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Connecticut College's first 70th reunion class.

Dedicated to the first Class at Connecticut College
Dear C.C.

DR. LOUIS A. COERNE
Acc. freely arranged by
William Bauer

FREDERICK HENRY SYKES

There's a col-lege, there's a col-lege, There's a col-lege by the sea, With the
If a shirk-er, not a work-er, If you pow-der, paint or puff, Don't come
There are gray walls on the hill top I can see them still a far, There's a
hill tops all a-round it And a riv-er on the lea; Where the
near the dear old col-lege, Where there is no room for bluff; For the
rip-ple from the flag-staff 'Tis the flag that's like a star And the
elm trees pipe with mu-sic, And the sky is blue a - bove, Where
fac - ul - ty will work, And the winda will fuss an jerk you
breeze is in the elm trees And the glint is on the sea Like

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life is at its fair - est, Filled with work and song and love.
and your, fal - de - lals will irk you, By the sea, the dark blue sea.
the moon rise on the wa - ter comes the sweet mem - o - ry

CHORUS
Dear C. C., the on - ly place for me, Where friends are true, and skies are blue, My
heart I give it all to you; Dear C. C., the col-lege by the sea, The
fac - ul - ty will give me my de - gree, May - be. gree, May - be.
1st & 2nd Verse Last Verse

Dear C.C.

Above right: Four of the twelve remaining members of the Class of 1919 were able to come to reunion in June: L to R, Roberta Morgan Troland, Virginia C. Rose, Sadie Coit Benjamin. Seated, Marena E. Prentis. The class entered its freshman year in 1914 with nearly 100 students and 20 faculty members, and graduated four years later with 60 students. Right: Sheet music from the Connecticut College Songbook was written by the college's first president, Dr. Frederick Sykes, for the first graduating class. The Class of 1919 sang it again with gusto at reunion. Warren T. Erickson '74 honored the Class of 1919 in a special way at reunion with a poem he had written.

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Saturday, Sept. 23, 1989
All alumni invited

Annual Meeting of the Alumni
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Front Cover: Reunion '89 sweatshirts and bookbag. Photo by Kimberly A. Fox. **Back Cover:** A downpour during a celebration of the city of Magnitogorsk's 59th birthday, in 1988. The monument symbolizes Magnitogorsk's steel contribution in WWII (half of all the steel produced for Soviet tanks came from that city), and depicts a Soviet steel worker passing a steel sword to a Soviet soldier. Magnitogorsk had long been closed to the West, and was alumni writer J. Michael Harvey's first stop on his trip. Photo by Boris Kalugin.

As part of a Fulbright-Hays Studies Seminar in 1988, Florida Atlantic University Professor Heather Turner Frazer '62 traveled to 12 cities and several villages throughout India, and met more than 100 women in a wide variety of occupations. In this story she tells of her research into the changing status of India's women.

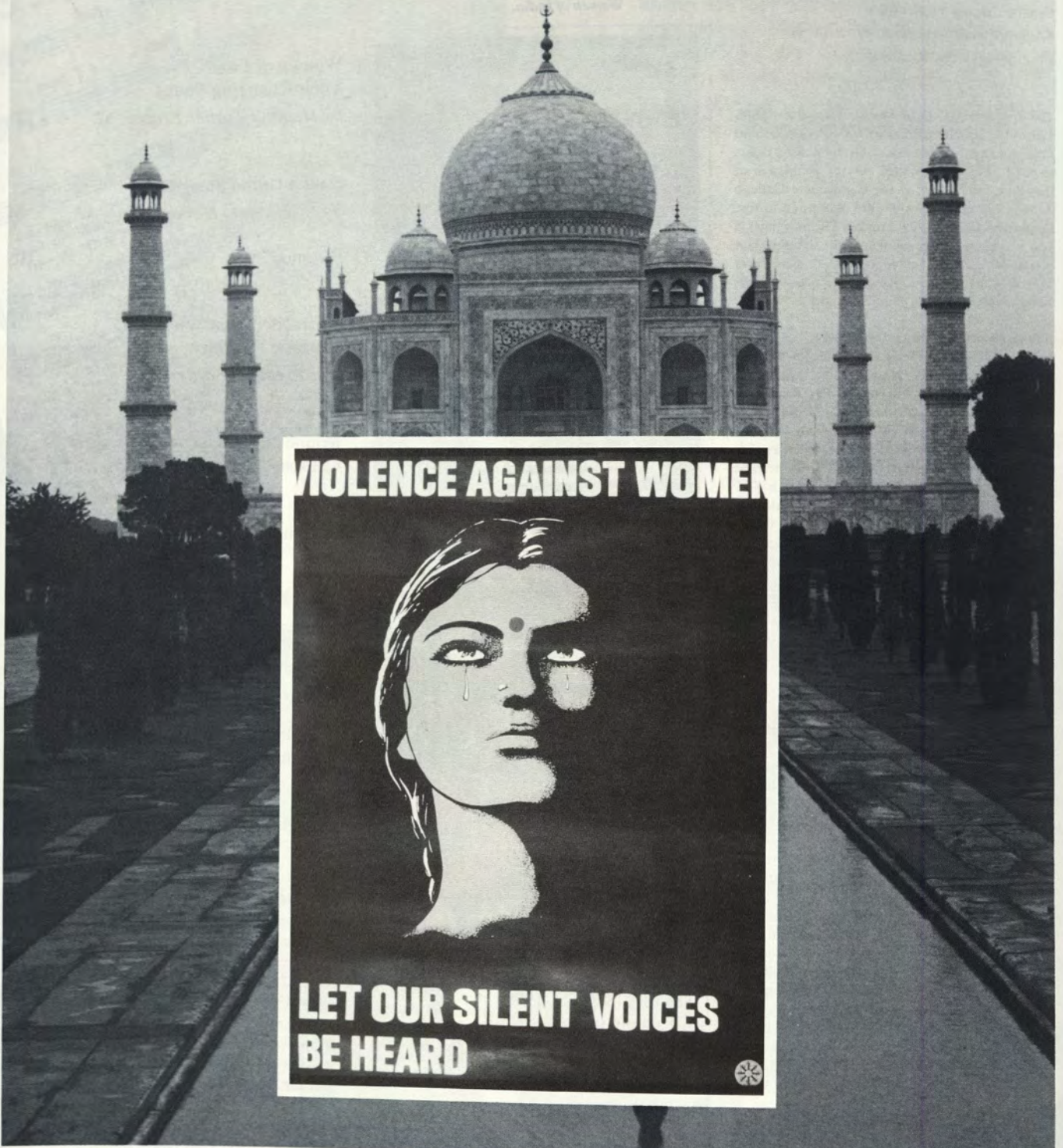


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WOMEN OF INDIA:

THEIR CHANGING STATUS

E. M. Forster expressed a profound appreciation of the changelessness of India during his first visit to the subcontinent in 1912-13. He described in his diary the startling vistas of rural India and the beauty, grace and individuality of the Indian people. At the same time, he decried the isolation of the British from the people they ruled and the resulting "disharmony" in human affairs. Forster incorporated these observations gained during his first visit to India in his classic novel, *A Passage to India*.

As I returned to India in the summer of 1988 after an absence of 13 years, I empathized with Forster's perceptions of India. Indeed, although there were more vehicles of all sorts, more cows, and more people in the streets of Delhi, Bombay and Madras than in 1975, rural India continued to reflect the qualities of timelessness and beauty.

Rural India may not have experienced much change, but my second "passage" to India was markedly different from my first. In 1975 I spent three months engaged in independent research on the administration of the British Raj in India, and I traveled alone throughout the country. In contrast, in 1988 I was part of a Fulbright-Hays International Women's Studies Seminar on "The Changing Status of Women in India," and I traveled with 13 female colleagues, all affiliated with Florida universities or colleges.

Our formal academic program consisted of individual research projects as well as lectures and seminars given by Indian academicians and professional women on subjects ranging from "Women in Indian Mythology" to "Women in Engi-

BY HEATHER TURNER FRAZER '62



Photo courtesy of H. Frazer '62.

neering and Urban Planning." Our six-week program took us to 12 cities and several villages throughout India.

We met more than a hundred women in all fields of endeavor, ranging from editors of feminist and women's magazines to construction workers, from illiterate marketplace women selling glass bangles, fruits and vegetables, to women politicians including Shrimati Sheila Kaul, Member of the Lok Sabha (Lower House of Parliament), General Secretary of the Congress Party, and Rajiv Gandhi's great-aunt.

Visits to social welfare organizations founded and directed by women showed us educational and training programs for women and young girls who have no visible

means of support. Our informal program included lots of sightseeing, home hospitality, and an all-too-brief exposure to Indian dance, literature, film, theater and religion.

What did I learn about the current status of women, and how does it compare to the position of women in 1975? My preliminary observations suggest that the current status of women in India reflects the contradictions of the country itself.

India was the first country outside the industrialized world to design and construct a general purpose satellite, the INTELSAT-2, which will have operational launch capabilities by the early 1990s. India's nuclear power program has contributed to a tenfold increase in per capita electric power consumption since independence in 1947, and India feeds itself and is a net agricultural exporter. India ranks tenth among the industrialized nations of the world, third in the world in her total number of scientists and engineers, and first in film production, with more than 800 films per year. India's armed forces rank fourth in the world, and India's middle class is larger than the populations of England and France combined.

The bullock cart, however, remains the country's principal means of transportation, and animal dung and wood are the primary fuel sources. Leprosy, dysentery, and malnutrition continue to exact a heavy toll. The population of 818 million is increasing by 50,400 per day and is expected to exceed one billion by the year 2000. Per capita income is \$290 a year, over half of all primary schools lack a permanent building, and only 36 percent of the population is literate.

Life is difficult for the majority of



Heather Turner Frazer '62 (second from left) and friends.

Photo courtesy of H. Frazer '62.

Indians, but women suffer additional hardships. Life expectancy for women averages 55 years while it is 56.6 for men. The age-specific death rate for Indian females during the first four years of life is 70.2 per thousand, as contrasted with 58.3 for Indian men and 16.8 for white females in the United States. There are 933 women per thousand males, and only 25 percent of Indian women are literate as compared with 47 percent of the men. In striking contrast to these statistics is the fact that 10 percent of India's Parliament today is composed of women, while women make up only five percent of the members of the U.S. Congress.

My individual research projects in India—dowry (the money, goods, or land that a bride's family gives to the groom's family at the time of marriage) and women's representation in Parliament—were designed to focus upon some of these striking contradictions. The population increase, the patriarchal joint family, religion, caste and village traditions help explain some of these contradictions and are all factors in the continued inequities experienced by women.

Dowry and its excesses — particular-

ly bride burnings — were popular topics in the media during my visit. One newspaper described a 17-year-old bride who was set ablaze by her husband, mother-in-law and brother-in-law because she had been unable to produce a son and her dowry was considered inadequate; she survived and continues to live with her in-laws because her own family would not accept her back into their household. Another article told of a woman whose husband poured kerosene over her and struck a match to her while their three children slept; her husband claimed her death was a suicide. Although the total number of dowry deaths is small proportionate to the population, the media coverage is focusing more attention on the odious practice of dowry itself which, although illegal, is escalating in contemporary India.

The Dowry Prohibition Act of 1961 and subsequent amendments outlawed the practice of dowry. However, in spite of the prohibition, the dowry system is becoming more prevalent in this country that expects all women to marry and which sees their social value in their ability to bear sons. Typical dowry might include jewelry, large

sums of money, land, costly clothing, VCRs, a video tape of the wedding, automobiles, and motor scooters. There are even well-defined grades of dowry for men in different professions or trades, with officers in the Indian Administrative Service ranking above business executives, engineers and doctors. The elite serves as the role model for the rest of the populace: even rural farmers are prepared to go into debt and sell their land in order to provide adequate dowries for the marriage of their daughters. The dowry system, therefore, is a factor in the escalation of rural indebtedness.

Dowry is just one reason for parents to weep when a daughter is born. Historically, Indians have preferred sons because they are producers for the family, will perform the necessary funeral rites for fathers, look after parents in their old age, and bring brides to the home as workers. Daughters, in contrast, are not necessary for parental death ceremonies, and their marriage deprives the family of workers and caregivers for elderly parents. Dowry compounds the problem, and families begin to worry about dowry as soon as a daughter is born.

Photo courtesy of H. Frazer '62.

FOR WOMEN THE STRUGGLE BEGINS IN THE WOMB



ABUSE OF THE AMNIOCENTESIS SEX DETERMINATION TEST SHOULD BE PUNISHABLE BY LAW



EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK

Photo courtesy of H. Frazer '62.

Evidence points to Indian families using amniocentesis as a tool for sex determination and then aborting female fetuses. A *Times of India* survey conducted in Bombay in 1985 found that of 8,000 abortions carried out following prenatal sex determination, 7,999 were of female fetuses. The sex determination test and subsequent abortion is significantly cheaper than having to provide dowry.

Some scholars (such as the eminent sociologist M.N. Srinivas) suggest that the increased practice of dowry has been stimulated by the middle class's desire to emulate the more materialistic West, and the organized sector of the economy. Traditional value systems tend to erode as middle class families see dowry as an easy way for the groom's family to augment their wealth without having to give anything in return.

Madhu Kishwar, editor of the feminist magazine *Manushi*, does not see the escalation in the practice of dowry as a response to increased materialism in Indian society since independence. She argues that if the West's materialistic culture was truly responsible for dowry's excesses, one would expect to find dowry demands rampant in the

West. Dowry is simply one aspect of a humiliating strategy designed to make a woman accept a subordinate position within the patriarchal family. Dowry giving, according to Kishwar, provides a public affirmation of the bride's inferior status.

Women's representation in the Indian Parliament initially appears to present a more positive view of the status of women. However, most of these women are from politically influential families having a long history of involvement in government. The majority is well educated, affluent and far removed from rural India. Interviews that I did with political observers and women members of Parliament suggest that few women representatives are willing to take independent political stands apart from family dictates or party policy. Feminist issues do not command a great deal of their attention.

Members of Parliament can point with pride to the Indian Constitution which prohibits any discrimination on the basis of sex (an Equal Rights Amendment of sorts) and grants suffrage to all men and women 20 years or older. Subsequent legislation grants women the rights of divorce, equal inheritance and adoption. Feminists, however, bemoan the great gulf that exists between the laws on the books designed to provide equality for women and the implementation of those laws. The dowry issue is a prime example of the ineffectiveness of legislation in this over-legislated country.

Many Indian women spoke to me of their frustration and resulting depression as they see the status of women deteriorate in India. The steady increase in population puts such pressure on India's limited financial resources that nothing is left to provide prenatal care, build new schools and universities, or to establish vocational programs for women.

Ironically, the changelessness that attracts people to India also maintains women in their traditional subordination. The ideal woman is like Sita in *The Ramayana*; she lives almost invisibly, negating herself. Customs and traditions deny the Indian woman her con-

stitutionally guaranteed equality.

I shared the concerns of my Indian friends and acquaintances; I observed little if any improvement in the status of women since my previous visit. In fact, as pressures mount on rural India to embrace change as a part of the technological revolution, the old ways may again gain in popularity. For example, in 1989 an 18-year-old widow immolated herself on her husband's funeral pyre as 4,000 villagers in Rajasthan watched. This commission of *suttee* (*sati*) has been outlawed in India since 1829, but when the chief minister of the state issued a new ordinance providing for the death penalty for those aiding or abetting *suttee*, 70,000 people engaged in pro-*suttee* demonstrations.

Some social welfare and feminist groups are trying to educate women about their legal rights. They are producing posters that portray dowry deaths, battered wives, or the dangers of sex determination tests. These women are establishing support groups for battered wives, and are demanding tougher enforcement of existing legal provisions designed to protect women from abuse. They are facing, however, almost insurmountable obstacles.

In spite of the pessimistic conclusions of my research in India, I cannot wait to return. I miss the vibrant colors of the saris, the magnificent monuments and sculpture, the lushness of the coastline at Kerala, the busy activity in the Bombay train station, the beauty, and even the variety of smells. Most of all I miss the graciousness of the people and the courage and endurance of India's women. ■

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Photo courtesy of H. Frazer '62.

SNAPSHOTS OF THE SOVIET UNION

BY J. MICHAEL HARVEY '79

An alumnus who became interested in Russian language and culture while an undergraduate re-counts his experiences as an interpreter on a Soviet fishing trawler, as a Moscow State University graduate student, and as an "exhibit guide" working in the Soviet Union for the U.S. Information Agency.

Photo courtesy of J.M. Harvey '79.



J. Michael Harvey '79, right, with the captain of the Soviet factory ship the Sulak.

factory ships. They, in turn, would process, freeze and deliver it to Soviet markets. This did not violate the ban because Soviet nets never hit U.S. waters. In addition, this satisfied the Soviets' desperate need for a cheap source of protein caused by the inadequacy of Soviet agriculture. The huge Soviet fleet had long since decimated fish stocks in other waters by overfishing.

All of this was explained to me by Leigh Anderson '79, who, to my surprise, was then working as MRC's computer programmer. She had spent one month at sea the year before.

That May, I flew to Seattle where I was quickly outfitted at a local ships' chandler. I received a glossary of navigation and fishing terms, and was told to memorize the parts of a ship in Russian. I also needed to become familiar with commercial fishing gear and net design.

Two days later, on May 28, 1983, the *Nadezhda (Hope)* picked me up, and I settled into a microcosm of Soviet life. The captain was a Ukrainian educated officer; the mates, Russian; our trawlermaster, Georgian; the cook, Azerbaijani. We had a surgeon and a political commissar. I was surprised to find six women aboard who did heavy, menial tasks in the kitchen and laundries. Having women aboard made life seem more normal. But marriages were often strained, as couples were rarely allowed to work on the same ship and a typical voyage could last six months.

As I spent long hours on the bridge, I began to feel quite comfortable working with the mates. During free time, we talked about life in our countries. The work had its difficulties, however. I was at sea for only 69 days, but the cramped quarters, lack of fresh vegetables (we ate garlic and onions for vitamin C), non-stop work days and tensions in the fleet made it seem like six

“Do elements of Russian grammar reflect the psychological relationship of Russian people to authority?” This was just one of the many intriguing questions raised in one of my Connecticut College classes by Associate Professor of Russian Studies Vladimir Papov. He, and his Russian classes, instilled in me a gnawing curiosity about the Russian language and the politics of the Soviet Union. The mystery of Russia eventually led me to such unlikely places as the Ural Mountains and the Bering Sea.

My first attempt to see Russia was during the 1980 Summer Olympics, which were held in Moscow. But in December, 1979, the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan. Reacting to the bloody invasion, President Carter severed cultural programs, froze U.S. wheat exports, and banned Soviet vessels from fishing in U.S. waters. My hopes of visiting the country that simultaneously attracted and repulsed me faded. But a twist of fate involving the ban on Soviet fishing would ultimately introduce me to the Soviet people, even before my opportunity to travel to Russia on an academic exchange.

LIFE ABOARD A SOVIET FISHING TRAWLER

In the fall of 1982 I began a graduate program at the State University of New York (SUNY) in Albany in Russian studies. The SUNY program had a direct exchange with Moscow State University, and also permitted me to share a suite with two Soviet students (one of those students eventually married Jennifer Gordon '79).

In the fall of '83 I was slated to fly to Moscow State University. But I was immersed in Soviet life much sooner,

aboard a Soviet factory ship in the North Pacific. The same sanctions invoked by Carter to chastise the Soviets had the unintended effect of stimulating an unusual joint Soviet-American fishing business based in Seattle.

That business, Marine Resources Company, benefited from the sanction that banned Soviet fishing in U.S. waters. An opportunity was at hand for underemployed U.S. fishermen to harvest fish and sell it directly to Soviet

months. In the beginning, the Americans complained that the Soviet factories were processing fish inefficiently. Then the Soviet captains complained about the Americans' streak of lousy fishing. The tension was less an issue of dealing with Soviets and Americans, and more an issue of dealing with fishermen who are fiercely independent, stubborn and proud. As interpreter and broker, I served as mediator for many of these problems.

FROM THE SEA TO MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

In August, 1983, I left the sea to go to Moscow State University. At Kennedy Airport I met the other students going to Russia, and discovered our flight had been canceled. The Soviet Union had shot down KAL 007, and carriers out of New York had cut all flights to the USSR. The destruction of the civilian airliner was shocking, and prospects for U.S.-Soviet cooperation looked dismal.

We eventually got a flight to Moscow via Austria. My first impression of Moscow was one of delight because the Soviet students I had lived with the previous year met us at Sheremetovo Airport and accompanied us into Moscow. My second impression was disbelief, as I looked through the windows of the speeding bus. The roads and buildings reminded me of ones I had seen in underdeveloped countries; it was hard to believe this was the capital of a superpower.

Arriving at the main university building on Lenin Hills, we were driven through large gates to the section where all the students from Western countries lived. The gates were marked with huge Roman letters "VD." We joked that the authorities were trying to discourage the locals from sleeping with Westerners. It turned out, however, that there really was an effort to isolate us.

To get to our section, one had to pass a main gate and two internal check points. ID cards had to be shown at each point. If Soviet students were to visit foreign students, even if all of them were studying and living at the university, the visitor's passport was held until he left, and his identity along with the name of the person he visited was recorded. If the visitor was not out by curfew, someone would knock on the



The writer visiting a Soviet family. He is seated at the head of the table.

Photo courtesy of J.M. Harvey '79.

door. Twice during the semester, we were awakened early in the morning by militia men who demanded our papers and looked into our rooms.

I kept formal study to a minimum in order to spend as much time as possible visiting acquaintances in their homes. These were the best times, and Russian hospitality saved me from the awful food served at the university. I knew several doctors, and they often discussed medicine. A thoracic surgeon complained that he had to get written permission to xerox medical articles; he had no direct access to foreign medical journals. A woman told me that in the provinces, abortions were regularly done without anesthesia, and that it is typical for women to have five to eight abortions because birth control is unreliable and often unavailable.

I spent Thanksgiving with the family and friends of the American Consul. Among the guests was Yuri, a "refusnik" who had already spent six years fighting for the right to join his wife and children living in America. To publicize his plight, years earlier he had conducted a hunger strike which brought him to the brink of death. The authorities finally promised him an exit visa, only to deny it when he recovered.

After dinner, Yuri and I left to get the metro before it closed. The militia man outside stopped us and demanded Yuri's documents. (All Soviets are required to

carry passports at all times.) Claiming there was an irregularity in his passport, Yuri was detained and I was told to move along. I called our dinner host, who came down immediately and told the guard that Yuri was officially invited to dinner. He demanded to know the reason for Yuri's arrest, but the guard did not answer. A few minutes later, a car arrived, and three men forced Yuri into it and then drove off.

I called Yuri's apartment for several days until he finally returned. We met for tea, and he explained that what had happened was just the usual detainment and harassment that he had experienced ever since he had filed to leave the USSR. Watching Yuri be arrested with no apparent reason left an indelible impression on my mind about the Soviet system during my first visit to that country.

I stayed in Moscow through January, 1984. Christmas is not officially celebrated; New Year's is the big winter holiday. The city had decorated the streets with lights, and huge decorative numbers hung over the avenues: 1984. At that time, George Orwell's book, *1984*, was much discussed in the Western press, and the Soviets were angry with comparisons of their society to the novel. They reacted by publishing criticisms of the book in their newspapers. The parting irony was that *1984* was still a banned book.



Russian Orthodox priests celebrating 1000 years of Christianity in Minsk, 1988.

Photo by Boris Kalugin.

Back in the States, there were no appealing job prospects involving Russian, so I finished my degree and reluctantly went back to sea in 1986. I spent three years in the Bering Sea, working six to eight months a year, and spent time in the Korean and Japanese fleets as well.

In 1988, I became the fleet coordinator for the nearly 50 vessels of the Soviet-American flounder venture, which runs from February to May. My respect for Soviet and American fishermen grew as I watched them battle the winter storms. The cooperation among U.S. and Soviet fishermen under trying

circumstances remains an inspiring memory. For example, in order for American ships to escape the freezing spray that can cover a boat with ice and sink it, the Soviet factory ships would cut paths into the ice flows, allowing the smaller, American fishing vessels to run from the punishing swell of the open sea. In addition, Soviet mechanics and welders were often resourceful at repairing damaged U.S. fishing boats.

The adventure and beauty of the Bering Sea helped counter the tedium of isolation, but I was nevertheless anxious to get back to land. It was at that time that I received a radio message inviting me to join an American exhibit about to open in Magnitogorsk, in the southern Ural Mountains.

WORK AS AN "INFORMATION USA" EXHIBIT GUIDE

My good luck was connected with the success of the Geneva Summit of 1985, when President Reagan and General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev agreed to re-establish a host of cultural agreements that had been severed by Jimmy Carter in response to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. The talks were hopeful, and a welcome change of mood from the one I had felt in Moscow on Thanksgiving night of 1983. One of the revived cultural agreements involved the United States Information Agency, which, for 20 years (from 1959 until 1979) had sent 17 informative, provocative exhibits about American life into the Soviet Union's heartland.

The first USIA exhibit featured American home furnishings and was inaugurated in 1959 by then Vice President Richard Nixon. While home furnishings may sound like a tame subject now, then it sparked a heated argument between Mr. Nixon and General Secretary Nikita Khrushchev, who claimed that no average American could possibly afford to own the things displayed. The argument started at the kitchen exhibit, and is remembered in the history of the Cold War as the "Kitchen Debate." The exhibit withstood the "heat in the kitchen," and USIA continued to send new exhibits to the USSR throughout the '60s and

'70s, halting only after the Afghanistan invasion.

In July, 1988, I joined "Information USA," the first exhibit to tour the USSR since the improvement in Soviet-American relations. I traveled in the Soviet Union for seven months, visiting Magnitogorsk, Leningrad and Minsk. While our exhibit theme, "Communications and Computers," was new, the exhibit format was much the same as the 1959 event. Every exhibit is accompanied by young, Russian-speaking Americans called "exhibit guides." The guides are trained to demonstrate American equipment, but often spend a great deal of time describing American life to sometimes skeptical, but always curious Soviet visitors. The contact with Americans was often cited by Soviets as the best part of the exhibit because it was a rare thing to safely meet with foreigners, especially Americans.

To prepare for the exhibit, we trained in Washington, DC, for one month. Past experience in the Soviet Union indicated that a guide should expect anything from exhibit visitors, including planned harassment and attempted public embarrassment. The USIA was determined that we be experienced in confronting hostile questioners.

It was known the exhibit would draw from eight to 12 thousand people daily, and at any given time of the day, each guide would engage between 25 and 150 people. To prepare us for the worst, our mentors (mostly recent immigrants) hurled accusations and tough questions at us in Russian: "How much does the CIA pay you to come here and tell us lies about your life?" "Isn't rampant homosexuality a sign of decay in American society?" "How can you talk about freedom, in America you're only free to be homeless and buy drugs." "Isn't it true that Americans can't go out at night without a gun?" "It was the CIA that invented AIDS in New Jersey, right?"

I met thousands of questioners in the Soviet Union, and I can report that only a handful were people whose sole intent was to harass or embarrass me or my country. Many of the above questions were often asked, but the tone was usually genuine curiosity and concern; or at worst, regrettable ignorance engendered by a political system intent on controlling and shaping all kinds of information.

Many Soviets puzzled over why religion was still such a powerful force in America. I was often prompted to talk about Adam Smith's notion of the invisible hand in the free market, as the mechanism for allocating economic resources was hard for average Soviets to understand. It was a challenge explaining why Americans tolerate fringe groups such as the KKK and the

Photo courtesy of J.M. Harvey '79.



The exhibit guide at work.

Neo-Nazis. I was passionately attacked, especially in Minsk (where the Nazis had been particularly brutal) for defending America's broad notion of the right to freedom of speech.

The variation of the public dialogue was endless and the demands on my Russian vocabulary daunting. After spending 10 minutes explaining basic spreadsheet applications of Lotus 1-2-3, a bookish-looking man who had been nodding earnestly at every keystroke raised his hand to ask what our Surgeon General meant by "safe sex." Other memorable moments included explaining the availability in America of over-the-counter pregnancy kits, and why Americans have nice teeth. There was never a dull moment.

"Glasnost" was exhilarating. Visitors spoke with unprecedented public frankness about the problems of the Soviet Union. Five years earlier, when I was a student in Moscow, people used to furtively thrust slips of paper to me with an address and a scrawled invitation to visit them. Now, all kinds of Soviet people showered the guides with open invitations to visit. Five years earlier, people were chastised for condemning Stalin's crimes; now, Soviet papers published accounts of the horror.

"Perestroika" (economic reform) was a different matter. In Magnitogorsk, cheese, sausage and sugar were

rationed. I had more difficulty finding basic things in shops than I had had five years earlier. Many visitors to our exhibit were completely pessimistic about Gorbachev's chances to reform the economic system. Black humor was abundant in lines like, "Seychas perestroika, a potom perestrelka," a play on words meaning "Perestroika today, the firing line tomorrow." After the novelty of glasnost wore off, I began to wonder if there weren't more perestroika supporters in the West.

It was particularly disturbing to hear many Soviet people complain that, while they did support reform, they did not like the idea of private cooperatives making some people rich. They wanted to live better, and they recognized that the Communist party was largely to blame for many economic problems, but their narrow, state-sponsored education effectively prevented them from imagining viable alternatives.

Connected to this were the shocking reports of vandalism against private farmers who made money by raising beef and delivering it to markets. Some of their cattle had been slaughtered and burned out of jealousy.

Many of the political changes in the Soviet Union over the past few years are welcome news to the Soviet people and the West, but it would be unwise to think that things can only get better. On October 30, 1988, just days before our exhibit arrived in Minsk, a legal memorial service for the victims of Stalin was viciously broken up with tear gas and beatings by the militia. While glasnost excites the world's imagination and invigorates the Soviet intelligentsia, it should not be overlooked that the Soviet constitution still provides great and arbitrary power to the Soviet government.

I continue to be fascinated by the Soviet Union and its people. I returned to Moscow on August 10, 1989, to work on a new USIA exhibit called "Design USA." One hopeful note is that the Soviet government has agreed to let our exhibit go to Vladivostok, a city long closed to the West. If I'm lucky, I'll bump into some fishermen I know there. ■

J. Michael Harvey '79 received his M.A. in Russian language in 1985 from SUNY. He is currently the Assistant Director of "Design USA," and will be in the USSR until September, 1990.



Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.

REUNION '89

The weather was nearly perfect for Reunion '89, June 2-4, the first Conn reunion to include a 70th celebration, for the Class of 1919. A brief shower on Friday afternoon left Saturday bright and clear, with spirits high, and the busy weekend schedule added to the festive atmosphere. College Librarian Brian Rogers and fellow members of the Mystic Highland Pipe Band led the traditional Saturday morning parade, complete with balloons and banners, class caps and costumes. After the parade, the Alumni Association presented veteran class correspondent Mary Caroline "M.C." Jenks Sweet '38 with its highest honor, the Agnes Berkeley Leahy Award, for her 35 dedicated years of service as a class correspondent, and for her work as her class's 50th reunion chairman. (See page 22 for more information on the ABL award.)

Faculty from four strategic planning committees led panel discussions on

Friday and Saturday afternoons on topics such as "Diversity in American Life" and "Ethical Choices in the Modern World," and solicited alumni input for the college's Five Year Plan. Connecticut graduates got acquainted with President Gaudiani and her husband, David Burnett, at Friday's reception on Harris Green. Children frolicked at the Sports Camp. The Mystic Paper Beasts entertained the whole family Friday evening with an allegorical play about reunions, and the B. Willie Band played music from the '40s to the '80s Saturday night in Conn Cave.

Art lovers enjoyed "Nightfeathers," the Sunday morning presentation of the works of painter Joan Ross Bloedel '64, as well as the vibrant, varied works of the late Professor Marguerite Hanson on display in Shain Library and Cummings Art Center. Nature lovers visited the Arboretum for the Friday afternoon dedication of the Lillian Dauby Gries '27 Conifer Collection, designed by

landscape architect Sara Manwell Bradford '63 of Albert Veri & Associates. Those who missed the dedication had a chance to see the Arboretum on a Sunday morning tour led by Director Glenn D. Dreyer M.A. '83.

The Class of '84 drew the largest number of alumni, with 95 class members returning. The Class of '49 brought the largest percentage to reunion, its 40th, with 42%. Fifty-nine Sykes Society members came back, including four members of the special 70th reunion class, 1919. Elliott Adams Chatelin '59 of Paris, Janet Grant '64 of London and Constance Hassell '69 of Honolulu vied for the distinction of the alumnus traveling the farthest. In all, 663 Connecticut College graduates came to Reunion '89.

Block off June 1-3 on your calendar for Reunion 1990, and hope for equally wonderful weather. Who knows? Reunion '89 may have been the start of a streak!



Above: Special vests identify these class members, here at the registration desk. Left: Alumni and friends enjoy refreshments after panel discussion in Cummings Arts Center. Below: Former Executive Board President Ellen Hofheimer Bettmann '66.



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Photo by Edward U. Gilpin.

Alumni enjoy the annual Saturday parade, the Sykes Society luncheon, and the sunny reunion weekend.



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Mary Caroline "M.C." Jenks Sweet '38, recipient of the Alumni Association's highest honor, the Agnes Berkeley Leahy award.



Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.



Looking north from the new Horizon Admissions Building toward Harkness Chapel.

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Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.

Photo by Edward U. Gilpin.



Alumni gather in Sunday morning's downpour at the Lillian Dauby Gries '27 Conifer Collection in the Arboretum. The Collection was designed by landscape architect Sara Manwell Bradford '63, and features a semi-circular stone wall with commemorative plaque. The Collection was dedicated on Friday of reunion weekend.



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An important part of each year's reunion festivities is the presentation of class gifts to the college. At an awards ceremony following the Saturday morning parade, President Gaudiani collected a balloon from the class agent chairman or another representative of each reuniting class. The amount of the gift and the percentage of the class participating were written on the balloon. This year's presenters: (L to R) Janet Mead Szaniawski '39, Mary Alice Robertson Jennings '54, Ruth Kellogg Kent '39, Elizabeth (Bibbo) Riley Whitman '29, Olga Wester Russell '34, Daniel Hirschhorn '79, Jane Bridgwater Hewes '44, Ellen Lougee Simmons '69, Sadie Coit Benjamin '19, Mary (Mimi) Adams Bitzer '59, Alice Fletcher Freymann '49, Ellen Corroon Petersen '64, Dhuanne Schmitz Tansill '64. (Kneeling, L to R) Sheryl Edwards '84 and Paula Dzenis Healey '74.

Doris Merchant Wiener '35: Patriotic Pilgrim

BY ROSEMARY BATTLES '85

She calls herself “a retired old lady,” and signs her letters “modestly,” but Doris Merchant Wiener '35 is a spirited woman who belongs to 21 organizations, has been interviewed by *The Wall Street Journal*, and is responsible for boosting membership in the club she leads from 66 to 300 members. So what is the hobby that keeps her so busy?

It's genealogy. And as a Past Governor, Elder, and Deputy Governor General of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Arizona, she's been plenty busy. Her commitment to the Society and other lineage organizations was originally fueled by her interest in uncovering her own lineage; nine of the 26 surviving passengers on the *Mayflower* are among her ancestors. Now, she devotes much of her time to the club because she enjoys meeting new members, and promoting and upholding the ideals of the Society: patriotism and historical preservation.

Although she had known that she was a direct descendant of *Mayflower* passengers John Alden and Priscilla Mullins since she was a schoolgirl in Tenafly, NJ, it wasn't until 1968 that Wiener began to research her roots. In 1970 she joined the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Washington, DC, where her husband, Frederick, practiced law until they retired to Arizona in 1973. Wiener proved able at leadership posts in both locations. While still living in the Capital, she was voted in as the first female Deputy Governor. Shortly after her arrival in Arizona, she was first named Treasurer, and then appointed Governor of that Society. Today, she is an Elder, an office that is very fitting for her since the famous Pilgrim leader Elder William Brewster is one of her ancestors as well.

The Elder, says Wiener, is “on call” for members in need, in times of sorrow and joy. The position involves more than the traditional praying at the start and finish of each meeting — “It's got a lot of love,” Wiener said.

Likewise, meetings are more than prayer times. After an invocation and



Genealogy buff Doris Merchant Wiener '35 with a model of the *Mayflower*.

Photo courtesy of the Arizona Republic.

the Pledge of Allegiance, the officers give their reports on club business, discuss upcoming trips, projects, or new members. Then the program begins, which is a presentation on a topic of interest. In the past, members have shown slides of trips to Pilgrim starting points, or have given a talk on historical points involving Pilgrim life. For Wiener, it's the feeling of community that she enjoys.

“You're with people of like mind. Once they're a member, they're family,” she said. Firmly rejecting the notion of Mayflower societies as snooty private clubs, Wiener finds meaning in the historical perspective of the hardships that her ancestors endured. “Its prestigiousness is that you are impressed with what the Pilgrims did. These people were instrumental in the process of creating our American way of life.

“These people on the *Mayflower* were simple souls. There wasn't much snobbery among them. They came here because they wanted to worship God in their own way,” she said.

Twelve generations after they landed on the shores of Plymouth, MA, the original 26 surviving Pilgrims may have produced 25 million descendants. Yet just 25,000 active members nationwide belong to the Mayflower Society, a 92-year-old institution. Although there have been many disputes over

how stringent admissions policies should be, requirements seem to be standardized. What do you need to be admitted?

“You need a great deal,” explains Wiener, who has filled the post of Historian General, the officer who examines applications for accuracy and eligibility. “You must prove every fact that you're basing the application on — every birth, every marriage and death — with as many copies of birth certificates and official documents that you can find in archives.”

Wiener said that some of the best genealogical libraries are in Boston, Washington, DC, and Hartford, CT, although most states have their own library full of historical information.

Doris Wiener is a Connecticut Yankee who, like the character in Mark Twain's novel, is equally at home in the present and the past, adapting to both with gusto. She doesn't yearn for the East, the home of her esteemed ancestors. During her interview she said, “Honey, if I'm going to miss the East, I'm going to miss the West!” ■

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CAMPUS NEWS AND EVENTS

Commencement '89, A Tribute to Scholarship and Style

Leonard Lauder, president and chief executive of the cosmetic company Estée Lauder, Inc., gave the address at Connecticut College's 71st commencement on May 27th. Lauder urged the 443 bachelor's degree and 49 master's degree candidates to dream large dreams and get a flexible education because careers often take unexpected turns. He also said that young people are volunteering more, contributing more to non-profit organizations, and returning to wholesome interests. The college awarded Lauder an honorary doctorate of humane letters later in the ceremony.

Lauder, a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, founded the Joseph H. Lauder Institute of Management and International Studies with his brother Ronald in 1983. President Claire L. Gaudiani was associate director and senior fellow in Romance Languages at the Institute prior to coming to Connecticut College.

—E.C.

Sending the Elevator Back

A plaque on the door of the Plant Anatomy and Development Laboratory in New London Hall, given by Mary Roth Benioff '56 and B. Richard Benioff, bears a reminder: "*Il faut renvoyer l'ascenseur,*" or "Please send the elevator back down." Over the years, many Connecticut alumni and members of the community have given younger students the needed "lift up" by donating scholarship funds. For the first time in college history, scholarship recipients had a formal opportunity to meet those who so generously sent the elevator back for them.

On April 7, the Development Office hosted the Scholarship Recognition Program. Forty-nine students met their benefactors in the Ernst Common Room, and then went on to lunch in Harris Refectory. The 15 donors attending the luncheon were sponsors of endowed or named scholarships, or representatives of corporate or foundation scholarships. Fifty-one donors and 90 students were invited.

Louise Stevenson Andersen '41, Former Executive Director of the Alumni Association, and Gertrude E. Noyes '25,



Patricia Roth Squire '51

Photo by Paul Horton.

Dean Emeritus of the College and Professor Emeritus of English, were among the guests. Both women have scholarships named after them.

The party dined on filet of sole Newburg, herbed rice, vegetable medley and fresh strawberries with Chantilly cream. After dessert, President Claire L. Gaudiani '66, a former Connecticut College scholarship student, remarked that scholarships make dreams come true. She presented a certificate of appreciation to each donor.

Michael J. Lerner '89, recipient of the Pforzheimer Foundation Scholarship, expressed his gratitude and spoke about the importance of scholarship money, which enabled him to attend Connecticut. "My scholarship means ... I'm here," he said. Lerner, a Winthrop scholar and 1988-89 Social Activities Council representative, graduated with a degree in English and theater.

Patricia Roth Squire '51, sister of Mary Roth Benioff '56 and donor of a scholarship in her own name, talked about her reasons for establishing the fund. "When you cast your bread upon the water, it comes back birthday cake," she said. "My birthday was this week, and as I look around the room, I see an awful lot of birthday cake."

Many of the other donors present expressed similar sentiments. Marlis Bluman Powell '50 and her husband, Junius, sponsor the Ernest and Annelise Bluman Scholarship because they believe scholar-

ships play a role in the renewal of the quality of Connecticut's student body. Also, having "the memory of someone who's gone helping someone who is the future" holds special meaning for them, said Mrs. Powell.

Students and donors were so pleased with the opportunity to meet that the Scholarship Recognition Program will become an annual event.

—E.C.

Collecting Art for Corporations

Joan Goldman Kaplan '64, fine arts advisor, returned to the campus on May 2 to present the program "Corporations as Collectors: A Powerful Force in a Changing Art World" in Blaustein Humanities Center. Kaplan spoke to a group of 40 students and faculty on the impact of corporate collecting, changes in the art world, and the role of the art advisor in the past two decades. After a 25-minute talk, Kaplan showed slides of 140 works she has acquired for corporate clients. The program concluded with a lively question and answer session, and an informal dinner hosted by the art and art history departments.

Joan Kaplan Fine Art, founded in 1966, provides a range of fine art curatorial and advisory services to corporate collectors. A pioneer in the field, Kaplan has developed major collections for clients such as American Express, Swiss Bank Corporation, Exxon Research and Engineering, and Tetley Inc. She is a member of the Association of Professional Art Advisors and was listed in the 1983-84, 1985-86 and 1987-88 editions of *Who's Who of American Women*.

Kaplan, who graduated from Connecticut College with a B.A. in American history, worked for two years at a gallery in New York and became director "by default," she said, when her boss was fired. But she knew that this was not her calling. One day the chairman of the board of a major corporation came into the gallery and asked her to present a painting to him. She explained why it was an important work to acquire. He bought the painting. "While I was making my presentation," she said, "lights flashed in my head and I knew this was what I wanted to do." She said she wanted to create the role of corporate art advisor, and to guide institutions in building important and worthwhile collections to share with their staff, visitors and the public.

During her visit, Kaplan interviewed several Connecticut College students for a six-week volunteer internship for the summer of 1989. Marianna Poutasse '89 was selected to assist in the preparation of a client catalogue, to help prepare an office procedures manual, and to accompany Kaplan whenever feasible in her normal business meetings and gallery reviews.

—E.C.

Author Saul Bellow Speaks at Founding of Symposium on Writing and Moral Vision

Saul Bellow, winner of the 1976 Nobel Prize for Literature, spoke to a capacity crowd in Palmer Auditorium on April 22, 1989. Bellow's lecture inaugurated the Daniel Klagsbrun Symposium on Writing and Moral Vision to be held each September at Connecticut College. The symposium was endowed by Herbert and Emilie Klagsbrun in memory of their son Daniel '86 who was murdered in New York City in January 1988.

Blanche McCrary Boyd, writer-in-residence and organizer of the symposium, and Herbert Klagsbrun spoke briefly at the beginning of the program about Daniel Klagsbrun's life and the purpose of the symposium.

President Claire L. Gaudiani '66 introduced the author with a list of his works and honors. She recalled his recent statement, "People can no more do without literature than they can do without salt," and commented that, "Mr. Bellow has brought us, his readers, the salt that seasons our imagination and our moral vision ... the salt that flavors this evening at Connecticut College." When Bellow reached the podium, he quipped that many doctors now advise their patients to avoid salt.

Although begun with a joke, Bellow's hour and twenty minute talk, "A Jewish Writer in America," examined a weighty issue — his moral consciousness as it relates to his faith. Bellow said that he had never spoken on the topic before, but his readers will find the underlying theme familiar: the problem of defining one's humanity in modern Western civilization. Because he was born into an ancient culture, Bellow said, he was born with an identity from which he



Author Saul Bellow

Photo by William R. Burrows.

Daniel Klagsbrun '86

Daniel Klagsbrun '86 graduated from Connecticut College with a bachelor's degree in history. He was a Dean's List student, participated in intramural basketball and soccer, and served on the History Advisory Board, Library Committee and Student Government House Council as an undergraduate. Because Daniel is remembered for his love of literature and concern about moral issues, the Klagsbrun family and friends have permanently endowed an annual symposium on "Writing and Moral Vision" in his name at Connecticut College. In the words of his father, "The beauty that literature evokes represents to us the fineness of Daniel's inner self." The symposium was founded on April 22, 1988. Author Saul Bellow spoke on "A Jewish Writer in America."

Klagsbrun died under "circumstances that should strain the civilized mind," a friend told *The New York Times*. On January 24, 1988, Klagsbrun and several friends emerged from the Dublin House Pub in New York City, and were challenged to a fight by another patron, who had followed the group



Photo by Caroline Tobias '86.

for more than a block. Klagsbrun said very little but, being closest to the man, caught flying karate kicks in the head and neck, according to *The New York Times*. He collapsed into a coma and died two days later.

In addition to the symposium, two other positive and living memorials to Klagsbrun are a *Stewartia* tree planted in April by the Class of '86 at the entrance to Windham dormitory, and a memorial garden in the Arboretum's legume collection. The garden, donated by Klagsbrun's sister Suzanne, will be dedicated this fall. Additional contributions for the symposium may be made in Daniel Klagsbrun's name to the college.

—E.C.

could not separate himself, and thus was spared from "the horror of an identity crisis." Yet he, like other Jews, he said, was not immune from the sense of spiritual desolation that pervades the nihilistic West. His dilemma as a young man was deciding "how to combine being a Jew with being an American and a writer," and how to deal with challenges that came from a fundamentally anti-Semitic literary establishment, and from Jewish thinkers as well.

Early in his talk, he put forth a statement he made in 1976 when accepting the Nobel Prize, "I am an American writer and a Jew." The seeming priority placed on these identities angered an Israeli philosopher whom Bellow greatly respected. Bellow remarked that having his priorities questioned reminded him of being asked as a child, "Whom do you love better, your papa or your mama?"

He went on to discuss the effect of attitudes about Jews and the experience of Jews in the 20th century on his own moral consciousness. He talked at length about the often blatant prejudice of Gentile writers and

philosophers, the Holocaust and how it stigmatized the Jewish people as eternal victims, the warnings of Jewish writers against assimilation by nihilistic cultures, and the freedom of American Jews to create a full Jewish consciousness. At the end of his discourse, Bellow returned to his 1976 statement, concluding that he would let "the record...show what the 20th century has made of me, and what I have made of the 20th century."

Saul Bellow approached the Klagsbrun family to volunteer his services for the symposium's founding event after hearing of it from his lawyer, Daniel's uncle. In a news conference earlier that day, he told reporters, "I knew the tragedy of the Klagsbrun family. I have a son named Daniel about the same age. I knew how the family must have felt. It was a simple matter for me."

In addition to the Nobel Prize for Literature, Mr. Bellow won three National Book Awards (for *The Adventures of Augie March*, *Herzog* and *Mr. Sammler's Planet*), the International Literary Prize for *Herzog*,

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the Pulitzer Prize, and the Croix de Chevalier des Arts et Lettres, the highest literary distinction awarded by France to foreigners. In all, he has published 10 novels, two collections of stories, and one novella. A second novella, *The Bellarosa Connection*, will be published this fall by Penguin Books. He has also contributed criticism and essays to leading periodicals, served as a war correspondent for *Newsday* during the 1967 Arab-Israeli conflict, and taught at numerous American universities. He currently serves on the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago.

The next Daniel Klagsbrun Symposium on Writing and Moral Vision will be held September 20-21, 1989. Writers E.L. Doctorow and Marita Golden, and poet Carolyn Forché will talk about "The Writer As Witness."

—E.C.

Thematic Dormitories

Increasing numbers of students are expressing an interest to live together in a residential community with a common interest and purpose different from traditional residence hall living. This fall the residential life program will include additional theme houses and a theme wing.

In the 1988-89 academic year, the Student Government Association Residential Life Committee (comprised of house fellows, SGA assembly members, and students at large, and advised by the coordinator of residential life and housing) introduced a thematic housing program. Interested students submitted detailed proposals, including a house mission statement, individual statements of contributions, proposed method(s) of evaluation, house rules, and nominations for a house manager. Applicants were interviewed individually and in groups by students on the Residential Life Committee, by the coordinator of residential life, and by other administrators.

Accepted proposals include a Creative Arts House in North Cottage, a Sign Language House at 130 Mohegan Avenue and a Community Opportunity Outreach League (C.O.O.L.) on Harkness first floor. Each community intends to provide an atmosphere conducive to the house theme, and to establish a living situation in which students, faculty, staff and outside community members can come together. Formal and informal gatherings and programs will range from a Collaborative Arts Montage performance to a Sunday Brunch Sign Language Group.

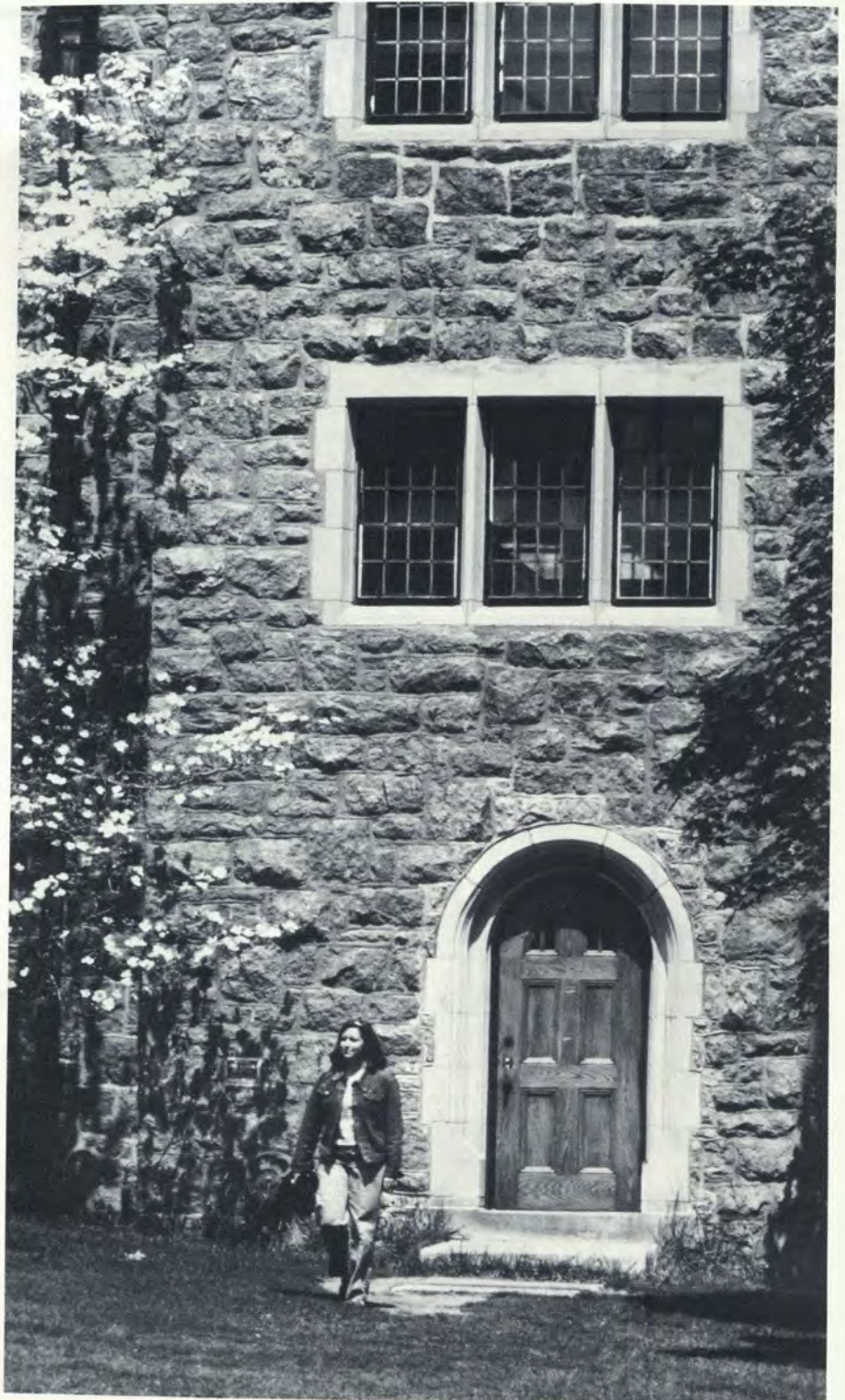


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Due to a strong interest by upperclassmen and underclassmen, Blackstone House will be a "quiet" residence hall in the upcoming year. Members of Blackstone will be required to maintain a quiet living atmosphere 24 hours a day Sunday through Thursday. Special non-quiet hours may be established for Friday and Saturday evenings.

Knowlton International and Language

House had a record application year, and twice as many applications were received than space permitted. Interest in Abbey Cooperative House also continues to increase.

— by Christopher S. Koutsovitis
Coordinator of Residential Life and Housing

Ellen Rosenberg Schwamm '55—and her husband, author Harold Brodkey, were featured in the “Couples” section of *People* magazine January 9, 1989. With the support of Schwamm, Brodkey is finishing a novel nearly three decades in the making. Schwamm is the author of the novels *Adjacent Lives* (1978) and *How He Saved Her* (1983). She earned a B.A. in English from Connecticut.

Frances Gillmore Pratt '60—had her sculpture, *Spring Fling*, exhibited as a vase in the lobby of the Museum of Modern Art, New York City, in March 1989. Pratt graduated from Connecticut College with a B.A. in Fine Arts and subsequently studied under private teachers and at the DeCordova Museum and the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. She has also shown her work in one-person and group shows in the Boston area, New York City and Washington, DC.



Agnes Cochran Underwood '63—left her position as headmistress of Garrison Forest School, Garrison, MD, to become headmistress of the National Cathedral School, Washington, DC. In addition to her B.A. in economics from Connecticut, she received a teachers training certificate from Shady Hill School, Cambridge, MA, in 1966 and an M.B.A. from Columbia University in 1976, where she graduated first in her class.

Kimba M. Wood '65—the youngest magistrate on New York's Second District bench, was selected to preside over the case against Drexel Burnham Lambert. The case involves the 98-count racketeering and fraud indictments of Drexel employee and junk bond chief Michael Milken, and two others.



Prior to joining the bench, Wood was an antitrust attorney with the New York firm of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby & MacRae. In 1987, she represented underwriters of Lloyd's of London during an investigation of insurance practices. She holds a B.A. in government from Connecticut College, an M.S. in political theory from the London School of Economics and a law degree from Harvard (1969).

Nancy S. Newcomb '67—joined Citicorp's senior management policy committee in January 1988. She is a senior corporate officer and principal financial officer responsible for funding, liquidity and capital planning. She joined Citicorp, a bank holding company, 21 years ago and last served as senior executive vice president of AMBAC, its insurance subsidiary. Newcomb earned a B.A. in economics from Connecticut College and an M.A. in economics from Boston University



in 1968. She has also attended Harvard Business School's Program for Management Development.

Mary Keil '70—co-produced the Broadway musical *Starmites*, which was nominated for six Tony awards in 1989, including “Best Musical.”

The play is a fantasy “coming-of-age journey,” according to Keil, of a teenage comic-book junkie. It was originally presented at New York City's Ark Theater Company, of which Keil is a founding board member. Keil raised the money to present the show at the American Stage Festival in Milford, NH, in August 1988, and took out an option to bring it to New York. Critics raved about the two-and-a-half week Milford production, and *Starmites* opened on Broadway in April 1989.

Keil, who holds a B.A. in economics from Connecticut and a master's in real estate finance from the The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, was working for Citibank when she got involved with the Ark Theater. After leaving Citibank in 1981, she co-wrote a Rockefeller Brothers Foundation study which became a book, *Enterprise in the Non-Profit Sector*.

Valerie J. Fletcher '73—curator at the Smithsonian's Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, DC, organized a retrospective of the work of Swiss artist Alberto Giacometti, which opened in September 1988. Fletcher also wrote the catalog essay for the exhibit, which was reviewed in *The New York Times* on September 17, 1988. Fletcher is the author of *Alberto Giacometti* (Abbeville Press, 1989) as well as other art books. She holds a B.A. in art history and French from Connecticut, and a graduate degree in art history from Columbia University.

Catherine Welles Cook '73—president and founder of Southeast (Connecticut) Association Building Independence for the Retarded and Disabled, was featured in the September 1988 issue of *Family Circle*. SEABIRD Enterprises, formed in 1983, now comprises a training center and two bakeries staffed by mentally handicapped individuals. The New London training center teaches basic self-sufficiency and job skills and places students in local businesses.

Cook has been active in advocacy groups for the mentally handicapped since the birth of her son Caleb, who has Down's Syndrome, in 1978. She earned a B.A. in human ecology from Connecticut College.

Sally A. Apfelbaum '76—was one of three U.S. artists selected in the annual *Reader's Digest* Artists at Giverny competition to live and work in the home of impressionist painter Claude Monet from April 1 to September 30, 1989. The three artists received cash awards, furnished apartments at Giverny, France, and a professionally equipped studio. They were chosen from more than 620 applicants.

Apfelbaum, a photographer and sculptor, teaches photography at the School of Visual Arts, New York City, and has exhibited in New York and Italy. She received her B.A. in psychology and an M.F.A. in photography from Tyler School of Art in 1984.

Jeffrey L. Idelson '86—was named assistant director of media relations for the New York Yankees on January 30, 1989. He has a B.A. in economics.

OBITUARIES

KARIN WIMBERGER '81

Karin Wimberger '81 was not like most people. Most of us, as soon as we escape from the bonds of childhood, manage to figure out other ways to limit our space. The more ambitious among us build a bigger playpen but we rarely follow our dreams to the world beyond. Eventually, our dreams fade. Alone among God's creatures on this planet, we weave our own webs of significance and then become entrapped in them. We invent the limits of our personal universe and then use our invention to control our freedom of movement, sometimes even our freedom of thought. Karin Wimberger knew no such limits. That is why her death is more than the tragic waste of a young life. Who can know what Karin might have accomplished. We have all lost a piece of the future.

At Connecticut College, Karin pursued a double major in history and Asian studies. She earned distinction in both, winning the prize for excellence in Asian history and graduating magna cum laude in May 1982. Along the way, she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and completed a brilliant honors thesis on American foreign policy in South Asia in the wake of the brutal Soviet invasion and occupation of Afghanistan.

I knew Karin well. She helped take care of my young son, she was my student, my advisee, sometimes my teacher. I learned, for example, that it is possible to enjoy sky-diving. I learned not by doing it (my courage is fully taxed by sitting inside an airplane) but by listening to Karin describe the jump, the free fall, the jolt as the parachute opens. I learned of conquering the vagaries of the northeastern United States through the lens of a Seattleite. Together we planned her junior year in India at Banaras Hindu University, where, after a few side trips for rock climbing on Himalayan peaks, her bond with South Asia became complete.

Graduation was followed by a stint with a Seattle chamber music group, further South Asian training with the University of California, Berkeley postgraduate program in Lahore, Pakistan, and a strong dosage of broadcast journalism and film making. She worked as a researcher, assistant editor, and production coordinator for a list of clients, including the National Geographic Society, WNET Public Television (PBS), and the British Broadcasting Corporation. All of this was perfect training for the path Karin chose to travel.

Karin had a love for South Asia, a passion for adventure, multiple linguistic skills, and significant broadcast journalism and film-making experience. In addition, she was an

Photo courtesy of the Wimberger family.



Karin Wimberger '81

insightful student of international politics and had written an honors thesis with an Afghani focus. What could have been a more rewarding undertaking than her job as a location manager, a translator and sound recorder for a free-lance production team in Afghanistan working for CBS News. The final product, "The Battle for Afghanistan," was aired in a CBS Special Report.

It was the human rights violations in Afghanistan that concerned Karin the most. She wanted the world to know that the Russians and the Russian-backing Afghan government were devastating the population, using such heinous devices as booby-trapped children's toys. Her mission was accomplished, but Karin did not leave Afghanistan alive. She was felled by hepatitis and died on November 17, 1988. She was 29 years old.

Where there is no risk, there is no gain. Karin understood the risks and was willing to take them, whether it meant dodging bullets or challenging the laws of gravity. This extraordinary alumna was one of our brightest and one of our best. Karin's father, in his letter telling President Gaudiani of Karin's death, asked her also to inform the Department of History. "Some of the faculty members," he wrote, "might still remember our daughter." Some of the faculty members could never forget her.

by Professor Edward Brodtkin
History Department Chairman

ZELMIRA BIAGGI PINEDO

Professor Emeritus of Spanish

Associate Professor Emeritus Zelmira Biaggi Pinedo, who died on August 16, 1988 in San Jose, Puerto Rico, came to Connecticut College within a decade of its first commencement and retired in 1968 on the eve of coeducation. Although she served several terms as department chair, she was, in the best tradition of the college, first and foremost a teacher. A native of Puerto Rico, she was Spanish by culture and tradition.

Miss Biaggi taught the language, literature and history of Spain in her courses here. She also taught Spanish in the language school at Middlebury College for a number of summers. On her retirement, she joined the faculty of the department of Spanish and French at the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez and taught there for several years.

Miss Biaggi was a graduate of the University of Puerto Rico and also received an A.B. degree from Park College and her M.A. from Columbia University. She did additional graduate study at Yale University and at Middlebury.

Her early research interests included the problem of assimilation of the Indian population into the Spanish culture in Latin America, especially in Colombia. She later studied the writings of St. Theresa of Avila, and most recently researched the correspondence of one of the early Spanish colonists in the Caribbean, using the Library of the Royal Academy of History and the National Library in Madrid.

Miss Biaggi's approach to life was open and whole-hearted. She possessed a store of Spanish proverbs most vividly translated into English, which yielded one for almost any occasion to the delight and enlightenment of her students and friends. In her, warmth and wit combined in a presence always light-hearted and crackling with energy, while maintaining great personal dignity and her own unique elegance. That she was also a sensitive, serious person is reflected in the following comment from a letter written during one of her trips to Spain.

"Life in general is harder than in the U.S.A. There are no comforts to be had at the touch of a switch, but there is human warmth, sorrow and joy hand in hand, a naked realism staring you in the face and strengthening your soul..."

Miss Biaggi's life in this community exemplified for her students, alumnae, fellow faculty, and her many non-faculty friends the finest model of a liberally educated person who was at home in two cultures.

by M. Gertrude McKeon
Acting Associate Dean of the College

Class Notes

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REUNION

On a perfect June day, four members of the class of 1919 returned to campus in celebration of our 70th reunion. Present were **Marenda Prentis**, **Sadie Coit Benjamin**, **Roberta Morgan Troland** and **Virginia Rose**, who were guests of the college at the Sykes Society luncheon given in honor of 1919. Andy Crocker Wheeler '34 presided and introduced Prent, who gave a blessing. President Claire Gaudiani; Ellen Hofheimer Bettmann '66, president of the Alumni Association; Brian Rogers, college librarian; and others at the "head table" paid tribute to the first class of the college. We sang our old college song, written for us by Dr. Sykes and Dr. Coerne. President Gaudiani presented our class with a beautiful silver bowl in honor of the 70th. It will be suitably inscribed and will grace important occasions. A dismissal prayer was given by **Sadie Coit Benjamin**. Mementos of reunion will be sent to all members of '19 who were unable to be present, so watch your mail.

I am sorry there were present at the luncheon no members of the other classes that were in college with us—'20, '21 and '22, but I hope they'll make it for their 70th!

Correspondent: Virginia Rose, 20 Avery Lane, Waterford, CT 06385

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Dorothy Doane Wheeler writes, "I was widowed two years ago, and I have had arthritis for many years. I finally reached the stage where I was no longer able to live by myself. I have been a resident of Sebring Care Center for over a year and keep very active. I get around in a wheelchair most of the time since it is much faster than a walker. I play bingo, scrabble, and work in arts and crafts. The care center puts out a monthly bulletin and I'm active in the Circulation Dept.. I have many friends who take me to their homes or to a restaurant for dinner. I still have my home and hope to return there to live someday. But in the meantime I am very happy in the center where everyone is so nice to me."

Loretta P. Higgins writes, "Arthritis, a fall, and a slight stroke keep me house-bound, but with devoted neighbors and well-trained aides, I find life agreeable." She had her 90th birthday on June 7.

Maud Carpenter Dustin writes, "I live in my home alone, my husband having died three years ago. Three of our children live nearby and supervise. The highlight of this past year was a reunion of our offspring in Aug. '88, held on our pasture five miles out. They lived in camps, tents, etc.. All but one of the 41 came. I have six great-grandchildren. Although I have poor sight, walk with a walker, and have to buy dinners, I keep busy and feel decent. I correspond with **Katherine (Treena) Schaefer Parsons** and **Emma Wippert Pease** quite regularly."

Olive Doherty writes, "In my generation, I am the only Doherty living. I was 89 last Jan.. My nephew phones me every day from a different part of the state. When I hear his voice I answer, 'I'm just fine,' but my eye doctor tells me that I have no sight in one eye, which even surgery will not cure. I have slight epilepsy attacks, but never lose consciousness. My friends take me to church or market, since I have sold my car."

Marion E. Warner writes, "I still live with my friend in Uncasville, CT. Her family makes me feel like one of them, which is remarkable. They often take me out in my wheelchair to a picnic or entertainment. I am pleased to be getting our *Alumni Magazine*, and feel grateful to those of our class who have contributed so much."

Dora Schwartz Epstein is in a nursing home in Bloomfield, CT. Her daughter, Elaine Title Lowengard, writes that Dora has been there for some time and is unable to write. Elaine sends her best to the "stalwart 16" of our class!

Alice Horrax Schell writes, "Our FL West Coast meeting with Dr. Claire Gaudiani, our new CC president, was a very exciting and stimulating occasion. She is a brilliant speaker and a dynamic and charming person. We can feel very happy that our alma mater is about to experience another great educational era. Fred and I are both 91 and still interested in CC. We always look forward to the *Alumni Magazine*."

To the family and friends of **Justine McGowan Masse**, who died 2/2/89, we send our sincere sympathy.

Correspondent: Mrs. David Hall (Kathryn Hulbert), 865 Central Ave., No. Hill, Apt. 1-307, Needham, MA 02192

In Memoriam

Justine McGowan Masse '20	2/20/89
Marion Warner Hovey '20	7/09/89
Adelaide Satterly Tuthill '23	5/16/89
Ann Rogoff Cohen '24	3/09/88
Margaret Battles Barber '27	5/25/89
Margaret Merriam Zellers '28	4/11/89
Marguerite Reimann Roberts '28	6/04/89
Frances Wells Vroom '29	7/15/89
Isabelle Bartlett Hogue '32	2/24/89
Carolyn Hincks Dillman '32	2/26/89
Sarah Buchstane '33	5/30/89
Barbara Meaker Walker '34	1/22/89
Virena Marjorie Beaudette Wilson '38	4/22/89
Susan Fleisher '41	6/21/89
Betty Letsch Grunow '42	1/22/89
Ann Barnard Wilson '48	2/19/89
Polly Green Kemp '50	2/07/89
Frances Weinberg Kempner '50	6/04/88
Martha Morse Comstock '51	4/01/89
Betty Suyker '51	1/01/89
Dell Stone Martin '53	5/06/88

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We are seeking a class correspondent for your class. If you are interested, please contact the Alumni Office.

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Elizabeth Merrill Blake is enjoying her old neighborhood again. She has a good place to sit outside and watch the birds at the bird feeders. The new great-grandchild is a girl, Stephanie Gail, bringing the total to three boys and one girl.

Mary Damerel wrote, "The Boston Flower Show and a Goya exhibit at the Fine Arts Center in early March were wonderful and effortless, as my niece from Milton drove us into town."

Blanche Finley, class agent chairman, praised class members for generous giving to the AAGP in '88. Blanche's niece wrote that "recently Blanche spent two and a half weeks in the Hartford Hospital. She's back in her apartment now with a nurse's aide. She's beginning to eat better and read a little. I think she would like a card."

Mildred Duncan remarks, "the round robin really means a lot to me as it brings back fond memories and helps to hold us together." Mildred is a real helpmate for a 93-year-old friend by writing checks, reading mail, attending to all her appointments, etc.. Mildred's own life is busy with Meals on Wheels, church, Women's Society, meetings, etc..

Anne Slade Frey reports her health is fine. She plants her own vegetables, and when she can no longer raise her own food in her own garden, she "shall indeed languish." Our class baby, Janet, thrives. She married William Slade Harte, a businessman in San Antonio. There are three children, the oldest boy named Slade Harte.

Lucy McDannel says she has slowed down perceptibly "on account of vision and arthritis. It takes me four times as long to do my work as previously."

Helen Merritt worked hard on her income tax early. "Most discouraging to find, through no fault of mine, an error had been made by the company." Helen attends a writing class every other week and finds it stimulating and fun.

Dorothy Wheeler Pietrallo voices her remembrances of **Augusta O'Sullivan** who died in Jan.. "We have such happy memories dating back to the days we sat together in Dr. Leib's math classes, all six of them." She spoke of snowdrops in blossom in Feb., then a "slight skum of snow."

Olive Tuthill Reid writes, "I'm handicapped. Can't think with a pen in hand and can't master the new electric typewriter given for our birthdays. I spend more time waiting on our pet cat than I do on my husband. One quarter of my time is spent looking for my glasses." Olive enclosed a view of stormy Lake Erie. "Several times a week we see the lake boats 1,000 ft. long. The ocean-going boats are too far out for us to see. 20 years ago an oil spill from a barge washed up on our beach and all activities were cancelled for the summer. Human error again."

Mollie Kenig Silversmith says she is slowing down a great deal. Her eyesight is weak and she had a cataract operation planned. Ergo, "I don't read as much. Go through the *New York Times* as best I can." She sent a picture of two great-granddaughters, Stacy and Erin, both 3.

Marjorie E. Smith is still limping along with a walker but she is in her own apartment. She keeps active going to market once a week via a van with other residents, and to Hamilton House twice a week for a discussion class and bridge. She walks around outdoors when the wind subsides.

From the day we graduated in 1922 until her death on 1/24/89, **M. Augusta O'Sullivan** was our tried and true class secretary, a loss we mourn. She was always on time with notes ready, and good humored. We shall dearly miss her. To her family go our deepest regrets.

Correspondent: Marjorie Smith, 40 Irving Ave., Apt. 1002, East Providence, RI 02914

THE AGNES BERKELEY LEAHY ALUMNI AWARD

Nominations Sought

This award was established to honor the memory and perpetuate the name of Agnes Berkeley Leahy '21, who died in 1960. Agnes Leahy was twice president of the Alumni Association, a member of the Connecticut College Board of Trustees for 10 years and a wise, devoted alumna who played a vital role in the growth of the college and the Alumni Association.

After graduation, Leahy was asked to set up the Connecticut College Personnel Bureau. She had natural leadership abilities, a strong interest in people, and was known by all as quick-witted, warm, kind and considerate. The Bureau, one of the first campus personnel bureaus in the nation, was a success, and earned Leahy status as a pioneer in the personnel field.

In 1925, after earning her master's in psychology from Columbia University, she returned to Connecticut College to teach. She left the college in 1929 when the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., headquartered in New York, asked her to set up their national personnel department. Under her leadership, the Girl Scouts trained over 800,000 volunteer leaders and recruited 2,000 professionals.

Upon her passing, the *National Staff Reporter* of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. wrote, "Agnes had a rare combination of brilliant mind and warm heart. She demanded the best of us, and she was our understanding friend."



Photo courtesy of Connecticut College Archives.

Awarded during Reunion Weekend to not more than three alumni, the ABL award honors those who have contributed outstanding and continuing service in class, club or other Alumni Association activities. Susan Bohman Faigle '63 was the 1988 recipient, and Mary Caroline "M.C." Jenks Sweet '38 was this year's ABL award winner. (See this issue's "Reunion, 1989" section for more information.)

Now is the time to nominate candidates for next year's award; they must be members of a class that graduated at least 15 years ago and may not be current members of the Executive Board or currently employed by the college. Your candidates should not be told that their names have been submitted.

Please mail nominations and reasons for each nomination before November 1 to:

Nathaniel Turner '82
Vice President, Executive Board
Connecticut College Alumni Office
New London, CT 06320

your class president and correspondent. Behind us were '29, '34 and the hordes of other reuning classes.

The parade ended at Dana Hall for the presentation of class gifts and alumni awards. **Elinor Hunken Torpey**, class agent, was unable to attend (a broken hip); **Margaret Dunham Cornwell** took her place, carrying to the stage the balloon and the report saying that 43% of the class had contributed. President Gaudiani, who is a warm dynamic person of great charm, spoke of her plans and dreams for the future of the college.

A luncheon for Sykes Society classes—'19, '24, '29 and '34—called "The Golden Girls," was held in Hood Dining Room in Blaustein, a part of the Palmer Library. Balloons again showed us to our table, and there we found our three other classmates who had come for the day: **Lucille Wittke Morgan**, **Marion Sanford** and **Sarah Gordon Hahn**, making a total of six class members. Were we glad to see them! During a delicious lunch there was an interesting program introduced by Ann Crocker Wheeler '34, the leading marshal for early classes; a blessing by Marena Prentiss '19; and greetings from President Gaudiani, the president and the executive director of the Alumni Association, and the reunion chairman. The speaker, College Librarian Brian Rogers, told of the new "Tri-College Consortium," whereby CC and two other colleges will have nearly instant access to each other's library books. After an ode to the class of '19 and a tribute from Ann Crocker Wheeler, the program closed with a benediction from Sadie Coit Benjamin '19.

We then had a chance to mingle with our other class members, exchange news and have a visit. We spoke often of you all and wished you might have been with us in person as well as in spirit.

Mary Snodgrass McCutcheon writes, "I am so very happy at Foulkways. It's wonderfully located (Gwynedo, PA). We get into NYC, Philadelphia, DC and even Baltimore on day trips by bus. This week a cousin in Crosslands, PA, asked Margaret (Peg) Ewing Hoag '25 and Garrett to join us for lunch—60 years for both of us. Neither recognized the other. I'm well, except for minor knee and back trouble."

Gladys Westerman Greene writes, "there is not much of interest here. Son, Steve, is restoring an old grist mill to live in." Gladys has trouble with her eyes and doesn't have many good days.

Estelle Hoffman Susman and her husband still rotate their homes between W. Hartford and Palm Beach—"the best of both worlds. We are both in relatively good health and enjoy a busy and interesting life filled with activities in a large family. We have six grandchildren and two greats."

Marion Vibert Clark writes, "News is nil." She is "finding the good old days much better than they were when they were here." She hoped to fly to AK in June where a son lives.

Aura Kepler could not return to CC for the reunion since "I am still on Canadian crutches and have very little energy." She has been in a retirement home for a year and is happy with it. "How I would love to hear President Gaudiani!" She was looking forward to news of reunion.

We received with sadness a card from the sister of **Ann Rogoff Cohen** telling of her death in a nursing home on 3/9/88. We send our sympathy to her family and friends.

Correspondent: Mrs. Thomas T. Baldwin (Elizabeth Holmes), 57 Millbrook Rd., Medfield, MA 02052

23 Correspondent: Mrs. Rufus A. Wheeler (Olive Holcombe), 208 First St. Scotia, NY 12302

24 REUNION

On Friday, June 2, three of us arrived at CC: **Margaret Dunham Cornwell**, our class president; **Margaret Kendall Yarnell** (now living in ME with her daughter); and **Elizabeth Holmes Baldwin**, class correspondent. We three met joyfully at the Crozier-Williams Center to register, and after lunch at Hood Dining Room we found our rooms close together in Wright House.

How the campus has grown since our day!—way beyond the smoke stack and Thames Hall and back from

the river. There are new buildings, some with old familiar names and some with new, so we kept in hand the invaluable maps from our kits. CC had gorgeous landscaping, laurel not yet out, but rhododendrons in blossom everywhere. A hard rain shower Friday evening cleared the air before the reception under a tent on Harris Green to honor our new college president and her husband. That was followed by an all-classes dinner in Harris Refectory, with balloons to mark tables for each class. Ellen Hofheimer Bettmann '66, president of the Alumni Assoc., presided. That evening two of us went to Dana Hall in Cummings Art Center for the performance of *The Mystic Paper Beasts*, "human bodies with realistic masks to encapsulate timeless problems with allegory."

Saturday morning, a refreshing, cooler sunny day, we had breakfast at Harris Refectory, and then lined up for the Alumni Parade—Kiltie Band first, then the '19 banner, then our buff and blue banner proudly carried by

25 Correspondent: Emily Warner, Covenant Village, Apt. 3112, Missionary Rd., Cromwell, CT 06416

26 We are seeking a correspondent for your class. If you are interested, please contact the Alumni Office.

27 Correspondent: Minnie Watchinsky Peck, 1351 Saratoga Ave., Apt. 1, San Jose, CA 95129



Members of the Class of '29 at the Sykes Society luncheon in Hood Dining Room: (L to R) Esther Stone Wenzel, Elizabeth Speirs, and the late Frances Wells Vroom, who died six weeks after reunion.

28 **Roberta Bitgood Wiersma**, 28's indomitable president, fund raiser and organist, is working in A-1 form.

Edna Somers writes, "Roberta is a brave, brave woman. She gets my vote for courage." Somers had a new role to enjoy—great aunt to an adorable little 3-month-old boy, adopted at four days old! "He will be in ME with us this summer, so I should become well-versed in infant care."

Deborah (Debbie) Lippincott Currier writes, "New retirement places have growing pains. I'm glad I moved; I like it here. My cottage is small, but adequate and pleasing. The people are interesting, friendly and fun, and there's plenty to do. Retirement is hardly the word." She planned on a June week in Nantucket, an Aug. week in NH, the month of Sept. in Italy, and a visit to her daughter

Photo courtesy of R. Bitgood Wiersma '28.



Marenda E. Prentis '19, left, on a stroll with niece Roberta Bitgood Wiersma '28, c. 1910.

and grandson.

Jeanette (Jean) Bradley Brooks spent a week in Feb. on the FL Gulf Coast with son Don and his wife. She went in April to a "very different kind of world—found on some of the islands of GA—live oaks, sand dunes and wild horses. This is recommended-for persistent bronchitis." Our 60th reunion is a vivid, nostalgic memory for her. "It was such fun!"

Prudence (Prue) Drake is settling in a life retirement village in Bedford, MA, where she has her own apartment. "It is somewhat like college days. I drive to Boston to see the Boston Ballet, which now is very good. We have a bus to the symphony and the art museum." She still summers in Ogunquit, ME, and is fortunate to have young friends who will "supervise and help me this year. I'm being spoiled." She, too, thinks of 28's 60th with great pleasure.

Eleanor (Woodie) Wood Frazer writes ecstatically that she "had a new medicine and has found out that she does not have Parkinson's—thank heavens!"

Catherine (Dill) Page McNutt writes, "After Mac died every widow I know advised me to keep very busy so I wouldn't have time to think. That is not good. Here I am so busy that I do not have time to relax and think of past pleasures. The family is all well and prospering. The last two grands are in college and the three great-grands are in preschool and kindergarten. My accident? Did you ever hear of anyone getting four teeth broken by a swimmer in an indoor pool? I did—a big guy caught me with a left hook. For two weeks one eye was shut, face black and blue. Four teeth were in need of serious repair." Dill is still mending and is mastering a Macintosh computer.

Ruth (Pat) Towson Moeller has given up golf for gardening and raising canaries. She boasts two great-grandsons, 1 and 2, whom she sees and enjoys at the family gatherings on July 4th.

Elizabeth (Betty) Gordon Staelin and her husband golfed every day in the Sarasota outskirts for three winter months. They spent one day at Clearwater Beach with **Karla Heurich Harrison** at her home located on a narrow strip of land between the Gulf and the Bay. Betty "didn't see **Abbie Kelsey Baker**, as I usually do; nor **Deborah Lippincott Currier**, who often visits Karla." Betty's older daughter, Cynthia, lives in Ottawa and works in the Parliament buildings, writing speeches for various ministers. Cynthia has four children: a son in the travel business in England; a son working on a master's at Dalhousie U. in Halifax, N.S.; a daughter, totally deaf, who received a four-year tuition at the U. of Ottawa, graduated with honors, and is writing for the deaf in Toronto; and a daughter in grad study at Dalhousie U.. Betty's second daughter, Judy (Judith Van Law Loucks Blakey '60) has a daughter, Lissa Loucks '87, who's very musical but is preparing for culinary school either in Boston or Hyde Park, NY; and a second

daughter who lives and works in York, PA.

Abbie Kelsey Baker moved from Rossmore to a new life care home nearby. "It is big, busy and pleasant. In Jan. I went to FL, but not long enough to see any CC friends." She broke her hip one and a half years ago and still finds it troublesome. "I may always be using a cane."

Hilda Van Horn Rickenbaugh reports that daughter, Anne's son graduated from Vanderbilt this year. Hilda planned to attend a memorial service in Pittsburgh for her brother, Dr. Kent Van Horn, who was in research and a vice president of Alcoa. In June, Hilda visited her brother's son in London and later traveled in southern France with daughter Anne.

Mildred Rogoff Angell still teaches at Adelphi U. as senior adjunct professor. "I'll keep going as long as I can." Update on her grandchildren: "Mark, 21, graduated from the U. of MI in '89 and is on his way to CA to write for films. Sandy, Mark's brother, is a member of Actor's Equity and is continuing his studies at Juilliard. Lindsey, 12, is in AL training to be an astronaut. She lives in a space dorm and goes through the drills and loves it all—except for the powdered food."

Margretta (Peg) Briggs Noble and Herb visited their two daughters and their families in CA for six weeks. The grandchildren are either still in college or are in the midst of job interviews, each in a different CA school. "I like CA, especially the northern part with its strange beauty and big sky. I understand why some who transfer to our N.E. feel closed in with all the trees and our little sky." Last fall she had a visit from **Dorothy (Dot) Davenport Voorhees** and her daughter, Dorothy Lou Voorhees Burgess. "A few weeks before, Lou's husband suffered a fatal heart attack—sudden and very tragic."

Ann Delano Scholes sent a brief note recounting her move from England with Harry, her English husband, to CA in '87. "We had a happy year here and Harry enjoyed the golf. Last spring we discovered he had cancer of the bone; he died in early Aug. '88. My family and friends have been a great support."

Adelaide (Kinky) King Quebman and John were in Hanover for his reunion in June.

Henrietta Owens Rogers—even if she is not a Justice of the Peace, (correspondent's error and apologies), her decision not to accept the appointment is the community's loss. Honey Lou went on the April 19th march on Washington DC. She and her wheelchair bussed with "45 peaceable passengers, a memorable experience—wholly chaotic and out of control. Pro-Choice supporters, feeling protected by Roe-Wade, let their views be known as the Pro-Lifers, using more violent means, have let their views be known through the years since the Roe vs Wade decision was made. I think it was useful." When the rains came, the swimming pool—named by the grandchildren "the old lady's dunking pool"—broke away from its 35-year-old underpinnings. A new pool is in the making, delighting the grands. Grandson, 2, is a frequent visitor. "He and I play blocks, sandbox, books and gardening by the hour."

Sarah Emily (Saysay) Brown Schoenhut and George have a lawyer in the family. "A young Dartmouth cousin, now a VT Law School grad, and his lovely Swedish wife are the parents of a very active 8-month-old boy. We know he's on his way to becoming a skier. Our 'almost cousins' who live next door, adopted a Korean baby boy, now 3, who's a charmer and a constant visitor who calls us 'Wu' and 'Wu Wu.' Our health isn't too good, but we manage."

Margaret (Peg) Merriam Zellers died on 4/11/89. Her husband, Jack Zellers, said Peg died peacefully in her sleep. She suffered a stroke some years ago, but with grit, determination and humor, she managed to conquer the frustration of coping. The class extends its sympathy and love to husband, Jack; daughters, Sally and Margaret; and two grandchildren.

The class extends its love and condolences to the families and friends of **Margaret T. Smith**, who died 6/1/88; **Norma Brandes Overton**, who died 6/20/88; **Margaret Merriam Zellers**, who died 4/11/89; and **Marguerite Reimann Roberts**, who died 6/4/89. Sympathy is also extended to **Ann Delano Scholes**, for the loss of her husband, Harry, in Aug. '88.

Correspondent: Mrs. George W. Schoenhut (Sarah Brown), Rt. 1, Box 211, Fairlee, VT 05045

Saturday, June 3, 10 '29ers sporting class colors and corsages preserved from our 50th reunion, joined in the Alumni Parade. A few walked the distance, but others preferred to ride in the "lead van" which delivered us to the auditorium door.

For many the alumni meeting provided the first opportunity to see and hear Claire Gaudiani. Everyone was impressed with her graciousness and her plans for the future of Connecticut College.

At noon the Sykes Society classes were guests of the college at a luncheon in Hood Dining Room in the new Blaustein center in Palmer Library. Here we were addressed by both President Gaudiani and Brian Rogers, the college librarian, who expressed the college's appreciation of the Tri-College Consortium made possible by the bequest of **Muriel Whitehead Jarvis**. Members of the class of 1919, an inspiration to all of us, were guests of honor as well as participants in the luncheon program.

The campus was beautiful, so classmates spent the afternoon wandering in all the familiar spots and seeking out the changes. By cocktail hour all were ready to relax and join in Wright Lounge with others housed in the dorm. Dinner was served to Sykes Society classes in Harris Dining Room.

The dance in Crozier-Williams attracted several '29ers, but our ears rebelled in a short time and we retired to our dorm rooms where we could still hear the beat.

After breakfast Sunday morning some took walks, some attended the chapel service, and all dispersed saying, "Hope to see you at next reunion."

Those at reunion were: **Frances Wells Vroom**; **Margaret (Peg) Burroughs Kohr** and husband; **Elizabeth Speirs**; **Teresa Homs Cameron**; **Esther Stone Wenzel**; **Elizabeth Riley Whitman** and husband; **Arlene Brown Stone** and husband; **Verne Hall**; **Marian Vaine** and **Wilhelmina Fountain Murphy**.

At a class meeting, former officers were asked to serve again: **Frances Wells Vroom**, president (who has since died, 7/15/89); **Peg Burroughs Kohr**, secretary; **Verne Hall**, treasurer and new class correspondent.

Correspondent: Verne M. Hall, 290 Route 156, Lyme, CT 06371

30 **Frances (Petey) Brooks Foster** and her husband enjoy the advantages of living in a college community. She has audited several art history courses and visited the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston for special exhibitions. She has six grandchildren—three are Dartmouth grads, one attends Syracuse, and one will start college in the fall.

Margaret (Meg) Jackman Gesen reports that she works on several Navy projects, does genealogy work, and enjoys Italian reading with her Italian daughter-in-law. Weddings of great-grandchildren happen frequently. She says, "Who would have thought that Carl and I would have increased our family to 50 plus!" She is still connected with the family insurance company.

Ruth Jackson Webb's son, Rod, has taken a year's sabbatical leave from the Dept. of Law at the U. of Leeds in England. She missed FL at Christmas time but planned to go in April to see her brother.

Elizabeth (Betty) McCusker White and her husband went to China last year to "walk the wall," see the Forbidden City and cruise the Yangtze River. They were preparing to fly to Vienna to take the Danube Cruise. Their son, Art, is a math professor at Western MI U. He and his wife have two sons, 11 and 15.

Bessie McLean reports that she is moving to a life care center in Lakewood, NH. 20 of her friends have also bought apartments there, thus insuring some happy times for all.

Ruth Litch Redlack's son writes that she lives in a personal care home in Roswell, GA.

Mildred Meyer Doran wrote from San Clemente, CA, where she was spending three months with a high school friend whom she's known for 64 years. At home she keeps busy bowling, quilting and playing canasta. Their group has made six lovely quilts which they'll

raffle and give the proceeds to the village. She says, "It's four years since I had cancer and I'm holding my own!"

Lillian Miller was expecting visits from relatives and friends this past summer. She says she may need to resign as class treasurer before the 60th reunion. "Anyone willing to take over, please contact class president, Ruth Ferguson, or the Alumni Office at 203/447-7525."

Helen Oakley Rockhold wrote, "My interests are my family and my church. I've been a Christian Science practitioner for 40 years." Her daughter, Carol, lives in Manhattan; her son, Alan, in CA.

Grace Marion Ransom had open-heart surgery in Feb.. She reports that all seems to be going well.

Helene Somers Smith still bowls in the Country Club League and signed up to play golf this past summer (but in a cart). She sees **Fenella Langenau Rothe** every two weeks and talks to **Ruth Harrison Street** on the telephone. They planned to get together for Helene's birthday.

Doris Taylor Piper attended the graduation from nursing school of her granddaughter, who was awarded a certificate for being an outstanding geriatrics nurse. Doris planned to attend the weddings of two grandchildren this summer.

Eleanor (Elly) Tyler enjoys Amherst with all that the university and college have to offer. She does lots of walking, rides 10 miles a day on her exercycle, and reads a lot. Eleanor does a couple of volunteer jobs for the League of Women Voters. Their present project is the annual book sale, which usually grosses about \$9,500.

Ernestine Vincent Venner recently had a cataract removed and is doing very well. She says that her daughter and son-in-law are a great help.

Elizabeth Weed Johnson writes, "For the past five years, Tom and I have been experiencing major health problems. However, we have expert care and are in our own house."

Fanny Young Sawyer had a perfectly wonderful time last Nov. with her two sons and families, including three grands. They were in San Diego at the Del Coronado Hotel and were joined by both of her first cousins and their families for a truly joyous reunion. She talks with **Dorothy (Babe) Barrett Janssen** on the telephone. Both Fanny and Babe are pretty well but have slowed down considerably.

With sadness the class of '30 extends its love and sympathy to **Ernestine Vincent Venner** for the loss of her husband, Bob, on 8/19/88. We also express sympathy to the family of **Frances Gabriel Hartman**, who died 3/1/89.

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Catherine Campbell Hanrahan and Raymond moved to McAuley, a retirement community in West Hartford on 10/11/88. "We are enjoying it. There is so much to do; we are continually making choices. I am able to play the piano, which I love, and am a member of the CC Club of Hartford."

Margaret Rathbone had a wonderful trip to England. "I took my two nieces in celebration of my upcoming 80th birthday, and they did all of the driving. We were mostly in the Cotswolds and Cheshire, where I found the house where I was born. Life is much the same in DC with gardening, concerts, Smithsonian lectures and the theater. Except for a bad attack of sciatica this winter and the ever-present arthritis, I am doing pretty well."

Mary Butler Melcher writes that all is well in Redlands, CA. She feels very lucky to have her two sons nearby and eight of her 10 grandchildren within reach.

Elynore Schneider Welsh writes, "My three children, four grandsons, and a 5-year-old great-grandson are all doing fine, but unfortunately all live in different parts of our USA. No one is in NJ, so I keep busy with volunteer and church work. No long trips since Australia and New Zealand. I just take short ones to the Eastern Shore of MD, NJ shores and the Poconos."

Earleen Fairweather Whitmarsh writes, "I hope our grandchildren in college today will have as happy memories as we of the class of '32 have. Knowlton, watching the boats on the river, roaming the woods back of the campus, curfew at 10 pm, and late quiet study or chatter. Right now my neighbor's dog is staying with me. His name is Tide, and like his name, he is continually in and out."

Alice Van Deusen Powell writes, "Our first great-grandchild, a boy, arrived 2/3/89. His mother is our oldest granddaughter, Louise Powell Brumgarner. We have not seen him yet, as Bill has been under the weather a great deal; but now after an operation, he is recuperating day by day. We have not left Asheville, NC, since Christmas; however, the children have been here—from Washington over Mother's Day, daughter Mary Alice and two children came; later on, David came from San Francisco; and in June came our oldest son, Bill. My health is fair."

Priscilla Moore Brown writes, "Our granddaughter's twins arrived safely 2/3/89—two little girls about five lbs. each. They're fraternal twins, but they look identical in their pictures and, of course, are adorable! I have some sad news, too. Our oldest grandson, Jeffrey Brown, 27, was killed in a motorcycle accident 2/1/89. He was a talented, well-liked person and is greatly missed. We are still taking care of Al's mother, now 99 and going strong. We brought her up from FL for the summer to Shrewsbury near most of our families."

Ruth Caswell Clapp writes, "Ed's 60th reunion at Harvard took precedence over the Sykes Society luncheon and reunion weekend. He was to conduct the Class Memorial Service in the church in Lincoln. Curiously, it is the same church where son Dave's

ATTENTION ALL ALUMNI

Did you know there is a Florida/West Coast Alumni Club? Alumni from Sarasota, Bradenton, Englewood, Venice and surrounding areas get together to participate in a variety of interesting and educational events. Field trips to museums, botanical gardens and marine laboratories, with guest speakers from the community and from Connecticut College, are just a few examples of the events organized by club members.

Events are usually planned for the late fall and winter months. This is a perfect time for all of you "snowbirds" to join in on the fun and become re-acquainted with Connecticut College today. For more information, please contact Ethel Failey Holt '40, (club president), 3637 Longmeadow, Sarasota, FL 34234, 813-371-7640; or contact Susan Kolb, director of alumni programs, at 203-447-7525.

celebration was held last fall. He received the International Beyond War Peace Award for his furthering of Soviet-American relations. He took a choral group of 50 to Russia again in June. 43 from Yaroslavl arrived in the spring to give concerts with his group.

Sylvia Hendel Irwin planned to come north to attend her granddaughter's high school graduation in June. In Sept. she will attend her daughter's son's wedding. Sylvia belongs to a singles club, and gets to take trips and see many shows.

Mabel Barnes Knauff looked forward to joining **Alice Russell Reaske** and **Marion Nichols Arnold** at the Sykes Society luncheon during reunion weekend.

The class extends sincere sympathy to the families of **Isabelle Bartlett Hogue**, who died 2/24/89; and **Carolyn Hincks Dillman**, who died 2/26/89. Also our love and sincere sympathy goes out to **Cecilia Standish Richardson**, whose husband died 2/12/89.

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REUNION

Our Sykes Society-oriented 55th reunion was blessed with warm sunshine and a beautifully flowering campus. 27 of us, plus guests, were on hand for the parade and lunch—joining the 60th and 65th reuniting classes to pay tribute to the pioneers of 1919—the first 70th reunion at Connecticut College.

Four '19 pioneers took part in the celebration and were welcomed by President Gaudiani '66, Alumni Association President Ellen Hofheimer Bettman '66, Executive Director Kristin Stahlschmidt Lambert '69, Reunion Chairman Peter O'Connor '81, and Sykes Society Coordinator **Ann Crocker Wheeler**.

Brian Rogers, librarian, spoke briefly about the Tri-college Library Consortium—CC, Trinity and Wesleyan—made possible in part by a generous bequest from Muriel Jarvis Whitehead '29. Warren Erickson '74, newly-elected alumni trustee, recited a poem he wrote and dedicated to the '19 pioneers. President Gaudiani presented a silver bowl to the '19ers to be used on special college occasions.

Classmates attending the luncheon were **Lillian Bacon Hearne**, **Cary Bauer Bresnan**; **Marjorie Bishop**; **Marion Bogart Holtzman** and **George, Ruth Brooks Von Arx** and **Emil, Edith Canestrari Jacques**, **Ann Crocker Wheeler**, **Muriel Dibble Vosilus** and son **Howard, Elizabeth Flanders McNellis**, **Eleanor Hine Kranz**, **Emma Howe Waddington**, **Alison Jacobs McBride** and **Vincent, Phyllis Johnson Doolittle**, **Edna Kent Nerney** and daughter **Jane**, **Helen Lavietes Krosnick**, **Lilla Linkletter Stuart**, **Dorothy Merrill Dorman**, **Edith Mitchell**, **Grace Nichols Rhodes**, **Marjorie Prentis Hirshfield**, **Lydia Riley Davis**, **Gladys Russell Munroe** and **Lamar, Jean Stanley Dise**, **Jane Trace Spragg** and **Shirley, Elizabeth Waterman Hunter**, **Olga Wester Russell** and **Ruth Wheeler Cobb**, **Emily Daggy Vogel** and **Henry and Elizabeth (Beth) Flanders McNellis'** delightful companion joined us for the all-classes dinner Friday night.

The weekend was filled with various lectures, the dedication of the new conifer collection in the arboretum (a sudden thunderstorm soaked us as the ceremony ended!), and an exhibition of Prof. Marguerite Hanson's work.

We managed to squeeze in a class meeting lead by **Elly Hine Kranz**. She called for a moment of loving meditation after reading the list of deceased classmates. Outgoing and incoming officers were thanked and given a chocolate rose.

Officers for 1989-94 are: **Emma Howe Waddington**, president; **Edith Canestrari Jacques** and **Lilla Linkletter Stuart**, vice presidents; **Helen Lavietes Krosnick**, treasurer; **Olga Wester Russell**, class agent chairman; and **Andy Wheeler**, correspondent and secretary.

Thanks to our "hostess suprema" **Helen Krosnick's**

meticulous attention to detail and gourmet baking, the refreshment table in the hospitality lounge was always fully-stocked with goodies and drinks. Helen also planned the parade regalia and pompos; the table favors of wee nut baskets, perfume and SNET pens; and the video program for Saturday night—a fascinating piece about Eugene O'Neill.

We missed our absent classmates, and we vowed we would all return to our 60th in '94. Note: **Helen Krosnick** and I plan to do nothing but visit with old friends!

The class extends deepest sympathy to **Lydia Riley Davis**, whose husband, **Harrison**, died in Jan.; and to **Eugene Nathan**, whose wife, **Minna Barnett Nathan**, died on 2/13/89.

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Barbara Cairns McCutcheon, on her way to HI last fall, stopped in Albuquerque, NM, to visit **Dorothy (Dutch) Boden West**. This past winter **Frances Aiken Dickey** spent some time with her in NJ. She had a visit with **Fran Garvin Bretan** when **Bobbie's** granddaughter graduated. Others she keeps up with are **Lois (Ry) Ryman Areson** and **Patricia (Patty) Burton Burton**.

Alys Griswold Haman reports that **Priscilla (Petie) Spalding Scott** and **Doug** visited Africa recently; and **Sheila Caffrey Braucher** and **Warren** toured the South, stopping in Washington DC, SC, etc..

Mary Griffin Conklin lists these special events in her life: their 50th wedding anniversary celebrated with all their children, spouses, grands and great-grands; a granddaughter's wedding; another grand off to Holland to work at least a year; and the birth of a third great-grand. She and **Henry** keep quite well but travel is very limited by doctor's orders for **Henry**. People visit her in a house she feels is too large for them to keep up.

Dorothy Barbour Slavich writes from Kerrville, TX, that they stay home and enjoy country life. They will go to **Myrtle Beach** to visit children and grandchildren and see the ocean. **Dot** continues to paint, working in a studio with a group of four once a month. One day a week she works at the Animal Welfare Society and is the secretary of their board.

Evelyn Kelly Head took a Royal Viking cruise from Singapore to Hong Kong last Oct.—"elegant." In Sept. '88 she attended her grandson's wedding in Cleveland. In Feb. she spent two weeks in Ft. Myers and Naples, FL. At the present time, her daughter is in remission, for which we are all thankful. **Evelyn** plays a good deal of bridge—and wins.

Jeannette (Jay) Brewer Goodrich is back on the travel circuit after a bout with health problems. Christmas found her, along with two sons, on a Caribbean cruise aboard the *Nordic Prince*. Glenn's 40th birthday was celebrated aboard. In April her older son, **Schuyler**, accompanied her on a three-week trip to China, Japan and Korea. Visits were made to the Temple of Heaven and the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace and Tiananmen Square. The highlight, however, was walking on the "Great Wall." **Jay** has great admiration for the Chinese people who are rebuilding their country still using primitive methods. She could not master chopsticks, but complimented them on their hospitality.

Jean Clarke Lay and **George of Stratford, CT**, are still very busy at **Boothe Park Museum** and **Putney Chapel**. They took time off to spend ten days in Bermuda.

Margaret Burgess Hoy and **Frank** are touring the U.S., spending the most time in NC and OH. They enjoy four grandchildren. **Virginia Bowen Wilcox** visited with her for a few days.

Patricia (Patty) Burton still works part time as a career counseling director. Her husband, **Kemper**, though retired, is still working. They enjoy tennis and paddle and travel some each year. They enjoy their children and 12 grandchildren. She reports she sees **Barbara (Bobbie) Cairns McCutcheon** regularly.

Sally Jumper says her 20-year career as a

What is the Sykes Society?

If you graduated in 1939 or earlier, you're already a member. All other alumni will automatically become members after celebrating their 50th reunion.

Established in 1980, the Sykes Society was named in honor of Frederick H. Sykes, first president of Connecticut College. It evolved because fewer and fewer alumnae in the older classes were able to return to reunion. By combining these classes into one larger group, these alumnae are able to enjoy the company of fellow "Sykesers" during a special meal and program at reunion. "The individual class is not lost in the society, but is actually strengthened through association with its own peers of college and present days," said **Ann ("Andy") Crocker Wheeler '34**, the current Sykes Society coordinator.

psychotherapist is winding down and she is terminating her private practice in Sept.. **Alan, Trini** and she will take off for the beach. She adds that on Saturday night she is "Mrs. Alan Anderson."

Dorothy Boden West as a Christmas present welcomed twin great-granddaughters, bringing the count to 11 greats. She plays bridge often.

Elinor Knoche Talbot and **Doug** had a wonderful trip on the Viking "Sky" through the Panama Canal, then three stops in Mexico, and on to San Francisco where **Doug** got to see his three fine sons. Summers are spent at their shore cottage in Madison, CT.

Aletta (Cappy) Deming Crane attended an antiques show recently in Bloomfield, CT, and met **Arline Goettler Stoughton** and **Bob** taking tickets. They had a short visit. **Cappy** reports that all seven adopted grandchildren are doing just fine. **Cappy**, as usual, is up to her ears in volunteer work at **Duncaster**—the most recent being an upcoming Red Cross Blood Bank for the employees. She attended the **Hartford CC Club** annual luncheon with guest speaker **President Claire Gaudiani**, for whom she had high praise.

Arline Goettler Stoughton and **Bob** left home Jan. 9th and were gone almost three months—first to the West Coast of FL; then to San Diego, CA, where they rented a condo for the month of Feb. and visited with their son, **David**. Other relatives from around the country also stopped in. In March they attended an Elderhostel at the U. of NM. Heading east they visited in GA, SC, NC, VA and PA; then arrived home April 5th, having traveled 9,500 miles.

Elizabeth (Betty) Davis Pierson toured Great Britain recently. **Ruth Chittim Eufemia** and **Frank** spent a day with her last spring, staying overnight in her home which overlooks the CT River. They were all joined there by **Cappy Deming Crane** for lunch.

Grace Rathbun Reed and **Robert** loved their trip

through the Canadian Rockies, after flying to Seattle; then went by bus and train to Alberta and British Columbia. They even walked on a glacier and kept their balance.

Olive Tubbs Chendali, in her Christmas letter, wrote of her trip in April up the Mississippi River on the *Mississippi Queen*. In Aug. '88 she explored AK, returning on the Holland-American Liner *Noordam* down the Inside Passage, a challenging place of great extremes and magnificent grandeur. In June '88 a Tubbs family reunion was celebrated. Olive is on the committee planning year-long events for the 150th birthday of Niantic, the first of which was a Victorian ball in Jan.. On her place, Bayberry Hill, along with her cat, she has foxes, raccoons, three young deer, ducks, swans and Canada geese.

Elizabeth Vivian Ferry died on 1/20/89. Our sympathy goes to her family.

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Sylvia Draper Fish says that since the death of her husband, she is finding new directions and is lucky to have children living nearby. Her daughter Ellen lives in Providence, is a nurse and psychiatric counselor and has two teen-age sons. Mira, her youngest, is a probation officer in the Barnstable County Court system. Her son John is an oceanographer living in Bourne, MA, and has two girls. He works with his brother, Story, who lives in Chatham. Sylvia is involved with Elderhostel and went on a trip to Deerfield Village, MA. She maintains her interest in Garden Club, library work and investment club. She can be found at Cataumet on Cape Cod.

Jane Hutchinson Cauffield had shoulder surgery last Feb. She's having to undergo therapy before she can handle young horses again. She's involved in planning a maritime museum for the Cleveland waterfront. Jane is a trustee of the Great Lakes Historical Society in which one of the first projects is renovating a large freighter which was given to them by the Mather family of Cleveland Heights.

Muriel Beyea Crowell said **Judith Waterhouse Draper** drove down from Winter Park to Vicar's Landing, FL, for lunch. Mu and Bob also spent an evening with **Mary Mory Schultz** and Andy, who winter in Ponte Vedra Beach.

Elizabeth (Betsy) Wallace Greig, after Tom's death, moved to a condo on a lake in Reston, VA, which is near her daughter and not too far from her son. She and **Margaret McCulloch Null** took a train ride across Canada and back. They are both "train buffs."

Frances Walker Chase spent three months in England last winter dividing her time between her children—London where Elliott and his family live; and in Brighton, where Nat and Jackie live. She took a side trip to Russia, "steeping herself in culture and current politics." She showed her video of Claire Gaudiani's inauguration to CCers in London.

Winifred Frank Havell recently returned from an Elderhostel in Tucson where she took classes in Spanish, History of the West, Fact and Myth, and Mexican Culture. She spent Christmas with **Winifred Nies Northcott** in Minneapolis.

Mary McCluskey Leibold had a two-week tour of Moscow and the Soviet Republic. Her husband toured hospitals and she visited day care centers. In March she fractured her hip, but reports that with the help of a wheelchair and a walker, she is now recovering.

Anne Oppenheim Freed and Roy went to Hungary where he lectured at the U. of Budapest. They then traveled to Bulgaria where they both have Fulbright Fellowships to lecture at Sofia U. in Sofia, Bulgaria. Anne lectured to the faculty of psychology of Sofia U. on ego psychology, gerontology, and therapeutic interviewing techniques, and participated in a related symposium sponsored by that faculty. They planned to go to Amsterdam where Anne was to serve on a panel at



Portrait of the 50th reunion class. "Thirty-niners" enjoyed a two-hour cruise up the Thames River and a catered luncheon aboard the River Queen.

Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.

the First European Congress on Psychology. After all this they returned to Cape Cod until another overseas assignment beckoned them to China in Sept.

Helen Pearson Fowler went to Mittenwald in the Bavarian Alps to present a paper at an Acoustical Conference.

Beth McIlraith Henoch says, "no eastern trip this year," but was glad to see everyone at reunion '88.

Selma (Sally) Kingsdale Lewenberg and Stanley spend their winters at Marco Island, FL, but return to Hull, MA, for the summers.

Helen Swan Stanley and Dave joined some friends on a coastwise mail ship along the Norwegian coast that went to the border of the Soviet Union. They spent Christmas in Salt Lake City with children. Later they had a couple of weeks in the FL Everglades.

Selma Silverman Swatsburg and Harry had a wonderful trip to Australia via 21 flights from one place to another and even touched down in Tasmania.

Margaret (Peg) Young Sullivan had a difficult fall and winter as she had to have her hip replaced again, but reports she is on crutches and progressing slowly.

Elsie Schwenk Fullerton Taylor and Don spent three weeks in HI—a trip given to them by her son. She had a big family reunion in June at South Seas Plantation in Captiva, FL, with five children, their spouses and four grandchildren.

Kathleen Bonnick Green has a few health problems, especially with her eyes.

Dorothea (Dot) Bartlett manages to get around with a walker and goes out for lunch with friends. She enjoys hearing about classmates' travels as this was something she had hoped to do in her retirement. She did make a trip to Boston with a companion in April to attend a 50th wedding anniversary of a dear friend.

Anne Gildersleeve Blackman and Sidney built a house at Conestee Falls, NC—the first house they've built in 52 years of marriage. She writes that **Marion Podmore Loughran** spends winters at Keowee Key, SC, then returns to MI. She said **Ruth Kittinger Watts** has moved back to Hilton Head from Aiken, SC, and that her son is a successful vet in Hilton Head.

Frances Blatch recently returned from a six-week visit to a clinic where she "had her batteries recharged" and is glad to be back at Grandview Health Home.

Hazel Davenport Buck works part time as a telephone operator for a private answering service. She

and **Bessie Morehouse Kellogg** write and visit frequently.

Beatrice (Bea) Enequist Strifert has had a bout of ill health, but did have a memorable month with her daughter in Seattle over Christmas. She attended her granddaughters' high school graduations—all graduated with honors.

Helen Maxwell Schuster and Jim had a wonderful fall trip by train and rental cars through the Canadian Rockies. Her second son and wife have returned to Colorado Springs after 20 years in the Air Force. Her son Bill has returned to college for a computer science degree.

Jean Pierce Field and Bob spent two months traveling through Scandinavia and the Baltic countries, ending up in the British Isles. Because they do not fly, ship, buses and train were their mode of travel.

Wilhelmina (Billie) Foster Reynolds and Bill traveled to Santa Monica to greet their new grandson and did some touring of the CA coast. They spent a weekend in the Poconos with their daughter, Kathie, and family. Billie continues to do her social work, and Bill, his law practice.

Margaret (Peg) Sixx Kingsbury lives in a condo in Ft. Myers, FL. While in FL, **Esther Gabler Robinson** spent a few days with her, at which time they made phone calls to **Frances Henretta Whiting** in NH and **Jean MacDonald Silsbe** in CA. Peg is busy with church choir, spinning, knitting and adjusting to living in FL.

Winifred Nies Northcott had a joyful reunion with **Jeanette (Jeddie) Dawless Kinney** and Merrill in DC in late May—part of a solid change of pace including a gala at the National Geographic Headquarters for the benefit of the Alexander Graham Bell Assoc. for the Deaf. Hallock, Win's son, is now director of Gov't and Public Affairs for Matsushita Electric Corp. of America, based in DC.

M. C. Jenks Sweet and Bill spent Mother's Day weekend in Ithaca, NY, with oldest son, Charles, and his family. Charles received his doctorate in engineering at Cornell. After teaching a summer course there, he planned to go to the U. of DE as an associate professor with tenure. M. C. received the Alumni Association's top honor, the Agnes Berkeley Leahy award at reunion '89. See this issue for more details.

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50 of us, together with 16 husbands, returned for the big reunion in June and found the campus had changed considerably in size and scope—even as we had. Fortunately much had remained the same, and it didn't take long to become familiar with the new looks, as friendships, old and new, unfolded in a glow of sentimental joy. We had rooms in the dowager Windham House, which, alas, has none of the elegance we remembered. Nevertheless, the lounge became a lively spot for us to gab, imbibe and nibble.

Friday night all classes joined at Harris Refectory for a fine reception/dinner and talks by President Gaudiani and Alumni Assoc. President Ellen Bettmann. Harris and other buildings north of Branford now make up a large part of the campus. These impressive additions must be seen to be appreciated.

Saturday morning we held a class meeting conducted by **Elizabeth (Betsy) Parcells Arms**, class president and surely the backbone of '39. Betsy asked to step into the less demanding vice president's slot, and **Kathryn Ekirch** agreed to serve as president. **Phyllis Harding Morton** will continue doing her heroic treasurer's task, and **Janet Mead Szaniawski** will also continue her superb job as AAGP chairwoman. Following the meeting we took our places in the Alumni Parade, resplendent in green vests over white attire. The announcement of our overall gift of \$300,000 came during a ceremony in Cummings Art Center. What a meteoric moment—the largest class gift ever!

Highlighting the weekend was our two-hour cruise up the Thames River. New London never had a more beautiful June afternoon, and we relaxed over tasty box lunches, interesting commentary from the boat's captain and the pleasure of being together. That evening we held our class dinner in the lovely Hood Dining Room. President Gaudiani and her husband joined us briefly for comments. Dean Emeritus Gertrude Noyes '25 was with us throughout, and listening to her remarks we marveled at how well the years have treated this Connecticut treasure.

Sunday's service memorializing those who have died was a sad time, as was our packing and saying goodbye. Now, renewed in spirit and camaraderie, many of us vow to return again to this special place that changed our lives 50 years ago.

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40 **Jane Clark Gibney**, our president, visited Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and British Columbia from May 18 to June 5 this year. She says the upcoming 50th reunion is ever on her mind and asks that anyone with a suggestion get in touch with **Frances Sears Baratz**.

Frances Sears Baratz writes that while she was vacationing in FL, she met with **Elizabeth (Betty) Kent Kenyon**, **Roberta Kenney DeWire** and **Laeita Pollock Israelite**; they have some great things planned for "when '40s become 50."

Katharine Gilbert Smith sends news that grandson Alexander Oliver Smith is the newest addition to her family. He's the son of her son, Jeff, and is 2 years old. In May, granddaughter Kimberly graduated from college. Kathie and her husband, Pete, enjoy life in two places: Vero Beach and Northport, MI.

Mary Reinhart Stackhouse leads an active, exciting life as a travel guide for golfers all over the world. She has been doing this since '78. When she's home, she's in either Short Hills, NJ; or Naples, FL, where she plays a lot of golf and tennis. "Have golf bag, will travel."

Gladys Bachman Forbes now lives in Washington DC to be near daughter, Patty, and husband, Gary Gray, both attorneys, and her three granddaughters, 7, 5, and 3. She sees **Jeanette (Jennie) Bell Winters** often and they both hope to attend our 50th.

Naomi Kissling lost her husband, Edmund Buryan, in '86. She married Philip R. Fortune in '88. Naomi still lives in Scarsdale, NY.

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42 **Margaret (Peggy) Keagy Whittemore** and **Bruce** live in Brewster, MA, where he retired after a career in the ministry. Peggy spent two years at Yale Divinity School after CC. Her volunteer activities include much church work, being part of a hand bell choir, and the League of Women Voters. Of her four children, she wrote, "Our oldest child, Janice, married a wonderful microphysicist whom she met on a research fellowship from England at the U. of IL, where she was teaching costume design and technical theater. They live near Northampton, England, and have a son, Christopher William, who turned three last Easter Sunday. Peggy and Bruce were there to celebrate. Peggy goes to Cincinnati every eight or nine weeks to see her mother, 94. She was also there in May '88 for the 50th reunion of her class at a small private girls' school. 16 of the 24 classmates were there for a clambake, including **Connie Pogue Williams**. **Nancy Pribe Greenfield** was also in that class, but didn't make the reunion. Peggy saw **Emily Park Powers** a year ago. Emily helps her husband, John, in his law office in Youngstown, OH. Peggy and **Barbara (Barry) Beach Alter** get together occasionally. Barry is Minister of Visitation at Center Church, New Haven, where Bruce was minister for 12 years before his retirement. Barry's parents were living in separate New Haven nursing homes—which kept

Barry on the run, until the death of her mother last winter.

Constance Pogue Williams has lived in Vero Beach, FL, for the past 15 years, and feels "almost like a native Floridian." Connie, a widow, has two sons and two step-children. She enjoys working at Trinity Episcopal Church, Friends of the Library at Vero Beach, the Humane Society, Riverside Theatre, and her local garden club. She plays tennis, golf, and bridge; and travels some to the north to visit classmates and friends.

Lenore Tingle Howard and Harry take their 14 grandchildren, as each one turns 10, on a special trip. Lennie and Harry live in Carefree, AZ, in their dreamhouse, built in '78. They have five children: a Ph.D., a computer consultant, a physician, an artist, and a food consultant—all super people, Lennie says. Lennie is a writer, having published a children's book in '84. She is working on a religious book now. Your correspondent telephoned her to learn details about both books, but the Howards were traveling in Europe. Lennie was on the Board of Trustees of Conn College in the 1970s, and presently is on the Long Range Planning Committee for her newly-incorporated town.

Nancy Pribe Greenfield and her Air Force major general husband retired to Colorado Springs, CO. Every summer they host a family reunion of their three children, who live in Boston; Portland, OR; and Glenwood Springs, CO; at their vacation place in MI, along with the seven grandchildren, from 5 to college age. One is spending his jr year in Spain from Miami U.. Nancy's hobbies are reading and gardening. She and Bill



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recently cruised through the Panama Canal.

Doris Boies Guyton and Boone have five children; one of whom, Lesley, is CC '68; and six grandchildren. Debbie visited classmates **Frances Hutchison Latham** and **Marjory (Peg) Mitchell O'Brien** in FL last winter; and she talks to **Betsy Brookes Fink**, **Mercedes Matthews Williams**, **Jeanne LeFevre Hauser**, and **Helen Lederer Pilert** on occasion. Debbie's husband has published two books, and often has articles in *Yankee* magazine. Two of their daughters have inherited their father's literary skills. Claudia (Jones) has published a book, *Parents Are Teachers Too!*, which has gone to its third printing; and Julie has been asked to submit a manuscript about teaching special ed., based on some articles she wrote for a Minneapolis newspaper.

Elizabeth Peet Josephy is a retired school teacher. She does needlework, and spends a lot of time with her seven grandchildren.

Anne Ten Eyck Martin and her husband have one child. She, like most of our classmates, keeps busy with church and community activities.

Muriel Prince Rice has lived two thirds of her married life overseas, mostly in the Middle East. She and Ted still travel overseas to attend Elderhostel programs. She is secretary of the Mystic Women's Club. They have four children and four grands. Muriel and her WAVE roommates have kept a round robin letter going for 38 years.

Helen Lederer Pilert has accumulated over 2,000 hours of service during the 30 years she has worked for the Red Cross as an escort at Greenwich Hospital. She is also in the Altar Guild of her Episcopal church. She wrote, "Lee and I have a lot of fun together. We happily go our own way when I have the ladies in for bridge and do my volunteer work. There is always lots to do for our widow friends and our Lucas Pt. Assoc., where we live." Last winter Helen and Lee took a trip to Egypt, including a week's cruise on the Nile.

Virginia Little Miller golfs and gardens, is chairman of the Stewardship Committee at her church, and volunteers at the Old State House and her garden club. She had two vacations to CA and one to FL in the last year.

Frances Hyde Forde had a great trip to AK a year ago, visiting Vancouver and Victoria on the way. River rafting was a thrilling experience, as was seeing Mt. McKinley and many glaciers. Franny, **Mary Rita Powers**, **Constance (Connie) Hughes McBrien**, and **Ann Small Enlund** were together for lunch at the inauguration of President Claire Gaudiani. **Mary Anna Lemon Meyer** was in the academic procession.

Pearl Mallove Turk is married again after being widowed. She has three children, two grandchildren, and six step-grandchildren. Pearl got her M.S.W. at Columbia in '44, and is still professionally employed part time as a mediator with the CT State Dept. of Education, dealing with conflicts between parents of special ed. students and the local school board. Her volunteer activities concern the Swampfield Land Trust, the Danbury Concert Assoc., and the Jewish Federation of Greater Danbury. She enjoys tennis and cross-country skiing, and last year traveled to Israel with two teen-age granddaughters.

Jane (Woodie) Worley Peak, your correspondent, is pleased to announce the birth of two grandchildren, finally! "Sarah Katerina Peak was born 1/18/89 to our son, Roger, and wife, Leandra. Stephen Markham Birch was born 2/4/89, and was adopted by our daughter, Lucy, and husband, Cristin Markham Birch, on 5/15/89. The cousins will grow up in Fairfax County, VA. Our third child, Martha Peak '75, lives in Brooklyn and is editor of the *American Management Association Review*. My husband and I are deeply involved in the study of genealogy, having just returned from a four-day conference put on by the National Genealogical Society in St. Paul, MN."

It is with sadness that I report the deaths of three classmates. **Sally Clark Goodchild**, of Rutland, VT, died 2/9/88. **Audrey Mellen Minor** died 12/6/88 in West Hartford, leaving a son, a daughter, and a granddaughter. **Betty Letsch Grunow** died 1/22/89 in Stamford, CT, a year after surgery for a brain tumor. She and John had been married 47 years.

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44 REUNION

The 36 class members who appeared on campus for our 45th reunion thank our reunion chairpersons, **Marion Kane Witter** and **Nancy Grosvenor English**, for helping arrange a glorious weekend—with weather to match. Letters to each classmate will contain more detail.

Marjorie Alexander Harrison's two oldest grandsons were with her for two great weeks of a summer '88 visit to England and Scotland. Marge keeps busy with community activities and a continuing education program at Brown U.

Jeanne Jacques Kleinschmidt traveled from Philadelphia through the Panama Canal to San Diego in '88. Instead of a planned photo safari in Kenya, Roger had quadruple bypass surgery. They have eight grandchildren in OK, TX and KS. "I keep trying to get my chemistry brain into a parenting mode. Love it." Her other activities include golf and being a docent at a museum.

Caroline Townley Von Mayrhauser welcomed a fifth granddaughter on Valentine's Day. "Richard Von, Kathy and baby Heidi are all well and happy." While visiting her sister in Houston, she lunched and reminisced with **Phyllis Miller Hurley** at a lovely new hotel. Phyllis is "still tall, slender and glamorous, has a lovely home, and her husband, Jack, is as much fun as ever."

Phyllis Miller Hurley also wrote of her delight in this meeting. Jack is doing well after his strokes and they are traveling again in a modest way.

Lois Webster Ricklin and **Saul's** travels in '88 were: in Feb. to Costa Rica with the RI Audobon Society; in Apr. from Senegal north along the coast to Portugal with the American Museum of Natural History; in Oct. to China with Professor Charles Chu. They are friendly with six grad students from mainland China, whom they entertain. They love summers in Bristol, RI, and enjoy visits with four offspring and two grandchildren.

Suzanne Harbert Boice had an interesting three-week visit to Japan in late '88. Summer highlights were boating in ME and a boat trip with friends through Trenton, Severn and Waterbury in Canada to Mackinac Island, MI.

Barbara Jones Alling and her husband made a second trip to Scotland where they visited villages their ancestors came from before the 1630s. They were pleased to be related to such pleasant people. They visited with **Fay Ford Gerritt**, who is still teaching, and with **Susan Chappell Strahn**.

Ruthe Nash Wolverton's and **Walter's** book, *The National Seashores, The Complete Guide to American Scenic Coastal Parks*, was published in the spring of '88 by Woodbine House. Sales are going well. They are now working on another travel guide and will go throughout the country doing research. "Great way to spend 'retirement' years."

Jean Loomis Hendrickson from her desert winter home visited Guadalajara in Jan.. She planned a trip from Vancouver to AK for Aug. on the *S.S. Universe*. Son Chris's second book, a college text, was published in '88.

Elizabeth (Betty) Hassell Styles and **Marty** relish the retirement life of golf and tennis in Fullerton, CA. They enjoy grandson, Michael, 6, who is champ of his soccer team. They had a wonderful five-week trip to Canada—Banff, Victoria, etc.; also again to the Grand Canyon and Sedona, AZ.

Jeanne Estes Sweeny moved from Darien to Fearington Post near Chapel Hill, NC. She hopes to have a new home built by Labor Day. Jeanne feels fortunate to have seen on safari the extraordinary animals and beautiful countries of Kenya and Tanzania.

Jane Bridgwater Hewes and **Bill** are moving from Los Altos and are building a home near Santa Rosa, north of San Francisco, in an "adult community." Hate that phrase, but we look forward to golf courses, tennis

courts, swimming pools and being out in the country instead of in the crowded Bay Area."

Lucretia (Teeto) Lincoln Stanley and **George** have moved to smaller quarters and have simplified their lives since he was hospitalized twice and had major surgery in '88. Both are doing well. "Our lives are full and richly rewarding in terms of purpose and contentment. Six grandchildren are sprouting up but it's a strange feeling to have three kids in their 40s."

Betty Mercer Barney and **John** took a nature-oriented trip to Australia, including beautiful Tasmania and New Zealand. "Always interested in plant life partly because of CC courses. It felt odd to see so many strange plants. It felt like home when I found some dandelions." They visited their combined families in their motor home, taking along her watercolors and his camera.

Karla Yepsen Copithorn moved from her tree farm which she misses to an apartment in Cazenovia, NY, near her sons and grandkids. People in the village are welcoming but nothing can replace her husband of 42 years. Travels include AZ and FL and her annual trip to Norway to visit her daughter's family and new grandson.

Stratton Nicolson McKillop writes, "Life never seems to slow down for me with three marriages and a new grandchild last fall—David McKillop Jr. '80 in Oct. to Anne Ince; Peter McKillop in Nov. to Cory Edelman; and daughter, Edith Griswold, in May." She's still in the landscape design business and is renovating her house in Old Lyme, CT.

Marylouise Oak Cowan enjoys publishing the *Boothbay Register* and *Wiscasset* newspapers and raising and showing 250 show rabbits, and traveling. She joined **Virginia Passavant Henderson** on a fantastic trip to Tanzania in Feb.. She moved to ME and both her married son and daughter moved back to Tulsa.

Nancy Troland Cushman has seven children, 15 grandchildren and one living parent, 94 years old. Her health is good but, quoting her sister-in-law, "after 40 it's all maintenance."

Edith Miller Kerrigan spent two weeks in FL and found it hard to return to the cold and dampness of WI. While in FL she saw **Marion Kane Witter** and **Orin**, and **Susan Balderston Pettengill** and **Irving**. Edith's returning to MA to work on a lecture series.

Jean Leinbach Ziemer and her second husband are moving into a new life care center in June—no more caring for sick spouses. Dick and Jean continue to be very active in the YMCA—especially internationally. They're planning an Oct. trip to Europe, including a night cruise on the Danube with Bill's Dartmouth '37 class and will visit YMCAs in Germany.

Elizabeth (Libby) Swisher Childs writes that **Sally Stewart Parker** was in Paris with her three children in June. Libby's three are married and live in distant states. Her son and wife have two little girls, so Libby and her husband are finally grandparents. Tucson gets hotter every summer so they're considering spending six months elsewhere.

Frances Smith Minshall's life is very quiet. Bill is much the same, though now there's someone to care for him. They went to OH last summer and to FL in the winter. Franny even went out to dinner for the first time in two years. 10 grandchildren—eight girls, two boys—are the joy of her life. Her second son is now in business for himself and is finding all the problems of the self-employed.

Ethel Sproul Felts loves the stimulus of a Miami which is a far cry from "the quiet collection of towns it was when the Coast Guard sent us here in '47." Ethel has a grandchild in college at the U. of Toronto. The busy season was broken by a sailing trip to Key West and the Dry Tortugas.

Mariana Parcels Wagoner returned from Greece and Egypt in April. "The trip was a dream come true."

Elizabeth Travis Sollenberger dashed a note to say that she was about to play a concert. "Wouldn't miss a moment of reunion."

Margaret Roe Fischer and **John** shuttle between ME, NJ, London and the New London area. Daughter **Meg** and grandson **Jonathan** live in Ledyard, CT. Her husband, **Terry**, is an instructor at the sub base in Groton.

Helen Rippey Simpson's husband died in Nov. after a serious illness. The class wishes to express sympathy for her loss. One bright spot for Helen was the birth of a granddaughter, her fifth grandchild, in Sept. '88.

Alumni Annual Giving Makes A Difference

Name: Mario Laurenzi '90
Age: 21
Majors: Sociology and Italian

Achievements:

Dean's List
Admitted to Class of '90 as a Sykes Scholar
Student Mentor for Summer
Minority Program
Financed 79% of education through
scholarships, employment and loans.

Activities:

Sociology Department Student Advisory Board
Fireside Forum Committee
Dormitory Council
Annual Giving Office Work Study Student

Interests: Theater, racquetball, fine cuisine, good movies, costume designing.

Favorite Books: *The Fountainhead* by Ayn Rand, and Dante's *Inferno*

Favorite Place to Study: Base of the "Victory" statue on south campus

Future Plans: "I hope to go to graduate school."

What I like about Conn: "Personal attention from the faculty, a great mix of people, and being someone instead of an I.D. number."

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Photo by Warren Cohen '89.

FL real estate license. She's buying a piece of waterfront land with its own dock in Venice and was hired by Coldwell Banker-John Larken, so she has a job and a dock set up for the fall.

Nancy Platt Sands says they spent the winter in their home in Phoenix and enjoyed having Ed and **Mary Margaret Topping DeYoe** as overnight guests on their way west. They came home in March to welcome their grandchild, a boy. She and her husband took the whole family—10 adults, three children and a baby sitter to Kapalua Bay in Maui this summer. Nancy's looking forward to reunion '91.

Debby Rabinowitz Wetzler is continuing an active career in bank note and financial printing, thus keeping close ties to Wall Street. Her oldest son, James, is the NY State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. Middle son, Mark, a "Wall Streeter," is father of Debby's first granddaughter. Third son, Scott, is a clinical psychologist and editor of a new book, *Measuring Mental Illness*.

Mary Margaret Topping DeYoe writes that they sold their old farm and moved into another farmhouse last Sept.. They're restoring it similar to its original 1800 state. Their lovely yard borders a river. The DeYoes drove across country last winter and spent a month in CA with their son and family. They saw all the sights along the way and visited Topper's old "roomie," **Nancy Platt Sands**, and her husband in Phoenix, AZ.

Adela (Day) Wilson Wheeler's son Bob was married in Austin, TX, in Sept. '88. Their daughter Mary brought Larry and Day their fourth grandchild (a girl) 6/6/88. They spent a month during Christmas visiting daughter Kathy and family in New Zealand. In April they moved into a new beach condo and thoroughly enjoy condo living. They planned to rent a condo in Big Sky, MT, in Aug. and golf and bike the area. Son Dick works for TW Services at Yellowstone and Day hopes it doesn't burn up again this year!

Shirley Wilson Keller traveled to Scandinavia last summer; Sanibel, FL, last winter; and to a Foundation Conference in Toronto in May. A new grandson was born on Easter Sunday to son, Jay, and his wife, Anna. Chips is still busy with church, hospital and nursing home volunteer work, but saves time for tennis and golf.

Tomoe Murata Arai, now a retiree, volunteers at the Union Theological Seminary Archives. She's a Manhattan rep. of the Senior Volunteer Advisory Committee for Health Promotion Services in the NYC Dept. for the Aging.

Jessie MacFadyen Olcott and husband, Bob, took a fascinating trip in March to Egypt. The trip was sponsored by their local museum which had just finished hosting the Ramesses II Exhibit. Jessie writes that, unfortunately, her path does not seem to cross CC classmates, but she keeps busy playing golf and gardening and is now vice president for their local rescue squad.

Frances Wagner Elder writes of the grand celebration in April of husband, Jim's, 75th, for which **Aileen Moody Bainton** came all the way from Nassau! Jim is still a full-time lawyer and Franjie is still involved in trying to preserve Cincinnati's old architectural treasures. She laments they're behind in grandchild production, but take every opportunity they can to visit #1 in Boston.

Joan Paul Loomis's husband retired in Jan. and is doing free-lance work from home now, but on a relaxed schedule. Joan is really enjoying the new routine which included a few days on Cape Cod and a nice Caribbean vacation in March. She keeps busy with Literacy Volunteers, substitute teaching, tennis and family.

Cynthia Terry White spent several days in Vero Beach, FL, with Norm and **Jane Montague Wilson** in the latter's new condo. While there, **Sally Nichols Herrick** also arrived for a visit. In Oct. Cyn attended the inauguration of President Claire Gaudiani who, she says, is a dynamo! She spent the weekend with **Barbara (Bobby) Miller Gustafson**; and a year ago, she had a good reunion with **Barbara (Barbie) Smith Peck** while she was visiting on Hilton Head Island.

Elinor St. John Arnold and husband, Lem, took a super cruise into New Zealand and Australian ports, and spent a few days on the Great Barrier Reef. They thought the countries gorgeous, the people friendly, and wanted twice as much time everywhere. Daughter,

The class also sends condolences to the family and friends of **Nancy Dunning Jefferson**, who died 7/12/88.

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45 **Correspondents:** Elizabeth Brown Leslie, 10 Grimes Rd., Old Greenwich, CT 06870, and Mrs. Dorsey Whitestone Jr. (Patricia Feldman), 83 Turtle Bay Dr. Branford, CT 06405

46 **Jane Rutter Tirrell** spent a couple of months in Naples this past winter in their new condo. They love it and wish they could spend more time there. The highlight of the stay was the luncheon given for CC's new president, Claire Gaudiani. "What a gal!" says Jane. She sat with **Barbara (Bib) Rubenoff**, whom she hadn't seen since '46!

Elsie Williams Kelly Mayer and husband, Bob, spend winters in Stuart, FL, at Mariner Sands and summers in NC seeing all of their five children and nine grandchildren. Her son's twins were 3 in May.

Jane Seaver Coddington spends her travel time visiting kids and grandkids in TN and OR. Her main

activity continues to be Beyond War—again centering on the survival of children and grandchildren. Janie still enjoys get-togethers with their Boston CC contingent, the latest being an elegant cocktail party given by **Sarah (Sally) Nichols Herrick**. She and Sally planned to go to New London in June for workshops on our 45th reunion.

Ethel Lawrence Woodbury visited their daughter and her husband in CA last Christmas where **Connie Hopkins Hyslop** dropped by with her husband and adopted daughter for a few delightful hours. Larry and husband, Jim, left CO for two months last winter to visit relatives in Hilton Head, SC, and Pompano Beach, FL, though it is difficult for Jim to walk now. Last fall Larry's sister and brother and spouses joined them on a Royal Viking fall coloring cruise.

Kate Niedecken Pieper said my news postcard arrived the day she, **Vi Egan Candee** and **Bernice Teitgen Stowe**, along with about 20 other alumni and parents from the Milwaukee area, met with our new president for lunch. They were all very favorably impressed by Claire Gaudiani and her presentation and look forward to progress reports along the way to our reunion. Kate and Vi had a nice trip to the Carolinas in Feb. and met **Valmere (Val) Reeves Lynn** for lunch in the Atlanta airport. A few minutes after Val left, Bernice joined them on her way home from FL—small world!

Caruth Niles DeLong has had an active winter, making several trips to Orlando, Sarasota and Venice, FL, to take a real estate course and exam. She now has her

Carolyn, earned her Ph.D. in education from Stanford in June and, at age 37, has her first "9 to 5" job—for an educational research company. Son, Barry, is still vice president and general manager of Amex, Travel Related Services, in the Singapore office. Daughter, Tracy, visited her brother in Singapore in April. Ellie is still playing and working for tennis organizations and Lem may retire in Sept.

Jane Montague Wilson says they have become new FL residents in Vero Beach and considers it an excellent retirement choice, as there is so much to do. Their summer home will be in Bridgton, ME. Jane mentions that, in addition to **Cynthia Terry White** and **Sally Nichols Herrick** visiting, **Lee Minter Goode** also spent some time with them.

Jeanne Lowe Nixon and Charles have just moved to Homestead, FL, because of her health. Their house is on a lake and they love it.

Beatrice Littell Lipp sold her travel agency, but is keeping busy volunteering at International Executive Services Corp., the hospital and the Senior Center. She's playing tennis and doing part-time work at a small publishing house. Bea says she's having fun but sure misses the travel perks!

Catherine Tideman James writes that after **Val Reeves Lynn** and Bob went whale-watching off the Baja peninsula, they stopped in San Diego for a visit with her and Tom. Sis loved hearing about their trip as well as the highlights of the past 43 years.

Barbara Miller Gustafson and husband, Bob, had a lovely winter vacation in Naples, FL, and then were off to CA, Seattle and British Columbia. When at home, Bobby is busy with duties as membership chairman of the Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme and she's also on the Board of Trustees of the museum. She plays tennis and golf and helps with many other community affairs, in addition to keeping up with five active grandchildren.

Suzanne Levin Steinberg is a counselor at the U. of CT, Stamford campus. She works particularly with returning adult students, from 25 years on up. Sue says there was a great-grandmother in last year's graduating class! Sue's daughter, Joan, lives in ME and her son is 16. Bill, their architect son, lives in Montreal and has three children. Son Dan has one son. Sue still enjoys her work, but husband, Cliff, is retired and finds much to interest him.

Gloria Frost Hecker and Art were presented with a fourth grandchild, Virginia Anne, on 3/16/89, her 3-year-old brother's birthday. "My daughters each have a boy and girl, which I think, is pretty smart—they didn't learn it from their parents, who had four daughters." Second daughter, Linda, sells fax machines in Orlando and loves it. Third daughter, Leslie, is a Christian psychologist and takes care of two babies. Fourth daughter, Susan, moved into a darling new house in Eustis, FL, making room for their expanding family. Glo keeps busy with tennis, golf, bridge, hospital visitation and a number of other activities for her church, in addition to being a "groupie" at jazz drummer husband, Art's, "gigs." Your correspondent is fascinated by the number of classmates who are moving to my "home" (for 17 years) state! "I just hope FL doesn't sink into the ocean."

Our deepest sympathy to **Aileen Moody Bainton** for the loss of her wonderful husband, Jack.

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47 Correspondent: **Janice Somach Schwalm**, 520 Sweet Wood Way, Wellington, FL 33414

48 **Margaret (Peggy) Reynolds Rist** lives in an adobe home in Santa Fe, NM, with her daughter and son-in-law. **Carol Paradise Decker** and her husband joined them for dinner in March. Carol is a tourist guide in the Santa Fe area. Peggy plans to look up **Phyllis (Phil) Hoge Kirtley** when she goes to Albuquerque. Hiking, gardening and writing keep her busy.

Sallie Ward Lutz saw **Pauline (Polly) Summers LePore** at her home in Covina, CA, while on a two-week trip to CA in early March. Polly and Vinny are

contemplating moving to OR. Sallie and Bob plan to move to The Meadows in Sarasota, FL, where **Miriam (Mim) Ward Ferkes** and **Marcia Quinn Alfano** are both happily living. The Lepores and the Lutzes are going to Switzerland together in Sept.

The class extends sympathy to the family of **Ann Bernard Wilson**, who died 2/19/89.

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49 REUNION

Our 40th reunion was a rip-roaring success with approximately 86 members in attendance. Many husbands accompanied their spouses, and the mood was upbeat and joyous. Friday's cocktail party and dinner provided us with both camaraderie and a marvelous insight into what's happening at Connecticut College today, and also a chance to greet President Claire Gaudiani and hear her delightful and informative address. Needless to say, her speech gave us much food for thought, and the food itself was delicious.

Our early class meeting in Lambdin on Saturday morning was brief but fruitful, and the class of 1949's new officers for the next five years are as follows, as presented by **Elizabeth (Betty) Leslie Hahn**, chair of the nominating committee: **Ann W. Grayson**, president; **Joan Jossen Bivin**, vice president; **Gretchen Van Syckle Whalen**, treasurer; **Irma Klein Schachter** and **Barbara Miller Smachetti**, reunion co-chairpersons; **Jane Broman Brown** and **Sylvia Joffe Garfinkle**, co-class correspondents; **Barbara Cowgill Perrins**, alternate correspondent; **Helen J. Wettach**, class agent; **Lois Braun Kennedy**, class secretary.

Kudos were offered to **Mildie Weber Whedon** and **Joan Jossen Bivin** and her husband, Dick, for their efforts and superlative job of organizing our 40th reunion; to **Edith (Edie) Barnes Bernard** for her tireless work in preparing our useful and attractive class directory; and to **Mary Bill Brooks Price** for organizing our Double Octet and Shwiffs sing-along. A special thanks went to **Alice Fletcher Freymann** for her marvelous job as class agent. Past class officers were thanked for their efforts.

The class of '49 is unique in many ways, but especially because three of our members have been the recipients of the highest honor the college can bestow, the Connecticut College Medal, given in recognition for special community service. **Jane Smith Moody** received hers this year, and self-effacingly and jokingly added that it was given for "general perfection." We certainly agree, and it was so well deserved. Our other past honorees are **Peggy Walzer Charren** and **Estelle Parsons**.

After our early morning get-together, an alumni march accompanied by bagpipes took all past graduates to Dana Hall for a general meeting. President Claire Gaudiani's rousing state of the college message followed a charming welcoming speech by Ellen Hofheimer Bettman '66, president of the Alumni Association. President Gaudiani congratulated the class of '49 for their 70th reunion, and told us about the newly-formed Center for International Studies and the plans for Crozier-Williams. Class gifts followed. The class of '49 had 76% participation in the AAGP giving, totaling \$64,293, while overall giving totaled \$76,953—quite an achievement! Our class agent, **Alice Fletcher Freymann**, presented the gift to President Gaudiani and was duly applauded and "hooted" on horns for her involvement and success in making our class participation so complete.

Following the general meeting, a festive, ample and delicious picnic was held on Harkness Green. It was a melding of beautiful weather, great conviviality, superlative cuisine, and lots of "catching up" conversation.

The evening's gala class dinner at the New London Country Club capped off a perfect two days of renewing old friendships and warm feelings. Back at Lambdin, we chatted and reminisced once more, looked at the bulletin board full of nostalgic pictures, and all in all rejoiced in being together. Two or three days every five years cannot provide a lot of time to catch up with old friends and mourn the ones no longer with us, but they are still

so very special. Here's to our 45th, with many mini-reunions in between!

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50 **Sylvia Snitkin Kreiger** of Stratford, CT, has had a busy year with family, friends, studying, board meetings, travel, tennis and bridge. Her children gave her a surprise 60th birthday party—over 100 guests—including **Joann Cohan Robin**, **Diane Kranich Price**, **Anita Manasevit Perlman** and their husbands. Sylvia has four grandchildren and acquired one more when her eldest daughter, Roseanne, remarried, to Dr. Don Levine from Westminster, MA. Daughter, Beth Kreiger Jacober '77, lives in Middletown, NJ; Beth's husband, Steve, is editor of *Discount Retailer* magazine. Eldest son, Steven, is an optometrist in RI. Sons Ken and Howie run the family furniture business, Spector Furniture, in Ansonia, CT. In July '88 Sylvia took a 17-day cruise to Italy, Greece, Russia, Yugoslavia, Turkey, Bulgaria and Yalta. In Dec. she traveled to Spain and stayed through New Year's. Sylvia planned a trip to Finland in June '89 to attend the wedding of her Rotary exchange student.

Marjorie Neumann Gosling and her husband, Tom, are temporarily in the Perth area of Western Australia, at least for the duration of Tom's Chinese project. Marjorie writes that living in the metropolitan area means she can see her grandchildren regularly. She tries to see her daughter Marguerite and grandchildren Jacinta and Philip once a week; Marguerite's husband, Edvard, was killed by a metal pressing machine at work. Daughter Betsy lives across the street and works with teenagers at the United Church Family Care agency. Daughter Mary, her husband, John, and their son, Thomas, are also nearby. Son, Bill, was promoted to plant metallurgist by his gold mining employers and was sent to Perth several times in '88. Tom's project took Marjorie and Tom to China again in April and May '88. Marjorie's activities include tap dancing, choir, and attending concerts. She has become an Elder in their United Church which involves speaking at Bible studies, guild morning teas, and representing their Presbytery at Synod. She's also involved in social issues, representing their church at Communicare, an agency that provides assistance to those in need, and has joined the Social Issues Fact Finding Team for the Country Women's Association.

Holly J. Barrett just finished post-retirement from 17 years at Leeward College; then from 1988-89 was an evening administrator at Tunxis College in Farmington, CT. Her annual AZ trip this past winter was delightful, where she visited her newest (Pima-Navajo) granddaughter, Elizabeth. She was just elected president of the Bristol Garden Club for 1989-90, "even though my thumb is not green. Enjoying life—hiking, canoeing, sailing, but no more white-water rafting since the Colorado River trip with CC—the ultimate!"

Joann Cohan Robin of South Hadley, MA, went on a round-the-world trip in Sept. '88. She was invited to give a paper on music therapy at the 16th World Congress Rehabilitation International, held in Tokyo. Joey attended a niece's wedding in England; then she and a friend took the Trans-Siberian Railway from Moscow to Khabarovsk, boat train to Nakhodka and then a ferry to Japan. After the conference, which also included a recital and a lecture at Japan's Women's U., Joey flew to Los Angeles where she met her husband, Dick. They took the Amtrak from Los Angeles to San Francisco and then to Denver and Chicago and flew home from there. Son, David, continues in his graduate program for his Ph.D. in physics at SUNY Stony Brook. Daughter, Debbie, left CBS in Hartford and has moved to NY where she took a film-making program at NYU and is now working on an independent film project on the handicapped. Joey is involved in music therapy with the brain-injured as well as some performing.

Diane Kranich Price writes from Worcester, MA, that she is a nursery school teacher specializing in creative arts and crafts. Diane says she is always trying new recipes, as she cooks constantly for nearby family, for the "open house" her husband runs for the UPENN applicants he interviews, for the committees he oversees,

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and for the university reps. who travel through their area.

Mary Oldham McMeekin and her husband, Charles, live in Lima, OH. Mary is the church secretary for a very active 800-member Presbyterian Church. The McMeekins try to visit their three sons and their families whenever they can. Son Charlie and his wife have two sons and live in Randolph, VT, where he teaches. Son Jim is a pulmonary specialist and lives in Lansing, MI. Son John and his wife have a daughter and live in Cincinnati, OH, where he is a computer technician.

Norma Ritz Phelps and her husband, Edmund, of Wayzata, MN, enjoyed a three-week Orient cruise in Jan. '89 with **Barbara Long Savage** and her husband, Erle.

Marlis Bluman Powell and her husband, Jay, of Upper Montclair, NJ, spent three weeks in June '88 in Munich, and St. Gilgen and Salzburg, Austria, as part of a Smithsonian Countryside Study Tour. After 10 years of serving on the Montclair Public Library Board of Trustees, Marlis retired; however, she accepted positions on the Board of Directors of Planned Parenthood of Essex County and on the Board of Trustees of a local senior and handicapped citizen's low income apartment housing project. Marlis also continues to interview prospective CC students.

Carol Raphael Stromeyer and her husband, Norman, who live in Springfield, NJ, and have a summer home in the Thousand Islands, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in Dec. '87 with a trip to Australia and HI. The Stromeyers have six grandchildren.

Marilyn Wunker Julnes and her husband, Norv, live in Terrace Park, OH. Their daughter, Noel Delmer, and her husband, Joe, adopted 9-month-old non-identical twin girls in March '87; Noel and Joe had a difficult and adventurous two weeks in S. America while waiting to sign adoption papers, but it was all wonderfully worthwhile. Marilyn had a very busy year in '88 managing Norv's growing business, taking care of the apartments, and her mother's affairs; Marilyn's mother died last summer following a severe stroke. The Julnes enjoyed a fall '88 golf outing in Myrtle Beach, SC, and went to FL in Feb. '89.

Emily Birdsall Callman and her husband, Charles, of Rumson, NJ, have six children and six grandchildren between them. Lee had a busy year in '88: her mother died; her children's father died; one child married; they added on to their new house; traveled to Bermuda; and visited scattered children. Lee is studying again: voice, piano and organ.

Mary Gillam Barber and her husband, Donald, of Fripp Island, SC, were joined by **Geraldine Foote Dolliver** and husband, Richard; **Diane Roberts Gibson** and husband, Frank; **Mary Sally Condon Miller** and husband, Frederick; and **Nancy Kearns Morris** and husband, John, for a four-day mini-reunion on Fripp Island this past spring. They enjoyed golf, tennis, swimming and lots of talk.

Annis Boone of Dallas, TX, continues her good work for CC as class agent chairman. She had a delightful visit in June '88 with **Barbara Mehls Lee** and her husband, Bob, in Cheshire, CT.

The class extends its sympathy to the family of our classmate, **Frances Weinberg Kempner**, for her death on 6/4/88; and to **Marlis Bluman Powell**, for the death of her sister, Eva Bluman Marchiony '53, on 3/12/89.

Your correspondent wishes to remind you to use the postcard in this issue of the *Alumni Magazine* to send in your news.

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51 Correspondent: Roldah Northup Cameron, 15 Brook Court, Summit, NJ 07901

52 **Beverly Weber Raynor** had a granddaughter born to daughter Sharon in July '88.

Mary Harrison Beggs' fifth child is in college. Jim is a consultant for three companies. Mary says everything is "up."

Mary Lackey Stowell's daughter, Susan, married Peter Chapman and lives in Riverside, CT.

Sara Backes Leighton teaches chemistry at the Hopkins School, grades 7-12, and is head of the science dept.

Rachael Kilbourne Gould has eight grandchildren. **Winann Meyer Curran's** husband has retired. They have two married children and two grandchildren.

Elizabeth Zorn Mettler is on the New England Board of Higher Education. She has three grandchildren. **Sally Carleton Tripp** traveled to Antarctica.

Nancy Day is teaching three different courses and is "not bored."

Genevieve McLaren Prideaux-Brune's daughter Cynthia passed the CA bar exam. Gene's daughter Diana is with the MA Preservation Society.

Elizabeth Rockwell Cesare's school merged with the school next door and is now the Low-Heywood Thomas King School. Sue's son Benjamin is the youngest-ever sailing coach at Harvard. Her son Edward Cesare '82 married Christine Burke '81 and lives in NY.

Janet Stevens Read works as a therapist with cancer patients. She heard from **Mariamne Newbold**. Bunny has remarried and lives in FL.

Julie Clark Bonta feels fortunate to find her work interesting. She is a certified financial planner and is a portfolio manager in the trust dept. of a bank.

Evelyn Moore Sheehy has a first grandson.

Ginger Dreyfus Karren lives in NY and works at Tiffany.

Elizabeth McLane McKinney had a great vacation with all her children, their spouses, one son and a girlfriend, rafting the middle fork of the Salmon River in ID.

Louise Durfee reports all is well with her. She played golf last summer with **Roberta Mauro Thurrott**.

Monica Lennox William's son intends to study at Purdue to become a veterinarian.

Ruth Stupell Weinfeld, Joyce Leeming Mayfield and **Marguerite Hoadley O'Connell** are serving as class agents for the AAGP. Pidge and Okie are enthusiastic gardeners and enjoyed trips to FL, NY and New England. Their daughter Julie has moved to Kent Island, MD, and has a 7-year-old son. Daughter Peggy works in computer software in Chicago.

Joyce Leeming Mayfield attended her 40th high school reunion, and had a family reunion at her daughter Lynn's in WI at Thanksgiving.

Mary Ann Rossi and **Bruce Brackenridge** are back in Appleton, WI, after two years in London. On their way home they visited Singapore and Hong Kong before going to Australia and New Zealand where Bruce lectured in Melbourne, Sidney and Auckland. Their daughter Lynn is assistant director of development for the Law Center at Georgetown. Daughter Sandy is in Seattle. Son Rob is a stand-up comedian in Minneapolis-area clubs. Son Scot is a student at Grinnell and worked on the Jesse Jackson campaign.

Kathleen Nelles McClure and **Doug** live in Minneapolis and enjoy MN except that all their children are in the East. Kay and Doug have two grandchildren.

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54 REUNION

Except for the 47 of us, plus 24 spouses, who made some part of it, you missed a great reunion! Even New London's weather cooperated. **Barbara Rice Kashanski** and John's lovely 50-acre farm in E. Haddam hosted a delicious lobster/steak, chowder, mussels, corn, etc. Saturday night feast—in spite of the mosquitos! Barbie supplied us with plenty of repellent, memorabilia and good cheer. Retired faculty members **Bernice Wheeler** and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Goodwin joined us. **Cynthia Fenning Rehm's** summer home overlooking the Sound in Fenwick was a fitting setting for a delicious brunch that concluded our reunion weekend. They and **Gretchen Taylor Kingman** and **Phil** deserve a big thanks for making it all possible.

At our class meeting the following were elected: **Enid Sivigny Gorvine**, president; **Elizabeth (Betsy) Friedman Abrams**, vice president and nominating chair; **Sally Lane Braman** and **Irene Ball Barrack**, reunion co-chairs; **Janet Weiss Donnelly**, treasurer; **Mary Robertson Jennings**, AAGP class agent; and **Lois Keating Learned**, class correspondent. We have a few extra copies of the reunion booklet; to receive one, send \$6 to **Lois Keating Learned**.

Not shown in the booklet were: married children—**Catherine (Cathy) Pappas McNamara** and Bill's son, Bill 9/89; grandchildren—**Mildred (M'Lee) Catledge Sampson's** son, Tom Dailey, has a daughter, Sylvie, making four for M'Lee; **Marianne Fisher Hess** has two grandsons; **Helene Kestelman Handelman** and Bill's daughter, Karen Siclari, had Kenay 1/89; and their other daughter, Nina, graduated from Ithaca 5/89; **Sally Lane Braman** and **Chet** have three grandchildren; **Judith (Judy) Yankauer Astrove** tops the list with five, though **Shoshana Traub Teicher**, who left before graduation, has seven!

Susan Shaeffer married Robert Wolff in Aug. '87 after 30 years of separation; they were high school and early CC sweethearts! They live in Pelham, MA.

Anne Cross Frost and **Kent** moved to Canandaigua, NY. Also moving around are **Regina (Reggie) Tate**, who returned to Deep River, CT, after spending many years teaching in U.S. military schools in Europe; and **Janice Adams**, who divides her time between NYC and Falmouth, MA.

Martha Flickinger Schroeder is a tennis pro! Her students are children as well as adults. She and Ted are in NJ and have three grown children.

Joanne Williams Hartley and **Dick** are still in their "starter" home in Wellesley, MA, after 22 years. They have two daughters nearby. The youngest, Margot, is CC '87. Dick is still with Polaroid and loves it. Jo has "been extraordinarily fortunate to have such a successful career in real estate—in marketing and management and now in investments." They hear from **Kathryn (Kathy) Hill Easton** and Peter, who introduced Jo and Dick in '52. Peter is a retired USN captain. The Eastons spend their summers in VA Beach and winters in St. Croix.

Janet Weiss Donnelly and **Dick** live in La Jolla, CA; and **Elizabeth (Betty) Sager Burlem** and **Bill** in Coronado, CA. The Burlms have two beautiful (no surprise!) blond daughters.

Nancy Wilson Raynolds' son Jack graduated from the USNA Annapolis; son Ned, from USCGA; and Sally is a sr at U. MA. Willy was divorced 25 years ago. When the children were small she directed a nursery school and then sold real estate. For the past 10 years she has been a systems analyst with Monarch Life Insurance in Springfield, MA. She's now a rep. with Prudential Insurance, marketing financial services.

Evelyn (Ev) Connolly Meyers writes, "Gil retired in 8/88 and travel is the key word until a new house is built in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. The youngest, Ebby, will start college and John starts LSU med school this fall. Five girls are married, leaving three boys and a girl still single. We have five wonderful grandkids, 11 months to 5—a busy babysitting routine. Come visit

after mid '90 in FL. We couldn't get any of you to come to Baton Rouge!"

Carolyn Chapple Reed and David moved to a smaller home in Villanova, PA, two and a half years ago. She works at a 60-year-old bookstore in Bryn Mawr and continues her lecturing on career development. In May she spoke to the DE Valley Assoc. of Dir. of Volunteers at Haverford College and last fall she ran a series of workshops for the local Red Cross. David continues his private practice in counseling. David Jr. is married and has a son, Nicholas. He works for Payne Webber and lives in Larchmont, NY. In Philadelphia are Douglas, a creative director of a small ad agency; and Jennifer, who's married and is a travel agent.

MaryLee Matheson Larsen hosted a mini-reunion in DC in March for **Norma Hamady Richards**, **Ann Reagard Weeks**, **Ann Dygert Brady**, **Polly (Pam) Maddux Harlow**, **Jan King Evans**, **Dona McIntosh Teel**, **Nancy Maddi Avallone** and **Lois Keating Learned**. It was delightful catching up with everyone. MaryLee's interior design business, "A Better Arrangement," is thriving. Norma is busy with her part-time job at a local boy's independent school, her busy doctor husband and her three married children. Ann Weeks is still at HUD and enjoying it. Ann Brady's at ABC News, working mostly with Tom Jarrel. Pam is adjusting to her recent divorce, and Jan is keeping up with her two girls and granddaughter. Dona is working in a museum and her 13-year-old son keeps her on the run. Nancy is involved with Annapolis Historic Society and took Norma and me (Lois Learned) on a wonderful, personal tour.

Margaret (Margie) MacVean Finn is recovering after a terrible fall at Christmas time.

The class joins me in sending condolences to **Diane MacNeille Dryden** on the death of her husband, 12/87; and to **M'Lee Cattledge Sampson** on her mother's death, 12/88.

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55 Correspondent: Mrs. H. J. Schoeller (Henrietta Jackson), 3335 Holmes Ave. South, Minneapolis, MN 55408

56 **MARRIED:** Ann Lewis to Charles S. Cooper III, 5/1/89.

Marjorie Lewin Ross is still active with her student summer advisory service, "Tips on Trips & Camps." This fall daughter Nancy will be a sr at CC and Cathy will begin college. Margie urges all classmates to donate to AAGP. She says that CC, under the leadership of President Gaudiani, is a dynamic, exciting college.

Sheila Walsh Bankhead earned her M.L.S. from Southern CT State U. in May '87 and is now head of reference for Northwest Regional Library System in Panama City, FL. A son graduated from Stanford in '86, another is in the Navy, and a third is in a local community college. Her daughter is head of reservations at the Marco (FL) Hilton. She saw **Nancy Cedar Wilson**, who has an M.S.W. and works for the school system as well as having a private practice. She also sees **Iris Melnik Orlovitz**, who works in a doctor's office and continues her artistic pursuits.

Betty Ann Smith Tylaska suffered eye problems, but since her lens transplant is much better. She traveled to AZ in April.

Beth Levine Ruderman and Larry had an exciting year with the births of their first two grandchildren. Youngest son, Teddy, attends Northwestern. They had exciting travels to the Arctic on a polar bear expedition and, at Christmas, to Nepal on an elephant safari to photograph the Bengal tiger and a horned rhino.

Jacquelyn Rose Bailey has moved again—this time to Long Beach, CA, where she enjoys working for a law firm. Daughter, Lise, finished her third year at Barnard. Jaki wants to assure us that she hasn't lost her tan.

Victoria (Vicki) Tydlaacka Bakker's husband, Martin, retired in June. They have planned a safari to Africa with Dave and **Beverly Lawson Watts**; then to Naples, FL, in the winter. Their daughter, Vickie, graduated from Dartmouth this year and planned a summer trip to AK.

Beverly Lawson Watts went to Taiwan and Hong Kong with a local choral group this summer. They kicked off their six-concert tour with a performance at Faneuil Hall, Boston. Bev reports that although it's interesting to become more acquainted with the Chinese culture, it's difficult to sing in Chinese.

Suzanne (Skip) Rosenhirsch Oppenheimer was featured in *Working Woman* magazine in Feb. '89. She was re-elected to the NY State Senate in Nov. '88 for her third term with 64% of the vote! She spent the summer of '88 climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania with her husband and four children.

Judith Missel Sandler, an interior designer, has completed her 11th Show House room for the Junior League Decorators Show House. She had dinner in FL with **Joanne Karnow Manheimer** and sees **Michelle Sinzheimer Feins**. Judith has two grandsons, 5 and 12, and a granddaughter, 1.

Justine West Cook Huntley has remarried—to a high school friend; they are turning a cottage-style circa 1930s house into a contemporary, complete with Japanese garden. She's an office manager at Boston Air Center Ingersoll Rand. Justine's youngest son, Mason Cook, finished his freshman year at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, VA, in the Historical Preservation Program.

Helen Sormani Lepke is interim provost and vice president of Clarion U., PA, after having been associate vice president for Academic Affairs. The second edition of her third-semester German text, *Kaleidoskop* (Houghton Mifflin), is doing very well. She has just edited the volume: *Shaping the Future: Challenges and Opportunities* for the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Helen is very involved in trying to resurrect the CC Club of Pittsburgh. Her daughter Janet is a consultant for Corporate Resources in San Francisco and daughter Kristen is a law student at the U. of Pittsburgh.

Janice (Ginger) Simone Ladley reports that son Chris attends Wake Forest U. and son Mark attends Duke. They spent the summer with the National Outdoor Leadership School. Ginger and husband, John, busied themselves with moving and working for George Bush last fall before spending the winter in Gstaad, Switzerland.

Prudence (Prudy) Murphy Parris attended the Grand Prix Auto Race in Monaco and flew the Concorde both ways. She and **Joyce Bagley Rheingold** meet frequently for lunch.

Marsden Williams reports that during the past year she has had five exhibitions of her paintings. Her daughters are both in PA—Cyane Gresham works at the Rodale Garden Research Center in Kutztown and Marina Gresham designs exhibits at the Please Touch Museum in Philadelphia. She enjoyed seeing **Shaun and Millicent (Milly) Kavanagh Ruddy** at a festive gathering of l'Amicale Francaise at Marsden's home in Richmond, VA.

Heidi Schweizer Ely reports that all is well in AK, and she is often reminded of her CC days when she hears of her daughter's experiences at Yale.

Nancy Sutermeister Heubach planned to go on a three-week bicycle trip from Glacier National Park to Jasper National Park in Canada in July. She hoped the beauty would be worth the bicycling effort.

Marna Wagner Fullerton's daughter, Laure, is CC '91 and a member of the women's varsity soccer team that won the ECAC New England championship. Marna gets back to CC several times a year as co-chair of the Reunion Challenge Fund Committee. She is a trustee of various health care and arts institutions, a director of a manufacturing company, and has pursued some continuing ed. courses this past year.

Joyce Schlacht Secher is working on her Ph.D. at Teacher's College, Columbia U., in gifted education and is writing a book, *Teaching Science to the Gifted*. She teaches science at the LI School of the Gifted in Huntington and would welcome and reply to correspondence on the subject. Joyce's son, Dave, was recently married. She sees **Naomi Blickstein Pollack**.

Alison Chamberlain Ainsworth was stateside for two and a half months last winter. Her highlight was meeting her newest grandchild in Kansas City. She returned to Ireland via Brussels, Paris, and what the Irish term "land-bridge" (ferries from the continent to UK to

Ireland). Alison and George live in Skibbereen, Ireland.

Nellie Beetham Stark was on sabbatical leave at the U. of Melbourne, Victorian School of Forestry, Creswick, Australia, to conduct research on tree nutrition using a new technique for extraction and analysis. She was recently listed by the Ecological Society of America as one of the leading early women ecologists in the U.S.

Irma Levine Alperin has a new third granddaughter. Herv retired from his government job, is taking teacher certification courses and hopes to be a high school physics teacher.

Janet Ziegler is production manager for the Arab American Institute. AAI works to increase Arab American political empowerment from local to national levels. The organization is closely related to the Rev. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Coalition and does issue work for Palestinian human rights and statehood.

Jeane Roche Vitelli Hickey spends a great deal of time on volunteer activities, having been elected to the board of directors of the Ethnic Historical Archives Society and the Irish-American Historical Society. She and her husband, Norman, are state directors of conservation for the CT National Campers and Hikers Assoc. and have formed a new chapter in the coastal area of CT. They have also started their own woodcrafts business. Her daughter, Diana O'Brien, has three sons; her son, Dr. Brian Vitelli, is expanding his veterinary hospital in East Haven, CT.

Ann Lewis was married in NJ on 5/1/89 to Charlie Cooper. Your correspondent, **Laura Elliman Patrick**, was matron of honor and **Sue Steadler McElwain** also attended. Several weeks later Ann and Charlie; **Sue Steadler McElwain** and **Bill**; **Eleanor Erickson Ford** and **Bud**; and **Laura Elliman Patrick** and **Al** met for dinner. Ellie, believe it or not, works for Charlie at Bellcore. She reports a new second grandchild. Sue and Bill's daughter Sally graduated from Amherst in '88 and daughter Anne is CC '90. Ann's writing career is flourishing with a novel in the works.

Correspondents: Mrs. Robert B. Whitney Jr. (Helen Cary), 1736 Fairview Dr. S., Tacoma, WA 98465, and Mrs. Albert L. Patrick (Laura Elliman), 120 Circle Rd., Staten Island, NY 10304

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE LUCE SCHOLARS

Connecticut College is one of 60 private colleges invited each year by the Henry Luce Foundation to nominate two or three outstanding seniors or alumni under age 29 to serve a professional apprenticeship in East or South Asia. The heart of the program lies in the internship and individual job placement arranged for each scholar, which is experimental rather than academic in nature and encourages students to explore a different cultural environment. The program seeks students with a wide range of professional interests and is not open to Asian studies or international affairs majors. Applicants must have a high academic record, leadership ability and a clearly defined career interest.

Applications and additional material are available in the Office of the Dean of the College. The campus deadline for application is Oct. 31, 1989.



Portrait of the '64, the 25th reunion class. The Class of '64 held its dinner in the Chappell and McKee Galleries of the Lyman Allyn Museum.

Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.

57 Correspondents: Elaine Diamond Berman, 33 N. Wyoming Ave., South Orange, NJ 07079, and Mrs. Edmund LeFevre (Nancy Keith), 13 Vining Lane, Wilmington, DE 19807

58 Georgia Howe MacRae was promoted to vice president at Shawmut Worcester County Bank, where she has worked since '80. She is president of the Worcester Estate and Business Planning Council, founder/member of Women in Development and board member of the Worcester County Music Association. She is also a corporator of the Worcester Children's Friend Society.

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59 REUNION

47 members of the class of '59 gathered on campus to celebrate our 30th reunion, rekindle old friendships and embark on new ones. We took part in all types of activities from panel discussions to picnics, but the undeniable highlight came in Sunday morning Chapel when the sermon was delivered by our own Olivia (Muffy) Hallowell Huntington—talk about dynamic and inspirational! The campus is more beautiful than ever, and the town of New London looks a little more glamorous than in days gone by. Needless to say, it was a time of incredible sharing of love and memories; there is an indescribable and unbreakable bond between old friends, and it was never more strongly felt than during the weekend of June 2-4.

Correspondents: Virginia Reed Levick, 10 Sargent Lane, Atherton, CA 94025; and Jane Starrett Swotes, 920 Rye Valley Dr., Meadowbrook, PA 19046

60 Correspondents: Elizabeth Froment Brown, 11 Treadwell Ave., Convent, NJ 07961, and Mrs. Dietrich Von Koschembahr (Cary Bailey), 195 Hicks St., Brooklyn, NY 11201

61 Correspondent: Mrs. Allan Martin (Sally Foote), 412 Ocean House Rd., Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107

62 MARRIED: Alice Dawn to David A. Aronson, 5/28/89.

Alice Dawn, married in May, will continue to teach French at Beaver Country Day School in Chestnut Hill, MA. David is a senior budget analyst for the City of Boston.

Camilla (Cammy) Boitel Burgess' daughter, Deedee, 22, has a B.A. from Smith, is doing graduate work in education, and was married in June.

Joyce Heal Payer's son, Briggs, graduated from Conn in May. He will be working in a three-year management training program with Aetna near Middletown, CT. Joyce and Ray visited Emily Haugen Talbert and husband, Joe, in CA.

Debbie Brown Pillorge is working at Children's Hospital in Baltimore and the Assoc. for Retarded Citizens in MD on a volunteer basis. Sailing continues to be Debbie and George's favorite activity with a trip last summer from Baltimore to Nantucket. Daughter Nicole received her Bachelor of Architecture degree this year from NC State U.. Younger daughter, Michele, completed her freshman year at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Margaret (Margo) Hooker Moser completed her doctorate in counseling and human development at George Mason U. in May. She planned to teach learning theory at GMU during the summer and continue research in infant development in the fall. Margo's husband, Jack, is the civilian head of the Naval Imaging Command and an active traditional jazz clarinet player. Both children, Cara and Charley, are married with two children each.

Joan (Misty) Addison Berry works assessing Peer Review Organization contracts with the Medicare program. She volunteers for her church's women's association and as secretary of the community association board. Joan's oldest son, Erik, married in July.

Mary Aswell Doll moved to LA because of a job offer Bill received from LSU. Next Year Mary will be teaching at Holy Cross College in the humanities division.

Alice Katz Goldstein recently moved to Stamford, CT. Alice is a social worker at Burke Rehab. Center. She sees Linda (Lennie) Siegel Anstendig and Paula Berry Langsam.

Betty Grossman writes that through her work as a school counselor she received a grant from the Commonwealth of MA to visit "lesser-known, less expensive colleges which accept students with average records." She continues to enjoy her work, friends and

Boston.

Judith (Judy) Karr Morse is focused largely on healing arts. She has a private massage practice and is teaching basic massage to women. Her two sons are Todd, 17, and Andrew, 14.

Joan Dickinson Karter is completing her master's in remedial reading at Teachers College, Columbia, this year. Oldest daughter, Melissa, lives in NY and Cindy graduated from UPENN in May.

Margaretta (Margo) Conderman Carter works at Personnel Pool, Inc., and has organized the Powerful Players—a group of 400 who are committed to ending loneliness and depression. Son Chris, 27, is assistant director of a Redevelopment Authority.

Ellen Goldberg Siegel is in a business called P.A.C.E. (Paralegal and Courier, Etc.) which takes her across the country and around the world. She has three sons: Ben, a flower importer; Steve, graduating from Penn State and entering law school; and Barney, in his third year at college in photo journalism.

Norma Gilcrest Adams volunteers for the Ohio Federation of Women's Clubs. She is an archivist for Laurel School and has just completed 50 hours of training for missionary work. Daughter, Liz, is class of '92 at Conn; Andy is a Miami U. of OH freshman.

Susan Feldman Copeland lives in Framingham, MA, and works at Gillette. She went to Morocco in Oct. for a 10-day tour of the five major cities.

Susan Greene Fraidin has been named vice president in the research and business development division of Municipal Bond Investors Assurance Corp., White Plains.

Lee Knowlton Parker, of Appleton, WI, was featured in the Jan. issue of the art magazine, *Window Thoughts*. Lee's the executive director of the Fox Valley Arts Alliance. She also volunteers for the hospital, church, and AAUW. Her husband, John, is dean of students at the Institute of Paper Chemistry. Son, Richard, is a recent grad of Lawrence U., where daughter, Sarah, is now a student.

Heather Turner Frazer has written an article for this issue of the *Alumni Magazine* about her travels in India while on a Fulbright-Hays Studies Seminar in '88.

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63 Correspondent: Mrs. Eugene Mercy Jr. (Sue Bernstein), 1111 Park Ave., New York, NY 10128

64 REUNION

I'm pleased to report that the 93 members of the class of '64 who attended reunion all look as good or better than they did 25 years ago! When we arrived at KB, 25th reunion headquarters, we received a CC totebag furnished by the Alumni Association with the reunion logo and slogan, "Tradition and Innovation." Additionally, each class member received a cheery cherry-red sweatshirt emblazoned with a blue and buff (class colors) "'64" and the words: "The Up and Coming Generation—In Our Prime!"

At the class meeting, new officers were elected for five-year terms: Marcia Rendle Smith, president; Marilyn Ellman Frankel, vice president; Mary Woodworth Lyon, treasurer; and Sandra Bannister Dolan, class correspondent. Class dues (for the next five years) of \$30 were collected on the spot.

Draped in their red sweatshirts, the class of '64 joined the Alumni Parade to Dana Hall. Due to superhuman efforts by class agent, Dhuanne Schmitz Tansill, our class finally came up with a noteworthy gift: \$50,000+. Gail Rosenberg Ludvigson has agreed to be our new class agent chairman; she plans to work hard to see that our class gift is \$100,000 in '94, with 100% class participation.

Due to the gorgeous weather, the picnic on the lawn was a great success—with excellent food and diet decaffeinated iced tea. After lunch, our class photo was taken on the steps of the old Palmer Library, now called Blaustein Humanities Center. Our 25th reunion

chairperson, **Ellen Greenspan Cardwell**, shepherded us inside Blaustein for a program on "Women in Their Prime: Where We Came From, How We Got Here, Where We're Going," opened by Dr. J. Melvin Woody, a philosophy professor who joined the CC faculty during our jr year. The Class Book will contain reports compiled from the program.

The Class Book will also contain the results of "The Questionnaire" we all received in March and a copy of the class photo. Every reunion attendee will automatically receive one; anyone else wishing to have a copy of this enlightening document should send an additional check for \$7.50 to **Mary Woodworth Lyon**, along with class dues of \$30 (if you haven't already paid). Mary's address: 580 Montauk Ave., New London, CT 06320.

Our class dinner at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum will not be forgotten by those in attendance. President Gaudiani arrived as the appetizers were served. A question and answer period followed her remarks. After dinner, some brave classmates checked out the dance at Cro, but most returned to KB and talked the rest of the night away.

A delightful Sunday morning interlude was provided for us by our classmate, **Joan Ross Bloedel**, who presented a fascinating talk and slide show about the evolution of her art.

Cameras clicked while hugs and promises to write were exchanged, and our 25th reunion was over. Surely everyone who attended went home feeling glad to be an alumna of CC and part of such a terrific class. We are all very grateful to **Ellen Greenspan Cardwell** and **Patricia Edwards Anderson** for putting together such a wonderful weekend; and to **Dhuanne Schmitz Tansill** for making us look respectable in the eyes of the CC Development Office.

Sandy Bannister Dolan has agreed to serve as class correspondent for another five years, so she'll be in touch, soliciting your news for the *Alumni Magazine*. **Sandy, Ellen Greenspan Cardwell** and **Dhuanne Schmitz Tansill** will co-chair our 30th reunion and would very much appreciate your suggestions and comments in regard to that event. After all, reunion is for you!

Correspondent: **Sandra Bannister Dolan**, 301 Cliff Ave., Pelham, NY 10803

65 Correspondent: **Susan Peck Repass**, 315 River Rd., Titusville, NJ 08560

66 **Jeanette Meditz Jordan** was honored in Jan. with the Fred Pettijohn Award for outstanding contribution by the Fort Lauderdale *FL News and Sun Sentinel*. A member of the staff for more than 10 years, Jeanne was cited for her work as a leader and teacher, and for "grace under pressure."

Helen Haase Johnson reports that she became a great-grandmother for the second time in March. The new arrival is Pierce Endress Sharpe. Helen is now serving on the Editorial Board of the *Alumni Magazine*.

Ellen Kagan has switched careers again (after real estate, city planning, stockbroking, and insurance). Kagan Associates provides time-saving services for busy people, and she enjoys it very much. She also has been singing in clubs on and off for five years for additional fun. Ellen also commended the Alumni Assoc. for the postcard for class notes in the *Alumni Magazine*.

Deborah Nichols Losse teaches French at AZ State U. and is a member of the core faculty of the Women's Studies Center there. Her daughter, Kate, will enter high school this year, and is already thinking about colleges. Son, Owen, is in second grade. **Katherine (Kate) Curtis Donahue** visited last fall, and planned to return in April with her three sons. Debbie would like to see more classmates visit AZ.

Rona Shor Blakeslee began a new position as controller for the NY branches of Bank Hapoalim in May. Previously she spent five years as CPA on the audit staff of Arthur Andersen and six years in banking.

Pamela Mendelsohn, after two and a half years of

"eyes to the screen" and fingers on the keys, had her book published in June, exploring what happened in lives of the 90 women since they were interviewed for *Happier By Degrees* 10 years ago. *Degrees of Success*, to be published by Peterson's in Princeton, is filled with stories about the long-range effects of re-entering academic life—on families, careers, lifestyles, self-images, etc.. "I'm back on a college campus myself, this time as director of development for our public radio station—fun!"

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67 Correspondent: **Prof. Janet A. Riesman**, 37 Timberline Circle, Port Jefferson, NY 11777

68 BORN: to **Judith Greenberg Berman** and Gene, Matthew Jacob 12/28/88; to **Cheryl Shepley Deane-Manniello** and Robert, Scott James 3/7/88.

Ellen Leader Pike of Lancaster, PA, was slated to spend six weeks in China this summer after being accepted for a Fulbright-Hays Summer Seminar Abroad, but unfortunately her trip was canceled because of the student revolution there. Ellen is head of the history dept. at Lancaster Country Day School and a specialist in East Asian history and culture.

Marguerite (Midge) Auwerter Shepard works full time as a computer consultant and is pursuing her MBA. She finds herself with "absolutely no time." Her children are 16, 13 and 10.

Kathryn Bard directed an archaeological survey for Predynastic sites in the vicinity of Hiw, Upper Egypt, in May and June '89. The field work was funded by the National Geographic Society. On the way back from Egypt she stopped off in London and Cambridge to do research on earlier work on the sites. In Jan. and Feb. she put together a small exhibit of field work done by the Dept. of Archaeology at Boston U..

Betty Barton Brandes started law school this summer at the U. of Puget Sound. She spent a frustrating year waiting to take the LSAT, learn her scores and get accepted. She finally made it, however, and reminds us that the world needs more 45-year-old lawyers!

Lauren Brahms Resnik tells us that she begins the "empty nest" syndrome in Sept. when her son, Andrew, will be a jr at Middlebury College and her daughter will be a Yale freshman. She continues to have a busy career in real estate. Her husband, Bob, is chairman of the Dept. of Reproductive Medicine at U.C.S.D. and the dean of Clinical Affairs at the Medical School.

Fredricka (Ricki) Chapman McGlashan is working in the Graphics Dept. at the Beyond War Foundation.

DID YOU GET IT?

Due to a computer glitch involving our mailing labels, some alumni may not have received the Spring, 1989 issue of the *Alumni Magazine*. The cover of that issue featured Terry Hazard's '79 still life watercolor of baskets and flowers, and included stories on James Joyce, the freshman outdoor orientation program, faculty obituaries, Sally Abrahms '75 on "Absent Parents," and an article on President Gaudiani's family.

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This past year they hosted an exchange student from Germany. In Sept. they will go from three teenagers to one as the exchange student goes home and her older son goes off to Yale.

Carolyn Conybeare and husband, Jim, still enjoy living in NYC. They enjoy sailing and bareboating in the Caribbean, as well as in the NY harbor. Carolyn recently started doing volunteer work in the local hospitals' Rape Crisis Program.

Linda Dannenberg is a frequent traveler to Paris lately. She's a contributing editor to *European Travel and Life* magazine. Recently in Paris she saw **Esther Carliner Viros**, and occasionally **Patricia (Patty) Chock Chainon**. She is now finishing work on her fourth French "lifestyle" book in collaboration with Pierre Deux. She writes that Benjamin, 5, is a frequent flyer in his own right because he's a veteran of six transatlantic trips. Her husband, Steve, is in the wine importing business, so trips sometimes take him to Bordeaux.

Elizabeth Davison Mors has lived in the Netherlands for the last 20 years. She and her second husband now live in an old farmhouse out in the middle of the windy Dutch fields right near the North Sea. Her son Andrew is 9; Charlotte, 7; William, 5; Marie, almost 2; and they have a new baby, Simon. The children go to the only European community school in Holland and are fluent in three languages.

Barbara DiTrolfo Mannino moved into a new home in NJ eight months ago with Ross Keith, 16, and Meredith, 13. Barbara still continues to do free-lance PR work for newspapers and newsletters. She also works as a legal assistant to the corporate attorney of a national company.

Kathleen Dowling reports that her biggest accomplishment since graduating from Conn has been raising four children alone. After many years as a therapist in MA she relocated to Venice, FL, and started a home accessories design company called "Plum Cove."

Sue Feigl O'Donnell has spent quite a year traveling around the world and seeing Conn friends. She has seen **Lila Gault** in Cape May, **Nancy Kaufman Schmeer** in NYC, **Lauren Brahms Resnik** in San Diego and NYC, **Gale Rawson** in PA and **Janet Finkelstein** in Paris. Her oldest son, Whitney Lukens, is a Wesleyan sophomore; Trevor attends The Hill School; and Gavin, 5, is in nursery school. They had a marvelous trip to Thailand last Christmas and to St. Barts in March.

Dinsmore Fulton is with Prudential Asset Management and is responsible for real estate marketing for the Prudential Realty Group's pension, endowment and foundation clients. She lives in Glen Ridge, NJ, with sons Taylor and Brooke Denegre, 16 and 12, respectively.

Patricia Gaynor Hartman reports that this summer marked the fifth anniversary of Pasta Unlimited, a fresh pasta and gourmet food store in Deep River that she owns with a friend. She reports long hours but sees the benefits of being her own boss. Her son, Kurt, is a teenager this year. She took up downhill skiing to share an activity with him.

Pamela Gnazzo Larrabee is still a trial attorney with the Criminal Enforcement Section of the Tax Div. of the Dept. of Justice. Her trial assignments bring her to New England often to visit with friends and family. Husband, Rick, is now a Coast Guard captain. Because of his latest assignment as chief of the Environmental Response Div., he has been deeply involved with the Alaskan oil spill. Her daughter, Jennifer, graduated from Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School in June and will attend Columbia this fall.

Judith (Judy) Greenberg Berman is a new mother and works part time in her psychiatry practice in Huntington, NY, specializing in children and adolescents. Otherwise she spends her time at home happily with her baby.

Lesley Guyton, a new resident to St. Paul, MN, has established her own law practice concentrating in the areas of Immigration and Social Security Disability Law. Despite long winters, she enjoys MN with her two children, 9 and 5.

Margaret (Margot) Hardenbergh obtained a master's working in public affairs TV and a Ph.D. She now teaches at the U. of Bridgeport and enjoys it far more than all of her previous lives. Her children, Matthew, 13, and Kate, 10, wish she had never worked in

TV, thinking they could have watched more!

Andrea Hintlian Mendell reports that her husband is now in charge of Goldman Sachs Capital. They recently took a vacation to Tanzania and Kenya for a 17-day photographic safari. "Camping in the wild was delightful, especially without telephones." She is currently working part time as a sales rep. for Anne Klein Sportswear.

Stephanie Hirsch Meyer reports that her daughter, Alison, is now looking at colleges and son, Rob, enjoys sports, computers and music. She has decided to take some time off from being a social worker and has a myriad of projects going.

Judith (Judy) Irving has been directing plays in San Francisco over the past year. She has also shot a documentary called "Secrets of the Bay," about the San Francisco Bay as a wildlife refuge under siege. She is still working on low-budget feature scripts. She lives with Christopher Beaver, her life and work partner, in a co-op apartment in San Francisco. Her film, "Dark Circle," aired on PBS Aug. 8.

Charlotte (Carla) Meyer was married last summer to Chuck Arnold, a TV director and director of photography. **Maria (Mia) Braden Clark** and **Hilary Saunders** both made the trip to LA for the wedding. She has also formalized her business, "The Verbal Exchange," which involves coaching dialects and voice for TV and film. She is currently working on "Baby Boom" and "Raising Miranda."

Dianne Sanborn is on the last leg of a two-year master's of science program in nursing at Simmons College. She reports that her sister, **Suzanne Sanborn O'Cheskey**, planned to move to NH this past summer.

Cheryl Shepley Deane-Manniello is a new mother. After three years of hard work chairing Junior League's Cookbook Development Committee, the book came out in May '89. **Polly Leonard-Keener** is the artist for the cookbook! She continues performing, writing and directing plays, and loves it.

Joan Burrows Barnett is pursuing an MBA and is director, Fowler-McCracken Commission and vice president, International Management and Development Institute. She enjoys tennis, music and working with her husband in his plays and novels.

Linda Demikat was recently named vice principal at Avon Middle School, Avon, CT. Most recently she has taken courses in English as a Second Language at William Patterson College in NJ.

Carol Fraser Fisk, former U. S. Commissioner on Aging, became editor of the DC-based monthly newspaper, *Aging Network News*, in June. In '88 she received the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, from Alfred U., Alfred, NY.

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69 REUNION

The CC '69 reunion took place on one of those fine weekends in June when we get every kind of weather. Unfortunately, it poured during the Arboretum Walk, but earlier the weekend was lovely for the parade and picnic. Many comments were made about the speeches given by President Gaudiani during the all-classes dinner. She can certainly generate optimism and excitement among her listeners with her vision of the college's future. The class train ride and dinner in Old Saybrook, arranged by **Christina Pennerl Burnham**, provided us with time to visit. All 64 of us there enjoyed renewing old friendships and making new connections, and we missed those of you who could not be with us. Our lives and the way we see them have changed, and there were many stories told. Several people commented that we seemed more relaxed and self-confident. One thing many of us have in common is the diversity of our lives. Even those most focused on jobs still attend to families, volunteer and/or political work, creative projects, travel and personal time. Each of our lives seems to contain many lives and we work to manage them well, accepting, as gracefully as possible, that we simply can't do it all!

Among those close to doing it all are our class officers for the next five years: president, **Ellen Lougee**

Simmons; vice president and nominating chairperson, **Ann Weinberg Duvall**; treasurer, **Kathleen (Kathy) Buckley Griffiths**; reunion co-chairs for '94, **Evelyn (Lynne) Cooper Sittin** and **Ann Tousley Anderson**. To receive a copy of the Class of '69 20th Reunion Booklet, which has addresses and the information sent in by our classmates, send \$5 to **Kathy Griffiths**, Grassy Hill Rd., Lyme, CT 06371. **Susan Ninde Lier** is passing on the correspondent's pen to **Mary Barlow Healy**.

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70 **BORN:** to **Lucy Thomson** and **Arthur Peabody**, Victoria Williams 7/15/88.

Pamela Bliss has her own business in the Denver area, writing and leading seminars on international marketing, cross-cultural communications and managing a diverse workforce. She studies African dance and plays congo drum in a band. She plans to visit Zimbabwe this year.

Leslie (Lee) Griffiths teaches in the social work school at Simmons College and does private practice as well as working in a clinic. She continues to travel and is learning to draw.

Margaret (Mardie) McCreary visited CC in Aug. '88 with her daughter, whose highlight seemed to be the juice machines! Mardie has taken on a law partner to become the firm of McCreary and Read, and describes him as a nice complement to her feminist image, and a man as committed to quality lawyering and parenting as she.

Martha Sloan Felch has been with Shawmut Bank of Boston for four years as vice president and senior product manager of electronic cash management products. Daughter Sarah, 3, is in child care at Harvard Business School, and husband, Allan, is busy working with contractors to refurbish the third floor and exterior of their 19th-century Mansard-style Victorian in Newton, MA.

Lucy Thomson finds new daughter, Tory, a delight. Daughter Elizabeth, 3, loves preschool, swimming and is a "whirlwind" of activity. Lucy is president of the Women's Bar Assoc. of DC and was installed at a meeting at the New Zealand Embassy. In this position, Lucy supervises 50 committee chairpeople and runs numerous meetings. She will also resume part-time work at the Justice Dept. after maternity leave. She spent much of fall '88 in OR working on a mental rehabilitation case.

Christine Webb Letts was named director of the IN Dept. of Highways in Jan. '89. In this position, she is responsible for all state highway design, construction and maintenance, and also for all state toll roads and bridges. She previously was vice president of corporate responsibility at Cummins Engine Co.

Karen Blickwede Knowlton and husband, Kim, spent a May '89 vacation in Europe, visiting relatives in France and Germany. While there, Karen had the special experience of seeing the German village from which her ancestors emigrated, and also had a pleasant lunch visit with **Pamela Brooks Perraud**, who works at IBM in Paris. Pam also teaches management courses for an American school, and her children, Marc, 10; and Andrea, 6; are back in the French school system in their Paris suburb. In April '89 Karen also enjoyed seeing **Susan Lee**, **Barbara Hermann** and **Christine Heilman Bakalar** at the Chicago area alumni meeting with CC President Claire Gaudiani. We discussed, among other things, next year's 20th reunion—just to remind everyone it's coming up! Sue continues in banking; Barb teaches 2nd grade in Highland Park; and Chris works part time with the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind, in between ferrying kids to their various extracurricular activities. Her twins are 11.

Barbara Roses Resnicow was promoted to chief architect at Howco Investment Corp.. She has a master's from the Yale School of Architecture and is a grad of NYU New Real Institute. Barbara is also a member and former director of the Alliance of Women in Architecture.

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71 *Correspondent: Anne Kennison Parker, 45 Woodland Ave., Apt. 39, Summit, NJ 07901*

72 **Karen Du Brul** was elected to partnership in the Philadelphia law firm of Blank, Rome, Comisky and MacCauley.

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74 REUNION

Our 15th reunion was a great success and a positive experience for the alumni who came back. Saturday's weather was beautiful for the Alumni Parade, in which the class of '74 shone in our vivid red T-shirts, complete with college seal and highlights of 1974 printed on the back. (T-shirts may be ordered for \$8 from **Susan Compton Pollard**, 1125 Sunrise Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15243).

Our class meeting introduced new class officers: **Thomas (Tony) Sheridan**, president; **Katharine Powell Cohn**, vice president; **Lucille Pendleton**, treasurer; **Katharine (Katie) Paine**, reunion chairman; **Norma Darragh**, class agent chairman; **Doris King Mathieson** and **Marion Miller Vokey**, class co-correspondents.

A splendid class dinner was held at the Seamen's Inn in Mystic. There the class presented gifts of pens with thanks to **Janice Curran**, for an outstanding job as reunion chairman; **Susan Compton Pollard**, our class president who organized the T-shirts; and **Paula Dzenis Healey**, who did an excellent job as class agent chairman.

We missed all who couldn't attend, and hope to see you at our 20th!

MARRIED: **Susan Compton** to Richard Pollard, 11/5/88; **Deborah Demicco** to David Andrew Neel, 4/15/89; **Brenda Lindsey** to Arthur E. Joseph Jr., 12/10/88; **Miriam Steinberg** to Richard Wolkin, 6/11/88.

BORN: to **Sophia Hantzes Maass** and Jeffrey, William Whittaker 2/5/89; to **Lynn Aschenbrenner** and Bruce, Michael Bruce Jones 3/25/87; to **Cynthia Caravatt Holden** and Richard, Matthew 2/7/89; to **Norma Darragh** and Thomas Maher, Dylan Matthew Darragh Maher 6/30/88; to **Anne Dietrich Turner** and Jim, Abigail Marie 8/22/88; to **Elizabeth Disario Lighton** and Robert, David James 4/5/88; to **Karen Gordon** and Fred, Erik Gordon Cooper 1/3/89; to **Ellen Hermanson** and Hugo, Leora Moreno 8/27/88; to **Andrew Kercher** and Wendy, Paige Meredith 9/22/88; to **Nan Mezzatesta** and Brian Bateson, Brian Patrick 7/22/87; to **Rebecca Nash Polster** and David, Hannah Elizabeth 4/11/89; to **Ellen Seaman** and Ben Kae, Tyler McAvoy 4/22/88; to **Susan Rothwell Gurney** and George, Peter Nathaniel 8/31/88.

Sherry L. Alpert is vice president of Public Affairs at Jewish Memorial Hospital, Boston. She is vice president of the CC Club of Boston and active in temple and PTA affairs.

Marian Boynton teaches kindergarten in Milton, MA, and owns a condo in nearby Hingham.

Peter L. Brennan is a partner in the East Hartford law firm of Brennan and Brennan.

Margaret Brigham-Ryan lives in Stonington, CT, with husband, Pat, and son, Patrick, 9. She works in accounting part time, and is continuing art studies at the Lyman Allyn Museum.

Cynthia Caravatt Holden lives in Southbury, CT, with husband, Richard, and three children. She is busy with her family and volunteer work.

Marianne Casey Reinhalter moved to Duxbury, MA, with husband, Emil; Katie, 8; and Lisa, 5. She is a part-time psychotherapist for Duxbury Counseling Services.

Susan Compton Pollard lives in Pittsburgh with husband, Dick. Her wedding was attended by a large CC contingent. Susan is vice president and director of Training for Integra Financial Corp..

Janice Curran is completing her first year in psychoanalytic training. She maintains a private practice in Norwalk, CT, specializing in the treatment of children and adolescents.

Norma Darragh lives in Fairfield, CT, with husband, Tom, and son, Dylan. She heads N.K. Darragh and Assoc., a marketing management consulting firm.

Karen Davidson practices law in Providence, RI. She lives in a big old house close to the bay and has been to Mexico, HI and CO this past year.

Sibyl Davis Quayle and husband are happily settled back in Lake Placid, NY, after a sabbatical year at Penn State U.. She is at home with Laura, 4, and Joanna, 2.

Sarah Dean Peck, husband, Larry, and children David, Emily, and Matthew are enjoying life in Houston, TX.

Deborah Demicco is an infectious disease specialist and a director of Medical Education at Community Hospital, Roanoke, VA. She and new husband, David, honeymooned in the Cayman Islands.

Anne Dietrich Turner, husband, Jim and daughter, Abigail, live in Olney, MD. Anne is with the International Program at the National Wildlife Federation. She has seen **Pamela McMurray Foote** and **Barbara Biehuse Harris**.

Elizabeth Disario Lighton is designing and merchandising the ladies division of the Lightons' clothing company, British Khaki, and reports that motherhood is wonderful.

Elaine Parker Edlind completed her Ph.D. in school psychology, and is now working part time. She and husband, Tom, are parents of Ian, 6, and Merritt, 4.

Ellen G. Feldman received her MBA from the Kellogg School at Northwestern U.. She is national sales manager for Armanins Farms, commuting between Fremont, CA, and Chicago.

Linda Ferguson Benoist is involved with free-lance writing and real estate work, and is mother to Elliott, 6, and Libby, 4.

Elizabeth Fisher High lives in Chapel Hill, NC, with husband, Tom, and baby, Georgia. She is a television producer and has a dance/video project in the works.

Susan Froshauer has been on the research faculty in the Cell Biology Dept. at Yale U., and will be moving as a research scientist to Pfizer in Groton, CT.

Karen Gordon is busy with two young boys, career, and husband.

Kathleen Hanagan Fimmel has completed her MSW at Columbia U., and is mother to Antje, 10; Katrina, 9; and Jonathan, 7.

Amy Helpert Fischman lives in Southampton, NY, with designer husband, Eliot. She is a registered nurse.

Ellen Hermanson reports that daughter, Leora, is thriving, as is her business writing career.

Ann Jacobs Mooney lives in Ann Arbor, MI, with husband, Tom, and Danny, 4. She is a lecturer in the U.M. School of Social Work, supervises students, and has a private psychotherapy practice.

Andrew Kercher has completed his third year of graduate study in school psychology at UC-Davis and an internship in the Fairfield, CA schools.

Mark Samuels Lasner collects Victorian books and drawings, and is at work on a biography of Max Beerbohm. He also publishes articles, has co-authored a book, and lectures.

Janet Lawler and husband, Jeff Coppage, live in Farmington, CT, with son, Andrew, 1. Janet is assistant counsel for Otis Elevator.

Brenda Lindsey Joseph celebrated her recent wedding with much CC alumni participation. She is an assistant sales manager for SNET.

Lissa McCall Mounce lives in Seoul, Korea, with husband, Richard; Billy, 6; and Lauren, 3. She is learning how to run a household in yet another language; and has been to Thailand, Malaysia and China.

Nan Mezzatesta is a marketing manager for the Cleveland Clinic, and mother to Ian, 5, and Brian Patrick, 2.

Marion Miller Vokey; husband, Scott Vokey '77; Hayden, 4; and baby, Reid, love living in Seattle.

Katharine Paine lives in NH and commutes to her firm in Boston, the Delahaye Group. She is renovating her barn home and sailing.

Susan Rothwell Gurney is a part-time librarian at the Office of Horticulture, Smithsonian Institution.

Ellen Seaman, husband Ben Kae, and son, Tyler, love living in Los Angeles. Ellen is a part-time consultant for a beauty products manufacturer. She has visited **Rebecca Nash Polster** and family in Scripps Ranch, CA.

Martha Seely is busily renovating a Victorian house in Somerville, MA. She designs for film, video, and print with her own company, Artistic License. Martha was production designer for her first feature film last year.

Shannon Stock Shuman, daughters Rose, 10, and Rachel, 7, have moved into a new house in Silver Spring, MD. Shannon is director of International Trade Services for a DC law firm. She travels 10 weeks a year, mostly to Japan, but also Hong Kong and Sweden this year.

Debra Stone Banerjee has recently moved to Chappaqua, NY. She is busy with school activities and getting to know her new area.

Nelson Neal Stone is assistant professor of Urology at Mt. Sinai, NYC, and director of Urology at City Hospital, Elmhurst. He and wife, Gloria, are busy with Michelle, 5; Jonathan, 4; and Laura, 2.

Lindley Walker lives on Queen Anne Hill in Seattle with sons, Zach, 9, and Nick, 6.

Jill Brandon Wilson Evitt is planning director for the city of Somerville, MA, and busy with son, Blake, 2.

Anita DeFrantz was the 1989 commencement speaker at URI. She still serves on the U.S. Olympic Committee Executive Board, and is the chairwoman of the committee's eligibility committee. Anita is a trustee for both the U.S. Olympic Foundation and the Women's Sports Foundation, a group dedicated to improving sports opportunities for women worldwide.

Francine Axelrad was featured in the *Philadelphia Inquirer's* "Neighbors" section in Oct. '88. The Cherry Hill, NJ mayor named her the township's first full-time solicitor and head of the new Dept. of Law in Jan. '88.

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75 *Correspondents: Darcy Gazza Jones, 77 Ivy Way, Port Washington, NY 11050, and Bonnie Kimmel Dzenski, 361 Old Creamery Rd., Box 841, Andover, NJ 07821*

76 **MARRIED:** Lisa Boodman to B.J. Rudman, 10/2/88; David Korobkin to Laurie Glaser, 6/11/89; Sarah Lipson to

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David Lebwohl, 6/28/87; Elizabeth Widdicombe to Gene Paquette, 10/24/87.

BORN: to Richard Allen and Louise, Daniel Benjamin, 6/13/88; to Linda Bordonaro Dwyer and Jim, Maureen Patricia, 11/7/87; to Jeffrey A. Cohen and Sally Farwell Cohen, Joshua Farwell 5/4/88; to David Di Prete and Diane, Andrea Marie 5/20/88; to Elizabeth Dyess Jackson and James, Laura Elizabeth 4/18/89; to John Emerman and Tanya, Jaine Aleza 1/16/89; to Jeffrey Fletcher and Jeanne, Sarah Jeanne 12/15/88; to David Foster and Marianne, Christian Benjamin 12/26/88; to Jason Frank and Sally, Abigail Sharp 12/30/88; to Michael Franklin and Henrietta, Clint Hampton 5/14/88; to Richard Primason and Abbe, Philip August 9/27/88; to Terry Sanderson Smith and Roger, Matthew Thayer 6/27/88; to Elizabeth Taylor O'Neal and Mark, Dana Elizabeth 3/16/88; to Peggy Van Raalte Farris and Michael, Zoe Elyse 4/6/88.

Sally Apfelbaum is one of three American artists living and working for six months in Giverny, France, through a program sponsored by *Reader's Digest*. Chosen from 620 applicants, Sally will be in residence April through Sept., the peak blooming season of the garden which Monet made famous in his paintings.

Lisa Boodman is a senior law clerk to the Justices of the Superior Court in MA, having received her J.D. from Northeastern U. Law School. After a honeymoon in Paris, Lisa and husband, B.J., returned to Arlington, MA, and moved into the newly-restored George Russell House, built in 1810 and on the National Historic Register.

Juliet Buchwalter earned her Ph.D. in psychology from the City U. of NY last year. Her dissertation was titled "Younger Sisters of Aggressive Older Brothers."

Lynn Cooley is assistant professor of Human Genetics at the Yale School of Medicine, where she works on the molecular genetics of oogenesis in *Drosophila* (fruit flies).

John Cunningham is a clinical nurse specialist at the AIDS Center of St. Vincent's Hospital in NYC. He is enrolled in the M.B.A. program in the Dept. of Health Care Administration at Baruch College/Mt. Sinai School of Medicine.

David Di Prete now operates his school of Kung Fu in his own building, which he purchased this spring. He ran the 1988 Portland Marathon and captained an 11-member relay team which ran in a 165-mile race from Mt. Hood to the OR coast.

Jeffrey Fletcher presented three posters at the national meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology in New Orleans this spring.

Jason Frank is an attorney concentrating in the emerging field of Elderlaw. He also teaches at Towson State U. and the U. of Baltimore. He recently coached his daughter's birth by the Bradley method.

Michael Franklin continues as an award-winning developer in Mystic, CT. His alumni basketball team won the "A League" intramurals at Conn last winter; team members include **Stephen Brunetti**.

Deborah Kennedy teaches English as a Second Language and works as assistant to the director of the Honors Program at American U.. In her spare time she is also soloist and coordinator of a concert series at her church.

Sarah Lipson Lebwohl is director of Archives at The Pace Gallery. She and husband, David, on the staff at Sloan-Kettering, recently purchased a co-op in Manhattan, which Sarah describes as "a commitment, for now, to city living."

Roxana Matonick Sasse is a staff anesthetist at St. Luke's—Roosevelt Hospital in NYC, where she is also pursuing a master's at Columbia U.. She recently relocated to NY from London.

James (Jim) Perskie is city editor of the Atlantic City Press and is an avid weekend runner.

Terry Sanderson Smith is a school psychologist in upstate NY. Husband, Whit, a lawyer for Coming Glass, travels throughout the Orient and is pursuing a private pilot's license.

Debra Small Baylin has taught preschool and elementary classes since moving to Calgary, Alberta, 11 years ago. She is an active volunteer, traveler and mother to a 6-year-old.

Marcia Sullivan is engaged in virology diagnostic research with DuPont Medical Products. Last fall she

and husband, Hugh, enjoyed a three-week vacation in Japan and Thailand.

Peggy Van Raalte is a clinical psychologist in private practice in NJ. She visits regularly with **Elisabeth Brown** and **Juliet Buchwalter**, fellow psychologists.

Elizabeth Widdicombe commutes between Philadelphia, where she is vice president and editor-in-chief of Saunders College Publishing; and Chicago, where husband, Gene manages two bookstores. They recently shared a villa with seven friends on vacation in Frascati, Italy.

Wendy Golart Wachter continues to work as a computer scientist for a Navy R&D Lab in New London, CT. Her current project involves programming a computer to analyze and display acoustical data recorded at sea. She recently contacted **Laurene Giovannelli Palmer** and **Carol Weller Cline**. Laurene was a semifinalist in the CT Teacher of the Year competition, a very rare honor for a special ed. teacher. Carol and her husband and two kids are settled in VA, where she teaches math and he works for a DC-based financial company.

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77 Correspondents: **Amy Friedlander Gorin**, 2 Seaver St., Wellesley Hills, MA 02181, and **Sheila Saunders**, 2036 Huntington Dr., So. Pasadena, CA 91030

78 **MARRIED:** **Donald Capelin** to Beth Rachelle Schneider, 9/25/88.

BORN: to **Barry Gross** and Cindi, Adam Paul Gross, 1/25/89; to **David Cruthers** and Jak, William MacMillan 11/22/88; to **Selden Prentice** and Carl Blackstone, Kate Selden 3/6/89; to **Lisa Quinion Abbott** and Geoffrey, Matthew Geoffrey 5/9/88; to **Leigh Semonite Palmer** and Jim, Alan Campbell 4/20/89; to **Wilma Trueswell Townsend** and Jeffrey, Sarah Wilma 10/13/88.

David Cruthers is curator of Education and Development at the Kendall Whaling Museum in Sharon, MA. He has found that having a child has changed his life!

Jane Kluger Gardner reports that she and **Kenneth Gardner** are busy parents of Stephen, 5, and Alison, 2. Ken has recently been named a partner in the Manhattan law firm of Tannenbaum, Dubin and Robinson.

Katharine Halsey has spent 10 years in the restaurant business. Her "Two Sisters Deli" and catering is now located in both Mystic and New London, CT. She is also busy catering for corporations located in SE CT. She's recently traveled to India, Nepal, HI and WY.

Stephen James was recently promoted to vice president at Leggat McCall/Grubb and Ellis, Inc. in the Waltham/MA Pike West area. Steve has been with the firm since '85 and is a member of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board.

Marcy Connelly Gookin and her husband survived their first year as owners of their own business outside Pittsburgh and are building a house and raising two girls while still finding time for golf and some volunteer activities.

Lue Douthit is pursuing a M.A. in dramatic theory and criticism in Tucson, AZ. Still writing plays, she reports that people are actually interested in her work—not only liking her plays but wanting to produce them as well. Lue also reports that life in the good old Southwest is quite wonderful with plenty of that American soul-searching going on.

Donald Capelin lives with his wife, Beth, in NYC. They see **Kenneth Gardner** and **Jane Kluger Gardner** now and then.

Eve Heimberg works at the Bank of New York's Compliance Dept. and travels as much as she can, including a trip to ME last Oct..

Robert Jones reports that he and his wife graduated in May and will finally start collecting paychecks in Sept., but will start loan repayments at the same time!

Taryn Mason was named a vice president of

MEET THE PRESS

Elizabeth Coombs began work in March, 1989 as the editorial assistant for the *Alumni Magazine*. Her main responsibilities include editing, writing and research. A 1984 graduate of the University of Minnesota, Coombs majored in international relations and French.

Most recently she was Customs and Enforcement Liaison for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Export Licensing in Washington, DC. She also has been assistant to the director and export administration specialist in that department. Coombs previously was a research analyst at the Library of Congress. She is a free-lance writer, currently specializing in speech writing and tourism promotion.



Editorial Assistant Elizabeth Coombs.

Class Notes Editor Mary Farrar came to the *Alumni Magazine* in August, 1989. She coordinates the efforts of 90 class correspondents and proofreads and copy edits the magazine in its entirety every issue.

Farrar graduated from Wheaton College in 1985 with a major in English Literature. She has written marketing and promotional copy for Bret Farrar Productions, a family film and video business in New London which has done video work for the college, and she has also been a volunteer for the Garde Art Center. In addition, Farrar has worked part time for *The (New London) Day*.

Farrar and her husband, Bret, have a son, Benjamin, 2, and a daughter, Julia, 3 months.

Farrar replaces Marie Parrish, who was the Class Notes Editor from March, 1988 until late August, 1989. Parrish and her husband, a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, have been transferred to Norfolk, Virginia.



Class Notes Editor Mary Farrar.

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in CA. She completed a master's of international management in finance from the American Graduate School of Management in Glendale, AZ.

Leigh Semonite Palmer recently turned full-time mom to Elizabeth (7/20/87) and Alan (4/20/89), but continues her activities as secretary on the board of directors at the Portland Yacht Club.

Walter Sive moved at the beginning of the year to Sundance, UT, where he's the general manager at a resort and ski center.

Wilma Trueswell Townsend took a six-month leave from her position as curator of the Ontario County Historical Society to care for Sarah, and returned part-time in April '89. She and husband, Jeffrey, live in Victor, NY, outside of Rochester.

Correspondents: **Marcy Connelly Gookin**, 2725 Oak Hill Dr., Allison Park, PA 15101, and **Leigh Semonite Palmer**, 42 Maine Ave., Portland, ME 04103

Clothier, president and treasurer; **John Bush**, vice president and 15th reunion chairman (we had to have a Bush in our cabinet somewhere!); **Judith (Judy) Newman**, class correspondent; and a repeat performance by **Daniel Hirschhorn**, "the money man" as class agent. All in all, it was a great day with approximately 25% of our class returning from far and wide for the festivities. Special thanks go out to **Chip Clothier** for making all the arrangements and for being our "guiding spirit"; to **Dan Hirschhorn** for raising a record amount for the AAGP; and to **Judy Newman** for providing us with great beach towels to commemorate this historic event (there are still a few left at \$8 per towel; call Chip at 201/832-9147).

Correspondent: **Judy A. Newman**, 29 Winsor Place, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

80 **MARRIED:** **Donna Reid** to James Holdman, 7/9/88.

BORN: to **Karen Ahmadi Tavokolian**, Roya Kristina 3/1/88; to **Elizabeth Weiss Bagish** and Scott, Corinne Harper 1/6/89; to **Jonathan Robbins** and Susan, Melanie Sara 12/14/88.

Jonathan Golden recently produced the soundtrack for the 3-D movie "Spaceshots, a century of stereo photography."

Jonathan Robbins and Susan are enjoying the challenge of raising their two little girls, Laura and Melanie. He defines "ecstasy" as hearing his toddler scream "Hi Dad, Dad!" when he comes home from work. He's manager of corporate communications for the Ares-Serono Group, a multinational pharmaceutical firm in Boston.

79 REUNION

The class of '79 celebrated its 10th reunion on a beautiful spring day! The activities started Friday evening with the all-classes dinner sponsored by the Alumni Association. Bright and early on Saturday morning (too bright and too early for most '79ers) the parade of classes marched forth with our stalwart reunion chairman, **Isaac (Chip) Clothier**, leading the way for the class of '79. The parade was followed by a picnic on Harkness Green.

Our class dinner was at the Radisson Hotel. Election of class officers took place during dinner: **Chip**

Photo by Kimberly A. Fox

Donna Reid Holdman is a special ed. teacher in the Burlington, MA public schools at the elementary level. She keeps in touch with **Katherine Davis Guay, Lauren Mann-Baez, Karen Nepiarsky, Andrea Talbott-Butera** and **Jacqueline (Jacquey) Zuckerman '81**.

Correspondent: **Deborah Gray Wood, 27 Crafts Rd., Chestnut Hill, MA 02167**

81 Correspondents: **Kenneth M. Goldstein, 201 East St., Lexington, MA 02173, and Christine Saxe Easton, 5-A Troy Dr., Springfield, NJ 07081**

82 MARRIED: **Nathaniel (Nat) Turner** to **Jocelyn Johnston, 4/22/89**.

BORN: to **Stephanie Zacks Crosby** and **Brian, John Asher 4/18/89**.

Joanne Baltz returned from a trip to the Caribbean. Vermonters really know how to do vacations right. Joanne says the stress level is high as a states' attorney, so it's particularly important to plan R&R.

Stephanie Zacks Crosby is enjoying their latest addition, **John Asher**. Stephanie thinks that two are twice the fun and she greatly enjoys motherhood.

Maryellen Potts was last seen crashing a wedding in Utica, NY. She is involved in a leveraged buyout with the PR firm and she's making the tender offer. If all goes well she may make her first million in the next 12 months.

Stuart Adelberg has changed jobs and proudly reports that he is delighted to be working with United Way. He'd like to make more money but finds "giving back and making a difference" is more important. Stu just played the lead role in "Little Shop of Horrors" and currently is directing a show with 27 kids in it.

Louise Tharrett, class correspondent, reports that she has just entered the world of home ownership. The biggest adjustment has been for Chucky, the 20-lb. woodchuck who lives in the back yard and eats all the flowers.

Stewart Saltonstall graduated with his master's degree and enjoys living in Hamilton, MA. He invites

anyone in the Boston area to look him up.

Nathaniel Turner and wife, **Jocelyn**, have moved to Pittsburgh. He's an executive marketing officer of Mellon Bank.

Lisa Rosenstein received a Ph.D. in English from Emory U. this past spring.

Caroline Crosson is enjoying her job as the editor of the *CC Alumni Magazine*. She and her husband, **Ted Gilpin**, have survived their commuter marriage (from New London to Philadelphia) for the past year, but will cut the driving time in half in Sept., since Ted will be an MBA student at Columbia U.. She writes, "Anyone want a tiny but nice Phila rowhouse?"

Correspondents: **Mrs. Robert Betti (Elizabeth Pictor), 11 Heritage Ct., Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458, and Louise Tharrett, 46 Park St., Norfolk, MA 02056**

83 Correspondents: **Karen Neilson Rae, 88 Sunshine Dr., Marlboro, MA 01752, and Erica Van Brimer Goldfarb, 4334 Garfield Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55409**

84 REUNION

Reunion weekend, coordinated for our class by **William Kane, Sheryl Edwards** and **Lisa DeCesare Curry**, began Fri. night with a reception and dinner for **Dr. Gaudiani** and her husband. Sat. morning saw everyone up early to straggle through the parade to **Dana Hall** where **Sheryl** presented **Dr. Gaudiani** with our class gift. It was a beautiful day for the picnic on **Harkness Green**, which gave class members a chance to catch up with each other. The weather provided a perfect excuse for spending the afternoon playing frisbee, volleyball and drinking refreshments in and around the class tent on **Larrabee green**. As the afternoon stretched into evening, the tent became the site for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. The **Burdick** dining room staff then served dinner to an overflow crowd of class members and their guests.

Following dinner, **Amy Blackburn** and **Robin Patch** presented the sr week slide show, which included

slides contributed by class members commemorating post-graduation events. The crowd then adjourned to the **ConnCave** to groove to the tunes of **The B. Willie Smith Band**.

Sun. morning class members were provided with continental breakfast in **Larrabee** living room before heading home amid promises to return to Conn in five years for our 10th!

MARRIED: **Paul Mutty** to **Joanne Cyr, 7/30/88; Katherine Hax** to **Bradford Holmes, 5/20/89; Lelia (Lee) Brock** to **Stuart Alexander, 10/18/86; Karen Hanson** to **Lt. Curtis Nichols, 6/24/88; David Hinden** to **Elizabeth Schwartz, 10/9/88; Katherine (Kaci) Kinne** to **Dr. Edward J. Carolan, 2/8/89; Renee Massimo** to **Thomas Smith, 4/9/88; Jane McKee** to **Garrett Douglas, 9/18/88; Patricia Moe** to **Richard Andrews, 3/11/89; Paula Trearchis** to **Michael McGeady, 6/5/88; Martha Woodward** to **Jeremy K. Tuke, 5/14/88**.

BORN: to **Jacqueline Belknap Merritt** and **G. Del, Glen Nathaniel (Nathan) 4/29/89; to Barbara Cooper Stiles** and **Shawn, Michael Andrew 7/18/87; to Natalie Mello Acuna** and **Rodolfo, Andrew Charles 9/5/86** and **Daniel Joseph 10/6/88; to Elizabeth (Betsy) Scutt Kane** and **Mike, Nicholas Scutt 10/8/88**.

Peter Margolis received his doctor of medicine degree from the **Medical College of PA** in May. He will practice internal medicine at **RI Hospital** in Providence.

Jean Abdella moved to Boston last summer to open an office for **General Reinsurance**. Jean vacationed with **Mary Walsh** last summer and looked forward to doing so again this year.

Stacey Baron works at **Backer Spielvogel Bates**, an ad agency in NY, and is a fitness-holic and West Side enthusiast.

Lelia (Lee) Brock Alexander is a personnel manager for **Alexander and Alexander**, an insurance agency in **Greenwich, CT**. She and husband, **Stu**, live in **Cos Cob**. **Mary Walsh** and **Jean Abdella** were bridesmaids in her wedding on **10/18/86**.

Nanette Brodeur is finishing her master's in education and is a high school biology student teacher in the **Worcester** area. She spent the last four years as a wildlife biologist in the **Sierras** and is happy to be back East.

Alumni Association Executive Board News

by President **Helen Reynolds '68**

As the incoming Alumni Association president, I have been asked to say a few words about the Association and what I think the near future will hold. As is usually the case, some things will be different and some things will be the same.

The most noticeable change was already set into motion before I came along. As you may know, the offices of the Alumni Association will move into a house at **146 Mohegan Avenue**. Our new home, which we plan to move into by **July, 1990**, is a wonderful, traditional New England house with a large front porch. It has been used as faculty housing for several years, and was at one time the home of **College President Benjamin T. Marshall**. A designer will reorganize its interior space to fit the various functions of the staff, while leaving some space for meeting and reception rooms. It will be traditional and homey on the outside and modernized on the inside. A comfortable union of the old and new is a fitting headquarters for the Alumni Association. I think, since we try to embody both the history and tradition of the college and the innovative spirit of education.

We are vacating our space in **Crozier-Williams** to allow the entire building to be refurbished into "College Center," a meeting place for the entire college community which will house recreational facilities, the post office, the bookstore, and offices for student programs. The old

"Cro" will be renovated in three phases, with the **Sykes Alumni wing** being part of **Phase I**. Look for a feature article in the next issue of the *Alumni Magazine* for details on the new Alumni House and the renovation of **Crozier-Williams**.

In the coming year, I think you are going to see and hear more about the college and about the Alumni Association. **President Gaudiani** visited alumni in most major U.S. cities during her first year. We can take little credit for her outgoing personality and her newsworthy plans (other than the fact that she is also an alumna), but the Alumni Association and the local clubs will undoubtedly receive some of the attention she generates. You will probably see more of this, as **Connecticut College** continues to come to you.

In addition, we are going to have more reasons for you to come to **Connecticut College**. You are going to hear about more alumni involvement in events happening at the college. There are many reasons why alumni of **Connecticut College** would be involved in events on campus. Reunions are the obvious campus reconnection, with the friendships, memories, and personal evolution that they engender. But other opportunities for alumni to come back to campus — intellectual as well as nostalgic — will be coming your way. Without pre-empting any surprises for the future, let me put it this way: Watch your mail.

Geoffrey Buscher is working on his master's in journalism at Columbia.

Katharine Canfield and husband, Mont Fennel '83, live in Los Angeles where Kathy is in the USC grad school of journalism. She works as a researcher for public television.

Anthony (Tony) Catlin works for Nason Design in Boston and is the art director of *East Coast Windsurfing Magazine*. He reports **Byron White** sells graphic design at Ed Foster Design, and **William (Bill) Charbonneau** is a construction mogul and a test driver of Porsche 911 turbos.

Dave Cook spent a month in Moscow, Leningrad and Tallinn (Estonia) performing with three other jugglers at clubs and parks. Dave and an American friend met the two Russian jugglers with whom they performed through a pen-pal program.

Barbara Cooper Stiles received an MA in reading education from URI. She, husband, Shawn, and son Michael live in Groton, CT. Barbara teaches first grade in Colchester, CT, with **Karen Hanson Nichols**.

Lisa DeCesare Curry is a divisional sales manager for Jordan Marsh in Warwick, RI. She and husband, David, own a 115-year-old home and are looking forward to lots of work on it!

Dietlinde (Linda) Dirks spent the last five years in Tokyo, where she received her master's in Japanese history at Sophia U.. She recently moved to Kagoshima, on the southern tip of Kyushu, where she works as a translator and makes Satsuma pottery which she plans to sell in Kagoshima City.

Gregg Gabinelle is a project manager for Malcolm Pirnie, Inc., an environmental engineering firm in White Plains.

Elizabeth (Liz) Gottlieb is an accommodations manager for Club Med. During the last two and a half years, Liz has worked in Bermuda; the Bahamas; Mexico; FL; and most recently, Copper Mountain, CO.

Andrea Graves finished her MS at UC Davis in Dec. '87 and works for a plant biotech firm in San Jose. She sees **Hope Windle** and **Brigeda Bank** at UC.

Karen Hanson Nichols lives in Niantic and teaches 2nd grade in Colchester, CT. She is pursuing a master's in teaching at Conn.

Alison Hall has been living in San Francisco for two years and loves it!

Anne-Marie Hartigan earned a master's from Wesleyan. She teaches high school and lives in South Glastonbury, CT.

Philip Hayden spent three years with the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities in Boston before returning to school to get his master's. He is a fellow in the Winterthur Program in Winterthur, DE, and is finishing his master's in Early American Culture. Phil says that although he hasn't been a great correspondent, he thinks of his Conn friends often.

David Hinden, an account executive for a NY PR firm, and his wife, Liz, have recently returned from a trip to the French West Indies. David's trying to find a career that will allow him to live in the West Indies, which, he explains, is much nicer than living in NY!

Katherine (Kaci) Kinne Carolan is driving her '77 Pinto with South Lot stickers in Iowa City where she works for a law firm and is debating whether to go to law school. In her spare time she enjoys putting around the yard of the home she bought a year ago. Her husband is an immunologist from Glasgow, Scotland.

Elizabeth (Liz) Kolber is a men's contemporary sportswear buyer for Bloomingdale's. She lives in NYC, but travels to all 16 Bloomingdale's stores.

Sherri Lunden Teed lives in CA with husband, John, an engineer, and their two children. Sherri recently received her certificate in floristry training. Working on a new home and caring for 5-year-old daughter, Michelle, and 17-month-old son, Mark, keep her very busy.

Sandra Marwill will graduate from medical school this spring and will begin her residency in internal medicine in Boston. She looks forward to hooking up with other Boston-based alumni.

Patricia McDonough Agnew lives with husband, Web, in Salem, CT. She teaches 4th grade in New London and is working on her master's in reading education at URI.

Jane McKee Douglas lives in NY and is a neighbor of **Charlene Toal**, who was a bridesmaid along with



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Caroline Shepard and **Shelly Warman Santaniello** in her Sept. '88 wedding.

Natalie Mello Acuna lives in Worcester after being in Costa Rica for two years. She does free-lance art work and works at Clark U. in the Psychology Dept..

Gail Miller is an insurance broker at Marsh & McLennan Marine & Energy. She will complete her MBA in May '89 at Fordham U..

Patricia Moe Andrews and husband, Rick, live in Groton, MA. Pat is an office manager for BioTechnica Agriculture of Cambridge, MA; her husband is the president of BioTechnica Diagnostics in Cambridge.

Charlotte Look planned to take the summer off and enjoy ME before she returns to school in Boston this fall.

Anne Miller Nathan has returned to the U.S. after spending a few years on a tiny island in the Philippines as a Peace Corps volunteer. She is working toward a doctorate in clinical psychology at Rutgers.

Mariana Nork is an executive director of the Landscape Architecture Foundation in DC. She is busy with business travel and is the editor of the Junior League magazine.

Robin Patch completed her master's in counseling psychology in May '88 and spent two months traveling across the country. She now works as a psychotherapist with emotionally disturbed boys in residential treatment.

Wendy Santis, after spending two years in Ecuador as a Peace Corps volunteer, works with the Hispanic community as an outreach counselor for a human services agency in the Boston area.

Steven Saunders spent the winter as a ski bum in order to prepare for grad school this fall.

Elizabeth (Betsy) Scutt Kane is busy being a mom for son, Nicholas, and working on her MALS at Wesleyan.

Julia Seigel lives in NY where she has opened a USA office for a trading subsidiary of the Finnish state-owned petroleum company, Neste OY. She is traveling a lot and enjoying NY.

Cindy Stein is the director of education at Sylvan Learning Center in Natick, MA.

Charlene Toal has lived in NY for four years and is a sales consultant for National Digital Corp.. Business travel took her to DC recently where she visited **Carolyn Howard**.

Paula Trearchis and husband, Michael, honeymooned in the Greek Isles and now live in Marshfield, MA. Paula is a psychotherapist at the Human Resource Institute in Norton, MA.

Hope Windle is getting an MFA at UC Davis and is applying for fellowships and college art teaching jobs in NY and LA. This year she was busy co-teaching an art class and created her own works for her thesis show in June, entitled "Beam Me Up."

Sally Everett Williamson graduated cum laude from BU Law School and will begin work in Sept. as an associate at Gaston & Snow in Boston.

Martha Woodward Tuke is the senior head server at a seafood restaurant in Providence, RI. She and her husband have a house in Warwick, RI.

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85 Correspondents: **Kathleen Boyd**, 33 Maple St., Florence, MA 01060, and **Anne-Marie Parsons**, 531 Burnham St., E. Hartford, CT 06108

86 **MARRIED:** **Lisa Pierce** to **Daniel Collins**, 7/2/88; **Andrea Rowe** to **Cornelius Crittenden** 5/13/88; **Sarah Aldrich** to **Stephen Murray**, 7/30/88; **Deborah Duffy** to **Gregg Gabinelle** '84, 5/27/89; **Carol Newman** to **Shiperd Densmore**, 9/16/88.

James Greenberg still loves his job peddling confectionery equipment around the world.

Sarah Aldrich Murray is assistant to the manager at Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

Sharis Arnold graduated from law school in May. She works for the FTC's Antitrust Division. See **Joan Robins**, **Thomas Wilinski**, **Nina Ettie** and **James Hess**.

Penelope (Polly) Altrocchi works part time at Consulting Psychologists Press while working on a master's in counseling psychology at Santa Clara U..

Nicolas Avery is finishing his first year at UPENN while working toward a master's in historical preservation. His concentration is garden and building preservation.

Melissa Baughman, after two years in Boston with Merrill Lynch, is off to Milan, Italy, to be a translator at a hotel.

Robin Baxendale is a financial analyst in the Investment Banking Dept. at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in NY.

Nicholas Bell works with Dewe Rogerson in NY.

David Benjack lives with **John Derderian** in Cambridge. Dave's a project manager at a NH construction company.

Beth Block graduated from B.U. Law School in May and will begin working for Hancoch Weisman this fall. She will be practicing in the firm's environmental law department.

Sally Blodgett is presently with Jackson Family Services in MI where she is doing individual psychotherapy with children and young adults.

Nina Calace-Mottola has moved on from G. Fox in Hartford to Elizabeth Arden Cosmetics in NY. She loves the NY social life and adds, "...I still love to talk!"

Daniel Collins and **Lisa Pierce Collins** live in Glastonbury, CT. Dan works for Coopers & Lybrand; Lisa teaches at the Conn College Children's School. 25 Conn alums attended their wedding!

Gail Hopp Day is an admissions representative for the Berkeley School of Westchester in NY. She's married to Gregory Day.

Deborah Duffy Gabinelle and **Gregg Gabinelle** '84 live in Stamford, CT, after a honeymoon in St. Croix. **Heidi Geiges** and **Elizabeth (Lisa) Schmitt** were bridesmaids in their wedding. Deb is still with the Federal Reserve Bank of NY.

John Ebin is in grad school at U. VA.

Timothy Dodge was promoted to regional supervisor at Decora Interior Design in Greenwich, CT. He loves his work and finds time to catch the hot music



Photo by Kimberly A. Fox.

scene in Fairfield County.

Elizabeth Wingate Ehrhorn still enjoys her work at the Employee Relocation Council in DC.

Kathryn (Katie) Fiene teaches 3rd grade at the Sanborn School in Andover, MA.

Christopher Fray has kept busy while leading American tourists across the Soviet Union, spending three months on the Bering Sea as an interpreter on a Soviet fishing vessel, and working for an American fashion marketing firm which produced a series of shows in the U.S.S.R.

Rebecca Gates is heavily into the "underground music scene" in Portland, OR.

Heidi Geiges plans to move from NY to CA this fall to attend business school.

Leslie Goss helped in the successful campaign which has now afforded her father the title "Congressman" in FL. She is now unemployed and searching in the field of environmental policy.

Erik Haslun works for Hartford Steam Boiler, the "strangest little company in Hartford."

Sarah Hutter is an associate editor with *Working Mother*, a *McCalls* magazine. She keeps in touch with **Nicolas Dolin**, who is with *New York Magazine*. They both see Conn alums all over NY.

Jeffrey Idelson was named assistant director of Media Relations for the NY Yankees.

Julie Jacobsen teaches 5th grade in DC and is working on her master's at GW.

Geraldine (Dina) Johnson is temporarily working in desktop publishing in the DC area while pursuing theater work.

Timothy Joseph is a lab assistant for Pfizer. He will begin working toward a Ph.D. in analytical chemistry at Duke this fall.

Jeffrey Kazin has made his off-Broadway debut in "H.M.S. Pinafore" and will spend the summer teaching and performing at Muhlenberg College.

Jodi Kelber finished her first year as a photography major at the Art Institute of Boston.

Brenda Kramer is a pharmaceutical sales rep. with Ciba-Geigy in NYC.

Stephen Lamarche works for U.S. Telcenters in Boston.

Mark Leapman is working toward an MBA at the U. of Pittsburgh.

Deborah Link has just been accepted to the Tufts U. School of Veterinary Medicine, class of '93.

Thomas Liptack is an international equities trader for Jeffries & Co. in NY. He lives with **William (Bill) Nightingale** and sees **Richard (Rick) Unruh, Darius Wadia** and **Karen Frey '87**.

Carol Newman still works for Ship's Rigging in MA.

Kevin McGann works at the Hartford Insurance Co. and lives in West Hartford. He keeps busy after hours in local basketball and softball leagues.

Anne Resnik is a free-lance writer in NYC and a contributing editor at *YM* magazine, where she writes and edits articles on relationships.

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87 *Correspondents: Michele M. Austin, 47 Damascus Road, Branford, CT 06405, and Martha Denial, 61 Oakland St., Brighton, MA 02135*

88 **MARRIED: Myrna Carlson** to Lt.j.g. Russell J. Morrison, 7/2/88.

Myrna Carlson is working for the Yale U. Child Study Center on a research project for Children's Needs Assessment in Eastern CT. Her July '88 wedding was held in the Harkness Chapel.

Susan Beren presented her honors thesis research, "Personality Differences Between Eating-Disordered and Non-Disordered Women," at the March '89 meeting of the Assoc. for Women in Psychology in Newport, RI. In Oct '88 she was elected honorary undergraduate fellow by the New England Psychological Association. Susan works at the Obesity and Anxiety Clinic, Cornell Medical Center, NYC.

Karen Levy works at the Northampton, MA Family Planning Council as assistant to the medical services coordinator. She and an assistant professor presented "The Media Constructs a Menstrual Monster: A Content Analysis of PMS Articles in the Popular Press" at the Oct. '88 meeting of the Assoc. for Women in Psychology.

Correspondent: Sarah Stone, 513 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110

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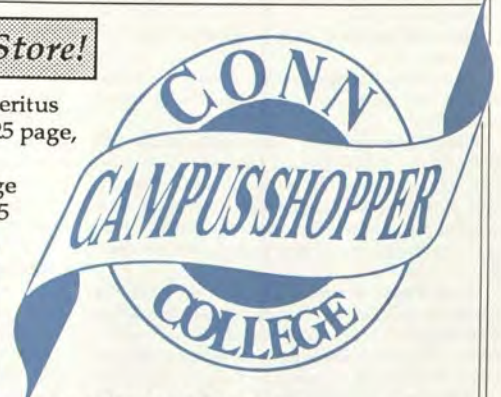
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by Claire L. Gaudiani '66, President of the College

Dear Fellow Alumni:

We open the new academic year with a number of summer achievements behind us. Our first Minority Summer Advancement Institutes brought 100 high school freshmen and their teachers to the campus. These students took three weeks of intensive coursework in one of the following areas: computer science, coastal marine biology, a chemical demonstration workshop, religion as a social force, and music and perception. Each Institute was taught jointly by Connecticut College professors and teachers from the students' own schools. Connecticut College students lived in the dorms as mentor-counselors. We welcomed back many alumni as well, as speakers and mentors. Following their experience this summer, these freshmen will return to the college for reunion workshops during the year, and will keep in touch with their mentors. The Institutes have received publicity on television, radio, in the *Christian Science Monitor*, *The New York Times*, *The Day* (New London, CT paper), and several other publications.

Summer also saw the continuation of the strategic planning process. In June, a drafting team of faculty, students, and administrators read the 12 planning team reports, designed the structure of the strategic plan, and pushed, pulled, cut and pasted the team reports to create a first draft of the college's Five-Year Plan for the next stage of excellence. The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed this draft in July.

In August, students, faculty and staff read the draft and offered suggestions before the production of the second draft, planned for September 17, 1989. Sonia Claus Gleason '85 has worked all summer as planning assistant. While it is too early to offer a detailed summary of the plan, it will call for a redesign of our general education requirements, and will expand our honors program, as well as strengthen faculty-student interaction outside of class. I'll write more on the Five-Year Plan in my next letter.



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During the past year I reached the conclusion that our current students would benefit from more direct contact with alumni. The Alumni Association Executive Board agrees, and will set up the new Distinguished Alumni Speakers Forum this fall. Under the current plan, an alumnus will spend half a day on campus, speak to classes, make formal presentations on a topic, and then have dinner with the students and faculty.

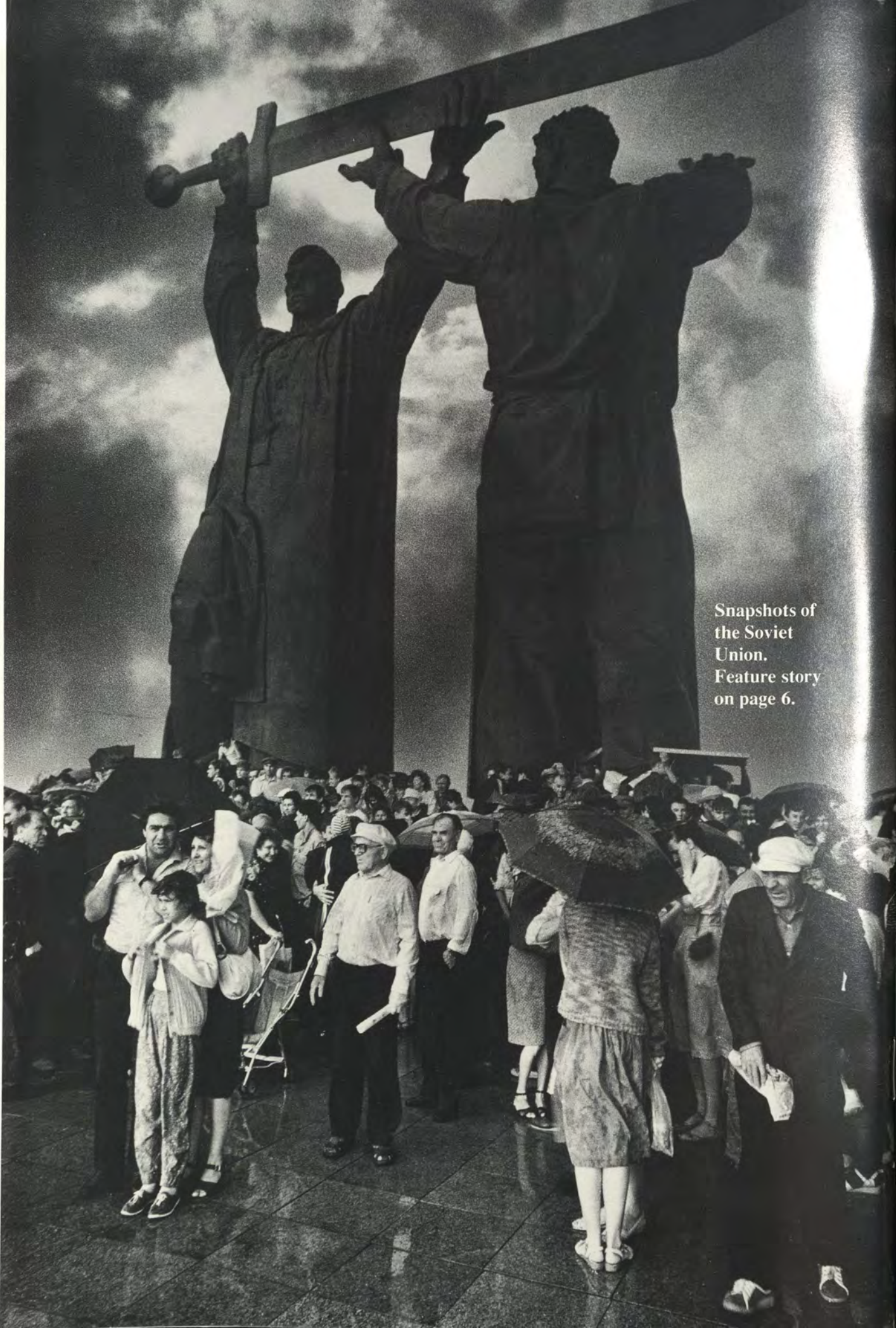
Homecoming will offer another chance to honor alumni. On September 23 we will dedicate the Connecticut College Athletic Hall of Fame to recognize alumni who have achieved distinction as athletes. Alumni Association President Helen Reynolds '68 will host this event. Each year other alumni will be considered for election to the Athletic Hall of Fame.

I will be on the road again this year and look forward to seeing many of you in person around the country.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "Claire Gaudiani".

Dr. Claire Gaudiani '66
President



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the Soviet
Union.
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