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by Andy Thompson '00

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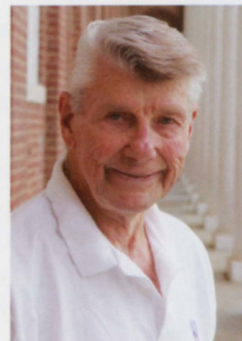
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As I begin my term as president of the Alumni Board, I want to salute my predecessor, Dan Einstein '83, for his exceptional service last year. He led by example and inspired the board, and I am honored to succeed him. Under Dan's leadership, we re-examined our mission, goals and

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organizational structure. He convinced us to step out of our comfort zone and be accountable for two core responsibilities: strengthening our many chapters and increasing alumni engagement with the University.



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As a result, your board is revitalized with a new sense of purpose and meaning. We are tracking these goals in our strategic plan, and we are committed to continuing our progress this year. Each board member is personally involved and accountable.

I am still inspired by our annual meeting in Lee Chapel on Saturday of Alumni Weekend in May. In that special building, we celebrated our affection for W&L, especially the 25th and 50th reunion classes. Their extraordinary gifts, as well as other events, are described on pp. 32-34. It is wonderful to see that W&L remains a priority for so many of us, even during tougher times.

And we enthusiastically recognized four distinguished alumni for their lives of integrity and service to others, core virtues that were so important to this University's namesakes.

We were also treated to a remarkable talk by Senator John Warner '49, who received the prestigious Washington Award. His oratory was magical as he explained his historical connection to W&L and his early political career with sidesplitting wit and great eloquence. His W&L experience was vital to his success in the Senate, and it remains a profound influence on his life. See pp. 24-31 for an interview with him.

It will be a busy autumn. We will celebrate Young Alumni Weekend and Black Alumni Weekend 2009 on campus from Oct. 9-11, both events coinciding with our usual Homecoming festivities. Our Five-Star Generals will have their new celebratory event on Oct. 20-21. We will continue to help strengthen our chapters and improve and enrich alumni engagement, both on campus and in your communities. We are blessed to have a strong board; a talented, committed and energetic vice president, Valerie Pierson Gammage '89; a promising slate of six new board members (profiled on pp. 38-39); and a truly dedicated Alumni Affairs team, led by Beau Dudley '74, '79L and Tom Lovell '91.

I hope you have enjoyed a relaxing and pleasurable summer. I am gratified by the opportunity to serve your association. Please give us your ideas

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Connecting and Reconnecting

Regarding the letter from the Rev. Laurie A. McAlpine '73 in the Spring 2009 issue, we did not check our honesty, integrity and character at the door of Lee Chapel when we left Lexington. Those values reside in us, regardless of what we do, wherever we do it.

The Alumni Magazine helps us keep up with what W&L people are doing in this big world. I do not collect art, but I was interested in what these fellow graduates did. I do not practice Buddhism, but I was fascinated to read about the young man in the last issue who has become a follower.

I think Robert E. Lee would read our alumni magazine and say, "What a fantastic, diverse bunch of men and women have come through our doors, and isn't

it great we have a way for them to connect and reconnect all the time."

*Dan Flourney '64
Houston*

Men on the Moon

I spent the summer of 1969 in Lexington. On the morning of July 20, my television died. I mentioned this to a lab assistant, Ted DeLaney '85, and he invited me to come over that night to view the moon landing. I did so, and Ted and I watched this epic event together. He and I have generally disagreed on a lot of issues but, in the end, Prof. DeLaney is a true W&L gentleman, and I do appreciate his kindness that night in a magic summer.

*Marc James Small '72
Chester, Va.*

Correction

C. Edward Klank '89 is a proud recent member of the Christian Brothers High School Hall of Fame, in Memphis, Tenn., not the athletic hall of fame, as we accidentally reported in the Spring 2009 issue. Our apologies to Mr. Klank for the error, and our congratulations to him for that honor.

Clarification

In the Winter 2009 issue, we shared the good news about Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships for two seniors. While W&L serves as the liaison for the application process, the students' local Rotary Clubs sponsor them. Hansen Babington '09 hails from Mobile, Ala., and Michael Thompson '09 is from La Jolla, Calif.

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Commencement 2009



President Ken Ruscio '76 encouraged the 415 members of the Class of 2009 to live in the "complicated center" of life during the University's 222nd commencement exercises, on June 4.

A rain shower punctuated the ceremonies during Ruscio's remarks and the conferring of honorary degrees. The graduates unfolded the ponchos that had been provided for that eventuality, while family and friends huddled beneath umbrellas to stay dry. The shower passed just as the graduates began receiving their diplomas.

In his remarks, Ruscio said that he worries about the state of public discourse in these days when it has seemingly become impossible to disagree respectfully. "We mistake the harshness of one's rhetoric for the depth of one's convictions," he said. "Decibel levels do not correlate with the quality of one's reasoning. Certitude is not the same as clarity; stridency is not the same as sincerity."

The class valedictorian was Eliza-



Honors 415 Students

both Webb, a biochemistry major, who earned a 4.075 GPA on a 4.0 scale. She will study in Australia on a Fulbright Research Grant next year.

Webb also won the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, which the University gives each year to two graduates, a man and a woman, on a vote of the faculty. It recognizes the recipients' ideals, spiritual qualities and service to others. Christopher Martin, a politics major and a leader in the Shepherd Poverty Program, received

the other Sullivan Award.

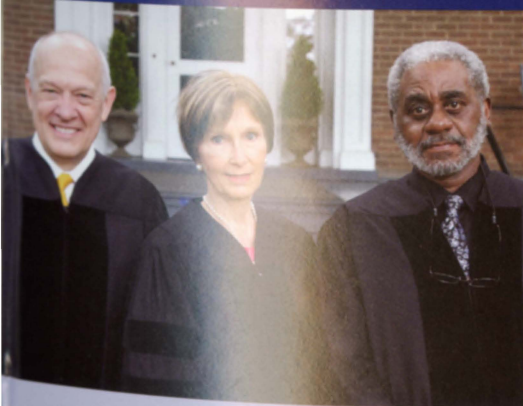
The graduates had an average GPA of 3.335, the highest on record. The graduates completed 36 different majors; 28 percent had more than one major, while two students finished with three majors. The class came from 39 states, the District of Columbia and 11 countries.

☞ Read President Ruscio's remarks:
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W&L GIVES HONORARY DEGREES TO THREE



Washington and Lee bestowed honorary degrees during Commencement to these distinguished recipients. Left to right: Alex Jones '68, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and director of the Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics, and Public Policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard, an honorary doctor of humane letters; Susan Tifft, co-author with Alex Jones of critically acclaimed books about the newspaper families behind the *New York Times* and the *Louisville Courier Journal*, and the Eugene C. Patterson Professor of the Practice of Journalism and Public Policy Studies at Duke University, an honorary doctor of humane letters; and Charles Johnson, award-winning author and the S. Wilson and Grace M. Pollock Professor for Excellence in English at the University of Washington, an honorary doctor of letters.

SENIORS ENCOURAGED TO SET SIGHTS HIGH



At the June 3 Baccalaureate ceremony, the Rev. Jennifer R. Strawbridge '01 urged the graduating seniors to set their sights higher than simply “the profits and the raises and the paid vacations.” Strawbridge, who majored in religion and physics, is the associate rector of St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, in Arlington, Va. Referring to a poem by Wendell Berry and citing the “fast-paced, fast-return” culture in which the students live, Strawbridge recommended planting sequoias, which may take hundreds

and hundreds of years to grow to their full size. “Planting sequoias is a crazy suggestion,” she acknowledged. “We will never see them in their full grandeur. We have no idea how they will turn out; if they will make it; if they will be one of the giants. Planting sequoias asks us to think big and way outside our limited selves.”

Read the complete text of Strawbridge’s address here: wlu.edu/x32983.xml

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Katherine Bagley



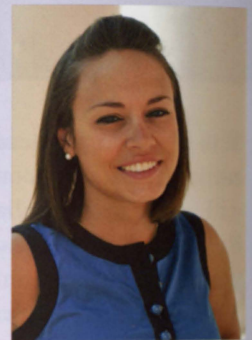
Katherine Bastian



Paul Stack



Elizabeth Webb



Kelly Bundy

Students Fan Across the Globe with Fulbrights

Four seniors received grants for postgraduate study under the Fulbright Programs, while a fifth student won a teaching assistantship through the French government with a Fulbright application. “We are delighted with the results of the Fulbright applications this year,” said George Bent, head of the Department of Art and Art History and W&L’s liaison to the Fulbright Programs. “These students will be excellent ambassadors for the University. They have all worked extremely hard on their applications and are deserving of these honors.”

Fulbright Teaching Assistantship: Katherine (Kassie) Bagley

The German and politics double major will be an English teaching assistant in Hamburg, Germany, where she hopes to coach volleyball at the school where she’s placed. Bagley chose as her research project Germany’s unique experience

of reunifying as a country while politically and economically integrating within the European Union. While at W&L, Bagley played varsity volleyball, was captain of the volleyball team and was the volleyball representative to the Student Athlete Advisory Council. She had a radio show on WLUR, worked with the Peer Tutoring program and was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. Bagley is considering either law school or a graduate program for international affairs after the Fulbright.

Research Fulbright: Katherine Bastian

The politics and German language double major will be studying at the University of Bonn for 10 months. She will explore how Germany’s energy policies affect its foreign policy choices. According to Bastian, “The subject dovetails nicely with the work I have done for my honors thesis on alternative energy development in Germany.” Bastian

Ball Teaching Award

Hilary Craig '09 is this year's Sarah G. Ball Teaching Award recipient. She



is a double major in journalism and mass communications and psychology. The Ball family established the award to honor Sarah Ball '01 and recognize excellent preparation for teaching in elementary and secondary schools and a commitment to community service.

The award goes to a graduating senior who is committed to teach in a school that serves a community of learners with diverse needs.

Craig has been accepted into the Teach for America program and plans to teach in an early childhood education program in Washington. "This award will make it possible for me to ensure that the students in my class have the appropriate resources needed to help them achieve," said Craig.

"Many schools in low-income areas have fewer tools to aid students in their learning. It's especially important in early childhood for students to have

an engaging environment, and I hope to be able to use the award to create a classroom that will stimulate the students' learning."

As part of Teach for America, Craig will receive alternate certification and earn a master's degree in education from George Mason University. She belonged to the Nabors Service League and was a member of the residential life staff, a writer for the *Ring-Tum Phi*, a leader in the Generals' Christian Fellowship and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha politics honor society and the University Chorus. She was active in the German Club and received the James Wood Prize in German. After the Fulbright, Bastian will attend law school at the University of Virginia, where she hopes to study international or corporate law.

Fulbright Teaching Assistantship: Paul Stack

An English and French double major, he will pursue a research project on the interplay between contemporary music and culture as it relates to France's *banlieues*, or suburbs. "I plan on focusing on immigrant communities' appropriation of the French language through the medium of music," Stack says, "and how different ethnic groups have effectively used music to give shape to their own ethnic consciousness, while at the same time redefining French national identity in terms of multiculturalism." Stack was president of Students Against Rockbridge Area Hunger, which raised roughly \$7,000 for local food pantries this year, and belonged to Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Chi fraternity. He was public relations chair for Traveller and a Writing Center tutor and a peer tutor.

Fulbright Research Grant: Elizabeth Webb

The biochemistry major will use her research grant to explore the connection between the KITLG gene and malignant melanoma at the University of Queensland, Australia. Webb is interested in this research because of a high incidence of

melanomas in her family. Her mother's case inspired her project. Webb ran varsity cross country and track all four years, serving as captain of the teams the past two years. She is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor society and Alpha Epsilon Delta premed honor society. She also belonged to the student chapter of the American Chemical Society. Webb plans on attending medical school after her Fulbright in Australia.

Teaching Assistantship in English: Kelly Bundy

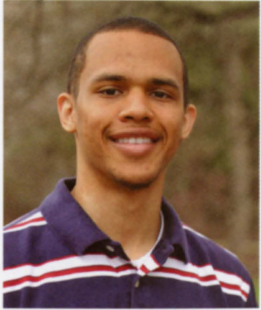
The French and politics double major will teach English; as of press time, she was awaiting her placement. "The Fulbright Program forwarded my application to the French Embassy," said Bundy. "The Institute of International Education (IIE) gives only a few grants a year, including the Fulbrights, but the embassy gives more, so I'm delighted to be able to have this opportunity." Unlike the Fulbrights, this program does not request a research project, but Bundy is hoping to volunteer with at-risk youth and study differences in penal systems. Bundy was a member, officer and president of Chi Omega sorority, was a Bonner Leader Volunteer at Natural Bridge Juvenile Detention Center, volunteered at Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Center, participated in two Mock Trials and had a Shepherd Poverty Alliance Internship. She also studied in Paris at the Sorbonne. After teaching in France, Bundy plans to attend law school, possibly studying international criminal law and human rights law.

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—George Bent, W&L Liaison to Fulbright Program

Goldwater Scholarships for Two Students

Bena Tshishiku '10 and **F. Andrew Tessier Jr. '11** have won prestigious Goldwater



Bena Tshishiku '10

Scholarships. They were among the 278 Goldwater Scholars selected from a field of 1,097 mathematics, science and engineering students. It's the first time in

W&L's recorded history that two students have won this scholarship in the same academic year. The one- and two-year awards cover tuition, fees, books and room and board, up to a

maximum of \$7,500 per year.

"The Goldwater Scholarship is highly prestigious, and the awards process is very competitive," said Marcia France, W&L's Goldwater liaison and professor of chemistry. "I am delighted that this year the achievements of two W&L students have been recognized with this honor."

Tshishiku, a math major who did research with assistant mathematics professor Katherine Crowley last summer, plans to continue studying 2-simple, 2-simplicial 4-polytopes. "Bena understands what is required to do research in mathematics," said Crowley. "He is already producing significant results in the fields of topology and combinato-

rics. He made significant contributions to the solution of an open question we answered together last summer—one that each of us may not have solved on our own."

"Working with Dr. Crowley last summer, I developed a love and understanding of research, which inspired me to apply for the Goldwater," said Tshishiku. "I learned what questions a researcher asks and how to approach a problem. These



F. Andrew Tessier Jr. '11

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Six Students Head Across the Pond

Three new graduates—Wes O'Dell, Erik Ball and Richard Cleary—will be studying at Oxford and Cambridge universities in the 2009–2010 academic year. "I am not aware of any previous year when this many W&L graduates went off to these prestigious British universities," said Associate Provost Bob Strong. In addition, three members of the Class of 2011 will spend a year at Oxford's University College.

O'Dell, who participated in the annual Presidential Fellows Program of the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress, will have his paper,

"Executive Power in Times of Crisis: Presidential Action and Supreme Court Reaction," published in the papers of the 2008-2009 Presidential Fellows.



Wes O'Dell, who majored in politics, history and classics, will pursue a one-year M. Phil. in modern European history at Clare College, Cambridge. He is excited to study under some of the leading scholars in his field. "My program is both taught and research-based, so I hope to be able to learn a great deal generally in my subject area," he said. O'Dell is undecided on his long-term career but is considering a Ph.D. in history or law school.

O'Dell said he owes a great deal to W&L, and that studying three majors gave him the opportunity to get to know some great mentors in the faculty: Ted DeLaney '85, associate professor of history; Mark Rush, the Robert G. Brown Professor of Law and Politics; Holt Merchant '61, professor of history; Richard Bidlack, associate professor of history; Miriam Carlisle, associate professor of classics; and Kevin Crotty, professor of classics.

"They've all been great with letters of recommendation and advice for years now," said O'Dell. "Without a doubt the best reason to come to W&L is getting to work closely with people like them."

Erik Ball majored in classics and will be reading towards a classics M. St. in Greek and Latin languages and literature at Magdalen College, Oxford. "My long-term goal," said

"I would like to specialize in Greek culture and literature during the time of the Roman Empire," said Ball.

"I am really looking forward to studying at Oxford, since it has the largest classics faculty in the world."



skills helped me write my Goldwater research proposal and will be vital as I continue toward graduate school.”

After earning his Ph.D. in mathematics, Tshishiku plans on combining teaching with his love of research. “Peer tutoring at W&L has prepared me for the teaching aspect of being a professor,” he said. He’s a member of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity and Student Activities Organization and is a high school math and physics tutor. His hobbies include cooking and reading science fiction.

Tessier, a physics-engineering major, plans to continue studying turbulent processes in compressible flows,

among other projects. Joel Kuehner, assistant professor of physics and engineering, said, “It is a well-deserved reward for his dedication to the engineering program and especially to our research project. Without Andrew’s diligence, we would not have been successful this past year. It has been a privilege to have him in class and to work with him in the lab, and I look forward to watching him continue along this decorated path.”

“I am extremely happy to have won a Goldwater Scholarship, and I feel fortunate to have represented Washington and Lee University in this competition,” said Tessier. “This award is a

real honor and a tribute to the type of education and research available here. I hope to build upon this success in competitions for future fellowships and continue to represent the University proudly.”

While at W&L, Tessier has been a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, has been involved in Catholic Campus Ministries and served on the review committee for the EC constitution. His future plans include obtaining a Ph.D. in mechanical or aerospace engineering and then researching or building future spacecraft. He will intern at NASA this summer.

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Ball, “is to enroll in an American Ph.D program in classics and be a professor.” He noted he would never have been a classics major and had the chance to go to Oxford without the guidance of his classics professors. “I’m really thankful that I came to a school like W&L, where I had the chance to interact personally with my professors,” he said. “I am particularly grateful to Kevin Crotty and Scott Johnson in the Classics Department.”

Richard Cleary majored in politics and French, with a concentration in the University Scholars program. The former EC president will study at Trinity College, Cambridge, working toward an M. Phil. in international relations. He is looking forward to the academic challenge and would like to play a role in Euro-American relations in his career. “I am especially interested in international cooperation on energy issues,” he said.

His interest in energy issues was



Following up on their recent trip to France to visit nuclear facilities, Rich Cleary and Prof. Frank Settle visited with Ambassador Pierre Vimont at his residence in Washington. L. to r.: Vimont; Hallie Mills, of the National Energy Education Development Project; Settle; Cleary; and Charles Ferguson, of the Council on Foreign Relations.

clear in his honors thesis on the role of civilian nuclear energy in French diplomacy. Information for the thesis came partly from a trip in April to visit French nuclear facilities, when he met with government and business leaders. The trip was organized

by Frank Settle, visiting professor of chemistry. Cleary said he owes a debt of a gratitude to many professors, including, but not limited to, Settle; William Connelly, the John K. Boardman Professor of Politics; Domnica Radulescu, professor of Romance languages; and Robert Strong, associate provost. After graduation, Cleary continued his work with Settle for a short while.

Three current students will also crack the books at Oxford under the exchange program W&L maintains with University College there. **Granvil George '11**, a double major in philosophy and neuroscience and a University Scholar, is the exchange student for 2009-2010. **Lucy Simko '11**, a double major in classics and computer science, will study for the year at Lady Margaret Hall, while **Carson Haddow '11** will be at St. Peter’s College, immersed in medieval and Renaissance Studies, his major along with English.

Fellowships for Five Students

The Center for International Education at W&L gave five students 2009 Woolley Fellowships, provided through the generosity of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Woolley in honor and memory of their son, Erik. Each fellowship provides money for travel and living expenses to support an educational internship overseas. The projects must prepare students for deeper global engagement, foster learning within an international professional practice and deepen students' understanding of another culture.

Carolyn Small '10 and **Natalie Bunnell '10** worked this summer at

the Netherlands Institute for Cultural Heritage, in Amsterdam. They worked with William Wei, a leading conservation scientist who works at the Institute for Cultural Heritage. Last spring term, both studied there with chemistry professor Erich Uffelman, combining chemistry and art through the technical examination of 17th-century Dutch paintings.

Melissa Deokaran '11 and **Felice Herman '11** traveled to Italy to work on the archeological site at Gabii, near Rome. Gabii, where excavation began in 2007, was an important Roman city-state of the first millennium B.C.,

and its excavation will provide pertinent information about the city life of ancient Latin civilizations. The project includes on its team Hilary Becker, visiting assistant professor of classics at W&L.

Caby Bucheli '11 interned in Manaus, Brazil, on a project that examines the economic valuation of the environmental impact of oil extraction procedures. Bucheli worked with a multinational and multidisciplinary group of professionals from the fields of economics and geology, including Jim Kahn, professor of economics.

Student Awards ~ Student Awards

Unsung Generals, Decade Award Winner Named



This past spring, **Hunter Branstetter '09** and **Jenna Walls '09** were named the John W. Elrod Unsung Generals of the Year, and **Catherine Kruse '11** won the University's Decade Award.

Walls and Branstetter (above) were chosen from among a group of 18 student nominees, with input from the campus community and the Celebrating Student Success committee. The award, typically given to one individual, carries a \$1,000 prize to be split between the

winner and the campus or local organization of their choice. Branstetter and Walls split the prize.

Branstetter was nominated for his contributions to the Honor Advocate Program. He is the Outing Club key staff for kayaking, a peer counselor and on the board of directors for the W&L chapter of Habitat for Humanity. An English major, he is taking a year off to teach before heading to Vanderbilt Law School.

Walls was nominated for her contributions to Nabors Service League and as manager of the men's basketball team. She is a past president of Pi Beta Phi sorority. A biology major, she will attend graduate school for physiology at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind. She hopes to become an orthopedic surgeon or a sports medicine doctor.

Kruse (not pictured) received the Decade Award, which honors a sophomore woman who has exhibited exemplary leadership and who has advanced

the discussion of women's issues on campus. Kruse is an English and psychology major with a minor in women's and gender studies. She is the current vice president of KEWL (Knowledge Empowering Women Leaders) and a member of SPEAK. She chaired this year's Love Your Body Week.

The Celebrating Student Success committee also recognized the following individuals at the awards ceremony for their contributions to campus life:

- ◆ Diana Burgreen '09
- ◆ John Christopher '09
- ◆ Micaela Coffey '09
- ◆ Helen Coupe '09
- ◆ Abigail Dean '11
- ◆ Jackie DiBiasie '09
- ◆ Isaiah Goodman '09
- ◆ Rasaan "Zaq" Lawal '10
- ◆ Lisa Luu '09
- ◆ Jessica Makona '10
- ◆ Julianne Miata '09
- ◆ Michael Morella '10
- ◆ Elizabeth Polanco Aquino '09
- ◆ Jamila Seaton '09
- ◆ Megan Steinhardt '10
- ◆ Hila Yashar '09

Burr Named Kemper Scholar



Olivia B. Burr '12 is W&L's newest Kemper Scholar. Each year, the James S. Kemper Foundation selects one first-year student from each of its participating schools to serve as Kemper Scholars. W&L is one of only 15 schools invited to participate in the program. The scholarship-mentorship program has been sponsored by the James S. Kemper Foundation of

Chicago, Ill., since 1948.

Burr holds a Johnson Scholarship providing her with full tuition and room and board. She belongs to the FYOC (First Year Orientation Committee) and is a member and officer of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Burr also belongs to Students for Life and was on the entertainment committee for Fancy Dress 2009.

"I am excited about every single aspect of the Kemper Scholar Program," Burr said. "As a habitual goal-setter, I like the way that the Kemper Program is designed to hold scholars accountable to their highest aspirations. Entrepreneurship is my ultimate goal,

so the practical business experience that the Kemper Scholarship offers through two summers of internship is essential for the chance to explore different industries and to learn from professionals before I even graduate from college."

Kemper Scholars receive financial aid during their sophomore through senior years and participate in an annual conference in Chicago. They are also employed as a not-for-profit intern in Chicago following their sophomore year, and a for-profit internship in a mutually agreed-upon location following the junior year.

Student Awards ~ Student Awards

Creditworthy

Timothy Lubin, associate professor of religion, has received two national fellowships for work on his research project, "Authority, Law and the Polity in India, 300-1700." He is spending 2009-2010 in India supported by a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship, from the U.S. Department of Education, which is aimed at strengthening area and foreign language expertise among U.S. educators. While abroad, Lubin will study materials that reveal how law was practiced in India before the French and British colonized the country and changed the legal system to reflect the European model. Next year, Lubin will continue his work back in Lexington with the support of an American Philosophical Society Sabbatical Fellowship. During this period, he will visit archives in the U.S. and Europe, do the final

analysis and begin writing. Lubin also lectures in law and religion at the School of Law.

R.T. Smith, editor of *Shenandoah: The Washington and Lee University Review*, has been named W&L's Writer-in-Residence. He has edited *Shenandoah* since 1995 and also teaches creative writing and literature. His current project is a book-length poem about Flannery O'Connor, and he'll be teaching a course on O'Connor's fiction this fall.

The **Public Safety Department** was recognized at the Virginia Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (VACLEA) summer conference.

Steve Tomlinson, associate director of public safety, was elected president of the organization. **Mike Young**, director of public safety, won the Robert C. Dillard Award

for Outstanding Contributions to Campus Law Enforcement. And **Jamie Brown**, public safety officer, received the Award for Valor for his heroic actions of March 12, when he saved a student's life during the fire at the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house. VACLEA is the professional voice for all public and private campus law enforcement and security departments in Virginia.

The **University** has received a 2009 CASE-WealthEngine Award for Educational Fundraising in the category of Overall Performance from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). The award is W&L's second consecutive Overall Performance award, and its third in the past five years. This award also earned W&L a 2009 CASE-WealthEngine Award for Sustained Excellence in Fundraising.

FIVE RETIREES SAY GOODBYE

Five members of the faculty retired on June 30 after teaching at W&L for a whopping total of 193 years.

We send them off with our gratitude and best wishes.

34 YEARS: PHILIP L. CLINE '67, the Lewis Whitaker Adams Professor in Economics and Business Administration, joined the faculty in 1975 after receiving his B.A. from W&L and his M.S. and Ph.D. from Oklahoma State University. A Fulbright senior scholar at the University of the West Indies in Trinidad and Tobago, Cline also received the Commonwealth of Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award. He has received grants from the United Nations, the National Science Foundation, the Ford Foundation and the W&L Class 1965 Endowment for Excellence in Teaching, among others.



Cline taught statistics, quantitative models, business in a changing world, economics and management information systems at W&L. He was formerly a research associate and economics instructor at Oklahoma State University. He also worked as an associate systems engineer and marketing representative with IBM.

34 YEARS: A.C. FRALIN JR., professor of Romance languages, received his B.A. from Randolph-Macon College and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He taught French, Spanish and Italian. He was assistant professor of French and Spanish at VMI for three years before joining W&L's faculty in 1975. He also taught at the James Madison University's summer program in Paris from 2005-2009, and was a consultant-lecturer in French and English for doctoral studies in civilizations and literatures of the Americas at the French University of the Antilles and Guyane in Martinique from 2004-2008.



Fralin is the author (with his wife as co-author) of six books, including an annotated edition of Simone Schwarz-Bart's *Pluie et vent sur Telemee*, three French textbooks, two French workbooks and 18 articles. A book and two articles are forthcoming.

33 YEARS: JOHN S. KNOX, professor of biology, joined the W&L faculty in 1976 after earning his A.B. at Drew University, his M.S. at the University of Maryland and his

Ph.D. at Virginia Tech. In addition to fundamentals of biology, he taught field biogeography, plant diversity, biological diversity, evolution and A Biologist's View of Creationism. His research, in collaboration with his colleagues and students, provided the scientific basis for recognizing the plant *Helenium virginicum* as a valid species, and later for the U.S. Congress to list *Helenium virginicum* as a threatened species protected by the Endangered Species Act. His work has been important in helping to formulate a federal recovery plan for this species. He continues to collaborate with W&L colleagues to gather genetic data that should help in conservation management of *Helenium virginicum* and in understanding the plant's evolutionary history.



Knox has authored and co-authored nine research articles in peer-reviewed literature. He has led 11 spring term class field trips to the Southwest and seven to Central and South America. Knox served on W&L's Faculty Executive Committee, the Student Faculty Hearing Board, the Faculty Review Committee and the Shepherd Program, among others.

50 YEARS: JOE LYLES, associate professor of physical education, played professional baseball with the St. Louis Browns for five years and basketball with the St. Louis Bombers for four years before joining W&L. He received his B.S. and M.S. from Springfield College. Lyles was head baseball coach from 1959 to 1978 and head soccer coach from 1959 to 1976. He also was assistant varsity basketball coach from 1959 to 1969 and chairman of the Penn and South Region, the conference before the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC). He taught every required physical education class in the P.E. curriculum while at W&L.



Lyles served on National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) committees for baseball, including as national chairman of Division III for five years after its formation, national chairman of the Division III All-American selection committee and a member of the Divisions I, II and III

National Baseball Rules committee. He was also on NCAA committees for Divisions II and III for soccer.

42 YEARS: TOM VINSON, professor of mathematics, received his B.A. from Emory University and his Ph.D. from Virginia Tech, both in math, and an M.S. in statistics. He joined the W&L faculty in 1967. He taught statistics, topology and calculus, and his fields of specialization were general topology, statistical inference and probability. Vinson is co-author of *Elementary Linear Algebra* with retired faculty member

Robert S. Johnson. He also co-authored "Inverse Limits and Absolutes of H-Closed Spaces," published in the *Proceedings of the American Mathematics Society*. Vinson served on various W&L committees, including as acting chairman of the Fringe Benefits Committee.

—Julie Cline



Goodbye to Staff Retirees

These familiar faces leave W&L after a total of 103 years of service to the University. Happy retirement to (l. to r.): **Melvin K. Davis**, sergeant and shift supervisor, Public Safety, 16 years, 1992–2008; **Mimi Milner Elrod**, director, Summer Scholars, 23 years, 1986–2009; **Lowell E. Humphreys**, manager, Skylark Farm, 32 years, 1977–2009; **Viola J. Humphreys**, custodian, Skylark Farm, 32 years, 1977–2009.

BOOK BUDDIES WIN NEW AWARD



During Alumni Weekend, the Friends of the Library of Washington and Lee gave its new John Rogers Award to three recipients. The award recognizes individuals who have given longstanding, extraordinary service and multifaceted support to the University Library. L. to r.: J. Hardin Marion '55, '58L, president of the Friends' board; award recipient Dave Clinger '55, who renovated the former print shop's 19th-century cast-iron hand press; University Librarian Merrily Taylor; award recipient Capt. Robert Peniston, former director of Lee Chapel, who as a Special Collections volunteer has transcribed more than 3,000 letters written by and to Robert E. Lee; and award recipient Fred Farrar '41, who has given many rare newspapers and books to Special Collections.

CRAWFORD FAMILY HONORS PEPPERS WITH ENDOWED DEANSHIP



*From left:
Mac Crawford,
Linda Crawford,
Larry Peppers*



Washington and Lee has received a \$2.5 million gift from E. Mac and Linda T. Crawford of Nashville, Tenn., to establish an endowment in honor of Larry C. Peppers, dean of the Williams School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics. The Crawford Family Deanship at W&L will support the dean and faculty in the Williams School by providing income for competitive salaries of its faculty.

In addition, the Crawford gift will be matched through the Lenfest Challenge, through which Gerry Lenfest '53, '55L has committed \$33 million to support faculty compensation and will match gifts for that purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are the parents of Drew D. Crawford '96. They have designed their gift to recognize the extraordinary contributions that Peppers has made during the 23 years of his deanship at the Williams School. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are 1971 graduates of Auburn University.

Mac and Drew Crawford are co-founders with Bill Spalding '84L in the Nashville, Tenn., firm of CrawfordSpalding, which focuses on financial and crisis management, mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, operational effectiveness, strategic planning and business development. Prior to establishing CrawfordSpalding, Mac Crawford served as chairman of CVSCaremark Inc., a

Fortune 20 company formed by the 2007 merger of CVS and Caremark. Previously, Mr. Crawford was chairman, president and chief executive officer of Caremark Rx Inc.

Drew Crawford began his career with Arthur Andersen in Atlanta before joining Caremark in 1998. He left Caremark in 2000 to become the chief financial officer of Emageon, an information technology company. He rejoined Caremark in 2001 and held several executive positions there prior to its merger with CVS, and then served as SVP of underwriting and analytics for CVSCaremark.

"We are very pleased to be able to make this gift in recognition of both Larry Peppers and Washington and Lee University," said Mr. and Mrs. Crawford. "Washington and Lee has been a very special place to us, beginning with Drew's first year, in 1992. Dean Peppers was an important part of enhancing Drew's experience at W&L, and to be able to honor him for all of his

accomplishments throughout his tenure is something that we embraced when we were presented the opportunity."

In 2007, Mac and Drew Crawford served as Executives-in-Residence at the Williams School, one of Peppers' many innovations. In addition, Drew Crawford is on the Williams School Board of Advisors, another of Peppers' contributions.

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—MR. AND MRS. MAC CRAWFORD



Theodore C. DeLaney Jr. '85



Marcia B. France



Dennis M. Garvis



Elizabeth G. Oliver

Endowed Professorships Showcase Outstanding Faculty

On July 1, four members of the faculty stepped into endowed professorships: Theodore C. DeLaney Jr. '85, associate professor of history; Marcia B. France, professor of chemistry; Dennis M. Garvis, associate professor of business administration; and Elizabeth G. Oliver, professor of accounting. These promotions reflect their outstanding contributions to their disciplines and the classroom.

A fifth faculty member, the late Joan O'Mara, associate professor of art history, was named the Elizabeth Lewis Otey Professor of East Asian Studies earlier this spring. O'Mara died on May 24. See p. 47 for her obituary.

DeLaney is the first Harry E. and Mary Jayne W. Redenbaugh Term Professor, funded by an endowment established in 2008 by Mary Jayne W. Redenbaugh. The professorship is for a three-year fixed term and, like other term professorships, honors a long-standing member of the faculty, typically at the associate professor rank, who is held in the highest regard as a teacher. DeLaney has been a member of the W&L faculty since 1995. The head of the History Department since 2007, DeLaney co-founded the African-American Studies Program in 2004 and served as its first director. His current project is "Telling Our Stories: An Oral History of Desegregation in Western Virginia." He is also the author of articles, book chapters and book reviews in such publications as *Virginia's Civil War*, *American National Biography* and the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*.

France has been named to the first John T. Herwick M.D. Professorship in Chemistry, funded by an endowment established in 2009 through the estate of John T. and Mary Herwick. France, an organic chemist, researches the development of transition metal complexes of chiral Schiff base ligands as catalysts for the asymmetric cyclopropanation of olefins by diazo compounds. At W&L, she has supervised 41 Robert E. Lee Research students and taught a new course this spring, the chemistry of cooking.

France has co-authored more than 15 articles for journals and holds several patents. She also developed the W&L-St. Andrews Educational Partnership Program for Students in the Sciences and Preparing for the Health Professions. France has been a member of the W&L faculty since 1994.

Garvis is the first Ehrick Kilner Haight Sr. Term Professor. The professorship was funded by a gift to the Lenfest Challenge from Richard Allen Haight '84 to honor his father. Garvis has been a member of W&L's faculty since 1998 and is head of the Business Administration Department. He is the author of many publications, including book chapters and paper presentations, and has been on the review staff of the *Journal of Legal Studies in Business*. He started the Corporate Governance Project, which collects and disseminates governance data for small to medium-size, publicly held firms. His past research interests include entrepreneurial collaboration and business bankruptcy.

Oliver holds the Lewis Whitaker Adams Professorship in Commerce, which was funded by a gift from Lizinka M. and F. Fox Benton Jr. '60 to honor the memory of Lewis Adams, former dean of the Williams School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics. She succeeds Philip Cline '67, who held the Lewis Adams Professorship before retiring in June. Oliver joined the faculty in 1991 and has served as associate dean of the Williams School from 1998-2003 and as head of the Accounting Department since 2003. She is co-author of *Financial Accounting*, an introductory textbook, and more than 10 papers and research projects. She served as an ad hoc reviewer for *Issues in Accounting Education* and currently is ad hoc reviewer for the *Journal of the Academy of Business Education*.

For the American Accounting Association, Oliver currently serves on the finance committee and education committee. She also is a member of the Technical Working Group: Fraud and Forensic Accounting.

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This spring, student organization KEWL (Knowledge Empowering Women Leaders) sponsored Love Your Body Week, a campus-wide discussion of women's issues, such as body image and self esteem. For the last day of the week, dubbed "Indulgence Day," KEWL encouraged students to wear pajamas or sweats to campus, without doing their hair or wearing makeup, to emphasize their value beyond their appearance. Two students noted the occasion with a visit to Lee Chapel's offices: Stephanie Marks '10 (left), a work-study student at Lee Chapel, and Grace Wang '10, the president of KEWL. Linda Donald, chapel manager, looks on from the background.

Faculty/Staff Books



Laura Brodie, visiting professor of English, has published *The Widow's Season* (Berkley Books). While writing it, she won the 2005 Faulkner Society/Evans Harrington Grant for Best Novel-in-Progress. Part ghost story, part marriage story, it's set in a town called Jackson; what with a river and college campuses and other familiar features, it just may remind readers of Lexington.



Kenneth Lambert, professor of computer science, has published his 19th book, *Fundamentals of Python: From First Programs Through Data Structures*. It's the only computer science textbook that



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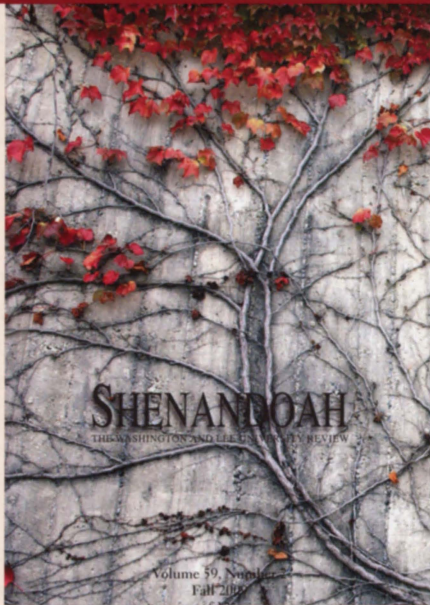
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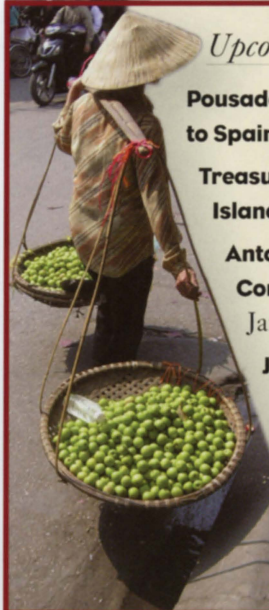
JEFF REID—"National D-Day Memorial, Bedford, Virginia," photograph, Oct. 20, 2008.

covers the first two programming courses with Python.



Lesley Wheeler, professor of English and head of the English Department, has published her first full-length collection of poetry, *Heathen* (C&R Press). It portrays the world as a place of mysterious signs and undercurrents. In these poems, outsiders to organized religion

hunt for consolation in parenthood, art and the natural world. They find inner wilderness and children speaking as oracles, through forms ranging from free verse to syllabics to terza rima. The book is full, too, of local references, including pieces about walking the Woods Creek Trail and teaching Robert Frost at W&L.

Upcoming Alumni Travel Programs

Pousadas and Paradores: From Portugal to Spain, Oct. 19 – Nov. 2, 2009

Treasures of the Arabian Gulf: Aboard the Island Sky, Nov. 29 – Dec. 10, 2009

Antarctica: Voyage to the Seventh Continent: Aboard the Corinthian II, Jan. 28 – Feb. 10, 2010

Journey Through Vietnam, Feb. 20 - March 7, 2010

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IN THEIR OWN WORDS: *Why Donors are Meeting the Lenfest Challenge*



“A university is nothing more than the sum of its people, and probably the most important people in a university are its professors.”

—BILL AND MARY URQUHART,
W&L PARENTS '01



“We have been amazed how classroom learning and experiential learning can blend together in a place like W&L. That wouldn't happen—it couldn't happen—without really dedicated professors.”

—LARRY AND SALLY LAWRENCE,
W&L PARENTS '08, '10, '12

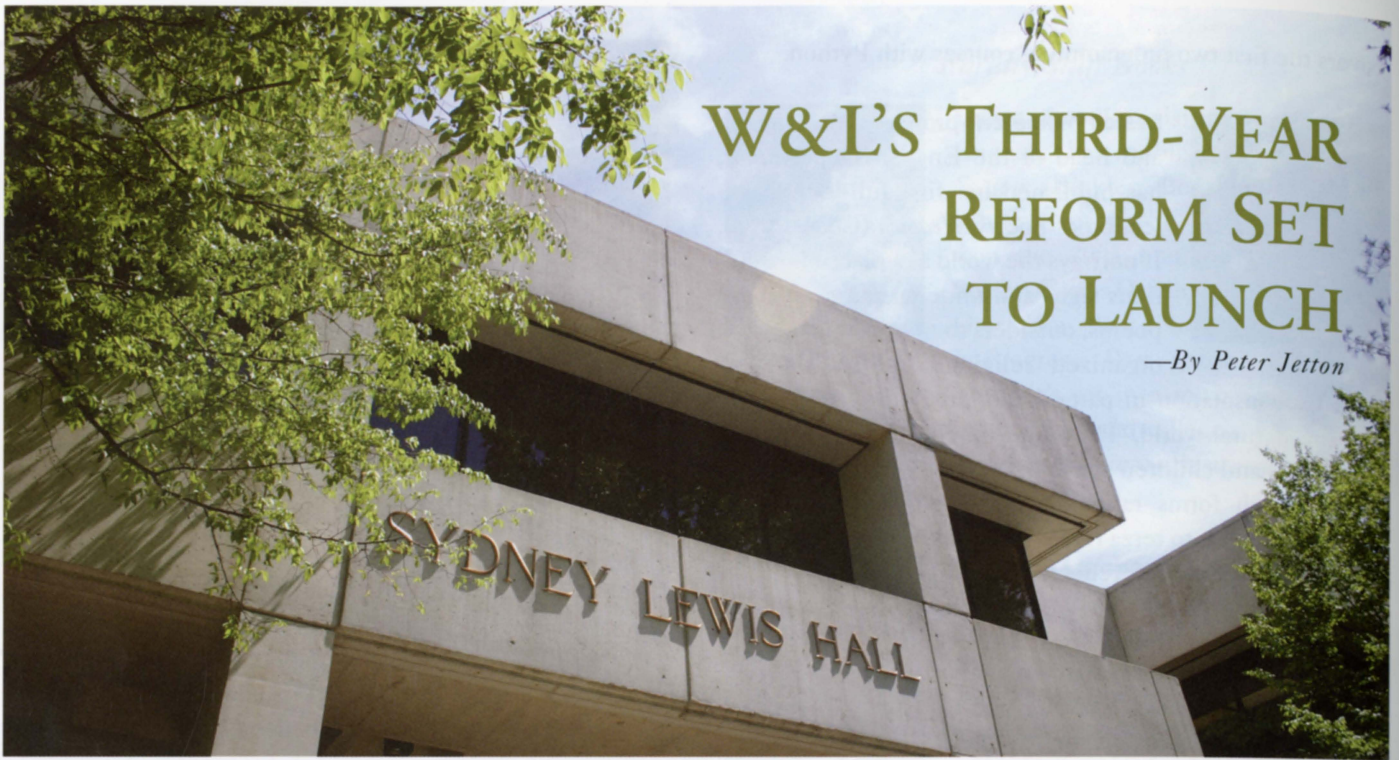


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—STEPHEN '01 AND LAURA
ADELMAN PHILIPSON '01

Gifts supporting faculty compensation are matched dollar for dollar by Gerry Lenfest '53, '55L. As of May 2009, W&L has raised more than \$18.4 million toward the \$33 million Lenfest Challenge. Help W&L meet the challenge by Dec. 31, 2010.

To learn more, visit go.wlu.edu/lenfestchallenge or contact Executive Director of Development Tres Mullis at (540) 458-8165.



W&L'S THIRD-YEAR REFORM SET TO LAUNCH

—By Peter Jetton

Since announcing a sweeping reform of the third-year curriculum last year, the Law School has received strong endorsements for the novel approach from many quarters, including practicing attorneys, judges and many alumni.

Rising 3L students, eager to join the program, also gave the curriculum reform a vote of confidence, with more than half the class opting in for the program's first year of partial operation.

This winter, the school received a major financial boost with a \$2 million gift from Ruth and John Huss '65L to support the transition third-year students undergo as they begin their legal careers.

EARLY SUCCESS

This year, while faculty and the administration engaged in intense planning for the official launch of the program in fall 2009, the school offered several new practicum courses that will form the core of the third-year experience. These simulations of actual practice aim to expose students to the realities of life as a lawyer working in a specific setting, while continuing to delve deeply into relevant subject matter.

For example, during the fall semester, 12 students took an appellate practice practicum taught by Virginia Supreme Court Justice Donald Lemons. The students argued in a moot setting cases currently on appeal to Virginia's highest

court and then observed the actual arguments before the court.

"It was enlightening to take these cases through the appellate process and then witness the actual oral arguments and great range of appellate skill," said Anthony Segura '09L, who participated in two other practicum courses his final academic year. "In some cases, our students did better in their moot arguments than the practicing attorneys, though in most cases, including the case I argued, the appellate attorneys were fantastic. I learned a tremendous amount watching them."

Segura will join the Roanoke office of LeClairRyan in January, focusing on litigation.

Another practicum involved a civil litigation simulation, where students formed teams of attorneys representing parties in a toxic tort suit. In addition to producing a tremendous amount of written work, from draft pleadings to discovery requests, this simulation engaged students in

mock depositions and a summary judgment argument before an actual federal judge.

Todd C. Peppers '90, a visiting professor who teaches the civil litigation practicum, noted that by the time law students reach their third year, they already know the elements of a negligence action or an affirmative defense. "The simulation asks them to apply that knowledge to a complex thicket of facts and, through depositions and document discovery, find

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those facts that support their case in chief or defenses.”

He added, “Of course, around 90 percent of civil cases settle before trial, and I wanted this simulation to accurately portray the challenges of positioning a lawsuit for settlement while simultaneously preparing for the possibility of a trial.”

Other practice-based courses went beyond simulation. Students in the International Law Practicum in Liberia worked with Liberian lawyers and law students to develop training programs for paralegals who will be responsible for interviewing and protecting the due process rights of arrested individuals across the country.

PROGRAM REVEALED

In January, the administration unveiled program components and course offerings for the new third year to students. In addition to the practicum courses, the program will feature a variety of externships throughout the Shenandoah Valley and in Richmond and Washington, as well as expanded clinical offerings, including a misdemeanor criminal defense clinic. Two-week practice intensives focusing on transactional and litigation skills, respectively, will begin each semester. Students will participate in a yearlong professionalism course and also fulfill a law-related service requirement.

In the end, 78 students opted in to become the first to go through the program. More than half of the rising 3L class, this number exceeded expected enrollment by roughly 30 students. These students will choose from more than 20 practice-based courses focusing on civil and fiduciary

litigation, business planning, corporate counsel and criminal practice. A full third of the permanent faculty will teach in the third year.

Law firms will also participate. The Roanoke firm of Gentry Locke, which helped pioneer such collaborations between law firms and the school, just completed the third iteration of its innovative externship program and will continue offering that to several W&L students each semester. Attorneys from Woods Rogers also will continue to teach a corporate counsel practicum, where students represent a major corporation in the sale of a division, among other matters.

New firms coming on board include Hunton & Williams, offering a corporate mergers and acquisitions practicum, and LeClairRyan, offering a fiduciary litigation practicum. Similarly, attorneys from the well-established higher education practice at McGuire Woods will take over the related practicum course taught previously by Dean Rod Smolla.

“We have been fortunate in the past 18 months to witness a wonderful coming together of the energies of our faculty, alumni and student body in support of our bold transition to an innovative and progressive new curriculum,” said Smolla. “The Huss gift now starts us down the road of the final crucial element to success, the garnering of the necessary financial resources to ensure that this new program will be absolutely first-class in every respect.”

The new third-year program will remain voluntary through the 2010-11 academic year for those students already enrolled at W&L. It will be mandatory for students matriculating this fall who will be third-year law students in 2011-12.

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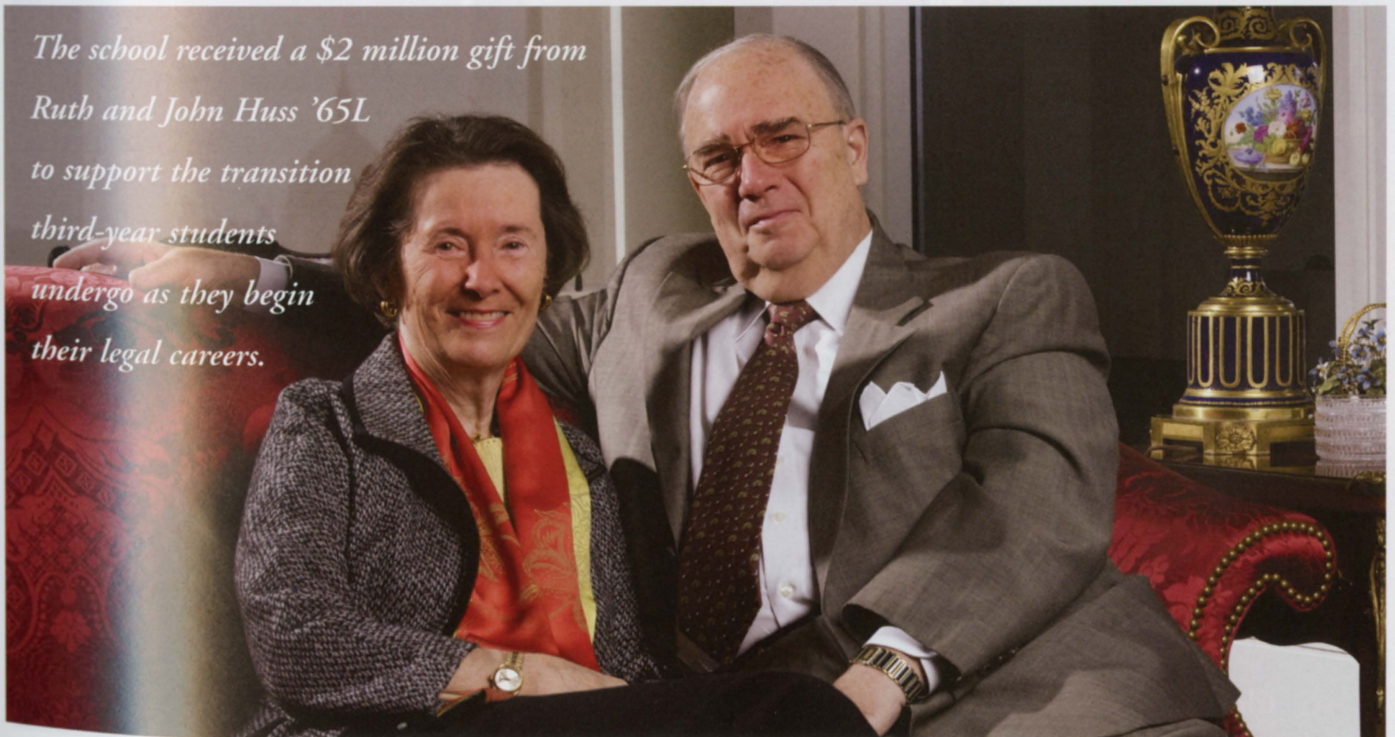


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2008-09 ATHLETIC SEASON IN REVIEW

BY BRIAN LAUBSCHER

Washington and Lee has a storied tradition of academic excellence, and the 2008-09 school year only served to enhance the University's profile.

Success came early and often, as the Generals finished the year with a 207-110-2 cumulative record for a winning percentage of better than 65 percent. W&L claimed eight conference titles on its way to winning the Old Dominion Athletic Conference's (ODAC) Dan Wooldridge Overall Sports Championship Cup as the top athletic department in the conference. The Generals claimed the overall trophy for the 13th time in the last 15 years and received the women's trophy for the sixth straight year.

During the course of the year, 11 teams were either ranked or received votes for the national polls, five squads participated in their NCAA Tournament and only two teams finished the season with a losing record.

The cumulative list of individual accomplishments was even more impressive than that of the teams. A total of 88 athletes were named first team all-conference, while 17 athletes were named to various All-America teams. Another 15 individuals participated in NCAA Championship competition as individuals, and eight athletes were named the conference athlete of the year in their sport. Out of the 469 student-athletes who participated in the blue and white uniforms this year, a record 223 of them (47.5 percent) were named scholar-athletes

for having achieved a GPA of 3.5 or higher in either the fall or winter term.

In addition to claiming the all-sports trophy, W&L student-athletes also laid claim to the ODAC's top awards for male and female athletes, bringing home both the Harry "Doc" Jopson and Majorie Berkley Awards, which is presented to the conference's outstanding male and female scholar-athletes of the year. Senior men's lacrosse player Harry St. John received the Jopson Award, while senior women's soccer player Anne Van Devender was selected for the Berkley Award.

St. John was a four-year letter winner and a team captain for the Generals this spring when he led the Generals to a 16-4 overall record, an ODAC title and an NCAA Tournament berth. A political science major and a two-time All-American, he finished his career tied for 20th on W&L's all-time scoring list with 144 points.

Van Devender also garnered four letters and was a team captain during the fall. A computer science major, she is a two-time All-American and received CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine First Team Academic All-America recognition this year. Also a recipient of the prestigious NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship, Van Devender finished her soccer career ranked second all-time in goals (64), assists (33) and points (161).

Since 1970, W&L has had 30 winners of an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship and at least one every year since 2003.



Elizabeth Webb



Ben Goetsch



Lindsey Strachan

The Generals claimed three during the 2008-09 school year—Van Devender, senior swimmer Paul Crook and senior cross country and track and field athlete Elizabeth Webb. A chemistry major, Crook was a four-year letter winner, a team captain and a nine-time All-American in the pool. Webb majored in biochemistry and was a four-year letter winner and team captain for both the cross country and track and field teams. The recipient of a Fulbright research grant, she set five school records and earned numerous All-ODAC citations during her career, including being named the ODAC Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field Athlete of the Year in 2009.

W&L's Own Awards

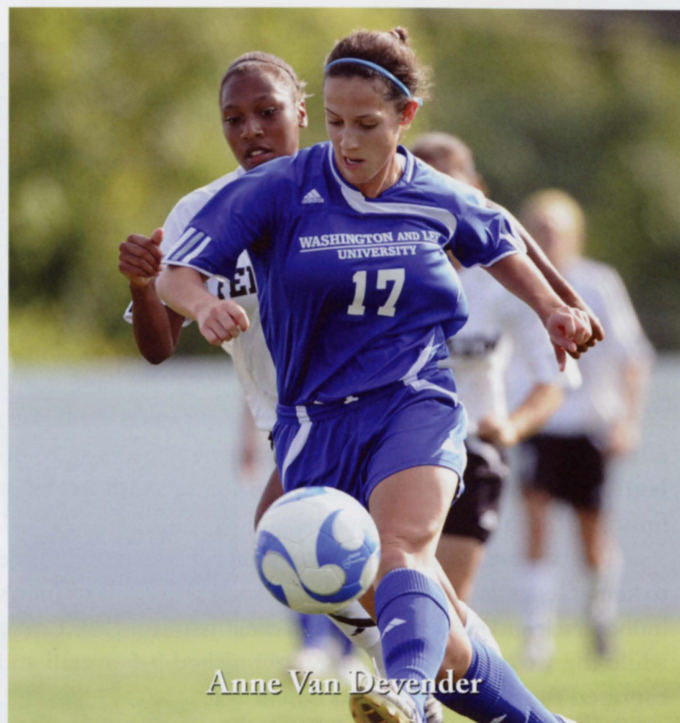
The University held its year-ending Athletic Department Awards Ceremony on May 26 and handed out several other major awards, including the senior and first-year athlete of the year awards, among others.

Senior baseball player Terrence McKelvey and senior track and field athlete Stacy Doornbos were both honored as the Pres Brown Senior Athletes of the Year.

McKelvey was a four-year letter winner and a team captain for the baseball team as a senior. He twice earned First Team All-ODAC honors and was a Second Team All-South Region selection following his junior and senior seasons. The 2009 ODAC Player of the Year and ODAC/Farm Bureau Scholar-Athlete of the Year honoree, he received a Gold Glove for the South Region from the ABCA as a junior. As a centerfielder, McKelvey committed just two errors for his career and none since his sophomore campaign. He graduated as the school's leader in career batting average (.400) and triples (16), is second all-time in runs (128) and third in hits (184).

Doornbos was a four-year letter winner for the track and field team, serving as a team captain for her senior campaign. An eight-time First Team All-ODAC and 14-time Second Team All-ODAC honoree, she holds 13 school records and was a member of four record-setting relay teams. A two-time All-American in the heptathlon and an All-American in the pentathlon, she was the 2006 ODAC Indoor & Outdoor Rookie of the Year and the 2006 ODAC Indoor and 2008 ODAC Outdoor Athlete of the Year. The 2008 NCAA South Region Field Athlete of the Year, Doornbos led the W&L women to their first ODAC Indoor Track & Field Championship this winter, and she recently finished fourth in the heptathlon at the 2009 NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships. Doornbos was also the W&L Freshman Female Athlete of the Year in 2006.

Senior basketball player Isaiah Goodman received the Wink Glasgow Spirit & Sportsmanship Award. Goodman was a four-year letter winner and two-year captain, completing his career with 818 points, and he ranks fifth all-time with 134 steals. Goodman serves as the chair of the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.



Anne Van Devender

Swimming standout Chris Washnock was named the Outstanding First-Year Male Athlete of the Year, while basketball player Meghan Ingram was named the Outstanding First-Year Female Athlete of the Year.

Washnock earned First Team All-Bluegrass Mountain Conference honors and garnered Honorable Mention All-America accolades following a ninth-place finish in the 200 backstroke and a 13th-place finish in the 400 individual medley at the NCAA Championship. His 400 IM time of 4:01.60 is a school record, and he is a member of the record-setting 400 medley relay team, which posted a time of 3:26.29.

Ingram started all 26 games at point guard and averaged 15.5 points, 3.3 rebounds, 3.3 assists and 1.9 steals per game. She finished second in the ODAC in scoring and finished 11th in Division III with an average of 2.88 three-pointers per game. The 2009 ODAC, Virginia College Division and South Region Rookie of the Year, Ingram set a school record with 75 three-point field goals during the season.

Bob de Maria, professor of journalism and mass communications, was honored with the R.E. "Chub" Yeakel Memorial Service Award for his support of Washington and Lee athletics as a public address announcer.

Senior Dwyn Jolly received the Lefty Newell Memorial Award for her contributions as a manager for the football and lacrosse teams, while junior Jessica Makona received the Richard Miller Physical Education Scholarship.

The Year

A quick look at the year in sports reveals several significant accomplishments. In the fall, the volleyball and women's cross

country teams claimed ODAC titles after equally dominant campaigns. The volleyball team finished with a 31-7 overall record en route to their eighth straight conference championship and ninth overall trip to the NCAA Tournament. Junior Rachael Phillips was selected the ODAC Player of the Year, while senior Jessica Ulrich received ODAC Tournament MVP and Honorable Mention All-America laurels.

The women's cross country team claimed their fifth consecutive ODAC Crown and placed third at the NCAA Regionals, narrowly missing a bid to the NCAA National Championships. Senior Jess Shaw was named the ODAC Runner of the Year after winning the ODAC Championship meet. She and Webb both competed at nationals, with Webb placing 115th and Shaw finishing 156th out of 280 runners.

The winter saw cold temperatures outside but plenty inside to keep Generals' fans feeling warm and fuzzy. The women's indoor track and field team claimed their first-ever ODAC title, while the women's swimming team finished 9-6 overall and captured their 19th all-time conference title.

Webb was named the ODAC Indoor Track & Field Athlete of the Year, and senior Lindsey Strachan received the ODAC Women's Swimmer of the Year Award. Doornbos earned All-America honors in the pentathlon at the NCAA Indoor Championships, while Strachan posted Honorable Mention All-America honors in the 200 back.

The women's basketball team finished 14-12 overall buoyed by the play of Ingram; it was the play of the men's basketball team, however, that garnered much of the attention. W&L

finished with a 16-13 overall record, but made headlines by becoming the first team in conference history to advance to the ODAC title game as a No. 8 seed. The Generals used a pair of overtime victories to advance to the final, including an 82-76 double-overtime win over top-seeded and eventual NCAA Semifinalist Guilford College in the quarterfinals. W&L came up just short of claiming its first conference title since 1980, when it fell to Virginia Wesleyan in the finals by a score of 66-62.

The spring provided plenty of additional excitement with the baseball, golf, men's lacrosse and women's tennis teams all winning ODAC titles.

The baseball team finished its season with a 22-15 overall record, but completed a season-ending run to rival that of the men's basketball team. The Generals needed to win a majority of their games during a regular-season-ending run that included nine conference games in eight days. W&L did what it needed to earn the sixth and final seed for the conference tournament, then proceeded to win four of five games to take the conference crown. It was W&L's first conference title since 1972 and just the second conference championship in the program's 102-year history. The title also gave W&L its first-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament, where it nearly knocked off second-ranked Salisbury before falling 3-2. McKelvey was tabbed the ODAC Player of the Year.

The golf team captured its second straight ODAC Championship after storming back from six strokes down on the final day to overtake Guilford for the title. The Generals finished 17th overall at the NCAA Championships led by juniors Joe Gibson and Brad Watts, who both tied for 51st overall.

The men's lacrosse team tied a school record for wins in a season by going 16-4 overall. The Generals defeated top-ranked and previously unbeaten Roanoke in a classic 15-14 overtime game in the ODAC finals, and then won their opening game in the NCAA Tournament before falling to eventual national runner-up Gettysburg, 15-10. St. John was named the ODAC Player of the Year and garnered Second Team All-America laurels.

The women's tennis team sliced through the ODAC regular season and tournament en route to its seventh straight conference crown. The Generals finished 20-5 overall after falling to Emory in the third round of the NCAA Tournament. Senior Katie Tabb was named the ODAC Player of the Year for the second straight year and garnered All-America honors.

Despite the graduation of so many talented student-athletes this June, W&L is poised to add another chapter to its already storied tradition beginning in September.



Jessica Ulrich



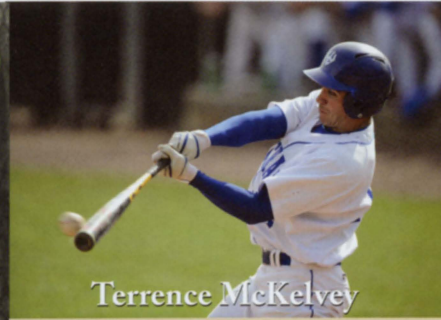
Men's lacrosse

ODAC Players of the Year

- Terrence McKelvey – Baseball
- Jess Shaw – Women's Cross Country
- Harry St. John – Men's Lacrosse
- Lindsey Strachan – Women's Swimming
- Katie Tabb – Women's Tennis
- Elizabeth Webb – Indoor Track and Field
- Elizabeth Webb – Outdoor Track and Field
- Rachael Phillips – Volleyball



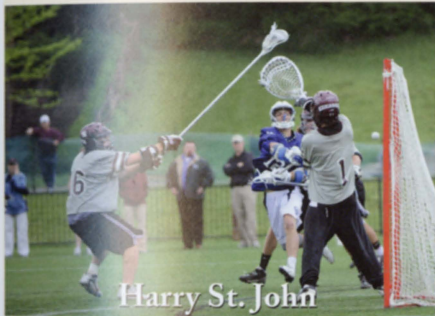
Katie Tabb



Terrence McKelvey

Honorable Mention All-Americans

- Will Keigler – Men's Lacrosse
- Connor Locke – Men's Lacrosse
- Brandon Barnds – Men's Swimming
- Paul Crook – Men's Swimming
- Brian Stirling – Men's Swimming
- Nick Talluri – Men's Swimming
- Brett Tatman – Men's Swimming
- Chris Washnock – Men's Swimming
- Lindsey Strachan – Women's Swimming
- Jessica Ulrich – Volleyball



Harry St. John

ODAC Scholar-Athletes of the Year

- Terrence McKelvey – Baseball
- Ben Heller – Men's Basketball
- Michael Welsh – Men's Cross Country
- Becca Taylor – Women's Cross Country
- Harry St. John – Men's Lacrosse
- Kelsi Robinson – Women's Lacrosse
- Anne Van Devender – Women's Soccer
- Katie Tabb – Women's Tennis
- Billy Billington – Men's Indoor Track and Field
- Billy Billington – Men's Outdoor Track and Field
- Elizabeth Webb – Women's Indoor Track and Field
- Elizabeth Webb – Women's Outdoor Track and Field



Isaiah Goodman



Stacy Doornbos

First Team All-Americans

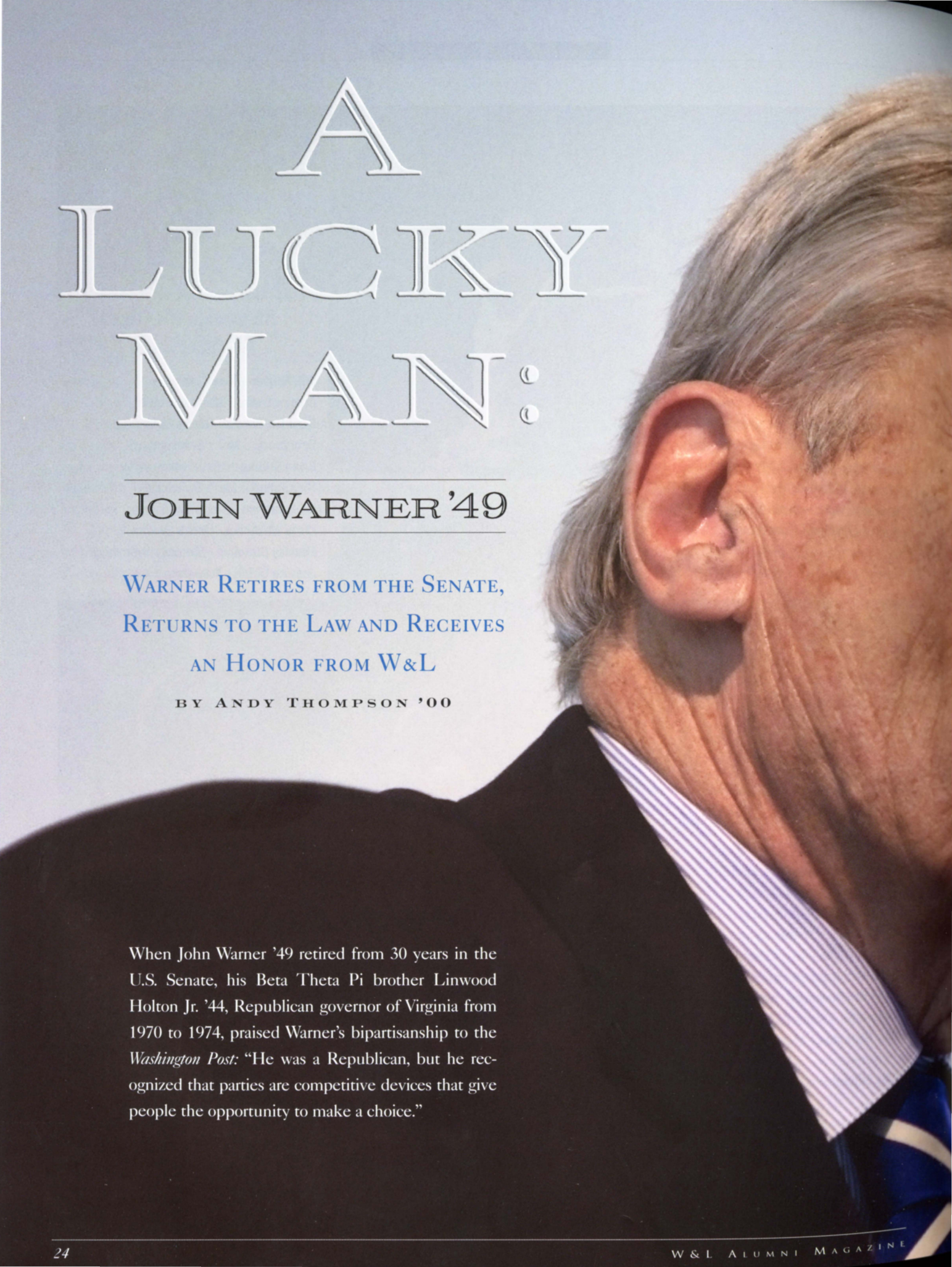
- Stacy Doornbos – Women's Indoor Track and Field
- Stacy Doornbos – Women's Outdoor Track and Field
- Lauren Caire – Women's Tennis
- Katie Tabb – Women's Tennis

Second Team All-Americans

- Harry St. John – Men's Lacrosse

Third Team All-Americans

- Anne Van Devender – Women's Soccer
- James Shanahan – Men's Lacrosse
- Kelsi Robinson – Women's Lacrosse



A LUCKY MAN:

JOHN WARNER '49

WARNER RETIRES FROM THE SENATE,
RETURNS TO THE LAW AND RECEIVES
AN HONOR FROM W&L

BY ANDY THOMPSON '00

When John Warner '49 retired from 30 years in the U.S. Senate, his Beta Theta Pi brother Linwood Holton Jr. '44, Republican governor of Virginia from 1970 to 1974, praised Warner's bipartisanship to the *Washington Post*: "He was a Republican, but he recognized that parties are competitive devices that give people the opportunity to make a choice."



John Warner '49 has many identities past and present: Veteran of World War II. College student. Lacrosse player. Veteran of the Korean War. Lawyer. Secretary of the Navy. Washington and Lee trustee. He's even a Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. And, for 30 years, he was a U.S. senator (R-Va.). In January of this year, he retired from that post, the second-longest-serving senator from Virginia.

On May 2, during Alumni Weekend and his 60th reunion, Warner received another identity: recipient of the Washington Award. The University's highest accolade, it honors his distinguished leadership and service to the nation and his extraordinary acts of philanthropy in support of W&L and of other institutions.

His fellow alumnus Andy Thompson '00 interviewed Warner in June.

How did you end up at Washington and Lee?

Well, it's a short story. My father went there in 1899 and graduated in 1903 with honors in the classics. He loved Washington and Lee very much.

Then I joined the Navy, as did all other young people in those days when we turned 17, 18. When I came back home [from World War II], he, unfortunately, was in his last days. And in a bedside conversation, he said he'd very much like me to go to Washington and Lee, and I said I'd be honored to do so. He actually called President Francis Gaines himself. I remember sitting in the bedroom with him. And they chatted, and my father put the phone down and said, "They'd be happy to take you in."

I went to Washington and Lee, and my father died two months later.



PHOTO FROM THE 1949 CLASS

WARNER'S SENIOR PORTRAIT.

Had you ever been to W&L before enrolling?

I had never, but you have to remember this was the Depression era. People didn't get around very much. There was a war going on and gas was rationed, and I just didn't get down there.

In 1948 the school held the Republican Mock Convention. Were you involved? Did that get you thinking about politics as a career?

No, I really didn't get involved in politics, the campus elections or anything else. I was like the rest of the veterans that came back from WWII. Believe me, we buckled down and worked hard to establish our academic credentials and get through school. I played a little lacrosse.

Washington and Lee was like coming home. It was a wonderful school. They wrapped their arms around the returning veterans and did everything they could to help them get adjusted and get started in their academic life.

Some big names in W&L history were there during your years. You mentioned Francis Gaines. Do you have any memories of men like James Leyburn (dean of the University), Earl Mattingly (University treasurer), Frank Gilliam (dean of students)?

I remember Gilliam vividly. I'll tell you a funny story about Frank Gilliam. He got to know me, as he did all the students. I never understood how he knew all the students. One day he called me in and said, "Your grades have dropped off." I had done very well in the first year, and he said, "Well, I know why. You've gotten yourself an old car and you've gotten a girlfriend. I'm telling you right now, you take the car and lock it up in a garage. I can't do anything about the girlfriend, but you better get these grades up." That was sort of the hands-on treatment that Dean Gilliam found time to do with the students.



Midfielder Warner (back row, third from left) played on the 1947 lacrosse team, the first to compete for W&L since 1942. The rest of the lineup, front row, l. to r.: William Clements '50, Thomas Tongue '50, W. Gill Brooks '50, Frank Markoe '45, James McDonald '50, Frank Brooks '46, Alex Hill '50, Henry Lederer '49, Wallace Dutton '45, William Pacy '50. Back row: Coach John Baxter, A. Fletcher Sisk '50, Warner, Thomas Guthrie '50, Andrew Peabody '50, Charles Stieff '45, Robert Kearse '49, James Cantler '50, Thomas Hook '49, Jules Shaivitz '50, Arnold Schultz '49, Franklin Stuart Pease '50, Jack Schofield '44, '47.



In 1976, in his role as head of the national Bicentennial celebration, Warner gave the event's official flag to his alma mater. Left to right: President Robert E.R. Huntley '50, '57L; Warner; Rector E. Marshall Nuckols '33, '35L; Prof. John M. McDaniel III '64, who directed 18th-century archaeological excavations at W&L; James W. Whitehead, chair of W&L's Bicentennial committee; and Leon F. Sensabaugh, head of the Lexington/Rockbridge Bicentennial Commission.

Did you take his advice?

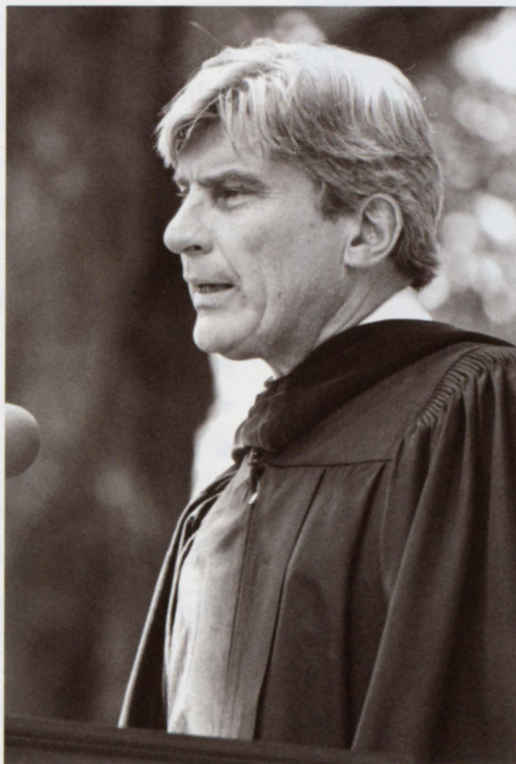
You're damn right I did.

Do any professors or classes stand out in your memory?

I always loved American history. I liked Dr. William Bean's course in American history. There was a wonderful man, a Dr. Robert Dickey, who was the head of the physics department in Reid Hall. He really worked with me a lot because I was very good in mathematics, chemistry, the sciences in general. He was just marvelous.

What was it like being part of that group of students who'd returned from WWII?

I was in the training commands with a young group of people who were basically replacements for the heavy casualties we were taking in the war in the Pacific. Then the war ended abruptly. In later life I joined the Marines and trotted off to Korea as a marine. Living among those men was an awesome experi-



LAW SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT, 1985.

ence. So many of them wore the scars of the war. Some had difficult times adjusting to the academic regimen. But we all made it. The professors just reached out to the veterans and did everything possible to enable us to achieve our goals down there.

How did you choose Beta Theta Pi fraternity?

There were quite a few Washington guys who went in there. Fred Benson was a friend of mine. There were a number of people from the Washington area, and I think I gravitated toward them. My father's fraternity was Delta Tau Delta, and they were very nice to reach out to me. I remember I got bids from them and the Phi Delt and Sigma Nu.

The fraternity houses were absolutely beautiful in those days.

We had house mothers. Everything on the lower levels—the dining rooms, living rooms—were just beautifully decorated and immaculately kept. It was darn good food, too. It was wonderful.

Any memories of your time on the lacrosse team?

Well, I didn't excel at it, but I got pounded up there for a year or two. I never picked up a stick until I got to Washington and Lee. You've got to understand, right after WWII there was very little lacrosse played compared to today, where it's one of the leading sports.

Was there an aspect of the W&L experience that shaped you more than another?

Oh, particularly the honor code. I spoke to that in Lee Chapel [on May 2, when he received the Washington Award]. It was a continuation at UVA.

It was really wonderful, the speaking tradition, such a vital part of our life. The dress code—we always wore a

coat and tie. I'm not disparaging the current generation, but when you stop to think about World War II, [the U.S.] didn't make any clothes to speak of. We all had to find bits and pieces of clothes. I'll never forget standing in a long line of veterans in front of Washington Hall as we were registering. The line went all the way down to Lee Chapel, and one by one we would go up. About a quarter of those guys were still wearing bits and pieces of the uniform. I actually took two suits that my father owned and had a tailor cut them down so that I could wear them.

Do you keep in touch with any friends from college?

A few. There are not many left, I have to say. That's why your article may not be read by many.

JOHN WARNER '49

Personal

- ★ Son of Dr. John W. Warner (W&L Class of 1903) and Martha Budd Warner. The J.W. Warner M.D. Scholarship Fund at W&L honors the senior Warner.
- ★ Husband of Jeanne Warner; father of John W. Warner IV, Mary C. Warner and Virginia S. Warner.
- ★ Attended Woodrow Wilson High School, in Washington.

W&L

- ★ Entered W&L in 1946 on the GI Bill.
- ★ Joined Beta Theta Pi fraternity.
- ★ Played varsity lacrosse.
- ★ Served as secretary-treasurer of the senior science class.
- ★ Received a B.S. in basic engineering in 1949.
- ★ Served on W&L's Board of Trustees, 1968–1980.
- ★ Honorary member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa.
- ★ Gave money for full scholarships for transfer students, with preference to African-American students; gave to the Library Building Fund; endowed the John W. Warner Public Service Award; donated his law library to W&L.
- ★ In 1985, spoke at the W&L Law School graduation.
- ★ In 2005, received an honorary degree from the University.
- ★ Served on 2008 Mock Con Advisory Board.
- ★ In 2009, received W&L's highest honor, the Washington Award.

Military

- ★ Served in the Navy during World War II from 1944–1946.

- ★ Served in the Marines during the Korean War from 1950–1952, and in the Marine Reserves from 1952–1956.

Law

- ★ Earned his law degree from the University of Virginia in 1953.
- ★ From 1953–1956, served as law clerk for Chief Judge E. Barrett Prettyman of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.
- ★ In 1956, appointed assistant U.S. attorney in the trial and appellate divisions.
- ★ In 1960, entered private practice.
- ★ In 2009, after his retirement from the Senate, rejoined the firm of Hogan and Harston, Washington.

Government Service

- ★ In 1969, appointed undersecretary of the Navy.
- ★ In 1972, became secretary of the Navy.
- ★ From 1974–1976, coordinated the celebration of the Bicentennial of the founding of the U.S.; appointed by President Gerald Ford.
- ★ In 1978, began his five terms in the U.S. Senate.
- ★ Chaired the Senate's Armed Services Committee and served on the Intelligence Committee, the Environment and Public Works Committee, the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration; chaired the Special Committee on Aging.
- ★ In August 2007, as the second-longest-serving senator from Virginia in the 218-year history of the Senate, announced his decision not to seek re-election to a sixth term.
- ★ In January 2009, retired from the Senate.

Tell us about your time as a trustee.

It was such a marvelous group of men that were on the board. My last year as trustee, we spent a good deal of time discussing the co-educational needs. I remember the final vote was cast after I finished my term. But we laid the foundation to go to co-ed, and I remember supporting the concept. I remember giving a speech in the trustees' room about co-education, and I said, "But I feel the ground beneath me rumbling as my father rolls over in his grave—'What do you mean, Washington and Lee co-educational?'"

Why did you support co-education at the time?

Well, the school, like many other boys' schools, fewer and fewer really wanted to go. [Boys] were quite interested in the concept. I mean, the students were visionaries. They were looking ahead of the old-timers like me. They liked the idea of co-education. I think the enrollments were dropping off, and the pool to select from was dwindling.

We wanted to maintain the very high academic standing Washington and Lee has enjoyed and continues to enjoy.

What has it meant to you to be able to give back to W&L so generously—to set up scholarships, for instance?

It was just to pay back everything the University did for me. I lost my father while I was there. Coincidentally, *his* father died while he was a student at Washington and Lee. But when it came time for my son [John W. Warner IV] to decide, he said, "You know, Dad, I'm not so sure. I think I'll go to UVA." He jokingly said that to me one time.

I have two significant donations. The most recent was a scholarship [the John W. Warner Public Service Award] for someone who manifested interest to become involved in public *elective*, not appointive, office. That individual has got to go out there and go through what I went through for 30 years, asking people for their votes and their support. There's a world of difference in public office between those who are elected, and those who stand for elections and those who get appointments.

Back when I was a trustee, I can't remember all the details, but I was able to get some funds for a Washington and Lee outreach program to bring in minorities. I felt very strongly that the school was quite expensive and needed to bring in minorities.

How did you decide to give your Senate retirement announcement at UVA rather than at W&L?

'Cause I liked Mr. Jefferson's guidance. I have a quote in that speech that says, essentially, when you walk the path of public service, you've got to step off and let those coming from behind carry on. It's a wonderful piece. My son was with me that day, and he went to UVA. It was a family affair.



Receiving an honorary degree from W&L in 2005. Left to right: Warner, President Tom Burish and Tom Wolfe '51, who gave the commencement address.

How are you finding retirement?

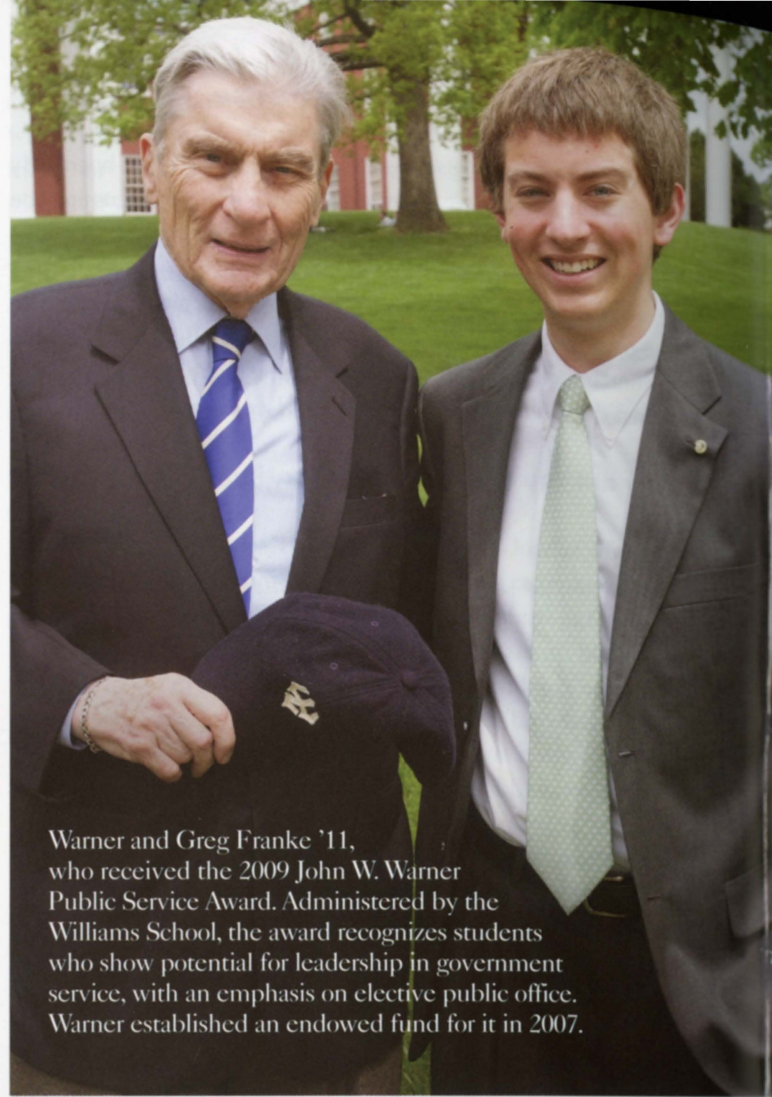
I'm not retired. I'm working full-time for a major law firm [Hogan & Harston] that I left 37 years ago. We laughed about [keeping the position open for me], but they said they were glad to have me back.

Do you miss anything about the Senate?

Well, of course. You don't spend 30 years of your life with a marvelous group of men and women, each of them quite different, each extraordinarily talented, and you're in a cauldron. My final six years in the Senate were as chairman of the Armed Services Committee. Just think, from a 17-year-old sailor in World War II, to the most powerful legislative body in the world and to be responsible for the military.

I gave the speech to the National Defense University last Thursday morning to a class of 700 senior officers and civilians. [He received an honorary doctorate of national security affairs from that institution on June 11.] I said I was thankful to this country for the opportunities it gave me, including two GI bills. One GI Bill for World War II service, and a second GI Bill for serving in the Korean War. One of the last pieces of legislation I did, two months before I retired, was to work with Sen. Jim Webb [D-Va.] on a brand-new, enlarged GI Bill, which will take care of the current generation of service people.

I want to stress that I'm a lucky man to have gotten all of this and to have maintained the health and the stamina. I attribute a lot of that to good fortune. †



Warner and Greg Franke '11, who received the 2009 John W. Warner Public Service Award. Administered by the Williams School, the award recognizes students who show potential for leadership in government service, with an emphasis on elective public office. Warner established an endowed fund for it in 2007.



Warner with his wife, Susan, on campus in May.

At Alumni Weekend this past May, Warner talked with Prof. William A. Jenks '39 (left), an assistant professor of history during Warner's student days. Jenks received the Distinguished Alumnus Award during the event; see p. 33 for details.



With President Ruscio and the Washington Award, in Lee Chapel on May 2. Ruscio also introduced Warner at another event, in Washington in February, when the senator received the Award for Advocacy of Independent Higher Education from the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. In his remarks on that occasion, Ruscio cited Warner's work to include the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program in the post-9/11 GI Bill. Under that provision, private colleges and universities—including W&L—agree with the Department of Veterans Affairs to waive up to half the cost of tuition and fees charged above the most costly state-supported institution.



To watch Warner's speech, go to youtube.com/wlunews.

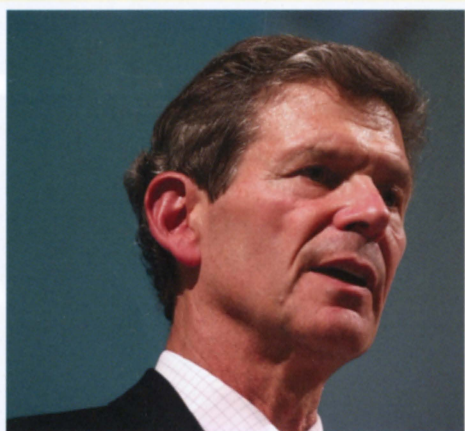


Reunion Chairs

We send a special thanks to the 200+ volunteers who helped rally their classmates for the celebration. These reunion committee chairs led the effort. L. to r.: Betsy Berkheimer Pakenas '94, Brent Vincent '94, Royce Hough '59, Bill Wallace '74, Ross Singletary '89, Rick McMillan '69, Jenny Bray Stratton '89, Dwight Emanuelson '84, Burt Staniar '64, Mike Wyatt '84, Jack Bovay '79.

Alumni Weekend, May 1-2, 2009

W&L welcomed more than 1,600 people back to campus for Alumni Weekend. Here are snapshots of some of the attendees and events.



Opening Assembly Features ODK and Norwood '69

At Alumni Weekend's first event, Opening Assembly, Phil Norwood '69 (left), trustee and rector emeritus, gave a talk titled "Reflections on Culture and Governance," and Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) welcomed five new student members and two honorary members.

The student inductees: Emily Fay Coyle '10, Andrea Lee Hanick '10, Katherine Alexander Harris '10, Taylor Irene Hart '10 and Katherine Christina Telfeyan '10. The honorary members: Frederick L. Kirgis, Law Association Professor of Law Emeritus at the School of Law, and John W. Knapp, former superintendent of Virginia Military Institute and former mayor of Lexington.

ODK also bestowed the Rupert Latture Award on Scott Graham Centorino '11 and Katherine Elizabeth Donnelly '11, and the James G. Leyburn Award on Christopher Benjamin Rucker '09 and John Christopher Wise, W&L's environmental management coordinator.

For more on the ODK award winners and inductees, see wlu.edu/x32392.xml.

The Winners Are...

From left to right: Rick McMillan '69, Jenny Bray Stratton '89, Jack Bovay '79, President Ruscio, Burt Staniar '64, Royce Hough '59. Each year W&L recognizes reunion classes with winning numbers in attendance and philanthropic support.

Reunion Bowl—Class of 1959,
46 percent of class registered

Reunion Trophy—Class of 1989,
96 registered classmates

Trident Trophy—Class of 1964,
60 percent class participation
in the Annual Fund

Colonnade Cup—Class of 1969,
\$1,253,000 contributed to Annual Fund

John Newton Thomas Trophy—Class of 1979,
88 percent increase in giving over
previous year



Class of 1959 Supports Scholarship and More



From left to right: David Meese '59, A.C. Hubbard '59, '62L, Steve Marks '59, President Ruscio and Royce Hough '59, with the Class of 1959's gift of more than \$3.7 million (exceeding the class' goal). Hubbard, class

fund-raising chair and emeritus trustee, said, "This check reflects two things: the tremendous love that our class has for this University, and, more important, it's a vote of confidence we have in your leadership and in the future." The Class of 1959's gift included:

- ◆ \$500,000 for the Class of 1959 Francis Pendleton Gaines Scholarship (the class was the last to graduate under Gaines' 20-year tenure as president)
- ◆ \$500,000 to support the restoration and renovation of the Colonnade, and name the original Robert E. Lee office in Payne Hall
- ◆ More than \$400,000 to support the Annual Fund (over five years)
- ◆ More than \$2 million to support other areas of the University, including more than \$539,000 contributed by the '59 ZBTs in support of the Hillel House (see below, left center)

Zeta Beta Tau



Zeta Beta Tau fraternity brothers from the Class of 1959 at a reception for the upcoming Hillel House, which they have generously supported. L. to r.: Ralph Evans, Don Sigmund, Steve Friedlander, Tony Frank, Jerry Sklar, Ed Levy and Steve Marks.

Class Gifts

Reunion classes announced impressive class gifts to the Annual Fund that touch every aspect of campus and support W&L's students and faculty. (Numbers reflect current and future pledges.)

Class of 1994—\$113,000

Class of 1989—\$230,000

Class of 1964—\$257,000

Class of 1959—\$422,000

Class of 1974—\$460,000

Class of 1984—\$500,000

Class of 1979—\$819,000

Class of 1969—\$1,253,000



A Distinguished Lineup

The University gave its Distinguished Alumnus Award (DAA) and Distinguished Young Alumnus Award (DYAA) during Reunion Weekend. L. to r.: Dr. William A. Jenks '39, distinguished emeritus professor of history (DAA); David H. Stovall Jr. '69, president and CEO of Stein Mart Inc. (DAA); Russell W. Chambliss '74, president and CEO of Mason Corp. (DAA) and W. Ansel Sanders '04, educator and coach (DYAA). Read their complete bios at wlu.edu/x32428.xml.

Alumni Weekend, May 1-2, 2009



Save the Dates

*Young Alumni Weekend 2009:
Classes of 1999-2009, Oct. 9-11,
2009. See alumni.wlu.edu.*

*Black Alumni Weekend 2009:
Oct. 9-11, 2009.
See alumni.wlu.edu.*

*Alumni Weekend 2010:
The classes of 1960, 1965, 1970,
1975, 1980, 1985, 1990 and
1995—April 29-May 2, 2010.*

Dear Young Friend: Letters from the Lees

BY BETSY BUTLER, *W&L exchange student, 1989-1990*

Oxford, Ohio, seems an unlikely place to find historical documents pertaining to the Lee family and Lexington, but that's just where I discovered some remarkable letters written by Mary Randolph Custis Lee and her daughter, Mary Custis Lee.

As special collections librarian at Miami University, in Oxford, I recently processed the Samuel Richey Collection of the Southern Confederacy, which includes telegrams, letters and other handwritten documents that are exceptional primary resources for Civil War researchers. After days inventorying detailed descriptions of troop movements, I breathed a sigh of relief when I came to a folder labeled "Lee, Mary Randolph Custis."

The sigh quickly became a smile when I saw that the first letter in the folder was written from Lexington. I was on my way back to the Colonnade, ready to read something that would transport me back to the Lees' Lexington. Such activities as spotting Lexington bricks and making frequent stops for ice cream at Sweet Things featured prominently in the town I experienced as an exchange student from Sweet Briar College during the 1989-1990 academic year.

When I was a prospective student in high school, W&L was high on my list of favorite colleges, but Sweet Briar was the perfect place for a shy, studious product of 14 years of single-sex education to continue to grow. The opportunity to spend my junior year in Lexington was appealing, however, so while many of my Sweet Briar friends were having their own adventures overseas, I decided to finally experience coeducation "over the mountain."

I'll admit, it all was a little overwhelming. Attending an orientation session in Lee Chapel in which the president of the student body admonished first-year students for wearing ball caps indoors and for throwing a basketball across the balcony "in the presence of the General" is something I'll never forget. But it was also entertaining, and it certainly was good for helping to bring me out of my shell. When I wasn't reveling in discovering what corn palaces were from Pamela Simpson, or sharing my interest in 19th-century European monarchs with Dave Futch, I relished the companionship of my new

friends, Tait North Simmons '91 and Teresa Williams Pope '93, which I continue to cherish today.

Whether returning to campus to attend a couple of Alumni Colleges or stopping in the Lee Chapel & Museum en route to my frequent visits to Sweet Briar, I continue to make pilgrimages to Lexington. In Ohio, working in my secluded stacks during a quiet summer, coming across these Lee family letters was a real event that I had to share with fellow fans of Lexington and W&L.



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On June 28, 1870, Mary Randolph Custis Lee caught up on her correspondence to an unnamed correspondent, whom she called a "dear young friend." She had just returned to Lexington from visiting her 16-month-old grandson (most likely Robert Edward Lee, the son of William Henry Fitzhugh Lee). Her husband, Robert E. Lee, president of Washington College, was away on business, after just having taken a Southern tour to benefit his health.

Thinking about her grandson, a "little fellow of fine physique" with "deep violet eyes and long dark lashes" who "would be a splendid model for a sculptor," prompted Mrs. Lee to report that sculptor Edward Valentine had recently completed a bust of her husband that was the best likeness of him she had seen. (Valentine, of course, created the statue of a recumbent Lee now housed in Lee Chapel; the bust that Mrs. Lee referred to is now in the collection of Jack Warner '40.)

"He was so anxious on the subject that I am rejoiced he has been so successful," Mrs. Lee wrote. "If he is able to work it up in marble, it will be I think very fine, of course I only saw the plaster cast. It is nearly a full face, the best view of the general's face & head is nearly a profile."

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Suffering as a result of Lexington's usual intense summertime heat, Mrs. Lee asks her correspondent to "excuse this dull letter, but really it is so warm that it is quite an effort to do anything, even to write a letter." Pouring rain from the daily evening thunderstorm would bring some relief, but also threatened to dampen that evening's meeting of a society she does not name. The front room of the Lees' house was filled with several Virginia Military Institute cadets who had arrived to escort young ladies to the event. "I suppose the cadets are much the same as when you were here, only they seem now to have a fashion for smaller waists than I have ever seen before, scarcely a span," observed Mrs. Lee. "Indeed some of them look as if they might break in two."

Mrs. Lee also intimates to her correspondent that "our choir has not improved since you left & we are all very anxious to raise the means to beautify & enlarge our little church here, & have been working very hard for that purpose but have not yet decided on a plan."

Two months later, Mrs. Lee thanks her "dear young friend" for his aid to "our poor little church" (presumably the predecessor of today's R.E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church), situated opposite their new house. "It makes me sad to look at it so forlorn & dilapidated," Mrs. Lee confesses. "I had hoped they would have been able to commence the improvements this season, but as yet we have only been able to amass \$3000, & the correct estimate of the cost is \$7000."

Again, Mrs. Lee writes of Valentine's bust of President Lee. "I was very glad he succeeded so well for he seems to be a fine young man & full of enthusiasm," she says. "He wishes to execute it in marble, we are all so poor now in Va. that I fear there is little encouragement for art." With the exception of some new houses, Lexington is "very much in status quo," she adds.

At the conclusion of her "very dull letter," Mrs. Lee encourages her correspondent to continue pursuing his art studies abroad, since his prospects are so bright there.

In 1872, the arrival of a broken medallion depicting President Lee prompted Mrs. Lee—now a widow of two years—to write Ezekiel & Co. in Cincinnati, Ohio, on April 26. One of the professors in Lexington—"a scientific man"—mended it for her. "I have written to Berlin to Mr. Ezekiel all about it & regret that he should have been made uneasy on the subject as it will not appear the least injured if the broken part will remain united," Mrs. Lee closes.

That's when my history-major-trained mind started working. Those first two letters were written to someone whom Mrs. Lee obviously knew was interested in art, and whose talent deserved attention. The third letter was written to a company owned by someone named Ezekiel in Cincinnati. Why was the name "Ezekiel" familiar? Grouped with those letters was another short missive that Mrs. Lee wrote, again to her "dear young friend," folded up multiple

Lexington June 28th 1870

I am truly pained my dear young friend to hear that you are not well & should have replied to your last letter some time ago but we were all leaving home, the Genl on his Southern tour, for the benefit of his health which was so much impaired at that time that we all felt most anxious & uneasy about him - I took advantage of his absence to go down to the white house below Richmond & visit my very ~~my~~ darling little grandson now 16 months old, a little fellow of fine physique & would be a splendid model for a sculptor, though then we should lose the great beauty of his deep violet eyes & long dark lashes, speaking of sculpture Mr. Valentine has been here & made a very fine bust of Genl Lee indeed the best likeness of him that I have seen He was so anxious on the subject that I am rejoiced he has been so successful & he is able to work it up in marble, it will be the best copy, of course I only saw the plaster cast, it is nearly a full face - the best view of the general's face I have is nearly a profile & I wonder why he did not select that - I sympathize you that your prospects are so bright & that you enjoy

Cadet Ezekiel

THE LEES' LETTERS ARE JUST PART OF THE SAMUEL W. RICHEY COLLECTION OF THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY. HOUSED IN THE WALTER HAVIGHURST SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY, THE COLLECTION CONSISTS OF MORE THAN 500 ITEMS. ADMIRATION FOR LEE AS A LEADER, EDUCATOR AND GENTLEMAN INSPIRED SUTTON C. RICHEY (1837-1900) AND HIS SON, SAMUEL W. RICHEY (1874-1973), TO COLLECT THESE DOCUMENTS. BOTH MEN WERE ALUMNI OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY, AND SAMUEL BELONGED TO MIAMI'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES. HE DONATED THE COLLECTION IN 1960.

times inside a tiny rectangular envelope addressed to “Cadet Ezekiel.” I wondered—could her “dear young friend” be Moses Ezekiel, the native of Richmond, Va., who fought in the Battle of Newmarket, graduated from VMI in 1866 and became a sculptor? One of his best-known works is on the grounds of VMI, “Virginia Mourning Her Dead.” I decided I was onto something. Further letters, including one to the sculptor’s brother, Henry Clay Ezekiel, and one to Moses Ezekiel himself, in 1913, confirmed my hunch.

The final letter to Moses Ezekiel is not from Mrs. Lee, who died in 1873, but from her daughter, Mary Custis Lee. The 1913 death of George Washington Custis Lee—the Lees’ eldest son, who served as W&L’s ninth president, from 1871 to 1897—prompted Ezekiel to send condolences to his sister.

“Your letter of affectionate sympathy from a far off land was very gratifying to me, though it was only one of many, from every part of the country, & indeed world, which I have been receiving here since his death,” Miss Lee responded on April 22, 1913. “This is the more remarkable as for years he had led a life of such strict retirement in a secluded country home, that it would have been almost in the natural course of things, in this rushing, changing modern world, that he should have been passed over & forgotten! But he was not, & I have even received most touching testimonials from people, who like yourself, had not seen him for 20 years, & more bearing witness to the love & respect inspired by his noble character.”

To Mary Anna Randolph Custis Lee, these letters to her “dear young friend” Moses Ezekiel may have been what she called “stupid epistles.” To Mary Custis Lee, a note from him was a much-appreciated letter of sympathy. But to those of us who love Lexington, they are real historical treasures.

Luce Scholarship

What is it? An opportunity for young college graduates (under 30 years old)—potential leaders—who are unfamiliar with Asia and want to study and work in the region. It provides travel and living expenses for 10 months.

Who gives it? The Henry Luce Foundation (hluce.org).

How do I apply? See thecollege.wlu.edu/grants/luce.htm, or contact Janet Ikeda, associate dean of the College, at ikedaj@wlu.edu or (540) 458-8746.

Important dates:

Indicate interest to W&L by: Sept. 15, 2009

Deadline for internal applications: Oct. 1, 2009



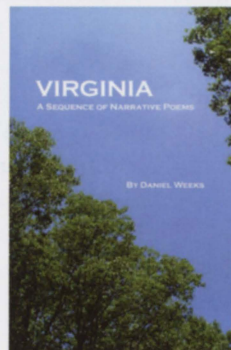
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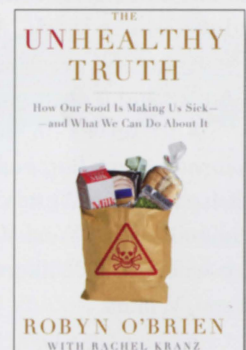
Carl F. Barnes Jr. '57 wrote *Carefree: A Memoir of My Father and Family* (iUniverse.com) to explore his relationships with his loved ones, especially his alcoholic father. “It is a family like many others,” says the publisher of the Barnes clan, “one that experienced laughs and tears, stresses and strains, triumphs and tragedies.”



Thomas Rittenburg '75 has published *Compelled to Fight: The Secession Crisis in Rockbridge County, Virginia* (Mariner Publishing). A focused look at the Civil War through the lens of one county, it started out as an honors thesis during his time at W&L. Rittenburg is a senior litigation partner with Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith L.L.P. in its flagship Los Angeles office.

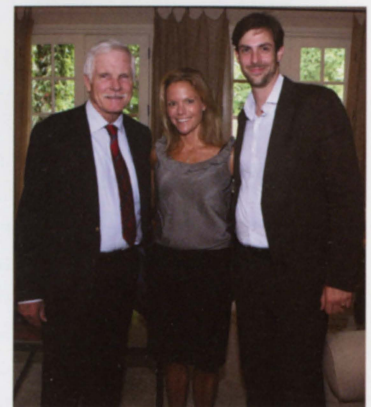


Dan Weeks '80's new book, *Virginia: A Sequence of Narrative Poems* (Blast Press), “is a story of love and imagination set in the Shenandoah Valley circa 1920.” Weeks claims Faulkner and Longfellow as inspirations for the work.



Robyn O'Brien '93 (below) co-authored *The Unhealthy Truth: How Our Food Is Making Us Sick—And What We Can Do About It* (Broadway Books) with Rachel Kranz.

At the suggestion of friend and classmate Lewis Perkins, an Atlanta book signing turned into a W&L event. Robyn O'Brien '93 (center) posed with Perkins (right) and the hostess' father—none other than media mogul Ted Turner (left).



Members of the Alumni Board

Rob J. Aliff '91, '97L, Charleston, W.Va., is an attorney in the litigation department of Jackson Kelly P.L.L.C. He is a member of the firm and serves as the chair of its medical professional liability group, focusing on general, medical and health-care litigation, including the defense of health-care providers in medical negligence cases. Aliff chairs the firm's associates and staff attorneys committee.



As an undergrad, Aliff served as a dorm counselor and as a student representative on the Faculty Executive Committee. He was also involved in the music department and belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha and ODK. While a law student, he participated in the Alderson Prison Practicum, belonged to Phi Alpha Delta and served as the W&L student representative to the American Bar Association. Between his undergraduate and law degrees, he worked as an admissions counselor and as assistant director of admissions at W&L. Aliff has served as president of the Charleston, W.Va., Alumni Chapter and on the W&L Law Council and is chair of the Law Annual Fund.

Aliff serves on the board of governors of the West Virginia State Bar, is a member of the board of directors of Leadership West Virginia and serves on the advisory council for the West Virginia Governor's Schools. He and his wife, Tracy Wilkerson, have a daughter, Meredith, and a son, Wilkes.

Dana J. Bolden '89, Atlanta, is the group communications director, Finance Communications, Worldwide Public



Affairs & Communications, for the Coca-Cola Co. He has earned the professional designation of Accredited Public Relations (APR) and is a member of the Public Relations Society of America and the Black Public Relations Society.

As an undergraduate, Bolden worked as a reporter for the *Ring-tum Phi* and as a deejay on WLUR and belonged to the varsity wrestling team. He began his career as a television reporter with CBS affiliate WPEC-TV in West Palm Beach, Fla., before moving to public relations. In 1991, he joined Cohn & Wolfe in Atlanta, where he rose to the rank of vice president of public affairs.

In 1998, he joined IT services provider EDS, where he held a variety of international postings and leadership roles and left the company as the director of global sales communications. In 2004, he joined Philip Morris USA as a director of media relations, managing the 50th anniversary of the Marlboro brand. In 2006 he joined Coca-Cola.

Bolden has taught crisis and financial communications, public affairs and business writing to professional associations and at Clark College, Iona College, Georgia State University and Washington and Lee. He and his wife, Leslie, have two children, Asa and Celeste.

J. Brodie Gregory '03, Akron, Ohio, is completing a doctoral degree in industrial/organizational psychology at the University of Akron. Throughout her graduate career, she

has done part-time and consulting work with a variety of organizations, including those in health care, manufacturing, consumer products and public sectors. Most recently, Gregory worked with the global talent development group at the Timken Co., a worldwide leader in the



steel and bearings business. At the University of Akron, she has taught undergraduate psychology and worked as a research assistant to the head of the psychology department, Paul Levy '84. The University of Akron has honored her as an Outstanding Woman in Higher Education and as the Department of Psychology Graduate Teaching Assistant of the Year.

She has presented her research at academic conferences such as those of the Academy of Management and the Society for Industrial/Organizational Psychology. She has authored or co-authored several publications in such outlets as *Consulting Psychology Journal: Practice and Research*, *Psychologica Belgica* and *Industrial and Organizational Psychologist: Perspectives on Science and Practice*. Her research focuses on executive and employee coaching, leadership development, performance management and feedback.

As a student, Gregory was recruitment chair and president of Kappa Delta sorority. She belonged to the field hockey team during its transition from a club to varsity sport. Other extracurricular activities included WITS (Women in Technology and Science), Fancy Dress steering committee, volunteering at the Rockbridge County SPCA and peer health education with LIFE (Lifestyle Information for Everyone). Gregory recently completed a

three-year term as president of the Northeast Ohio Alumni Chapter, which she led to two consecutive victories in the Mink Conference. She is a class agent and an Alumni Admissions Program volunteer.

While in graduate school, Gregory chairs student groups and volunteers through her church and as a horticulturist at Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens. She is the daughter of Helen and Ted Gregory '75.

Kevin T. Lamb '78, '82L, West Palm Beach, Fla., is a shareholder at the law firm of Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, where he focuses on mergers and acquisitions, venture capital and private equity, general corporate and commercial law, and creditors' rights and corporate restructurings. Lamb was formerly a partner in the business practice group of Testa, Hurwitz & Thibault L.L.P. in Boston. He has received numerous legal honors and is a frequent author and lecturer on legal topics.



Lamb has served as president of the New England Chapter of the Alumni Association and on the Alumni Admissions Committee for several years. He is an active community volunteer and serves on the board of directors of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County and on the Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce.

Lamb and his wife Karyn, have a son, Nelson.

Jenelle Mims Marsh '81L, Tuscaloosa, Ala., is associate dean for students/academic services at the University of Alabama School of Law.



She supervises the records, admissions and career services offices. She has been an administrator at the University of Alabama for the past 28 years, five as an administrator in an undergraduate division and eight with the Alabama Bar Institute for Continuing Legal Education. She has

worked in student affairs for the past 15 years. Additionally, she taught in and served as director of the Legal Writing Program for seven years. She teaches at the law school and in the M.B.A. program. Marsh has served as the advisor for several student organizations and has been recognized by students through honorary memberships.

Marsh has her undergraduate degree in economics from Auburn University. While a law student at W&L, she was a member of the Executive Council, served as an adviser to ODK and participated in the clinic providing legal assistance to inmates of Alderson Women's Prison. She served on the Law Council from 2002-2006.

She is serving or has served on the boards of the local YMCA, the local public radio station, the university women's support group and the Junior League of Tuscaloosa. She and her husband, Gene Marsh '81L, were co-presidents of the PTA for their children's high school. They are active members of Christ Episcopal Church. The Marshes have two children, Nathan and Elliott.

H. Powell Starks '83, '88L, Louisville, Ky., joined Frost Brown Todd L.L.C. as an associate in 1988 and became a member of the firm in 1995. He has assisted both foreign and domestic clients in the structuring, negotiation and documentation of numerous mergers, acquisitions and related financings. Starks has worked with companies in the fields of customs brokerage, financial services, coal and limestone mining and processing, health care, telecommunications, equine, restaurant, information services, electric utility, food production, product distribution and general manufacturing. In addition, he assists clients in their business and succession planning. His practice concentrates on international services groups, mergers and acquisitions, and corporate/business practices.



Starks graduated with a B.A. cum laude. As an undergraduate, he belonged to Kathekon, the Executive Committee, FAC courses and degrees committee, Mock Con Steering committee, the Federalist Society, Pi Sigma Alpha and College Republicans. He also was a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, served as Mock Convention State Chair and was listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

He was involved in fund-raising for the National Republican Senatorial Committee and for Sen. John W. Warner '49 prior to joining Frost Brown Todd. He belongs to the American Bar Association, the Kentucky Bar Association and the Louisville Bar Association. He is involved in fund-raising for various charitable organizations. Starks and his wife, Fiona Harkness Blocker '90, have three sons, H. Powell Jr., W. August Blocker and Charles Noell.

1953

John D. Maguire

received the Fulbright Lifetime Achievement Medal in recognition of his distinguished career achievements and civic, educational and cultural contributions. "Coming directly after college to a lad that had never been abroad, my Fulbright in Edinburgh made me ever thereafter a thoroughgoing internationalist. It set a new lifetime's context for my thinking and my work," said Maguire. "My Fulbright award in Germany helped define my life."

1954

Dr. Robert O. Paxton

received the Legion of Honor from the French government for his books about France under the German occupation, particularly *Vichy France* and *Vichy France and the Jews*. Bob retired from teaching at Columbia University in 1997 but continues to write and lecture. He lives in New York City and spends his summers in France.

1960

Hoyle C. Jones

has served on the board of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for 23 years and as chairman of the board for the past six years. He writes, "We are all dedicated to making the world a better and safer place for animals, and I believe we have made significant progress through spaying and neutering and significantly reducing the unnecessary euthanasia of companion animals." He lives in Mill Neck, N.Y.

All for a Good Cause



The Westchester/Fairfield County Alumni Chapter held its second annual W&L Intercollegiate Invitational Charity sporting clays tournament in June, with proceeds benefiting prostate cancer research at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. The W&L team won the tournament for the second year in a row, with team member James Skinner IV having the highest overall score. Pictured, left to right: James A. (Chip) Skinner III '84, James A. Skinner IV, Robert M. Johnston and Robert B. Earle '80.

1963

Frank M. Young III

is a 2009 Alabama Super Lawyer. He works in the general litigation section of Haskell Slaughter Young & Rediker L.L.C. and lives in Birmingham.

1970

Henry L. Hills Jr.

received a 2009 fellowship from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. He teaches at the Film and TV School of Academy of Performing Arts (FAMU), the Czech national film academy in Prague, where he

also administers a program for visiting American filmmakers with funding by the Trust for Mutual Understanding. He commutes from Vienna, where he lives during the school year with his wife, Austrian documentarian Martina Kudlacek. His most recent film, "Failed States," screened at the Rotterdam, San Francisco, Leeds and Jihlava film festivals last year. "Selected Films 1977-2008" is forthcoming on DVD. He is directing a video of the 2009 collaboration of playwright Richard Foreman and composer John Zorn, "Astronome: A Night at the Opera," and editing a

documentary on Austrian avant-garde filmmaker and performance artist Peter Kubelka. Anthology Film Archives in New York recently received a grant from the Andy Warhol Foundation to preserve Hills' 1984 16mm masterpiece, "Money," to 35mm, and several of his early San Francisco films are being restored by the Pacific Film Archive in Berkeley. He will spend 2010 in New York completing his Guggenheim project, a two-projector, multimedia work, tentatively entitled "Arcana."

1971

Michael P. Peck

appeared in a commercial for IBM as a businessman in a conference room scene. He's sporting short hair, round tortoise-shell glasses and a confident voice. He lives in New York and works for Sidley Austin.

1972

John P. Mello

is the incoming president of the Plymouth County (Mass.) Assessors Association. A six-term elected assessor for the Town of Rochester, he has chaired the town's board of assessors since 1995. The principal of John P. Mello Co., a specialty appraisal services firm for southeastern Massachusetts and Cape Cod founded in 1990, he holds senior professional designations from the Appraisal Institute, Massachusetts Board of Real Estate Appraisers and Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers. John and his wife, Margo Pauli Mello, recently celebrated their 30th wedding

A Meeting of the Generals I

Dan Pinck '46 (center) with Gen. David Petraeus (left) and his son, Charles Pinck (right), at the presentation of the OSS Society's William J. Donovan Award to Petraeus, on May 2 in Washington. Pinck served behind enemy lines in China with the OSS. His son is president of the OSS Society of McLean, Va.



A Meeting of the Generals II

Baker Spring '80 (left) recently met up with fellow alumnus Joe Wilson '69 (right), Republican congressman from South Carolina, in Wilson's office. Spring was happy to see portraits of Washington and Lee on the walls. He is a fellow with the Heritage Foundation in Washington.



She's in the Bag

After attending her 15th reunion in May, Aspen Yawars McKenna '94 wrote, "Thought I should send this photo along in case W&L had not thought of ALL the potential uses of their alumni weekend gift." Enjoying the handy collapsible container is her daughter, Rowan. They live in Hood River, Ore.



anniversary. Margo is the vocational rehabilitation specialist for the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center. They are the parents of two sons. Peter graduated from Sacred Heart University and will pursue graduate studies at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, and Andrew is a sophomore majoring in elementary education at Endicott College.

John C. O'Neal

received the career achievement award, part of the Dean's Scholarly Achievement awards, at Hamilton College, where he has taught French since 1984.

John C. Tucker

and his wife, Carmen, have been busy restoring an early-19th-century farmhouse in the western Catskill Mountains. They continue to live and work in New York City. John's son, Graham, is a junior majoring in philosophy at Wheaton College.

1974

Stephen M. Hagey

is a corporate communications executive with Bank of America's home lending division in Calabasas, Calif. He joined the company after six years in corporate and investor communications with Countrywide Financial Corp. He lives in

Biker Guys

Scott T. Howell '82 was the unwitting victim of a computer goof on our part, when we accidentally reprinted a very old class note about him in the Winter 2009 issue. It said, in part, that his son Sebastian was 5. Well, by now Scott and his wife, Ann, have two sons, Finn and Sebastian (shown here with his dad and clearly not 5 anymore). They live in Vero Beach, Fla., where Scott has a private practice in anesthesiology. He reports that he and Sebastian "are avid off-road motorcycle racers, and I am currently ranked second in the state of Florida in my class."



Taking It Easy



Some recent grads and current students vacationed in St. Thomas this past May. Left to right: Leigh Otey '06, Josh Broome '06, Katie Sinks '10, James Baird '10, David Shay '06, Virginia Baird '06 and Chad Thomas '06.

Thousand Oaks, Calif., with his wife, Robin, and their children, Justin and Sara. Justin is working and studying in southern California, and Sara attends Emory University.

1987

Charles M. Elmer

was recognized as a 2009 Alabama Super Lawyer. He works in the employment and labor section of Haskell Slaughter Young & Rediker L.L.C., and lives in Birmingham.

1988

Marguerite Ayers-Chludzinski

gave a dressage demonstration

for the American Quarter Horse Association at the annual Quarterfest, aboard Already Rude, a gelding she retrained for dressage after he was one of the top three-year-old sprinters in the country only two years ago. Their story has been featured in several horse magazines and on the TV show "America's Horse."

F.W. Wagner

opened a real estate law practice in fall 2008 with his wife, Susie, and a business partner, in Atlanta. They live in Marietta, Ga., with their two children, Joey and Julia.

George Would Be Proud

Emily Schulz '00, deputy director and curator of collections at the headquarters of the Society of the Cincinnati, in Washington, recently co-curated an exhibition titled "George Washington & His Generals" that's on display at Mount Vernon. She poses here at the opening with her co-curator, Laura Simo (right), who works at Mount Vernon. More than 100 W&L alumni are members of the society, which boasts as its first president Washington himself. It was founded in 1783 to promote friendship between American officers in the Revolutionary War and their French counterparts.



Planned Giving: Jeff Spence '71

Retiring after nearly 31 years with the same organization has given Jeff Spence '71 reason to reflect on his career and his future. An ordained minister, Spence served several churches before joining the staff of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 1978 as executive director of its Kansas City region. Two years later, he joined the Virginia region (now the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities, VCIC), in Richmond as executive director and CEO.

VCIC promotes understanding, respect and diversity through educational programs, conferences, retreats and workshops. It teaches participants to notice and respect variety in race, religion and culture.

"Working to reduce and defeat the scourge of prejudice in our society has been my life's passion and work; it's the tough, tough job of making the practice of America match its creed," said Spence. "It's been very rewarding work, and the groundwork of what I have done was laid at Washington and Lee."

A native of White Plains, N.Y., Spence chose W&L because of its small size, the speaking tradition, the honor system and the beauty of campus. He was interested in politics, law and religion and liked the University's liberal arts approach.

Religion courses from Louis Hodges and David Sprunt helped Spence focus on the clergy. The leadership of his denomination, the United Church of Christ, helped define the path he should take at W&L. Spence's involvement as a brother at Sigma Phi Epsilon, a columnist for the *Ring-tum Phi* and a host at WLUR helped hone his leadership, thinking and speaking skills.

"A lot of change took place in our country when I was a student," said Spence. "There were uprisings on other campuses such as Kent State, but things remained relatively calm here. At the core and heart of Washington and Lee was a camaraderie, love and support for one another, and I realized by watching what was happening at other

schools that this was a very special place."

Spence was influenced by another Virginia university, too, when he obtained his doctor of ministry degree from Virginia Union University, a historically African-American school. He was one of seven graduates in the university's first such class and the only white man. "Thanks to that experience, I had a new commitment

to understanding what real inclusion means," said Spence. "Not only should all voices be invited to the table, but all should have an equal stake."

Spence's focus on ethics in his graduate program has benefited VCIC and W&L. He often participates in the University's Society and the Professions institutes, which bring together undergradu-

ates and visiting professionals to explore ethics in business, law, medicine and the environment. The program is associated with the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications and the Shepherd Poverty Program.

Accordingly, Spence and his wife, Laura, have designated a portion of their planned gift to W&L for the Society and Professions Program. VUU joins W&L as the key beneficiaries of the Spences' estate planning. "Our greatest loves are these two institutions," said Spence. "I

know that no student has ever paid the total cost for his or her full education at Washington and Lee, and it is my role as an alumnus to give back. The only way institutions of higher learning can continue on, especially during times like these, is by the generosity of donors.

Washington and Lee has been around for more than 250 years, and Laura and I want to do our part to make sure that it is around for another 250 years."

To join Jeff and Laura Spence in making a planned gift and becoming members of the Doremus Society, contact Hank Humphreys or Louise Wasserott at (540) 458-8421, or by e-mail at ahumphreys@wlu.edu or lwasserott@wlu.edu.

—Wendy Lovell '90



JEFF SPENCE AT A SOCIETY AND THE PROFESSIONS MEETING ON CAMPUS.

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Philanthropists in Peru

Drew McWay '08 and Anne Spencer Olivo '97 take a break at Besique Beach, just outside of the Peruvian coastal city of Chimbote. Drew is managing and growing a small micro-credit institution called Sinergia (*sinergia-mfi.com*). The organization issues small business loans to female entrepreneurs in the



community so that they may stabilize their family cash streams and grow their businesses. Anne and her husband founded and direct a volunteer agency, Peru 109 (*peru109.org*), and collaborate with schools, domestic violence shelters and orphanages in Chimbote, Trujillo and Cusco, Peru.

1990

Julian E. Fant III

was elected chairman of the board of First Guaranty Bank, replacing his father, Hickory. Jay is also the chief executive officer of the bank. It is Jacksonville, Fla.'s oldest bank.

1992

Douglas P. Johnson,

his wife, Christin, and their sons, Davis, 5, and Clayton, 3, moved to Kansas City, Kan. He writes that they "are settling into the Overland Park area if still a little shell-shocked by a KC winter." After more than eight years at Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, Doug joined the new PTP Holdings, a group of old colleagues that founded the MLP Co-Investment Opportunity Fund. He is the director of fund investment.

Dr. Michael J. Sebesta

left active duty in the Army on July 1 as a lieutenant colonel. He practices urology, and his wife, Cheryl, practices orthopedic surgery, in Jackson, Tenn.

1993

J. Casey Pipes

and his wife, Lillis Allison Pipes '94, live in Mobile with their two children, Serena and John. Casey works with the law firm of Helmsing, Leach P.C.

Thomas C. Washmon

was named a rising star in the Super Lawyer issue of *Texas Monthly* and is a fellow of the

Texas Bar Foundation. He is a shareholder in Kuperman, Orr & Albers P.C. and lives in Austin, Texas.

1999

Lee Ann Gschwind

and her colleagues won a Peabody Award for their work on NBC's coverage of the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing. She was one of four writers for the opening ceremony.

2002

Dr. Andrea C. Cuniff

finished her residency in family



Lt. Brett T. Kirwan '04 climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro. He will relocate to Washington in August from his current posting in Bahrain. He says he is very much looking forward to attending the young-alumni reunion in October.

medicine and joined Maryland Primary Care Physicians, a large primary care group across central Maryland. Andrea and her husband, Justin, moved to Annapolis, Md., and she commutes to her office on Kent Island.

eating disorders, and he recently obtained a master's degree in sustainable development and conflict transformation. They live in Cumberland Foreside, Maine.

Courtney E. Nolan '01 to Saul Michael Pollack on April 25, in Upper Marlboro, Md. They live in Chicago, where Courtney is the manager of partner relations at Positive Coaching Alliance, and Saul is a project manager with Norcon Inc. W&L alumni in the wedding party included Jennifer Davis '01, Luci Lattimore Nelson '01, Ann Richard Quandt '01 and Michael Nolan '99.

MARRIAGES

Dr. Wendy Nadia Case '01 to Nicholas Daniel Kjeldgaard on Oct. 11, 2008, at the Tenuta di Spannocchia, an organic agricultural estate outside of Siena, Italy. She is a clinical psychologist who specializes in the treatment of

Byrne-Will Wedding



Laura Byrne '06 to **David Will '06** on June 14, 2008. The wedding party included classmates Christine Gladysz, Carrie Lee, Ryan Flynn, Chaffin Snider, Charlie Reeves, Robert DeCosimo and McCord Rayburn.

Davis-Beducian Wedding



Robin Davis '07 to John Elliott Beducian, at Lee Chapel, July 5, 2008. At the ceremony, Jerry Myers sang, and Joshua Harvey '00 played the piano and surprised her with "Shenandoah" for her walk up the aisle. Mike Young served as an usher. The couple live in Shreveport, La., where Robin is in medical school, and John Elliott is studying for a master's in health care administration, both at Louisiana State.

Front row, l. to r.: Justine Dargahi '07, the bride, the groom, Ellen Gustafson '09. Second row: Abri Nelson '08, Malinda Smith '06, Bree Melton '08, Michael Kern '06, Rebecca Beeson '10. Third row: Christine Flood '08, Kimberly Bulka Lepin '04, Lisa Miller '05, Lauren Sapikowski '08, Kristine Holda '06, Elizabeth Cone Hackman '08, Elizabeth Little '06, Carter Southworth '07. Back row: Nicole Risey '05, Rebecca Clark '06, Ryan Lepine '02, Lauren Rowe '06, Charles Fagan '06, Amy Bacastow Fagan '06, Lauren Kampf '07, Michael Wagoner '07, Susan Somers '05, Sara Duckworth '06. Not pictured: Jamie Ferrell '08, Jillian Roper '08, Courtney Dolaway '08, Max Courtney '07, Mallory Ruymann '09, Erika Rost '09, Keri Klein '08 and Jacob Geiger '09.

Ann R. Whitham '03 to Steven P. Cundy on May 9, in Cashiers, N.C. Classmates in the wedding party included Kathleen Gibson Dragan, Carroll Thompson Vuncannon, Becky Johns, Kelli Austin, Rachel Ross and Natalie Cuicchi. They live in Missoula, Mont., where Ann is the senior transportation planner for the Missoula Office of Planning and Grants, and Steve co-owns the Wildland Trekking Co.

D. Kyle Olcott '05 to **Katelyn Huffman '08** on Dec. 30, 2008, in Lewisburg, W.Va. Allen Barry '05 was the witness in front of a judge. They live in Charleston, W.Va.

Leye Moery '06 to Patrick Bloupt on May 16, in Athens, Ga. Leye works at the University of Georgia, and Patrick is a photographer. They live in Winterville, Ga.

BIRTHS AND ADOPTIONS

R. David Allen '90 and his wife, **Buffy**, a daughter, Katherine Love "Bebe," on Nov. 13, 2008. She joins sister Eugenie and brothers David and Billy. They live in Birmingham, Ala.

S. Andrew Gaffney '91 and his wife, **Kirstin**, a daughter, Taylor Anne, on May 6. They live in Denver, Colo.

Elise Whitaker Googe '91 and her husband, **Trey**, a daughter, Susan Elise, on April 7, 2008. Susan joins brother Jack and sister Elizabeth. They live in Atlanta.

Brad Miller '91 and his wife, **Carrie**, a son, Ellis, on Dec. 14, 2008. He joins sisters Virginia and Madeline and brother Preston. They live in Vienna, Va.

Angus B. Rosborough '91 and his wife, **Nese Güner**, a

daughter, on April 12. They live in London.

J.R. Smith '91 and his wife, **Miho**, a son, Noah Ren, on Sept. 3, 2008. He joins twin brothers Jack and Ian, 8. They live in Richmond.

John R. Thomas '92 and his wife, **Corrie**, a daughter, Layton Marie, on April 21. She joins brother Evan. They live in Chatham, N.J.

Matthew J. Zamaloff '92, and his wife, **Cheryl**, a son, Luke Philip, on March 30. They live in Boston.

Elisabeth Jennings Clarkson '93 and her husband, **Robert**, a son, Matthew Robert, on June 12, 2008. He joins brothers Will and John. They live in Glen Allen, Va.

Justin Bakule '94 and his wife, **Joanna**, a daughter, Grace Kathleen, on Dec. 11, 2008. They live in Belmont, Mass.

Jennifer Lynch '95 and her husband, **Alex Branzoi**, a son, Cristian Robert, on Oct. 15, 2008. She has joined the Science Advisory Board at W&L and is looking forward to bringing Cristian to campus for its annual October meeting.

Phaedra Cianciulli Beckwith '96 and her husband, **Edward**, a son, Joshua Alderman, on May 27. He joins siblings Philip, 7, and Josephine, 3.

Laura Forster Bennett '96 and her husband, **William**, a daughter, Kathryn Ransom, on Feb. 16. She joins brother Will. They live in Alexandria, Va.

J. Mason New '96 and his wife, **Melissa Foote New '98**, a son, Robert Mason, on April 4. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Lauren Guthrie Ledbetter '97 and her husband, **David**, a daughter, Mary Dandridge, on April 7. She joins brother Henry. They live in Rome, Ga.

Bryce Bendall Harris '98 and her husband, **Monty**, a daughter, Leila Bendall, on April 3. She joins brother Bode and sister Kaki. They live in Atlanta.

Nick Hodge '98 and his wife, **Tracy**, twins, Owen Nicholas and Elena Grace, on Feb. 27. They live in Cincinnati, Ohio, where Nick is a real estate manager for the Kroger Co.

Mary Jo Mahoney Slidell '98 and her husband, **Duncan '96**, a daughter, Anna MacFarlane, on Oct. 11, 2008. She joins twin siblings John and Hallie. They live in Bethesda, Md.

Hillary McMillan Wyche '98 and her husband, **Matt**, a daughter, Anne Villere, on March 17. She joins brother Baker. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

Ian R. Conner '00 and his wife, **Melissa Ann**, a daughter, Catherine Ann, on March 23. She joins brother Sean. They live in Midlothian, Va.

Colin Dougherty '00 and his wife, **Sara**, a daughter, Elise Tesi, on May 21. They live in Denver, Colo.

Jordan L. Coyle '01 and his wife, **Lauren**, a daughter, Hannah

Ryall, on March 2. They live in Arlington, Va., with their beagle, Toby. Jordan is a litigation associate with Orrick, Herrington and Sutcliffe L.L.P.

Helen Downes Fotinos '02 and her husband, **Andrew Fotinos '04**, a son, Owen Cooper, on May 17. They live in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Christa Hemmings Valentine '02 and **Greg Valentine '01**, a son, Merritt Gregory, on April 24. He joins brother Walter, 3. They live in Cary, N.C., where Greg works for Hatteras Funds in Raleigh, and Christa enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.

Susan Somers '05 and her partner, **Bo Jacks**, a daughter, Lena Josephine, on Dec. 6, 2008. They live in Austin, Texas.

OBITUARIES

Benjamin E. Wilson '39, of Greensboro, N.C., died on May 6. His career as a surgical supply salesman at Winchester-Ritch began in 1939, which, with a four-year hiatus for service in the Army Air Corps, continued until his retirement in 1985. He was a talented woodworker and a constant maker and repairer of furniture. In his retirement, he was an active member of the Greensboro Kiwanis Club and the Aycock School Historic Neighborhood, as well as a regular and outspoken contributor to the editorial pages of the *Greensboro News and Record*.

John S. Broome '40, of Oxnard, Calif., died on April 10. He served in the Army Air Force air transport command in the North Atlantic during World War II and later flew for American Airlines. He had a long career in agriculture and banking and served on the boards of Pepperdine University and the House Ear Institute of Los Angeles. Broome belonged to Kappa Sigma.

Lawrence J. Bradford '42, of Ashland, Ore., died on March 29. He served in the Army during World War II and was in the second wave at Normandy in 1944. He worked for Lunkenheimer before becoming part owner of Bruce Cox Associates. Bradford belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He was the uncle of Samuel B. Preston '68.

Porcher C. Rembert '42, of Sumter, S.C., died on Nov. 20, 2006. He worked in real estate and farming. Rembert belonged to Sigma Nu.

Robert F. Wersel '42, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on March 28. He served in the Army during World War II. He attended Harvard Business School and worked as a manufacturer's representative and president of Batsner Brothers Inc. Wersel belonged to Sigma Chi. He was the father of Robert F. Wersel '69.

Hudson C. Millar '43, Fort Pierce, Fla., died on July 30, 2008. He served in the Army and

worked as an account executive for an advertising company. Millar belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

Donald L. Richardson '43, of Auburn Hills, Mich., died on May 1. He earned an M.B.A. from Wayne State University and served in the Navy during World War II, earning a Bronze Star. He worked for a local firm before joining Roney & Co., which was acquired by Raymond James & Associates in 1999. For more than 30 years, he also taught at Walsh College. Active in the community, he was a member of the Detroit Athletic Club, local Rotary clubs, St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Sons of the American Revolution. He also was a past commander of an American Legion post. He devoted much time to family, golf, swimming and following many sports teams, including the Detroit Tigers. Richardson belonged to Delta Upsilon.

John P. Jordan '44, of Mansfield, La., died on March 19. He earned a law degree from Tulane University and worked for Exxon until his retirement in 1990. Jordan belonged to Kappa Alpha. He was the brother of James L. Jordan '42.

Edmund W. Marx '44, of Aiken, S.C., died on March 10. He served as a navigator on B-17s with the 15th Air Force based in Italy during World War II. He was a special agent with the FBI and later worked for the National Cash Register Co., in Philadelphia, and the Savannah

River Plant, in Aiken. He served as a board member of the Aiken Chapter of the American Red Cross, was an active member of the Aiken Community Playhouse and assisted with Boy Scout Troop 110. He was also a volunteer tutor of the English language with the Laubauch Literary Association. Marx belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

Capt. Willard F. Searle '45, of Alexandria, Va., died on March 31. He earned a master's degree in naval architecture from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and performed maritime salvage operations for nearly four decades. He later founded Searle Consortium, an ocean engineering consulting firm. Searle belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

Robert F. Rougvie '46, of Danbury, Conn., died on March 24. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. Rougvie graduated from Brown University and worked for the railroads for many years.

The Hon. LeRoy E. Glass '49L, of Lynchburg, died Oct. 26, 2006. He served as a captain in the Army during World War II and continued his service as a major in the Army Reserves. Glass sat on the bench of the General District Court from 1969 until his retirement in 1982.

R. Leigh Smith Jr. '49, of New York City, died on March 10. He served as a submarine

Alexander S. Moffett '27

Dr. Alexander S. Moffett '27, W&L's oldest living alumnus, died on May 24 in Grinnell, Iowa. He was 103.

Moffett was born in Suzhou, Jiangsu, China, and attended the Shanghai American School. At W&L, he majored in English and belonged to Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. He earned his M.D. from Vanderbilt University in 1932. He was a Presbyterian missionary surgeon in China from 1935 to 1940. During World War II, he practiced surgery in Banner Elk, N.C. He returned to China in 1947 for one year of missionary work. In 1949 he practiced medicine in Shelbyville, Tenn., and Bessemer, Ala.; from 1950 until his retirement in 1979, he practiced and lived in Taylorsville, N.C.

He and his wife, Virginia, then moved to New York City and Orlando, Fla., before settling in a retirement community in Grinnell, where he enjoyed life in a small university town that reminded him of W&L.

Moffett was active in the Presbyterian Church wherever he lived. He enjoyed music, painting with watercolors and writing poetry. In 1975, he wrote the University, which he served as a class agent and as an alumni career mentor, of his "continued gratitude to W&L for all W&L did for me and means to me yet."

He was the brother of John Rodd Moffett '29, the grandson of Alexander Stuart Moffett (1871) and the cousin of the Rev. John L. Stuart Jr. '28.

quartermaster for the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a newscaster for WSLR radio in Roanoke and as a reporter at International News Service. Later he was a public relations executive for Gulf-Western Industries, Hertz, Renault and the *Saturday Evening Post*. He was a member of the Public Relations Society of America. Smith belonged to Delta Upsilon.

John I. Carper '50,

of Virginia Beach, Va., died on March 19. He served with the Marines at the battle of Iwo Jima and during the occupation of Japan during World War II. He was a lifelong journalist, working for newspapers in five cities before retiring from the *Ledger-Star* in 1983. He and his wife delivered Meals on Wheels for 14 years.

R.B. Hailey '50L,

of Sevierville, Tenn., died on May 1. After graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1943, he completed seven war patrols aboard the *USS Perch* and ended his wartime career in Tokyo Bay. He was recalled to active duty in the Korean War, served two years on the staff of the Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMSUBLANT), and retired as commander, Naval Reserve. His civic life included 55 years as a lawyer, developer of Forbidden Caverns and founding chairman of the Robert F. Thomas Medical Foundation. He served on the boards of the Tennessee State Board of Education, the University of Tennessee, Morristown College and the Holston Home for Children, and was the founding chairman of the Sevier County Veterans Monument Association.

William H. Harris '50,

of Memphis, Tenn., died on Dec. 6, 2008. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II and had a long career in automobile sales. Harris belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

C. Raine Pettyjohn '50,

of Forest, Va., died on Feb. 21. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II. He was a partner in John P. Pettyjohn Co. Pettyjohn belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

Thomas A. Lupton '51,

of Chattanooga, Tenn., died on

May 4. He was president of the Stone Fort Land Co. and worked in commercial and residential real estate development. He served in the Navy and on the boards of SunTrust Bank, the Mountain City Club, the Bright School and the Baylor School. Lupton belonged to Phi Delta Theta. He was the uncle of Tavenner Lupton '75.

Herbert C. Peters '51,

of Bristol, Va., died on May 15. He earned his law degree from Harvard University and had a solo practice that specialized in real estate. He was a master bridge player and a fan of golf. Peters belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

Thomas N. Harris '52,

of Fort Worth, Texas, died on March 30. He worked as a buyer of electronics for Radio Shack. His greatest joy in life was boogie-woogie music, and he hosted an annual music weekend that drew fans and musicians from across the world. Harris belonged to Phi Epsilon Pi.

Robert J. Blair '54,

of Charleston, S.C., died on Dec. 3, 2008. He worked for IBM for 30 years in engineering, sales and marketing. He volunteered as a guardian ad litem for nine years and in the solicitor's office as an arbitrator for first-time teenage offenders, trying over 500 cases. He served on the South Carolina Foster Care Board. He also worked with the police chief of Charleston for two years, consulting and putting into place several programs to enhance the productivity of the police force, and was named volunteer of the year in 2007. Blair belonged to Sigma Nu.

Ernest R. Eanes Jr. '54,

of Martinsville, Va., died on May 4. He spent his career with Warren Trucking Co., where he was president and later chairman of the board. He was an active member of Christ's Church and served on the finance committee, as chairman of the Good News Jail Ministry and as chairman of the Mission Center. He also worked with Family Life Services and the Crisis Pregnancy Center. Eanes belonged to Kappa Alpha.

Noel A.L. Wakelin '55,

of Oakville, Ontario, Canada, died on Dec. 28, 2008. He served in the Army and worked

in communications and computer systems for Control Data Canada. Wakelin belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Philip S. Morgan III '57,

of Brookeville, Md., died on Feb. 8. He worked in the insurance business for more than 40 years and was founder and president of Morgan & Morgan Ltd. Morgan belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

W. Kelly Young '58,

of Fort Worth, Texas, died on April 13. He served in the Army as a radar technician and later joined his father full time at Marshall R. Young Drilling Co. He went on to become president and chief executive officer. He served on the boards of Continental National Bank, the Lena Pope Home, the Recovery Resource Council and many others. Young belonged to Phi Delta Theta. He was the brother of George M. Young '54 and the uncle of Marshall Young '85.

Werner J. Deiman '59,

of Lewiston, Maine, died on Feb. 5. He earned a master's and a Ph.D from Yale University. He was a professor of English at Bates College and a music critic for the *Maine Sunday Telegram*.

Larry M. Topping '59L,

of Poquoson, Va., died on June 2, 2007. He served on active duty as a Marine infantry officer and also worked on military legal affairs. He was a partner in the law firm of Hall, Fox and Topping. Topping belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

Peter H. Sauer '60,

of Salem, N.Y., died on Jan. 30. He served in the Vermont National Guard and later taught science and authored two science books for children. He was an associate editor and editorial review board member of *Orion* magazine. Sauer belonged to Sigma Chi.

Dr. E. Ross Kyger III '63,

of Houston, died on March 26. He earned his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania and received the Central Pennsylvania College of Surgeons Award for research. As a cardiovascular surgeon, he was a member of the American College of Surgeons, the Houston Heart Association and the Texas affiliate of the American Heart Association. He served on the board of directors of the Hospice

in the Pines in Lufkin. Kyger belonged to Kappa Sigma.

Leslie A. Grandis '66,

of Richmond, died on March 30. He earned a law degree from the University of Virginia and joined McGuireWoods in 1970. He specialized in business law and was listed in the *Best Lawyers in America*. Grandis belonged to Zeta Beta Tau. He was the brother of Arnold S. Grandis '68.

Willard B. Wagner III '70,

of Houston, died on May 16. He earned his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law. His banking and financial services career began at Texas Commerce Bank in 1973, and he rose to senior vice president and manager of trust business development. Starting in 1993 and over the next 18 years, he served in various positions with Encore Trust Co. and its predecessors, ultimately retiring as executive vice president of marketing. He served on the board of the Children's Museum and was an avid hunter, fisherman and story teller. Wagner belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

Benjamin M. Lowe '77,

of Jacksonville, Fla., died on May 12. He served in the Army and later in the Foreign Service. He earned a law degree from Florida Coastal School of Law and worked in immigration law. Lowe belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

William H. Leachman III '82,

of Markham, Va., died on March 10. He worked in real estate and investment banking prior to moving to Markham to work at Northern Counties Inc., a family construction business. He later founded the Virginia Leaf Tobacco Co., a retailer and wholesaler. Leachman belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. ☺

Dr. Preston B. Mayson '91L,

of Roanoke, died on March 30. He served in the Army and earned his undergraduate degree from the United States Military Academy and a medical degree from George Washington University. He practiced radiology for 18 years before attending law school. He practiced law for nine years until his retirement in 2000. He was the father of Brooks H. Mayson '84.

Joan O'Mara Dies at 63

Joan Hertzog O'Mara, associate professor of art history, the Elizabeth Lewis Otey Professor of East Asian Studies and former director of W&L's East Asian Studies Program, died on May 24. Her colleagues in the Art Department—Clover Archer, Leigh Ann Beavers, George Bent, Christa Bowden, Madeline Gent, Betty Hickox, Andrea Lepage, Kathleen Olson, Pamela Simpson and Larry Stene—wrote this memorial resolution, which Simpson presented at the June 3 faculty meeting.

When asked what it was like to teach Asian art in a small liberal arts college in a rural Southern community, Joan O'Mara had a ready response: "It is missionary work!" And it was, indeed, with missionary zeal that she shared her passion for Asian art with our community. She was a woman of keen intellect and great learning, but we knew her best for her kindness, generosity and patience—as well as that unbridled enthusiasm for teaching.

For 20 years, she introduced W&L students to new ways of thinking and seeing. "Want to do business in Japan?" she would ask a Williams School major. "Then you better know something about the tea ceremony." And under her tutelage, they would learn how the tea ceremony could open up to them a whole new culture. Making people understand how the East and the West interacted, helping them to understand the role of art, and sharpening their eyes to what they were seeing were just some of the many contributions she made in her long career.

Joan received her B.A. at Carleton College, a school she thought to be very much like W&L, and she worked hard to give her students the same kind of nurturing care and encouragement that she had received from faculty there. That continued with her graduate work at the University of Michigan, where she received her M.A. in art history in 1969.

She began research for her Ph.D., but, like many women of her generation, marriage interrupted. She fol-

At Homecoming Weekend on Oct. 9 and 10, the Art Department will sponsor a celebration of Joan's life and would especially like to invite her former students to participate in person or to send remembrances for sharing at the event. For more information, please contact Pamela Simpson, professor of art history, at simpsonp@wlu.edu.

To read condolences posted on the W&L Web site by members of the University community, or to contribute your own, see the links at wlu.edu/x32881.xml.



"Professor O'Mara was dedicated to her students and her profession. She was a careful scholar who demonstrated how art can reveal so much about the history and culture of a society," said President Ken Ruscio '76.

lowed Phil to Mississippi and to Scranton, and at every post found adjunct teaching and curatorial opportunities. In 1989, she finished the dissertation and received her Ph.D., and she and Phil decided it was her turn to find a full-time job. Thus she came to Washington and Lee. It was a perfect match.

The reason the match was so perfect was because her talents so fit our needs. She could teach nearly everything, including the Western Art survey and the European 19th Century survey, as well as her specialties in the Arts of Japan, Arts of China, Arts of Southeast Asia and the highly successful Tea Ceremony Seminar.

Recently, with the benefit of two research trips to China, she developed new courses on the History of the Silk Road. She also became a very important part of our East Asian Studies Program, headed it and edited its newsletter for many years.

Author of numerous reviews, articles and book chapters, Joan took special pride in her work with ASIANetwork, the national consortium of liberal arts colleges that she helped to

lead and for which she co-edited a book on *Asian Art in the Undergraduate Curriculum*. She also authored several of the essays in it and organized a writing conference here last summer that brought all of the authors together for an extended work session. Her greatest delight, and relief, was when she sent off the completed manuscript to the publisher this May. It is fitting that her final publication would be aimed at teaching. Nothing mattered to her more.

We all admired the courage and grace with which Joan faced her final illness. We mourn her passing but take joy in celebrating her many accomplishments. We ask that this memorial resolution be adopted by the faculty, spread upon its minutes and shared with her family—her husband, Phil O'Mara, and her children, Caitlin and Philip.

The Art Department has created the Joan Hertzog O'Mara Award to recognize outstanding achievement in art history. To contribute to the award fund, contact the Development Office:

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 BACK ROW: Sarah Duckworth '06 (sister of Alex), J. Alex Duckworth, David Yancey, M. Cason Wilson, R. Whitt Larkin, William Reighley, Seldon Clarke, Kevin Fuge, Edward Kingsbery, James McCardell, L. Jack Fisher IV and Wade Crusier (grandson of Melvin Crusier '39, not pictured).



FRONT ROW: Nate Adams '81L, Stephen McElroy '97L, Gary Seldomridge '76 (uncle of Liz), John Stack '74, Marshall Beck (Caren Beck's grandfather, who attended Army school at W&L during WWII) and William Wallace '74, '77L.
 BACK ROW: Robert Adams, Spencer McElroy, Elizabeth Cresswell, Paul Stack, Caren Q. Beck, Emily Wallace, Paul Wallace '02 (brother of Emily) and Matt Wallace '06 (brother of Emily).

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In a dazzling display of artistry, students swooped, spun and flipped off the side of Wilson Hall on May 29 and 30, introducing the audience to an entirely new kind of performance. The first-ever aerial dance concert at W&L was the culmination of a spring term course. It featured 13 students with a variety of dance backgrounds and majors. Jenefer Davies, assistant professor of dance, taught the course and directed the performances. A \$7,000 Mellon Grant from the Associated Colleges of the South underwrote the memorable affair.



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