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Photo by Patrick Hinely '73

This page: Students present their academic work at a poster session in the Great Hall during W&L's Science, Society and the Arts, held March 7 and 8.

Photo by Patrick Hinely '73



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by the Numbers



W&L's Twitter accounts have quite a following. Right now, @wluNews leads the pack with 3,615 followers, and @

3,615

wluGenerals is in second with 1,322. The other top Twitter accounts include @wluLex, @wluAlum and @wluCareers.

45-45-90

Every month, the Math Department posts a puzzler. Can you solve this one? Show that an isosceles right triangle (in other words, a 45-45-90 triangle) can be cut into smaller isosceles right triangles that all have different sizes.

2,800

Leyburn Library has created a new website (library.wlu.edu/SJCemetery) with a catalogue of almost 60 percent of the graves in the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Cemetery, in Lexington. Stonewall Jackson is buried there, along with 144 Confederate veterans, two Virginia governors and the poet and author Margaret Junkin Preston. So far, 2,800 graves have been documented.



28,000

In its lifespan of four years at the Fitness Center, a treadmill logs approximately 28,000 miles.



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Richard Alley, of Penn State, gives the keynote address at the Science, Society and the Arts luncheon on March 7.

Energy Error

I am very excited and supportive of all W&L is doing to reduce its carbon footprint, but is the number in “By the Numbers” (Fall 2012) of reduced energy consumption of 44,000 metric tons of CO₂ for 2011 accurate? Seems high, given that total CO₂ emissions in the U.S. is estimated at 19 tons per capita. Just curious. Please keep up the good work.

Chip Nunley '81
Richmond

Editor's Note: It should have been 4,400 metric tons. We regret the error and thank Mr. Nunley for his sharp eyes.

Pam Simpson

Thank you for publishing the great back-cover photograph of the dedication of the memorial sculpture to Pam Simpson (Fall 2012). While space probably did not allow more copy, I do want to mention that the memorial for Pam was initiated by and largely funded by the Historic

Lexington Foundation, with which Pam was closely associated, serving as a trustee and president of the board for many years. It was also funded by many local private donors and not-for-profit organizations, including Project Horizon and the Rockbridge Historical Society, to which Pam also devoted much of her time and good counsel.

Rick Wolf '77
Lexington

Chuck Phillips

Chuck was my senior thesis advisor, and he encouraged me to attend graduate school and pursue a career in public utility economics. The consulting practice that defined my professional career was the direct result of Dr. Phillips' interest and commitment to an otherwise unremarkable W&L student. And wherever that career took me, Chuck seemed to be there to provide support. Perhaps the most unlikely encounter took place at the High Court of New Zealand. A lawyer asked me if I knew

Dr. Charles F. Phillips Jr. He had noted from my witness qualifications that I had attended W&L, and he stated that Chuck's book “The Economics of Regulation” was in the court's library, and that Chuck was a recognized authority on the subject.

Robert E. “Bob” Evans '74
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Editor's Note: For Evans' complete tribute to his professor, see *magazine.wlu.edu*.

Correction

In our Fall 2012 obituary for J. Robert McHenry '56, we unintentionally omitted information about his athletic career at W&L. As a student, he played on the basketball team all four years, co-captaining it as a junior, and played lacrosse for two years. As a member of the W&L athletics staff from 1958 to 1964, he coached both lacrosse, compiling a 17-40-1 record, and basketball, with a 30-74 record. We apologize for the error.



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Global Learning

The Dyson Foundation of Millbrook, N.Y., has made a \$2.5 million grant to Washington and Lee to develop the new Center for Global Learning.

President Ken Ruscio '76 said that the grant provides a critical boost to the establishment of the center, which is an outgrowth of the 2007 strategic plan and a goal of the current capital campaign, Honor Our Past, Build Our Future: The Campaign for Washington and Lee.

"This is a wonderful gift. We thank for their generosity the Dyson Foundation; its president, Rob Dyson; and its treasurer, Chris Dyson '00," said Ruscio. "The grant is a vote of confidence in our plans to expand the University's horizons through a new facility that will help us meet the goal in our mission statement of preparing students for 'engaged citizenship in a global and diverse society.'"

The Dyson Foundation is a private, family-directed, grant-making foundation. It has previously supported the Spring Term curriculum and other initiatives.

Established in 1957, it is led by Robert R. Dyson, who has served as its president since 2000. The foundation awards grants throughout New York's Dutchess County and Mid-Hudson Valley, as well as outside the Hudson Valley.

Chris Dyson is vice president and sporting director of Dyson Racing, a professional racing team based in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and he has won two series Drivers' championships in the IMSA American Le Mans Series.

As a facility, the Center for Global Learning will consist of 8,600 square feet in the renovated duPont Hall and

an estimated 17,700 square feet in a new wing. Renovating and expanding duPont Hall and its surrounding space will position the center at a prominent campus location, at the northern end of Stemmons Plaza.

The combined space will contain 12 teaching spaces, including classrooms, a seminar room and instructional laboratories. The entry to the new wing will include a two-story atrium that will convey to visitors the purpose and importance of the center.

The Center for Global Learning will include state-of-the-art technology, and its design will respect and complement the character of duPont Hall and the entire historic campus.

The facility will serve as the cornerstone of a comprehensive program (described in the Winter 2012 issue of this magazine) and as an important physical focal point for W&L's globalization initiative.

"The Center for Global Learning will combine architecture, technology, design and programming in a global marketplace of ideas that will distinguish Washington and Lee among its peers," said Larry Boetsch '69, director of international education. "More than a destination, the center will be a campus hub and will, as W&L's window on the world, showcase interdisciplinary approaches to global learning as cross-cultural knowledge, encompassing both domestic and foreign issues."

The construction of the center will commence when fund-raising is complete. It is projected to cost \$13.5 million; the fund-raising goal is a minimum of \$11.5 million.

Honor Our Past, Build Our Future
THE CAMPAIGN FOR WASHINGTON AND LEE

Edward Adams, professor of English, won the 2013 Barbara Perkins and George Perkins Award from the International Society for the Study of Narrative for his book "Liberal Epic: The Victorian Practice of History from Gibbon to Churchill."

Dani Breidung '13 is the first student at W&L to earn a Certificate of International Immersion, which is awarded to students who demonstrate significant commitment to and understanding of global interaction.

Billy Bryant, associate director of Facilities Management, graduated from the Association of Physical Plant Administrators leadership training.

The Campus Kitchen received recognition at the 2012 Campus Kitchens Project annual conference, where Jenny Davidson '08, coordinator of student service learning, won the Nopalitos Innovation Award, and Patrick Poindexter, of Lexington, won the Leah Prudhomme Volunteer of the Year Award.

Timothy J. (TJ) Fisher '15 is one of two students named to the eight-member board of directors of Campus Pride, the national organization that serves LGBT and allies student leaders and campus organizations in leadership development, support programs and services to create safer, more inclusive, LGBT-friendly colleges and universities.

Keaton Fletcher '13 received the David G. Elmes Pathfinder Prize in Psychology for extraordinary promise in psychological science or in the application of psychological science in the professions through outstanding scholarship in basic or applied psychology.

Luke Heinsohn '12 received the 2012 Willie Lanier Award as the top college division football player in Virginia. He adds the honor to a list that already includes being named First Team All-ODAC, First Team All-South Region and ODAC Offensive Player of the Year.

Patricia Hobbs, the associate director of University collections, was named state representative from Virginia to the Association for Academic Museums and Galleries (AAMG).

Erin Hutchinson, senior associate director of admissions, has crafted dozens of quilts for survivors of Hurricane Sandy and was the subject of a Roanoke Times front-page story about the quilts; <http://daily-mail.com/News/Nation-andWorld/201301010124> the AP picked up the piece and ran it in newspapers and on websites around the country.

Joe Landry '12 published "To Reduce the Deficit, End Redistribution to the Rich," on the Roosevelt Institute's "Next New Deal" blog. It emerged from his work on an E.A. Morris Research grant that he pursued with Harlan Beckley, the Fletcher Otey Thomas Professor of Religion and director of the Shepherd Poverty Program.

His theory about the subject of an ancient Greek painting on a piece

of terracotta has made **Michael Laughy**, assistant professor of classics, the subject of a feature story on LiveScience.com that was picked up by MSNBC.

A new video, "An Evolving Legend: The Story of Robert E. Lee," produced by cable station 17 of Henrico County, Va., features **J. Holt Merchant '61**, professor of history.

Sherry Wright, assistant director of workforce development in the Human Resources Department, recently earned certification as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) from the HR Certification Institute.

Rockbridge-area K-12 teachers will be among those who benefit from a \$20,000 Verizon Foundation Teaching with Technology grant to W&L through a program of the **Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges** (VFIC). The primary purpose of the grant is to prepare W&L teacher-education students to integrate technology into the classroom.



ODK and Founders' Day Celebrations

On Jan. 18, the University's Alpha Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society, welcomed 31 students, as well as these honorary initiates, l. to r.: **Dr. James Livesay '69**; **Pamela Luecke**, the Donald W. Reynolds Professor of Business Journalism; and **Mark Grunewald**, the James P. Morefield Professor of Law. The fourth honorary initiate, **Loranne Ausley '90L**, was unable to attend.



Eric Gehman '12 with the subject of the poetry contest. Officially titled "Mood Indigo," the undated painting is the creation of Evelyn Dawson Wynn (c. 1909–1990), a painter, dancer and fashion designer. Her husband, the late Larry Wynn '34, donated her pieces to W&L. The painting graces Payne Hall thanks to Suzanne Keen, interim dean of the College. As department chair when the Payne Hall renovation wrapped up, she got to select new artwork for the building. "I love color-field images, and the super-saturated violet really caught my eye," Keen said. "I relished the idea of the students passing into the Purple Zone where the poets are, up there on the third floor of Payne Hall. And the rest is Twitter literary history."

Poetry Fit to Tweet

When the English Department wanted to promote its new Twitter account and Facebook page, it could have touted its accomplished faculty members or investigated the Payne Hall ghost. Instead, with Eric Gehman '12 leading the way, the department conducted a contest for poems about the so-called Purple Painting, which hangs on the landing between the second and third floors of Payne. What does that have to do with social media? The poems had to be tweet-sized: 140 characters or less.

"I'm kind of a technology nerd, so I figured I could handle it," said Gehman of his first assignment, to initiate the departmental social media. He was the work-study student for the English Department; Suzanne Keen, who chaired the department last academic year, tasked him with the project. He then spent a summer internship doing media accounts for a retirement community—an audience with a different set of technological skills and needs than the recent W&L graduates who are the primary users of Facebook and Twitter.

"I brought a lot of know-how when I came back in the fall," Gehman said, "knowing that I would be fostering a community of people who are really invested in technology and the

community that goes on in social media."

The notion of a promotional contest also emerged last spring, from conversations among Gehman; Lesley Wheeler, a poet and the Henry S. Fox Professor of English; and Max Chapnick '13, who took his place at the department after Gehman graduated last December.

"What I had was a wouldn't-it-be-fun idea, with no ability whatsoever to put it into action given my current workload," said Wheeler. "It became clear that Eric was going to run with the idea. He made it happen—I'm really impressed with him."

Wheeler suggested the painting as the subject of the poems. "I teach creative-writing classes in the building, and every once in a while I'll do a writing prompt, or I'll say, 'OK, go somewhere for 10 minutes and look at something—there's a lot of art around—and write about what you see.' There are always Purple-Painting poems that come up." She and her fellow poets on the third floor of Payne, professors Deborah Miranda and Leah Green, occasionally compare notes on what they see in the abstract, color-saturated painting.

For his part, Gehman wanted to hold "a fun, English-oriented contest." From Lancaster, Pa., he majored in

English and minored in philosophy and women's and gender studies. He worked with the student organizations End It, which seeks to end sexual assault on campus, and Active Minds, which educates students about mental health. A swimmer, he received a Scholar-Athlete Award in 2009.

For the contest, he drew inspiration from Wheeler's course in creative writing and poetry. "I thought, 'What if we had people write poems?' It would jell with the social media construct. I thought 140 characters is a good way to make it a low-impact creative assignment."

In addition to social media, Gehman publicized the contest through the old-school methods of talking it up to faculty members so they'd promote it in their classes ("one of the biggest ways to drive turnout") and slapping flyers on walls and doors. "That's sort of the great irony," he noted, "this utopic vision of technology we all have, that we're all moving into the digital space for all of our communications to take place online."

The contest was open to current students, alumni, faculty, staff and W&L community members. Gehman, Wheeler and poet Andrea Null '10 judged the entries. You can read the winners on the English Department's Facebook page.

Naturalized Woman

Domnica Radulescu's play "Naturalized Woman: A Quilting, Surrealist Project about Immigrant Women" received two stagings last October: first as one of 20 new works selected for the Thespis Theater Festival, in New York City, and then on campus as part of W&L's National Symposium of Theater in Academe. Radulescu, the Edwin A. Morris Professor of Romance Languages and head of the Medieval and Renaissance Studies Program, wrote the play and is founding director of the symposium. Monica Botta, associate professor of romance languages, co-organized the symposium. Kimberly Jew, associate professor of theater, directed the play, and W&L students performed it.



Professor Domnica Radulescu (second from right) and Professor Kimberly Jew (far right) and members of the cast answer questions about the production.

NEW TRUSTEE: ROWAN TAYLOR '89 JOINS THE BOARD

Rowan G.P. Taylor '89, of New Canaan, Conn., took the oath as a new member of the Board of Trustees on Feb. 8, during the board's winter meeting, in Lexington. He is the founding partner of Liberty Hall Capital Partners L.P., a private equity firm in New York City.

Taylor earned his B.A. in economics, summa cum laude. While attending W&L, he played on the football team, served as a freshman dormitory counselor and belonged to the Student Recruitment Committee and Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity. He also was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, the academic honorary society, and Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership organization.

He began his financial career in 1989 as a financial analyst in the merchant banking group of CS First Boston Inc. Taylor then became a principal of the Clipper Group L.P. and its successor, Monitor Clipper Partners L.L.C., private equity firms associated with CS First Boston. In 1999, he joined Oak Hill Capital



Rowan Taylor '89

Management L.L.C., a private equity firm with more than \$8 billion under management. As a partner and head of its basic industries group, he led a team of investment professionals focused on industrial and transportation businesses, including those serving the aerospace and defense industry, and served on the

investment committee. He founded Liberty Hall in 2011. It focuses on investments across the global aerospace and defense industry.

Taylor has served on the boards of several private equity-owned businesses and currently serves on the board of regents of Portsmouth Abbey School in Portsmouth, R.I.

For W&L, Taylor has served as a member and chair of the Williams School Board of Advisors since 2001, and as a member of the campaign cabinet for Honor Our Past, Build Our Future, since 2010. He served as co-president of the Westchester-Fairfield Alumni Chapter and will co-chair his class's 25th reunion committee in 2014. In 2010, he and his wife, Julie Salerno Taylor '89, established The Taylor Family Scholarship to support financial aid.

The Taylors, who are both members of W&L's first coeducational class, have four daughters: Callie (who will enter W&L this fall as a member of the Class of 2017), Mary Lena, Felicity and Pippa.

Rising Star: Professor Jasmin Darznik Wins SCHEV Award

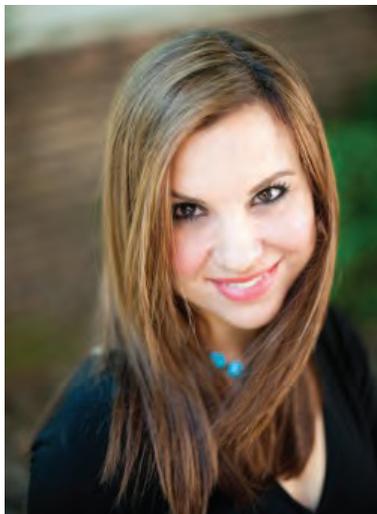
Jasmin Darznik, assistant professor of English, received a 2013 Outstanding Faculty Award from the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV). Darznik won a Rising Star Award, which goes to assistant professors who have been teaching six years or less.

As Virginia's highest honor for faculty at its public and private colleges and universities, the award recognizes superior accomplishments in teaching, research and public service.

"Jasmin's award is a tribute to her many accomplishments as a teacher, writer and scholar. The long list of Washington and Lee winners is a tribute to the high quality of our faculty," said Robert Strong, acting provost at Washington and Lee. "SCHEV nominations are reviewed by a panel of academics, then by a broader panel that includes individuals from different backgrounds and a number of community leaders. A nominee must have accomplishments that impress both academic peers and leading citizens."

Strong concluded, "Jasmin is an impressive nominee and a deserving winner, and we're delighted that she has been recognized."

A member of the faculty since 2009, Darznik received her bachelor's degree from UCLA in English



and German and then earned a law degree from the University of California, Hastings College. She received her Ph.D. in English literature from Princeton University.

The courses she teaches at Washington and Lee range from first-year composition to creative writing workshops to seminars on the literature of human rights and the immigrant experience.

In support of Darznik's nomination, one of her former students, Brad Harder '12, wrote: "As my mentor and my teacher for the past four years, Professor Darznik opened my eyes to the craft of creative writing and the richness

of contemporary literature. She maintains a dynamic atmosphere of spirited give-and-take throughout her literature courses that encourages students to challenge their own preconceptions and freely share their opinions."

Darznik is the author of the 2011 New York Times bestseller, "The Good Daughter: A Memoir of My Mother's Hidden Life." The book has been translated into eight languages and is forthcoming in 13 countries. It was a finalist for the Library of Virginia's People's Choice Award and was short-listed for the Saroyan International Prize for Writing.

In 1979, Darznik fled the revolution in Iran with her parents. She could neither read nor write English when she started school in this country. She has observed that it was "through books that I began to feel at home in a new country.... Eventually, I found a home in a language to which I was not born but that I learned to make my own."

She has also published personal essays in such publications the New York Times, Washington Post and Los Angeles Times Magazine. Her short stories, scholarly articles and book reviews have appeared in numerous venues.

S P E A K E R S ' C O R N E R

David Carr, media and culture columnist at the New York Times, delivered the keynote address of the 54th Institute on Ethics in Journalism, on Oct. 19: "From Stone Tablets to Digital Ones: New Media, New Rules." • **Jeffrey D. Wert**, a noted author and Civil War scholar, remembered President Robert E. Lee on Oct. 8 with a speech, "Lee and the Rebirth of an Army: From Seven Days to Gettysburg." • **Terrence J. Roberts**, one of the nine African-American students who integrated Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas in 1957, delivered the keynote speech, "Lessons from Little Rock," for the celebration of the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. • **Andrew Delbanco**, the Mendelson Family Chair of American Studies and Julian Clarence Levi Professor in the Humanities at Columbia University, gave the address at the Founders' Day/ODK Convocation: "What Is College For?"

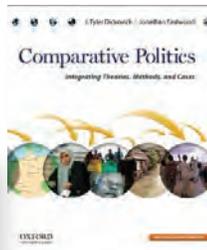
Walter Bennett '65 is the author of “Leaving Tuscaloosa” (*fuzepublishing.com*), a novel about civil rights in the Deep South in the 1960s. Bennett described the way he approached the novel: “I became passionate about civil rights when I began to understand what ‘we’—our white-controlled society and political institutions—had done to people of color, the irreparable damage it had caused, the horrible, moral offense of it.” He will donate a percentage of profits from all sales through the Fuze website to The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute and The International Civil Rights Center and Museum, located in Greensboro, N.C.



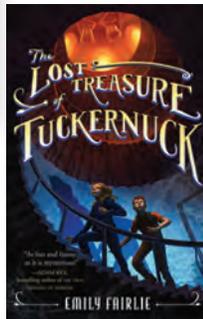
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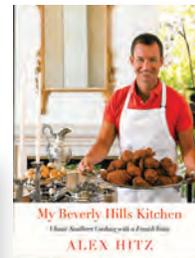
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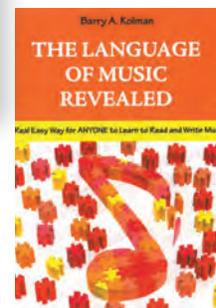
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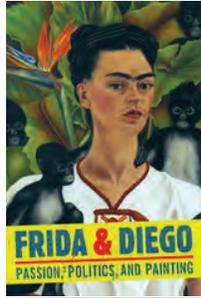
Jonathan Eastwood, associate professor of sociology, and **J. Tyler Dickovick**, associate professor of politics, co-wrote “Comparative Politics: Integrating Theories, Methods, and Cases” (Oxford University Press). Two students worked extensively on the book: **Miranda Galvin '12**, a sociology and politics double major who is now in graduate school at the University of Maryland, and **Ali Greenberg '13**, a double major in global politics and Spanish, with minors in Latin American and Caribbean studies and poverty studies.

With his line of gourmet frozen foods flourishing, **Alex Hitz '91** has just published a new cookbook, “My Beverly Hills Kitchen: Classic Southern Cooking with a French Twist” (Knopf), in which he offers more than 175 all-time favorite Southern dishes—from cold pea soup with mint to salted caramel cake.

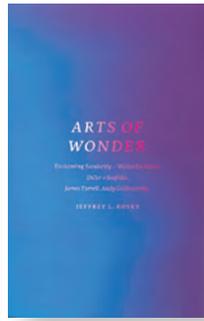
Jan Drabek '57 chronicles the account of a botanist who joined the Czech Resistance during World War II and quickly became one of its leaders in “Vladimir Krajina: World War II Hero and Ecology Pioneer” (Ronsdale Press).

Emily Ecton '92, writing as Emily Fairlie, published another children’s book, “The Lost Treasure of Tuckernuck” (Katherine Tegen Books) which follows the adventures of sixth-grade gerbil monitors Laurie and Bud, who join forces to try to find long-ago hidden treasure.

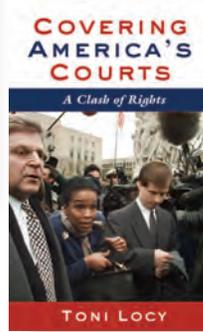
Barry Kolman, professor of music, wrote “The Language of Music Revealed” (Universal Publishers) because he needed a textbook for his course on the fundamentals of music theory. “Quite honestly, music theory can be drier than the Sahara desert,” said Kolman. “It’s not like music history where you can play a Beethoven symphony, an excerpt from an opera, or jazz and rock and roll. Even with the excitement I try to bring to the class, I was finding the subject boring myself.”



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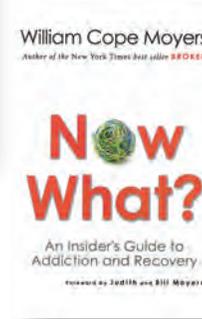
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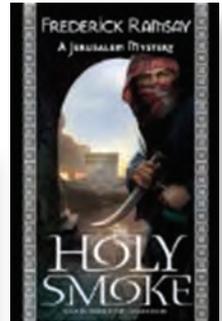
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Elliott King, associate professor of art history, co-edited “Frida & Diego: Passion, Politics, and Painting” (Art Gallery of Ontario/Museum of Art Atlanta), the catalog for a landmark exhibition of the works of Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera that King curated at Atlanta’s High Museum of Art.

In “Arts of Wonder: Enchanting Secularity—Walter De Maria, Diller + Scofidio, James Turrell, Andy Goldsworthy” (University of Chicago Press), **Jeffrey L. Kosky**, associate professor of religion, uses work by these artists to show how they “introduce spaces hospitable to mystery and wonder, redemption and revelation, and transcendence and creation.”

Toni Locy, the Donald W. Reynolds Professor of Legal Reporting, published “Covering America’s Courts: A Clash of Rights” (Peter Lang). She describes it as “a hybrid—part memoir, part textbook—based on my experience covering courts.”

Deborah Miranda, associate professor of English, published “Bad Indians: A Tribal Memoir” (Heyday). It’s a history of California Indians and a memoir of her own family’s experiences. She is a member of the Ohlone Costanoan Esselen tribe, also known as Mission Indians. The book is a collage of family stories, poems, newspaper clippings, anthropological recordings, photographs, government

documents and personal reflections as well as occasional writings or testimony from Indians.

William Cope Moyers ’81 continues his quest to help addicts and their loved ones with the publication of his second book, “Now What: An Insider’s Guide to Addiction and Recovery” (Hazelden)

“Holy Smoke” is the third volume of a trilogy by **Frederick Ramsay ’58** (Poisoned Pen Press). Set in Jerusalem in 29 C.E., it stars a crime-solving duo composed of a rabbi and a physician.

Additional Reading and Listening

Scott Ainslie ’74 contributed a song, “The Land That I Love,” to a double CD titled “Border Songs,” which benefits No More Deaths/No Mas Muertes, a humanitarian group in southern Arizona. The compilation features the donated works of 31 musical, spoken-word, English- and Spanish-language artists. See <http://CattailMusic.com/theborder>.

Neilson L. Johnson ’76 released his first e-book, “Take That,” which can be downloaded from Apple’s iTunes iBookstore. This book is for those who love

photography, want to know more about it and want to be entertained while doing so. The stories delve into Johnson’s three-decade career and reveal the intense partnership between his experience, his imagination and his ever-present muse, whom he has learned to trust without question.

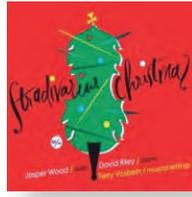
Richard J. Peltz-Steele ’93, professor of law at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth School of Law, published “The Law of Access to Government” (Carolina Academic Press), the first



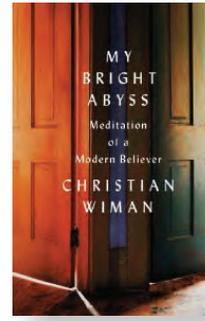
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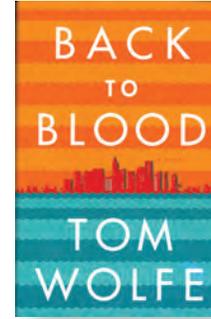
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Truth/Ideals is the third and latest full-length album by singer/songwriter **Julie Slonecki '11** and is available for digital download from julieslonecki.com.

Rod Smith, editor of "Shenandoah: The Washington and Lee University Literary Review," published a book of poetry, "The Red Wolf: A Dream of Flannery O'Connor" (Louisiana Literature Press). It gives voice to, if not the actual O'Connor, then a possible O'Connor or even a probable O'Connor. "I've always been a devotee of O'Connor's short stories and the maimed, the bewildered and insane that appear in them," said Smith.

To celebrate the holiday season, **Terry Vosbein**, professor of music, composed and arranged a new CD of Christmas music, "Stradivarius Christmas," featuring violinist Jasper Wood and pianist David Riley. It is available from Max Frank Music, iTunes, Amazon and CDBaby.

Christian Wiman '88, an award-winning poet and the editor of Poetry magazine, released "My Bright Abyss: Meditation of a Modern Believer" (Farrar, Straus and Giroux) after being diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. It is a powerful meditation on what it means—for an artist and a per-

son—to have faith not just in God, but in anything in the face of death.

Tom Wolfe '51 sets his latest novel, "Back to Blood" (Little, Brown and Company), in Miami. His take on disparate types in and around the city creates a tapestry of memorable scenes and characters.

casebook dedicated to freedom-of-information law.

Vincent W. Rospond II '81 edited an edition of Gaius Julius Caesar's "The Gallic Wars" (Winged Hussar Publishing). It has been edited to make the language cleaner, crisper and easy to follow. The annotations, appendixes and illustrations will bring the focus of this work back onto what it originally was—a military history of Caesar's campaign at the edge of the Republic that was Rome.

Available in digital format is "Nine Lives: A Memoir of Extreme Ballooning" by **King Sprott '56, '58, '59L**. This memoir covers the author's invariably life-threatening adventures experienced in the process of establishing three different world-altitude records in hot air balloons; flying into the stratosphere in an open basket; miraculously surviving the first balloon-crossing of the High Andes; attaining the most prestigious honor in international hot air ballooning—the Diplome Montgolfier; and, in retro-

spect, demonstrating that a man may indeed have as many lives as those ascribed to a cat. Visit kingsninelives.us for more info.

John C. Wilson '74 released the seventh printing of his book "Virginia's Northern Neck: A Pictorial History" (Donning Co.) to celebrate the book's 25th anniversary. The new edition has an expanded epilogue, updated information and color photographs.



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W&L Traveller

A Safari in Tanzania

Nov. 4–15, 2012

The memories are vivid. Arriving at the first of our hotels after traveling on the ancient Great North Road from the airport. Watching the U.S. presidential returns and wondering which swing states would turn out blue or red. Awakening daily to the sounds of birds and nearby wildlife. Sipping fresh coffee from a nearby plantation. Tasting the freshest local fruits. Enjoying exquisite meals over friendly conversations with nice people. Relishing beautiful, mostly dry weather even during the mild rainy season. Visiting two tribal villages. Learning about the fascinating, proud and colorful Maasai tribe. Seeing Olduvai Gorge, one of the most important paleoanthropological sites, where Richard and Mary Leakey went back in time 1.7 million years to unearth links to our ancestors. Spending mornings and afternoons in Land Cruisers with pop-up tops to gaze at

nearby and distant animals and birds.

And the animals—not in zoos but in their natural habitats—giraffes, monkeys, baboons, elephants, lions, leopards, cheetahs, hyenas, gazelles, wildebeests, topis, buffalos, hippos, rhinos, zebras, even the rarely seen African wildcat. We knew we were seeing something special each day.

And each day ended with time to relax with each other. And each day included plenty of conversation about W&L—favorite professors and courses, majors, classmates, lifelong friends, campus life and students then and now, Lexington then and now, and the Honor System, which molds character even to this day, even while touring Africa with W&L Traveller.

*—Dennis Cross, Vice President
for University Advancement*

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UPCOMING TRIPS

April 5–12: Cuba Rediscovered

April 15–21: A Six-Day Getaway: Rome

May 19–30: Paris, Burgundy and Provence

June 16–26: American's National Parks: The Southwest

June 28–July 8: Land of the Ice Bears

Sam Petsonk '13 Named Skadden Fellow

Third-year law student Sam Petsonk has received a prestigious fellowship from the Skadden Foundation. These highly coveted, post-graduate fellowships provide funds to law students who want to devote their professional life to providing legal services to the poor (including the working poor), the elderly, the homeless and the disabled, as well as those deprived of their civil or human rights.

The Skadden Fellowship Program, often described as a “legal Peace Corps,” provides fellows with a salary and benefits consistent with the public interest organization sponsoring the law student’s fellowship application. In Petsonk’s case, this organization is Mountain State Justice, a non-profit, public interest law firm based in Charleston, W.Va.

Petsonk, who was born and raised in the coal-mining area around Morgantown, W.Va., will focus on representing coal miners who have experienced unsafe working conditions. He will also help miners gain access to a variety of state and federal health services and assist them in public hearings before regulatory agencies.

This is not Petsonk’s first foray into public service for coal miners. After attending Brandeis, he returned to West Virginia with the AmeriCorps VISTA program, helping miners access health services and educating the community on public health and other matters.

“It was only after I left home for a time that I realized how much of who I am I owe to the region and the people of Appalachia,” said Petsonk. “I have always felt powerfully drawn to return to West Virginia and work on these issues.”

Following his service with AmeriCorps, Petsonk worked in the office of U.S. Sen. Robert Byrd, where he continued to work on health and safety issues of coal miners, including black lung disease



Skadden Fellow Sam Petsonk '13L says music helps connect him to the community of advocates as well as to his clients.

and safety regulation.

Petsonk says he chose W&L Law for his legal education in part due to the school’s innovative efforts to involve third-year students in serving

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—Sam Petsonk '13L

the low-wage and working families of the region, and in part because he knew its strong, close-knit alumni network would allow him to find opportunities and connections in his chosen field.

“I am grateful that W&L creates space in the curriculum and in the student experience for students to

dig into their interests and personal aspirations and commitments,” said Petsonk. “There is a certain humanity about this law school that makes it possible to create projects like this that are deeply resonant, and personal legal endeavors.”

Rockbridge County was also a fine spot, he noted, to pursue his passion for old-time music. But for Petsonk, who has played the banjo since childhood and more recently taken up the fiddle, his musical interests go beyond hobby or diversion. Rather, he sees music as an extension of his work.

“Public interest legal advocacy is not just about relationships in a courtroom, it’s about building a community of advocates,” says Petsonk. “Music is a big part of that community and the community of clients I have worked with in the past and will be working with as a fellow.”

The Skadden Fellowship Program was started in 1988 by the law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom to commemorate the firm’s 40th anniversary and in recognition of the dire need for greater funding for graduating law students to enter public interest law. So far, the program has funded 677 law school graduates and judicial clerks to work full-time for legal and advocacy organizations. Petsonk is only the second W&L Law student to receive a Skadden Fellowship.

After the fellowship is over, Petsonk hopes to remain in West Virginia to continue his work with coal miners. He is dedicated to making sure there are good, safe job opportunities for miners and providing innovative and low-cost legal services to the community.

“West Virginians have done the heavy lifting of mining the coal to make the steel to build the factories and cities of this country,” Petsonk noted. “This fellowship is just a part of a broader commitment to establishing simple justice for those workers.”

Going the Extra Mile . . . in Ghana

BY MARC E. VARTABEDIAN



Annelise Madison (left), a Johnson Scholar from Roca, Neb., is mixing a politics major with history. She's the reigning ODAC champion in the mile and set a new school record in the 800 meters. She plans to attend law school.

Molly Ortiz (right), of Ketchikan, Alaska, is specializing in English and environmental studies. The captain of the cross country team, she captured third in the ODAC steeplechase. After graduation, she'll be teaching high-school science in San Antonio, Texas, with Teach for America.

When two track-and-field standouts, Molly Ortiz '13 and Annelise Madison '14, decided to go abroad, they sought a cultural experience in a developing country that would take them beyond the classroom (not to mention beyond the well-maintained W&L track). They got one. With the help of the W&L Center for International Education, the Ghana Alliance for Community Transformations (ACT) and Madison's Johnson Opportunity Grant, the duo spent two months last summer teaching underprivileged children, orphans and children of teenage parents at McColin's Preparatory Center in Ho, a small city in southeast Ghana.

In the classroom, they focused on academic basics for students in grades three through six: English, math

and science. Ortiz even found herself teaching French—a brand-new language for the English major. They also scheduled discussions of other topics.

"I remember talking about professionals such as doctors and professors," said Madison, "and I was inspired by the ambitions the girls shared with me and their willingness to redefine the strict gender roles around them."

One day, after the school's malfunctioning computer thwarted a lesson on computer skills, Madison riffed on the many possibilities of modern computers. "Their minds were blown when I told them many people shop or go to school via the Internet," she blogged last summer. "One of the very astute girls in sixth grade asked if Americans appreciate all that they have."

Outside of the classroom, both athletes wanted to build their long-distance fitness level in hopes of qualifying for the NCAA cross country national championship. With their coach, Kris Hoey, they had developed a training program for the varied terrain and limited resources in Ghana. They logged up to 70 miles each week; in the absence of a weight room, they incorporated rocks and chunks of cement into their fitness routine.

Their runs led them straight into the Ghanaian countryside and culture. "We'd start a seven-mile run in Ho's small city center, where we lived," explained Ortiz. "The town was bustling with street vendors, but by the fourth or fifth mile, we'd be outside the town running dirt roads through rural country scenes. The further we ran outside the city, the less western it became. We'd run by farming villagers, children and free-roaming livestock."

"We continue to increase our mileage and, as we don't have the nutrition we are used to in America, it's taking its toll on us," Madison blogged last summer. "Two-a-days are especially exhausting as we run at 5:30 a.m. and then again after teaching, playing and coaching the children, at 5 p.m. . . . People stop whatever they're doing and run with us for a few steps or an entire mile."

The pair also encouraged the schoolchildren to play sports, using equipment donated by the W&L Athletic Department. "Molly and I originally thought we would try to create a sustainable after-school sports program that would encompass many different sports," said Madison, "but eventually we focused our efforts on creating a girls' and boys' basketball program." She and Ortiz built hoops and backboards, then schooled the students on

their dribbling and passing.

Ortiz and Madison found they made as much of an impact with their coaching as with their teaching. "The girls are especially dedicated and responsive . . ." Madison blogged, "because in the past they have not been given the opportunity to play, let alone to be coached." The basketball lessons created such excitement that Susan Aniwawu, the school's founder and director (known to all as Mama Susie), approved building a real court at McColin's new facility.

The W&L student-athletes gleaned rewards both tangible and intangible from their summer in Ghana. Thanks to their off-the-beaten-track training regimen, Ortiz finished in the top nine at last fall's South/Southeast Regional and went on to compete at the NCAA Division III Women's Cross Country Championship; Madison finished 25th at South/Southeast, earning all-regional honors.

And thanks to their honest enthusiasm for helping others, Madison and Ortiz now have memories of what Ortiz wrote about in one of her final blogs before leaving: "The awesome McColin's students that we have come to know so well, as well as the beautiful landscape and warm community."

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— Annelise Madison '14



You can read Molly Ortiz's and Annelise Madison's blogs about Ghana at Omprakash.org and at Athletesact.blogspot.com. They also shot footage for a fund-raising video, which you can view at indiegogo.com.



PHOTO BY SCOTT DITTMAN

25 Years of Volleyball

This past fall, the women's volleyball team recognized former players and coaches who were on campus to celebrate 25 years of volleyball at W&L.

On hand for the milestone was former athletic director Bill McHenry '54 (left), who oversaw volleyball's addition to varsity status. Susan Dittman (right) was the volleyball team's first coach. Also joining them was former player Vanessa Hartman '89 (center), who was the first-ever, first-team ODAC selection in volleyball from W&L.



Power Grab:

W&L Saves Energy—and Money

PHOTOS BY KEVIN REMINGTON AND PATRICK HINELY '73

It was April 2009, in Richmond, a conference about energy management sponsored by the Jessie Ball duPont Fund. The Washington and Lee attendees included Steve McAllister, vice president for finance and treasurer. The organization, which encourages the colleges it supports to reduce energy consumption, had asked each of the 30 institutions to supply information about their energy use per square foot. It handed out the results. W&L hovered at the bottom, with one of the highest consumption rates.

“It was horrible,” remembered McAllister. “My jaw fell to the floor and I slunk down in my seat as I realized W&L was at the bottom. That was the eye-opener that told us we needed to do something.” The mortification of that moment galvanized W&L into action. Four years later, the University has an energy master plan, an energy-savings project and a campus-wide educational effort. All of that has produced significant results: savings of money and energy, to be sure, as well as a renewed sense of ownership and partnership across the campus community.

Five for Five

In 2010, the year after the wake-up call, the Board of Trustees approved the issuance of \$5 million in bonds to underwrite projects to reduce W&L's energy consumption and carbon footprint by at least 20 percent by the year 2020, part of the energy master plan. At the same time, the plan called for the projects to pay for themselves in energy savings over a five-year period. That year, Scott Beebe, then the director of facilities management, ended up with a new assignment (chair of a committee to produce a plan) and a new title (director of energy initiatives). The resulting plan, which he dubbed Five for Five, comprised 34 potential projects with a collective price tag of just under \$5 million and an average payoff time of 4.97 years. Three years into Five for Five, he brags about W&L's progress.

Retro-commissioning seven buildings took priority: Elrod Commons, the Science Center, Lewis Hall, Leyburn Library, the central heating plant, the Lenfest Center and Reid Hall. “We are pretty much on target,” Beebe said. “We started with small fixes, then moved on to small projects and then to the large ones.”

This work has included consolidating hot-water loops, reducing lighting wattage and refining boiler steam controls. New storm windows grace Huntley Hall. At Leyburn Library, ultraviolet scrubbers on air handlers keep the system running more efficiently, and a solar thermal system produces savings as well.

“We’ve had a huge payback with the optimization of the chiller plant,” Beebe said. “It cost \$55,000 to install and is paying us back with \$62,000 in savings a year.”

Leyburn Library's roof sports a new solar-thermal system

that produces the hot water that warms the air after dehumidification. It supplies all of the necessary hot water in the summer, and up to half of it in the winter. The walkway into the library, which covers Northen Auditorium, is a green roof—and not the first one at W&L. Lush Cannan Green, the scene of everything from impromptu Frisbee tossing to Alumni Weekend luncheons, serves as the roof for the Elrod Commons loading dock.

The biggest project was an upgrade of the pneumatic controls all over campus. Now that the systems have direct digital controls, building temperatures throughout campus can be monitored from office computers. “It gives us control of a building,” Beebe explained.

Another favorite tool is the Energy Intelligence System (E.I.S.), which allows users to track the amount of energy that heats, cools and powers 20 buildings. “It is a big, big deal,” said Beebe. “It gives us vital information”

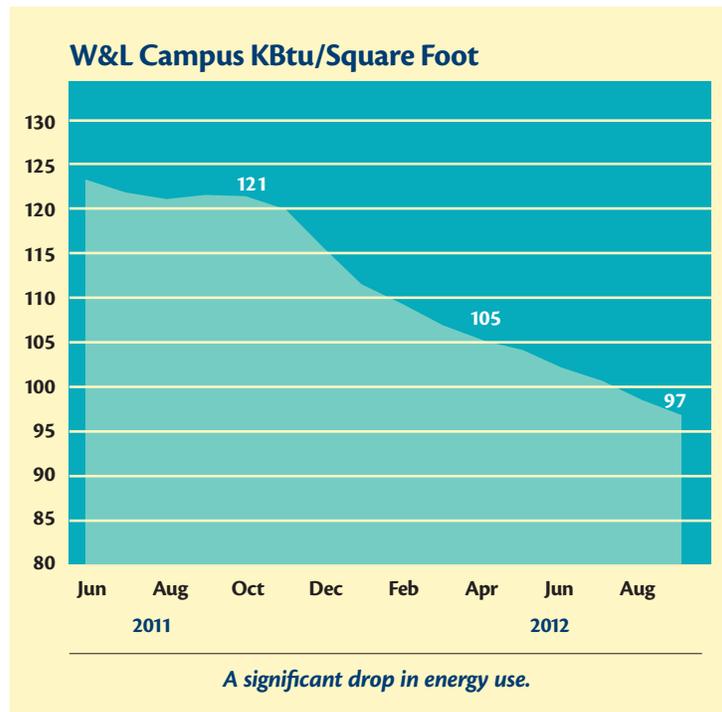
Always enthusiastic about W&L’s educational mission, Beebe has given tours to classes from nearby Dabney Lancaster Community College and worked with students and faculty in W&L’s Environmental Studies Program. “As a learning lab,” he said of W&L’s overall energy program, “it’s working.”

McAllister trumpets the savings. “Our electric usage has been reduced by 23 percent and gas consumption by 27 percent, even while the campus space has increased by approximately 2.5 percent through new construction and remodeled facilities,” he said.

Energy Education

The sight of two individuals prowling around campus in the middle of the night might ordinarily be a cause for alarm. But when W&L’s energy education specialists, Jane Stewart and Morris Trimmer, are the ones doing the prowling, the only people who need to worry are those who have left on a computer, an air conditioner or some other energy-wasting device.

The Energy Education Program



went live in 2011, and W&L hired the pair as the first employees to serve in the new posts. The program is a partnership with Cenergistic: The Energy Conservation Co., a Texas firm that helps educational organizations nationwide reduce energy consumption. It is predicted that, over time, the combined efforts will reduce the University’s carbon footprint by 30 percent and save \$2 million per year in energy costs. W&L aims to be carbon neutral by 2050.

In addition to monitoring campus energy use day and night, Stewart and Trimmer are leading the effort to help reduce consumption through behavioral changes of faculty, staff and students. Their work has been nothing if not interesting. Stewart’s favorite story involves a visit to a fraternity in December 2011. “There was a bunch of guys in this room with their window air conditioner on high, because they didn’t realize that they could turn down the radiator, which was blasting heat

and making the room too hot. They were very apologetic about it because they knew who we were, but they thought it was their only option,” she said. “The amount of waste due to misunderstanding and misinformation is incredible. What’s compelling to me is that whether your interest is saving money or saving the environment, people can make a very big difference by just paying a little bit of attention.”

During the past calendar year, the program has produced a consistent reduction in energy usage by at least 20 percent each month. That decrease was even greater during the summer, averaging almost 30 percent. “For the month of July, as an example, we avoided \$57,455 in utility costs just by changing how we do things on campus, and even more was saved with equipment upgrades,” said Stewart. “These savings came despite the fact that campus was much busier this past summer than in the base year against which the savings are compared, because we had hundreds of high school students here for the Virginia Governor’s



SOLAR PANELS

- 1,016 SunPower solar PV panels on the roof of Lewis Hall, which houses the School of Law. Capacity: 325 kilowatts.
- 540 Sanyo solar PV panels over the parking deck. Capacity: 119 kilowatts.
- Monitor the panels’ productivity at go.wlu.edu/solar; where you can see the total electricity generated, the equivalent numbers of trees and barrels of oil saved, the current weather, and so on.
- The University is leasing the system from Secure Futures L.L.C., a solar-energy development company based in Staunton, Va., which owns and operates the panels through its subsidiary, Lexington Solar.



Scott Beebe, director of energy initiatives, Facilities Management, inside the cooling plant.

ALUMNI ENERGY STARS

- **Lex LaMotte '78** is the president of LaMotte Water Management, which has provided ozone technology for chiller condensers.
- **Mark Raeder '01** is principal of a firm he co-founded, New Grid Energy Solutions, which provided the solar thermal system atop Leyburn Library's roof.
- **Elizabeth Warland '99** and her father, **Samuel L. Perkins '80, '83L**, are the vice president of sales development and CEO, respectively, for Purgenix Inc., which has helped improve the air handlers at Leyburn Library.

enter a room," continued Trimmer. "Having to sit down and fill out the checklist, then sign your name at the bottom, makes you stop and focus on what you're being asked to do. You can also see, when you walk down a hallway, that your peers are making that effort. Not only did this save us a lot of time, but we found that our students really did a good job of complying. Even in those cases where there was not a completed checklist on the door, they had usually done everything we asked."

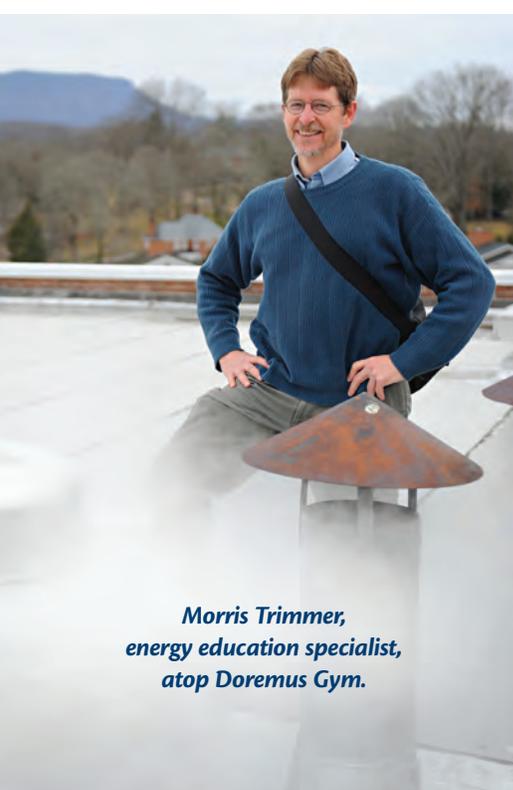
As Stewart and Trimmer have discovered, saving energy is a matter of careful planning and constant conversation with the people who live and work in the various spaces around campus. During the winter break, for instance, the two spent many hours planning which rooms and buildings the students on athletic teams would be occupying when they returned for practices and games in the middle of the break. They also worked with custodial staff in buildings where there might be changes in the scheduled opening and closing times.

Language Academies, and nearly every residence hall was full."

One major initiative in the past two years has been planning for campus shutdowns during vacation periods, when offices and residence halls are not fully in use. "We just went through our second winter-break shutdown, and I think we saw significant

improvements from the first year even as we changed our approach," said Trimmer. "In the first year, Jane and I actually went into every space—residence hall rooms, fraternity and sorority house rooms, campus offices—to check that windows were closed and electric devices, including computers and refrigerators, were unplugged.

"When it came to the student rooms this time, we distributed printed checklists and asked students to indicate those things that they had done and to tape the completed checklist to the door. If we saw a checklist, we didn't



Morris Trimmer, energy education specialist, atop Doremus Gym.

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— **Morris Trimmer, energy education specialist**



Jane Stewart, energy education specialist, on the roof of the Commons.

“One of the things that I was doing during the winter break was checking on new systems that have been installed in the Science Center for both air handling and lighting,” said Trimmer. “Not only do we want to be sure that the new controls are making the air-handling unit operate as expected, but we also need to work with custodians in the buildings to be sure that changes in the times that lights come on or go off do not have a negative impact on their work. There are a lot of small details to consider.”

They monitor the sophisticated, online control system that allows them to look throughout the campus and determine, in real time, what the temperatures are in various spaces, what fans are running and generally how efficiently the systems are performing. By accessing that system from an iPad, they can compare what they see on the controls to what they experience in the spaces.

Among the many partners that Stewart and Trimmer have in their efforts are the Facilities Management personnel. “We work regularly with the systems control specialist, Andy Hamilton, to work through issues related to the digital controls,” said Stewart. “In addition to scheduling heat, lighting and shutdowns of personal spaces like offices and dorm rooms, the winter-break shutdown involved working with Facilities Management staff in managing the chiller plant and heating loop, shutting off domestic hot water heaters, cutting the gas off to the stoves in all the kitchens, including in every Greek house, turning down every single stand-alone boiler on campus and on and on.



A team of energy experts from Facilities Management, l. to r.: Ken Mohler, HVAC/plumbing supervisor; Billy Bryant, associate director; Andy Hamilton, systems control specialist; and Ricky Clifton, power plant supervisor.

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— Jane Stewart, energy education specialist



Richard Marks, professor of religion: Took one for the team over winter break. When he was the only one working regularly in Baker Hall, Marks used a small space heater so the heat for the building could be off.



Elizabeth Teaff, assistant professor, access services librarian, Leyburn Library: Reduces Leyburn’s equipment energy use and coordinates shutdowns over breaks.



Michael Todd, technical operations manager, Journalism and Mass Communications Department: Shuts down critical equipment over breaks.



George Bent, Sidney Gause Childress Professor in the Arts: Does a lot of extra legwork, along with others in the Department of Art and Art History, to help reduce HVAC schedules in Wilson Hall, while still meeting the health, safety and use needs of the studio-art students.

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As part of their ongoing audits of the campus, the pair communicate in another manner—writing a note to suggest what could have been shut down, or leaving a piece of chocolate in appreciation for turning off computers and printers at night.

“That inspires conversations,” Trimmer said. “Those are small, simple things, but I think they inspire people’s actions and awareness. When people see Jane and me passing through the buildings and working on things, that also increases people’s interest and awareness.”

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— Dr. Randy Hoff, CEO of Cenergistic

OTHER ENERGY STARS

These members of the campus community also play stellar roles in saving energy on campus:

- **Thomas “Baner” Bane**, equipment assistant, Athletics
Department: Manages energy savings in the Wilson Stadium facility and lets the energy specialists know when schedules change.
- **Deborah Caylor**, associate treasurer and controller, Business Office: Helps track heating oddities in her building and oversees a department that does an outstanding job powering down their work spaces at night.
- **Katie Claytor**, custodial supervisor, Facilities Management: She and other members of the custodial staff accommodate energy-saving steps that impact them and alert the energy specialists to problems like leaks.
- **Ginna Cropper**, administrative assistant, Career Development: Lets energy specialists know when their office will close early so the HVAC schedule can be reduced accordingly.
- **James Mahon**, professor of philosophy: Helped coordinate feedback that led to improved comfort and energy savings in the renovated Washington Hall.
- **Wendy Price**, assistant dean of the College: Helps communicate and implement goals of the Energy Education Program goals and furthers coordination with faculty.
- **Sharon Sarno**, dining shift supervisor, Café 77: Facilitates shutting down all the café equipment during breaks by, for example, consolidating the contents of refrigerators.
- **Emily Shu ’13** and **Wayde Marsh ’13**, head resident advisors: Bring energy awareness to the Residential Life program.

“It’s exciting to see the impact the energy conservation program is having at Washington and Lee, building on an already strong history of energy conservation,” said Dr. Randy Hoff, CEO of Cenergistic. “Jane and Morris are doing an excellent job managing the program and growing the culture of energy conservation across the entire campus.”

For Future Generations

“These efforts have been successful beyond our expectations,” wrote McAllister in the 2011–2012 financial report. (Read a condensed version on pp. 46–49 and see the entire report online at go.wlu.edu/financials_1112.) “We recently won the Region 2 Corporate Energy Management Award from the Association of Energy Engineers at the World Energy Engineering Conference. In spite of this early success, we will be steadfast in our institutional conservation efforts and in offering greater community education about energy conservation. In addition, we will focus more of our efforts on water conservation, as water and sewer charges now exceed our cost for natural gas. We believe there is another 20 percent to 25 percent in reductions that we can achieve over the next four years.”

Cenergistic’s Hoff concurs. “This translates into significant financial savings, which can be redirected into the University’s



Athletics energy stars, l. to r. Garland "Eddie" Irvine, facilities and equipment coordinator: Oversees energy-saving efforts in Doremus Gym and Warner Center. Shana Levine, associate director of athletics for compliance: Coordinates energy-saving initiatives in the Athletics Department and makes an extra effort during winter break. Robert "Tommy" Mays, facilities and equipment coordinator, Wilson Field Stadium: Oversees energy savings in the outdoor athletic facilities.

mission, as well as further establishing its commitment to protecting our natural resources. Alumni, students and staff can be proud of their University. It is a best-practice model in energy conservation for other institutions across the country."

Stewart and Trimmer credit members of the W&L community for the improving numbers. "I have been amazed and gratified by how willing most people are to put forth an extra effort to try to conserve," said Stewart. "During the breaks, in particular, people have been incredibly cooperative in their preparations. When you consider that it's the end of a semester, when everyone is under a lot of stress, asking them to do one more thing is probably irritating. But they have been wonderfully receptive."

Trimmer has noticed that many members of the community were already making individual strides, and they are pleased that it's now a University-wide initiative. "I've been amazed at the number of people who felt they could continue to do their little bit toward saving energy and be part of a larger effort," he said.

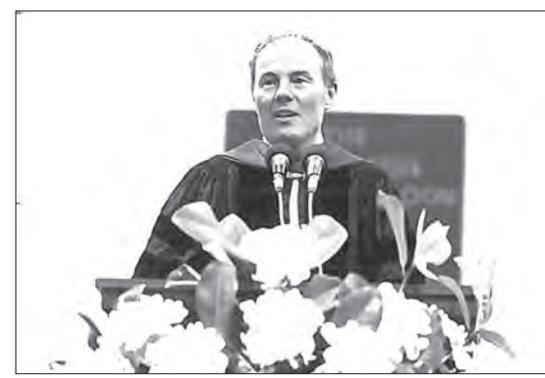
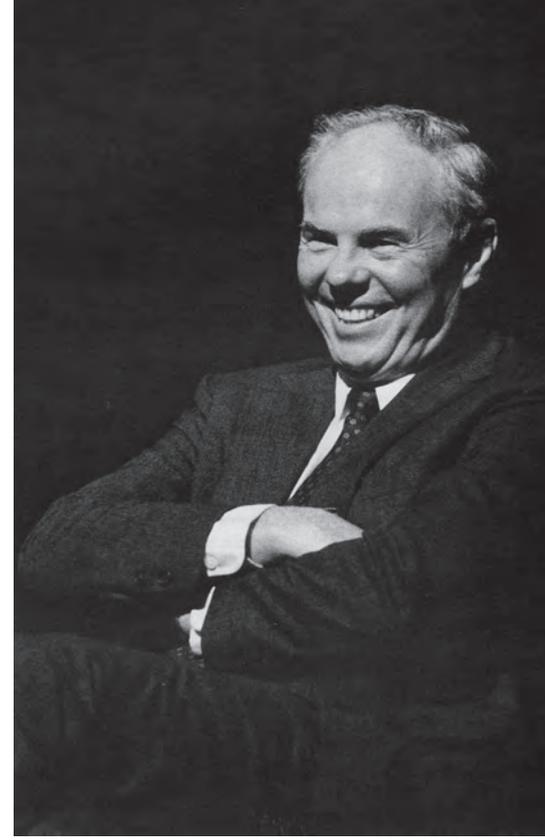
From the beginning of these multifaceted plans, President Ken Ruscio '76 has kept an eye on the future, and on the main purpose of the University. In 2011, rolling out the Energy

Education Program, he told the campus community: "All of this will come together in ways that will provide resources for what we really want to do in our academic mission, even as we fulfill our obligations to future generations."

Not unmindful of the future. Not a bad reason for conserving energy at Washington and Lee. 



Sarah Wilson, administrative assistant, Geology Department: Helps save energy in the sciences.



PRESIDENT JOHN DELANE WILSON

1931–2013

BY JEFF HANNA

JOHN DELANE WILSON, the president who led Washington and Lee during its transition to coeducation, died on March 2, in Lexington, surrounded by family and friends. He was 81 and had suffered from Parkinson's disease.

Wilson served as W&L's president from 1983 to 1995, and those dozen years were marked by some of the most important events in the institution's 264-year history.

In addition to the University's historic decision to become a fully coeducational institution in 1984, the Wilson years saw the University's endowment double, the successful execution of a \$147 million capital campaign, the renovation of 15 fraternity houses in what was known as the Fraternity Renaissance, and the opening of the Lenfest Center for the Performing Arts.

"John Wilson's presidency marked a genuine milestone in the history of the institution," said President Ken Ruscio '76, who held a number of positions at W&L during Wilson's tenure. "He laid the groundwork for so many of the important things that we have accomplished and will continue to accomplish in years to come."

When the University awarded Wilson an honorary doctorate of letters in 1996, the citation described Wilson's enduring impact on University this way: "As our perspective lengthens on the Wilson years, we will doubtless come to realize even more than now the scale of his legacy: In a dozen

swift years of honest hard work, he provided a measurably stronger foundation for the enduring vitality of Washington and Lee, while at the same time he constantly challenged it by

word and deed never to surrender to the soft comforts of self indulgence."

Wilson was born on Aug. 17, 1931, in Lapeer, Mich., one of six children of Myron and Helen Wilson. He was a football star at Michigan State, playing defensive back for the Spartan teams that won the national championship in 1951 and 1952. He played in the North-South postseason football game in 1952. He was also a member of the Academic All-American football team and was Michigan State's first Rhodes Scholar.

Reflecting on those accomplishments in 2001, when he was inducted into the Michigan State Athletics Hall of Fame, Wilson said: "It was easier

in those days to balance academics with athletics. Big-time sports didn't demand so much of you. We had a nine-game

season and stopped around Thanksgiving. Then we wouldn't see each other until spring practice. We became students again."

Responding to his induction into the Hall of Fame, Wilson described

himself as "an ordinary member" of the team. But his brother Patrick J. Wilson disagreed with that self-assessment.

"John was such a smart player, which made him a natural leader for Michigan State's defense," Pat Wilson told the Flint (Mich.) Journal. "He was really the eyes and ears of the



"When I think of Washington and Lee, I think of history, architecture and style. The venerable character of the institution is always there for us to take strength from and call upon."—President Wilson to the Calyx, 1984

Opposite page, clockwise from top left: President Wilson, second from right, with all of W&L's living presidents at the 2006 inauguration of President Ruscio; at a reunion with Al Fleishman '41; announcing his retirement in 1994; at his 1983 inauguration; with his daughter, Sara, at his inauguration; on the inaugural dais; at the inaugural celebration; watching baseball practice; at the press conference announcing coeducation; the Wilson family at his inauguration. Center: Anne and John Wilson in 2006, in front of the hall named for them.



Scenes from a presidency, left to right: At his inauguration, greeting Cecil Hardy '39; presiding over a Founders' Day/ODK convocation; talking with reporters about coeducation.

unit. He usually knew where the offense was going to try to move the ball and he orchestrated people well.”

In 1955, Wilson earned an M.A. in English literature from Exeter College, Oxford University. He then served from 1956 to 1958 in the U.S. Air Force as an intelligence officer with the Strategic Air Command.

He was an assistant to the vice president of academic affairs at Michigan State for a year before spending four years, 1959 to 1963, as assistant to the president at the State University of New York. He then returned to Michigan State to help lead the Honors College. In 1965, Wilson received his Ph.D. in English literature and then taught Shakespeare and Elizabethan literature at Michigan State as an assistant professor of English.

In 1968, Wilson became president of Wells College, a private liberal arts college for women in Aurora, N.Y. He served there until 1975, when Virginia Tech appointed him that institution’s first provost and executive vice president.

On Sept. 1, 1982, W&L elected Wilson as W&L’s 21st president. He took office on Jan. 17, 1983, and was inaugurated on May 19, 1983.

Observing that he found the University had its priorities in order, Wilson called Washington and Lee “a place in which it is still possible to talk of ideals and of courtesy and of civility and even to practice those things. . . . We speak of responsible and effective and ethical uses of knowledge without embarrassment or without cynicism. It is a place in which students willingly assume serious responsibilities of self-government and thus foster in themselves a sense of genuine participation in maintaining and improving the standards we must live by. The Honor System here is not an empty institution. It is a lively and important institution.”

In a 1994 article in this magazine, Wilson recalled that he knew little about Washington and Lee, except its reputation, when he was invited to interview for the presidency. He based his acceptance of the University’s offer largely on his desire to focus on undergraduate education.

“I had a fine and satisfying career at Virginia Tech and I have much respect for research and advanced work,”

he said. “But I discovered that my heart really was in those four undergraduate years.”

His brother, Pat, offered this perspective to the Flint Journal: “John gravitated toward a career in academics with the encouragement of (former Michigan State president) John Hannah, who wished John would have stayed at Michigan State longer as part of the faculty and administration. He also had a love for undergraduate, liberal arts programs and that’s why I think Washington and Lee suited him very well”

In February 1984, the W&L Board of Trustees launched a comprehensive study of coeducation. Recalling that often-heated debate, Wilson said in the 1994 alumni magazine that while he knew there were emotional positions, “we take an oath when we become a member of this Board and that is that we will act in the interests of the institution ‘without fear or favor.’ I had a strong Board, of course, and its members took that oath seriously”

While the decision and implementation of coeducation was the pivotal moment in his presidency, Wilson also presided over a number of other key advances, including the endowment growth and the continued development of the campus. On *The Shoulders of Giants*, the \$127 million capital campaign, was launched in 1990. At its completion in 1995, the fund-raising effort easily surpassed its goal by raising \$147 million.

Funds from that campaign allowed the construction of the Watson Pavilion and the Duchossois Tennis Center and the transformation of Parmly and Howe Halls into the Science Center. The bulk of the money supported student aid and expanded computer support and academic programs. In addition, the Lenfest Center for Performing Arts was dedicated in May 1991, and the University undertook the Fraternity Renaissance program to renovate the fraternity houses and strengthen the Greek system.

In 2006, the John and Anne Wilson Hall opened at Washington and Lee. The addition to the Lenfest Center is headquarters for the University’s Departments of Art and Art History and Music. Longtime benefactors Marguerite and Gerry Lenfest ’53, ’55L gave a major gift to name the building in the Wilsons’ honor.

John and Anne Wilson on the porch of Lee House, in 1994.

Wilson was a familiar figure at athletic events as well as theater and music performances. In discussing the construction of the Lenfest Center and its importance to the arts at W&L, Wilson said that “our physical plant and our curriculum would mean nothing without our students. I love being with them. It’s a pleasure to attend games, lectures, concerts.”

Wilson received numerous honors and awards, including a 1984 Ring-tum Phi Award for outstanding service for “demonstrating the courage to force the university to reexamine itself, primarily with regard to the current coeducation study.” He was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, the national honorary leadership society founded at W&L, in 1983.

In 1987, he received the Duffy Daugherty Award from Michigan State for his athletic career there. In 1989, he was elected to the GTE Academic All-America Hall of Fame, also for his college athletic career. In 2000, he received Virginia Tech’s Ruffner Medal, its highest honor, for service and dedication to Virginia Tech. President Charles Steger wrote on that occasion, “Virginia Tech would not be the comprehensive university that it is today had it not been for John Wilson’s vision and leadership in setting the intellectual agenda of the university as its first provost.”

Wilson belonged to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Alpha Theta, the Association of American Rhodes Scholars and the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges. He served on the boards of the Virginia Tech Library Systems, the Roanoke Electric Steel Corp., Hollins College and Mercersburg (Pa.) Academy. He was chairman of the board of the Virginia Foundation for Humanities and Public Policy. In 2007, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Lapeer (Mich.) Community Schools.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Anne Yeomans Wilson; their four children, Stephen, Anthony, Patrick and Sara; nine grandchildren; two sisters; and two brothers.



REMEMBERING JOHN WILSON

“He is remembered for his keen intellect and a fearless leadership style that helped position both schools [Virginia Tech and Washington and Lee] for the future.” —**The Roanoke Times**

“John Wilson was the embodiment of the liberal arts ideal, and his eloquence in expressing its values brought a unique beauty and clarity to their purpose.” —**Larry Boetsch '69**

“I was...very touched by his decisive commitment to coeducation. I could still feel something when I was studying at W&L in 1989, and so can imagine how difficult that move could be. Salute to a leader who has a vision and worked through with that.” —**Amy Cheng '90, Exchange Student, 1989–1990**

“Without John Wilson, W&L would not enjoy its reputation of excellence today. To him, Washington and Lee owes a deep debt of gratitude.” —**Nat Baker '67**

“The John Wilson I came to know as a student was a gentleman scholar genuinely interested in the students entrusted to him and the institution for which he was responsible.” —**Niv Goldberg '93**

“I served on President Wilson’s Coeducation Committee... I loved getting to know him and found his leadership admirable, genuine and thoughtful.” —**Carol Pierce Goglia '95**

Understanding How a Life is Made

BY CHRISTIAN WIMAN '88

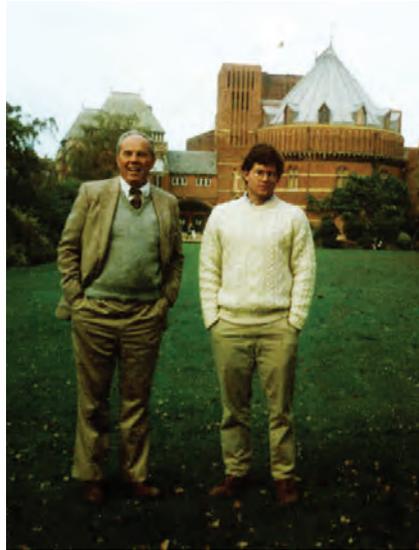
John Wilson was a tennis fan—a minor detail of his life that had a very large impact on my own.

In 1984, I joined a W&L tennis team that was on an upswing. It wasn't the U.S. Open or anything, but the excitement of winning ODACs and gaining a berth in the national tournament—held at W&L that year—was enough to bring out the president and his wife.

My mind was barely on the tennis. I'd sold my car. I'd worked in the oil fields back home in Texas over Christmas break. I'd taken any job I could find. (It was during my wretched paper route that I first began encountering the elegant, diminutive and exotically English Anne Wilson, who walked her horse-sized Great Dane at dawn with a kind of regal irony that only she could pull off.) I was broke and ready to give up but had missed the deadlines to transfer to a state school in Texas. My plan was simply to drop out for a while.

At some point during the tournament, a most-thoughtful little birdie whispered my plight into the Wilsons' ears. The day after the tournament, I received a sizable scholarship, which enabled me to stay at W&L, and to stay on the tennis team (three years later we would win a national championship), and—most important of all—to get to know John and Anne.

Not that I would have called them that. Not then. Not yet.



John Wilson and Christian Wiman at Stratford-upon-Avon.

John went on sabbatical after my senior year, I went on a mission to become a writer, and his time and my terror (and, if truth be told, Anne) combined to bring me to their rented house in Oxford for a few months. It was the house of a scholar clearly desperate to update the image of an Oxford don, and the furniture was like a parody of modern design, including a claustrophobic bower of a dining table where we never sat unless there was company: other Oxford dons, decidedly not updated, who would patronize me in ways that, I suddenly and gratefully realized, John and Anne never did. It also had, *mirabile dictu*, a tennis court,

where John and Anne would team up to run me ragged, like a dog in training.

And I was a dog that needed training. It was in that house that I first learned to open a bottle of wine properly, and to come down to dinner with shoes on (!!), and to tell the difference between Shubert and Shostakovich. It was there that I first gained some sense of discipline, and fashion (see photo!), and an understanding of how a life is not made of achievement but intimacies, or of how the former without the latter is a barren thing.

When we live with someone, their beings are as seamless—and seemingly as endless—as our days. But when we are separated—by distance or by death—people turn into discrete instants. Because we are human, and because life is hard, our memories often adhere to moments of pain and difficulty. I am struck, then, by how all of my memories of John—in Hilton Head, boasting over a photo of himself blanketing a hapless wide receiver in college (“you wouldn't have had a prayer,” he said to me), laugh-damning his brainless Labrador Jason as he plunged into the mud in Blacksburg, talking excitedly about “Richard III” at Stratford-upon-Avon—are all bright, vital, cherishable things. I owe him—and Anne, always Anne—the deepest kind of debt, the kind that only a life lived more fully and generously can repay.

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For more about President John Wilson, see President Ken Ruscio's column on p. 48, and watch the memorial service, which took place on March 16 in Lee Chapel, online at go.wlu.edu/wilson_memorial.

AN ENGAGING OPPORTUNITY

BY BRODIE GREGORY '03



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One of the questions in our recent W&L alumni survey was “How ‘engaged’ are you with W&L?” I hope this question encouraged some reflection on your behalf. The term “engagement” is popular in higher education, especially in alumni affairs. But if you ask five different people what it means to be engaged in a job or an organization, you’ll likely get five different answers. Indeed, the ways we think of alumni engagement at W&L have evolved as we have gotten more input from you—our most valued constituents—and as alumni activities and communication tools continue to change.

For you, feeling engaged with W&L might mean staying current on news and events by reading the alumni magazine and “Generally Speaking.” Maybe you attend local chapter events or stay connected through planned annual giving. Your sense of engagement may stem from building the next generation of students and alumni by interviewing applicants in the Alumni Admissions Program. Perhaps your level of engagement has increased because you are also a W&L parent, giving you a new perspective on the University and bringing you closer to day-to-day issues.

Our goal is simple. We want you to feel connected, in a meaningful and manageable way, to your W&L. There are many ways for this to happen. Your local chapter allows you

to connect with W&L in the comfort of your own zip code. If you are new to a city, your chapter is a fantastic way to meet new people and be part of the community. Our chapters are always looking for volunteers to plan and host events, participate in service projects, interview high school students, serve as a liaison to the local young alumni or law alumni populations, or step up to leadership roles.

Other opportunities abound.

Consider re-engaging with your academic major or the Career Development Center to mentor current students and help them prepare for life after graduation. Tune in for one of President Ruscio’s online addresses. Support your favorite teams by streaming their events online, giving to the Generals Club or attending games when teams are playing nearby. Experience the great joy and learning of the Alumni College and Traveller adventures on campus and around the globe. Submit a Career Perspectives article to the Alumni Careers website to share lessons you have learned.

Alumni engagement is definitely not one-size-fits-all. Whatever your interests, whatever your available time, W&L has a rewarding way for you to stay connected and engaged with the University, to help you meet new friends, to connect with old friends, and to continue to learn and grow. The opportunities are vast. What mode of engaging with W&L appeals to you? 

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1944

Dr. William M. Manger received a Gold Medal for Distinguished Service to Humanity from the National Institute of Social Sciences in November 2012. He is the chairman and founder of the National Hypertension Association.



Sandy Walton III '62, '65L (right) crossed paths with **Mathew O'Sullivan '12** in **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, last August.**

The two originally met when Walton was on campus for his 50th undergraduate reunion last May and stopped by his old frat house, Phi Gamma Delta, where O'Sullivan was a brother. Walton was in Mongolia as a tourist, and O'Sullivan is there as a Princeton in Asia Fellow, project development officer, for XacBank.

1957

Jeb J. Rosebrook's "The Conflict," a stage adaptation of his 1974 two-hour episode of television's "The Waltons," was acquired by Dramatic Publishing. "The Conflict" is based on a true story of the federal government's construction of the Blue Ridge Parkway in the 1930s, which displaced mountain families. The play is nationally and internationally for production in schools, colleges, community theaters and off Broadway.

1958

Sheldon Clark II retired after 10 years as director of college advising at Beaufort (S.C.) Academy. He moved to Tampa, Fla., in November 2012.

50TH REUNION, MAY 2-4

1963

Robert G. Holland was elected president of the Myrtle Beach-area chapter of Mended Hearts, a nationwide volunteer organization of heart-surgery survivors who provide support, through hospital visitation and other means, to new heart patients pre- and post-op, as well as their families and caregivers.

45TH REUNION, MAY 2-4

1968

Charles C. Lewis ('71L) retired as professor of law in May 2012, after 34 years of teaching at the Campbell University School of Law in Raleigh, N.C. He received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from Gov. Beverly Perdue for his 25 years of service on the North Carolina General Statutes Commission. For the past 10 years, he served as chairman of the commission. He still lives in Buies Creek, N.C., with his wife, Jeanne, and they have six grandchildren. The two youngest are twins, Caroline Keener Speer and Connor Midgeley Speer, born in 2009 to his younger daughter, Brooke, and her husband, David Speer.

1970

Charles R. Yates Jr. received the YMCA of Metro Atlanta's 2012 Bransby Christian Leadership Award, its highest volunteer honor. In 2000, he was elected to the YMCA of Metro Atlanta board of directors, serving on a number of committees. In 2008, the Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Atlanta Chapter named him the Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year for his efforts with the Atlanta Opera and the YMCA of Metro Atlanta. He is chair of the Metro board of directors, and is involved with the Atlanta Rotary Club, the Atlanta Opera board and the Robert Tyre Jones Jr. Scholarship Committee at Emory University. He recently retired as executive vice president of Zurich.

40TH REUNION, MAY 2-4

1973

George E. Calvert Jr. joined the Middleburg Trust Co. in Richmond as senior vice president and chief investment officer. He managed bond funds focused on Maryland and Virginia municipal securities for the previous 11 years. He and his wife, Gigi, live in Richmond.

1974

James B. Hornor and his wife, Eileen, own the Brunswick Inn in Brunswick, Maine, a 16-room inn just a block from Bowdoin College. He has a portrait of President Lee hanging in the kitchen as a reminder of his true allegiance. They welcome anyone from W&L.



Emeritus English professor John Evans donned the appropriate gear to accompany a few of his former students on a hunting trip. From l. to r.: **Trustee Harry Phillips '72, Evans, Bob Woodward '71, Wick Vellines '68, '73L and Tommy Rueger '69.** Not pictured: **Lee Thalheimer '73, Craig Jones '73 and Howell Morrison '76.**

1975

Duke W. Stevens volunteers over 2,000 hours each year with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. During the 2012 Labor Day race in the waters south of Texas, the auxiliary participated as escorts and search-and-rescue ready assets in case of emergencies. His crew was put to the test when a sailing vessel capsized, leaving two people in the water. Duke and his crew received awards for their involvement in the rescue at the 8th Coast Guard district training workshop held in Dallas.

1978

Mark A. Bradley received a 2012 attorney general's award for his national security work at the Department of Justice. Bradley is an attorney and a member of the federal government's senior executive service in the DOJ's national security division.

Peter A. Quinn was named the head of the Peddie School in Hightstown, N.J., effective July 2013. He is currently the headmaster of Wakefield School, a pre-school through 12th-grade college preparatory school in Virginia. During his tenure at Wakefield, the school increased attendance from 244 students to around 505 students. Quinn began his teaching and coaching career at Peddie before joining Wakefield.

1979

Dr. William R. Meyer completed his term as president of the North Carolina OB-GYN Society. He is the founder of Carolina Conceptions, an IVF/infertility practice in Raleigh. Last year, he and his wife, Maria, traveled with W&L's Traveller to France, where they had a great time.

Sean R. Smith ('83L) completed the Little Red Lighthouse Swim, a 10-kilometer swim in the Hudson River, in September 2012.

1980

David L. Church earned a CCIM designation in October 2012. He is a managing director at Philadelphia Private Capital L.L.C., where he negotiates with CMBS special servicers on behalf of borrowers with distressed debt and sources debt and equity for commercial real estate projects.

Mark J. Richard was named executive producer for "Hell on Wheels," a Western television drama for AMC network, now entering its third season. Richard's fourth book, "House of Prayer No. 2," a bestseller published last year by Nan A. Talese/Doubleday, is in its fifth printing. It was included in the Top Ten Books of 2011 by The Wall Street Journal and Entertainment Weekly and was a book-of-the-month selection of The New Yorker. An excerpt that appeared in Harper's



Members of the Class of 1960 held a week-long mini-reunion at the Inn at Crumpin-Fox in Bernardston, Mass., in November 2012. From l. to r.: Pres Rowe, Tom Howard, Page Garrett, Bill Goode, Ken Lipscomb and Gerry Shields, who is the innkeeper.

magazine earned a Pushcart Prize. Mark also teaches fiction writing and screenwriting in the master's of professional writing program at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles.

1985

Luke M. Cornelius is program leader and associate professor of higher education administration at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville, Fla. He read law at Magdalen College, Oxford, England, and graduated from the Georgia State University College of Law. Cornelius serves as a pro bono attorney for Jacksonville Area Legal Aid. He lives in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

James E. Noble started his fourth year as a reporter for ESPN. He primarily reports on NASCAR for "SportsCenter" and "NASCAR Now" and also hosts various sports talk shows on SiriusXM radio. Noble, his wife, Elizabeth, and son, Drew, live in Charlotte, N.C.

1990

Tina Vandersteel Cressotti won the 48th Head of the Charles Regatta in her 1x (singles) in Boston. She won it for the first time two years ago, but then lost to a Canadian single sculler and silver medalist from the '93 World Championships. She was cheered on by her husband, Matt, and her two girls, Julia, 7 and Elsa, 5.

Alan J. Heinrich was appointed to the executive committee of Irell & Manella L.L.P., where he is an intellectual property litigator and also serves as the firm's hiring partner. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Eileen '90, who is a scientist at the City of Hope

Medical Center, and their chocolate lab, Penny. They occasionally Skype with their daughters Kelli and Shana, who are attending, respectively, Vassar College and the University of San Francisco.

D. Woodford Webb Jr. is a board officer for the Hospice of the Bluegrass in Lexington, Ky., which has served more than 900 patients daily in 32 central, southeastern and northern Kentucky counties.

1991

Laurel Empie McGinley was promoted to senior associate at the Dewberry architectural firm's Fairfax, Va., office. She has 16 years



The Atlanta Alumni Chapter enjoyed a Presidents' Day event and Chapter of the Year (2011-12) celebration for Division I. This annual event attracted more than 250 alumni, parents and guests to the home of Laura and Tom Pearce '85. L. to r.: Pierce Owings '06, chapter president; Anne Russell Bazzel '08, event organizer; Beau Dudley '74, '79L, director of alumni affairs; Mary Stuart Hurst '07, event organizer; and Wright Marshall '95, immediate past chapter president.

of experience in geotechnical and environmental engineering and emergency management. She manages the engineering branch within Dewberry's emergency-management-disaster and mitigation-services department and has been deputy program manager of contracts with the U.S. Department of Labor and FEMA.

Michael D. Whorton Jr. joined Barclays as a director in the wealth and investment management group in the firm's Dallas office.

1992

Spencer Y. Patton secured his first international investor to acquire real estate in the United States through his company, Orion Real Estate Advisors. He closed on the first acquisition in September 2012. He is looking for more opportunities and investors, as well as acquisition targets.

1994

Kirsten Ergenbright Craft was featured in the September issue of IBM Systems Magazine, one of only six profiles included in the Women in Technology supplement. She is the executive vice president of software and consulting for SIS, a technology company headquartered in Lexington, Ky.

1996

Nova A. Clarke moved to Louisiana and has a new uniform, as the education specialist at Black Bayou Lake National Wildlife Refuge with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. She is looking forward to hanging out in swamp and Cajun country.



Joe M. Ramseur Jr. '94 and his wife, Whitney Matthews Ramseur '94, along with George Walker '08 and Brad Gower '05, enjoyed a perfect week in October pursuing what they call the "king" of the game birds (ruffed grouse). They were led by George Walker's dad, Herman. Unfortunately, Meredith Walker Gower '08 could not make the trip as she was expecting the Gowers' first child, Ford, who was born on Dec. 8, 2012.

Sakina K. Paige ('02L) was named president of the Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association and the 2012-2013 board of directors.

15TH REUNION, MAY 2-4

1998

Alexandra L. Kappel received her Ph.D. in special education, with a focus in teacher preparation and early childhood special education, from West Virginia University in July 2012. She works at Indiana University of Pennsylvania as an assistant professor in the education of exceptional persons and clinical services department.

1999

As of October 2012, **Nathaniel J. Hager** is the morning anchor at WNEW, the all-news competitor in Washington, created by CBS Radio. He can be heard weekday mornings from 5 to 9:30 a.m. on 99.1FM in D.C., Maryland and Northern Virginia.

2000

C. Carson Chambers received a regional Emmy Award for Best On-Air Talent—General Assignment Reporter. She is a news reporter for WFTS-TV, the ABC affiliate, in Tampa, Fla., her hometown.

John P. Zimmer, an associate attorney in Smith Moore Leatherwood's Charlotte, N.C., office, received the 2012 Council for Children's Rights' Pro Bono Service Award. He has served children in need through the CFR's Custody Advocacy Program, one of the council's four core programs. At Smith Moore Leatherwood, Zimmer focuses on various patent-related matters, including patent prosecution and counseling regarding various technologies. He primarily advises clients in the chemical and materials science areas and has co-authored 13 papers appearing in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

2002

Justin R. Arnold ('05L) launched Arnold Sai L.L.P., a full-service corporate law firm headquartered in Washington, with a second office in New York. It advises domestic and international brands on a wide range of transactional and litigation matters, including emerging companies, early-stage startups, small businesses, tech entrepreneurs, sports and entertainment industry clients and non-profits.

Benjamin F. Johns was elected to a two-year term on the board of directors of the Dickinson School of Law Alumni Society. He was also named a Lawyer on the Fast Track by the Legal Intelligencer and recognized as a Top 40 Under 40 lawyer by the National Trial Lawyers Association.

2002

Dr. Hillary E. Lockemer is happy and excited to have finished all her medical training and to be starting her



The Tallahassee (Fla.) Chapter celebrated Presidents' Day at the Osceola Plantation in Thomasville, Ga., on Jan. 17.

career as a pediatric endocrinologist at WakeMed Children's Endocrinology & Diabetes Center in Raleigh, N.C.

2003

Capt. John S. Warren Jr. founded Lima One Capital, a regionally based hybrid-lending company that is working to revolutionize the hard-money lending industry. The firm provides direct lending for residential real estate investors and homebuilders, giving clients the opportunity to generate industry-leading returns on investments. Their loan programs include complete rehab, construction, cash out and long-term rentals. The firm's name is drawn from Warren's call sign during his tour of duty in Iraq.

2004

C. Adam Overholtzer helped create a video that won the top award from the Association for Advancement of Artificial Intelligence in July 2012. The video describes a "smart" biology textbook and the AI behind it. Overholtzer was the designer and lead developer of the Inquire iPad app. Students can ask Inquire questions and explore relationships between concepts, with answers generated by an AI system developed by his colleagues at SRI International. See the video online at aivideo.org/2012 or learn more about Inquire at inquireproject.com.

2007

Harrison M. Gates is an associate at Christian & Barton L.L.P., a law firm in Richmond. As a member of the litigation practice group, he assists clients with contract and business tort disputes and other general litigation matters.

Michael W. Ginder received his master's degree in sports management from Georgetown University. He is the assistant men's and women's swim coach at Bucknell University and lives in Lewisburg, Pa.

Joseph E. Watson III, who works for The Watson Firm, in Birmingham, Ala., began a lunchtime program called Start-Up Crash Course. It features monthly presentations by industry experts on topics that entrepreneurs typically encounter.



Former members of the W&L cross country team gathered last October to run the 2012 Chicago Marathon. Brad Paye '96 and Greg Ruthig '98 led the way with impressive times of 2:41 and 2:43, respectively, helping the Generals deliver a respectable fourth-place finish in the team competition. L. to r.: Jason Callen '98, David Lawrence '98, Paye and Ruthig. Not pictured: Will Olson '98.

2009

Melissa C. Ginder is a senior analyst for strategy and planning at Raymond James Financial Inc. She lives in St. Petersburg, Fla.

2010

Hillary W. Strasser works for Wilderness Safaris in Malawi, Africa.

Weddings

David W. Howard '87 to Vivian Mavris on Jan. 11, 2008, in Baltimore,

Md., in a beautiful ceremony and reception at Martin's East. Douglas Harvey '87 and John Wiltse '87 were groomsmen, and Allan Dick '88 was the officiant.

Grady C. Frank III '00 to Amanda Ortel, on Sept. 22, 2012, in Baltimore. Many close W&L friends attended. The couple live in New York City.

Meredith Bryk '01 to Erik Baines, in Lexington on April 27, 2012. They reside in the Richmond area, where she is on the faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University, and he is a law school graduate and judicial clerk.

Jeffery K. Cook '01 to Anthony D. McCormac on Nov. 10, 2012, in New York. Cook is a lobbyist and political consultant involved in efforts to change estate-tax laws and other issues. He is also a senior adviser to American Unity PAC, a political action committee that supports Republican candidates who favor same-sex marriage. McCormac is the director for international business development in the test-preparation division of Kaplan, the educational company in New York.

Geoffrey E. Rogow '04 to Erin C. McCaffrey on Nov. 4, 2012, at the Holly Hedge Estate in New Hope, Pa. He is an assistant news director for Dow Jones Newswires and The Wall Street Journal in New York, while she is a radiology nurse at NYU Langone Medical Center in New York.



Members from the Chattanooga Alumni Chapter gathered one Saturday just before Christmas to assemble and organize hundreds of children's bikes for the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program, which provides assistance for needy children, their families and senior citizens. This year they gave away over 2,500 bicycles.

From l. to r.: Clay '78 and Andrea Crouch, their son, Lanham, Betsy Blunt Brown '96 and her husband, Hugh Brown.



Katherine M. Roberts '12 to Andrew Sackman '10 on June 16, 2012, in Fredericksburg, Va. About 50 W&L alumni and students attended, ranging from Katherine's grandfather, Josiah Rowe '48, and great-uncle, Charles Rowe '45, '50L, to members of the class of 2015. The maid of honor was Allison Chopin '11, and Eleanor Kennedy '12 was one of the bridesmaids. Best man was Ned Burks '10 and groomsmen included Will Ackell '10, Kyle Parsons '11, Matt Pagano '10 and Andy Budzinski '10. They live in Tallahassee, Fla., where Andrew is pursuing a Ph.D. in evolutionary genetics, and Katherine is working in the chemistry department at Florida State.



Anne Russell Calvert '08 to Johnson Bazzel '06 on Sept. 15, 2012, in Highlands, N.C. Members of the wedding party included Matthew Calvert '75, '79L (bride's father), maids of honor McQueen Calvert '05 (bride's sister) and Hardie Calvert '10 (bride's sister), best man Frank Bazzel Sr. '72 (groom's father), groomsmen Frank Bazzel Jr. '02 (groom's brother), bridesmaid Rodes Nash Bazzel '03 (groom's sister-in-law) and bridesmaid Lynn Bazzel '10 (groom's sister). Also in attendance were the bride's uncles George Calvert Jr. '73 and Robert Calvert '79, as well as alumni Mary Radford Wyatt '08, Dargan McMaster Rain '08, Lily de Grazia Fulks '08, Polly Smith '08, Inslee Haynes '08, Hagan Dick '06, Robert Ferguson Jr. '06, Christopher Godfrey '06 and Taylor Alexander '06.



Nicole Tsiknakis '07 to Mike Whitecar '05 on Oct. 20, 2012, in Baltimore. Alumni in the wedding party included (l. to r.), J.D. Lusk '05, Milena Decosimo '07, Paul McClure '05, Marshall Viney '05, Annie Thompson '07, John Howard '06, Emily Applegate '07 and Abby Olson '07.



Crystal Ann Simpson '01 to Michael William McElwain, on June 9, 2012, in Irvington, Va. The wedding party and guests included Julianna Spencer Ingersoll '01 (bridesmaid), Sophie Lambrou Seibert '01 (matron of honor), Bess DuRant '02, Jenna Poole Abel '01 (bridesmaid), Emily Ramey Mirhashemi '01 (bridesmaid), Rebekah Ahn '02, Melissa Palombo Cook '02, Danica Oliver '01 (bridesmaid), Sarah Riggs Amico '01 (bridesmaid), Elizabeth Alford Rice '02, Kathryn Baldwin Kirtley '01 (bridesmaid), Thomas Burke Jr. '01 and Jack Bauer '97. The couple reside in New York City. Crystal is a director in investment banking at Barclays, and Michael is a research astrophysicist at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center.



Leah Greenberg '05 to Phil Katz, Sept. 2, 2012 in Roanoke. Her attendants included Greer Johnson '05, Jared Harrison '05 and Meredith Marks Trivedi '05. Alumni in attendance included David Startzman '05, Kendall Priddy '05, Kathryn Temple '05, Nisha Kaul Cooch '05, Marriott Horton Miller '05, Ali Santoro '05, Katie Henderson '05, Christine Fritz Loyd '05, Emily Larish Startzman '05, Kiersten Salander '05, Catherine Turner '05, Richard Greenberg '79L (father of the bride), Arnold Masinter '62, Ali Greenberg '13, Joe Cooch '06, Pegram Johnson '66 and Florence Greenberg (widow of the bride's grandfather, Jerome Greenberg '46, '48L), as well as members of Southern Comfort, who performed at the reception.



Emily N. Leary '12 to Clarke D. Morrison '12 at Lee Chapel on Sept. 8, 2012, with a reception at Evans Hall. The wedding party included Anne Masich '12, Jenece Upton '12, Shiri Yadlin '12, Kelsey Sizer '12, Jennifer Ritter '11, Alex Shabo '12, Matt Simpson '12, Scott Gibson '12, Carl Wolk '12 and Robert Vestal '11. The couple live in Washington.



Christopher S. Colby '05, '08L, to Holly Slimak, on May 27, 2012, in Holmes Beach, Fla. They live in Richmond, Va., where Chris is a lawyer at Vandeventer Black, and Holly is a kindergarten teacher at Dumbarton Elementary School in Henrico. Members of the wedding party included Drew Catanese '04, Andres Amerikaner '05, Justine Sessions '05, Laurence McKenny '04 and Paul La Raia '04. Alumni in attendance included Chris Caramore '05, Zachary Fake '03, Reed Evans '06, Megan Caramore '05, Clarke Barrineau '06, Chris Diebold '09, Ron Ginder '75, Katharine McKenny '05, Michael Ginder '07, Teddie Arnold '03, Amy Hayes '08, Sarah Diebold '10 and Kevin Hayes '07.



Michael T. Kuntz '11 to Lindsay West on July 21, 2012, in Lexington. Alumni in the wedding party included Christopher Browning '11, James Dick '10, Andrew Gillmore '10 and E.W. Malachosky '11. Alumni in attendance included Kristin Adams '11, Luke Andersen '12, Scott Centorino '11, Steven Chun '12, Ryan Elsey '11, Michael Fazzone '12, Elsa Friis '11, Beth Henzel '11, John Henzel '10, Phil Jackson '12, Katie Jarrell '14, Kelli Jarrell '12, Allison Lemon '11, Greg Lennon '11, Fowler Martens '11, Anna Thornton '11, Daniel Thornton '10, Will Richardson '11, Lucy Simko '11 and Robert Uhlman '12.



Natalie Bunnell '10 to **Wesley O'Dell '09** on July 13, 2012, in Cambridge, England, at Clare College, Cambridge University, where the groom took his M.Phil. in history. The wedding party included bridesmaid Kelsey Wright '10, best man Richard Cleary '09 and groomsman Scott Centorino '11. From l. to r.: Michael O'Brien '10, Dinah Danforth '10, Tara Stewart '10, Emily Hudson '14, Scott Centorino '11, Kelsey Wright '10, the groom, the bride, Carolyn Adamik '10, Joachim Roux '08 and Richard Cleary '09.



Catarina M. Passidomo '04 to **Will Townes '96** on Sept. 22, 2012, in Lexington. Burr Datz '75 officiated. Pictured (l. to r.): Mateo Caballero '04, Sarah Grigg '04, John Boyd '97, Jay Didier '96, Maitena Moure Brill '04, Matt Tolini '96, Kara Markin '04, Henry Harrison '95, the bride, the groom, Noshir Irani '04, Annie Estrada Postma '04, Courtney Townes Good '96L, Rich Walter '97, Jenny Keel '89, Brian Good '95L and Sarah Garrison. In attendance but not pictured: Burr Datz, David Harbor, James Dick, Jeff Barnett.



Alexis M. Fernandez '05 to Randall Totten on Jan. 7, 2012. She completed an accelerated nursing program at Seton Hall University as cohort valedictorian and now has her B.S.N. From l. to r.: Alexandra Cumming '05, the bride, Natalya Bright '05, Amanda Bartine '05 and Bethany Evans '05.



Stacy Sweet '04 to Eric Palovich on Sept. 22, 2012, in Lake Forest, Ill. They reside in Washington. He is a principal and portfolio manager at New Century Advisors L.L.C., and she is a loan officer at CapitalSource Bank.



A.J. Manett '05 to Halley Black on Sept. 29, 2012, in Charleston, S.C., where they reside. Also in attendance were Cara and George Singletary '05 and Whitney Baird and Pierce Mayson '05.

Charles P. Nichols '05 to Kari Anderson on Sept. 23, 2012, in Ocean City, NJ. They live in Denver, where she teaches middle school English, and he practices law. The two met through Kari's sister, Julie Anderson '06.

Births and Adoptions

Dr. Electra M. Wentz '92 and **Neill A. Wentz '97**, a son, Hans Augustine, on Sept. 25, 2012. Hans joins brother Huw, 2. They live in Virginia Beach, where Electra works as an emergency physician, and Neill is a judge advocate in the Marine Corps.

Nicholas C. Polizzi '96 and his wife, **Whitney**, a daughter, Katherine Reece, on Dec. 20, 2012. She joins sister Elizabeth.

Richard B. Weaver '96 and his wife, **Missy**, a son, Samuel Thomas, on Nov. 1, 2012. The family reside in Taylorstown, Va. Richard and Missy were married on Oct. 2, 2010, in Englefield, Berkshire, England.

Alison R. Detwiler '98 and her husband, **David**, a son, Jon Paul "Penn" II, on Aug. 8, 2012.

Catherine Price Hilpert '99 and **Brent Hilpert '98**, a daughter, Mackenzie Grace, on Oct. 7, 2012. She joins sister Molly, 3. They live in Smyrna, Ga.

Lauren W. Hopkins '99 and her husband, **James**, a son, Luke William, on Nov. 4, 2011. He joins brother Ben, 2.

Ian R. Conner '00 and his wife, **Melissa**, a son, William Robert, on May 9, 2012. Will joins brother Sean and sister Catherine. The family live in Midlothian, Va.

Paul N. Downey '00 and his wife, **Liza**, a son, Daniel Lawrence, on Oct. 9, 2012.

Sara K. Jancaitis '00 and **Ryan Jancaitis '00**, a son, Andrew Clifton, on Feb. 6, 2012. Andrew joins sister Eloise. They live in Dallas.

Lindsay S. Robison '00 and **John Robison '02L**, a daughter, Murray Sommerville, on Sept. 18, 2012. They live in Birmingham, Ala.

Courtney C. Tkacz '00 and her husband, **Brian**, a daughter, Eva Sofia, on May 19, 2012. They live in Richmond.

Dalton N. Young '00 and her husband, **Victor**, a son, Elliot Norwood, on Aug. 15, 2012. Elliot joins brother Philip.

Walter W. Baker '01 and **Susanah H. Baker '04**, a daughter, Elizabeth Jane, on March 12, 2012. Eliza joins brother Wilson, 2. They live in Washington.

Allison B. Edwards '01 and her husband, **Raymond**, a son, James Joseph Raymond, on Aug. 17, 2012. He joins brother David, 2. They live in London, England.

Julie Boncarosky Holmes '01 and **Michael Holmes '01**, a daughter, Annabelle Mae, on June 4, 2012. She

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BIERER TROPHY

Non-reunion undergraduate classes with the highest percentage of members in The President's Society
Five-Star Generals: Class of 1959, 8.6%
Class Agent: David Meese

1963–2001: Class of 1981, 10.8%
Class Agent: Jamie Small

Young Alumni: Class of 2012, 15.7%
Lead Class Agents: Christina Lawrence, Annie Martin, Thomas Meric, Jarrett Smith

RICHMOND TROPHY

Non-reunion undergraduate classes with the highest percentage of members participating in the Annual Fund
Five-Star Generals: Class of 1955, 82.6%
Class Agent: Dave Berlinghof

1963–2001: Class of 1965, 62.5%
Class Agent: Woody Rutter

Young Alumni: Class of 2012, 68.8%
Lead Class Agents: Christina Lawrence, Annie Martin, Thomas Meric, Jarrett Smith

WASHINGTON TROPHY

Non-reunion classes that made the largest contribution to the Annual Fund
Five-Star Generals: Class of 1959, \$99,763.84
Class Agent: David Meese

1963–2001: Class of 1969, \$283,722.80
Class Agent: Scott Fechnay

Young Alumni: Class of 2004, \$62,890.52
Lead Class Agents: Kat Emerson, Jay Harder, Timothy Litzenburg, Caroline Parker

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REUNION TROPHY

Class with the largest number of members registered
Class of 1987: 92 members
Chairs: John Church, Brandt Surgner

REUNION BOWL

Class with highest percentage of classmates registered
Class of 1962: 39%
Chairs: Rupert Johnson, Mike Monier, Jack Vardaman

TRIDENT TROPHY

Class with highest percentage of classmates participating in the Annual Fund by Alumni Weekend
Class of 1967: 79%
Chairs: Mac Holladay, Bob Priddy

JOHN NEWTON THOMAS TROPHY

Class that increased its Annual Fund contribution by the largest percentage over its previous year's total
Class of 1987: 68%
Chairs: John Church, Brandt Surgner

COLONNADE CUP

Class with the largest reunion gift total by Alumni Weekend (current gifts and future pledges)
Class of 1972: \$750,000
Chair: Rob LaRue

joins sisters Bridget and Charlotte. They live in Vienna, Va.

Jeffrey B. Paul '01 and his wife, **Crystal Andersen**, a son, Gavin Wallace Andersen, on June 1, 2012. He joins sister Finley. They live in Los Angeles, where Jeff manages digital media strategy for various NBCUniversal businesses, and Crystal is a senior manager with Deloitte & Touche.

Elizabeth H. Robertson '01 and her husband, **Wes**, a son, James Wilton, on March 6, 2012. They live in Huntsville, Ala.

Noelle E. Savage '02 and her husband, **Graham**, a daughter, Gloria Smith, on April 17, 2012. They live in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Robert L. Sterchi '02 and his wife, **Jessie**, a daughter, Prater Elizabeth, on Nov. 19, 2012.

Bruce W. Sharpe Jr. '03 and his wife, **Francis**, a son, Bruce Wynne III, on Dec. 4, 2012.

Margaret B. Chew '04 and **Brian W. Chew '03**, twin daughters, Anne Chapline and Catherine Kildare, on Aug. 4, 2012. They live in Fairhope, Ala.

Jennifer M. Jacob '04 and her husband, **Allen**, a daughter, Katherine Marguerite, on Sept. 10, 2012. She is the first granddaughter for Mark Randolph Miller '73 and great-niece of John Edward Miller '70. They live in Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

Romney W. Beebe '05 and **Courtenay Beebe '06**, a son, Lucius

"Luke" Courtenay III, on Nov. 11, 2012. They live in Richmond.

Esta A. Busby '05 and **Ricky Busby '05**, a daughter, Eliza Kathryn, on Sept. 10, 2012. She joins twin sisters Florence and Anne Harrell, 2.

Cameron L. Garner '05 and **Emily Garner '06**, a boy, Sanders McLeod, on July 31, 2012. They report that they are adjusting to the new roommate's sleeping, eating, bathroom and break-dance fighting habits. He's a pretty fun guy to have around, they say, but he hasn't mowed the lawn or taken out the trash once in his first three months of life, so Dad is getting concerned about his work ethic. Sanders' grandfather is Bo Sanders '80, and his aunt is Julie Sanders '10.

Leye Blount '06 and her husband, **Patrick**, a daughter, Matilyn Beatrice "Tilly Bea," on Sept. 30, 2012.

Obituaries

George L. Reynolds '34, of Moorestown, N.J., died on Feb. 13, 2009. He retired from P.S.E. & G. in Camden after 35 years of service in the development division. He belonged to Alpha Chi Rho.

Lloyd W. Hoagland Jr. '37, of Little Egg Harbor Township, N.J., died on Nov. 10, 2012. He worked with his father at the Hoagland Pontiac Agency and as an account manager for his son-in-law's business in Pluckemin, N.J. He served as sergeant at arms for the Somerset County Superior Court of New Jersey until his retirement. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

E. Alton Sartor Jr. '38, of Shreveport, La., died Nov. 16, 2012. A veteran of World War II, he served in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. He served in the Army Reserves until 1953. He served as the president of C.W. Lane Co. Inc., a real estate firm, and of Giddens-Lane Co. He belonged to Kappa Alpha. He was brother to Charles L. Sartor '42 and father to R. Balfour Sartor '71.

Harry H. Benner '40, of Lakeland, Fla., died June 21, 2009. He graduated from the University of Chicago. He served in the Air Force as a command pilot, retiring in 1947 as a lieutenant colonel. He worked for American Airlines as an accountant and for the Florida State Department of Education as a coordinator. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

G. Richard Day '41, of Louisville, Ky., died Oct. 7, 2012. He served in the Army in the Rhineland and Central European campaigns during World War II. He returned to active duty during the Vietnam crisis as an inspector general and deputy commander for the southern sector, 20th U.S. Army Corps. He also served as senior advisor to reserve units in Kentucky and Ohio. Upon release from active duty, he became attached to the 158th Support Group, which he commanded during his last three years. He received the Combat Infantry Badge, the Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device and Oak Leaf Cluster, the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Meritorious Service Medal. Day was a real estate broker in the Louisville area, specializing in property management. He was grandfather to William B. Butler '00 and father-in-law to Geoffrey C. Butler '66. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

Allen R. DeLong '41, '43L, of Washington, died on Sept. 3, 2012. He was a World War II veteran, one of the Iron Men of Metz and a recipient of the Bronze Star. DeLong spent his career as an attorney at the National Labor Relations Board and the Department of Commerce, serving as representative to the International Labor Organization in Geneva. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Lynell G. Skarda '41L, of Clovis, N.M., died on Sept. 2, 2012. He prac-



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ticed law in Clovis and appeared before the U.S. Supreme Court on a few cases—most notably his win in *Moore v. Mead's Fine Bread Co.*, in 1954. Skarda served as a military lawyer during World War II. He was brother to Cash T. Skarda '42L and Langdon L. Skarda '38L and was father to Jeffrey J. Skarda '66.

Edward H. Trice Jr. '41, of Vero Beach, Fla., died Jan. 7, 2012. He served in the Navy during World War II and was a navigator on medical planes. He worked with his uncle's business as vice president of Webster Motors, and ran Trice-Juron Motors in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

F. Gregg Burger '42, of Sarasota, Fla., died on Aug. 30, 2012. Burger served in World War II as a naval aviator and squadron commander, receiving 12 ribbons and medals. He worked for L.A. Dreyfus Co. for 40 years. He was a licensed aviator and balloon pilot. He was brother to John F. Burger '45. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

William B. Hopkins '42, '44L, of Roanoke, died on Dec. 11, 2012. He served in the Virginia Senate and was majority leader. He chaired the Hopkins Commission that paved the way for major reorganization and modernization of state government in the 1970s and secured state funds for arts and cultural programs in Roanoke. The planetarium at the Science Museum of Western Virginia is named in his honor. A World War II veteran, he served in the South Pacific and returned to active duty during the Korean War, serving as captain in a Marine reserve unit that fought at the battle of Chosin Reservoir. He wrote "One Bugle, No Drums: The Marines at Chosin Reservoir" (1986) and "The Pacific War: The Strategy, Politics, and Players that Won the War" (2009). He was grandfather to Virginia S. Hopkins '08 and father to William B. Hopkins '76. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

Dr. Robert S. Leake '42, of Fort Thomas, Ky., died on June 6, 2012. He was a veteran of World War II. He practiced urology in northern Kentucky for more than 40 years. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

Brig. Gen. Benton Caruthers Tolley Jr. '42, '48L, of Naples, Fla., died on Sept. 27, 2012. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps as a B-29 navigator instructor and navigator in the Pacific Theater. He served in the Korean War and remained active with the Air Force Reserves. He was a trial attorney with the civil division of the U.S. Department of Justice. He practiced estate and probate law with Larson & Tolley in Washington and with Goldsborough and Tolley. He was father to Benton C. Tolley III '75L and grandfather to Dr. Ashley G. Sharp '92 and Amy H. Gray '99. He belonged to Alpha Tau Omega.

Herbert S. Osburn '43, of Richmond, died Dec. 19, 2012. During

World War II, as an officer in the Army Air Corps, he served as a navigator and flew in the raids over the oil fields of Ploiesti, Romania.

A. Leon Cahn '44, of Chicago, died on March 21, 2011. During World War II, he served with the field artillery in Europe. He worked in real estate and consumer financing in Meridian, Miss. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

William R. Miller '44, of Richmond, died Jan. 14. He was a veteran of World War II, serving as an officer aboard the U.S.S. *Salamonie*. He practiced law and advocated for civil rights and women's rights. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

Rodney Mims Cook Sr. '46, Alumni Association President

Rodney Mims Cook Sr. '46, former president of the W&L Alumni Association and former member of the Alumni Board of Trustees, died on Jan. 13 in Atlanta.

Cook worked for Guardian Life Insurance Co., founded Rodney M. Cook & Associates Inc. and co-founded Peachtree Planning Corp., a financial-planning firm, serving as its vice president.

From a family with deep roots in Atlanta, Cook served on the Atlanta Board of Aldermen (city council) from 1960 to 1970, while also serving in the Georgia House of Representatives from 1966 to 1972. (Georgia no longer allows such dual service.) The legislation he sponsored touched on civil rights, urban renewal, transportation, the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport and the Atlanta Stadium Authority, among other issues. At a time when most Georgians were Democrats, he was one of the first Republicans to serve since Reconstruction. He chaired the Georgia Republican Party and ran for mayor of Atlanta in 1969 and governor of Georgia in 1978. He also mentored fellow Georgians Newt Gingrich (former Speaker of the House) and Paul Coverdell (the late U.S. senator) early in their political careers.

As a proponent of civil rights, in 1962, as an alderman, Cook advocated the removal of Peyton Wall, a barrier that separated black and white neighborhoods in Atlanta. And in 1966, as a representative, Cook voted to seat Julian Bond in the Georgia House of Representatives after Bond, the African-American civil-rights activist, had won election, but the legislature had refused to seat him because of his anti-war statements.

Cook served in World War II as a lieutenant in the Navy, on the U.S.S. *DuPage* in the Pacific Theater. He continued service in the Naval Reserve until 1959.

He graduated from W&L as the valedictorian, *summa cum laude*, with a B.A. in politics. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta fraternity, was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa and, in 1968, became an honorary member of Omicron Delta Kappa. Cook commissioned the bust of Justice Lewis Powell '29, '31L that graces the Powell archives at W&L's Law School.

His civic service encompassed organizations including Colonial Williamsburg, the Atlanta Humane Society and Atlanta's Millennium Gate and Museum, which his son, Rodney Mims Cook Jr. '78, spearheaded.

Joseph Goldsten, Martel Professor of Management Emeritus

Joseph Goldsten, the Mamie Fox Twyman Martel Professor of Management Emeritus, died on Oct. 11, 2012, in Lexington. He was 83. He taught at W&L from 1972 until his retirement in 1999, specializing in financial theory, strategic planning and family business.

“Prof. Goldsten brought a sharp, analytical mind to his teaching,” said President Ken Ruscio ’76. “He also cared deeply about higher education and often challenged his students not to become what he called ‘passive observers of their own education.’ Many alumni point to lessons they learned from him that went well beyond the latest financial models.”

Goldsten was born on Jan. 15, 1929, in Charlottesville, Va. He earned his B.S. in engineering from Virginia Tech (1950),

where he belonged to the Corps of Cadets and the Highty-Tighties regimental band. He then earned his M.S. in engineering from Lehigh University (1951) and worked at Borg-Warner, where he was instrumental in developing a compressor for an automobile air-conditioning unit, among the first such patents of its kind.

He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army and served in the Korean War.

From 1953 to 1972, Goldsten held engineering, executive and consulting positions with Lehigh Inc., Borg-Warner, Worthington-Studebaker Corp., Capitol Machine Co., Diamond Power Specialty Co. and Byer Investment Co.

In the early 1970s, he made a major career shift, earning his Ph.D. in business administration from The Ohio State University (1974) and joining the faculty at Washington and Lee.

“Prof. Goldsten was a revered member of the Business Department, who challenged students with rigorous courses in finance and worked tirelessly to develop opportunities for W&L graduates interested in careers in finance,” said Larry Peppers, the Crawford Family Dean of the Williams School. “His colleagues will remember Joe for his passionate support of students and for his great devotion to Washington and Lee.”

One of his colleagues, John Gunn ’45, the Lewis Whitaker Adams Professor of Economics Emeritus, described Goldsten as “a wise and understanding mentor to dozens of students every year.”

Every spring, he took his students to New York on investment trips. He also led teams of students to the Emory University Intercollegiate Business Games, which they won several times. He was named to the Martel professorship in 1991. An endowment in his honor, the Joseph Goldsten Departmental Support Fund, was established by three of his former students and helps the Williams School in various ways. Goldsten also led the W&L Fringe Benefits Committee and advised Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Goldsten is survived by his wife, Barbara Wassell Goldsten; five children, Carol Fruhwald, Janet Cantler, Adeline Penn, Audrey Becht and John Goldsten; nine grandchildren; and his brother, Leonard Goldsten. He was predeceased by his first wife, Adeline Wolff Goldsten; his second wife, Eve Byer Goldsten; and two brothers. One of his grandsons is Jeremy Becht ’12, and two of his sons-in-law are Will Cantler ’77 and Paul Becht ’80.

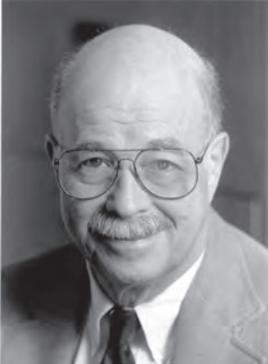


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Dr. John N. Ryan '44, of Louisa, Ky., died Sept. 17, 2012. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps and was a trained air traffic controller. He served two terms as Lawrence County coroner and was president of the Kentucky Coroners Association.

The Hon. Frank D. Upchurch Jr. '44, of St. Augustine, Fla., died on Oct. 4, 2012. During World War II, he flew A-20 Havocs with the 417th Bombardment Group in the New Guinea and Philippines campaigns. He worked for his uncle in the canning business and piloted the company plane on business on the West Coast, Central America and the Caribbean. He graduated from the University of Florida College of Law and joined his father and brother in the practice of law at Upchurch and Upchurch. He served on the city commission and was appointed to the Fifth District Court of Appeal in Daytona Beach.

Arthur J. Hack Jr., '45 of Redding, Conn., died Oct. 30, 2012. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the 3rd Infantry Division in the Army. His platoon was the first to reach Hitler's Alpine retreat at Berchtesgaden. His decorations include the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart and the Silver Star. He was regional sales manager for International Silver Co. for 35 years. He belonged to Pi Kappa Phi.

Robert E. Norman '45, of Wheeling, W.Va., died on Nov. 10, 2012. He was a retired general foreman of the Benwood Plant for Wheeling Pittsburgh Steel Corp. He played pro football for the Baltimore Colts and was a football coach at Union High School and head football coach at Martins Ferry High School. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

Philip J. Silverstein '46, of Charleston, W.Va., died on Aug. 12, 2012. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the 3rd Army, 5th Infantry Division, 1st Company in Europe. He received a Purple Heart and one Oak Leaf Cluster. At W&L, he founded the school's rowing club. He worked for Midwest Steel, then started Home Finders Inc. He was named Realtor of the Year by Kanawha County and the state of West Virginia. Goodwill Industries twice named him the orga-

nization's Outstanding Member of the Year. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

Henry C. Clark '47, '48L, of Harrisonburg, Va., died on Jan. 11. He was a Navy aviator during World War II. He practiced law in Harrisonburg and was a founding member of RDC Commercial and Industrial Development Protection Organization. He received the State Bar Tradition of Excellence Award. Clark served as a judge for the Harrisonburg police court, was appointed commissioner in chancery by the circuit court, was named Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year and served on the board of the Virginia State Bar Council. He was the first recipient of the Virginia State Bar Outstanding General Practitioner Award. He was father to Henry C. Clark III '75, '78L.

R. Marlowe Harper '47, of Lexington, died Jan. 11. He was a veteran of World War II, serving as a radar technician with a B-29 heavy bomber group in Guam. He served as treasurer of Virginia Military Institute and as secretary to the VMI board of visitors, treasurer of the alumni association and assistant treasurer of the VMI Foundation. He was father to Robert M. Harper Jr. '72.

Henry A. Oder Jr. '47, '56L, of Charlotte, N.C., died on Aug. 29, 2012. He served in Korea as a forward observer and received a Bronze Star for valor. He practiced in Lexington, and in Arlington, Va., with classmate B.E. Stephenson. Oder developed and was the lead instructor of the Real Estate Pre-Licensing Program at Central Piedmont Community College. He was also program director of the paralegal program and taught various law and police-related courses. He belonged to Sigma Chi.

D. Brooks Cofer Jr. '48L, of College Station, Texas, died on Sept. 3, 2012. He served in the Army, retiring at the rank of lieutenant colonel. He re-entered active duty as a captain and was assigned to a military intelligence detachment in the American Sector of West Berlin in East Germany. He served as assistant county attorney, as county attorney and as district attorney for Brazos County, Texas. In 1972, he entered private practice as a criminal defense attorney.

Joe Lyles, Legendary Coach

Joseph F. Lyles, who coached and taught at W&L for 50 years, died Nov. 13, 2012, in Roanoke. He was 83.

"Joe enjoyed a long and colorful career throughout half a century here. Not only did he coach soccer and baseball for almost 20 seasons, but he also taught every required class in our physical education curriculum," said President Ken Ruscio '76. "He was one of the legends."



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Lyles was born on Oct. 28, 1929, in St. Louis, Mo. He received degrees in physical education from Springfield College—a B.S. (1958) and an M.S. (1959, with honors). He served in the Army in 1952.

He left St. Louis University in 1949 to play baseball with the American League's St. Louis Browns organization (1949–1954) and basketball with the St.

Louis Bombers (1949–1953). He also had stints with the Washington Generals and the Philadelphia Spas, both basketball organizations. On the diamond, he played in the outfield and as a pitcher; on the court, he played as a guard and a forward. In 1952, he traveled around the world with the United States All-Stars, playing against the Harlem Globetrotters.

Lyles arrived at W&L in 1959. He served as the head baseball coach (1959–1978), head soccer coach (1959–1976) and assistant basketball coach (1959–1969). He compiled a 108-229-3 record in baseball and a 100-85-17 record in soccer. W&L named him Coach of the Year for baseball in 1972, and for soccer in 1974.

He later directed club sports at W&L and headed the football chain crew through the 2011 season. After leaving his post as head baseball coach, he assisted the program, serving as the team's fall ball coach. Lyles retired in 2009 as an associate professor of physical education. Even in retirement, he attended as many W&L athletic events as possible.

Members of the W&L community relished his sense of humor and his Lylesisms, such as "This year, all our home games are going to be here."

"He loved W&L and W&L athletics," said Jan Hathorn, W&L director of athletics. "His loyalty to the Blue and White was unswerving."

"Joe Lyles enriched the fabric of life at Washington and Lee," said Mike Walsh, the former director of athletics. "He dearly loved this University, its students and our athletes. He will be missed and fondly spoken of for generations to come."

Lyles served as the chair of the Penn and South Region, the conference that preceded the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC). He also worked on National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) committees for baseball, including as national chair of the newly formed Division III, national chair of the Division III All-American selection committee and a member of the Divisions I, II and III National Baseball Rules committee. He served on NCAA committees for Divisions II and III for soccer.

His wife, Patricia Nolan Lyles, who was equally popular with the W&L community, died in 2002. He is survived by his nephews, Claude E. Lyles III and John Lyles; his nieces, Valerie Drane Bellman, Patricia Wanko, Suzanne Frisella, Theresa Kettenbrink, Janean Hensley, Joan Chenault and Diane Boliaux; and a sister-in-law, Carol Lyles Dustmann.

Gerald B. Henderson '48, of State College, Pa., died Dec. 4, 2012. He served in the Army as a sergeant in the Korean War. He was the president of Saf-T-Bak Inc., which was founded by his grandfather. He belonged to Phi Epsilon Pi.

James R. Lyle '48L, of St. Petersburg, Fla., died on Dec. 12, 2012. He was a veteran of World War II. He practiced law in Kingsport, Tenn., and in Tampa, Fla., and St. Petersburg, Fla. He formed the law firm Lyle & Skipper, which became one of the largest insurance defense firms in the area.

Col. P. Lee Starkey Jr. '49, of Norfolk, Va., died on Sept. 21, 2012. He was a World War II veteran, serving as coxswain and boatswain's mate on two destroyer escorts, the U.S.S. Clarence L. Evans and the U.S.S. Robert E. Peary. His Army service included combat tours in Korea and Vietnam. His military awards and decorations include Combat

Infantryman Badge, Legion of Merit (with oak leaf cluster), Bronze Star for Valor, Meritorious Service, Purple Heart, Joint Service Commendation and Army Commendation (with cluster) medals. He worked in public relations and advertising for Virginia Electric and Power Co. and Virginia Natural Gas. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

Alfred H. Ebert Jr. '50, of Houston, died Dec. 29, 2012. A veteran of the Korean War, he flew helicopters for the Navy and belonged to the helicopter anti-sub squadron. He spent his legal career with Andrews Kurth L.L.P. In 2009, Ebert was honored by the Texas State Bar for 50 years of practice and his dedication to the bar. He belonged to Kappa Sigma.

James L. Ewing III '45, of Atlanta, died on Nov. 2, 2012. He worked for the family newspapers in Monroe, La., as an editor of the Monroe Morning News Star, and for Delta

Air Lines as public relations director. He belonged to Sigma Chi.

Stanford L. Fellers Jr. '50, '52L, of Roanoke, died on Aug. 21, 2012. He served as assistant commissioner of accounts for the Circuit Court of the City of Roanoke and as commissioner of accounts. He belonged to Kappa Sigma.

Charles L. Snyder '50L, of Bridgewater, Va., died on March 2, 2012. He retired from State Farm Insurance Co. in Frederick, Md., where he was vice president.

Allan M. Warner '50, of Charlevoix, Mich., died on Aug. 20, 2012. He served in the Army in Okinawa. His career took him from teaching to banking (Farmington Savings Bank), advertising (McManus, John & Adams) to interior design, where he opened and managed the Baker, Knapp & Tubbs showroom in the Troy Design Center. He was brother



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to Harley D. Warner '54. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

Ernest M. Holdaway '51L, of Richmond, died on July 13, 2012. He was a World War II veteran, serving as a radio operator on a B-24. He retired from Southern States after serving as the company's general counsel and on its board of directors.

Robert L. Hopkins Jr. '51, of Ashland, Va., died Nov. 10, 2012. He served as a supply and disbursing officer for the Navy during the Korean War and remained in the Naval Reserve until 1971. He worked for Colonial Williamsburg, as business manager of Chatham Hall School and as registrar of Randolph-Macon College. He belonged to Pi Kappa Alpha.

Edward M. Willson '51, of Beaufort, S.C., died on Nov. 17, 2012. He served in the Navy.

Buddy G. Arnold '52, of Pawleys Island, S.C., died on Oct. 20, 2012. After service with the Army in Germany, he worked for the DuPont Co.

John B. Bromell '52, of Trinity, Fla., died Nov. 7, 2012. He worked at the Internal Revenue Service in the Office of the Chief Counsel and was recognized by the U.S. Congress with the Outstanding Mentor Award for his 13 years of work with GED candidates in Florida. He belonged to Pi Kappa Alpha.

John B. Handlan II '52, of Ormond Beach, Fla., died Jan. 10. He was a 1990 inductee into the W&L Athletic Hall of Fame as one of the school's most prolific basketball scorers. He holds an NCAA record for the most field-goal attempts, 71, in a single game; he made 30. He also played on the W&L football team in the 1951 Gator Bowl. Handlan was drafted by the NBA (Indianapolis) and the NFL (Cleveland), but opted to play basketball in the National AAU League for the Goodyear Wingfoots. He often coached youth sports. He served in the Army, worked for Goodyear and for Lockheed, and retired as president from H.L. Yoh Co., a supplier of technology staffing, and as board chair of its parent, Day & Zimmerman. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

The Hon. A. Dow Owens '52L, of Roanoke, died on Nov. 28, 2012.

He was an aviation cadet during World War II in the Army Air Force. He practiced in Pulaski and served as secretary of the electoral board, substitute trial judge, commonwealth's attorney and a circuit court judge in the 27th Judicial Circuit of Virginia. He also served as county attorney for Pulaski County, acting as attorney to the board of supervisors, school board and the department of social services. He formed and served as an attorney for the Pulaski County Industrial Development Authority and Public Service Authority, which extended water and sewer service to a large portion of Pulaski County. He served as counsel for the New River Waste Water Treatment Authority.

Lewis I. Zeigler '52, of Half Moon Bay, Calif., died on Oct. 15, 2012. He served in the Marine Corps as a pilot and was a Vietnam veteran. He worked as an inspector for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Seth A. Thayer '53, of Bayville, N.Y., died on Dec. 12, 2012. He was a Navy pilot, retiring from active and reserve duty as a lieutenant commander. He was a partner at LaBranche & Co., one

of the largest specialists on the New York Stock Exchange.

John A. Williamson II '53, '56L, of Saratoga, Calif., died on Aug. 24, 2012. He served in the Army. He worked at the Mortgage Loan Industry as vice president, started California Plan, and established the California Consumer Plan, Exchange Security Corp. and Cal Delta Development Corp. He was father to Lara Jordan '10. He belonged to Kappa Sigma.

Paul R. Muller '55, of Savannah, Ga., died Nov. 15, 2012. He was a veteran of the Army. He worked for the Social Security Administration, where he served as the director of litigation for the Office of Hearings and Appeals. He belonged to Delta Upsilon.

William B. Poff '55L, of Roanoke, died on Sept. 5, 2012. Poff was commissioned into the Army and taught at the Judge Advocate General School in Charlottesville. He practiced with Woods Rogers for over 50 years. He served as president of the Virginia State Bar, president of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, on the board of governors of the American Bar Association and as a founding member of the Virginia Association

Oliver M. Mendell '50, Distinguished Alumnus

Oliver M. Mendell '50, of New York City, died on Dec. 11, 2012. He received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1990 and an honorary membership in Omicron Delta Kappa in 1977.

He served with the Army Air Force in World War II as a navigator and B-29 flight officer. As a student at W&L, he belonged to Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity. He graduated from the executive education program at Columbia Business School.

Mendell began his banking career in 1950, at Bankers Trust Co. He also worked at Queens National Bank. In 1958, he joined Chemical Bank and spent the rest of his career there, through its mergers and name changes, retiring as senior vice president of JP Morgan Chase in 2001.

He held leadership posts in such civic organizations as the USO of Metropolitan New York and the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York. Among his awards were the Israeli Ambassador's Award for Outstanding Achievement from the American Friends of the Ramban Medical Center, the Fifth Avenue Association's Honor Award and the Brandeis University Distinguished Community Service Award.

For W&L, Mendell served as a class agent, on the Alumni Board of Directors and as an alumni career mentor; co-chaired the New York City campaign committee during the On the Shoulders of Giants capital campaign; and helped plan his 50th reunion. He and his wife, Shelley, enthusiastically supported the Hillel House. He also belonged to the George Washington Society.

of Defense Attorneys. He received the Frank W. "Bo" Rogers Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award from the Roanoke Bar Association and a lifetime achievement award from the Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys.

William J. Stober II '55, of Versailles, Ky., died on Sept. 24, 2012. He was a former professor of economics and department chair at the University of Kentucky. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

J. Waller Callison Jr. '56, of Greenville, Va., died Nov. 26, 2011. He owned and operated Summerdean Farms, a cattle farm, for 55 years. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

John D. Cobb Jr. '56, of Sarasota, Fla., died July 17, 2012. He worked for the U.S. Civil Service Department of Defense, as director of admissions at Perkiomen School, as the assistant director of admissions at Muhlenberg College and as director of student activities at Lehigh County Community College. He belonged to Kappa Sigma.

Alan R. Mixson '56, of Kennelbach, Austria, died Oct. 12, 2010. He served in the Navy. He was a chief pilot for Alpha Werke. He belonged to Pi Kappa Phi.

Dr. Frank S. Pittman III '56, of Atlanta, died Nov. 24, 2012. He served on the faculty of the University of

Colorado Medical School in Denver, where he treated patients with family therapy as an alternative to psychiatric hospitalization. He received the Hofheimer prize from the American Psychiatric Association, as well as awards from national family therapy organizations. He worked in the department of psychiatry at Emory University and served as director of psychiatric services at Grady Memorial Hospital. Pittman also had a private practice and wrote many books and articles on the topics of marriage and family crises. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Jack K. Agee '57L, of Colorado Springs, Colo., died Dec. 31, 2012. He was a Marine and served during the

Chuck Phillips, Former Economics Professor and Lexington Mayor

Charles F. Phillips Jr., the Robert G. Brown Professor of Economics Emeritus and the longtime mayor of Lexington, died on Oct. 18, 2012, in Lexington. He was 77.

Phillips taught at W&L for 44 years, retiring in 2003. He specialized in industrial organization, regulated industries and corporate economics. He focused on governmental regulation of public utilities and was a national expert on the issue, consulting for numerous regulated businesses and testifying as an expert witness before federal and state regulatory commissions.

His book, "The Regulation of Public Utilities: Theory and Practice," was the preferred guide to public utilities in the American economy, as a classroom textbook and as a reference work for utility executives and regulators.

"This is a great loss for the community as well as the University," said President Ken Ruscio '76. "Not only was Chuck an eminent scholar and a highly regarded teacher, but he was also a tireless public servant."

Born on Nov. 5, 1934, in Geneva, N.Y., Phillips received his B.A. in economics from the University of New Hampshire and his Ph.D. in economics from Harvard.

He joined the W&L faculty in 1959. Phillips quickly became a popular faculty member; in 1962, students dedicated the Calyx to him and his faculty colleague, Sidney M.B. Coulling '46.

Phillips was named to the Brown Professorship in 1979. He served on virtually all of the University's committees and advised numerous student organizations, including the Williams Investment Society and Beta Theta Pi.

In 1979, Phillips estimated that he traveled an average of 65,000 miles a year for consulting. He was ap-

pointed in 1971 to a statewide commission that studied the desirability of legalizing pari-mutuel betting on horse racing in Virginia. President Richard Nixon appointed him to the Commission on the Review of the National Policy Toward Gambling. In Virginia, he served more than 20 years on the Republican State Central Committee.

Phillips served on the Lexington City Council for four years and as mayor from 1971 to 1988. He was responsible for the revitalization of downtown and an increased emphasis on history. He was also active in the Maury River Senior Center, United Way of Lexington-Rockbridge County, Lexington Presbyterian Church, Historic Lexington Foundation and Valley Program for

Aging Services.

Larry Peppers, the Crawford Family Dean of the Williams School, called Phillips "the rare individual who had the ability to be prolific in all dimensions of his professional and his civic life. Chuck's energy and passion for his family, his colleagues and for the University was amazing to behold."

Phillips served as president on three occasions of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the international economics honor society. He received the J. Rhodes Foster Award for outstanding contributions to the public utility regulatory process and the Philanthropist Award from the Shenandoah Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives.

Phillips is survived by his wife, Marjorie H. Phillips; one son, Charles "Chip" Phillips; two daughters, Susan Weber and Anne Davey; one sister, Carol Taylor; and seven grandchildren.



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Korean War, obtaining the rank of captain. He practiced law.

Richard H. Berry '57, of Williamsburg, Va., died Nov. 4, 2012. He worked in public accounting at Price Waterhouse and opened Berry, Dale & Co. in Salem, Va., which merged with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. He belonged to Phi Beta Kappa. He was grandfather to Margaret D. Tolmie '14 and Caroline D. Tolmie '12.

Philip L. Stanley '57L, of Staunton, Va., died on Sept. 21, 2012. He served in the Air Force during World War II. He worked for Stella-Jones/BPB of Montreal, Canada, and Ripley, W.Va., as corporate business counselor.

John Anwodi '58, of Lexington, died Sept. 26, 2012. He served in the Army in the 101st Airborne Division. He worked at DX Computer Service.

Robert W. Maxwell '58, of Dallas, died on July 23, 2009. He worked for Provident Mutual, where he belonged to the Million Dollar Round Table, and owned an insurance company, R.W. Maxwell & Co. He belonged to Pi Kappa Alpha.

Gerald Sussman '58, of Plantation, Fla., died Aug. 10, 2012. He worked for Firedoor Corp. of America and The Upper Crust Inc. He belonged to Phi Epsilon Pi. He was cousin to Harris J. Maslansky '66 and uncle to John S. Schecter '70.

Lawrence F. Hilton '60, of Santa Barbara, Calif., died on Jan. 22, 2012. He practiced law for nearly 40 years, primarily as a sole practitioner, and taught economics and business law at the Brooks Institute. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

Donald B.W. Messenger '60L, of Lothian, Md., died on Oct. 25, 2012. He worked as an attorney at Duckett, Orem and Christie and had his own practice in Beltsville, Md.

Paul R. Robertson '60L, of Houston, died on Sept. 21, 2012. He worked for Fulbright and Jaworski, in the attorney general's office in Austin, and with his private law practice, in Houston. He belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Ted Sjoerdsma, First Professor of Computer Science

Theodore J. Sjoerdsma, professor of computer science at Washington and Lee from 1984 to 1995, died on Sept. 22, 2012, in Grand Rapids, Mich. He was 83.

Sjoerdsma served as the first head of the then brand-new Computer Science Department, and his arrival heralded the establishment of computer science as W&L's 31st undergraduate major.



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He received his introduction to computers in 1963, during a summer course at Oregon State University that didn't have an actual computer. "We simply wrote programs as if the computers were there," he told this magazine in 1985. "It was purely an intellectual exercise."

At the time of his arrival at W&L, Sjoerdsma didn't think that students needed their own computers and could instead use the banks of PCs available around campus. He did, however, believe

"there is no end to the use of computers . . . in a liberal arts setting."

He also offered advice for alumni who were feeling intimidated by using PCs, which in 1985 were just starting to permeate offices and homes. "Borrow a friend's machine, take it into an empty room, and close the door. Most of the time, the phobia is primarily a matter of having someone looking over your shoulder as you make mistakes. No one wants to be made to appear foolish or stupid—especially by a dumb machine."

Sjoerdsma was born in Grand Rapids on Jan. 5, 1929. He received an A.B. in mathematics from Calvin College (1954), an M.A.T. in mathematics from Michigan State (1961) and a Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Iowa (1975).

He taught math at high schools in Michigan and in Guam from 1952 to 1957, and at Dordt College from 1957 to 1967. At the University of Iowa, he chaired its computer science department from 1967 until 1984, when he came to W&L. He retired in 1995 after 11 years here.

In addition to his teaching, Sjoerdsma obtained several grants from the National Science Foundation, advised colleges and universities about academic computing, published numerous papers and presented at conferences. He served such national organizations as the National Educational Computing Conference, the Conference on Computers in the Undergraduate Curriculum and the World Conference on Computers in Education.

In retirement, Sjoerdsma built homes for Habitat for Humanity. He served his church as a deacon and an elder, and in Grand Rapids belonged to the Forest Hills Presbyterian Church.

Sjoerdsma is survived by his wife of 61 years, Barb De Zeeuw Sjoerdsma; four children, Ron Sjoerdsma, Gregg Sjoerdsma, Joel Sjoerdsma and Lisa Vande Lune; a daughter-in-law, Kate Sjoerdsma; sisters Ann VandenBerg and JoAnn DeKoekkoek; sisters-in-law Hilda DeVries and Lillian Entingh; thirteen grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; many cousins; and many friends. His son Doug Sjoerdsma preceded him in death.

Dr. Charles W. Baucum '61, of Denver, died on Aug. 19, 2012. He served in Vietnam as an infantry battalion surgeon and received the Bronze Star for valor. He was a founding partner of the Behavioral Therapy Institute of Colorado and director of psychiatric services at St. Joseph Hospital. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

Walter H. Lee Jr. '61, '63L, of Wilmington, Del., died Nov. 12, 2012. He started a real estate firm, The Greenville Co., worked as a financial advisor at Legg Mason, and was director of development and a history teacher at the Tatnall School. He belonged to Sigma Nu.

Harold H. Bredell Jr. '62, of Frankford, W.Va., died Nov. 17, 2012. He served in the Army Reserves. He was a stockbroker in Chicago and the CEO of Vernon Insurance Co. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

George A. Cruger '62, of Richmond, died Dec. 22, 2012. At the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, he served as the director of the division of communications, where he originated and curated the photo collections at the museum. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

M. Gregg Allen '63, of San Francisco, died on March 13, 2011. He served as a major in the Army and worked for R.M.C. Lonestar.

John M. Cheatham Jr. '63, of Atlanta, died on Nov. 2, 2009. He was a sergeant in the Army Special Forces and served a tour of duty in Vietnam. He worked as a bush pilot in Africa and New Guinea and practiced ophthalmology for 20 years in the undeveloped world. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

John H. Hopkins '63, of Asheville, N.C., died on Sept. 11, 2012. He worked for State Street Bank and J.P. Morgan Chase. He was cousin to Joseph C. O'Neill '85 and Elisha G. Hopkins '57. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

John H. Tate Jr. '63L, of Marion, Va., died on Dec. 11, 2012. He had a law practice in Marion and he was county attorney for Smyth County. He was elected to three terms on

the Virginia House of Delegates and served on the Courts of Justice Committee. As chair of the Senior Lawyer's Conference, he initiated a statewide tree-planting program that earned him the nickname of Johnny Appleseed. He was brother to The Hon. Joseph S. Tate '67L.

Robert F. Rutschow '68L, of Charlottesville, died on Dec. 11, 2012. He served in the Air Force as an assistant air installations officer at the primary duty station, 500th Air Defense Group, at Pittsburgh Airport. He worked at Boeing Airplane Co. in stress analysis on the B-52G. His legal career included the firm of Gordon and Haugh, the first directorship of the Legal Aid Society of Charlottesville, the firm of Gordon and Marshall, and service as a special justice for the 16th Judicial Circuit of Virginia.

J. Grey Hesson '69, '75L, of Gladstone, Va., died Nov. 9, 2012. He was a veteran of the Army and an active member of Gladstone Volunteer Fire & Rescue. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Geoffrey S. Kuhn '69, of Denver, died on Jan. 5, 2012. He worked for St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington and the University of Colorado Medical Center and as a social worker for Lowry AFB in Denver.

E. Peyton Vickers '71, of Juno Beach, Fla., died June 4, 2012. He worked at Georgia Pacific Corp. and the Flintkote Supply Co. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

Stanley N. Bayless '72, of Houston, died on Aug. 17, 2012. He worked in the insurance industry, focusing on marine and energy marketing, production and claims. He belonged to Sigma Chi.

William T. Barrett '73, '76L, of Winston-Salem, N.C., died Dec. 7, 2012. He practiced law in Dover, Del., and was the director of paralegal studies at Wesley College. He also worked in career services at East Carolina University and as the director of placement at Vermont Law School and Wake Forest Law School before starting his own publishing business, Career Education Institutes.

Edward M. Kowal Jr. '74, '77L, of Huntington, W.Va., died on Nov. 28, 2012. He was a partner at Campbell-Woods P.L.L.C. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

The Hon. John J. Philips Jr. '74, of Spring Hill, Fla., died on June 24, 2012. He practiced law. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

William F. Beauchamp '77, of Lutherville, Md., died Dec. 12, 2012. He worked for Loyola Federal Savings & Loan, established William F. Beauchamp Associates, a real estate firm, and founded the Preferred Appraisal Group. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Lance O. Valdez '88L, of Palm Beach, Fla., died on Nov. 22, 2012. He practiced law in New York and London.

Michael A. Groot '94L, of Buena Vista, Va., died Dec. 19, 2012. He practiced law in Glen Burnie, Md., and in Buena Vista. He was brother to Donna G. Taylor '94 and son of the late Roger D. Groot, W&L professor of law.

John L. Bauer III '97, of Bethesda, Md., died on Dec. 21, 2012. He was senior vice president of Grandbridge Real Estate Capital, in Washington.

Robert B. Test '02L, of San Antonio, died on Oct. 2, 2012. He worked as an attorney in California and earned a tax law degree from the University of San Diego. He owned two Liberty Tax franchises in San Antonio.

Other Deaths

Jerry Lee Hostetter, of Lexington, died on Jan. 11. He had worked as a carpenter in Facilities Management at W&L since 2001.

Roberta "Bobbie" Latture Woolfenden, of Lexington, died Oct. 4, 2012. She was the daughter of Rupert N. Latture (Class of 1915), who was a founder of Omicron Delta Kappa; the widow of George A. Woolfenden '42; the grandmother of Jacob W. Brown '08 and Joseph N. Brown '12; the sister of William E. Latture '49; and the aunt of Richard G. Latture '81. 

2011-2012 Financial Annual Report

This report provides a snapshot of our financial picture and outlines how we use fiscal resources to provide a rich and rewarding experience for students and faculty. Figures are as of June 30, 2012, unless otherwise specified.

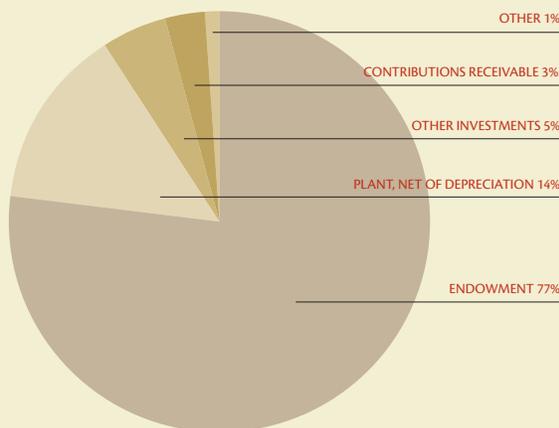
Highlights

- The endowment ended the fiscal year at a high-water mark of \$1.262 billion
- The endowment per student increased to \$575,730, an increase of \$16,000 per student
- We approved the smallest tuition and fee increase (3.34 percent) since 1999–2000
- We provided a record 49 percent of undergraduates with a University grant or scholarship
- All four undergraduate classes had Johnson Scholars (161 Johnson Scholars or 9 percent of the undergraduate population) for the first time since the program was established
- We completed Payne Hall and began renovation of Washington Hall as part of the ongoing Colonnade project, which is being funded entirely by gifts
- The Annual Fund reached new highs: \$7.82 million and a participation rate of 51.4 percent
- Cash received from gifts and pledges exceeded \$51 million
- The capital campaign, Honor Our Past, Build Our Future, reached the \$380 million mark toward the \$500 million goal
- The Lenfest Challenge continued to enhance faculty compensation for the fourth straight year.

Assets

We experienced more moderate growth in assets over the past year. From \$1.598 billion as of June 30, 2011, they grew to \$1.636 billion. Two areas led this growth: endowment and land, buildings and equipment (Fig. 1).

Figure 1: Assets—June 30, 2012
\$1.64 Billion



ENDOWMENT

Endowment comprises two elements: monies that others have gifted to us and that we have held in the investment pool, and Trusts Held by Others. Our aggregate endowment grew to \$1.262 billion (Fig. 2), an increase from \$1.218 billion as of June 30, 2011. This growth occurred in spite of both a challenging investment environment and drawdowns from the funds of \$46.7 million for operating support. Trusts Held by Others climbed by nearly \$50 million, while the internally held endowment dropped slightly by \$6.1 million.

Figure 2: Endowment Value and Spending
June 30, 2012



Changes in endowment value reflect gifts and additions, distributions for spending and appreciation from the underlying investment funds. Gifts and appreciation accounted for an increase in funds available by \$30.3 million, while distributions for spending totaled \$36.4 million within the internally controlled portion of the endowment. For Trusts Held by Others, appreciation accounted for \$59.8 million, and distributions for spending totaled \$10.3 million.

While returns on a nominal basis for the internally controlled endowment fell short of our long-term expected return (2.1 percent versus 7.5 percent), on a relative basis they reflect strong results. This portion of the portfolio ranked in the top 20 percent of all endowments in the Mellon Trust Endowment Universe, and at 2.5 percent for five years in the top 25 percent and with a return of 7.1 percent over 10 years in the top 35 percent. While detailed results from the Commonfund/

NACUBO Endowment Survey had not been released as of this writing, the preliminary results show that the average return for all endowments was -0.3 percent, while those with assets greater than \$1 billion averaged 1.2 percent.

PHYSICAL FACILITIES The second largest financial investment. It does not appreciate over time but requires constant upkeep and preservation. At the same time, the investment in facilities is necessary to continue to create stimulating learning and social environments.

We finished the renovation of Payne Hall, began the renovation of Washington Hall and opened Alpha Delta Pi, the sixth sorority house. We continued upgrades to systems and infrastructure with the Five for Five energy-conservation-investment program and necessary upgrades and enhancements to the central heating and cooling plant.

We will structure continued investment in facilities to meet our strategic objectives. We now shift our attention to the final two phases of the Colonnade project, Robinson and Tucker Halls.

At the north end of Stemmons Plaza, work will begin within the next two to three years to create the new Center for Global Learning.

We will embark on the development of a new indoor athletic and recreation center.

At the Law School, we anticipate improvements in space that will better accommodate the significant changes that we have made in the curriculum.

On the student residential front, we will begin renovations to Graham-Lees and Gaines Hall to house all first-year students, and we are exploring options for expanded upper-class student housing.

Our approach to funding these significant projects will rely on the success of the capital campaign and on our ability to secure more debt, which we would use primarily for the residence hall projects not targeted by the campaign.

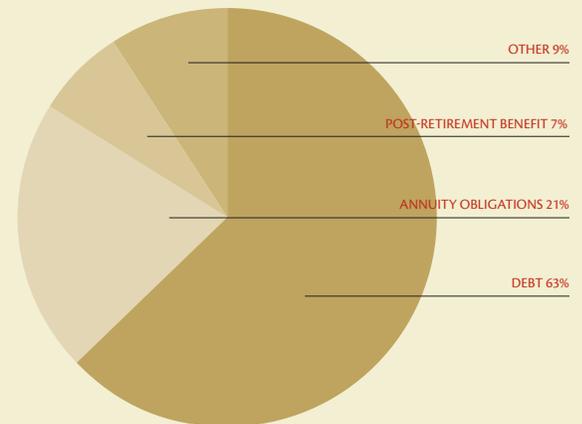
CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVABLE As Honor Our Past, Build Our Future generates new commitments and gifts, many donors make them in the form of multi-year pledges. These play a vital role in aiding our planning efforts. Contributions receivable were valued at \$53.9 million.

OTHER INVESTMENTS Deferred arrangements by which a donor gives us a sum of money to invest and manage. The donor receives an income interest from these investments for a specified period of time, after which we receive the remainder of the invested funds. These investments totaled \$74.4 million.

Liabilities

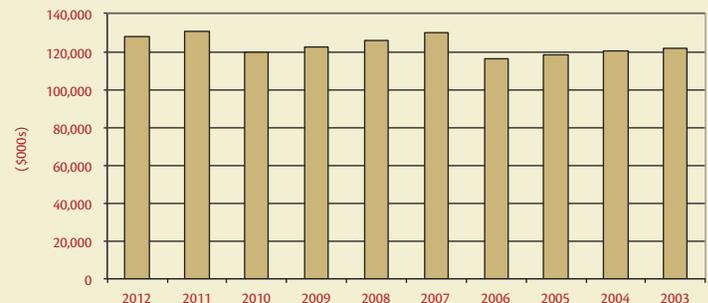
Their total \$203.6 million. Three types of liabilities compose 91 percent of this total: debt, future annuity payments and retirement benefits (Fig. 3).

Figure 3: Liabilities
\$203.6 Million



DEBT We carefully evaluate the need and timing of debt issuance. We last issued debt in the fall of 2010, and over the last decade, we have held our debt fairly constant in the \$125 to \$135 million range (Fig. 4).

Figure 4: University Outstanding Debt
June 30, 2012



Our largest liability is long-term debt that we have secured over the years to support capital building projects. It fell by \$3.4 million to \$127.6 million. Our outstanding debt comprised seven different instruments. Six were tax-exempt issues through either the Virginia College Building Authority or one of the local industrial development authorities. The balance of the seventh, a small taxable note through Bank of America, has declined to \$.95 million.

Our debt is rated Aa2 (by Moody's Investor Services) and AA (by S&P). These strong ratings reflect outside agencies' evaluations of our financial health and our ability to repay our obligations.

We will be increasing our overall debt in the next few years to support those necessary capital improvements and additions to the campus that are not part of the capital campaign, including residence hall improvements. The administration and Board of Trustees are exploring debt capacity and the impact of debt on operations to determine prudent levels that we can support.

FUTURE ANNUITY PAYMENTS The deferred-giving instruments in which we serve as the trustee create a liability based upon expected future payments to the donor. This is the second largest liability within our balance sheet, valued at \$42.5 million. We welcome an increasing liability in this

area, since it reflects a growing deferred-giving program, which will lead to greater financial support in the future.

RETIREMENT BENEFITS A retirement health benefit for those employees who serve 10 years or more and retire creates an annual expense as well as a future liability. As actuarially calculated, it now stands at \$15.1 million, up slightly from \$14.7 million at June 30, 2011. We have altered our retirement health plan for employees hired after June 30, 2003, to shift to a defined contribution plan for employees. This will reduce the rate of growth of this liability over time.

EQUITY In the corporate world, assets minus liabilities reveal the enterprise's equity. Within higher education, this equity is broken down into the following three components.

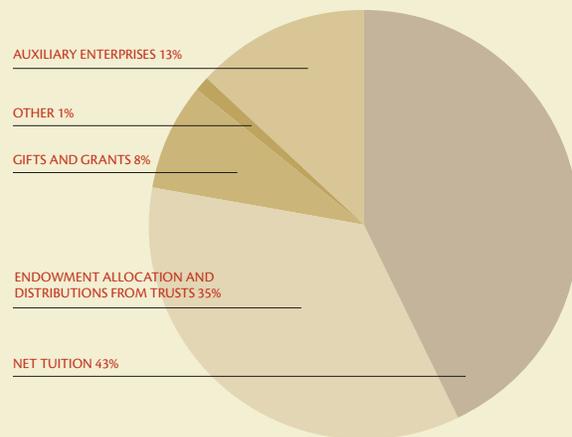
- **Unrestricted Net Assets:** These funds can be expended if necessary, and as such, they carry the greatest level of flexibility for us to meet our long-term obligations. The build-up of these funds results from operating surpluses, the creation of quasi-endowments from large unrestricted gifts and the development of reserves over the years. With investments providing modest returns in 2011-12 and our allocation of endowment spending from these investment funds during the year, this category of assets decreased by \$5.8 million, from \$279.1 million to \$273.4 million.
- **Temporarily Restricted Assets:** These funds are fully expendable but restricted by either a purpose, time frame for use or accumulated gains of permanently restricted endowments. Examples are gift funds restricted for support of student financial aid, gift funds to support building projects, and deferred giving arrangements under which we have an obligation to make payments to beneficiaries before receiving the remainder value to meet the donor's intent. They totaled \$333.2 million.
- **Permanently Restricted Net Assets:** These funds are given by a donor with the express condition that we do not expend them. Instead, the funds are invested and we benefit from the investment interest or appreciation of the funds. They underpin the endowment and include many of the outside trusts that were established to be managed in perpetuity for our benefit. The value increased by \$59.5 million to \$825.4 million.

Sources and Uses

The depth of our resources translates into the programs and services we provide to students. Endowment and Trusts Held by Others make an enormous contribution to our revenue stream and provide us the ability to invest in the education program. However, they are not the only revenues available to us, as Fig. 5 depicts.

Tuition and fees remain the single largest source of operational support. After a period of catching up with peers on tuition, the last four years have reflected more modest increases in our sticker price for tuition. As a significant component

Figure 5: University Revenues—2011-12
\$130.9 Million



of the Strategic Plan, we have increased financial aid to ensure that we can recruit the very best students without regard to geography, race, ethnicity or ability to pay.

Net tuition revenues grew to \$55.9 million, an increase of \$1.7 million from the prior year. We continue to significantly fund financial aid through endowment and gifts (51.5 percent).

In reading the operating results (Table 1), one must look at three pieces to understand our full commitment to financial aid. Within revenues, financial aid is shown as a reduction of tuition (\$34.1 million); this is also the case with Auxiliary

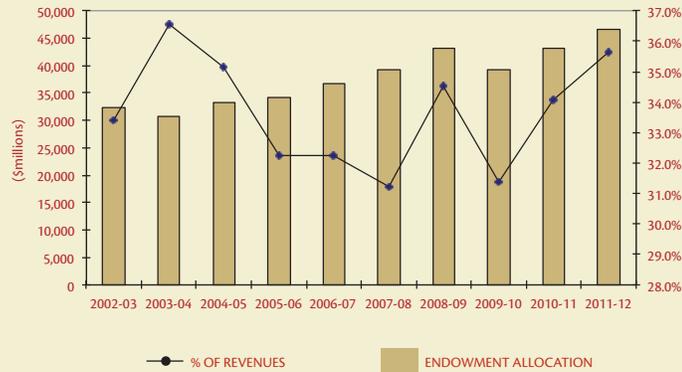
TABLE 1
Statement of Activities for the Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 2012: (\$000s)

Revenues:	
Gross Tuition	89,996
Less donor-funded student financial aid	(19,867)
Less institutionally funded student financial aid	(14,223)
Net Tuition	55,906
Endowment Return Allocated to Operations	36,422
Income from Funds Held in Trust by Others	10,257
Contributions and Grants	10,365
Auxiliary Enterprises (net of \$1,889 of institutionally funded student financial aid)	16,601
Other	1,368
Total	130,919
Expenditures:	
Instructional	62,572
Academic Support	16,056
Student Services	12,477
Institutional Support	19,001
Financial Aid	2,598
Auxiliary Enterprises	18,316
Other	3,609
Total	134,629
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets from Operating Activities	(3,710)
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets from Non-Operating Activities	45,307
Change in Net Assets	41,597

Enterprise revenues, which reflect an aid discount of \$1.9 million. Finally, within the Expenses section, there is a line item for financial aid that totals \$2.6 million. Combined, student financial aid that we awarded increased 11.6 percent, to \$38.6 million.

Endowment Allocation, whether from the defined payout formula or through distributions from the Trusts Held by Others, accounted for 35.6 percent of the operating revenues. This source has grown in importance as a portion of the revenue stream (Fig. 6), and, as a result, the diligence of management of the

Figure 6: Endowment Allocation and Percent of Budget



underlying assets and considerations of payout allocation models are as important, if not more important, than 10 years ago.

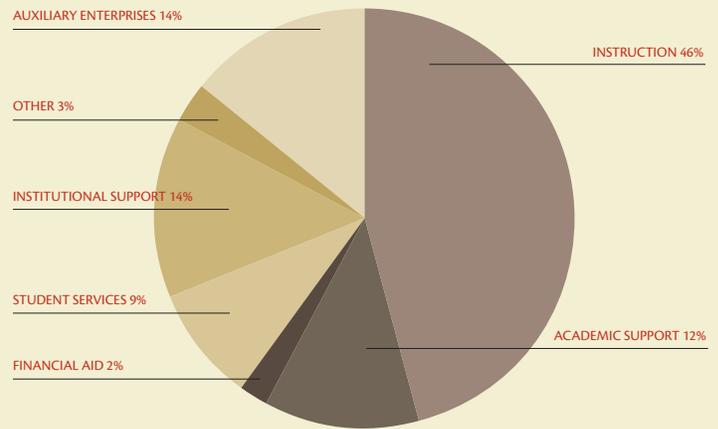
Current gifts and grants also play a significant role in our ability to provide a world-class educational program. For instance, the Annual Fund exceeded \$7.8 million in total commitments for the first time and reflected an increase of nearly \$400,000. In addition, we established new highs in undergraduate alumni participation, with 51.4 percent making gifts. These unrestricted gifts underwrite all aspects of University life. In aggregate, we received more than \$10.35 million in contributions to underwrite operations. If we had to rely on our endowment to generate the same level of contribution, we would need an additional \$230 million.

We use these resources to fulfill our core mission—education. As demonstrated in Fig. 7, Instruction and Academic Support comprise nearly 60 percent of total expenditures. Fig. 7 also demonstrates that only 14 percent of expenditures go toward administration, including fund-raising.

As in past years, comparisons of expenditures within the top 25 group of liberal arts colleges reveal that we consistently spend a higher percentage of our budget for educational expenditures than the peer average (61.6 percent versus 53.2 percent). However, our aggregate expenditures per student fall below the average expenditure per student of the peers by \$7,000.

While the results from operations reflect a deficit, we do not formally budget for depreciation (\$11.8 million). We do, however, pursue significant fund-raising to support the capital program, and many of these commitments are made but allocated to the project in a different year. This adjustment from temporarily restricted to unrestricted operations is made in the non-operating activity section of the financial statements.

Figure 7: University Expenditures—2011-12
\$134.6 Million



Summary

We are one of a very few institutions in higher education with the ability to build on our foundation of excellence from a position of financial strength. There is an identity crisis in higher education today; many institutions adjust their missions, abandoning their traditional strength and employing gimmicks to grab attention and fleeting market share. We have avoided the pitfalls that come with such a crisis by remaining true to our core values.

We build our planning models around the importance of fiduciary responsibility. These models assume low tuition and fee growth, modest endowment returns for the foreseeable future and reallocation of resources to needs rather than simple incremental growth. This is not new. Our planning over many years has incorporated such approaches to ensure that we can weather the difficult times without curtailing our programs, while flourishing, but not going overboard, during the good times.

This prudence has served us well for the last 264 years. It is as critical today as it has ever been.

A more detailed version of this report may be read online at go.wlu.edu/financials_1112.



John Wilson (left) with Vince Sardi at the Lenfest Center dedication in 1991.

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A Lifetime of Curiosity and Inquiry: JOHN WILSON

BY PRESIDENT KEN RUSCIO '76

You have read elsewhere in this issue about John Wilson, president of Washington and Lee from 1983 until his retirement in 1995. Here are a few of my thoughts about John.

I once introduced him to a group of students and mentioned that as a student at Michigan State, he played football and was named an All-American. Afterwards, he called me aside to correct me. He was actually an *Academic* All-American, which was different. You might think that revealed his modesty. In fact, it was his pride. He'd rather be known for his academic success first, his athletic success second.

He was fond of describing a college as an extended conversation—among students; among faculty; and between faculty and students. It happens in different languages, modern and ancient; and in various forms, including the languages of mathematics and scientific experimentation and through musical and artistic expression. It spans academic disciplines and

it spans generations, since those of us here today, through our reading of literature and philosophy, could converse with those from earlier times and from other places.

He pushed back against trends. He was not opposed to what we now like to call student engagement. But he also knew that the four undergraduate years were precious ones, perhaps the only time in one's life when one could separate oneself from the world for purposes of reflection and exercise the option not to be engaged. The man responsible for so many changes was at heart a traditionalist who believed a university should prepare individuals for a lifetime of curiosity and inquiry. To build that foundation for a life of the mind in the future, a student had to learn the wisdom of the past.

He had a great sense of humor. The college presidency, he said, was the only job that required you to live in a mansion so you could beg for a living.

He loved music, especially the works of Mahler. He loved literature and history, especially from Ireland.

He loved sports, especially tennis in his later years, but enjoyed watching just about any form of athletic competition. He was eloquent in his writing and his speaking.

You have read how he led the University through the decision to coeducate. You also have read that he was responsible for working with then trustee Gerry Lenfest '53, '55L to find a new home for the performing arts. You may have heard about the Fraternity Renaissance or a number of other things that occurred during his presidency.

But his legacy, in the end, was ensuring the University remained committed to academic excellence. All those accomplishments were directed to that single, overriding principle. This University has long been known for its commitment to excellence. He ensured that could endure and would endure well after his time in office. His achievement was to further define and clarify our mission as an institution of higher learning with excellence at the core of our existence. 

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Last Look



Angelica Tillander '14 and Richard Marmorstein '14 at Fancy Dress.
This year's theme was The Great Gatsby.

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