in his new position," Burish added.

White expressed gratitude to President Burish and members of W&L's governing board for the leadership role he has enjoyed at W&L. "It is with sadness that I leave this remarkable University, my colleagues and the Lexington community, which I've grown to love for its natural beauty and the outdoor activities it affords," said White, a enthusiast of mountain biking and skiing. "The position at Seton Hall presents challenges and opportunities I could not pass up, while also allowing me, my wife and our two sons to live near our families." He and Kirby Mullen, an attorney, are parents to Dan, 5, and Ian, 3.

White starts his new position on June 21. He will serve as Seton Hall's spokesman and oversee its programs in media relations, advertising, special events and publications. He also will implement an institutional image campaign that will coincide with a capital campaign timed to Seton Hall's 150th anniversary in 2006.

White began his career in corporate marketing before serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Africa and later as the organization's press secretary and director of media relations in Washington. He will maintain his ties to W&L as an honorary member of the Northern New Jersey Chapter of W&L alumni, an honor bestowed on him during reunion weekend in early May.

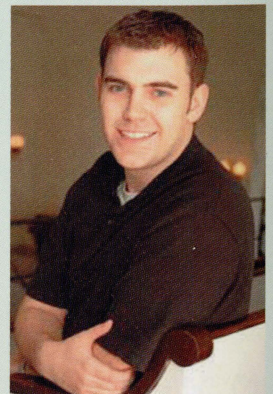
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—PRESIDENT TOM BURISH

SENIOR SCHOLAR TAKES HIS ACT TO WASHINGTON

Bryan Early '04, a politics major from Janesville, Wis., was one of 60 students selected by the Council for Undergraduate Research to present his research to an audience at Capitol Hill in Washington. His project: annotating references for Washington and Lee's Alsos Digital Library for Nuclear Issues (alsos.wlu.edu). As a 2003 R.E. Lee summer scholar, he read and evaluated a number of books, articles and Web sites, then distilled the content into brief reviews suitable for general audiences. He presented a poster about his research in April.

The focus of Early's work was nuclear energy, proliferation and nonproliferation—issues that are especially relevant in today's world. "There are lots of questions about nuclear weapons in Iraq, Iran, North Korea and Pakistan, which are increasingly important to American foreign policy," he said. "Voters need to be able to make informed decisions at the polls, and I hope Alsos will be a source of unbiased information for them." Alsos is part of the National Science Digital Library supported by the National Science Foundation. ♣



Basketball player Michael Denbow '04 walked off the court after a Jan. 28 win over Averett University with a typical statline. The 5'11" guard had played seven minutes, scoring two points and dishing three assists with just one turnover. However ordinary the game may have been, the day was anything but for the Louisville, Ky., native, who had just reached the culmination of four years of hard work and dedication. It wasn't just the final game of a basketball career that had seen Denbow go from after-thought walk-on to four-year letter winner and three-year team captain. Rather, it was a moment that he had been planning for one way or another his entire life.

The instant he left the locker room, he headed across campus to put the finishing touches on another long-held goal. The captain of the basketball team was also the political chairman for the 2004 Washington and Lee Mock Convention.

As one of five students with chief responsibility for the event, "I got to oversee the speakers and the committee," says Denbow. "But the true essence of Mock Con is the political research. I oversaw the five regional chairs, and they each have 11 territories under them. They do their own grassroots research through meeting with political scientists, media personalities and Democratic leaders in their state. I was responsible for receiving this information and preparing reports. The month leading up to Mock Con, we were reading everything we could get our hands on—looking at the latest polls, talking with people in Washington, just trying to get the pulse of how this race was going to happen."

The convention ended with the students' selection of Sen. John Kerry, of Massachusetts, as the Democrats' presidential nominee. "I feel very confident that we made the correct prediction, and it was a treat to be part of it," notes Denbow. "It doesn't seem real now that it is over."



A Leader On
Michael Denbow '04
and Off the Court

Denbow and the other 1,750-plus undergraduates gained an understanding of the political process that will follow them for the rest of their lives. For Denbow, it was another achievement he had long prepared for. "I was that five-year old kid who said that he wanted to be president of the United States," he smiles. "Instead of that feeling decreasing, it's gotten stronger every day since then. I am encompassed by politics and sports. When I get home, I'm either watching CNN or ESPN. I just can't get enough of either. It's been an evolving process ever since then."

His passion for both arenas of accomplishment is rooted deep in his family's values. "I guess it probably comes from my father," says Denbow. "He was a political science major and a scholarship tennis player at the University of Kentucky before becoming a lawyer. Our dinner conversations were always about this game or that current event. I guess you could say I've always had something encouraging me

to have a greater impact to do something for the greater good."

Denbow's first mission in life was to make the basketball team and student council at Louisville's St. Xavier High School. You guessed it—he became the president of the student body and captain of the basketball team. When it came time to look at colleges, Denbow admits there was some luck involved.

"I looked at four schools—UCLA, Virginia, Georgetown and W&L—and the only thing they had in common was that they all have vowels in their name," he says. "My father's two best friends are W&L alums, and they were kind of talking in my ear. Once I found out that it wasn't an all-male school anymore, I became more interested. It's almost divine intervention, because I didn't do the college selection process very well. But I can't imagine another school in America that could be a better fit for myself. I've been able to do so many things that I

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Namely, he wouldn't have been able to play basketball, something that also happened by chance. The Generals didn't recruit him, but Denbow felt he had the ability to play Division III athletics and began to write Jeff Lafave, then the head coach at W&L. "I sent him e-mails and game films, but he never responded," Denbow recalls. "When I first got to campus, one of the basketball players lived on my hall, and I decided to go with him to meet the coach. He knew who I was from the letters and offered me the chance to try out. I began to feel like I could compete with these guys and made the team because the numbers were dwindling."

Denbow spent much of the early part of that first season believing he wouldn't see much playing time, but he was forced into duty when the starting point guard departed in mid-season. "It was pretty neat, because I started the season hoping to be among the Top 15 players and ended up being a starter," he says. "I was happy, but not satisfied because our record was only 4-20."

By the next season, his teammates had tabbed Denbow a team captain and the floor general. He helped the Generals increase their win total to 7-18 and led the team with 77 assists. "It was a bit tough being the point guard and a sophomore captain, because it's hard to crack down and try to be heavy with some of the older guys when you are younger," he recalls. "But, throughout the course of the year, and especially towards the end of the year, I was being more vocal. It's kind of my personality to be a vocal leader."

Indeed, Denbow is the hustling player who inspires others to do more. (Don't forget his 221 career points, 251 assists and 133 steals, the last two the fifth-highest totals in school history.) "I think of myself as a pass-first, pass-second, pass-third point guard," says Denbow. "I guess growing up, everyone wants to be a scorer, but somewhere along the line, I decided that I wanted to do the other things. I knew that was my ticket onto the court. If you take care of the ball, play defense and set up some of the other guys, than you can always contribute."

Adam Hutchinson, who replaced Lafave as head coach, recognized the virtues of Denbow's game and positive attitude. "He's done a great job providing leadership for the team this season," says Hutchinson. "We've had a trying year with a coaching change and all that comes with that. Mike lost some playing time to a freshman, but through it all, his demeanor did

not change. He would still come to practice upbeat, still smiling, joking, laughing and encouraging the other guys. He's been a great member of this team."

Denbow's involvements extend far past the basketball court. He is also involved with a student newspaper, the Student-Athlete Mentor Group and St. Patrick's Catholic Church. "I thank my parents for always telling me to do as many things as you can," notes Denbow. "I took this to heart in high school, but especially in college. I have written a weekly column for the past four years for the *Trident*. They told me I could write whatever I wanted, and I've been able to write some humor columns, satirical columns and some serious columns." Through it all, the person who may have learned the most from Denbow's experiences in print is the writer himself.

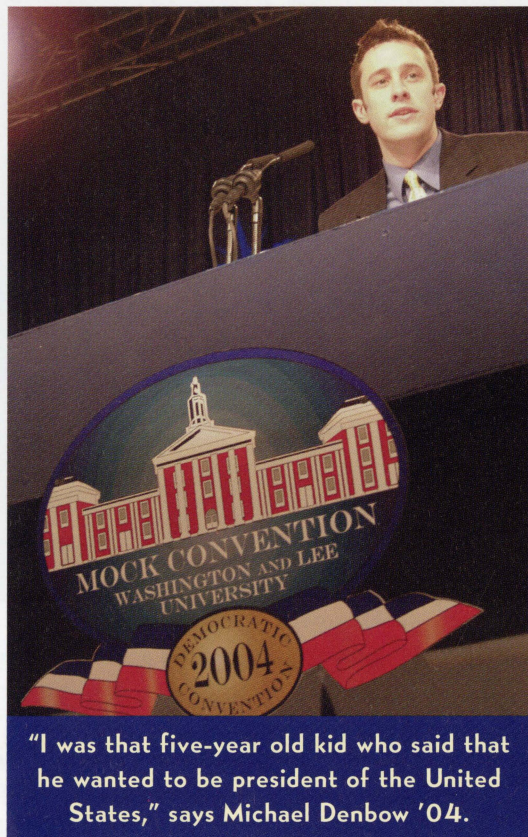
"I came in as a wide-eyed, naive freshman and just thought I would spout words off on the back page," he said. "What I've learned is that, even if it is for a small circulation such as a campus community, there is a responsibility that you can't take lightly. My column has changed over the years, but the central message has remained the same. I wanted to show people the other side of things, whether that be by writing a funny frat column or by writing about serious issues on campus."

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With basketball and the Mock Convention over, one would expect Denbow to relax and enjoy what little time he has left on campus. Though he plans to take advantage of spring term in many of the usual ways, he also has begun to take a first step toward his career. Tom Simms, one of his teachers from St. Xavier High School, is running for the Louisville Metro Council, and he has asked the college senior to run his campaign for the May primary. "If we win, Mr. Simms gets a paid staff assistant, so that will be the next step for me," smiles Denbow. "As for the campaign, we're going to try and sell people on the fact that Mr. Simms is a good man and a lifelong resident of the district who has already been giving back to the public through his teaching."

Years from now, Michael Denbow's own campaigns could be rooted in those same virtues. Whether on the court, the page or the campus, his personal accomplishments at Washington and Lee have affected or enlightened nearly everyone, even if they are as subtle as an unimpressive statline. They all add up to an impressive career. †

—Brian Laubscher





*Through the
Veil:
Professor
Louise Halper
Peers at the
Women of Iran*

BY JIM RAPER

OUTSIDE OF SHIRAZ, IRAN, LOUISE HALPER VISITED THE CAMP OF QASHQA'I NOMADS. THEIR CHILDREN ATTENDED A PORTABLE SCHOOL: A LARGE UMBRELLA WITH A BLACKBOARD UNDERNEATH. A QASHQA'I WOMAN (LEFT) LISTENED TO HER YOUNG GRANDDAUGHTER (BACK TO THE CAMERA, FAR RIGHT) TELL HALPER ABOUT HER HOMEWORK.

When Americans think of women in Iran, they are likely to conjure up an image of veiled, subservient women oppressed by a quarter-century of the Islamic Republic. However, Louise Halper, a W&L professor of law with a scholarly interest in Muslim women, was surprised to learn that the regime founded by Ayatollah Khomeini has not repressed women as much as many people think. In fact, she found that since 1980, Iranian women have actually made more progress than most women of the Middle East and North Africa in literacy, education, family planning, entry into the work force and similar social criteria. Furthermore, she concluded that Iranian women as a whole have opportunities today that they did not have under the ostensibly modernizing, feminism-friendly monarchy of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi. Considering the Islamic regime's early attempts to reduce drastically the rights of Iranian women, what can explain those figures?

Halper believes she has an answer in the form of "Seeing

Through the Veil: Negotiations of Law and Gender in Iran," a 70-page paper she will publish in the *Harvard Women's Law Journal*. It was the basis for a talk she gave in 2002 at a conference in Iran on women's political participation. Among her sources are data from the United Nations and the World Bank. A member of the W&L faculty since 1991, she teaches property, environmental law, jurisprudence and legal history. This fall she begins a stint as a visiting professor at Harvard Law School.

Halper's study of Muslim women began with a coin toss in 1993. She and her husband, Fred, were deciding where to vacation. Turkey won the toss, and Halper grew fond of the country. After several more trips, she received a Fulbright Fellowship to teach there and spent the 1997 spring semester at Marmara University in Istanbul.

"I became interested in issues of gender, law, modernity and Islam in a Turkish context and began to read in the area. That led me to further investigations and to a comparison of

Turkey with other countries, including Iran,” she explains. “On my 2002 sabbatical, I went back to Istanbul as a visiting scholar at Koc University, with the plan of going to Iran if I could get a visa.”

She finally received the one-month visa in October 2002, “only hours before” the start of the conference. Halper thinks her audience found the paper “provocative and interesting,” she says, as had scholars in Turkey. She and her husband stayed in Iran so they could sightsee in Isfahan (a UNESCO World Heritage site), Shiraz and Yazd, and she could continue her research. “Isfahan, where I couldn’t resist taking hundreds of pictures, is one of the most beautiful cities I’ve ever seen,” she says.

“Iran surprised me in many ways, perhaps most of all in the lack of anti-American sentiment. My husband and I expected some difficulties interacting with Iranians, but found none,” continues Halper. “Indeed, most people went out of their way to tell us how happy they were to have us there and to assure us they had no hatred of Americans. Still, it was not an easy place to be.” Because they understood no written Farsi, the Iranian language, “it was a challenge for us to find our way around.”

Halper acknowledges that an indigenous Islamic feminism sounds unlikely in Iran, but she suggests that something like that is happening. “The Islamic Republic of Iran was founded in a major political upheaval whose success required the mobilization and participation of women,” she explains. “Afterwards, women remained mobilized: you can’t get the toothpaste back in the tube.”

Before the revolution, Ayatollah Khomeini had spoken out against the Shah’s granting women the vote. Nonetheless, women played a major role in the public demonstrations that eventually brought about the Shah’s fall and Khomeini’s triumphant return in 1979. Khomeini, a canny politician, recognized his reliance upon women for the legitimacy of his regime and not only retained female suffrage, but told women they had a divine duty to vote.

Halper argues that women who were members of the economic elite had been the main beneficiaries of the Shah’s bows to feminism, but even they turned against him by the end. So most Iranian women linked their hopes for the future to the return of Khomeini, even though it might mean the imposition of shari’a, Islamic religious law. And because women would not tolerate its most egregious patriarchal interpretations, in practice shari’a was often applied in ways more favorable than most observers had predicted.

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women’s support even greater, as they performed non-combat jobs for the military and substituted for men in the civilian workforce. Halper contends that such continued economic and political participation was the foundation for the advances reflected in the U.N. and World Bank statistics.

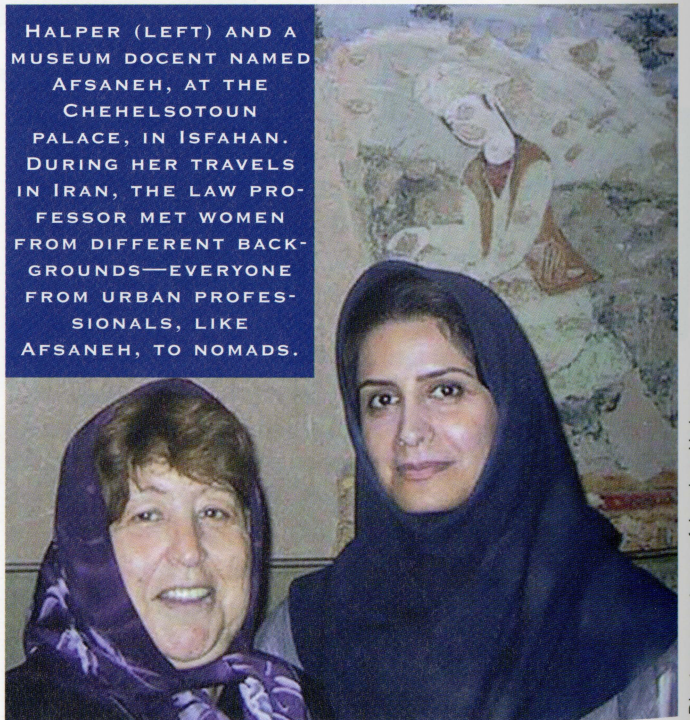
The professor plans more research on gender issues in Iran and Turkey. She hopes that neither the conservative trend in elections in Iran this year nor reaction to the U.S. invasion of Iraq will hamper her work. In fact, she may expand her research into a book.

She reports that the most visible sign of religious law’s impact on women is hejab, or veiling. “It’s disconcerting for a Westerner to see women draped head to foot in the billowing black chador with only faces visible,” Halper says. “But a lot of women, particularly the younger ones,

push the envelope, wearing only a colorful headscarf and fitted coatdress over jeans. I also had to cover my head, which I did awkwardly. In fact, I’d say that I adjusted my headscarf roughly every two minutes whenever I was in public!”

Still, she adds, “what I saw in regard to women was that they were omnipresent in the society in spite of the covering. While many objectionable features of patriarchy remain, women’s voices have had an impact on Iranian life. Iran is not Afghanistan or Saudi Arabia. It’s a modern society.”

**HALPER (LEFT) AND A
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Photos courtesy of Louise Halper



The Frances Lewis Law Center celebrated its 25th birthday on Feb. 6 at a Board of Trustees dinner. Headed by Blake D. Morant, professor of law, the center sponsors workshops, symposiums, conferences, forums and other special programs. It is just one of many beneficiaries at W&L of Frances Lewis and her late husband, Sydney Lewis '40, '43L. At the party, Mrs. Lewis (above) chatted with David Partlett, dean of the Law School, and Tim Kaine, lieutenant governor of Virginia.

A delightful show entitled "Best Friends: Portraits of Sydney and Frances Lewis," is on view at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, until July 11. It presents depictions of Sydney Lewis '40, '43L, and his wife, Frances, benefactors of the art museum as well as of W&L. Renowned as collectors of modern art, the Lewises also acquired portraits of themselves by artists whose work they owned and admired.

U.S. News Ranks W&L Law at #23

U.S. News and World Report has named Washington and Lee's School of Law the 23rd best legal program in the country among the top 178 American law schools. "Washington and Lee University fared well on the indicators used by *U.S. News* that aim to measure the quality of students, faculty and the rigorous education that the School of Law provides," said David F. Partlett, dean of the Law School.

"While our placement in the rankings has shifted by several spots over the years, our standing among the best 25 law schools in the country—and our inclusion in this elite group for over a decade—testifies to the strength of our academic program," added Partlett. "Rankings cannot reflect aspects of W&L that make its legal education uniquely excellent—in particular, a faculty dedicated to the education of students."

The annual rankings, in which W&L was 19th last year, are based on nearly a dozen indicators, including students' college performances and scores on the LSAT, as well as rates for passage of state bar exams, graduation and job placement. This year's rankings show that W&L continues to gain ground in the quality of its students. In 2003, only one in four W&L law applicants received admission.

Similarly, nearly 93 percent of W&L law graduates, within nine months of their graduation, secured positions in law firms, corporations, government and public interests. Moreover, the School of Law has the third-best student-faculty ratio of 10.4-to-1, bested only by Yale and the University of Chicago.

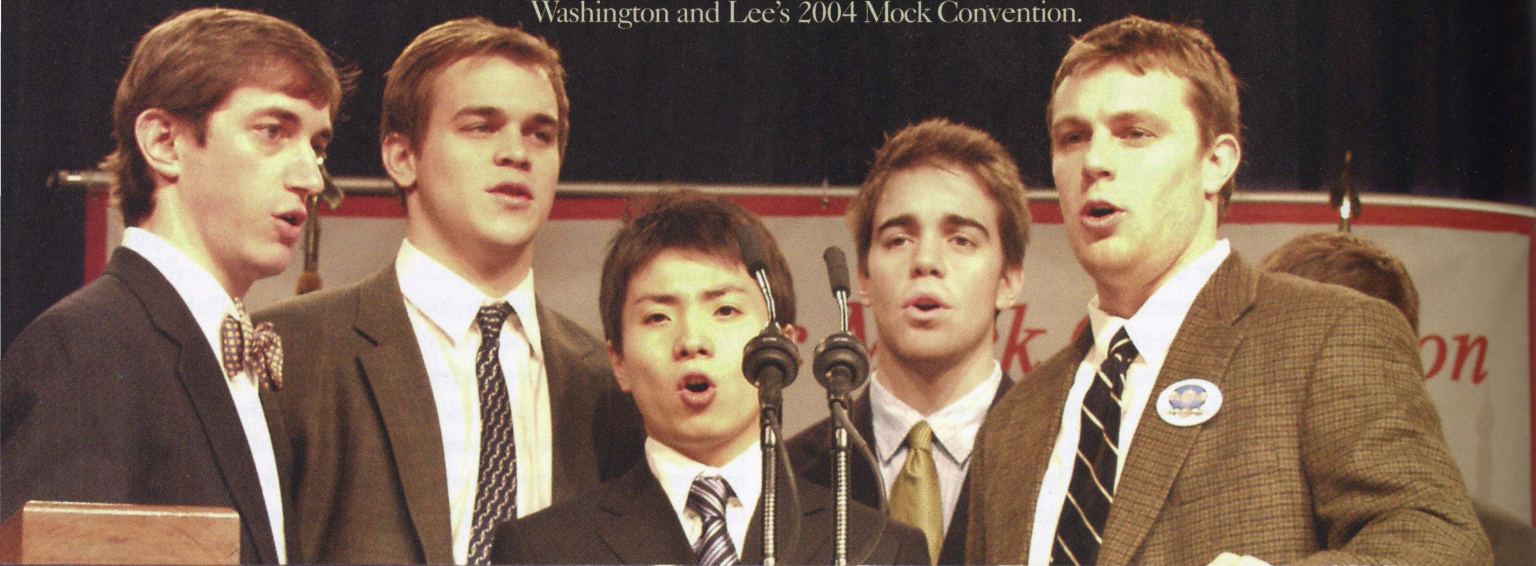
W&L is one of the country's smallest law schools, with 394 students in the 2003-2004 academic year. Its small classes allow frequent interaction between professors and law students in and out of the classroom. Students also work at specialized legal clinics such as the Virginia Capital Case Clearinghouse. ♣



IN JANUARY, 35 ALUMNI, BOTH UNDERGRADUATE AND LAW, WERE SWORN IN AS MEMBERS OF THE BAR OF THE U.S. SUPREME COURT. JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBERG (CENTER) JOINED MOST OF THE GROUP FOR A PHOTOGRAPH. BRIAN MURCHISON, THE CHARLES S. ROWE PROFESSOR OF LAW AT W&L, PRESENTED THEM FOR ADMISSION.

Mock Con Gets It Right Again

Many months of research, fund-raising and hard work boiled down to two days of parades, speeches and nominations on Jan. 30 and 31. When the confetti had cleared, W&L students had picked Sen. John Kerry, of Massachusetts, as the Democrats' presidential candidate, and Sen. John Edwards, of North Carolina, as the candidate for vice president. At press time for this issue, it appeared that the W&L delegates were, once again, on the money with their prediction for the presidential candidate. Here is a look at a few of many memorable moments of Washington and Lee's 2004 Mock Convention.



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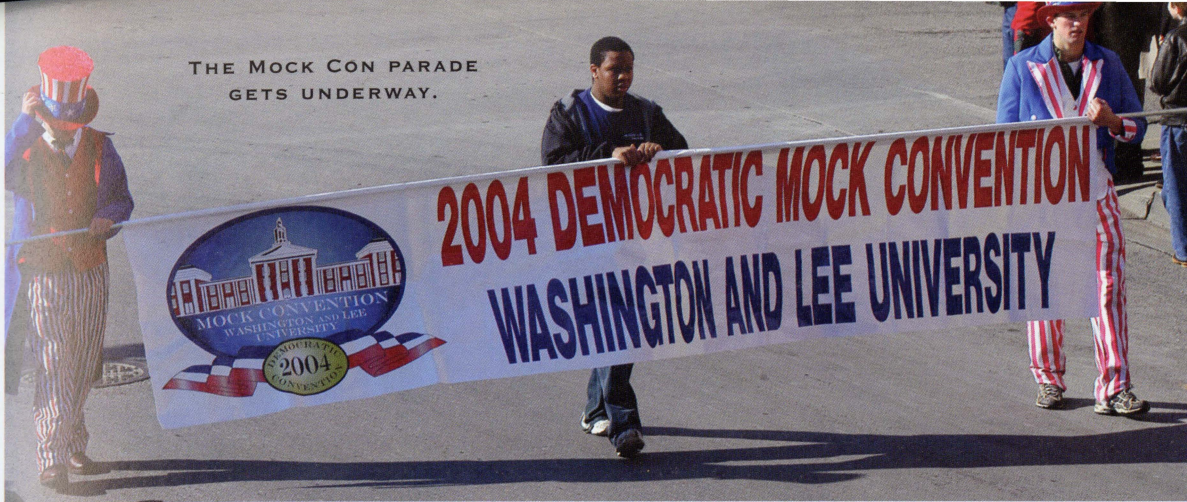


W&L STUDENTS

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SESSION.



THE MOCK CON PARADE GETS UNDERWAY.

2004 DEMOCRATIC MOCK CONVENTION
WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY



THE NEW YORK FLOAT DEPICTED THE STATUE OF LIBERTY, KING KONG, BILL CLINTON AND OTHER FAMOUS FIGURES.



SOUTH CAROLINIANS CELEBRATED THEIR STATE DANCE, THE SHAG.



TEXANS REALLY KNOW HOW TO CELEBRATE MOCK CON.



IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO LEARN ABOUT DEMOCRACY, AS THESE YOUNG LEXINGTONIANS SHOWED WITH THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE PARADE.

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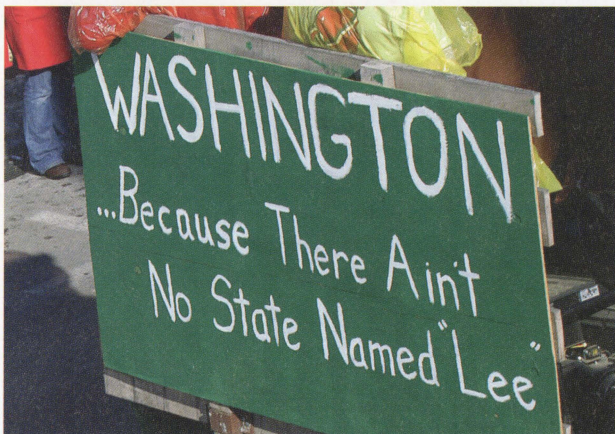
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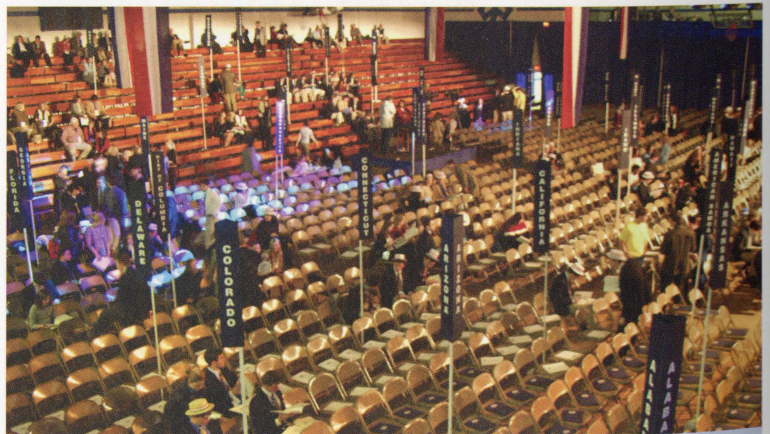
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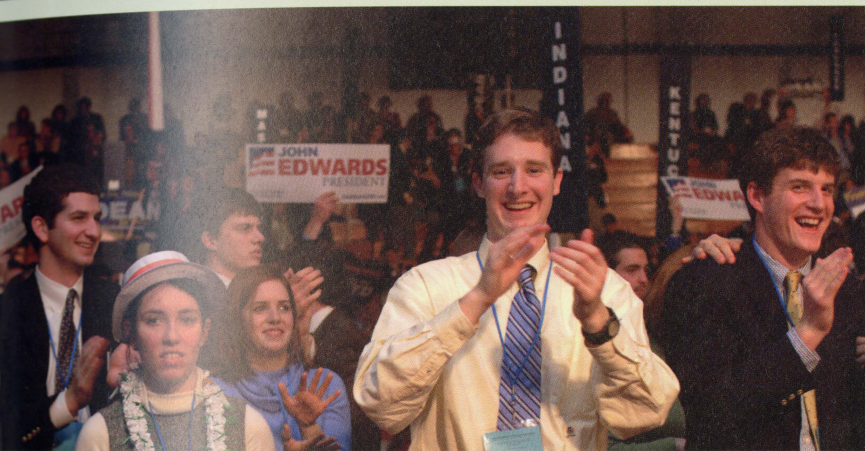
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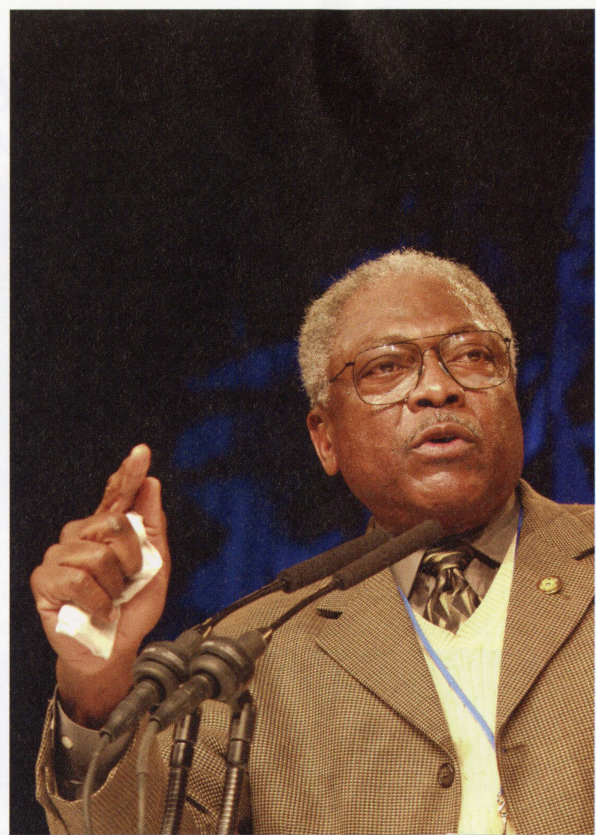
THE CREATORS OF THE WASHINGTON STATE FLOAT INDULGED IN A LITTLE W&L HUMOR.



A QUIET SCENE IN DOREMUS GYM BEFORE THE CONVENTION GOT UNDERWAY.



DELEGATES CHEERED WITH ENTHUSIASM FOR THEIR CANDIDATES.



REP. JAMES CLYBURN, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, WAS ONE OF MANY NATIONALLY PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT MOCK CON. OTHERS WHO APPEARED DURING THE THREE-DAY EVENT INCLUDED THOMAS MENINO, MAYOR OF BOSTON; REP. JIM DAVIS '79, OF FLORIDA; RONNIE DUGGER, FOUNDER OF THE ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY; FORMER SEN. DAVID BOREN, OF OKLAHOMA; JOHN DALTON, FORMER SECRETARY OF THE NAVY; AND REP. GENE TAYLOR, OF MISSISSIPPI.



STUDENT DELEGATES MADE THE CASES FOR THEIR CANDIDATES. PUERTO RICO HAD TWO DELEGATES, ONE SPEAKING IN SPANISH, THE OTHER IN ENGLISH.

W&L Organizations

Put the Fun in Fund-raising

It's no news that Washington and Lee students, staff and faculty are a generous lot, always willing to help a worthy cause.

Just this spring, the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity co-sponsored a 5K run to help a local youngster who needs a kidney transplant, and members of the W&L community hammered away to build a house in four days for Habitat for Humanity. The good deeds of participants in the Relay for Life and the Nabors Service League are legendary. What *is* news are the offbeat and unusual methods that some groups and individuals have chosen to satisfy their philanthropic impulses. Knitting, anyone?

by Wendy Lovell '90

"Volunteerism and community service are huge at W&L," says Ansel Sanders '04, of Irvington, Va., who's taken part in many fund-raisers on campus. "Community service has become a popular thing to do at W&L because help is needed in many areas, and the students realize this need. Likewise, campus organizations have made community service varied and

extremely enjoyable, which makes it all the more attractive."

Sanders is president of Students Against Rockbridge Area Hunger (SARAH), which organizes an annual Lip Sync contest each winter in the Student Pavilion. Proceeds from the event go to purchase supplies for three local food pantries. Students don outrageous costumes and lots of courage to imitate their favorite bands, competing for prizes and the coveted spot as the year's best act. Each act pays to perform, the audience pays to enter and students buy videos of the show, raising more than \$8,000 for SARAH this year alone. Proceeds from the 2003 Lip Sync resulted in 13 tons of food for local residents, including an extra distribution during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Last fall, Sanders and 24 other male students, faculty and staff let their hair down (so to speak) and joined the Moustache Society. It raised money for Project Horizon, a local nonprofit agency that provides shelter and services to victims of domestic, dating and sexual violence. The members vowed not to shave for four weeks to encourage men to help end sexual assault and promote a community of respect at W&L. In addition to sending a strong message, members of the Moustache Society collected pledges for their efforts, raising nearly \$4,500 that Project Horizon will use as leverage in obtaining a grant to fund a sexual assault prevention program on campus. The group also co-sponsored an appearance by an all-male, peer education group from the University of Virginia and were honored at a rally for the rights of crime victims.

"I took part in the Moustache Society to help



A LIP SYNC PERFORMANCE WOULDN'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT CHEESY EMCEES IN LOUD JACKETS.



MEMBERS OF STUDENTS AGAINST ROCKBRIDGE AREA HUNGER JOINED OTHER VOLUNTEERS ON A SNOWY FEBRUARY DAY TO STOCK FOOD SUPPLIES.

educate the campus about sexual violence against women,” says Sanders. “We created a unique voice—men speaking out against sexual violence against women. The experience was great.”

Men aren't the only ones on campus who have successfully raised funds for Project Horizon. Meg Garner '06 created the W&L Knitting Society in the winter of 2003 to bring a variety of social groups together and to learn the art of knitting. The group, which ranges in size from week to week, gathers in the Elrod Commons each Thursday evening to knit, chat and help each other with projects.

“I never thought, having just learned to knit last year, that I would have started this campus trend,” says Garner, whose e-mail list for the group includes 100 people. She learned to knit at a shop in her hometown of York, Pa., during winter break her freshman year. She quickly began teaching her mother and friends and couldn't bear to leave her needles behind when she returned to school.

“At first I was embarrassed about knitting, but living in the dorms, I couldn't hide it,” says Garner. “It quickly caught on, and we started the group. Now it's become so popular at my sorority house that the officers had to ban knitting from rush meetings.”

Garner and her fellow knitters took the organization to a new level last fall by selling a cache of beautiful scarves, hats and mittens, with proceeds going to Project Horizon. W&L's First Lady, Pam Burish, even got into the act by donating a few of her knitted creations. An unusually hot October Saturday didn't bode well for the group's first sale during Parents Weekend, but at a second one before the holidays, they completely sold out and boosted their profits to \$1,000.

“We have been proud to show off our work, and it's fun to see students wearing items we've knitted,” says Garner, who also is training to be a Project Horizon volunteer. “It's been a great way to meet people and to support Project Horizon, not to mention that knitting is a great activity to do in a place that can foster so much stress.”



MEG GARNER, AT LEFT, AND MEMBERS OF THE KNITTING CLUB DOING THEIR THING AT THE ELROD COMMONS ONE RECENT THURSDAY NIGHT.



MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS (THEY'RE THE ONES WITHOUT MOUSTACHES) OF THE MOUSTACHE SOCIETY.

Despite the stress of law school, Mike Adamson '04L finds time to volunteer at the local SPCA shelter through ProBone-O (aka "W&L Law Students for Happy Animals"). The 26-member group not only bathes and walks the animals but has raised more than \$2,000 for the shelter.

More than two years ago, Adamson created an SPCA Web site that generates funds by offering Web page sponsorships for adoptable animals. Sophie the dog and Wally the cat, who live with David Partlett, dean of the Law School, and his wife, Nan, director of the teacher education program, got into the act by



LICKY (SHORT FOR LICORICE) AND SARAH WEIL ARE READY FOR A TRAINING SESSION AT HOOFBEATS THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER.

NOT JUST Horsing AROUND

For the last two years, a delegation of one has carried the W&L volunteering ethic down Route 11 to Natural Bridge and the Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Center. There Sarah Weil '06, a politics major from Hampstead, Md., devotes pretty much all of her free time. As a member of the Bonner Leader Program, which comprises students who blend studies with community service, she must perform 900 hours of service over two years. When she arrived on campus, the Bonner staff took note of her experience—a rider since age seven, she raises and sells Shetland and Welsh ponies—and suggested Hoofbeats.

As a plaque in the barn reads, "There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man." The center, owned by Patricia and Steven Cunningham, gives people with physical, emotional and mental disabilities the

underwriting Web pages, and they're joined by many other pets and their faculty, staff and students.

ProBone-O also has held two "ruffles," raffling off mechanical pets with names like Groof (think Prof. Roger Groot) and Retainer. "Besides helping the community, I get to look my pampered pups in the eyes," says Adamson. "I will forever maintain there is no easier way to ease such terrible suffering than to help get

these poor animals adopted." With Adamson graduating this spring, Allison Jetton '06L and Susan Saba '06L will take over ProBone-O this fall.

Sidney Evans, associate dean for student services at the Law School, is the group's adviser and a big supporter.

"I think ProBone-O is popular because there are a lot of animal lovers in the Law School," says Evans. "While community service isn't a recent trend for law students, I do think it's an important part of their education. Students who



PROBONE-O SUPPORTERS: NAN AND DAVID PARTLETT, TOP; LAW STUDENTS ALLISON JETTON, MIKE ADAMSON AND SUSAN SABA; AND THE PARTLETTS' CAT, WALLY, AND DOG, SOPHIE.

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chance to ride a horse and enjoy the resulting benefits to body and soul. Hoofbeats' students range in age from three to 92.

At first Weil was nervous about working with disabled riders. "I didn't think I was prejudiced," she says, "but I was uncom-

One of Weil's favorite riders these days is Robbie, a man in his 40s who comes to the farm from an assisted-living home.

fortable at first." The nerves soon dissipated. One of her favorite riders these days is Robbie, a man in his 40s who comes to the farm from an assisted-living home. For him and the other students, riding "is something so special to them," she says, "and they try so hard."

Weil performs several duties around the barn. She exercises the regular horses and auditions potential mounts for such skills as how they cope when riders lose their balance or perform stretching exercises in the saddle. "It all depends on what they'll be used for," says Weil of the animals.

participate in community service are more likely to continue that tradition when they graduate."

If that's the case—look out, world. A wave of creative, enterprising, philanthropic W&L students is coming soon. Armed with songs, dog biscuits, knitting needles and moustaches, they are ready to carry the W&L charitable tradition into new dimensions. ♣

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"They need a slow, regular, steady pace."

Out of the saddle, she does research on the computer for the facility, judges horse shows and mentors the Barn Rats, children who help out around the farm. Carol Branscome, the head riding instructor and recreational therapist at Hoofbeats, calls Sarah a "huge asset" and a heaven-sent gift. "She's articulate, responsible and sweet," she adds.

Another W&L student, Amanda Cook '07 of Cody, Wyo., has just joined Weil at Hoofbeats. The brand-new Cook is another "really prime volunteer," says Branscome. She works with the big horses, while petite Weil rides the ponies and small horses.

Weil tried out for the W&L riding team but didn't make it. "I'm sort of glad I didn't get on it," she says, "so I could devote more time to therapeutic riding." She participates in the W&L teacher education program and next year will be a resident assistant on campus.

"I love the work that I do at Hoofbeats," says Weil, "and I don't really feel that I deserve any special recognition for it." Her friends there beg to differ—they named her the 2003 Volunteer of the Year. ♣

—Julie A. Campbell

PUTTING ON
THE RITZ IN
KUALA LUMPUR

STEVE COKKINIAS '95

To find a Washington and Lee graduate at the top of his game is hardly unusual. To find one moving and shaking the upper echelon of his field in Malaysia is, well, less common. So check into the discreetly posh Ritz-Carlton Kuala Lumpur and shake hands with Steve Cokkinias '95, who took over as general manager of the multi-award-winning, five-star hotel in August 2003.

(Clue: you can't miss him. He's 6'4".)

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Becoming a top hotelier couldn't have been farther from Cokkinias' mind during his years at W&L. Double-majoring in history and sociology, the Connecticut native spent his out-of-classroom hours serving as president of Phi Gamma Delta and throwing the discus and javelin for the track team. He assumed he would pursue law after graduation.

"Law school was of interest, as I was a great talker," Cokkinias says, "and my grandmother recommended me strongly for the field." He consulted alumni who were attorneys, only to discover that some were unhappy with their career choice. Plus, Cokkinias found the idea of committing to three more years of school daunting. So what's a newly graduated wouldn't-be-lawyer to do?

Why, play semi-pro volleyball, of course. Cokkinias teamed up with his uncle, Jeffrey Lambert (who took a break from the family plumbing business), for a three-

month stint in the New England Association of Volleyball Professionals.

Although he says they were "marginally successful," the rewards of playing semi-pro tournaments weren't exactly lucrative, with low-end cash awards for the top two teams and "a Budweiser bumper sticker and a Jose Cuervo beach towel" for those who came in third.



STEVE COKKINIAS '95, GENERAL MANAGER SINCE LAST SUMMER OF THE RITZ-CARLTON KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA.

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modern, diverse, clean city.”

“After accumulating many bumper stickers and beach towels,” he jokes, “I realized I could not use these items to buy food, so I had to get a real job.” Cokkinias had worked as a part-time security guard while at W&L, so he applied for a similar position at a hotel near Connecticut’s Hartford airport. His interviewers suggested he would be a better fit for a front-desk job. Protesting that he didn’t want to deal with the public, Cokkinias reluctantly accepted their recommendation.

“They were right. I loved it,” he recalls. “The rest is history.” After six months at the Hartford hotel, he transferred to a front-desk position in Orlando (“mainly because I hated the snow and cold of New England”), and then moved up to a managerial job in Kansas City in 1998.

Cokkinias joined Ritz-Carlton two years later, attracted by the organization’s commitment to its employees (referred to as “Ladies” and “Gentlemen” within the company) and its drive to excel. Of course, the location wasn’t too shabby either—his first assignment was the Ritz-Carlton Rose Hall in Jamaica. In 2002, he put island life behind him to relocate to the castle-like Ritz-Carlton Huntington Hotel and Spa in Pasadena, Calif. Just seven months later, the company dangled the tempting opportunity of managing its premier hotel in southeast Asia, the Ritz-Carlton Kuala Lumpur.

“Malaysia is a beautiful country. Kuala Lumpur is an amazing, modern, diverse, clean city, and I knew we had a terrific hotel in KL. And it was a promotion,” Cokkinias says. “So they made me an offer I could not refuse.”

He arrived in January 2003 and spent his first eight months learning the particulars as executive assistant manager. One of his biggest challenges was mastering the dos and don’ts of Malaysian culture. He points out that each Malaysian state has its own sultan who confers various honorary titles to citizens. “So there is a great deal to remember about how to address the different VIPs, dignitaries, ministers,” he says, “what titles and hand gestures to use, how to nod your head, etc.”

So far he’s avoided committing any cultural faux pas, but “they always rehearse me before the arrival,” he jokes, “so I don’t embarrass myself, them or the hotel.” Carol Chin, public relations manager for the Ritz-Carlton Kuala Lumpur, has served as one of his valued cultural coaches. “My first

impression of Steve was that he’s a dynamic person with a sense of humor,” she says, “which is so important in this time and age, as we need to keep a light-hearted handle on life.” And, she adds, “boy, is he tall.”

Since taking over as general manager last summer, Cokkinias has spent time refining the “all-butler concept” the hotel pioneered shortly before his arrival. It’s the only Ritz-Carlton worldwide to offer full butler service to every room, and butlers do everything from handling in-room check-in to making reservations to polishing shoes. Cokkinias mentions one butler who actually raced home to retrieve a tuxedo shirt to loan to a guest who had forgotten his own. With such committed staff members, it’s not surprising that Cokkinias boasts, “I am most proud of the wonderful Ladies and Gentlemen who work with me at the hotel.”

Although a few things in Malaysia have required some adjustment—like the constant 90-degree heat and watching “Monday Night Football” live on Tuesday mornings—Cokkinias says his transition has been easy, although “I suppose Kuala Lumpur and Lexington do have a few differences.” He’s grown especially fond of Malaysian food, nosing out the best local spots for fried noodles. “It is always fun to see the staff at these shops watch in amazement as I eat the spicy local food, which they are convinced will kill Westerners,” he says.

Cokkinias expects to be one of the tallest, volleyball-playing men in Kuala Lumpur for at least two more years. He aspires to own his own hotel or to oversee his own company. “W&L and Ritz-Carlton actually share many of the same principles,” he says. “Honor, integrity, honesty, respect and commitment to excellence are all intertwined in both cultures.

“I felt at home in Lexington, just as I do now in KL,” concludes Cokkinias, “and that is because of the great people that live in both cities.”



ABDULLAH BADAWI, THE PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA, AND COKKINIAS. TO AVOID MAKING ANY CULTURAL FAUX PAS WHILE MEETING DIGNITARIES, COKKINIAS SAYS HIS FELLOW STAFFERS “REHEARSE ME BEFORE THE ARRIVAL.”

Fred Farrar '41: Chronicling the Past

What good are a bunch of old newspapers to Washington and Lee University? A lot, says Vaughan Stanley, special collections librarian, who is working with Fred Farrar '41 on cataloging Farrar's priceless gift.

Farrar's collection ranges from a 1559 copy of the German newspaper *Neue Zeitung* to Union and Confederate papers to coverage of every U.S. presidential election from 1789 to 2000. "People from history come alive when you read about them in newspapers," says Farrar. "You learn about the way they lived back then."

Farrar began collecting historical newspapers and rare books during his 33-year stint as an advertising executive in New York. He became so intrigued by his collection that he pursued a master's degree in history to learn more about them. In 1980, he began teaching at Temple University, in Philadelphia.

There Farrar used part of his collection to teach students the history of journalism. Colonial papers such as the *Pennsylvania Packet*, the *Boston News-Letter* and the *New England Chronicle* brought the American Revolution to life, while issues of the *Gentleman's Magazine and Historical Chronicle* and the *Morning Chronicle and London Advertiser* told the British side of the story. "The difference between students' reading real papers and history books is incredible," says Farrar. "They don't believe the books, but they will believe the papers."

Farrar's eagerness to share his treasures has compelled friends and fellow historians to supplement his collection. He attributes other acquisitions to being in the right place at the right time.

Farrar's most prized possession, the July 18, 1776, issue of the *New-England Chronicle*, was the first printing of the

Declaration of Independence to reach the citizens of Boston. Based on historical evidence, he is certain that Abigail Adams, wife of President John Adams, was among the first to

hear this very newspaper read aloud. He received it from a rare book collector and dealer on the condition that he never sell the newspaper and that he make copies for students. Farrar has held up his end of the bargain and shared it with some 20,000 people. Now it is W&L's responsibility to follow in his footsteps.

Among the many items Farrar has given the University so far are 30 British newspapers dating from 1756; 300 issues of the *Morning Chronicle*; 35 issues of the *Norristown (Pa.) Gazette* dating from 1799 to 1800; 164 American newspapers from 1765 to 1790; the *London Monthly Mercury* from 1726 to 1727; four volumes of *The (London) Tatler* from

1710 to 1711; the *Works of Joseph Addison* from 1721; and facsimiles of other American and French papers.

At 85, Farrar is still active on the lecture circuit and continues to use the newspapers with his audiences. He plans to return to Lexington several times a year to transfer more of his collection, as well as his knowledge about the newspapers.

"This is one of the most valuable gifts Special Collections has ever been given," says Stanley. "There's nothing like seeing the real thing in front of you, spelling out history through descriptions and emotions.

"What's even better is to learn about these papers from Mr. Farrar himself," adds Stanley. "He's as much a social historian as a journalist, and he knows so much about these papers. Absorbing this information from him is truly invaluable."

—Wendy Lovell '90



VAUGHAN STANLEY, SPECIAL COLLECTIONS LIBRARIAN, AND FRED FARRAR '41 EXAMINE SOME OF THE HISTORIC NEWSPAPERS THAT FARRAR HAS DONATED TO W&L.

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— FRED FARRAR '41

1941

Charles F. Clarke Sr.

enjoyed the 65th reunion along with four other classmates. He is still practicing law at Squire, Sanders and Dempsey, Cleveland, Ohio. He says he likes W&L's new president.

1939

The Hon. Warren H. Edwards ('41L)

had a great year. He sold his old home and bought a converted barn and some acreage. His new wife is Janie. And, he writes, "no major surgery for a change."

George C. Kerr

and his wife, Florence, continue to enjoy their retirement in the Amish country in Lancaster County, Pa. They have lived there in a retirement community since 1988. They have a large, two-bedroom apartment, receive two meals a day and have health care available when needed. The facility has recently added a large community center with all kinds of exercise rooms, pools and a large theater. "It certainly is a great way to live in retirement," he writes.

1940

Jackson G. Akin

recently returned from his 60th law school reunion at Harvard. He looks forward to attending his 65th class reunion at W&L next year and to seeing a number of his classmates. He says he is "doing fairly well for an octogenarian." He plays golf, swims laps and travels. He lives in Albuquerque, N.M.

Charles C. Curl Jr.

is still going strong and is looking forward to the 65th reunion. He lives in Amarillo, Texas.

1941

Samuel R. Ames

is still living at Atlantic Shores, a co-op retirement community. He is one of two directors elected by the residents. He celebrated his 60th wedding anniversary on Feb. 1, 2004. He has one living child, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1942

W. John Daniel

and his wife celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary with the birth of a great-grandson.

Robert A. Lawton

lives seven miles from Thomas A. Brizendine '41 in Greenville, Ky., and sees him often. He also visited Claude M. Walker Sr. '41 in Columbia, S.C.

1943

Dr. James S. Parsons

was happy to see 10 classmates at their 60th homecoming. He lives in Lexington.

Patrick C. Warfield

had to lay up his 40-foot Albin Traveler after 22 transits between Cape Cod and Florida on the Intracoastal Waterway. He and his wife, Nancy, are now making the trip with their big Ford van. He seeks news of Jean Benson '43 and Charlie Gresham '43.

1947

Robert A. Warms

and his wife, Jessie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They have four grandchildren and really enjoy coming to W&L every year for the Alumni College. They live in Melrose Park, Pa.

1948

Dr. Marvin L. Daves

enjoys retirement in Prescott, Ariz. He says his kids are doing well in Denver.

William E. Quisenberry ('50L)

retired in 2000 at the age of 80 from the practice of law and moved to Owensboro, Ky., approximately 20 miles from Calhoun, where he had lived for 50 years. On March 15, 2003, he lost his wife, Sandy, to cancer.

1949

Thomas S. Hook Jr.

says, "Thanks for reporting on my lighter-than-air history, *Flying Hookers for the Macon*." He lives in Baltimore.

Carlton D. Johnson

and his wife, Kitty, celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary in April 2003. He retired in 1990 after 27 years with Castle Division, Sybron Corp., as Western regional manager. He corresponds with several Sigma Nu brothers and other W&L classmates. Johnson lives in Santa Ana, Calif.

Charles H. Lauck Jr.

and his wife, Jaci, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July 2002. Seven months later they cel-

ebrated the birth of their sixth grandchild, "a beautiful girl named Caroline." He also reports that "I have been ill for five years, but the Lord has given me a reason to live another 10 years. Isn't He wonderful." Lauck lives in Lexington.

Burr W. Miller

lost Carolyn, his wife and companion of 60 years, in June 2001 to multiple sclerosis. She "was with me my entire career at W&L," he writes. "She loved W&L as much as I did." Miller lives in Chesterfield, Md.

Robert R. Reid Jr.

is sorry he cannot make the 55th reunion but plans to make his 60th. He does environmental work but writes "it's often uphill now." Reid lives in Birmingham, Ala.

Tait Trussell

writes a column for Pioneer Newspaper Group and edits briefs for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. He lives in Manistee, Mich.

Alfred K. Walter

still consults and writes for a global technology materials producer. He and his wife, Kitty, "walk 18 hilly holes of golf," he writes, "dragging pull carts." They keep busy visiting their children in Washington, Georgia and New Hampshire. They reside in Reading, Pa.

Richard M. Yankee Jr.

celebrated the marriage of his granddaughter, Marcia, in January 2003 in Corpus Christi, Texas. He enjoyed the Alumni College in July 2003 along with the Law and Literature Weekend at W&L in October 2003. He resides in Signal Mountain, Tenn.

1950

George W. Cinn

and his wife, Charlotte, "very much enjoyed our October (2003) visit to Homecoming, seeing all of the new construction and the new Commons," he writes, especially "the House Mountain hiking trip with those enthusiastic students."

C. William Pacy

retired and is now living in Maine. He enjoys skiing, sailing and visits from his children and 13 grandchildren.

1951

The Hon. Andrew B. Callagher ('55L)

retired in 1999 from the juvenile court bench. Since then, he has served pro tempore or ad hoc on the First Judicial District Court (Family Division) and on various other courts in his region. He still maintains a very narrow law practice. He resides in Shreveport, La.

Arthur Hollins III,

president and CEO of Calcasieu Real Estate and Oil Co. Inc., says that its common stock listing has been approved by the American Stock Exchange. William Blake '55 is the vice president and treasurer of the company. Hollins resides in Lake Charles, La.

Richard E. McMurrin

is in his 19th year as a dialysis patient. He lives in Newport News, Va.

James N. Paradies

says his company, the Paradies Shops, was named the Georgia (Large) Family Business of the Year in 2003 by *Georgia Trend* magazine. He and his family run gift shops and newsstands in airports in the U.S. and Canada. He lives in Atlanta.

Richard B. Taylor

plans to attend the 60th anniversary of D-Day at the Normandy beaches in June 2004. He would like to meet any W&L alumni there. Taylor lives in Las Vegas.

1952

George E. Eagle

had a quiet and restful 2003. The new reunion schedule for his class will now permit him to go to the Kentucky Derby this year. He lives in Washington.

1953

Edwin P. "Cy" Twombly

exhibited six paintings and a sculpture last year at the Gagosian Gallery, New York City, in honor of his 75th birthday. He created the six paintings in Virginia in 2003. He lives in Italy.

1954

Raymond F. Bee

retired from United States Steel Corp. on Oct. 1, 2003, after 36 years of service. He lives in Chicago.

Paul M. Maslansky

joyfully reports that his daughter, Sabina, has given birth to his first grandson, Ashton Gray. Her husband, Jordan, is a senior pilot with Delta. "See you all at the reunion," he says. Maslansky lives in Malibu, Calif.

1955**Joseph K. Banks Jr.**

and his wife, Ellie, have sold their homes in New Hampshire and Florida and moved to Keswick, Va. "Despite the proximity to Wahoo Land," he writes, he "feels he's pretty much back home again."

William D. Blake,

vice president and treasurer of Calcasieu Real Estate and Oil Co. Inc., says that the company's common stock listing has been approved by the American Stock Exchange. Arthur Hollins III '51 is president and CEO of the company. Blake resides in Lake Charles, La.

The Hon. Paul H. Weinstein

retired after 20 years as a judge in the Maryland judiciary, the last 10 years as the county administrative judge of the Sixth Judicial Court. He is now trying to get his handicap down.

1956**Dudley D. Flanders**

was married in 2002. He spends his summers in Staunton and his winters in New Orleans. He enjoys the W&L alumni trips.

Jean-Marie C. Grandpierre

reports that his family continues to grow, for a total of 12 grandchildren. "A new generation is coming," he writes, "but is society ready to welcome it?" He lives in Nancy, France.

William C. Norman Jr.

was selected in 2003 as a member of the oversight board of the *Encyclopedia of Arkansas*. This multi-year project is an attempt to heighten awareness and knowledge of the heritage and culture of Arkansas. The encyclopedia is scheduled to make its online debut on June 15, 2005.

1957**Henry R. Burt**

became a grandparent in August 2003. He will relocate to Richmond from his summer place in Orkney Springs, Va.

Solan A. Person III

enjoys having his two sons, their wives and his five grandchildren living close by, in Pittsburgh. He and his wife, Dyane, have been together for almost 47 years.

1958**Sheldon Clark II**

has come out of retirement (he says it did not pay well) and has taken on a new challenge as the director of college advising and the annual fund at Beaufort Academy in Beaufort, S.C.

Dr. J. Gill Holland

is in his 39th year of teaching English at Davidson College. In September 2003 he attended a conference on the American West, sponsored by the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw, Poland. "For W&L travelers who find themselves in Norway," he writes, he has published a Norwegian phrase book and dictionary with Hippocrene Books, a companion to *Tastes and Tales of Norway* by his daughter, Siri Lise Holland Doub '90.

William C. Miller ('61L)

bought a home in Ft. Myers, Fla., and will move there from San Diego in August 2004. He looks forward to returning home.

Thomas P. O'Brien Jr. ('60L)

retired after 30 years of service with the Kroger Co. He lives in Cincinnati.

Dr. Kenneth H. Thygesen

completed four years of retirement from SUNY-Potsdam. He greatly enjoyed the 45th reunion last May in Lexington. He lives in Cossayuna, N.Y.

Rice M. Tilley Jr.

was selected by *Texas Monthly* as one of Texas' Super Lawyers for 2003. He specializes in taxation, estate planning, real estate, business organization, mergers, acquisitions and asset protection with Law, Snakard and Gambill P.C., Fort Worth.

1959**James M. Crews Jr.**

retired in 2000 but is now a partner in the banking firm of Sterling Equities. He spends a great deal of time on wildlife conservation. In 2002 he received the Ducks Unlimited Conservation Achievement Award for conserving thousands of acres of Mississippi River timberland and wildlife habitat. He lives in Memphis, Tenn.

Jerold H. Lindquist

was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame in 2003 in honor of his 43-year career with the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. He lives in Manakin-Sabot, Va.

1960**John T. Crone III**

received the 2003 William E. Fleming Commercial Realtors Distinguished Service Award from the San Antonio Board of Realtors. He lives in San Antonio.

Gordon E. Rountree

was chosen one of the 10 best lawyers in the Shreveport-Bossier area by *SB* magazine for 2003. He lives in Shreveport, La.

1961**William C. Remington**

and his wife, Jane, greatly enjoyed the alumni tours on the Danube

and the Dalmatian Coast and are looking forward to Holland and Belgium. He serves on the board of the Montpelier Foundation in Virginia "during its exciting time of restoration and establishment of its Constitutional Studies Program," he writes.

1963**Dr. R. Thomas Edwards III**

attended his 40th class reunion in May 2003 and enjoyed renewing old acquaintances. He has practiced medicine for 30 years in Roanoke and plans to slow down. He had two children at W&L and has enjoyed being close to Lexington and watching the school grow and change.

1965**Gordon B. Cay ('68L)**

is a member and captain of the U.S. Senior Water Ski Team, which took the gold medal against

Farewell to a Loyal Mascot

We are sad to report that Ellie, the longtime official mascot of the Annual Fund, died in early January. Her owner, Al Fleishman '41, is one of W&L's longest-serving volunteers. He and his dog missed nary a Homecoming, Alumni Weekend or Class Agents Weekend in a decade. We miss and remember Ellie and her W&L collar, blue and white toenails and loyalty to the Generals, and send our condolences to Fleishman.

Class of 1971 Celebrates Nuptials

In November 2003, a handful of alumni from the Class of 1971 had a mini-reunion at the wedding of Alex Nading's daughter, Murray. Left to right: Woody Woodard, Carl Adams III, Michael Peck, Shelley Adams '99 (Carl's daughter), Alex Nading and Drake Leddy.



14 other countries in Balakovo, Russia, in 2003. He placed second in slalom, tricks, jumping and overall. This was the third time he has been selected to the team, which has won all three times.

1966

Thornton M. Henry ('69L) traveled to the Amazon last year on a mission trip to Chapada dos Guimaraes, Brazil. His 2004 trip will be to Ecuador. His book, *Rockbridge Heritage*, is due out in spring 2004. He lives in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Bruce W. Rider

says he has four granddaughters, a Bronze Star for service in Vietnam and a Rolex watch. He serves on the board of his local library in Grapevine, Texas.

Dr. Gerard T. Taylor

is the site director for the European production facility of INO Therapeutics Inc. in Porcheville, France. The small pharmaceutical firm supplies nitric oxide for inhalation for the treatment of primary pulmonary hypertension in newborn babies. Taylor lives in Baton Rouge, La.

1967

Dr. Robert L. Holt

says his second daughter had triplets in July 2003, bringing the total to five grandchildren. He lives in West Palm Beach, Fla.

W. A. Roper Vaughan

and his partners sold their payroll processing business to Intuit Inc. in June 2002. He is traveling until the next business opportunity presents itself. He lives in Ft. Worth, Texas.

1968

Dr. Paul C. Atwater

enjoyed the 35th class reunion, "renewing old friendships, and taking in the beautiful campus and Virginia countryside," he writes. He also enjoyed a party in the basement of the Kappa Sig house, "singing along to 'Born to be Wild' with the brothers." He lives in Atlanta.

Dr. Robert B. Carter

is in his third year as principal of Capon Bridge Elementary School in Hampshire County, W.Va. He and his wife, Susan, have two children, Berkeley and Christina. Berkeley is a first-year medical student at Virginia Commonwealth University. Christina graduated from James Madison University in May 2003 and is student-teaching at Short Pump Elementary School in Henrico County, Va. Carter serves as an adjunct associate professor of education for Shenandoah University, in Winchester, Va., where he taught two classes in curriculum development during summer 2003. He resides in Winchester.

John W. Rice

says his only child, Christina, applied to W&L's School of Law. She would be the fourth Rice generation in a row to attend W&L and the third generation to attend the Law School. He hopes she continues the tradition. Rice lives in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

1969

Dr. Jeffrey P. Cropsey

has lived with his wife, Lee, and their son, Matt (now 14), in Pensacola, Fla., since 1992. Cropsey has worked for the Department of Defense for the

last 34 years and is in charge of the Navy's Civilian College and university programs worldwide.

Mark L. Favermann

has been appointed to the Harvard Advisory Board of the Center for Urban Development Studies at the university's Graduate School of Design. Designer Favermann's work includes images in print and on television for high-profile sporting events, including the 1996 Olympic Games and the 1999 Ryder Cup Matches in Brookline, Mass., where he lives.

Neil S. Kessler

is the chair of the Henrico County, Va., business council. He also is the immediate past president of the Carpenter Center for the Performing Arts in Richmond and was recognized as one of Virginia's legal elite in real estate/construction by *Virginia Business* magazine. He is a partner in the Richmond office of Troutman Sanders L.L.P.

1970

Thomas O. Fleming Jr.

was appointed vice president, business and finance, of Loyola Marymount University last year.

Kenneth L. Hickman

is a special counsel for Lemle and Kelleher L.L.P. in its Shreveport, La., office.

Dr. Robert T. Schooley

continues to serve as head of the Infectious Disease Division of the University of Colorado. He has shifted the focus of its AIDS program to Zimbabwe and Brazil. "Extending the major benefits of contemporary AIDS care to resource-limited settings should

be one of this country's highest foreign policy objectives," he writes.

Andrew B. Thomas

has moved with his wife, Suzanne, from Orlando to Deland, Fla. Drew is semi-retired but represents school boards in litigation related to the education of disabled students. He continues to bicycle but avoids the steep hills (easily done in Florida, he says) and no longer races.

1971

E. Staman Ogilvie

and his wife, Beverly, celebrated their first college graduation when their son, Brian, graduated from Northwestern University in 2003 with a degree in vocal studies. They live in Houston.

Dr. Joseph B. Philips III

received the 2004 Founder's Award from the Southern Society for Pediatric Research for long-term excellence in research. He lives in Birmingham, Ala.

Hollis C. Taggart

owns an art gallery in New York City and has opened a branch in Chicago. He has three boys, ages 6, 13 and 17.

1972

John P. Mello

received the MRA Appraiser Designation from the board of trustees of the Massachusetts Board of Real Estate Appraisers. Mello lives in Rochester, Mass., with his wife, Margo, and sons Peter and Andrew.

William J. Modica

was in St. Petersburg, Russia, for the city's 300th-anniversary celebration. He and his wife, Patricia Kelly, traveled by boat from Moscow along the Volga and Neva Rivers. He is a real estate broker in Roanoke.

Dr. W. Wade Peery

has been joined by Dr. Lucius Clay III '71 in surgical practice at Blue Ridge Surgical Associates P.C. in Galax, Va.

Charles L. Robson

received the Metropolitan Golf Association's Distinguished Service Award in December 2003. He is the executive director of the Metropolitan Section of the PGA. He lives on Long Island, N.Y.

When asked to talk about the scholarship he created for accounting majors, Joe Topinka '63 agrees, but on one condition. "This isn't really my story," he wants people to know. "It's about my parents."

The scholarship is a tribute to Joseph and Georgiana Topinka, second-generation Czechoslovakian immigrants who lived in Chicago. After working in accounting jobs all day, the elder Topinka attended college at night, finally earning his degree from Northwestern University at the age of 42. "My dad was my hero," Topinka says. "When I was 11, he taught me how to keep accounts and paid me for keeping them. Although I had other jobs, I continued keeping three of his smaller accounts until I was an adult."

The father gave his son a love of accounting. "My dad taught me that the accountant is the conscience of a business—that it's the accountant's responsibility to ensure the business is operating on the straight and narrow, and to blow the whistle if it isn't. He believed this responsibility is the ultimate loyalty an accountant could show a business owner."

His mother also influenced her son's work ethic and sense of thrift. A homemaker and a gifted seamstress, she kept half his wages. By the time young Joe was ready for college, she had saved \$19,000. Even in college, he continued to surrender half his earnings to help finance his education.

Topinka learned of W&L from a book he found in his local library. One visit convinced him to attend. "It was love at first sight," he says, recalling how pleased he was by the small size, rich traditions and supportive faculty. (He even liked the beanies the freshmen had to

wear.) He made the most of his years in Lexington—studying hard, pledging Delta Upsilon, dating local girls—before earning an accounting degree, moving home to join the Arthur Andersen accounting firm and marrying his high school sweetheart.

Topinka spent his career in accounting, retiring in 2002 as vice president of Romano Brothers Beverage Company, a Chicago liquor wholesaler. He and second wife Sharon recently moved to Raphine, Va., just up the road from Lexington. Wanting to support his beloved alma mater and honor his parents, who are both deceased, the couple created the Joseph and Georgiana Topinka Scholarship to pay the senior-year expenses of an accounting major. When the Chaplin family of Southern Wine and Spirits purchased the Romano business and wanted to retain Topinka's services through the summer of 2003, he agreed. The result: a generous contribution from the Chaplins that allows the scholarship to

Ultimate Loyalty:

Joe Topinka '63 Honors His Parents



GEORGIANA AND JOSEPH TOPINKA.
THEIR SON ESTABLISHED A
SCHOLARSHIP IN THEIR NAME.

sustain the junior year as well.

Even in retirement, Topinka is setting a good example for those just entering the work force. "It's nice to be rewarded for working hard," says Sarah Yakots '04, the first recipient. "Since I have a younger brother in college, I know my parents appreciate the support." She will work for PricewaterhouseCoopers following her graduation.

"Joe understands the importance of this type of support," says Elizabeth Oliver, professor of accounting, who worked with the Topinkas to establish the scholarship. "He's met Sarah, and we hope he'll continue to meet future recipients. We're lucky to have him nearby."

—Cathy L. Eberly

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—JOE TOPINKA '63

1973

John W. Folsom

proudly reports that his son, Andy '03, is a first-year law student at the University of South Carolina.

T. Haller Jackson III

is a special counsel to Lemle and Kelleher L.L.P. in its Shreveport, La., office.

1977

Paul W. Cella

was appointed a substitute district court judge for the 11th Judicial Circuit of the Virginia state courts. He continues his solo law practice in Powhatan, Va., where he lives.

Walter D. Kelley Jr. ('81L)

reports that President George W. Bush intends to nominate him to a federal judgeship in Norfolk, Va. If confirmed by the U.S. Senate, Kelley will sit on the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

1978

Peter J. Abitante

completed his first marathon, the New York City Marathon, on Nov. 3, 2003. He lives in Tenafly, N.J.

Dr. Fred L. Rush Jr.

is assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Notre Dame, specializing in Kant and post-Kantian continental philosophy, aesthetics and political philosophy. He received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1996, where he was a Mellon Presidential Fellow and the recipient of the Cooper Dissertation Fellowship. In 1993-1994 he was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Munich. He has twice been a visiting fellow at Cambridge University, and in 2000-2001 he returned to Munich on an ACLS fellowship. He still plays music and reads Greek for fun. He and his wife, Leslie Callahan, have two sons, Nicholas, 10, and Matthew, 5.

1979

Robert M. Balentine Jr.

is a 2003 member and director of the Buckhead Coalition, Atlanta, a nonprofit civic association with membership by invitation only and limited to 75 people.

J. Andrew FitzGerald

is busy with his law firm, marathons and family life. His family includes his wife of 20 years and three children. He is looking

forward to his 25th reunion in May 2004. They reside in Potomac, Md.

Todd W. Luckey

visited Lexington last spring with his 10-year-old son, "who was so impressed with Lexington, he said he would consider going to VMI," Luckey writes. "I guess kids are always a bit rebellious." Luckey lives in Avon, Conn.

Jonathon W. Pine Jr.

looks forward to his 25th reunion. He lives in Baltimore.

Gary J. Podesta

was inducted into the Santa Clara University Athletic Hall of Fame on Nov. 19, 2003. He marks his 19th year of coaching the men's lacrosse team in 2004.

1980

P. Craig Cornett

works as state budget director for

the speaker of the California State Assembly. He lives with his wife, Mary, and daughters Sarah, 9, and Emily, 7, in Sacramento.

1981

J. Ross Cermano

started a home inspection company in the Baltimore area. "With over 22 years in the construction business," he writes, "I have a thorough knowledge of residential construction." He lives in Reisterstown, Md.

1982

Matthew B. Dennen

graduated in July 2003 from the State University of New York-Empire State College with a degree in East Asian studies.

Col. Anthony R. Ierardi

is commanding officer of the Army's 1st Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Casey, Korea. He

is accompanied by wife Angela and son Peter.

Timothy C. Taylor

was selected by his peers, both opposing and co-counsel, as one of Texas' Super Lawyers for 2003 by *Texas Monthly*. Taylor lives with his family in Austin.

1984

James A. Skinner III

joined Royce and Associates L.L.C., New York City, as a small-cap portfolio manager. He lives with his wife, Lisa, and children Emmie, James and Sophie in Greenwich, Conn.

1985

Michael W. Hudson

served as cover-section editor and lead writer for the Summer 2003 issue of *Southern Exposure* magazine, with the theme "Banking on Misery," a look at how financial

California Alumni Take to the Links



The first annual W&L Alumni Southern California Open was played in 2003 on a beautiful November morning on the difficult South course at the Torrey Pines Golf Club in La Jolla, Calif. George Berger '87 organized it as a joint event of the Los Angeles and San Diego chapters. Some 25 participants challenged one of Tiger Woods' favorite courses and enjoyed refreshments, awards and fellowship at the Lodge at Torrey Pines. Members of both chapters attended—from as close as La Jolla and as far away as Malibu and Ventura—including alumni, parents, spouses and friends.

The round was played as a low-net, stroke-play event so everyone could enjoy the past and future (2008) U.S. Open golf course. Larry Hilton, father of Tyson Hilton '96, claimed the Longest Drive award and one of the two Closest to the Pin awards. Lee Muse '78 won the low-net alumni honor. Eric Owsley '01, W&L's assistant alumni director for on-line communications, enjoying a rare day with his father, Jay Owsley, and uncle, Kenton Owsley, shot the overall low-gross score. A number of players tied for net second place, including Doug Freimuth '89, Hilton and Matt Wherry '91.

A number of alumni and their companies contributed major awards, including Jack Norberg '79, Muse, Stuart Adams '85 and John Klinedinst '71, '78L. Participants purchased mulligans for the event, donating \$700 to the Bethea Foundation, which benefits the W&L golf program. The organizers and players are all looking forward to next year's event, which likely will be played in Los Angeles County.

businesses prey on disadvantaged consumers. The investigation won a Laurel from *Columbia Journalism Review* and a prestigious George Polk award for magazine reporting. He lives in Roanoke.

William E. White III

is the vice president of client development at Corbyn Investment Management Inc., Baltimore. It is a conservative, absolute-return-oriented group that manages the Greenspring Fund. He is happy to be living and working in the same city.

1986

J. MacGregor Wheeler

has returned to Detroit after a five-year absence. He works for General Motors R*Works as promotions director. He also works with Pontiac, GMC and Buick in event sponsorships. He lives with his wife, Sarah, and children Hannah, 9, Evelyn, 7, and John, 3, in Grosse Pointe Park, Mich.

Dr. Joseph C. Whelan III

completed his three-year fellowship in reproductive endocrinology and infertility at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He has joined the teaching faculty at the University of Virginia in the department of ob/gyn, "where I have been busy wearing the traditional three hats of clinician, teacher and researcher," he writes. He will soon enter private practice with Reproductive Endocrinology Associates of Charlotte in Charlotte, N.C.

1987

Thomas H. Pee

teaches physics and coaches cross country and track at Athens Academy in Georgia. He lives in Athens with his wife, Elizabeth, and children Emily, 8, Robby, 6, and Alex, 2.

1988

Eric R. Acra

is the dean of students and the varsity basketball coach at Norfolk Academy, Norfolk, Va. He and his wife, Ruth, have been happily married for 11 years and have two children, Madison and Taylor.

1989

James H. Barker Jr.

earned the Chartered Financial AnalystR (CFAR) designation, administered by the Association

for Investment Management and ResearchR (AIMRR). He is a managing director at Haynes Barker Investment Management L.L.C., Jackson, Tenn., a boutique firm that specializes in portfolio management and analysis, financial planning and wealth transfer strategies.

Beth A. Cousland

moved to Chandler, Ariz., to get what she calls some "needed sunshine after many years in Seattle." She works as a QA manager, overseeing a software testing team. Her latest hobby is high-pointing with her husband—hiking to the highest points in states and countries.

D. Allen Hinkle

sold his consulting and software development company in 2002 and, after 12 years, left the Washington area. He provides financial management and software integration consulting to multinational corporations, but part-time. He specializes in e-commerce and global supply chain applications. He maintains residences in Raleigh, N.C., and London.

Laurel Mattson Nelson

lives happily in Richmond with husband Brooks and sons Matthew, 5, and James, 2.

John C. Roach

was appointed general counsel to the governor of Kentucky, Ernie Fletcher, the state's first Republican governor in more than 30 years.

Michael D. Temple

teaches history and coaches football and baseball in Savannah, Ga.

Burgess A. Thomasson Jr.

is president and CEO of Daily Access Corporation. He lives in Mobile, Ala.

1990

Dr. J. Wayne Burris Jr.

completed medical school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and remains there to complete a master's in public health. He plans to begin a residency in emergency medicine in July 2004.

1991

Cecily Tynan Badger

competed in the Ironman World Championships triathlon in Kona, Hawaii. She competed in the 2002

Wisconsin Ironman, finishing 17th overall and fifth in her age group.

1992

Toby D. McCoy ('95L)

completed eight years of active duty with the Army JAGC and was transferred to the 150th JAG Detachment reserve unit on Nov. 1, 2003. He has embarked on a new career with the DEA as an attorney with the office of chief counsel in Arlington, Va., handling personnel litigation. He lives in Fairfax, Va.

Thomas C. Snedeker

is chief of staff at New Media Strategies, a global leader in online brand protection and promotion. He lives in Arlington, Va.

William M. Toles ('95L)

relocated to the firm of John M. Cox and Associates, Dallas, where he works on insurance defense and commercial litigation.

1993

Ralph E. Duncan IV

is the dean of students and the chairman of the writing department at the Greenwood School in Putney, Vt.

Mary Jo Geyer

purchased a home in Staunton in 2003. She is renovating and welcomes any visitors. She works in Charlottesville at an environmental consulting firm, teaches fitness classes at the Boar's Head Inn in the early morning and sings in the Oratorio Society of Charlottesville-Albemarle. She enjoys traveling as much as possible and just returned from a trip to El Salvador.

James K. Jennings III

is a worldwide e-commerce project manager for Hewlett-Packard in Houston. He is president of the W&L Houston Alumni Chapter.

Jennifer Barrows Lehner

is a conference producer for the American Conference Institute, developing curricula for legal and business seminars and conferences. She lives in Manhattan.

Donald J. Skelly

is a project manager with Stonehaus Development in Charlottesville.

1994

J. Benjamin Eggleston Jr.

is an assistant professor of philosophy at the University of Kansas.

Keith E. Grant

left journalism to join the Army. He was an award-winning newspaper editor in New York for the past four years and a member of the N.Y. Army National Guard for the past two. He will serve as an artillery soldier after completing his training at Fort Sill, Okla.

1995

R. Temple Cone Jr.

won the John Lehman Poetry Award from the *Wisconsin Academy Review* in 2003. He lives in Winston-Salem, N.C.

1996

Josephine S. Covington

and her husband, Robert Covington '97, have moved back to Memphis. He works at SSM Ventures, and she stays home to take care of Nell, 2.

Julie Ayers McLeod

enjoys her work as a research specialist for Pinellas County (Fla.) Schools. She lives in Parrish, Fla., with her husband and her son, Tyler, 2.

John R. Tweardy

spent eight months on assignment for IBM in Nice, France. He is now a global transition manager and will be managing the Nordea Bank account for IBM Nordics in Stockholm, Sweden, for the next two years.

Dr. Nicholas L. Waddy

is an assistant professor of social and behavioral sciences at Alfred State College in Alfred, N.Y.

1997

Lori Eggers Holt

is the director of physical therapy for Kentucky Orthopedic Rehab Team-Springhurst PT. She and husband Homer live in Louisville, Ky.

Bindi T. Patel

is an environmental economist/planner for a consulting firm. She writes, "still enjoying the city of San Francisco!"

1998

Emily E. Raemore

graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a J.D. and a M.A. in bioethics. She is a staff attorney/judicial law clerk with The Hon. Judith A. Christley of the Court of Appeals of Ohio, 11th District. She lives in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

1999

Kendra L. Archer

is in her second year at Shearman and Sterling, New York, practicing in the capital markets department.

Alice Cockrum Brown

and her husband recently bought their first home, in Knoxville, Tenn. She works for the Mental Health Association of East Tennessee as the children's services coordinator. She enjoys singing in the chancel choir and playing handbells at church. She recently completed training for the Stephen Ministry, a Christian care-giving program.

Megan E. Davis

is the executive director of CityScape, a preservation and revitalization non-profit in historic downtown Cookeville, Tenn.

Brian L. Jamison

reports "a 180-degree turn from civil engineering to financial services." He is now working for MassMutual Financial Group in Richmond.

Jennifer J. Stone

works for Systems Planning and Analysis as a national security analyst. She lives in Arlington, Va.

M. Bryan Wheeler

is stationed at Ft. Irwin, Calif., "a post in the middle of the Mojave Desert halfway between L.A. and Vegas (a.k.a. the middle of nowhere)," he writes. "I am an anti-tank platoon leader (HUM-Vs with missiles on top) with a unit that trains the rest of the Army before it deploys overseas."

Benjamin R. Thompson

is the political producer for WHDH-TV, the NBC affiliate in Boston.

Adey Tsega

is in her last year of graduate school, working on a master's of public health in epidemiology at Columbia University, New York.

2000

Carly M. Nasca

graduated from Notre Dame Law School in May 2003 and passed the New York bar. She is a tax and employee benefits associate with Hiscock and Barclay in Buffalo, N.Y.

2001

Althea K. Smiley

spent three months in Australia studying human rights law. She graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in May 2004.

The March of Improvement: Making a Bequest to W&L

In 1826, Washington and Lee University (then Washington College) received land and other real and personal property from a man who had not attended any college, much less Washington and Lee. "Jockey" John Robinson, so named for his abilities as a horse trader, saw great value in education and believed he could make a difference. Robinson made his gift as a bequest, a form of philanthropy that would have a great impact on Washington and Lee through the centuries. Bequests like his—the first the University ever received—have sustained us in challenging times and allowed us to soar at opportune moments.

As early as 1803, Robinson took an active philanthropic interest in Washington College, offering a lot in town and 100 bushels of corn to move the academy inside the town limits. He served on the Board of Trustees until his death in 1826. Robinson financed at least part of the construction of Washington Hall and (according to some accounts in Leyburn Library's Special Collections) provided a barrel of whiskey that celebrants enjoyed at the laying of the cornerstone.

Robinson left to the school his entire estate, including a 400-acre tract of land that became Buena Vista. The final endowment totaled \$46,500, which in today's currency represents millions of dollars. In memory of his generosity, the Board of Trustees erected a marble monument on the Front Lawn and named Robinson Hall for him.

In his will, Robinson outlined his motivation: "By adding to the means of public instruction I hope that some facilities have been given to the march of improvement, and some contribution made to the welfare of society, in having

its members inspired at an early age with salutary and conservative lessons of knowledge and virtue."

Whether in the 19th century or the 21st, the cornerstone of estate planning remains a will, and one of the most important philanthropic alternatives is a bequest. W&L benefits

from thoughtful individuals who provide for the University in their estate plans. For example, over the past 18 months, W&L has received 15 testamentary gifts that have endowed eight new scholarships, enhanced an existing scholarship and created two departmental or program funds. Four of these gifts were unrestricted, allowing the Board of Trustees to determine their best use.

The flexibility and ease of making a bequest to W&L makes it particularly attractive. Just like Jockey John Robinson, individuals who provide for the University in their wills enjoy the use of their assets during their lifetimes, thus ensuring the

flexibility necessary to meet the contingencies of life. Bequests are easy to create—and to modify as resources and plans change.

If you are considering including Washington and Lee in your estate, we would appreciate the opportunity to talk with you. For more information, please visit the W&L Web site (support.wlu.edu, click on Planned Giving) or contact Hank Humphreys, director of planned giving, or Sue Woodruff, planned giving administrator, at 540/458-8421, ahumphreys@wlu.edu or swoodruff@wlu.edu.

—Hank Humphreys
with assistance from Lisa McCown,
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Lee Birthday Bash



The Atlanta chapter enjoyed a party in honor of President Robert E. Lee's birthday in January. From left to right: James Haslam '99, Ronnie Brown '96, Jenny Grant Brown '98, Meredith Webb, Alvin Townley '97, Mary Hight '00, Kayse Nelson '01, Mary Dickinson '99 and Bob Weston '99.

2002

2nd Lt. John P. Cimina

graduated from the 26-week course for the U.S. Marine Corps, the Basic School, in Quantico, Va. He is based in Pensacola, Fla., where he is enlisted in expeditionary warfare school and is a platoon commander and instructor in the leadership, education and development program. He plans to attend flight school as a naval flight officer in 2004.

2003

Edward V. Arnold

is attending Johns Hopkins University to obtain an M.A. in communications with a concentration in film.

Natalie M. Cuicchi

is an economist at the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington.

Allison B. Ciddings

is a medical student at the Medical University of South Carolina, along with classmates Beth Gray '03 and Burdine Edgar '03.

Michael D. Hanson

is playing professional baseball in the Atlanta Braves organization.

Tyler E. Morrison

teaches English with the JET Program in Tahara, Japan. He enjoys being near great surfing as well as great skiing in Nagano.

Erika P. Proko

enjoys medical school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She lives in Carrboro, N.C.

Matthew T. Stavish

is pursuing a master's degree in chemistry education. He also is working full time for the University of Virginia football team.

MARRIAGES

Robert E. Watkins Jr. '45 to Constance D. Lindsay. He has two children, Bob and Debbie. The couple live in Manasquan, N.J.

Eugene C. Perry Jr. '75, '78L to Marlene Stevenson on Dec. 20, 2003, in Fishersville, Va. In attendance were Michael McDonald '79L, the Rev. Anthony Perry '77, John X. Miller '77, '80L and Dick Sessoms of W&L. They reside in Salisbury, N.C., where Perry is the headmaster of Rowan Academy.

Robert M. Burkholder Jr. '79 to Elizabeth Spagnola, on Oct. 20, 2002, in West Chester, Pa. They live in West Chester.

Scott M. Newman '87 to Margaret Zuck on Sept. 24, 2003, in Aspen, Colo. Newman successfully completed the chartered financial analyst program and received his charter in October. They reside in

Avon, Colo., and were hoping to ski 100 days last winter.

Mark T. Moore '88 to Elizabeth Bridges Rayburn on Nov. 28, 2003, in Las Vegas. In attendance were the groom's brother, Timothy G. Moore '97, and Gregory D. Russell '88. They live in Denver, where he is the tax manager for Hanson & Co. CPAs/consultants.

Dr. Andrew C. McDonald '88 to Laura M. Tillitt on April 26, 2003. Groomsmen included Drew Mackenzie '89 and Chris Roberts '89. Alumni in attendance were Denny Samuel '87, Bill Lasseigne '89, William Canteley '89, Tom Bottoms '89 and Chris Cunningham '89. McDonald is a partner with Internal Medicine Associates of Greenville, in Greenville, S.C.

The Rev. Edward D. Ludwig '89 to Mary Jean Hackett. Together they have four children, ages 18 to 22.

Anne Elizabeth Geary '89 to Edward Martin Schmults on March 29, 2003, in New Orleans. Alumni in attendance were William Geary '91L, Covert Geary '80, Dr. Stephen Geary '83, Keri Hinrichs Geary '89 and Valerie Pierson Gammage '89. They reside in San Francisco.

William H. Donnelly '93, '99L to Bonnie Yoon on Nov. 8, 2003, in New York. In attendance were Robert Burger '93, Thomas J. Molony '93, '98L, Susan Ballantine Molony '00L, Chris Dreibelbis '94 and Lorilei Gryder Dreibelbis '97. They live in Harriman, N.Y.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Kleiner '93 to Kirt Steinback on June 7, 2003. In

attendance were Alison Bales Martin '93, '02L, Patricia Pond Miller '93, Meredith Gronroos '93, Evan '93 and Cory Chung Alison '94. Jonathan Gilliland '93 was a male of honor. They live in Richmond.

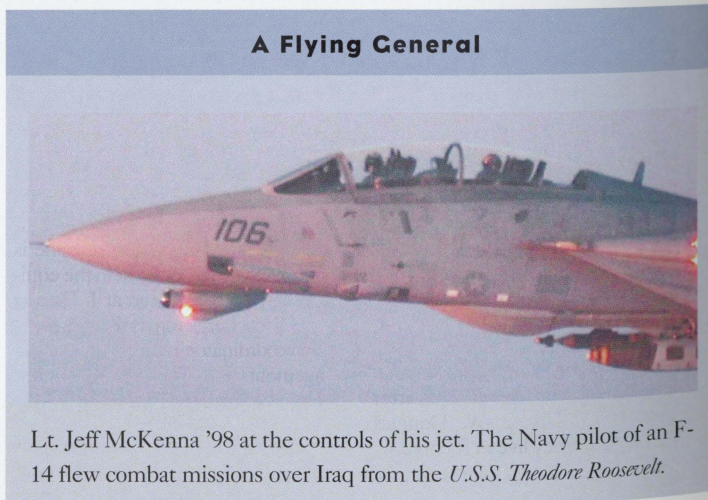
L. Cameron Howell IV '94 to Jennifer Lynn Reifenberger on Oct. 11, 2003, in Charlottesville. Members of the wedding party included Richard Chapman '92 and C. Scott Smith '93. They live in Charlottesville.

Joshua A. Cook '95 to **Cathy Merritt '97** on May 11, 2002, in Bryantown, Md. Members of the wedding party included R. H. Powell IV '95, Lenise Graber Baxter '95 and Christina Petrides '97. Cook will graduate with an M.B.A. from Georgetown University in May 2004. She is a senior financial management associate at Ernst and Young in Tysons Corner, Va. They live in Vienna, Va.

John W. Cox '95 to Elizabeth Katze on May 26, 2001. The wedding included Jamie Turner '95, Andrew M. Wright '95, Drew Hammond '95, Raymond '95 and Suzanne Schmitt Peeler '96, Kris Fegenbush '95 and Shawn Copeland '90, '95L. Cox has completed five years of graduate school, one marathon and three years at the University of North Carolina Law School and is now a patent attorney with Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett and Dunner in Washington. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Theodore W. Dimitry '95 to Susan McCarley on Oct. 11, 2003, in Houston. The wedding party included Allen Rustay '93 and

A Flying General



Lt. Jeff McKenna '98 at the controls of his jet. The Navy pilot of an F-14 flew combat missions over Iraq from the U.S.S. *Theodore Roosevelt*.

Blair Garrou '94, with Temple Cone '95 reading one of his poems during the ceremony. They live in Houston.

Dasha Hermosilla '95 to Matthew Ryan Fahle on July 5, 2003, in Arlington, Va. In the summer she was a bridesmaid in the wedding of Cathy Gartin '95. They live in Arlington.

Dr. S.R. Evans III '96 to Amy Hemstreet in September 2002, in Hot Springs, Va., at the Homestead. They live in Charlottesville, where he is finishing his ob/gyn residency.

Catherine Lawrence '96 to Todd Oomens in April 2002. They live in Hilton Head, S.C.

Maggie George '97 to Max Casteleyn on May 3, 2003, in Chicago. In attendance were Amy Hemesath Romey '97, Lucy Barnett '97 and Frank Vitale '98. They live in Chicago.

Ashley LaForge '97 to Rick Link on April 21, 2003, at her mother's farm, in Madisonville, Va. They met at Duke University while getting their master's degrees in environmental management. They live in Portland, Ore., where she is a hydrologist with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

R. William Sigler '97 to Lauren Jeanne Brown on May 31, 2003, in the Orchard at Adam's Pond, Columbia, S.C. Grellan Harty '96 served as the best man. Also in the groom's party were George Currall '97, David Corning '97 and Edward J. Murphy '99. Sigler graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in May 2003 and is an associate with Howrey Simon Arnold and White in Washington. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Manmeet Singh '97 to **Mio Aoki '96** on May 3, 2003, in Oslo, Norway, at a Sikh temple. Steve Frame '97 and Thomas Sanson '97 attended. They live in Shanghai, China, where Singh works as a banker.

William R.B. Hershey '98 to Jean Barrett Davenport on Aug. 9, 2003, in Richmond. Members of the wedding party included Carter Montague '98 and W. Douglas Hartog '98. They live in Richmond.

Hillary Anne McMillan '98 to Madison Baker Wyche IV on June 7, 2003, in New Orleans. Bridesmaids included Juliana Edmunds King '98, Kelley Chapoton '98, Katharine McFall '98 and Jill Dalovisio '98. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

Jacob B. Garrett '98 to **Elizabeth Watkins '00** in Austin, Texas. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

Ian R. Conner '00 to Melissa Ann Newton on Oct. 4, 2003, at the Wren Chapel on the campus of the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. The wedding party included Gavin Dean '00 and Ben Thompson '00. Also in attendance were W&L alumni Sean Eddy '00, Matt Everitt '00, Scott '01 and Elizabeth Doerries Meister '01 and Emma Thomas '03. The couple met while attending law school at William and Mary. She is an attorney with the Arlington law firm of Cohen, Gettings and Caulkins P.C. Conner is an attorney in the Attorney General's Honors Program at the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division. They live in Vienna, Va.

Lauren Beckenhauer '00 to Dr. Christopher Jeffries on Aug. 31, 2003, in Grosse Pointe, Mich. Danica Oliver '01 served as an attendant. Also in attendance were Michael Moore '00, William H. Wade III '00 and Caitlin FitzRandolph '02. Beckenhauer graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in May 2003 and is an attorney at Strobl, Cunningham and Sharp in Bloomfield Hills, Mich. He is a surgical resident at Detroit Medical Center. They live in Grosse Pointe.

Ryan N. Bergstrom '01 to **Lauren Ivanick '01** on Oct. 11, 2003, in Elmira, N.Y. Participating in the wedding were Julie Boncarosky '01, Elizabeth Holleman '01, Georgiana Hickam Walker '01, Beth Meyers '01, Eitan Levine '01, Patrick Wright '01 and Malcolm Harris '99. She is an acquisitions specialist in the equity investment division at J. Herzog and Sons. Bergstrom is the specification coordinator in the product management department at Spectrum Human Resource Systems. They live and work in Denver.

Nancy Weathersby '01 to Harley Steffans on July 19, 2003.

Bridesmaids included Sallie Ball '01, Ruth Duncan '01, Caroline Gee '01, Katherine Eagan '01, Sanders Goodrich '01 and Keenan Weston '01. Also part of the ceremony were Ellen Ritsch '01 and Kathleen Duprey '01. They reside in Memphis.

Ezra S. Morse '02 to Jill Salmon on the bank of the Rogue River in Oregon, Aug. 22, 2003. Silas J. Morse '99 served as best man.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Donald Childress '70, twins, Preston William and Mary Collier, on Oct. 11, 2003. They live in Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Johnston Jr. '78, a daughter, Alexandra, on May 7, 2003. Johnston completed his sixth year with Platinum Equity in Los Angeles. They live in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley A. Lewis '81 welcomed a daughter, Kaitlyn Mollie, on Oct. 12, 2003. They live in West River, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Gentner Jr. '83, a son, Wyatt John, in April 2002. He joins two sisters, Blake and Riley, and brother Ty. They live in Baltimore, where Gentner sells commercial real estate for Transwestern Commercial Services.

Dr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Jones '85, a son, Kyle Matthew, on July 28, 2003. They live in Antioch, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Vidunas '86, a son, Joseph Liddell "Dell," on July 22, 2003. He joins sister Blake, 3. They live in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald L. Curry II '87, a son, Ronald Lee III, on Sept. 5, 2003. Curry works at the Federal Aviation Administration. They live in Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan S. Miles '87, a daughter, Chloe Elise Miles, on Sept. 11, 2003. They live in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Page Stuart Jr. '88, a daughter, Claire Elizabeth, on July 1, 2003. Stuart is a member of Salyers & Buechler PSC, practicing real property law. They live in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Guyton Jr. '89, a son, Robert Benjamin, on Aug. 15, 2003. He joins brother William "Cole," 5, and sister Hallie Elizabeth, 1. They live in Atlanta.

Cathleen Tiernan Morgan '89 and her husband, **Jon**, a son, John Deshappelles, on Aug. 10, 2003. He joins sister Callie, 2. She is an in-house counsel at Merrill Lynch, and he works at Bank Julius Baer. They moved back to the U.S. and live in New York City.

Dr. Dana Anstine Setzer '89 and her husband, **William**, a son, Thomas, on Dec. 18, 2002. He joins brother Jonathon, 2. They live in Camp Hill, Pa.

Jennifer Bray Stratton '90 and her husband, **Mark**, a son, Bray Owen, on Dec. 19, 2003. They live in Austin, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael S. Applebaum '90, twins, Isabelle and Larkin, on Nov. 12, 2003. They join brother Eli, 3. Applebaum works as a cinematographer and camera operator. His recent projects include "Runaway Jury," "Survivor: Pearl Islands" and "Unchain My Heart: The Ray Charles Story." They live in New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Busenleiner '90, a son, Matthew John, on Nov. 3, 2003. He joins sister Ashley and brother J. Andrew. They live in Metairie, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher A. Cerone '90, a son, Harrison Field, on July 26, 2003. He joins sister Claire, 2. They live in Gaithersburg, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Durant '90, a daughter, Alysse Marie, on Sept. 8, 2003. She joins sister Alexis, 4, and brother Andrew, 2. Durant was promoted to director of finance for First American Corporation Property Information Services Group. They live in San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher M. Giblin '90, a son, Matthew Cloud Giblin, on Dec. 21, 2003. He joins brother Christopher, 6, and sister Mary Ives, 3. They live in Arlington, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale P. Haines '90, a son, Mark Richard, on Sept. 18, 2003. He joins brother Sean Philip, 3. John F. Murdoch '90 is Mark's godfather. They live in Arlington, Va.

The Rev. Amy Y. Lehr '90 and her husband, the **Rev. W. Hunter Camp II**, a son, William Hunter Camp III, on Nov. 10, 2003. They live in Dublin, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Emmette Pilgreen IV '90, a son, Claybourne William Lee Hyeonmin "Clay." Pilgreen and his oldest son, Jack, traveled to Seoul, South Korea, to meet and return home with Clay. He joins brother Jack and sisters Sadie and Delia. They live in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen L. Stanley '90, a son, John David, on April 9, 2003. He joins sisters Caroline, 5, and Elisabeth, 3. They live in Wilton, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Tunner '90, a son, William Keese, on Oct. 11, 2003. They live in Richmond.

Stephen B. French '91 and **Kimberly Dickinson French '94**, a son, Emerson Carter, on Oct. 30, 2003. He joins sister Bradley. They live in Tampa, Fla.

Rev. Robert F. Fuller, Jr. '91 and **Morgan Warner Fuller '92**, a son, Robert Ferguson III "Bo," on Oct. 12, 2003. He joins sister Ellie, 3. Fuller is the head pastor at Fairview Presbyterian Church in New Augusta, S.C., where they live.

Dr. Elizabeth Baker Golpira '91 and her husband, **Pierre**, a daughter, Charlotte Carson, on Aug. 26, 2003. She joins sister Lillian Taylor, 2. She practices obstetrics and gynecology, and he is completing a psychiatry residency. They live in Charlottesville.

Patricia Lopes Harris '91 and her husband, **Jonathan**, a daughter, Kalena Marie, on June 6, 2003. She joins brother Benjamin, 2. They live in San Jose, Calif.

Brooke Tinley Kremer '91 and her husband, **Dan**, a daughter, Katherine Owens, on Aug. 10, 2003. She joins brother Patrick, 2. They live in Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark W. Lotruglio '91, a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, on May 30, 2003. She joins brothers Kian, 4, and Aidan, 2. They live in Manhasset, N.Y.

Carol Howson Marchesani '91, and her husband, **Carmen**, a daughter, Gracy Virginia, on Aug.

28, 2003. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Potts Howson '63. They live in Royersford, Pa.

Joan E. Swisher '91 and her husband, **Robbie Davis**, a son, Remington Simon, on Nov. 6, 2003.

Wangdali C. Bacdayan '92 and **Dr. Wendy Neel Bacdayan '94**, a son, William Andrew, on Oct. 21, 2003. He joins brother Ben, 16 months. They live in Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

James A. Cadranel '92 and **Heather Daesener Cadranel '92**, a daughter, Gretchen Susan, on Oct. 18, 2003. Her grandfather is Richard H. Daesener '66. They live in Pt. Pleasant, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jay Gabbard '92, a son, Julian Blake, on Dec. 18, 2003. They live in Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory T. Hicks '92, a daughter, Sarah Helen, on Aug. 14, 2003. They live in Glen Allen, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan L. Miller '92, a son, Thomas Duncan, on Dec. 9, 2003. They live in Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Otis '92, a daughter, Evelyn Grace, on Nov. 21, 2002. Otis is working for Smith Barney. The family relocated to Columbia, S.C.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Owens Jr. '92, a son, William Boyd III, on Sept. 19, 2003. They live in Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Eugene Pride '92, a son, Michael Holeman, on Aug. 29, 2003. They live in Denver.

Dr. Ashley Gray Sharp '92 and her husband, **Doug**, a daughter, Hadley Elizabeth, on Sept. 2, 2003. They live in Bethesda.

Mr. and Mrs. David P. Stevens '92, a daughter, Elizabeth Ruth "Ellie," on Aug. 10, 2003. They live in Montgomery, Ala.

Christopher C. Swann '92 and **Dr. Kathy Ferrell-Swann '93**, a son, Whitaker Collins, on Sept. 26, 2003. They live in Atlanta.

Evan A. Allison '93 and **Cory Chung Allison '94**, a son, Andrew

"Spratt," on Aug. 25, 2003. They live in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Megan Reese Boellhoff '93 and her husband, **Michael**, a son, John Phillip, on Nov. 26, 2002. He joins older brother Joseph. They live in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Elizabeth Miller Boose '93 and her husband, **Stuart**, a daughter, Amelia Dunstan, on Sept. 19, 2002. She works as a part-time librarian at Deloitte Consulting, and he is the executive director of operations planning for the College Board. They live in South Orange, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Burger '93, a daughter, Catherine Pearce, on June 20, 2003. They live in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam T. Craddock '93, a daughter, Sydney Paige, on Nov. 22, 2003. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory I. Hinrichs '93, a daughter, Sarah Noel, on Dec. 31, 2003. She joins sisters Abby and Lindsay. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

Meredith Edwards Martin '93 and **James A. Martin**, who married in March 2001, a son, Andrew Richard, on Jan. 20, 2003. He is assigned to Eglin Air Force Base,

Fla., as a test pilot. They live in Crestview, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. David R. Schiminger '93, a son, Jackson David, on June 11, 2003. They live in Baltimore.

Dr. Christine Gorman Sherman '93 and her husband, **Andrew**, twin daughters, Clara Gallagher and Alice Talbot, on Dec. 21, 2003. They join brother Jack, 3. She is an anesthesiologist in private practice in Roanoke.

Angela Mims Smith '93 and her husband, **David**, a son, Kyle Robson, on Aug. 22, 2003. They live in Richmond.

Joanne Lee Stemple '93 and her husband, **Jason**, twin daughters, Caroline Lee and Amelia Hyatt, on May 21, 2003 (their dad's birthday). They live in Charleston, S.C.

Jerilyn Farren Teahan '93 and her husband, **John**, a son, Sean Edward, on Oct. 29, 2003. They live in Charlottesville, Va.

Jamie Hardman Loving '94 and her husband, **James**, a daughter, Adelaide Caroline, on March 11, 2003. They live in Falls Church, Va.

Robert B. McGinley Jr. '94 and **Katherine Mehlburger McGinley '97**, a daughter, Susan Barclay,

Career Services

Two new scholarships from Career Services allow students to get a head start on professional development. The first covers careers for the common good, and the second covers professional development in media.

The scholarships encourage participation in professional associations, conferences and career-related programs by providing financial support for attendance. Eligible students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 and a record of contributions to the campus community, want to elevate the quality of student contributions and hope to enhance W&L's reputation.

The recipients must submit written critiques of their experiences, develop a handout for the Career Service Career Pathways series and present an overview of the experience to the campus community. For more information, contact Beverly Lorig, at blorig@wlu.edu, 540/458-8595, and see the Web site, careers.wlu.edu.



on Aug. 19, 2003. She joins sister Madison, 16 months. They live in Mobile, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Kevin Roddey '94, a son, William David Coleman, on Nov. 11, 2003. They live in Nashville.

John D. Hallett '95 and **Maryl Shaw Hallett '95**, a daughter, Arden Thale, on Dec. 29, 2003. She joins older brother Mack. They live in New York City.

Meredith Brown Hilleary '95 and her husband, **Van**, a daughter, Laura Brooks, on Dec. 20, 2003. The family moved to Murfreesboro, Tenn. He commutes to Washington, where he is with the law firm of Sonnenschein, Nath and Rosenthal L.L.P.

Derek B. Carter '96 and **Jessica Willett Carter '95**, a son, Daniel Jackson, on Nov. 11, 2003. They live in Lexington.

Mary Stapleton Davy '96 and her husband, **Roger**, a son, Jack Reed, on May 1, 2003. They live in San Francisco.

P. Macnamera Lacy '96 and **Lisa Cornelius Lacy '97**, a daughter, Bella Corinne, on Sept. 9, 2003. They live in Portland, Ore.

Dr. Charles A. Santo '96 and **Courtney Miller Santo '98**, a daughter, Sofia Evangeline, on May 20, 2003. She works with a nonprofit, lung cancer advocacy group, and Charlie continues to work on his Ph.D. in urban studies at Portland State University, Oregon. He passed his comprehensive exams with distinction and is now Ph.D. ABD. They live in Vancouver, Wash.

Dr. Amy Jarvis Albert '97 and her husband, **Michael**, a son, John Michael, on Oct. 2, 2003. They live in Birmingham, Ala., where both are completing their residencies.

Patrick J. Breen '97 and **Jennifer Miller Breen '97**, a daughter, Meghan Jennifer, on June 5, 2003. She joins brother Patrick, 18 months. They live in the Old Town neighborhood of Chicago.

W. Townsend Heald '97 and **Catherine Moser Heald '97**, a daughter, Elizabeth Lee, on Oct. 3, 2003. They live in Allen, Texas.

Laurence Phillips Bragg '98 and her husband, **Henry**, a daughter, Kathryn Scott, on June 7, 2003. They live in Houston.

Lt. Arthur C. Barton IV '99 and **Emily Cartwright Barton '98**, a daughter, Sarah Kathryn, on Sept. 17, 2003. They live in Honolulu.

OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Pfohl Campbell, who founded the PBS station WETA-TV in Washington, died in Arlington on Jan. 9 at age 101. She was the widow of **Edmund D. Campbell '18, '22L**. A friend and supporter of W&L, in 2000 she helped establish the Edmund D. Campbell Public Interest Fund to assist law graduates who work in the public interest. In 1989 Campbell received an honorary Doctor of Letters, along with her husband, who received an honorary Doctor of Laws. He died in 1995. She is survived by three children. A son, the Rev. Edmund Campbell Jr. '50, died in 1997.

Martin W. Spector '25, founder of Spec's Music chain of 42 stores in Florida and Puerto Rico, died Sept. 24, 2003, at the age of 98. His record stores were some of the first to feature listening booths and were the first major American retail outfit to carry a large assortment of Latin music. He was a trained violinist and played with chamber groups while at W&L. He served in the U.S. 3rd Intelligence under Gen. George Patton, participating in the Utah beach landing in Normandy. He was a member of Zeta Beta Tau social fraternity and the Troubadours.

L. Palmer Brown III '30, president emeritus of L.P. Brown & Co. of Memphis, died Nov. 27, 2003. The positions he held and boards on which he served included director, president and chairman emeritus of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of New York; a life trustee of Rhodes College; and director and trustee of several local children's hospitals. His nearly half-century dedication to the Memphis community cemented his reputation as a pillar of the community. While at W&L, he was a member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity and the University Glee Club.

Kenneth Bank '31L, retired counsel, died Sept. 24, 2003, in Baltimore, Md. He was a member of Zeta Beta Tau social fraternity and the *Calyx* staff.

Edwin W. Chittum '33, a Rockbridge County native and life-long Virginia educator, died Nov. 12, 2003. The first school superintendent of Norfolk, Va., Chittum guided students through desegregation and oversaw a massive school-building program. A stadium at Norview High School in Norfolk and an elementary school in Chesapeake carry his name. He received several honorary degrees and prominent citizenship and professional awards in his 45 years of service to education.

Albert A. Dodds Jr. '33, retired vice president of manufacturing for Gant Shirt Co., died Jan. 7. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity.

Donald S. Levinson '34, former president of Tomke Aluminum Co., died Jan. 9. He was a former president of the Maryland Racing Commission. He was a member of Zeta Beta Tau social fraternity and the tennis team, as well as a contributor to the *Ring-tum Phi*.

Albert J. Durante '36, retired vice president of the J. Walter Thompson advertising agency, and publicity director of the Bourbon Institute and the A. Smith Bowman Distillery, died at home after a long battle with Parkinson's, Sept. 20, 2003. He was a member of the Alumni Association. While a student, he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity and manager of the baseball team.

Harry George Jr. '36, owner of S. W. George and Company of Brunswick, Md., died Dec. 6, 2003. He was a lieutenant in the Navy during WWII. While at W&L, he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity and a starting third baseman for the Generals.

Charles S. Wassum Jr. '36 died Dec. 7, 2003, in the same home where he was born in 1913. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. His business, Royal Oaks Boxwood Farms, planted formal gardens at the White House and

Lincoln Memorial and regularly exhibited in the New York City and the National Flower and Garden Show in Washington. While at W&L, he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity, as well as the Cotillion Club, Troubadours, and the *Calyx* staff.

Robert R. Radcliff '37, retired manager of patents and contracts for the Elasmchem department of DuPont, died Sept. 25, 2003. He was a member of the American Chemical Society.

Latham B. Webster '37, retired editor and publisher of the *Republican Press* (Salamanca, N.Y.), died Oct. 7, 2003. He served as an air combat intelligence officer with the Navy during World War II. He taught one year at W&L. After retiring from the newspaper in 1977, he taught journalism at Alred University. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity and Omicron Delta Kappa and was editor of the *Ring-tum Phi*.

John R. Robinson '39, owner of E.C. Robinson Lumber Co. of St. Louis, died Oct. 22, 2003. He was a lieutenant commander in the Navy during World War II. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

George H. Vanta '39, retired sales engineer and former commander in the U.S. Naval Reserves, died Nov. 2, 2003. He was a member of Tau Kappa Iota.

William C. Young '39, founder and owner of the W.C. Young hardware store in Montgomery, Pa., died July 15, 2003. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity.

Dr. Frederick A. Feddeman '40, a physician in Lexington, Va., for more than 50 years, died Sept. 28, 2003. He served as a medical corpsman in the American Field Service during World War II. Feddeman was the University physician for 35 years. While at W&L, he was a member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, the Glee Club and the Graham-Lee-Washington Literary Society, as well as president of Tau Kappa Iota honor society.

Howard T. Shepherd '40, former president of Shepherd & Company, fire insurance managing

Ross R. Millhiser

Ross R. Millhiser, former trustee, World War II veteran and businessman, died Dec. 6, 2003, in Richmond. He served on the W&L Board of Trustees from 1981-1990. "That Ross served two terms on the board is a distinct compliment to us considering how busy he was," said Farris Hotchkiss, retired vice president of University relations. "He was keenly interested in education, particularly student affairs and academics."



Robert R. Huntley '50, '57L, former president of W&L, said at Millhiser's funeral, "I remember his encyclopedic knowledge, his ability to give compendious and concise expression to what he knew, his love and mastery of the language, coupled with a real interest in the concerns and knowledge of others."

Millhiser and his family provided financial support to several important projects, including the Lewis F. Powell Jr. Archives, the Thomas McNally Millhiser Law Scholarship (named for his son, a 1981 Law School graduate) and a capital campaign gift to support renovations to the Moot Courtroom and the Roy L. Steinheimer Jr. Professorship.

Millhiser was born in Richmond, where he attended Thomas Jefferson High School. He graduated from Yale University in 1941. After Yale, he joined Philip Morris (now Altria Group Inc.) in Richmond as a machine oiler.

Millhiser temporarily halted his career at Philip Morris in 1942, when he entered the U.S. Army as a private. He later graduated from Officer Candidate School. He served in the infantry as an intelligence officer and combat infantry commanding officer in the European Theater and attained the rank of major. During Operation Northwind in January 1945, the Germans captured Millhiser behind enemy lines while he was leading a nighttime reconnaissance in the Vosges Mountains of Alsace-Lorraine, France. He was a prisoner of war until being liberated in May 1945. His military decorations include the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Bronze Star and Purple Heart, and he was inducted into the U.S. Infantry Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, Ga.

Following his discharge from the Army, Millhiser returned to Richmond and Philip Morris. He advanced through the ranks to become president, vice chairman and a director. Beginning in 1954, as Marlboro brand manager, he repositioned Marlboro nationally as the quintessential man's cigarette.

Outside of Philip Morris, Millhiser lent his time and expertise to a number of organizations. He was a director of Best Products Co. Inc., First & Merchants Bank (now part of Bank of America) and Robertshaw Controls Co. An ardent advocate of private, independent education, he was a trustee and former chairman of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges. He also served as a trustee and chairman of the George C. Marshall Foundation.

Named Virginian of the Year and presented with the Parks-Mason Memorial Award by the Virginia Press Association in 1971, Millhiser was recognized broadly for his meritorious service. In 1977, he received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Hampden-Sydney College.

He is survived by his brother, Kenneth Millhiser; four children, Ross R. Millhiser Jr., Timothy M. Millhiser, Thomas M. Millhiser '81L and Mary McGue Millhiser; and eight grandchildren.

general agents, died Sept. 26, 2003. He served four years active duty in the Army Air Corps during World War II and 32 years of total reserve duty, retiring as a colonel in the Air Force Reserve. At W&L he was a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity and a contributor to the *Ring-tum Phi*.

Charles F. Bagley Jr. '42, attorney and past president of the West Virginia Bar Association, died Dec. 28, 2003. He served as a captain in the Army Air Corps in World War II. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

Frank R. Bell Jr. '43, former president of Systems Corp of Tampa, Fla., died Nov. 18, 2003. He was a lieutenant in the Navy during World War II. While at W&L, he was a class officer and contributor to the *Ring-tum Phi*. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity.

George T. Blackburn '43, '49L, attorney, died Oct. 23, 2003. He was a decorated Army Air Force veteran of World II, achieving the rank of major and receiving two Air Medals, a Presidential Unit Citation and five Battle Stars, among other citations and medals. He practiced law in Henderson, N.C., with his brother Charles '49L. He was a member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity, Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity and the Cotillion Club.

Arch C. Blocher Jr. '43 died Jan. 28, 2002.

Samuel J. Graham Jr. '43, retired from the Bureau of Worker's Compensation, died Jan. 3, 2003. He flew 52 combat missions over Germany with the Air Force during World War II and was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster. He was captain of the cross country and wrestling teams, winning the Southern Conference championship in the 121 lb. weight class in 1943. He was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity.

Barton W. Morris Jr. '43, a newspaperman in Roanoke, died Oct. 1, 2003. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked with the *Roanoke Times* from 1945 until his retirement in 1985. He was president of the Roanoke alumni chapter. While at W&L, he was a member of Kappa

Sigma social fraternity and contributed to the *Ring-tum Phi*.

C. Richard Cronin '44, retired financial consultant, died March 28, 2003. He was a corporal in the Army Medical Corps during World War II. While at W&L, he was member of Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity and Phi Beta Kappa honor society. He participated in the band and contributed to the *Ring-tum Phi*.

Howard B. Peabody Jr. '44 died Nov. 1, 2003. He attended W&L for two years before entering the Merchant Marines at the outbreak of World War II. He entered the family timber and planting business after the war. While at W&L, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity.

Rear Adm. Bruce Keener III '45

died Nov. 12, 2002. He left W&L after his sophomore year to enlist and serve in the Pacific Theater. He graduated from the Naval Academy in 1947 and served with distinction in two other wars. While at W&L, he was a member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

Preston W. Hickman '47, retired director of instruction for city schools in Lexington, died Oct. 7, 2003. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity and the Glee Club.

Eugene B. Wright '47, retired chemical engineer, died Aug. 6, 2003. He served in the Army during World War II. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity.

Clifford B. Beasley Jr. '49, retired engineer, died Dec. 10, 2002. He served in Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army, was wounded twice and received a Purple Heart and other citations. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity and the football team.

John C. Green Jr. '49, retired special agent with the Naval Intelligence and Naval Investigative Service, died Oct. 17, 2003. He was an accomplished trumpet player and was a member of several bands in his youth. He served four years in the fifth district office of naval intelligence during World War II, interviewing survivors of merchant ships sunk by German U-boats. He attended W&L on the GI Bill.

Charles W. Williams

Charles W. Williams, professor emeritus of mathematics, died Oct. 25, 2003, in Lexington. A native of Augusta, Ky., he earned his bachelor's from Harvard, his master's from the University of Maryland and his doctorate from the University of Virginia. Prior to joining the W&L faculty as an assistant professor in 1948, he taught at Armstrong Junior College, in Savannah, Ga., the University of North Carolina and North Carolina State. He retired from W&L in 1982. Among his contributions to the University and computer science was a course-scheduling program he wrote in the early 1960s using Fortran and an IBM 1620.



Paul Bourdon '81, a former student of Williams and now professor of mathematics at W&L, remembers "Sleepy" Williams, as he was called, running his class in real analysis as an ongoing conversation. "Typically, he'd be seated at his desk in the front of the classroom," said Bourdon in his remarks at the Nov. 8 memorial service in Robinson Hall, "ask us to turn to a certain page in the text and then begin discussing and describing, usually in a very calm, matter-of-fact way, but sometimes becoming animated when he wished to highlight an important concept."

Charles Nowlin '55, who worked for Oak Ridge National Laboratory, expressed a feeling that many former students share: "I am forever indebted to Charlie Williams for the mathematics background he gave me. I considered Charlie to be the model mathematician and a superb teacher."

Students knew Williams as a tough grader during the term but kinder in assigning final grades. Many theorized that Williams computed final averages by taking the square root of a student's earned average. "Charlie first made the usual straightforward calculation of final grades. Then, during the few days that followed his first 'pass' at grade determination, he reflected on the performance of each student," Nowlin said. "As a result of this reflection, Charlie would not lower a student's grade. He might possibly raise a student's grade, but if he did, Charlie would not lower it again. After awhile the grades converged to a stable value. I cannot think of a better way to determine grades."

Williams' dexterity with chalk was legendary—he was able to toss it behind his back and nail it to the chalk rack without raising a cloud of dust. Bob Rogers '79, a professor at Virginia Tech, says Williams' best trick was his over-the-shoulder-backwards-kick-out-the-window maneuver.

Many have wondered about his nickname. His son, Tom Williams '78, a director of instructional media services at the W&L Law School, reports, "My mother said she thought it was because he had droopy eyelids. The story I heard most often from students is that one time he fell asleep in class, but that story seems suspect to me. All I can tell you are two things: he did, in fact, believe sleeping was a civilized pastime, and three decades of students knew him by that name." Nowlin added, "Some referred to Charlie as 'Sleepy' Williams, but those of us who took advanced classes with him knew for certain that he was not intellectually sleepy. Laid-back, yes, but intellectually sleepy—no!"

Williams is survived by his wife, Margaret; his son, Tom; four daughters, Betsy Williams Mierzwa, Jane Williams Wirengard, Kathryn Williams and Margaret Williams; and 10 grandchildren.

James R. Larrick '49L, partner in Larrick, Larrick, and Drown, died Oct. 14, 2003. He was an Army veteran of World War II, achieving the rank of captain and receiving the Bronze Star. He was commissioner of accounts for Frederick County, Va., at the time of his death. He was a member of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity.

Willard H. Miller '49, retired retailer and owner of an antiques store, died Oct. 19, 2003. He served three years in the Army during World War II. While at W&L he was a member of Beta Theta Pi.

William J. Moore '49 died Oct. 31, 1999. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity.

William R. Rice '49, lifelong writer and artist and former attorney with Columbia Gas and Natural Resources, died Nov. 4, 2003. While at W&L, he was a member of the forensic team and the Graham-Lee-Washington Literary Society, as well as a class officer.

William P. Polk '50, retired judge, died Nov. 21, 2003. He was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He received a Causidicus Award from his peers for outstanding service to the legal community. While at W&L he was a member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity, the Interfraternity Council and the lacrosse team.

Thomas P. Whitaker '50, lawyer and politician, died Dec. 10, 2003. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and attained the rank of captain. He practiced law in Tampa, Fla., with his father and uncles before serving 10 years in the Florida House of Representatives and in the Senate. He was a member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

James P. Thelin '51, a New Orleans real estate agent, banker and preservationist, died Dec. 9, 2003. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War and later worked with the National Security Agency in Washington. He was a pioneer in preserving old houses in several historic New Orleans neighborhoods.

C. Molton Williams '52, chairman of Molton, Allen & Williams, died Jan. 6. He was

known for his volunteer work with prisoners and his dedication to educating at-risk youth. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity and the forensic team.

Col. Frank R. Pancake '53L, former mayor of Staunton and faculty member at the Virginia Military Institute and Mary Baldwin College, died Sept. 23, 2003. During World War II, he earned a Silver Star as a B-29 pilot in the Pacific Theater. He retired from the Air Force in 1966 as vice commander of the Southeastern Command. He was a founding member and former president of the Historic Staunton Foundation.

Julius P. Carlington Jr. '54, former owner of the Garlington Group, Marietta, Ga., died Sept. 21, 2003. He was a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity and the Cotillion Club.

Cecil C. Sellers '54, mechanical engineer, died April 15, 2000. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

The Hon. Frank M. Whiting '54L, retired federal administrative law judge for the Civil Aeronautics Board, died Dec. 5, 2003. He was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Rotary Club and received the Paul Harris Fellow and the Charles "Doc" Matson Awards. In 1990, he helped the Venice-Nokomis Rotary Foundation provide local scholarships for the pursuit of career goals. He was a member of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity and the Student Bar Association.

Harry S. Cockey '58, retired district manager of Graybar Electric Company, died Nov. 6, 2003. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity.

Lee Mullins '58 died Nov. 23, 2003. He was an active alumni volunteer, serving in several capacities. While at W&L, he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

Charles E. Swope '59L, banker and philanthropist, died Nov. 8, 2003. He was president, CEO and chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Chester County, Pa., and member of the board of trustees of West Chester

University. He achieved the rank of colonel in the Marine Corps Reserves and was awarded the Legion of Merit medal by President Ronald Reagan. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity and former president of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity.

John S. Hopewell '60, historian, teacher and archivist, died Jan. 5. He was a former president of the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences at the University of Virginia. He was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Gamma Delta social fraternity.

J. Oakley Seibert '68, '71L, Martinsburg, W.Va., city attorney and real estate lawyer, died Nov. 10, 2003. He was a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity and the swimming and diving teams, as well as a contributor to the *W&L Law Review*.

Theodore H. Amshoff Jr. '74, attorney with Amshoff & Amshoff of Louisville, Ky., died October 8, 2003. He served on the Student Executive Committee as a junior and senior.

Thomas D. Cooper III '75 died Jan. 10.

Ronald L. Atwood '76, lighting designer and head of his own company, died on July 23, 2003.

E. Thomas Brockman '82, president of Amherst Motors, Lynchburg, Va., died October 18, 2003. He was a former member of the Amherst Board of Education and the Virginia School of the Arts. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity.

Correction

H. Lee Israel '61, retired linguist from the National Security Agency, died July 14, 2003, in Laurel, Md. He was a member of the University Glee Club and of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity. Israel established an endowment for the James G. Leyburn Library.

Other Deaths

Peter M. Hazell '45 died May 2, 1993.

Jack L. Taylor '49 died May 13, 1997.

Richard A. Bowis '59 died in July 1986.

R. Bruce McPhail '79 died on July 23, 1996. †

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