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# Star Light, Star Bright

The F.W. Olin Center  
opens new windows  
on the scientific universe

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- **The Goodwin Effect:**  
*Land preservation's best friend*
- **Night Life:**  
*On the town with NY Times  
"Styles" photog Miles Ladin '90*



# Good for you, good for Connecticut College

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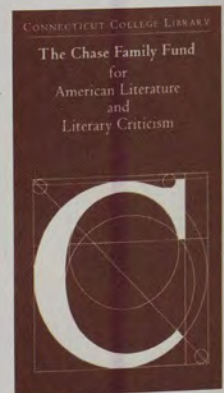
*Frances Walker Chase '38*

*I*n 1980, Frances Walker Chase '38 gave over \$5,000 in stock to the Connecticut College Pooled Income Fund. In return for this irrevocable gift, Frances received a charitable deduction, avoided capital gains taxes and increased her income. She also established a lifetime quarterly income that has grown as the value of her gift has grown.

Frances made her gift to increase her retirement income and to supplement the Chase Family Book Fund for American Literature and Literary Criticism. The book fund is a memorial to her husband, Professor Richard Chase, who taught at the college from 1946 to 1950, and to his sister, Betty Chase Scully '38. "This has been a very gratifying way to support Connecticut College," she says. "As friends and family made memorial gifts in Richard's name, I was encouraged to establish an endowment, which, in turn, led to participating in the Pooled Income Fund. My Pooled Income Fund gifts will ultimately support the Chase Family Fund and the library."

Frances' gift, now worth almost twice its original value, also generates almost twice the income. Thanks to this gift, additional gifts, and their growth, her Pooled Income Fund payments are now more than \$3,000 a year.

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# First Light

The science of astronomy is reborn at CC with new faculty, a new major in astrophysics, a new telescope and a spanking new home to put them in.

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New brightness for our scientific star

On a cloudless February night in 1987, astronomer Ian Shelton was comparing photographic plates of the night sky when he noticed a spot in the Large Magellanic Cloud he had never seen before. The energy from a supernova, the first one seen since 1604, had traveled for 170,000 years and finally reached Earth. Like the light from that dramatic explosion in space, the recent quantum leap in science education at Connecticut College burst into full view this winter with the opening of the new \$7 million F.W. Olin Science Center. [See page 17 for a first look. — Eds.] It has been an exciting journey.

Quiet intensity

In 1988, the college community voted some seemingly quiet language into our first strategic plan — to “enhance science programs” and “seek funding for a general science building.” These words catalyzed a new intensity of scientific purpose on campus. Building on work done under President Oakes Ames, we set in motion a five-part program that accelerated science education here to light speed.

Recently, an official from the National Science Foundation told me that it is rare for liberal arts faculties to vote to direct extensive resources for the sciences. This, he said, is one reason science grows so slowly at other institutions. Our faculty made this choice confident that all departments are strengthened by strong science departments and by balanced student interest in science majors and minors.

Our accomplishments so far in each of the five areas include:

**1. Strengthening the curriculum.** The “cookbook” science that older generations remember is over. Labs now engage students in discovery-oriented assignments pursued by small teams of students using lab assistants and faculty as resources. Team-taught lectures use high technology (some of which has been produced by student researchers) to make difficult concepts accessible. Student research labs support the spirit of inquiry at intermediate and advanced levels.

Over the past five years, our senior faculty members have recruited top-level teacher/scholars (among them, Peter Siver, a marine botanist, Linda Kosturko, a molecular biologist, and Leslie Brown, an astronomer), encouraging them to help build their departments and expand grants to the college for exciting new research. At the same time, we established new majors in physics and engineering, and astrophysics.

The sciences built connections to other liberal arts areas by founding two interdisciplinary centers:

- The Center for Arts and Technology, which enables students and faculty to research the burgeoning links between computers and other disciplines; and
- The Center for Conservation Biology and Environmental Studies, which builds on our strengths in botany, zoology, philosophy, economics and government to support long-term, multidisciplinary student and faculty research on biological diversity.

**2. Endowing summer research internships.**

Expanding a great tradition, Flo ('38) and Bunkie Knudsen created the Knudsen Summer Scholars Program, which funded student research internships with faculty members. With an endowment gift from the W.M. Keck Foundation and the Marion Lowell Jenkins '25 Scholarship Fund, the Knudsen program grew into the Keck Undergraduate Science Program (KUSP), which to date has enabled 20 science students to undertake 18-month comprehensive research projects with our science faculty. Ten additional students will participate next year.

**3. Build relationships with the corporate sector.**

To help professors find resources and students find jobs, we built a Corporate Advisory Board for the Sciences. CABS includes scientists from Union Carbide, Boehringer Ingelheim, United Technologies, Pfizer and other companies who consult on program development and equipment acquisition,

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## Hey, wait a minute. I know her!

### Readers tell us what for ... and who

I recognized the “skeptical” women onlookers at Stephen Detmold’s registration pictured in the Table of Contents for the Fall 1994 issue. They are, from left to right, Katherine Upton, Barbara Jo Waite and Leslie Perelman, all also of the Class of ’72. We were among those who resided on the first floor of Larrabee during 1968-69, then relinquished those rooms the following academic year for the first freshman class to admit men.

Karen Steineker Harris '72  
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The photo on page 22 of the Fall 1994 issue was not taken in 1958 as captioned. The lovely ConnChords were part of the Class of 1953, my class. There were great. Sadly, some of them are no longer with us — Dell Stone, Anne Marcus. But happily, Anne Becker led us in song last year (1993) at our 40th Reunion dinner.

Sue Weinberg Mindlin '53  
Prairie Village, Kansas

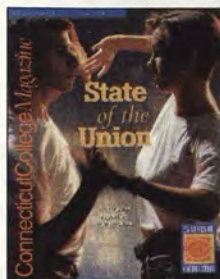
*Ooops. A couple of other alums pointed this out, too. The photo had been mislabeled. It was taken in 1952. — Eds.*

### Campus cross dressing, 1995

by Chris Burrell '87



Student ← → Professor



### Picturing truth

I was absolutely astonished with the beauty of the photographs in the portfolio section of the Fall 1994 issue. They all seemed to depict truth, the value of life in one’s culture.

Lois Dudley RTC '76  
Sterling, Connecticut

*Photos by Keoki Flagg '87 (and the work of Miles Ladin '90, page 32 this issue) were featured in an exhibition at Cummings Arts Center, Jan. 30-Feb. 24. — Eds.*

### Smoke-filled (class) room

Re “Smoking is Banned in Most College Buildings,” [Summer 1994]: How times have changed, but 25 years too late for me! I remember sitting in classrooms where the majority of students — and professors — smoked. The windows were closed and the the air became hazy and stifling to the extent that I considered wearing a gas mask. But as a nonsmoker and an older student, I was in the minority, and I knew it would be futile to protest.

It seems ironic to me that the campus Smoke-free Workplace Committee stopped short of banning smoking completely, especially in the dining halls, where secondhand smoke is just as dangerous as it is elsewhere, but with an added insult to the palate. I’m assuming that as with most restaurants, the designated smoking area is not a self-contained room, but part of the regular dining hall where air cannot be totally smoke free. Perhaps the committee felt it was being not only democratic but also compassionate in allowing smokers two years to taper off from their habit. However, it has been my observation that, given an ultimatum from their doctors, even heavy smokers stop at once. It is a matter of priorities; if there’s no pressing reason to quit, why hurry?

Shirley Sheffeld Mislick '73  
Deep River, Connecticut



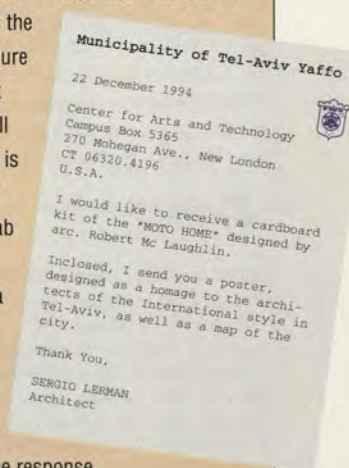
**ENOUGH ALREADY!** CAT Assistant Director Candy Held never dreamed this little house would put her in the mail order business.

### More Moto-mania

All right, now, that really does it. In our Fall 1994 issue we told you how the Winslow Ames House, an on-campus example of Depression-era architect Robert W. McLaughlin’s prefabricated “Motohome,” had been restored, and its new tenant was the Center for Arts and Technology (CAT). We said that CAT Assistant Director Candy Held was inundated with requests for a paper model kit of the house that was designed by Liz Verney '94. We explained that it was costing the center a lot of money to mail those kits. And we politely hinted that a small donation might help with expenses. But did you get it? Nooooo.

Held says the kit-request figure now stands at 175, and it still climbing. She is amazed at the interest (Prefab dwellings appear to be a hot topic among architects these days.) and is gratified by the response.

But from now on, if your heart burns for a model Motohome, please send \$5 to: CAT, Connecticut College, Campus Box 5365, New London CT 06320-4196. — CBL



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### Cool million confirmed

I was amazed and delighted recently when I turned the last page of the Fall 1994 issue to see an actual photograph of a scene I have carried in my imagination for over 50 years: The 1911 arrival of a car in New London carrying Morton F. Plant and his gift of \$1 million in cash for our fledgling college, with a young Bill Farnum at the wheel.

Living in off-campus housing in the fall of '39, I soon discovered a quiet and convenient haven in which to study on campus, our [then] brand new and beautiful Palmer Auditorium. As I settled in I often exchanged pleasantries with a rather handsome elderly gentleman (In those days 50 seemed elderly to me!), who was Palmer Auditorium's building superintendent, Mr. Farnum.

On one occasion, taking a brief respite from his duties, Mr. Farnum slipped into the seat beside me and related the incredible tale that Lisa Brownell told in the magazine. All his details were essentially the same as reported; but I can add one footnote. Mr. Farnum mused that a million dollars in cash makes up a surprising volume and that "black satchel," as he referred to it, was unbelievably heavy.

My husband, who grew up in Groton near the Plant estate knew the Farnum family and skated in the winter on "The Duck Pond" with the Farnum's daughter Marie. He knows many fascinating stories about Morton F. Plant and the colorful members of the Plant family.

Mary Ann Knotts Walsh '43  
 Denton, Maryland

### Service learning applied

I was excited to see the article "Practicing What You Teach" [Campus View, Fall 1994], especially in view of what seems to be a rising tide of self-serving mean-spiritedness among our nation's leaders.

Community service learning is something we've been involved with for several years now. We [at the New York City Technical College] are one of the few

colleges nationwide to have been granted a third year renewal of a grant sponsored by the Corporation for National Service. The grant enables students in our architectural, construction, and environmental control programs to respond to the technological consultation, design, planning and hands-on construction needs of individuals or non-profit groups in low economic communities. Because our students are from predominantly low-income families and many have to contribute to the family income, we include modest stipends and carfare for our students.

To date, we have concentrated on the communities surrounding the college [in Brooklyn]. We are just now beginning to branch out and have asked the students to take a good look at their own communities and think of projects that might benefit them.

Meanwhile, throughout the college in various divisions and departments, planning is under way for the incorporation of service learning into credit-bearing courses. We are also establishing a permanent program, so that we may continue our work when the grant expires.

Ann Sprayregen '50  
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Chris Burrell '87

## SAT flunks out

*The test has become an unnecessary burden, says Vice President Matthews*

**NEWS**

Connecticut College is making the Scholastic

Aptitude Test (SAT) optional for prospective students.

In letters mailed November 7 to high school admission counselors and prospective students, Claire K. Matthews, the college's vice president of planning and enrollment management, explained that the test's value has been eroding over the years and that recent changes in the way it is administered make it less valuable than a host of other indexes, including curriculum, grades, personal interviews and achievement tests.

"The SAT has become an unnecessary burden on students and counselors," Matthews says.

The college is leading a fresh wave of disenchantment with the SAT; Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, also dropped the test. Several other colleges have done so in previous years, including Bowdoin, Bates, Middlebury and Union.

Connecticut College is something of a maverick when it comes to the College Board. Two years ago Connecticut College broke away from use of the College Board's Financial Aid Form (FAF), developing its own form and a new methodology for assessing family financial need. The new method has given more financial assistance to middle class families, weeded out ineligible wealthy families, and enlarged financial aid for poor families. The college drew



**The Admissions Committee won't be giving as much weight to SAT scores when they meet to consider applicants this March.**

national attention for this move, as it did in November.

The SAT "has never been a sole decisive factor in admissions," Matthews says in her letter. "Connecticut College relies on secondary school curriculum, grades, rank-in-class, achievement tests, recommendations, personal essays, interviews, extra-curricular involvement and leadership experiences to round out our understanding of individual candidates. We also use ACT test scores, if students prefer to submit them."

Matthews questions the value of the test on a number of grounds:

- Distorting the curriculum: "In many cases, the SAT I causes students, parents and therefore schools to be so concerned about test performance that curriculums focus on test success rather than more substantial educational goals."

- Quadruple Bias: "The SAT has long been criticized for being culturally and gender biased," Matthews says, and Connecticut College was able to take this bias into account when doing its evaluations. "The matter of expensive test preparation has been harder for us to factor out. Sometimes a student's use of test preparation is obvious, but often it is not. We have long been uncomfortable with the disadvantage students are under when they do not or cannot access test preparation because of cost, time, availability or a lack of information. The recent decision to make calculator use optional has further leveled the playing field."

In addition, Matthews said, the College Board's decision to "recenter" the tests has effectively wiped out any easy way for Connecticut College to follow trends in test scores.

— PL

## EAR TO THE GROUND

***If the world was the size of Connecticut College...***

*A flyer containing the following arresting information was circulating on campus last semester. It was produced by environmental coordinators, Students Against Violence to the Environment (S.A.V.E.) and residents of the Earth House theme dorm.*

If the world was as big as our campus (1600 people), it would be home to: 935 Asians; 198 Africans; 152 East and West Europeans; 134 Latin Americans; 88 Soviets; 83 North Americans; 10 Australians and New Zealanders.

264 people speak Mandarin; 138 speak English; 133 speak Hindu/Urdu; 102 speak Spanish; 93 speak Russian; 95 speak Arabic. But that accounts for only half the languages. The other half speak (in descending order) Bengali, Portuguese, Indonesian, Japanese, and 200 others.

There are: 526 Christians (299 Catholics, 134 Protestants, 50 Orthodox); 285 Moslems; 267 "non-religious"; 211 Hindus; 96 Buddhists; 72 Atheists; 5 Jews; 138 all other religions.

Just under half of the married women have access to and use modern contraceptives.

320 people receive 75 percent of the income. Another 320 receive only two percent of the income.

About 2/3 do not have access to clean, safe drinking water.

There are: 8 soldiers; 11 teachers; 2 doctors; and 5 refugees driven from home by war or drought.



Big day for baking soda *Arm and Hammer named winner of 1994 Inherit the Earth Award*

NEWS

"Our mascot knows a little about the value of conserving water, too," said President Gaudiani as she awarded Church and Dwight, the makers of Arm and Hammer products, the 1994 Inherit the Earth Award. The award was accepted by Bryan

Thomlison, director of environmental affairs for the company, last April 23.

Gaudiani said, "By expanding its core brand of nontoxic, biodegradable Arm and Hammer products, Church and Dwight effectively encourages both household and industrial consumers to protect the environment." She

continued, "In recent years, Church and Dwight has built upon its core expertise in carbonate and bicarbonate technologies to create innovations in animal nutrition, odor control and dental care. It has developed a filter to remove lead from water, a CFC-free way to clean electronic circuit



boards and an effective nontoxic cleaner for industry and removing graffiti."

Church and Dwight's ingenuity has turned baking soda into a major industrial player. Its blast medium Armex is baking soda mixed with other ingredients to clean walls and buildings. Completely nontoxic, the product has been used of late to scour food processing plants.

In 1986 it was used to clean the Statue of Liberty. Arm and Hammer Sodium Bicarbonate Injection Technology enables industry to reduce acid gas emissions from incinerator and furnace stacks by over 90 percent enabling

them to meet and exceed regulatory standards.

The honorable mention winner was Clivus Multrum, Inc. of Cambridge, Mass., makers of self-contained composting toilets. It was accepted by Foster Phillips, partner of IntraAmerican Initiatives. President Gaudiani said Clivus Multrum "does not treat human 'waste' as waste, but rather as an unretrieved resource rich in nutrients." The waste is transformed into a solid and liquid fertilizer suitable for use on flower gardens.

Gaudiani commented on the fact that both winners help to preserve clean water.

The Inherit the Earth Award recognizes that businesses must link economic viability with environmental stewardship to build a sustainable future. It offers international recognition to companies that minimize environmental damage and sustain biological diversity while achieving business success and progress in their industries.

— Randall P. Lucas '86 and Craig D. McClure '98


(The authors are on the staff of the Inherit the Earth Award.)

EAR TO THE GROUND


From the "How True" file ...

This ad, seen on campus bulletin boards last semester, did a remarkable job of capturing a slice of college life. It was produced by Students for an Alcohol-Free Environment.



Get Out. 

Have **you** written to your grandmother recently? **Don't** kid yourself. Things aren't getting any easier. You **want to** go for a hike in the Arbo but **Miss** So-and-so said she wanted to see you in her office at 2:30 and there's so much on your mind — the reserve reading, the wet laundry, **the Mix-up** with your significant other — **and** your friend says, "Oh, **the Shwiffs** are singing tonight. Wanna go?" but you say "Not enough time." Ever wonder why the people **at the Coffee Grounds Café** always seem to have so little **on** the agenda? Don't kid yourself, they're just as busy as you are. **Saturday night** rolls around, and your best buddy's **at** the movies with your former significant other while you're stuck reading **9** chapters of Dickens, **followed by** 200 pages of Chem. **A** real treat. Your neighbor thinks she's **showing** you up by reclining in the hallway and claiming she's got nothing **of** importance to do. But you know she's no **Princess Bride**. Everyone **at** Lacrosse practice wonders why you can't run straight anymore and you say you're just groggy after that **10** hour nap that you never got. Next day you run out of printer ink, you run up a fever, you run **into** your former best buddy, you run to **Blaustein 210** and right into Mr. Professor who asks why you never handed in the last two assignments but all you can think about is that you forgot to call your mom on her birthday last week and you're fresh out of toothpaste and you haven't slept on your bed in two days because you can't find it and the desk is closer to the computer, anyway. Get real. You'll never find the time you need **so** stop kicking yourself. Get out and do something you want to do, and have fun. And **go** call your mom.

 November 5, 1994. Events free of charge. Sponsored by **SAFE**

## Redeeming trust *Students participate in international conference on government and business ethics*



Is it ever OK for a government official to accept a gift from someone who is interested in receiving favors? Can we be sure that an official who accepts a gift would make the same decision without it?

Twenty members of the J Board, SGA, housefellows and other students interested in ethical questions were in Washington D.C. just before Thanksgiving break for a week-long international conference on ethics in business and government. The conference was co-hosted by the U.S. Office of Government Ethics and the U.S. Information Agency and sponsored by Martin Marietta, NYNEX, United Technologies, Pitney Bowes, the Institute for Public Administration — and Connecticut College.

Stuart Gilman, assistant director of the USOGE, invited the students to the ethics summit, which was attended by ethics officers, corporate leaders and delegates representing 50 countries at every level of social and economic development.

The CC students helped facilitate the conference by guiding international guests to events, recording discussions and even speaking about the college's 80-year-old Honor Code during one of the panels.

By the end of the week Stephen Potts, USOGE director, was impressed with the contribution the Connecticut College students made to the conference.

J-Board Chair Dan Shedd



**ETHICAL QUESTIONS: J-Board Chair Dan Shedd '96 and 19 other CC students told conference attendees about CC's Honor Code.**

'96 explained, "Originally he had thought that it would be more one-directional, that we would be learning a lot ... but it ended up that we brought an energy, a desire to learn and question, and a perspective that wasn't there before."

The high point of the conference was a Socratic dialogue on the acceptance of gifts by government officials. Shedd connected the discussion to his own experience with the Honor Code. "The most important thing is not that everyone concerns themselves with obeying the rules, but that they internalize the Honor Code to the point that they would help an old lady across the street, not because they would get in trouble if they did not, but because they genuinely feel compassion."

Shedd said that Murat Bursa, a Turkish ethics officer who questioned whether there are common values that cross cultures, opened his eyes to the concept that giving gifts to officials may not be intrinsically unethical. Shedd

said he learned that, "a tip may not be a bribe — it could be a mark of respect. That's what gifts are in Turkey."

Like Shedd, Michael Josephson, founder and president of an ethics institute that conducts nearly 100 programs a year for government and business leaders, emphasized that responsibility, accountability, and trustworthiness are at the core of good citizenship. Rather than adhering to proscribed guidelines, he said, "Ethics is about compliance with the spirit of the law. Even if there is no law against it in the books, ask yourself: would you do it if your child was looking over your shoulder? Would a reasonable person see it as wrong?"

Also attending the conference were Assistant Professor of Philosophy Larry Vogel, President Gaudiani and Jennifer Scott '94.

Vogel, who chaired a panel on the role of government ethics in promoting economic development, said, "There is more involved in an ethical

relationship between government and business than fair dealings. If there aren't serious environmental restrictions, the unfortunate outcome would be a level playing field with no grass."

Gaudiani spoke on the role of the media in forming public opinion. She pledged that Connecticut College will host an ethics bulletin board on the Internet. (You can reach it at [ethics@conncoll.edu](mailto:ethics@conncoll.edu).)

Scott did most of the organizational management for CC's participation.

Marinell Yoders '95, president of the Student Government Association, also connected the Washington conference to the campus. "I feel that it was a baseline for everyone to come together," said Yoders. "Discussing ethics is a process. The Dialogue on Political Correctness [the first in a series of forums initiated this semester by students who attended the conference] opened the channels of discussion on a very difficult issue." — April Ondis '96

*(The author is one of the students who attended the conference.)*

### EAR TO THE GROUND

*The score was novena to nothing...*

An entry spotted in the weekly campus events calendar: "Wednesday, Jan. 25., 10 p.m. **Prayer at the Close of the Day:** vs. Albertus Magnus. Athletic Center."

## TIME SURFER

## 30 Years Ago...

The December 1965 edition of *The Connecticut College Alumnae News* contained this account of what first-year students (then called "freshmen," despite an entirely female class) were likely to endure. The author is Dean Emeritus Alice Johnson, who wrote for our 25-years-of-coeducation issue this past fall:

"During this six-day 'week,' the Freshman takes tests; she completes the academic registration for courses; she goes through the ritual of formal matriculation; she meets with Miss Alice Ramsay and fills out her permanent Personnel Folder; she visits the library; ... she attends a lecture with Dr. Mary Hall, the College physician; she listens to faculty speeches based on her summer reading assignment; ... she endures six hours of psychological testing; she learns the Student Government rules, particularly how to 'sign out' for the weekend; and she learns about mixers with Wesleyan, Trinity and Yale."

Note no mention of posture photos. (1959 was the last year they were taken at CC, and all the photos had been destroyed by 1963.)

## Growth molecules *Alumna's record gift will fund new lab, professorship*



The largest gift to the college ever by a living donor —

\$2.2 million from Judith Ammerman '60 — will have a substantial impact on teaching, research and the day-to-day operations of the college.

A recently retired mathematics teacher from Garden City, New York, Ammerman has committed funds from a family charitable lead trust and personal assets over the next ten years: \$500,000 in operating support for the Annual Fund; \$200,000 to renovate and relocate the Clinton P. Ammerman Molecular Biology Laboratory in New London Hall, which was named after a 1980 gift honoring her father; and \$1.5 million for an endowed college professorship focusing on interdisciplinary programs.

"Much of my life has revolved around education, as a student, a college graduate, and ultimately a teacher of mathematics for 34 years," she said. "Obviously, I understand the importance of education and feel that Connecticut College provides students with the education and opportunity that is so necessary to succeed in today's world. I'm very pleased to be able to support a college that will make a difference."

"Her generosity is unparalleled in the college's history," said President Gaudiani. "I am deeply moved by her gift. In giving a chair, Judith speaks to the excellence of our faculty. In supporting the Ammerman lab, she commits to science and the liberal arts. In sup-

porting the annual fund, she sets an example for us all that focuses on the paramount importance of consistent quality at Connecticut College."

"Judith's gift will allow students to do much more in the molecular biology course than they currently can — and do it with state-of-the-art equipment," said Linda Kosturko, assistant professor of zoology.

Bob Rasmussen, vice president for development and college relations, pointed out that the gift stands out not only for its magnitude, but also for its comprehensiveness. "Judith carefully considered her resources and the college's needs," he said. "She provides for unrestricted support of the college through the annual fund; an endowed professorship, which is one of the college's most urgent needs; and capital funds to renovate a laboratory that has become too small for the requirements of this growing part of science. Additionally, she has made provisions for the college in her estate plans."

Ammerman was exposed to science at an early age. Her father, Clinton Palmer Ammerman, was a graduate of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn College of Engineering and a research



UNPARALLELED GENEROSITY: Judith Ammerman '60.

scientist at Pfizer Pharmaceuticals in Brooklyn, New York.

Ammerman majored in mathematics at Connecticut College and has a M.A. in education and a M.S. in mathematics from Adelphi University. In addition to teaching junior high school math, she has been involved for more than 20 years with the chapter of the National Junior Honor Society in her community.

She is also an active participant in her church, currently holding a position on the executive board. Recently, Ammerman joined the local branch of the American Association of University Women and travels extensively.

"My family has always had a concern for others and the charitable lead trust is an excellent way of providing for the college," she said. "I know the funds will be invested wisely."

— Craig Esposito

## Most quotidian quotes on campus

Recently, we asked the faculty to send us quotations or sayings that they always manage to work into their lectures. Here are the replies we've received to date.

**Linda Kosturko, assistant professor, zoology:**

"Life is an experiment without a control."

"Good judgment comes from experience, and experience... well, that comes from bad judgment."  
(*Origins unknown*)

**Roger Brooks, Elie Wiesel professor of religious studies:**

"(In Judaism,) life consists of endless opportunities to sanctify the profane." (Abraham Joshua Heschel, *God in Search of Man*)

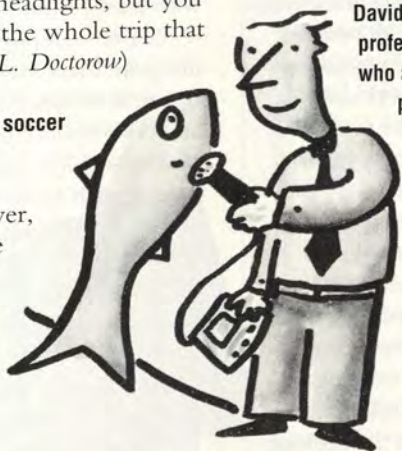
"You come here with a skull full of mush, and, if you survive, you leave thinking like a lawyer!" (*Professor Kingsfield, The Paper Chase*)

**Blanche McCrary Boyd, professor of English:**

"Writing is like driving at night. You can see only as far as the headlights, but you can make the whole trip that way." (*E.L. Doctorow*)

**Bill Lessig, soccer coach:**

"Never, never, never, never give up."  
(*Winston Churchill*)



**William Rivera, visiting instructor, child development:**  
"If you want to know what water is, why is the fish the last one you ask?" (*Chinese proverb*)

**George Willauer, Professor of English:**

"Order is everything."  
"Perfection is golden."  
"Keep chaos at bay."  
"Think and speak in sentences."

**Michael Burlingame, professor of history:**

"Quarrel not at all. No man resolved to make the most of himself can spare time for personal contention... Better give your path to a dog than be bitten by him in contesting the right. Even killing the dog would not cure the bite." (*Lincoln's letter to Capt. James M. Cutts, October 26, 1863*)

**Marion E. Doro, Lucy Marsh Haskell '19 professor of government:**

"Brave is the traveller, who when he discovers what he is, presses on, burdened though he may be, to make of himself what he feeble can."  
(*Pogo, in the Pogo comic strip, circa 1954*)

**David Jaffe, assistant professor, theater, who also teaches public speaking:**

"Tell them what you're gonna tell them; tell them what you told them."  
(*Anonymous*)

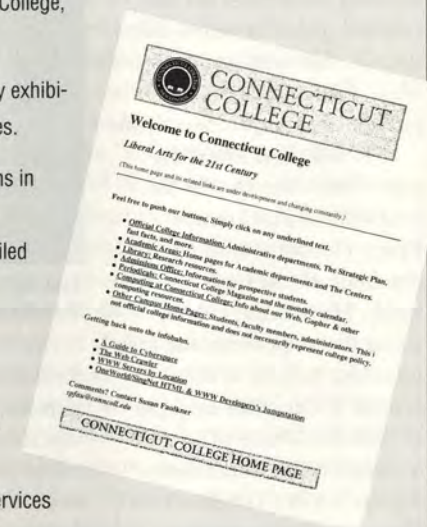
## CYBERCONN

*If only it was a Gopher server...*



On Ground Hog's Day, Connecticut College launched its home page on the World Wide Web. During your next roadtrip on the infobahn, stop off at <http://camel.conncoll.edu/> for a peek at the colorful offerings, among them:

- Information on The Center for Arts and Technology, including what to look for at "Convergence," the upcoming fifth biennial arts and technology conference at Connecticut College, March 2-5.
- Art department gallery exhibitions and faculty profiles.
- A catalog of specimens in the Charles B. Graves Herbarium at CC compiled by Carl Lewis '95.
- Library research resources.
- Listings from administrative offices; be sure to check career services offerings for alumni.
- Uncensored personal home pages authored by students and faculty.



Additional postings are coming online almost daily. Watch for *CC Magazine* in electronic form, which usually will be available before the regular magazine hits the streets and will include images and sounds that cannot be delivered in the print version.

**Screenshot of the month...**

A college administrator found this in his e-mail inbox before the semester break:

Date: Tue, 20 Dec 1994 12:25:49 -0800 (PST)  
From: "Spam, Spam, Spam, Eggs, and Spam"  
Subject: Spam Haikus (fwd)

Pink tender morsel,  
Glistening with salty gel.  
What the hell is it?

Cube of cold pinkness  
Yellow specks of porcine fat.  
Give me a spork please.

## Tree talk *Learning about ecosystems from Mr. Leafpile and other more traditionally dressed guides*



A group of miniature scientists clusters around a huge pile of rust and gold colored leaves that have fallen in the Arboretum. Having just finished a tour of the Arbo, these fourth graders from Jennings School are now experts on nutrient cycling and prepare to celebrate their new understanding by diving into the colorful pile. But before they do, CC first-year student Maya Falck, one of their guides, has a surprise for them:

"Hi, Mr. Leaf Pile," she says. This is the cue for Mr. Leaf Pile (aka CC senior Bruce Herforth, who has hidden beneath the leaves) to speak. He tells the kids all about decomposition and the recycling process of the ecosystem. It's another example of how the Office of Volunteers for Community Service's (OVCS) Arboretum Project is making environmental education accessible to people of all ages.

Organized this year by Herforth in conjunction with Arboretum Director Glenn Dryer, the program aims to make Arboretum land more accessible and use it to educate even more groups than those it traditionally has reached. The hope is that the tours will stimulate a lifetime of learning about and interacting with the natural world and increase knowledge about science and environmental protection, according to OVCS Director Tracee Reiser, who helps supervise the program.

Under an independent study, Kirsten Bilodeau '93



**TAKE ME TO YOUR LEAFER:** Children from London's Winthrop housing complex try to convince Arboretum Project guide Adam Shaughnessy '96 that it's time to start the tour.

Roger Riley

created two educational components for the program — one for children and another for adults. The Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut awarded OVCS a grant to develop the project during the 1994-95 academic year.

This semester, Herforth and his team of guides led 10 tours, surpassing his goal of five. A wide range of groups — among them a boy scout troop, a group of senior citizens, an adult education program and several local elementary school classes — have been led through what Herforth refers to as Connecticut College's "hidden treasure." Most of the children have never been through the site before, and are astonished that a "forest," as many of the local kids referred to it, exists in their

own back yard. "It always amazes me how you take little things like this for granted," said Diane Gigliotti, a fourth grade teacher who participated in the tour.

Fifteen student tour guides fall under Herforth's direction, and they conduct hour to hour-and-a-half long tours with groups of 10 people through the canopy of trees that shade the 445-acre Arboretum. The topics they cover include why leaves change color, ecology and botany, habitats and ecosystem, and flora and fauna. As part of their training, Glenn Dryer orientated the guides to the history of the Arboretum; then Professor Emeritus of Botany Sally Taylor familiarized them with the ecology and plant collection.

Herforth also organized a training session with two

teachers from the Connecticut Forest and Parks Association. The teachers sampled activities they could use with children to illustrate lessons about nature, including writing short haikus about touching the different types of trees, and building a simulated rainforest with plastic figurines.

The on-campus guides integrate these ideas and other nature activities into an arts and crafts session that is held in the Arbo's Buck Lodge following each tour.

The Arboretum program actively continued through the end of November, when the weather became a bit too chilly to show off the land. During the winter, the volunteers will do endangered species workshops in the New London public schools. Tours will resume after spring break.

— Kim Conniff '95

## Good sports

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In its October 31, 1994, issue, *Sports Illustrated* ran a 12-page story touting the 23-year-old New England Small College Athletic Conference, of which CC is a member, as a refreshing

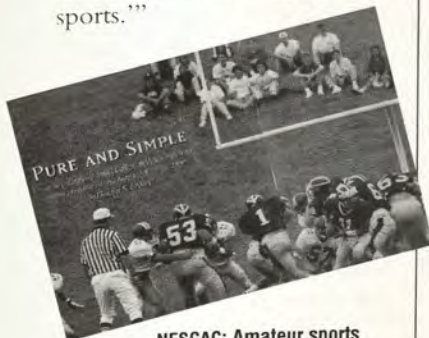
example of college sports untainted by

big egos, big recruiting violations and big money. It said:

"Claire Gaudiani, president of Connecticut College, is on the NCAA Presidents Commission. She stares out of the window ... and vows that her purpose on the commission is 'to help bring our values to Division I. The formula for what needs to be done in college sports lies in NESCAC ... We are making the right thing the normal thing.' ...

"What makes NESCAC so special?

"Simply, it is that the members put things academic ahead of things athletic. Eva Cahalan, a former soccer and lacrosse player at Connecticut College who now works for Prudential Securities says, 'You come to college to get an education, not to play sports.' ..."



NESCAC: Amateur sports as they should be, says SI.

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and recommend finalists for KUSP internships. Also, a Corporate Partners Program through the Center for Arts and Technology helps apply faculty/student research in a practical setting.

**4. Improve recruitment of students interested in science.** To let prospective students know about our expanding scientific galaxy, we developed a new, personalized process that includes phone calls to prospective students from Connecticut College science majors and professors. Applicants who say they are interested in math and science increased from 16 percent of the pool in 1990 to 24 percent in 1994.

**5. Improve and expand facilities.** In April of 1989, with trustee Marna Fullerton '56, I made the first of many visits by college professors and staff members to the offices of the F.W. Olin Foundation because we believed expanded science facilities would define the capacity to achieve our goals.

This effort to obtain funds for a new science building augmented 1981 renovations in New London Hall for the biological sciences and, in 1987, 2,500 sq. ft. of additional space in the Hale Laboratory for faculty/student research labs and modern cold-room and chemical storage facilities. Later, we built a lab for our new Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectrometer (with funding by the George Alden Trust, the NSF, and alumnae Ruth Hale Buchanan '39, Margaret Abell Powell '39 and Diane Buchanan Wilsey '65). Grants from Pfizer Central Research and the NSF allowed us to build and later upgrade a new student computer room.

The momentum and quality of the five-point plan were a major factor in convincing F.W. Olin to award Connecticut College the largest grant in the foundation's history, \$7 million for our magnificent new science center. Grants from the Sherman Fairchild Foundation and NSF are helping pay for the new \$125,000 Ritchey-Chrétien Cassegrain telescope and computer equipment in Olin's observatory. [See story, page 20. — Eds.]

## Cause and effect

What do these improvements mean for students?

We set a goal of balancing the majors across the range of liberal arts disciplines — arts, sciences, social sciences, languages, humanities. This meant increasing science majors from 6 percent of the student body to 25 percent. A survey of applicants to this year's freshman class shows that 26 percent of them intend to major in science.

Published research by undergraduates defines excellence in science departments. Last year alone, 20 students co-authored papers that were published in scholarly journals or were presented at conferences.

Our faculty continues to inspire a high percentage of students to go on to earn doctorates (in 1990, 20 Connecticut College graduates earned Ph.Ds in science fields, placing the college 8th among well respected peers like Amherst and Bowdoin).

Non-science majors taking science courses are on the rise, and the campus increasingly is engaging in issues that connect the sciences and humanities. A recent example is this spring's "Cosmos" series on emerging relationships between science and religion. All alumni, parents and friends of the college are warmly invited to attend. [See announcement on inside back cover. — Eds.]

Of course, over the years our teacher/scholars have been leading students to understand the importance of scientific knowledge. Many of you will recall, for example, Katharine Blunt Professor Emeritus of Botany Richard Goodwin [See profile, page 26. — Eds.], an internationally known research botanist, a founder of The Nature Conservancy and a teacher of thousands of our alums, who, at 83, is still seen racing about on campus wearing his trademark smile and spotless Nikes.

On a trajectory like this, clearly, our science star has not yet reached its zenith.

Claire L. Gaudiani '66  
President of the College

## High Anxiety *Battling the weather, hidden crevasses and miscommunication in the Alps*

Experienced alpine climber Anne Parmenter, an adjunct assistant professor of physical education and coach of the field hockey and women's lacrosse teams at CC, is seeking to conquer Mt. Aconcagua in Argentina this month. To prepare herself for the assault on the western hemisphere's highest peak, she cut her teeth on Europe's Mt. Blanc last summer. At 15,771 ft., it is the highest in the Alps. What follows are notes from her journal.

We arrived in Chamonix on Monday, July 20. It was a beautiful day, but the summits of Mt. Blanc and the Aiguille were blanketed by heavy cloud. The forecast was not good for the next few days, and true to form, the weather closed in. I spent the next two days camping out in relative comfort with my Austrian climbing companions, Peter and Brigitte. On the second day we tied our ropes to the side of an old barn and practiced self-rescue techniques. There was still no sign of the peaks that led to the Mt. Blanc massif.

On the third day, the forecast had improved, and we decided to go for it. For the first leg of the climb, we boarded the tram that chugged its way up the steep terrain into the mist and rain. When we reached the high station where the trail began it was pouring and visibility was 50 yards.

Peter set the pace, his Austrian fitness quite evident, and we made good progress on the wet rock, which soon turned to snow and ice. By now we had seen several



**A CAMEL ON THE ROOF OF EUROPE:** Field Hockey Coach Anne Parmenter (left) atop Mt. Blanc.

bedraggled parties making their way down. We also met a group at a very steep chute of snow with a wire fixed rope securing the passage. There was evidence of a recent snow slide. An Englishman in the party told me he had been hit by an avalanche at that very spot and swept the length of his safety line. As our party made the crossing unroped, I experienced a brief moment of doubt.

But there was no time for second thoughts as we threw ourselves into the climb. We reached Refuge de Gouter at 1 p.m. in time for lunch. We had planned to spend the day here to give ourselves time to

acclimate to the altitude (10,668 feet.) Having climbed above the clouds, we were sitting in blistering heat and sunshine.

The Refuge was run by the well-organized French hut

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system. We had not made a reservation, however, and prepared to sleep at our dinner table if a bunk did not open up. Meanwhile we ate hot soup and drank lots of fluid. (Incidentally, while the huts are well organized, the sanitation is primitive. An outhouse, situated far from the hut, balanced precariously on a rock over a 2,000-meter drop!)

Dinner consisted of huge bowls of soup, macaroni and

cheese, slices of meat, bread and dessert. All of the climbers were watered and fed in a timely fashion, and sleep was the first priority.

The alpine start in the morning called for a hurried breakfast, a mad dash to assemble ice axes, strap crampons on our boots and hit the ice by 3 a.m. The moon was so bright there was no need to use our head lamps. It was cold, but we were working so hard we were sweating. As soon as we were over Le Dome Gouter the wind whipped up, and we paused briefly to put on wind jackets and pants. Stopping for just those few short moments cost us considerably in lost body heat. We started out directly into the wind.

A slow spread of light in the east told us the sun wasn't too far from waking. At 6 a.m. we

stopped just long enough to gulp down fruit juice and fruitcake, but soon we were back on the trail, approaching the spectacular knife edge ridge.

Because of the pace, and of course, the altitude, my mental attitude was at its worst at that point. I was cursing like a trooper and generally swearing with every foot gained. This feeling subsided a little as we slowed our pace, and the rising sun cast a shadow on Chamonix and the Aiguille.

We crossed the final ridge and reached the summit of Mt. Blanc at 7:30 a.m. Three years earlier, when I gazed up at Mt. Blanc from the valley, I had dreamed of this moment. There was very little time to savor the victory, however. In the distance we could see the summit of Aiguille du Midi, which would be our finish point. From there we could descend by cable car to Chamonix, on the longest unsupported drop in Europe.

I was pleased not to have to turn around and descend by the way that we had climbed. New terrain lay ahead, and the sides of the trail dropped off into what appeared to be an eternal nothingness. Here I saw some of the most spectacular crevasses I have ever seen. It was now 9 a.m., and we had been on our feet since 3 a.m., stopping only to grab a bite while standing. Aiguille du Midi, which had seemed so close, now yawned devastatingly farther and farther away.

I certainly didn't expect it when Peter suddenly announced that he wished to

leave his pack and climb the nearby Mt. Maudit. It was hard for me to believe, because, at this point, I had nothing in me physically to climb anything else. Language barriers are tough to surmount, and soon the difficulty of my speaking no German began to be apparent. Peter restated his intention of climbing Mt. Maudit, and having failed to convey the extent of my fatigue, I set off. Soon I realized that Brigitte had raised objections as well — and I had only consented because I thought that they were both intent on taking this unplanned detour.

I learned a very important mountaineering lesson that day. Say what you think, and what you want to do, not

what someone else wants to hear.

Nevertheless, Peter and I set off, with no packs, and not roped together. Suddenly Peter threw his arm in front of me to bring me to a stop. We had been walking side by side — another mountaineering

faux pas. In front of us lay a crevasse, barely hidden.

Potentially, we could have both slipped into it. Perhaps this was the moment that Peter decided to return to fetch

the ropes and other gear. I seized the opportunity to express to him that I had no desire to conquer Mt. Maudit after I had been climbing strenuously and continuously for 12 hours. Fortunately, he listened and understood.

The descent was difficult in the soft snow: It was too steep

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to relax into a slide and foot-ski or glissade. Ahead lay the final climb to the summit of Aiguille, which, due to my fatigue, was one of the hardest parts of the entire expedition. The numbers of local climbers on the trail made maneuvering difficult with my big pack and ice ax. As we rested on the cable car station viewing platform, my fatigue began to be replaced by a feeling of pride, and as I walked among the tourists, I could look far up to the summit of Mt. Blanc and know that I had been standing there.

A bottle of champagne was waiting for us at the campsite below. My ascent of Mt. Blanc, a feat I had dreamed of and planned for, was now an accomplishment.

Next stop: Aconcagua, 22,831 feet.

**At press time, we received this photo from Parmenter: A CC banner unfurled atop Aconcagua, the highest peak in the western hemisphere.**





## The Jewish Question in Brazil *Ideas about Jews never changed, just who fit the category*

**Jeffrey Lesser**, assistant professor of history, *Welcoming the Undesirables: Brazil and the Jewish Question*, 1995, University of California Press, 280 pages, nonfiction.

As the world commemorates the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz, Jeffrey Lesser, who has taught history at Connecticut since 1990, adds an important new dimension to the chronicle of Jewish refugees during the Holocaust and the earlier part of the 20th century with his book *Welcoming the Undesirables: Brazil and the Jewish Question*.

At the conclusion of World War I, Jews began arriving in Brazil in increasing numbers. The United States and other governments had tightened immigration regulations, and Brazil offered an attractive alternative. Lesser writes, "As Jews prospered in small and large cities throughout the states of Rio Grande do Sul, São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro and Paraná, they sent a new message back to Europe. Brazil was no longer the *land fun di mahlpes* (land of the monkeys) but a land of prosperity and little religious conflict." Yet as Jews made their exodus from Europe, anti-Jewish sentiment began to rise among Brazilian nativists.

In late 1937, just as Jews were desperately seeking refuge from Nazism, the Brazilian government enacted a secret ban on Jewish entry. Even so, in 1939 more Jews legally entered Brazil than

they had in the past decade. This rise in immigration, Lesser notes, should not be taken as an indicator that anti-Semitism disappeared. Instead, "traditional images of Jews — urban based, nonfarming, financially oriented and internationally powerful — that had been the basis for so much Jewish hatred, in late 1938 and early 1939 were increasingly viewed as indicators of Jewish usefulness for Brazil's economic development." Jewish relief groups were partly responsible for putting these positive twists on old stereotypes. Lesser also suggests that, beginning in 1938, politicians started implying that certain Jews "did not carry the stain of being Jewish."

"Ideas about Jews never changed," writes Lesser, "only ideas about who fit the category."

The Brazilian government, like the Nazis, saw religion and race as synonymous. This was evident in their treatment of "non-Aryan" Catholics who wanted to immigrate to Brazil. In 1939 the dictator Getúlio Vargas told the Vatican he would grant 3,000 visas to non-Aryan Catholics. Then, in a confusing reversal, the Brazilian government reneged on its promise, placing restrictions on the visas that made it virtually impossible for anyone to procure them. Brazil complained that the Catholics "were rarely true converts," and because race and religion were considered one and the same, it was impossible for a Jew to become Catholic.



Brazilian Jewish family, c. 1930s

"A Jewish barber resident in São Paulo tried to get visas for his wife and daughter in Romania after the two received baptismal certificates from the pope. His direct petition to Vargas ... was refused on the basis of Secret Circulars #1,127 and #1,249 because 'in spite of [the two] saying they are Catholic, their surname reveals Semitic origin.'"

Fourteen months after the promise of visas was made, not one visa had been granted.

Lesser concludes, "The Jewish Question in Brazil had many answers, usually contradictory and generally given at the same time. Yet, the question, although asked by a small group of nativists, politicians, journalists and intellectuals, had an effect on real people trying to save themselves at a particularly tragic moment in the modern era. In spite of the power of anti-Semitic politicians and intellectuals, Jews did make an exodus to Brazil, the land of the future. There, they were welcomed as undesirables."

In looking at Brazil's handling of "the Jewish Question," Lesser not only sheds light on Latin American and Jewish history, but also offers insight to nationalism and anti-Semitism in early 20th-century Brazil. The book, prodigiously researched and documented, shows that the Jewish Question is critical not only to Jewish history, but to understanding race and ethnicity in modern Brazil. Although written for an academic readership, *Welcoming the Undesirables* is also accessible to non-academics who are interested in Jewish and Brazilian history.

Lesser, who holds a B.A. and M.A. from Brown and a Ph.D. from New York University, completed the research for this book in Brazil through grants from the Fulbright Commission and the National Endowment for the Humanities. He is on sabbatical this semester and plans to write a new book on Brazilian ethnicity and prejudice.

— MHF

## John Polkinghorne on GUTs and the friendship of science and religion

*The following are excerpts from a talk delivered by John Polkinghorne, President of Queens' College, Cambridge University, on January 29, in the F.W. Olin Science Center at Connecticut College. Polkinghorne, a physicist and an ordained Anglican minister, was the first speaker in the five-part symposium, *Cosmos: Science and Religion look at the Universe*. (See the inside back cover for the lecture series schedule.)*

I have spent most of my working life as a theoretical physicist and all of my consciously remembered life as part of the worshipping and believing community of the Church, so that I am someone who wants to take absolutely seriously the possibility of religious belief in a scientific age. I believe that science and religion are friends and not foes...

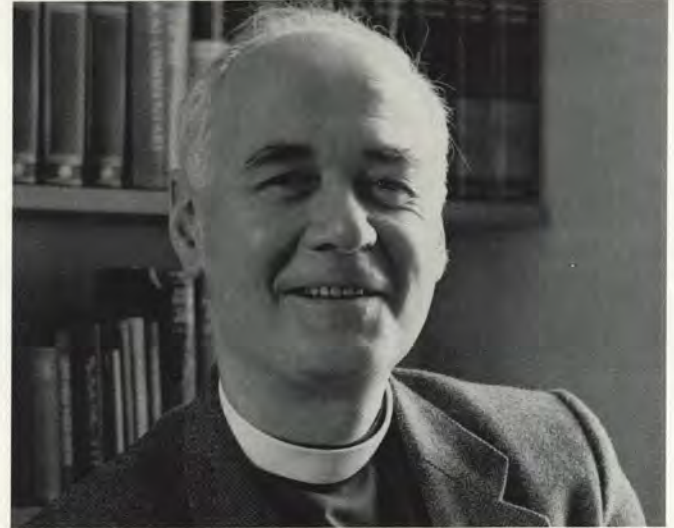
We must understand that religious belief, just like scientific belief, is *motivated* understanding of the ways things are. Of course, a religious stance involves faith, just as a scientific investigation starts by commitment to the interrogation of the physical world from a chosen point of view. But faith is not a question of shutting one's eyes, gritting one's teeth, and believing the impossible. It involves a leap, but a leap into the light rather than the dark.

A characteristic of scientific thought is the drive for synthesis. We want to have as unified an understanding as

we possibly can. That is the drive behind the present activity in my old subject, particle physics, which is looking for a grand unified theory — a GUT, as we say in our acronymic way. I believe, actually, that the grandest unified theory that you could ever reach is a theological understanding of the world...

It is an actual technique in theoretical physics to look for theories which in their mathematical expression are economic and elegant. In other words, we seek theories which have that unmistakable character of mathematical beauty. If you have a friend who is a theoretical physicist and you wish to upset him or her, you simply say to them, "That latest theory of yours looks rather ugly and contrived to me." There is some deep-seated relationship between the reason within (the rationality of our minds — in this case mathematics) and the reason without (the rational order and structure of the physical world around us). The two fit together like a glove. If you stop to think about it, this a rather significant fact about the world. It's a fact that the mathematicians, in their very modest way of speaking, would describe as non-trivial. Non-trivial is a mathematical word meaning

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**POLKINGHORNE: "Every atom of carbon inside your body was once inside a star. We're all made from the ashes of dead stars."**

highly significant! Not only does it strike me as significant, but it also struck Einstein that way. Einstein once said, "The only incomprehensible thing about the universe is that it is comprehensible."

You can always just shrug your shoulders and say, "Well, that's just the way it happens to be, and a bit of good luck for you chaps who are good at mathematics."

You could summarize what I have said so far by saying that when we look at the rational order and transparent beauty of the physical world, revealed through physical science, we see a world shot through with signs of mind.

We live in a universe that started about 15 billion years

ago, and it started extremely simple, just an expanding ball of energy. Yet, the world that started so simple has become very complex. So, the history of the universe has been astonishingly fruitful, and we understand many steps in that evolving process.

Scientists can play intellectual games with a serious intent. The sort of game they play is this: when we think of the universe, it is characterized by certain scientific laws and basic forces. For example, we live in an universe which has gravity in it, not just any old gravity, but gravity of a particular type and strength. In fact, it's a very weak force, the way we measure these things. That might surprise you if you have ever walked out of a second story window, but the force of gravity is intrinsically very weak. Now we can say, "I wonder what the universe

would be like, if gravity had been a bit different — if it had been much stronger, or even a little bit weaker.” And we can play similar games with all the other forces of nature. A very surprising conclusion follows. Unless the fundamental physical laws were more or less *precisely* what they actually are, the universe would have had a very boring and sterile history. In other words, it’s only a very special universe, a finely-tuned universe, a universe in a trillion, which is capable of having had the amazingly fruitful history that has turned a ball of energy into a world containing you and me. This insight is called the anthropic principle: a world capable of producing *anthropoi*, (complicated consequences comparable to men and women) is a very special finely-tuned universe. It’s a very surprising discovery!

If you are to have a fruitful universe, one of the things you’ve got to have in it are stars. The sun has been burning steadily for about five billion years, and it will continue for about another five billion years more. You must have long-term energy sources, because it takes billions of years for life to develop, and you must have steady energy sources, because stars that flared up or died down would either burn life to a frazzle or freeze it to death.

Now, we understand what makes them burn in

that way — the balance between gravity and the electromagnetic forces. If you were to alter either of those forces, you would put the stars out of kilter. No life could develop.

But the stars have another tremendously important thing to do. The nuclear furnaces that burn inside the stars are the source of the chemical elements which are the raw materials of life. In fact, the very early universe can only make the two simplest chemical elements,

namely hydrogen and helium. And they are just not rich enough to make life possible. For life you need a much more complicated chemistry. In

particular, you need the chemistry of carbon. Every atom of carbon inside your body was once inside a star. We’re all made from the ashes of dead stars. The only place you can make those heavier elements, which are indispensable as the constituents of life, is inside the right sort of stars. Think about it. First you’ve got to make carbon by making three helium nuclei stick together. That’s actually quite hard to do, and it depends upon very delicate aspects of the nuclear forces. Now, suppose you’ve figured out how to do that. You can’t sit back and feel satisfied. You’ve got to make lots more elements. You’ve got to make oxygen for example.

That means making another helium nucleus stick to the carbon you already made. But, wait. You’ve got to do that, but you must not overdo it. So, you’ve got to get all these balances right, and so on, and so on, up to iron. If you can just tune the nuclear forces right, you can make all the elements, up to iron, inside the stars.

So, you’ve still got two problems. You’ll need to make some of the heavier elements beyond iron, and you

also have to make accessible for life the elements you’ve already made. It’s no good making carbon, oxygen, and all that, and leaving them locked up inside the core

of a dying star. You’ve got to make sure that your stars are such that when they come to the end of their natural life, which is about 10 billion years, some of them will explode as supernovae and scatter out those chemical elements. You’ve got to have stellar explosions. And, if you’re very clever, you can arrange in the explosion that the neutrinos, as they blow off the outer layer of the star, then make those heavier elements like zinc and so on. If those nuclear forces were in any way slightly different from the way they actually are, the stars would be incapable of making the elements of which you and I are composed. That

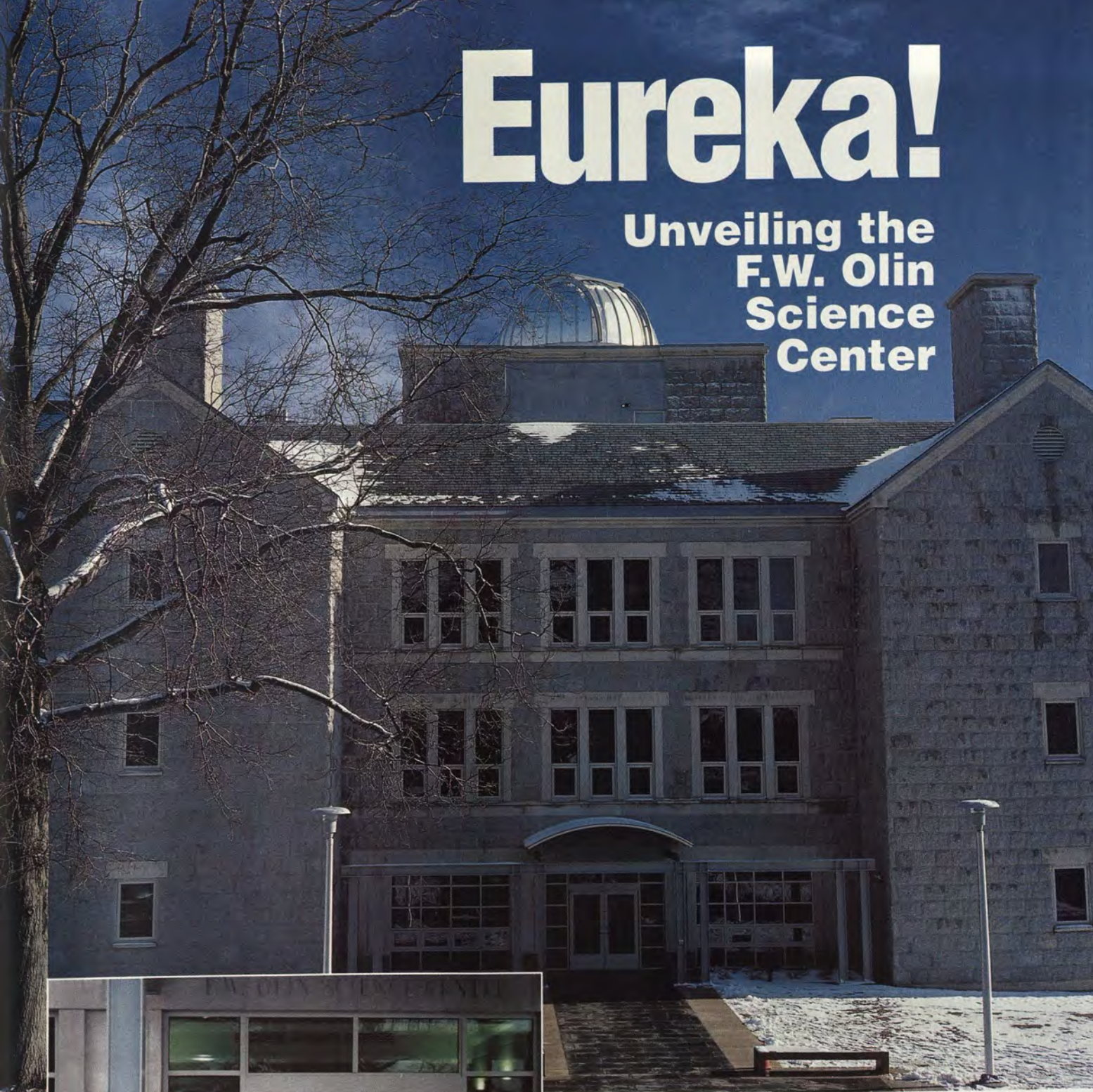
gives you some idea how difficult it is to make a fruitful universe.

Once again, you can shrug your shoulders and say, “Well, that’s just the way it happens to be. We’re here because we’re here and that’s it.” That doesn’t seem to me to be a very rational approach. I have a friend, John Leslie, a philosopher at Guelph University in Canada, who writes about these questions. He has written far and away the best book about the anthropic principle, called *Universes*. He tells the following story. You are about to be executed. Your eyes are bandaged and you are tied to the stake. Twelve highly trained sharp shooters have their rifles levelled at your heart. They pull the trigger, the shots ring-out — you’ve survived! What do you do? Do you shrug your shoulders and say, “Well, that’s the way it is. No need to seek an explanation of this. That’s just the way it is.” Leslie rightly says that’s surely not a rational response. He suggests that there are only two rational explanations of that amazing incident. One is this. Many, many, many executions are taking place today and just by luck you happen to be the one in which they all miss. That’s a rational explanation. The other explanation, is, of course, that the sharp shooters are on your side and they missed by choice. In other words there was a purpose at work of which you were unaware.

**Faith is not a question of shutting one’s eyes, gritting one’s teeth, and believing the impossible. It involves a leap, but a leap into the light rather than the dark.**

# Eureka!

## Unveiling the F.W. Olin Science Center



*“Aubrey Eben wrote, ‘Science is not a sacred cow. Science is a horse. Don’t worship it. Feed it.’ I want to express my gratitude to the F.W. Olin Foundation for treating this horse to a feast.”*

— Physics major Alison Edge '95 (at podium, left) speaking on the first day of classes, January 23, as President Gaudiani looks on. (The building’s official dedication will be April 9.)



Photo this page: Lisa Brownell

## **I**t's big, bold, beautiful

and Connecticut College blue. "Synergy," a 15-foot aluminum sculpture, was created by Frances Gillmore Pratt '60 of Cambridge Mass. on commission from Connecticut College. Installed on November 10, the latest campus landmark provides a focal point for the plaza created by the new F.W. Olin Science Center and the existing classroom buildings in the "science triangle."

"Ms. Pratt's sculpture is a wonderful complement to the earthbound classical symmetry of the surrounding architecture and our design," said architect Tai Soo Kim, whose firm designed the science center. "The dynamic symmetry of "Synergy" brings motion and life to the plaza that greets the newcomer on campus."

According to the sculptor, the work also honors the spirit of Lucy C. McDannel '22, an attorney who "sought out challenges which she surmounted with directness, grace and cheerfulness." Above all, Pratt sees in "Synergy" an uplifting expression of the college community's striving for "academic excellence and personal growth."

Pratt's large-scale corporate work includes a 1990 outdoor sculpture in front of the NYNEX facility in Framingham, Mass. She has exhibited smaller works in Boston, Washington and New York, including the Museum of Modern Art. In 1993, Boston magazine cited Pratt as "one of the most exciting names to watch." Look for a profile of the artist in an upcoming *CC Magazine*.

# Sculpting a Blue Streak



## From vision to reality

From the minute the doors of the new \$7.8 million F.W. Olin Science Center swung open on January 23, students and faculty have been getting down to the serious work of science. For many who hoped and dreamed of a science center, it just doesn't get any better than this.

Designed by award-winning architect Tai Soo Kim of Hartford, Conn, the four-story 34,000-square foot structure, with its handsome granite facade, was constructed in just under 18 months. Home to the physics department and the new observatory, it also houses teaching and research laboratories, a 150-seat auditorium for introductory level science courses, a science reading room and a computer room. Research and office space for the Center for Arts and Technology and the Connecticut College Arboretum are also now a reality. As of February 1, the building was 98 percent complete, with a number of projects (the purchase of more audiovisual equipment and the installation of the telescope, see page 22) still in the works.

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On the program: Mapper of the cosmos Margaret Geller and featured speaker Edward R. Tufte, author of the landmark book *The Visual Display of Quantitative Information*. Times to be announced. Call 203-439-2860 for more info.



Top left: Students in a new chemistry lab prepare an experiment. Top right: The new auditorium will feature state-of-the-art audiovisual equipment. Bottom: A student reviews her notes in the airy new lounge on the east side of the building.

# First Light

By Julie Miller

**S**uspended like a second moon among the trees along the Thames River, the silver dome atop the just-opened F.W. Olin Science Center draws the viewer's gaze irresistibly while, simultaneously, it beams a message.

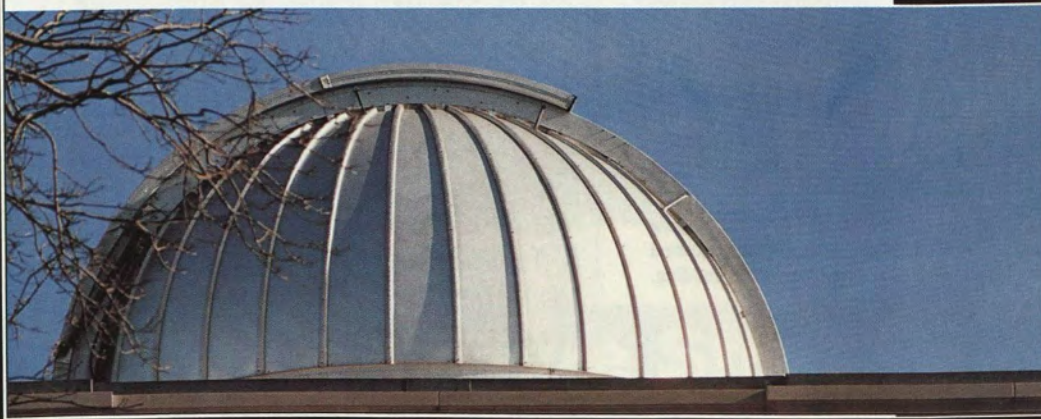
"The dome makes a statement that Olin is not just a science building. It says we're doing science at Connecticut College in a committed way," says Michael N. Monce, chair of the department of physics and astronomy.

From the moment the science center was proposed, Monce says, there was no doubt that an observatory would be a focal point of the project. The science center, which opened for classes January 23, includes laboratories for all physical sciences at the college, space for arts and technology, a computer laboratory, auditorium, lecture room, offices and classrooms.

Grants from the Sherman Fairchild and National Science foundations helped pay for the 20-inch Ritchey-Chrétien Cassegrain telescope and computer equipment for the observatory. (See sidebar, page 22.)

More advanced technically than the classic eight-inch Clark refracting telescope in the Bill Hall observatory, the new 'scope

**Astronomy makes a comeback at CC with new faculty, new maj**





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faculty, new majors and nifty new observatory



## Good morning starshine

### How to say hello to the night sky with your new 20-inch telescope

It's like building a ship in a bottle. The three major parts of the instrument, packed in plywood boxes, are lowered by crane through the top of the observatory dome. First comes the base, then the support arm and, finally, the telescope tube.

The arm is attached to the base, which is bolted to a vibration-reducing concrete pier in the observatory. The tube containing the optics is attached to the arm. Dozens of screws and bolts and yards of electrical wiring go into the assembly.

After half-a-day's work, the main parts are assembled, and by evening, the telescope is ready for what astronomers call "first light," a first look at the stars.

All these steps will be required in the assembly of the college's new 20-inch

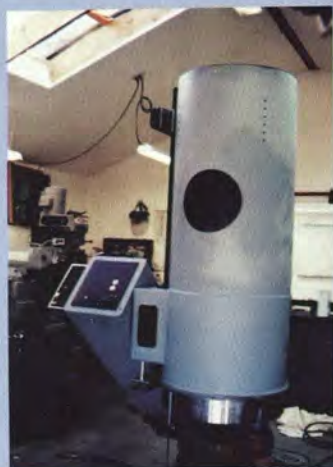
Ritchey-Chrétien Cassegrain telescope, says Ron L. Hilliard, president of Optomechanics Research Inc. in Vail, Ariz., the telescope's manufacturer.

The \$125,000 instrument will be able to perform important research, he says. "And it can be adapted for use far into the future by fitting it with new pieces of equipment. It's a lifetime investment."

The telescope is made of steel and weighs nearly a ton. Its analyzing instruments glean all kinds of information about stars, including their chemical composition, temperature, velocity and distance from the earth.

Precision gears drive the telescope on bearings as it tracks the movement of a star across the sky. The rotating motor shaft stops at any one of 50,000 positions in each revolution, enabling the telescope to reveal objects accurately and clearly.

Students will use a computer to move the telescope and hand controls located beside the computer to make final, precise adjustments. After taking measurements of the starlight, they will place the data in a computer memory so that it can be analyzed later. Then, on to the next observation. — JM



The college's new telescope under construction at the factory in Arizona. It will be up and running in the Olin Observatory by late March.

will be equipped with a spectrograph, which disperses light radiation into a spectrum, and a charge coupled device camera (commonly known as a CCD), which takes images of objects in the sky, measures their brightness and transmits this information to a computer.

Smaller telescopes for use in the introductory astronomy course and public nights will be mounted on a deck outside the observatory dome. "It's a wonderful facility primarily for student projects," Monce says. "That's the most exciting thing about it."

One of the first steps the department took in its plan to expand astronomy studies was the appointment in 1992 of Leslie F. Brown, (see sidebar on Professor Brown, page 25) as assistant professor and head of the astronomy program.

Catrina M. Hamilton, who holds a master's degree in physics with a concentration in astrophysics from Arizona State University, was hired last May as an instructor and technician in astronomy and physics and assistant in the day-to-day operation of the observatory equipment.

In addition, the department established a major in astrophysics — which concentrates on the physics of astronomical objects — and a minor in astronomy.

It may be comets, planets and galaxies that first attract students to astronomy, Monce says, but the technical skills they learn in observing and studying celestial bodies prove invaluable in many aspects of life. "That's why I think undergraduate research is so important," Monce adds. "Students understand science, the process of research and how to solve problems on a technical level."

A high school teacher encouraged Philip Chickering '96 to pursue his interest in physics, and he was certain when he started college that he would major in that field. But it was Brown who inspired him to undertake a research project in astronomy last summer on a grant through the college's Keck Undergraduate Science Program.

"I never thought about astronomy until Leslie Brown asked us to do this research with her," Chickering says. "I took my first astronomy course last spring because of the grant."

Chickering and his research partner, Nicholas Kalayjian

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'95, spent the summer learning computer programming, building a motorized focusing system for the Clark refractor and fitting the refractor with a CCD camera.

"When we're done, we'll have a good knowledge of astronomy, computers and digital image processing," Kalayjian said.

A physics major, Kalayjian plans to attend graduate school. "I liked Legos when I was little," he says. "The thing I enjoy most is the machine shop. Physics will help me when I have a job building things."

The astronomy program is almost as old as the college itself. In 1916, a year after the college opened, an Alvan Clark telescope with a lens four inches in diameter was donated, says Brown, who compiled a history of the astronomy program from information in the college archives. In the late 1920s, a shed on campus was equipped with a

sliding roof and a 5-inch refractor telescope. The college acquired the eight-inch Clark refractor in the 1930s and enlarged the observing shed. Bill Hall was completed in 1939, and in the 1960s, the refractor was installed there, where it remains part of the astronomy program.

Built in 1881, the Clark refractor is a historical instrument that students new to astronomy can use with ease, says Brown. Students used the telescope last summer to observe impacts of the comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 with Jupiter. "There were definite markings which weren't there before," Brown says. "They looked like little pencil marks."

The same impacts viewed with the 20-inch telescope would appear larger and more defined, Hamilton notes, since the new telescope has more than six times the light-gathering power of the refractor.

The Clark telescope was recently upgraded by

**Professor Brown leads a 200-level class in introductory astrophysics. Lesson for the day: How to make the transition from an equatorial coordinate system to an ecliptic coordinate system.**



# "I'd like everybody to know where the observatory

Keck students to perform modern observational work.

Hamilton plans to use the larger telescope in studies of T-Tauri stars, which have histories similar to the sun. Having monitored groups of these stars as an undergraduate at Mt. Holyoke College, Hamilton is working on involving Connecticut College students in T-Tauri projects with astronomers from Wesleyan University and the University of Massachusetts. "By learning about these stars," Hamilton says, "we can learn something about how our sun formed. Because I had such a great experience in the research part of astronomy, I've always wanted to give back what I had to my students."

Research in astronomy and astrophysics enables students to extend their abilities beyond routine classwork, Brown says. "They work through a project from beginning to end, stumbling and faltering as everyone else does. It gives them a good idea of what a career in research would be like."

## Containing light pollution

But astronomy cannot function in an environment drenched in floodlights, and Brown is concerned that light pollution from the campus, the Navy base and nearby Route 95 will interfere with observations of the sky at visible wavelengths. She is a member of an organization attempting to introduce legislation in Connecticut to reduce light pollution and is working with the college to develop more efficient, and therefore environmentally sensitive, lighting that is also less harmful to the astronomy program.

"It's a matter of spending money initially to get the proper fixtures," she says. "They don't draw as much power because they direct light to the ground and don't scatter it around the sky."

Brown is eager to cultivate a community of avid stargazers. "I'd like everybody to know where the observatory is," she says, "and to bring their families to see the beauty of the sky."

One member of that community is Jessica Ammirati '94, who returned to college one weekend

last fall to help Brown with an open house at the observatory, something she did many times as an undergraduate. Although Jessica plans a career in film production, she inherited a passion for astronomy from her father, Thomas Ammirati, an associate professor of physics at the college.

"My father used to take me outside to look at the stars and tell me about the constellations," she says.

Jessica planned at first to become a physician but then realized her first love was the theater. Still, her interest in the sciences continued through college, and she took several elective science courses, including astronomy. Looking back, she says, these courses built a foundation for another career choice if she decides not to continue in film production.

"I may end up in astronomy," she says, "and I would never have discovered that if I hadn't taken the course."

Aside from career considerations, astronomy gave Jessica an understanding of her place in the universe, and she enjoys being able to look up and find her way around the night sky.

Although astronomy is a male-dominated science, Hamilton says, she encourages women students interested in pursuing astronomy by telling them the story of her high school physics teacher.

"When I said I wanted to be an astronomer, he said, 'Don't bother. You won't make it.' And I decided I would show him I could do it."

As a graduate student, Hamilton was one of two women in her class. But the men treated her as an equal, she says, adding, "I made sure I was taken seriously."

*Professor Brown is interested in collecting historical information on the college astronomy program and the Clark telescope. She encourages alumni who have information or photos to contact her at Campus Box 5361, Connecticut College, New London, CT 06320-4196.*

*Those interested in the light pollution problem may write the International Dark Sky Association, 3545 N. Stewart, Tucson, Ariz. 85716.*

s and bring their families to see the beauty of the sky.”



Assistant Professor of Astronomy Leslie Brown is working to create more research opportunities for undergraduates at small colleges like Connecticut.

**A**stronomy is a way of life for Leslie Brown, who often teaches all day and stargazes until dawn. She is a radio astronomer by training, and studies very long baseline interferometry, which means she uses radio telescopes placed all around the world to look at objects in great detail. Her specialty is quasars, very distant, active galaxies with light output that changes violently and erratically. Quasars are so far away that it has taken hundreds of thousands of years for their light to reach us. By viewing them, astronomers are actually looking back in time and can learn something about the early history of the universe.

When she is not working with a telescope, Brown, who says she has spent much of her life close to nature, enjoys canoeing, hiking and identifying plants and trees. Her interest in astronomy began after she dropped out of college as an art major. When she returned to school, her questions about the universe led her to a course in the physics department. “I had no idea what physics was about,” Brown says. “But I had wonderful teachers who were very inspiring.”

Brown earned bachelor’s degrees in physics and Russian at the University of Delaware and a master’s degree and

doctorate in physics from Brandeis University.

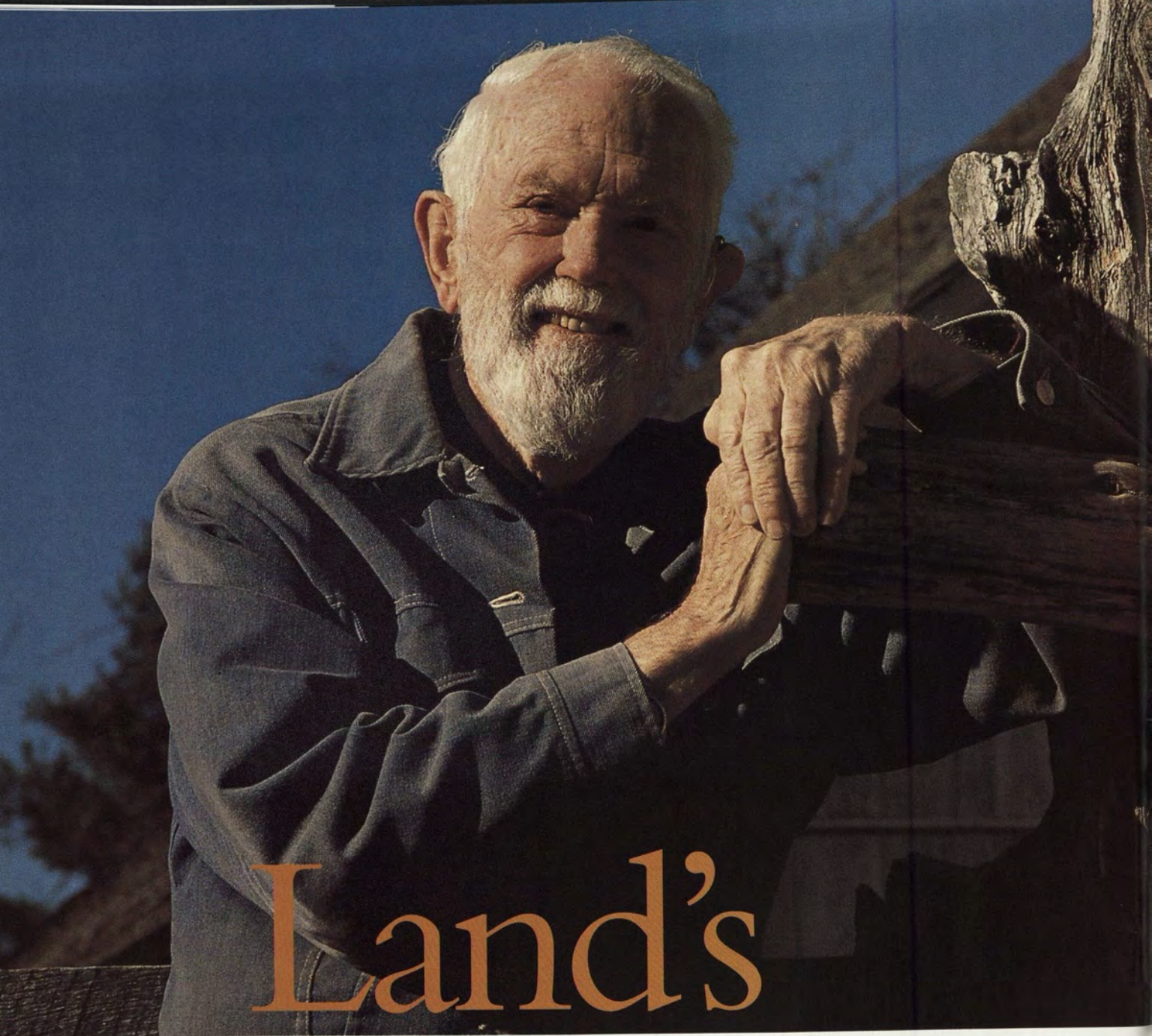
Now in her third year at the college, Brown has found that the best teaching facilitates hands-on demonstrations and encourages plenty of dialogue. “I like to get kids outside looking at the sky,” she says.

The most difficult part is that there is so little time to experiment with different approaches to learning, Brown says. “There’s an incredible array of software, teaching techniques and lab exercises, and I like to feel I know it all so I can bring the best to the students.”

Brown was selected to work on a National Science Foundation project to develop computerized laboratory exercises in astronomy. And through her membership in the Council on Undergraduate Research, she helps students at small institutions like Connecticut College find research opportunities and gain recognition for their work.

Whether or not her students choose a career in astronomy, Brown says she wants them to share her enthusiasm for studying objects in the sky. “It may open up an interest that extends beyond their formal learning, something that they can do and enjoy.”

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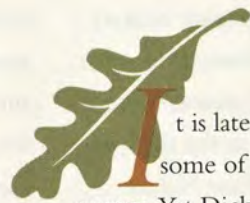
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*Fifty years after joining the Connecticut College faculty, Nature Conservancy co-founder Dick Goodwin is still one of the nation's most tenacious environmental advocates.*



It is late August. An early snap of cooler air has dried some of the summer's humidity, charging the days with new energy. Yet Dick Goodwin admits to the unimaginable: He has slowed down. Having postponed some meetings, even delayed a favorite trip to Martha's Vineyard, he apologizes now to a visitor for not getting up from his couch.

At 83, these things might be easily excused. It is not the years, however, that have taken a toll on Goodwin, just a recent accident on his property in East Haddam, Conn. The lanky, six-foot botany professor emeritus was loading wood into the back of his pickup when it slipped out of gear down an incline. Dragged by the truck as he ran alongside to reach for the stickshift, then slammed into a rock or two, he arrived back at his house battered and dripping with blood from a head gash.

Next time, maybe he'll get some help?

"Well, I'll just make sure I have the brake on," he says.

Putting on the brakes never came easily for Richard Hale Goodwin. There always was, and still is, too much work to be done.

As recent winner of the Garden Club of America's Hutchinson Medal, Goodwin is regarded in the same company as artist Roger Tory Peterson and *Silent Spring* author Rachel Carson. During his 32 years as chairman of the botany department at Connecticut College (he joined the faculty as a full professor in 1944) he expanded the college's Arboretum by hundreds of acres and pioneered the nation's first

by Lisa Watts

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**“How do you tell someone in his mid-80s that you can’t keep up with him?”**



major in human ecology. He also helped launch and steer the Nature Conservancy, an organization dedicated to protecting the habitats of endangered species worldwide, and the Conservation and Research Foundation.

Through two decades of so-called retirement, the causes seem as urgent to Goodwin as ever: Birds are losing their summer homes in the rain forest and their winter homes in the Northeast’s disappearing forests. We haven’t even figured out how to store radioactive waste.

“He continues to hold our feet to the fire,” says Leslie Corey, executive director of the Nature Conservancy’s Connecticut chapter. Goodwin still attends every national Conservancy meeting, Corey notes, and he always has his homework done. “How do you tell someone in his mid-80s that you can’t keep up with him?”

### **Rocking on porches**

Now in its 44th year and boasting total assets of \$915 million, the 740,000-member Nature Conservancy holds no less than 7.5 million acres of protected habitats across North America.

It is a powerful model for creating land sanctuaries worldwide.

The conservancy took root in the late 1940s when a group of scientists spun off from the Ecologists Union.

Most were professors concerned about losing their field sites as the post-war building boom ate up forests and filled in wetlands. Their mission soon broadened to saving threatened species of plants and animals. One of those orig-

inal members, Goodwin set the Nature Conservancy on the course it keeps today.

He recalls, for example, the purchase of the Northern California Coastal Range Preserve, which he orchestrated during his first presidency from 1956-58. The 3,000 acres

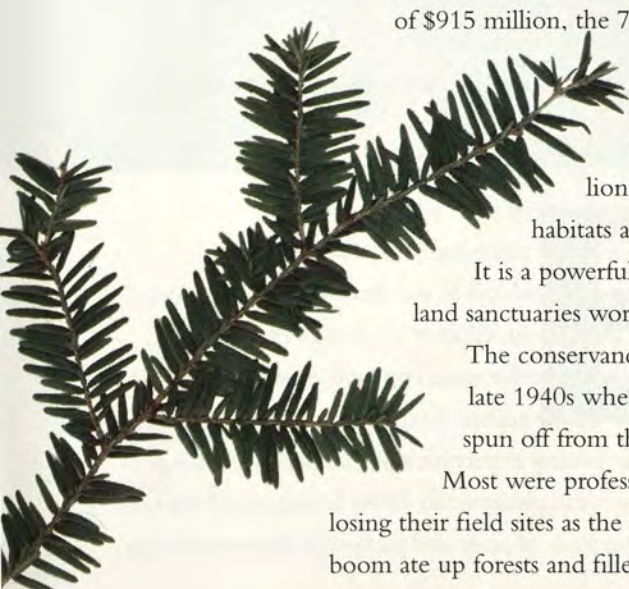
include one of the few surviving virgin stands of Douglas fir. Goodwin settled on a purchase price of \$100,000, but the Nature Conservancy hadn’t arranged for financing on that scale before — its annual budget was then around \$10,000 — and the seller was “a difficult gentleman. I sort of kicked people’s shins and got them to tackle this,” Goodwin says. The tract is now recognized by the U.N. as a Global Biosphere Reserve.

Goodwin had transacted his first land deal a decade before during his first teaching job at the University of Rochester. The roll-up-his-sleeves effort to save the nearby Bergen Swamp (now a National Landmark) set the tone for all his future successes.

William Niering, who joined the botany department at Connecticut College eight years after Goodwin came and has succeeded him in the Katharine Blunt professorship, learned the art of land acquisition at Goodwin’s side. Niering remembers visiting a Norfolk, Conn., man who owned more than a hundred acres of bog and lake in an area now called Beckley Bog, or the Frederick C. Walcott Preserve.

“We sat in rocking chairs in his kitchen and rocked and rocked until we finally got a price out of him,” Niering recalls.

Goodwin has rocked on many porches, leaned on lots of fences as he convinced farmers and landowners to sell or donate their marshes or forests. He has won grants, coaxed gifts out of



garden clubs — and if all else failed, reached into his pocket for the down payment.

### 'Life would be dull'

The Goodwins' contemporary home sits on a ledge in the middle of 50 acres of woods, streams and open fields. Esther Goodwin greets a visitor to the Dolbia Hill house and offers a guest book, signed by a dozen names in the last few weeks. During the conversation, she wordlessly excuses herself for a moment, pulling binoculars to her eyes to check the action at a birdbath in the yard.

A sense of going her own way is probably what first attracted Goodwin to his wife. When her father died in 1935, Esther Bemis, two years out of Vassar College, gave up her post as a nursery school teacher to look after her mother in Newton, Mass. Once, when visiting friends in New Hampshire's Waterville Valley, she met Goodwin, who had come to go climbing "with two girls in tow," Esther says. By the following spring the two were engaged. She's kept pace with her husband ever since, from their safari honeymoon through Africa to "barnstorming" trips

HEAD OF THE CLASS: Goodwin in 1946.



across the U.S. to drum up new chapters for the Nature Conservancy.

Goodwin says simply of his partner of 57 years, "Life would be very dull without her."

The two raised a son and daughter. Summers were spent camping and traveling, and Richard Jr. especially took to the outdoors. Today he is president of a firm developing biomedical research instruments. Mary

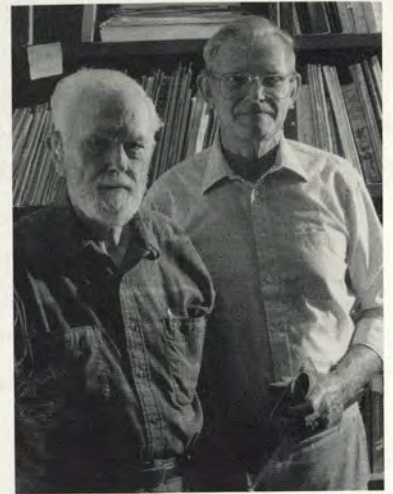
Linder, or Minda, was less enthusiastic about roughing it, her parents say. She works as a biologist at the University of Kansas.

Richard Sr. looks back on his own introduction to nature as something of a practical necessity growing up in the Boston suburb of Brookline. "I was a very sickly kid. Until I was 10 or 12 I was underweight, with bronchitis and asthma," he says. To build the strength of their only child, his parents took him West to early dude ranches and national parks.

At around 14, Goodwin remembers riding the Great Northern Railroad through northern Minnesota and seeing acres of burned forests. "It was then I realized the problems of forestry and that something had to be done about them," he says. As a Harvard undergraduate, he was diverted from forestry by courses in botany and zoology. He holds three Harvard degrees, earning a master's and doctorate in biology with a concentration in plant physiology.

### The warmest smile

Sue Greene Richards '54 says she will never forget the first day of classes in the fall of her freshman year. She recalls being nervous about her first botany class as she entered New London Hall.



BROTHERS IN ARMS: Enviro-warriors Niering (right) and Goodwin.



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“There, standing at the classroom door was a man with the warmest, most welcoming smile I’d ever seen in my life. I really needed that. I knew that was somebody I wanted to study with,” she says.

Richards went on to work in plant physiology and bacteriology at a research institute, inspired to pursue science at a time when many women were selecting husbands.

“He wanted the best for all of us; he had the highest expectations,” Richards says. “Most of us didn’t go on to graduate schools, but he prepared us as if we were. And he stressed not only academics but also practical skills.” Other stories recall the parties at his campus house, field trips with students packed into his Jeep wagon and summer internships he arranged.

Barbara Rice Kashanski ’54, was motivated by her former professor to get involved with the

Nature Conservancy, East Haddam Land Trust and other causes. In the 1970s he helped her and her husband, find a small farm down the hill from the Goodwins’. “He’s an extraordinarily open person. You feel at ease with him right away,” Kashanski says.

Goodwin’s research energies soon turned from plant physiology to the bigger picture of ecosystems.

“He really began a couple of decades before the Earth Movement ever started,” Niering once told a reporter. “He was in the avant garde then, and he is still working hard.”

In the early 1970s Goodwin created an inter-departmental, science-based major in human ecology, setting a national precedent while inspiring a new generation of students. One aim of the new major was the educating of faculty in other departments, to get involved in environmental issues.

David Foster ’77, and his future wife Marianne Jorgensen ’78, took their first botany class with Goodwin in 1974, shortly before he retired. Both subsequently added botany to their majors.

“The class was plant taxonomy, which is really plant identification. But in [Goodwin’s] eyes, it was not only that but an appreciation of plants in the wild, and of the wild itself,” says Foster, now a Harvard professor and director of the Harvard Forest in Petersham, Mass.

“I remember him telling us about when they were building Crozier-Williams on campus,” says Foster. “He got the president to get the engineers to divert the rain water off the roof and pipe it down to fill up the Arboretum pond. He was making the college think of itself as an ecosystem.”



CULTIVATING AN APPRECIATION OF THE WILD in the New London Hall greenhouse.

## Growing the Arboretum

The botany department at Connecticut College is unique for having access to a wide range of habitats within walking distance from students' dormitories, says Glenn Dreyer, director of the Connecticut College Arboretum. He is only the fourth director in the Arboretum's 64 years — Goodwin took over from its founder, George Avery and held the post for 19 years until turning it over in 1965 to Niering, who served another 23 years. Dreyer notes one advantage of such continuity: Undergraduates can conduct research in the same stand of woods that their professor inventoried 25 years ago, giving them comparison data that makes their findings worth publishing.

During Goodwin's tenure, the preserve grew from 90 to 400 acres, or 22 tracts, among them the 40-acre Mamacoke Island along the Thames River. He celebrated each new purchase by "getting out the map and working on the next piece" of land to acquire.

### The road less travelled

"He's the classic entrepreneur," Connecticut Nature Conservancy Directory Les Corey says of Goodwin. "If his thing had been Wall Street, he would have been a multimillionaire wheeler-dealer."

Instead, natural areas from the Connecticut coast to California, from Canada to Costa Rica are his dividends. He deeded his own property, Dolbia Hill, to the conservancy and has coaxed or given 400 or so more adjacent acres to create Burnham Brook Preserve, to which Connecticut College researchers have primary access.



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**Instead, natural areas from the Connecticut coast to California, from Canada to Costa Rica are his dividends.**

For all his individual honors, Goodwin prefers to see his work as a collective effort, not the acts of an individual.

"Science moves forward as an intricate, woven web," he says.

Although longevity is on his side — his mother lived to be 102 — Goodwin senses that time is getting shorter. Asked what disappointments he's had, he can point only to how he abandoned academic research as he became increasingly involved in conservation. "I'm much less well known as a botanist now, and at one point my botanical career was in full swing," he says. "But I don't have regrets — I think I did the more important thing."



8 pm ~ Hot and Spicy. Juan Madry, co-owner of Don Juan's International Combat-Style Cuisine, serves dishes like Jamaican jerk chicken and Cajun blackened catfish to a steady stream of customers in his laid-back Hodges Square eatery. Jazz and eclectic artwork are also on the menu.

P O R T F O L I O

# HOT SPOTS

Saturday night on the town with *Times* "Styles" photographer Miles Ladin '90.

**NEW LONDON** will never rival New York for night life. But that doesn't mean this small New England city doesn't rock. College students looking for something to liven up a Saturday night just have to know where to look.

Photographer Miles Ladin '90, who shoots for the "Styles" pages of the *N.Y. Times*, went along for the ride on several weekend forays off campus. Here are a few of the hot spots from his contact sheets.



8 pm ~ Margaritaville Mavens. Enchiladas and more keep students coming back to Margarita's in Mystic, a decidedly un-nautical enclave in this very maritime tourist town.



10 pm ~ Where Coffee is King. Gourmet beans for every palate at Mystic's Green Marble Coffee Shop provide java worshipers with an environment that's as close to coffee heaven as you can

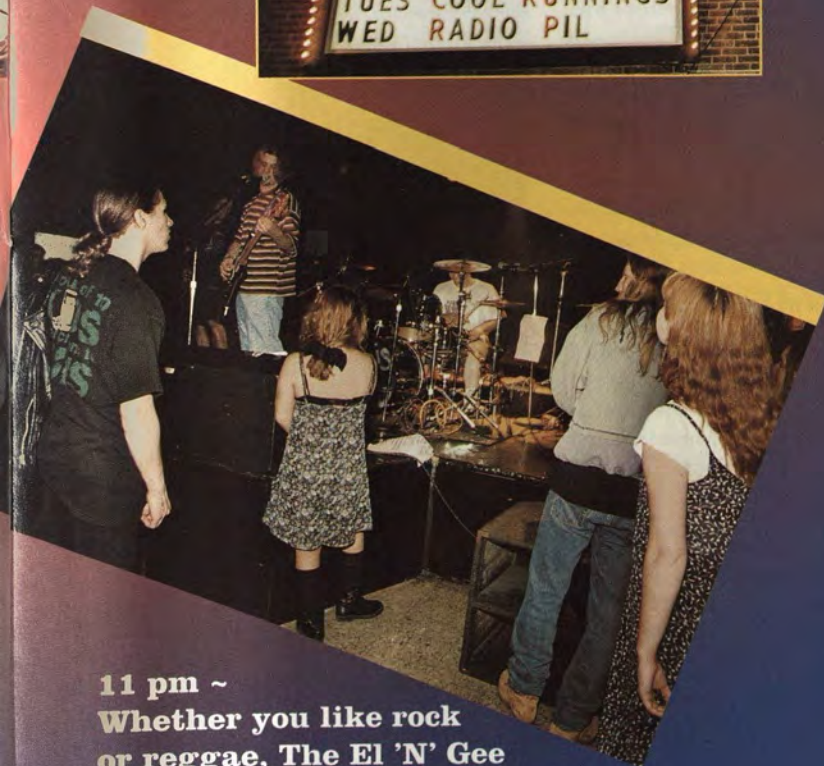




**Midnight ~ Pack your Suitcase.** Students come with packed overnight bags to a “Suitcase Party” in the Student Center. A ticket buys you and a friend a chance to be spirited away by limo to (where else?) New York City.



**Saturday Night Strike.** The really adventurous tackle the lanes at Holiday Bowl in Groton, a flashback to the '60s.



**11 pm ~** Whether you like rock or reggae, The El 'N' Gee Club is a must for live music in downtown New London. “See the bands of tomorrow at the El 'N' Gee today!” the club advertises. You might want to take in “Pungent Stench & Acid Bath” or the “Impotent Sea Snakes” or just dance 'til ya drop with “The Reducers.”



**Late Night with Rosie.** A diner straight out of the American tradition, Rosie's on Rte. 184 in Groton caters to late night cravings for meat loaf with mashed potatoes and comfort food.

# Class Notes

**19** Correspondent:  
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Hazel Converse Laun writes, "I am very happy here at Avery. I go to exercise classes — play bridge and Scrabble — walk outside every pleasant day. Have made many excellent friends. Physically I'm fine."

**25** Reunion: June 2-4, 1995  
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Beatrice Whitcomb, 8333  
Seminole Blvd. #554,  
Seminole, FL 34642

Dorothy Birdsey Manning's highlight of the year was her trip to Sarasota, FL, to visit a long-time friend. It was her first flight alone and a wonderful change to enjoy the hot sunny days. Back home in VT, her life has been busy with overnight visitors and doings of her grandchildren. Sarah, a National Merit Scholar, is entering the honors program at Northeastern. The twins, Arthur and Charles, were elected to be players on the all-star VT state high school football team to play against the NH team. Charles is entering Maine Maritime Academy, and Arthur is going to Allegheny College on a football grant. As usu-

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## Submission of Class Notes

Class notes may be submitted to your correspondent at any time. However, if you would like to have your notes appear in a specific issue — *Connecticut College Magazine* publishes six issues yearly: Winter (Feb.), Spring (April), Commencement (June), Summer (Aug.), Fall (Oct.) and Honor Roll of Giving (Dec.) — please make sure your class correspondent receives your news by the deadline listed below.

Issue	Your Deadline
Summer	April 15
Fall	June 15
Honor Roll	Aug. 15
Winter	Oct. 15
Spring	Dec. 15
Commencement	Feb. 15

All classes may contribute to each issue. If you need further information about submitting your news for class notes, please contact your class correspondent or Mary Farrar, assistant editor, *Connecticut College Magazine*, 270 Mohegan Ave., New London, CT 06320-4196.

al, Dot is looking forward to our 65th reunion at CC.

**Polly Deweese** is in Dover, MA, late spring to late fall and the winter months in Stuart, FL. She would love to play "catch-up" with any of you '31ers. You can get her addresses and telephone numbers from the CC alumni office or from yours truly, **Jerry Smith Cook** (address above).

**Alice Hangen** writes that an earthquake in Reading, PA, made the national television news. It was quickly forgotten because two days later, the Big One occurred in CA. Alice's brother was unable to get to Reading to celebrate Christmas in Dec., so she kept her decorations up — lights, manger scene, etc. until he could get there on Memorial Day! Alice was invited to spend a week with friends who have a home in Chesapeake Beach, with air conditioning and indoor swimming pool, so she was able to get away from the summer heat. There are about 20 CC alumni in the Reading area, and Alice recently went to one of their luncheons. She was, not too surprisingly, the oldest one there. Alice has recently given up driving but gets around quite well by taxi.

Not only does **Beatrice Whitcomb** keep busy with our class correspondence, but she has family cares also. Her brother's health is such that she must check on his physical welfare as well as his mail. We hope she takes time out for some of the many activities her residence offers.

**Winifred Beach Bearce** says she is much too busy to worry about growing old at 85. Her daily routine starts with exercising every piece of her body from neck to toes before getting out of bed. She recently lost the sight of one eye and as a result becomes dizzy and loses her balance. Other than that, she says she has no aches or pains. In Jan., Winnie started a latch hook rug for the July 16 wedding of her youngest granddaughter and is happy to say that it is now finished. At the wedding, she was ordered to wear a special dress and be ushered down the aisle first in the bridal procession. As of Sept., Winnie has 12 grandchildren! No need to ask if she's having fun.

It is with great sadness that we mention the death of **Alice Kindler** after a long battle with emphysema. Miss Kindler's death was incorrectly listed in the obituary column of the Honor Roll of Giving issue. She died on 10/19/94 not '93 as reported. We send sympathy to her family and friends.

In spite of our all being octogenarians with problems and often sad news, all of the letters I receive have an upbeat air about them. The Class of '31 is indeed very special.

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**35** Reunion: June 2-4, 1995  
Correspondent:  
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Wethersfield, CT 06109

**Katherine Woodward Curtiss** has just moved from her house to a retirement home. Call the Alumni Office, 203-439-2300, for her new address and phone number. This was after a tough time with a series of TIA's. Her three great kids rushed to rescue her from Oxford, OH, and CO. She's almost well again and looking forward to seeing us in June.

**Ceil Silverman Grodner** and Milt traveled to Boston to await, with their youngest daughter, the birth of Jonathan Daniel Mendoza, who, at 11 pounds, arrived 11 days later than expected. Later, they flew to Buffalo to attend the 50th anniversary of Milt's dental class from the U. of Buffalo. In Dec., Ceil and Milt celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary and expected their eight happy, bright and handsome grandchildren and parents to be there.

**Virginia Whitney McKee** also took a new apartment. (Address available from the Alumni Office, 203-439-2300.) She's enjoying the view of the Callosohatchie River with its boats. Her travels this year include a trip to Portugal and a marvelous Tauck tour to Scandinavia. Along with some short trips, she keeps busy with bridge, volunteer work and reading.

A retired golfer (I used to meet her at New London Country Club), **Mary Jane Barton Shurts** keeps busy with gardening and genealogical research to pass on to her five great-grands — three girls and two boys.

**Helen (Teddy) Bear Longo** is still doing very well training and showing dogs in obedience. She enjoys her four grandchildren and four great-grands.

It was a great year for **Charlotte Bell Lester** whose twin grandsons are at Duke and Colgate. She enjoyed dinner with **Dora Steinfeld Todd's** daughter and husband.

Class President **Virginia Diehl Moorhead** looks forward to seeing us all at our 60th reunion. In good health so far, she lives in a retirement eight-story high-rise on the banks of Lake Erie.

On behalf of **Ruth Fairfield Day** her husband writes that six years after a major

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stoke, Ruth's horizon is closing in. She is receiving top-notch care in a nearby nursing home and still recalls how much the four years she spent on the windswept hill have meant to her.

**Merion Ferris Ritter** doesn't miss the 90-degree heat and humidity of this last summer. She lost a brother in April and his wife in Aug. With our 60th approaching she is hoping our class can increase our giving for the occasion. Her husband, Julius, now walks very little, and his aphasia and hearing are worse. It is a blessing to live next door to daughter Ruth, her husband and their nice children, especially Lowell, who started at Dickinson College this fall.

**Ruth Fordyce Snead's** husband was stricken with a strep infection that has taken months after hip surgery to heal. They will not be able to go to FL this year, but she is keeping in touch with **Kay Woodward Curtiss** and **Barbara Stott Tolman** by phone.

**Elizabeth Farnum Hartzell** and Karl enjoyed their flower and vegetable gardens on Shelter Island, where they saw 23 different kinds of birds this summer. Karl is writing a book on human values, and Betty is having the fun of editing it. Winters are spent at Vicar's Landing in Sawgrass, FL, where they play golf, and she is taking a course in writing poetry. She has talked frequently with **Kay Woodward Curtiss** and **Ruth Fordyce Snead**.

After cataract surgery and lens implant in her left eye in June, **Barbara Hervey Reussow** came down with shingles on the left side of her face and scalp. She is now able to be back working in medical records at the hospital where she received a beautiful necklace from the hospital administration at the Auxiliary meeting in Sept. Their home is on the market, and they are looking at life care communities.

**Martha Hickam Stone** is in good health while enjoying her friends in lovely Tucson. She spent two weeks visiting her sons and their families in MI, but has lost her eagerness to travel without her husband. If she and **Kay Woodward Curtiss** are equal to it, she plans to be at reunion in June.

Having recovered from a bout with colon cancer, **Kay Jenks Morton** again walks one hour a day with a break in between. She and



### EXPLORING BAJA CALIFORNIA: FROM THE WHALE LAGOONS TO THE SEA OF CORTEZ

March 17-27, 1995

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### ARCHEOLOGICAL SEMINAR IN JERUSALEM

May 28-June 9, 1995

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### GEMS OF ITALY AND THE GREEK ISLES



The Star Odyssey

July 7-20, 1995

Join President of the College Claire L. Gaudiani '66 and her husband, Dr. David Burnett, on the *Star Odyssey* for a 14-day cruise through the Mediterranean. Visit ports in Greece, Crete, Malta and Italy.

### AN INSIDE LOOK AT CHINA WITH CHARLES CHU

September 25-October 12, 1995

See Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, The Great Wall, Beijing, the Yangtze River and more on this unique trip custom designed by Professor Emeritus of Chinese Charles Chu.



For more information on Alumni Travel, contact Bridget Bernard in the Alumni Office, 203-439-2300. All schedules subject to change.

Dick enjoy a leisurely life style, making cookies, refining collections and keeping in touch with friends.

**Audrey LaCourse Parsons** says getting out of bed is no problem, but arising after a long spell of sitting with her cat on her lap does take some doing. She rides her bike, volunteers, visits friends and her children, who think she's still 29.

At the end of June, **Ruth Lambert**

**Moore** moved to Lake Bluff, IL. En route from MA to IL, her daughter and granddaughter drove them on a lovely trip through Canada. Now she is enjoying seeing her other son, Peter, and grandchildren, who live nearby. Ruth has retired at 81 from her private practice in clinical psychology.

Like the rest of us, **Marjory Loeser Koblitz** has had her 80th birthday — she celebrated hers in London with Dick. Marjory's

first great-grandchild, Brooke, was born in Atlanta.

For her 80th birthday, **Esther Martin Snow's** sons threw a festive party with 87 family members and true friends, good food, perfect setting and nice music. John Hrones, husband of the late **Peg Baylis Hrones** was present. Marty bicycles, dances, canoes and fishes with Bill and continues to volunteer at Concord Hospital as she has for the last 30 years.

**Doris Merchant Wiener**, not at all well, is trying to act her part as membership chairman of the Arizona Mayflower Society. She is very proud of all the developments at the college and reads all literature sent her with great interest. She sends her affection to all classmates.

Self-proclaimed hedonist, **Janet Paulson Kissling**, plays golf and bridge several times weekly, which keeps her happy and healthy. Occasionally she trips to Atlanta and NYC. Although she thinks about a retirement life care community, so far she cannot commit herself.

We send our deepest sympathy to **Frances Rush Caldwell**, who lost her husband of 52 years, Billy, on July 7 at the age of 77. After caring for him for years Rushie says nothing is "right" yet, and she is grateful their children are nearby.

**Mary Savage Collins** recalls meeting the charming family of the late **Jane Cox Cosgrove** at her funeral gathering. They were pleased to meet some of Jane's classmates, because she had so enjoyed her years at Connecticut. Mary's daughter, Tara, and her five-year-old Samantha from NYC and her daughter-in-law, Sally, with her five-year-old Caroline came for a short visit. They swam in the nearby pool and saw the gym where Mary works out each week. Her family is busy planning for her 80th birthday party. Mary and I hope to drive together to the reunion.

**Vanessa (Pudge) Sawtelle** finds life full of work and play with a few ravages of time to cope with. This summer she read the books recommended by the college and liked particularly *Race Matters*.

Celebrating her 82nd birthday four times has been fun for **Dorothea Schaub Schwarzkopf**, who still works mornings with the Home Outreach Ministry for the elderly in Middletown. She'll be taking a cruise on the Connecticut River with six seniors and other elderly patients.

News comes from **Lois Smith MacGiehan** that she still works 50 to 80 hours a month on Lands End Association's finances, board meetings, etc. Neal keeps busy baking delicious bread in his new machine. They see their daughters, Ruth and Judy, with their children several times a year. Judy's Nancy, who lived with them last year, now has moved to a job in Richmond, leaving many possessions and her cat, who, with their elderly Sheltie, keeps them amused.

**Mabel Spencer Porter** had a celebra-

tion for her 80th at the Higganum Congregational Church, where she's been a member for more than 65 years and a choir singer for about 40 years. She has seen **Dottie Schaub Schwarzkopf** at church suppers in Durham through the summer and says Dottie hasn't changed at all. Mabel had eye surgery in Nov. and will have it again in the spring.

The greatest pleasure for **Polly Spooner Hays** is having all three of her children back in this country at last. Her son grows coffee in HI and often sends tickets for visits. Emily, a CC grad with a Ph.D. from the U. of London, lives in Boston. Barbara is in Columbus, OH. Polly visits them all as much as she can in order to see four grandchildren.

**Nancy Walker Collins** has both homes in RI and FL on the market and is moving to a retirement co-op in Providence. She expects to spend the winter and spring in FL as usual. Nancy remains active with painting and exercise at a yoga center.

## Travel with Study Abroad/Teach Abroad

### SPECIAL OFFER: SPRING BREAK IN CANCUN

March 14-20, 1995

As part of the Study Abroad/Teach Abroad Program a trip is being planned for one week during spring break to take in the Mayan cultural and architectural wonders of the

Yucatán in Chichén Itzá and

Tulum. The program will be based in the seaside resort of Cancún.

Other cultural activities such as an evening at the Ballet Folklórico will be available at an additional price. The trip

is open to all Connecticut College students, faculty, staff and alumni. Prices begin at \$889. For more information contact Assistant Professor of Hispanic Studies Julia Kushigian, Connecticut College, Campus Box 5562, 270 Mohegan Ave., New London, CT 06320-4196, 203-439-2239.

**SAFARI IN TANZANIA** in September with some of our students and faculty. Make your choice of adventure from climbing Kilimanjaro, camping in the Serengeti, or lodge accommodations. If this appeals to you call the International Program office 203-439-5390 for advance information.



**Marion White Van Der Leur** moves from her bed to a wheelchair and tries to visit a former roommate and observe craft classes. Occasional visits from **Subby Burr Sanders** and **Kay Jenks Morton** break the routine. Frequent notes from **Lois Smith MacGiehan** brighten her day.

**Ruth Worthington Henderson** is pleased with Connecticut College under the leadership of Pres. Claire Gaudiani '66. Since Plymouth Place is celebrating its 50th anniversary, Ruth is deeply involved in planning the special events, although she is physically unable to attend them. Medicare approved her need for a power operated vehicle, which brings her more freedom. She recommends a retirement center with a health care addition for all as we age.

Harry and I (**Subby Burr Sanders**) continue to play golf and support our church. Harry works for the church camp, and I go for flower donations and arts group. Parish visiting for two special shut-ins is rewarding. In addition, I just started volunteering for Common Cause Connecticut and am getting more understanding of political maneuvers. Our annual golf trip to Stoke Poges in England may be our last, but it was lovely. Our hosts visited us for two weeks; we played local courses and visited Mystic. There is something about an upcoming reunion that stimulates responses. It was great. See you in June.

The Class of '35 sends deepest sympathy to the families and friends of **Kathe Vanderhoof Bertine** and **Jill Albree Child** on 5/11/93 and 8/1/94, respectively.

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Did you notice in the May/June (Commencement) issue of *Connecticut College Magazine* there was a write-up about Megan Littlefield '94 (p. 17)? She was the second recipient of the '38 Endowed Scholarship Fund!

I noticed in *The Boston Globe* that Roy Freed, husband of **Anne Oppeheim Freed**, lectures about sculpture at the library in Sudbury, MA.

In Oct., Bill and I managed to wedge in a brief vacation to western MA where we visit-

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ed the new Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, the Clark Art Institute in Williamstown then on into VT and NH. Called **Bea Enequist Strifert** in Keene, but she was busy so we could not get together. Due to her arthritis, she only takes day trips with the seniors of Keene. Her granddaughters have graduated from college and high school.

**Betty Talbot Johnston** has a granddaughter teaching at Brimmer and May School in Boston. Betty lives in Tequesta, FL, close to Palm Beach so she can take advantage of the theater, ballet and symphonies. She plays a lot of golf and tennis and enjoys gardening. Says her terrace is a "veritable greenhouse." Betty went to France with a group from Sweet Briar College and made visits with her children in Buffalo, Nantucket and Rye, NY.



## The Connecticut College Club of D.C. Hosts Distinguished Speaker Event

More than 90 alumni, parents, students and friends gathered at the Democratic National Club on January 17, 1995 to hear President Claire Gaudiani '66, Rep. Sam Gejdenson from Connecticut's second district and Stephen Hess P '86, senior fellow of governmental studies at The Brookings Institution. Professor of Government Wayne



Roslin Arington

**Stephen Hess, father of James Hess '86, senior fellow of governmental studies at The Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.**



**Rep. Sam Gejdenson of Connecticut's second district.**

Swanson moderated the discussion. Topics included the media and its influence on public perception, the role of the first lady, the Clinton Presidency, the changes in the U.S. as we reach the year 2000 and the ability of the Congress to work collaboratively with the executive branch. The debate was candid and thought-provoking. As Wayne stated "this discussion has been good politics and good political science." Jennifer Meyers '88, president of the Connecticut College Club of D.C., stated in her opening remarks that "the event is the best we've put together as a club. We hope to offer this kind of affair at least once a year for area alumni."

Sincere thanks to the D.C. club volunteers for all the time and effort they spent preparing for the discussion. Special thanks also go to Lydia Morris '88 and Jennifer Meyers '88 for their energy and enthusiasm.

**Helen Swan Stanley** wrote that they are still living in the same house after 43 years and spend summers in upper NY at their family-owned place that sleeps up to 20-plus person! They range in age from two years to 78. In the spring they enjoyed an Elderhostel to the British Isles. Helen enjoys volunteer work and boasts that she can still climb "smallish mountains."

**Winnie Frank Randolph** made the decision to sell her house after living there for 30 years. She and Paul bought a unit in a development under construction. She was exhausted after having three garage sales.

**Win Nies Northcott's** son, Hal, sent her plane tickets for a visit with him at his home in MD and beach house on Chesapeake Bay. They were joined one morning by Merrill and **Jeddie Dawless Kinney** who were taking a cruise to the Mediterranean.

**Poofie Earle Brittan** and a friend visited Poofie's youngest daughter who lives in Honduras. In July, she became a great-grandmother. Poofie wrote that **Mu Beyea Cromwell** in VT had a visit with **Judy Waterhouse Draper** when she came north to CT to visit her brother.

Has anyone heard from or about **Betty Barton Turner, Juliet Bruere Bloor, Sherry Clark Bryant, Esther Gabler Robinson** or **Mildred McGourty Blair**?

Sympathy is sent to **Frances Blatch** on the death of her sister in Aug. '94.

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*Editors' note:* **Marillyn Maxted's** husband's last name was inadvertently omitted from the Fall '94 issue of *Connecticut College Magazine*. On 4/30/94, Marillyn married William W. Olmstead. The editors apologize for the omission and wish every happiness to the newly-married Olmsteads.

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Your correspondent saw **Shirley Wilde Andrews** here at lunch at Vinson Hall with mutual friends recently. Things are rather tough for Shirley right now as her husband is in a nursing home. Her mother, in her '90s, lives with Shirley's sister in NJ. Shirley's hobbies, golf and gardening, keep her going.

**Charlotte Craney Chamberlain** and Chuck live in beautiful, rural Waterford, VA. Chuck continues to practice law part-time, but his main interest is his Christmas tree farm. In spite of a pacemaker and two knee replacements, he can dig trees with the best of them. Charlotte calls herself a Jeffersonian gardener: as a city gal she came to gardening late, but loves to experiment with both flowers and vegetables, and with 30 acres there is plenty of room for both. The three Chamberlain children all live in distant parts. Daughter Ellen, a social worker, and granddaughter Katie, 15, visited from Minneapolis on the long Columbus Day holiday, leaving husband and grandson, Christopher, 10, at home. Daughter Christine, employed in the nuclear industry in the Tri-City area of WA, and her lawyer husband have two sons, 10 and 14. Son Chip is also an attorney. He and his attorney wife both practice in Grand Rapids, MI, and have two children: a girl, 7, and a boy, 4. Chuck and Charlotte own a condo in Fort Lauderdale that's the size of a telephone booth, Charlotte says, but big enough to hold them for two recuperative months every winter.

**Louise Spencer Hudson's** husband Johnny died of cancer on 3/5/94. They had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary only seven months earlier. The sympathy of the class goes to Spenny.

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**Libby Swisher Childs** and Orlo had as much fun or more as anyone else at reunion, even though it was their first time back in 50 years. "We made up for it in '94," Libby says.

**Jane Bridgwater Hewes** writes, "Reunion was a smashing success! Bill said '44ers are still smashing, too!'" They went to Harvard's 50th and a driving tour of the Maritimes and Québec — 10,000 miles.

**Frances Smith Minshall** agrees that reunion was wonderful. She had a busy sum-

mer, taking two granddaughters on a National Wildlife trip to Bretton Woods, NH. Son Werner's children visited her while he worked. "Julia and young Werner weeded my garden, and it has never looked so nice," the proud grandmother writes. Franny stays busy at Kelley's Island trying to get a museum built.

**Betty Monroe Stanton** is sorry to have missed our 50th – was embroiled in a move to Ipswich, MA. Spent Harry's 50th at a ranch in CO with four of his college roommates and their wives. Glorious mountain climbing, hiking, and riding. Betty is very impressed with *Connecticut College Magazine*.

**Doris Campbell Stafford** writes of recovering from a recent eye operation, "Life is much the same, only harder."

**Susan Balderston Pettengill** says, "How I hated to miss our 50th! What a great job everyone did to make it such a success (I hear that from everyone!)" Sue spent time at their small summer ranch in WY with their children and grandchildren. "Separate cabins for all — thank goodness **Mac Cox Walker** and Rufus visited for a week of relaxation. Wish more '44ers would stop and see us at the Cape or Naples."

**Almeda Fager Wallace** and Bill attended his 50th Coast Guard Academy reunion on Cape Cod and in New London. She was sorry to miss the CC 50th, but just couldn't make two trips from AZ plus one to the gala wedding of third daughter, Allison, in San Juan Capistrano.

**Lila Sullivan Murphy** had fun at reunion and was much impressed with our college president. She is enjoying retirement in Newport, learning tournament bridge and computers. Drove through the big country of ND, MT, and CO. "Best of all, finally have grandchildren — two girls, such a joy!"

The class wishes to extend its sympathy to Howard Payner and to the friends of **Sally Church Payner** who died 9/21/94 after a long illness.

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Reunion: June 2-4, 1995

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**Dorothy (Skip) Fiske Winnette** and Winn, their five children, four daughters-in-law and seven grandchildren all are fine and living in TX, although oldest son, Mark, is about to move to Chicago and a new job. Skip and Winn enjoyed a USCGA Class of '45 reunion in FL in Feb. In April, they were enjoying Jamaica with Elderhostel followed by a week near Cancun in Mexico to celebrate a son's birthday. In May, they spent three weeks in



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Sun City, FL. On Sept. 9th, the Winnettes sailed on the *Queen Elizabeth 2* for London. After five days in the U.K. they spent three weeks in Spain (mostly business) and then returned via the Concorde to the U.S. When not traveling, Skip is busy with Richardson Women's Club activities, bridge, exercise, crossword puzzles and reading.

Since her birth, **Priscilla Garland Westberg** has progressed south through eight states to reach the ninth, Florida, in Aug. '93. Her daughter, Sue, is getting a doctorate in media law at the U. of Florida and has her two sons in tow. In addition, Priscilla's 92-year-old parents are still living independently outside Jacksonville. Although she misses NC, she is enjoying the culture of Gainesville.

While on an Elderhostel in WA ("Fire and Ice Loop") during the last week in Aug., Priscilla met and enjoyed **Janet Kennedy Murdoch's** brother and sister-in-law from PA.

**Barbara Smith Peck** and **Lee Carr Freeman** spent several weeks in France recently. They traveled from the Normandy beaches to Nice and returned to spend five days in Paris.

**Kate Niedeken Pieper** had a super trip to AK in a small cruise ship with 82 passengers visiting Fairbanks, Denali Park and Anchorage.

**Joan Jacobson Kronick** and Al and

**Jean Mount Bussard** and Willis visited **Janet Kennedy Murdoch** and John at their charming summer house on Lake Paupac in the Poconos in early Aug. Your correspondent, **Skip Coughlin Rudolph** was invited to join them for luncheon during their visit. Everyone had a wonderful time and Jean, despite a continued battle with chronic fatigue and immune dysfunction syndrome, looked great and still had a radiant smile and hearty laugh.

**Ellis Kitchell Bliss** talked to **Janet Kennedy Murdoch** when Janet was visiting in ME. Ellie is working for good mental health care in ME, and doing her beautiful quilting, while Harry commutes to New Haven four days a week to work on a project at Yale.

**Elsie Williams Kelly** enjoyed getting together with old friends at Southampton, LI, during the summer, and visiting Portugal and Spain on a Tauck Tour in Sept. During Oct. she visited her grandson and others in NH.

**Shirley (Chips) Wilson Keller** invited the NY and PA mini-reunion members to hold their pot-luck luncheon at her new house in Vestal, NY. Those attending were **Mary Margaret Topping DeYoe**, **Ruth Seal**, **Mary Gates**, **June Hawthorne Sadowski**, **Barbara Smith Peck**, **Janet Kennedy Murdoch**, **Skip Coughlin Rudolph** and **Shirley Wilson Keller**.

Eleanor Tobias Gardner, who had hoped to join us, was on an extended trip to England and Switzerland.

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Dear classmates: thanks as always for writing! Sorry there was no '48 news in last issue, but I was recovering from surgery (successful). *Connecticut College Magazine* is trying to stretch class notes space to accommodate an increasing number of alumni! So, if my notes seem a bit bare-boned, that's why. Also, dear readers, be aware that your news of plans for future events — like trips, weddings, can't be printed. Events must have taken place. Thanks for your cooperation.

My apologies to **Enid Williford Waldron**, who did *not* take a job in S.E. Asia! She did however, ride an elephant in Chiang Mai and also in the Chitwan National Forest.

**Ginny Keifer Johnson** and Dick visited the Waldrons in ME, where they spend their summers.

After a brief stay in Sun City, AZ, **Frannie Farnsworth Armstrong** and Henry have moved to an "extremely pleasant" retirement community called The Villa Marin, in San Rafael, CA. Frannie enjoys flowers blooming in winter and reuniting with local '48ers.

**Fran Ferris Ackema's** daughter Carol, like so many young people, has moved to OR (Sun River).

**Marge Reichgott Sosnik's** son Doug now works 12-hour days in the White House as deputy director of public legislation! Marge and Bob "had a fling in AZ!"

**Phyl Barnhill Thelen** has been awarded

# Legacy List for the Class of 1998

*The tradition continues ...*

## Student

Michael Brown

Adam Bunting

Stephanie Chelminski

Morgan Connor

Brian Gilmore

Elizabeth Handy

Samuel Hopkins

Benjamin Ives

Laura Ludvigson

Elias Slyder

Alexander Todd

Lydia Tower

## Relative

Gertrude Gaffney Brown '70, mother

Ann Doughty Bunting '65, mother

Brien Mutrux Chelminski '67, mother

Lilly Weseloh Maxwell '42, grandmother

Jeannette Holmes Beach '41, grandmother

Deborah Swanson Handy '67, mother

Wendy Wilkins Hopkins '72, mother

Elizabeth Saalfeld Ives '64, mother

Gail Rosenberg Ludvigson '64, mother

Caroline Bartholomew Medina '64, mother

Jane De Olloqui Harris '39, grandmother

Caroline Townley Von Mayrhauser '44, grandmother

the '93 Marin Art Citizen award and also a similar award from the Marin County Cultural Center and Museum. Phyl is chairperson of the San Rafael Cultural Affairs Commission. She and husband, Max, an attorney, have four children.

**Bim Weigl Ledbetter** and husband Jack now spend summers in Greenwich, CT, and winters in Delray Beach, FL. They enjoy skiing, golf, tennis and their sons and five grandchildren, three in prep school.

**Wee Flanagan Coffin**, retired from 30 years of teaching, and husband, John, were rejuvenated by a two-week trip to Ireland,

where they happily pursued geology (John) and genealogy (Wee).

**Barbara (Bebe) Bates Stone** and Aidan had a lovely trip to Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland where they saw "almost no overweight people: amazing what walking and bicycling can do for the figure." The Stones have nine grandchildren, ranging from a sophomore at Bryn Mawr to a three-year-old. "Our life is very simple," says Bebe, "friends, books, volunteering, a little quilting, and housework if pressed."

**Dot Greenhall Beller** is retired from her position as a social worker, leaving her free to pursue bridge, reading, and volunteering in an English as a Second Language program. Husband Jerry is semi-retired, so they have time for traveling and visiting grandchildren—two in Miami, OH, and two in Bristol, RI. Dot sends greetings to all '48ers.

**Joan Dimmitt Whittington** presents the following aging categories for us to mull over: 65-75, the go-go elderly; 75-85, the slow-go elderly; and 85 and above, the no-go elderly. Joan and Dick, go-go elderly, often use medical and health care reform meetings as springboards.

**Jackie Fihn Isaac** enjoyed her family's 18th annual spring trip to Abaco, Bahamas, with three children, three spouses, five grandchildren, and one friend.

**Shirl Reese Olson** traveled to Russia, then spent Thanksgiving in São Paulo, Brazil,

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**Ellen Shapiro Vitetta '64**, a microbiologist who is the head of the Cancer Immunology Center at the University of Texas Southwestern, was elected to the National Academy of Sciences — one of the highest honors attainable by an American scientist. In addition, Vitetta also received the Outstanding Teaching Award from second-year medical students at UT Southwestern.

**Susan Kronick '73**, chief operating officer of Rich's/Goldsmith's was recently named by *Business Week's* as one of the 50 executives in the U.S. most likely to become CEOs.

**Nancy Marks Smith '73** of Blandford, Mass. has been elected counsel to the Paul Revere Insurance Group, based in Worcester, Mass. She joined the company in 1991 and most recently served as associate counsel.



Waters '74

**Virginia Skord Waters '74**, assistant professor and chair of the Asian Studies department of Manhattanville College, was awarded the annual New York Teaching Excellence Award sponsored by the Independent College Fund through the Bank of New York. An accomplished Asian Studies scholar, she is a frequent contributor to *Mangajin*, a magazine of popular Japanese culture and the author of *Tales of Tears and Laughter: Short Fiction of Medieval Japan*.

**Nancy Gruver '75**, publisher of *New Moon* magazine won the following awards for her publication in 1994: *Utne Reader's* Alternative Press Award for best new maga-

zine; a Distinguished Achievement Award from the Educational Press Association; and the Parent's Choice Honor award. *New Moon* is an advertising-free magazine edited by and for 8-12 year-old girls. For subscription information, write to *New Moon*, at P.O. Box 6255, Duluth, MN 55806.

**Paul Stueck '85** has been promoted to director of technology at Output Technologies at the business communication solutions company's Boston facility. Stueck will oversee the company's technical departments including: IBM main-frame and PC development and support, telecommunications and laser form development. Stueck joined Output Technologies in 1990.

**John Maggiore '91** was appointed District Office coordinator last month for New York State Assembly member Sam Hoyt (D-Buffalo and Grand Island.) Maggiore, a Buffalo native, has served as confidential assistant to Governor Mario Cuomo for the past two years.

**Carole Nossek MA '91** was selected from among 300 teachers as the New London Teacher of the Year. She teaches second grade at Winthrop Elementary School in New London.

**Alex Barrett '92** and two of his fellow students at Yale School of Architecture won a competition to design an accessible award stand for the Special Olympics next year.

**Adam Greene '92** was awarded First Prize in the 1994 National Association of Composers' (NACUSA) competition for his suite for violin and celesta, "Five Phases of the Naiad's Lament." Greene earned an M.M. last year in music composition from the New England Conservatory of Music and is studying in Milan.



Maggiore '91

with son Chris and his family. Shirl keeps "really busy" as president of F.I.S.H., which runs a thrift shop for the needy. She is running her 50th H.S. reunion with **Joan Wilmarth Cresap** on the committee.

**Phyllis Hoge**, now home from "the China experience," spent the long teachers' vacation walking across the China-Vietnam border with a colleague from "of all places, Albuquerque, NM!"

**Eleanor Allen Meyer** and Bob, both retired, are enjoying "a wonderful life." Their son runs their restaurant business and their daughter is an assistant director of a special education training program.

**Shirley MacKenzie Wilton's** "greatest satisfaction" lies in her three sons and their families. She loves occasional get-togethers with **Pat Dole**, **Joan Wilmarth Cresap** and other '48ers.

**Dodie Quinlan McDonald** had a surprise reunion with **Sallie Ward Lutz** at a tennis team tournament in FL!

**Eddie LeWitt Mead** remembers that the late **Amy Yale Yarrow** roomed across the hall from her freshman year. Eddie remembers **Cal Blocker Lane** as a "lovely, charismatic person."

Congratulations to **Mary Jane Patterson Law** on joining the grandparent brigade at last! Daughter Prudence and her husband, Fred Heinler, are the happy parents. We look forward to learning the name of the new arrival.

Lastly, the class extends sympathy to **Shirley Ross Donahue**, whose husband Jack lost his 18-month battle with cancer in March '94.

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**Jane Smith Moody** writes it was a grand and glorious reunion with everyone looking so well and in such good spirits. We loved it all back then and obviously still do. Jane and husband, Bill, took their first organized tour: the Audubon to France. They found **Mike Hillman Augenblick** and Gilbert on a rooftop under berets at Mont-St-Michel. Much merriment! Mike's son-in-law has a mural in Paris. Four days later they found **Eddie Barnes Bernard** and husband, David, in front of the Monet Museum in Paris. Eddie was very chic and knowledgeable as she's a docent at the Metropolitan Museum in NYC. They dined with them later on Ile-St-Louis.

**Estelle Markovitz Schwartz** is president of the Manchester/Northshire AARP chapter and the representative to the Southeastern Vermont Council on Aging. Her whole family gathered to celebrate son Bill's little girl's first birthday.

**Minette Goldsmith Hoffheimer** enjoys retirement in FL. She is taking painting lessons and is involved with Boca Raton

## ALUMNI CALENDAR



### INSIGHTS '95

Volunteer Training/Recognition  
March 31-April 1

### CONNECTICUT COLLEGE COUNCIL

April 1-2

### ALUMNI TRAVEL ✈

Archeological Seminar in  
Jerusalem With Prof. Roger  
Brooks

May 28-June 9

### REUNION '95

June 2-4

### ALUMNI TRAVEL ✈

Gems of Italy and the Greek Isles  
With Pres. Claire L. Gaudiani '66

July 7-20

### ALUMNI TRAVEL ✈

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Professor Emeritus Charles Chu

Sept. 25-Oct. 12

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**Jean Pierce Tayerle** had a marvelous time on a Mexican cruise. After 36 years, she is selling her Deerfield, IL, house and moving to Saugatuck, MI.

**Jan Simmons Eblen** combines time with her six grandchildren with working on displays and designs as a merchandise manager for an upscale furnishings shop.

**Gracie Smith's** plan to be at reunion was thwarted by a fall on ice resulting in a back injury. She still suffers from migraines and would like to hear from fellow sufferers.

**Marilyn Viets Davis** spent March in HI. Her son, Richard, is an orthopedic surgeon at the Kauai Medical Group. They are selling their NH house and will make Tucson their primary abode. She will not be far from **Jean Carter Bradley**.

**Phyl Hammer Duin** is enjoying retirement. They travel as much as possible. They went on a ski trip to Chamonix, France, and she writes how's that for name dropping!

**Judy Schultz Hubbell** was widowed in '90 when her husband of 40 years died of lung cancer. She is a Hospice volunteer and busy with church activities, gardening and oil painting. Her four children are happily married and she has eight grandchildren.

**Clare Willard Sisk** lives amid the Clear Lake/NASA community that keeps her interested in all NASA activities. Her children are all grown and pursuing productive lives.

**Dottie Cramer Dodson** still has her art studio in FL and is a trustee of the Florida Museum of Art. She would love to hear from other CC Floridians.

**H.J. Wettach**, retired after 43 years with the U. of North Carolina, enjoys the relaxed schedule. Her most recent overseas travel was to Scandinavia. She continues with singing, local activities and is on the church building committee.

**Ronnie Jasch Matern** enjoys retirement in AZ. She has three married children and almost four grandchildren. Ronnie and her husband, Don, volunteer with a 12-step program for parents of kids with drug problems.

**Gale Holman Marks** is having some luck publishing, mostly essays inspired by her creative writing class. She still makes and sells her greeting cards. Skiing, golf, tennis and choral singing round out her activities.

**Nancy Henneberger Matthews** is having too much fun to retire. As vice president for Arts and Communications at Meridian International Center, DC, she has been to Israel and South Africa with a group of international museum directors. Her son-in-law photographs for *The National Geographic*, and her sons are scattered in London, Munich and Monterey.

**Babs Ayers Herbst** writes at 3:00 a.m. on foal watch for one of her daughter's mares. She has enjoyed husband Don's Princeton class sponsorship of a studies program on world changes since '46. In the fall of '92, she enjoyed meeting Barbara Bush and Millie at the White House. They were filling in for George, who was in Don's 50th reunion class

at Andover

**Liz Stone** won first prize in the *US Rowing* photography contest. Liz took up rowing two years ago and rows out of the Open Water Rowing Center in Sausalito.

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Children's weddings appear to be the big news this fall. **Roldah Northup Cameron** writes that she and **Nancy Clapp Miller** not only share a birthday, but also shared a child's wedding day last June 4. Roldah's son, Alex, was married that day to Ann Stephenson in Columbia, MO. Says Roldah, "Their wedding was wonderful; those Missouri folk really know how to entertain. All my children took part in the festivities." After honeymooning in Jamaica, Alex and Ann are settling into their new life in DE where Alex is a t.v. reporter and Ann is a tennis pro.

Roldah was in Charlottesville in April for part of Garden Week and visited with **Joey Dings Haeckel** and Gerry who gave a dinner party for Roldah and her hosts. "The Haeckels' spread, Gallant Hill Farm, looked beautiful in spring dress." Roldah and **Bev Benenson Gasner** are now summer neighbors. Bev and Al recently completed a home in Henlopen Acres, DE.

**Nancy Clapp Miller's** youngest child, Amy, also married on June 4, had a gorgeous day, bright sunshine and a reception at an inn overlooking Long Island Sound. Mutual '51 friends of Nancy and Roldah had a tough choice to make. **Jo Appleyard Schelpert** and John, **Joey Dings Haeckel**, **Jane Keltie**, **Margie Erickson Albertson** and Murray attended Amy's wedding to Guy Tully in the same church Nancy and Walter were married in 40 years ago! All five of the Millers' children gathered in Madison for the long weekend. Amy and Guy are now living in Boston where Amy is promotion manager of the Boston Ballet. Guy's a lawyer.

Peter, the third and last of the Wolman clan, was married in Baltimore on Sept. 24 to Bea Kessler. Happily, **Paula Meltzer Nelson** and Mel were able to be with us for what proved to be a wonderful weekend. Peter and Bea had a brief honeymoon in Cape May, NJ, and now are living in Peter's house in Silver Spring, MD, while busily house hunting. Peter is a real estate agent and Bea works with a nonprofit organization that contracts with government agencies to plan conferences on health issues.

Museum. A Mediterranean cruise kept her from reunion.

**Bobby Miller Smachetti** and **Judy Winton Dayton** literally bumped into each other at Sun Valley and after hoots and hollers, spent a lovely evening together with their husbands.

**Emily Ottenjohn Scherz** fondly remembers friends made at CC. She is grateful that her nursing school training has enabled her to care for her critically ill husband. She writes that Arthur Quimby's music appreciation course is a godsend as a stress reducer.

**Phyl Peters Bellah's** husband, Jim, is still a submarine consultant, and she is happy selling real estate.

**Josephine Parisi Beebe** implemented legislation for Parenting Education for Divorcing Parents. Jo served two weeks at the Red Cross Disaster Center following the Northridge, CA, earthquake.

## Kristina Gunnill '68 *To Russia, with capitalism*

**"HAPPINESS IS A WORKED-OUT SKILL."** THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS that Kristina Gunnill's new friends in Russia say Gunnill has taught them.

Three decades after many of her classmates were joining the Peace Corps, Kristina Gunnill '68, left her job as a vice president of the Young & Rubicam advertising agency and became one of the first Peace Corps volunteers in Russia. For the past three years, she and the Peace Corps have worked to establish the Saratov Center for Business Development, where she has launched courses in business English, trained local ad agencies, started a consulting group for economics graduates and organized a women's business club. She is also learning to cope with the disease — multiple sclerosis — that began to claim her eyesight only three months after enlisting in the Peace Corps. And although her vision has returned, the disease has affected her in other debilitating ways. Always one to take a proactive stance, she founded one of the first chapters of the Multiple Sclerosis Society in Russia.

As a *New York Times* journalist described her in a profile last December, Gunnill "has a gift for selling the upside of capitalism and identifying young Russians who can benefit from her experience and enthusiasm." She recently re-enlisted for a third year in Russia.

# ALUMNI NEWSMAKERS

## Wendy Burns Conquest '69 *Lights, camera, ethics...*

**D**OCUMENTARY FILM MAKER WENDY BURNS CONQUEST '69 IS TURNING her camera on a subject that frequently eludes everyone but philosophers — ethics. A senior research fellow at the Dartmouth College Ethics Institute, Conquest has teamed up with ethics professor Demi Elliott and film maker Bob Drake to produce videos on subjects such as prenatal genetics testing ("The Burden of Knowledge"), the media's role in health care and journalism ethics. The team also is developing a film and study guide that teaches business ethics.

After working on several history documentaries through the 70s and 80s with Ken Burns's Florentine Films (her credits include scriptwriting and voice-overs on "The Shakers," "The Civil War" and "Baseball") Conquest went into independent documentary production. "Maybe the most exciting thing for me is that this has all come my way in my forties. It's not so bad being a late-bloomer," she says.



Wendy Burns Conquest '69 (middle) with film maker Bob Drake (left) and ethics professor, Deni Elliott (right).

## Margit Rowell '59

*"Not a mainline modernist"*

**M**ARGIT ROWELL '59 BRINGS A balanced perspective — both historic and contemporary, American and European — to her new



role as chief curator of drawings at New York's Museum of Modern Art.

Fresh from a curatorial position at the Georges Pompidou Center in Paris, where she was chief curator in charge of sculpture and completing work on a retrospective of Brancusi, Rowell is counting on her intuition as she takes on her new duties. "If you're lucky, you have a gut feeling that an artist is doing something important," she recently told *ARTNews*. "You shouldn't show art because it is newsworthy but because you really believe in it."

The one-time art history major's tour of duty also has included curatorial positions at the Guggenheim in New York, chief curator at The Reina Sofia in Madrid and director of the Joan Miró Foundation in Barcelona. — LHB

What a superb letter we all received from **Phyllis McCarthy Crosby**, our class agent chair, in Oct. written "somewhere over the U.S." as she was returning from Indonesia. Hopefully all '51ers are responding to her eloquent exposition on her travel experiences and the connections a solid education enables us all to make though the years.

Yours truly is happily enjoying retirement that provides the opportunity to do all the things we always wanted to do! Please let Iris and me keep hearing from you. — **Sue Askin Wolman**

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**Sidney Brown Kincaid** had a glorious summer in WI but missed her usual canoe trips because of a "silent cardiac arrest" and angiogram. She is now back in FL doing well and enjoying travel and miniature painting.

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**Norma Hamady Richards** and Ed have a new grandson, Nicholas Moore, born 5/29/94 to their daughter, Andrea, and son-in-law Rich in San Francisco, CA. Brother Zach is three. Norma's daughter, Laura, and her husband Tom are living with the Richards temporarily in Kensington, MD, while they house hunt. Tom now has his MBA. Ed keeps busy with his practice and is on the Board of Holy Cross Hospital. Norma still enjoys her "job" at St. Albans Boys School in DC.

**Joan Silverherz Brundage's** latest news includes a business convention in CA with Lyle. Daughter Elizabeth is working on "the Great American Novel" and is a visiting professor of Creative Writing at Trinity College in Hartford. She sees **Phyllis Hanft Stern**, who lives in Somers, NY, and has an antique shop in nearby Bedford. Joan has heard also from **Devra Newberg Baum** and Lester. They live in Rockville, CT, and their son, Michael, lives close-by with three children. Daughter, Marjorie, is in Wilton also with three children.

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*Reunion:* June 2-4, 1995  
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**Adrienne Audette Feige** and her husband, Norman, moved to Southern IN after 32 years in Westchester County, NY. They now own Norman's family's farm and are raising beef cattle, soy beans and corn. They are also updating the almost 150-year-old farmhouse, doing most of the work themselves. She mentioned particularly how lovely the weather has been there this fall. She is looking forward to coming east in the spring and expects to include our reunion in her plans.

**Joan Frank Meyer** is working hard with co-chair **Margot Colwin Kramer** on plans for our upcoming reunion. They met in May '94 with several of our classmates to gather ideas. She asked anyone with an idea to contact either of the co-chairs. She is a psychotherapist in private practice in NYC and Westchester County, NY. She and her husband are "edging toward retirement." They have traveled extensively, the latest trip having been to the Canadian Rockies. Over the years, she has seen **Adele Mushkin Stroh**, **Valerie Marrow Rout** and **Joan Stulman Gilbert**.

**Cynthia Myers Young** writes that she and her husband, Avery, have a new grandson, who joined a big sister earlier this year. They celebrated Avery's birthday in Rehoboth, DE, with a "nor'easter" that brought wind and waves — which they loved. She exhibited in four juried art shows during '94 and is preparing for a solo show in DC that opens in Jan.

**Martha Williamson Barhydt** and her husband, Dirck, have four wonderful grandsons. One of their daughters-in-law and one son-in-law graduated from CC.

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Reunion '96 — far, but not so far. Each reunion has its own unique chemistry, depending upon who comes. Please start planning now to come to New London.

**Married:** **Helen Sormani Lepke** to Charles Beckham Tichenor II, 9/3/94.

Marriages for both sons of Richard and **Amelia Noyes Baughman**: Eric, last Aug. on his parents' wedding anniversary, and Scott, next Jan. Their daughter Melissa, CC'86, is taking graduate courses at Harvard.

**Deborah Gutman Cornelius** assumed her one-year role as coordinator of the accreditation process for the American Endowment School in Budapest — this to prepare the school for approval by our Middle States Association, making it the model for other non-English speaking schools. Debby encourages visitors.

Though **Cynny Korper Porter** teaches second grade at home in WI, she and her husband are near enough to MN for visits to their married children and seven-month-old granddaughter, Laura.

**Helen Sormani Tichenor** continues as associate vp of Clarion U. in PA and occasionally teaches a German class. Her daughter Janet is a dietician in Los Angeles, and younger daughter, Kristen, is an attorney in Cleveland. The Tichenors occasionally see Bill and **Linda Cooper Roemer**. Helen travels a good deal, especially to Malta where she has established a thriving exchange program. "Life is great!"

**Doris Driscoll Condren** welcomed another grandchild this summer, joining three others divided between NYC (daughter Amy, CC '82) and the Boston area.

**Letty McCord Danforth** is national training director for a high-end women's clothing collection and is responsible as well for the recruiting program. She and Bill have two sons: Richard, in Houston, and William, in Chicago.

When not at home in NC, **Ginger Simone Ladley** and John divide their time in visits to Switzerland and to Chile, where their youngest son, Chris, carries on his project.

On a recent visit to New London **Mary Roth Benioff** and Dick purchased an anniversary painting from Professor Emeritus of Chinese Charles Chu for their son Andrew (CC 1987) and daughter-in-law, Neriko. Mary and Dick were thrilled by the Chu-Griffis Asian art collection. "We urge visitors to the campus to see it!"

Following a spring trip to Israel, **Marge Lewin Ross** continues to work on the summer advisory service "Tips on Trips and Camps." Marge and daughter Nancy, who has returned to the U.S. after two years in Prague, visited artist daughter, Catherine, a Dartmouth graduate living in San Francisco.

After 17 years and with much to share, **Sally Smith LaPointe** and **Jo Milton Williams** met for a reunion lunch. Sally and her husband, Mort, have three more grandchildren (six total). Now that her successful summer flower business is finished, they have time for winter pursuits: travel, football and field hockey games.

**Suzanna (Moe) Martin Reardon** reports her annual summer reunion in CT with **Jan Helander Sayre** and **Marilyn Dunn Mapes** and a day's visit in Sept. with **Anne Browning** in ME. "It's great fun meeting everyone's adult children."

Charlie and **Annie Lewis Cooper** will publish their first book together (her third) in '95 — an illustrated art history of black pilots and crew members.

**Nellie Beetham Stark** has sent a list of her on-going projects: "raising llamas and native OR plants, writing and consulting, doing a little goldmining and rock hounding." She calls this her retirement.

**Ann (Bonye) Fisher Norton** writes of travel to the Hebrides to see early Celtic

Christian sites. She and her husband met with standard Hebridian weather "rain and a gale force-8 wind." Since then, they have pulled back to more temperate U.S. locales but, by Oct. they were off to Zurich. At home, Bonye continues to work as a hospice volunteer, as a member of her church vestry and as a book discussion leader.

Eighteen years as a travel agent have enabled **Beth Ruderman Levine** and Larry to adventure travel to the Arctic, Nepal, the Baja and the Amazon. They have four grandchildren, daughter Jill in South America and sons, Jonathan and Teddy, who work in Manhattan and Chicago, respectively.

**Jaki Rose Bailey** works as an independent legal contractor and will volunteer with the Literary Volunteers of America. Jaki's daughter, Lise, travels "all over the globe" in her job as financial analyst in NYC.

**Elise Hofheimer Wright** is both a trustee of the Valentine Museum of Richmond, VA, and chairman of its Collection Committee. She also serves on the historic house committee for the Chrysler Museum in Norfolk. Son, Wesley, was recently married and has begun study for an MBA at the U. of Virginia.

"Finally we are grandparents" reports **Joyce Bagley Rheingold**. Jack McCartney arrived last spring. His father has just joined the Rheingold and McGowan law firm where son David also works. Youngest son, Ted, heads for Bangladesh for one year as an international development volunteer. Martin and **Suzi Rosenhirsch Oppenheimer** spent Labor Day weekend with the Rheingolds. Joyce's husband, Paul, ran in the NYC Marathon to celebrate his 60th birthday!

As noted, **Suzi Rosenhirsch Oppenheimer** and Martin spent Labor Day weekend with all the Rheingolds — "What a treat!" As planned, last year the Oppenheimers spent a week in Tibet and trekked to Nepal with their four children. As was expected, Suzi ran unopposed for her sixth term in the NY State Assembly.

Although she and her husband will work in Phoenix (near three of their five children) for the winter, **Jane Haynes DuPlessis** counts Chinook, WA, as home "right at the mouth of the mighty Columbia River." Lou works in the resort campground industry; Janie volunteers for the local Crisis Pregnancy Center and is a board member and fundraiser as well.

**Linda Cooper Roemer** wrote from the British Isles where she and Bill were on vacation, charging up for a return to Sewickley, PA, and the move into their 10th house — both for their retirement and for a long-term house restoration project. They love Sewickley, and retirement away is not them.

**Gloria (Skip) MacArthur Van Duyne** was "back full-steam in five weeks," recovered from a Feb. hip-replacement operation. Still running her shop and volunteering for the Flint Cultural Center, the Flint Institute of Music and the Whaley Children's Home.

Launching a freelance business in desktop publishing, graphic design and editing, **Barbara Jenkinson** has resumed her maiden name and has the freelance freedom to visit near and far children and her three grandsons.

Bill and **Sue Steadler McElwain** travel and golf when Sue is not volunteering for New Friends of Carolina, Assistance League of Charlotte (NC) and the Hornet's Nest (!) Girl Scout Council Board. Their eldest daughter, Sally, lives nearby and Anne (CC' 90) is in Poughkeepsie, NY.

In Aug., John and **Janet Fleming Haynes** and Jim and **Jan Ahlborn Roberts** spent a wonderful day with Bill and **Sally Whittemore Elliott** at the Elliotts' new home on Cape Cod.

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Our 35th reunion was a joyous happening that deeply moved many '59ers. The glorious silver and blond-haired women met, hugged and joined to exchange stories and memories.

We reconnected with wisdom, courage, empathy, delight and laughter. Perhaps we are rounder or bonier, but we've aged with elegance and dignity. What could be more elegant than **Mimi Adams Bitzer's** "Bad Hair Day" hat! What a talented, creative, fine bunch of women we are! We thank **Connie Snelling McCreery** and those who worked behind the scenes to make the reunion a success. **Torrey Gamage Fenton**, **Marcia Fortin Sherman** and **Gail Glidden Goodell**. Also thanks for the music, **Lolly and Nancy Savin**.

After reunion, **Sally Kellogg Goodrich**, **Lolly Espy Barton**, **Ginger Reed Levick**, **Elliott Adams Chatelin**, **Ike Eichelberger Gruner**, **Juliane Solmssen Steedman**, **Diane Miller Bessell** and **Muffy Hallowell Huntington** frolicked in RI with wine, song and deep soul laughter. We also seriously discussed the startling number of genetic difficulties we had among us. Three of us have disabled children and three have had cancer. Could this be the result of nuclear submarines across the river? Others journeyed to Martha's Vineyard to **Mimi Adams Bitzer's** and **Connie Snelling McCreery's** digs where 25 '59ers all met to break lobster together.

Other happenings: **Mimi Adams Bitzer**

traveled to Moscow and Sweden after entertaining 50 family members on the Vineyard.

**Sue Brink Butash** recently bought a home in Scottsdale, AZ, "after living in New England for 30 years."

**Carole Broer Bishop** continues her work as personnel administrator for The Harbor School in MA. Looking back over her years, Carole is proud of her work parenting her now adult children and looks forward to time to "do all the things not done."

Five out of six of **Melinda Brown Beard's** children work in the Beard firm. The sixth, Melinda, will visit in Africa.

**Torrey Gamage Fenton** earned her M.A. in English at CC and has agreed to serve as class chairman for the Annual Fund Campaign.

**Sally Flannery Hardon** "hangs" with **Mimi Adams Bitzer**, raises money for the Pittsburgh Hospital and celebrates the launching of her six children.

**Anne Hutton Silven** balances her life between her new home and sailing excursions to warm climates.

**Ronnie Illiaschenko Antoniadis**, now practicing at Manhattan Veteran's Center, will receive her M.S.W. from Fordham U. in Feb.

**Edith McMillan Tucker**, who earned her B.A. from Wellesley *summa cum laude*, lives in Randolph, NH.

**Diane Miller Bessell** traveled in Tuscany with **Mary Byrnes** before joining **Elliott Adams Chatelin** in Paris.

**Nancy Savin** gave a concert with a program of Medieval and Renaissance vocal and instrumental music at Quinnipiac College in CT.

**Sallie Serafin Larzelere** loves her work leading tours of the White House, the Capitol and the memorials.

**Julie Solmssen Steedman** rediscovered New England in Burlington, VT, after many years in MI. In her work with pregnant teens and single moms she is on a steep learning curve.

**Margo Sebring Southerland** took a safari in Zimbabwe and Botswana, lands that **Mimsy Matthews Munroe** visits now to check out for her travel business.

**Jane Starrett Swotes** missed reunions because of her son's nuptials. She travels in Europe before landing in FL for the winter.

**Lynn Graves Mitchell**, **Marty Stegmaier Speno** and **Joan Tillman Kelly** met in DC. Later **Joan Peterson Thompson** covered the same route.

**Joan Tillman Kelly** begins the next third of her life doing demanding work in the inner city, playing tennis and spending time with friends and "contemplating all that is good."

**Joan Peterson Thompson** (in another wild escapade away from her well balanced CA classmates **Mimsy Matthews Munroe** and **Ginger Reed Levick** and her job demands at Raychem) met **Susie Warner Williams**, **Gil Radin Stern** and **Ann Collier Elliott** for I dare not reveal what.



Connie Snelling McCreery's daughter wrote the ABC show "Hanging with Mr. Cooper."

Margaret Wellford Tabor is well and looking forward to Wellford's graduation from Stanford in June '95. Remember the classy B & B with the questionable service located near Stanford and run by Virginia Reed Levick?

Kay Wieland Brown begins the next third of her life enthusiastically perusing the American antique business with Joyce McRae, her college roommate.

Emy Lou Baldridge has just redone a smashing home in Santa Fe. She sits on several boards and works to bring order to the disorder of child abuse. Her agency serves as a model for other agencies.

An unsigned postcard sent to me reads, "My husband, George, and I have retired to Waterville Valley, etc." Does anyone claim authorship?

Another group of '59ers — Marty Flynn Peterson, Barb Roby Nixon, Martha Palmer Bullard and Connie Wharton Nasson had a fun-filled mini-reunion, an event they wish to repeat annually.

I've received complaints about the form and content of the column. Please let me know what you want, in clear handwriting with maiden and last name included. Send me news of what turns you on. What are your dreams? What brings meaning to your life? Lolly, who arranges music for her a cappella group, plans on taking the next 30 years to conquer the Macintosh. I'm trying to gather my brains together to write something on our quite remarkable Down's Syndrome daughter from a family perspective. Julie Solmssen Steedman took some extraordinary pictures of our family many years ago when we were struggling to balance all our family members' needs. I have kept questionnaires filled in by neighbors and friends, all kinds of stuff, but I'm having difficulty organizing. Anyone out there want to help a potential author? So keep your news pouring in. I'll plug any ideas you have into the column.

I am sad to report that Barbara Carney Staines died 10/10/94. She was very happy that she connected with her CC classmates at reunion in June.

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What an enthusiastic response I got to my call for news to Nancy Donohue in Brooklyn! You'd never know she is battling lupus. She just says it "gets in the way sometimes." She continues to teach acting and has had two plays of her own produced. Her life changed a bit more when her mother died in '93. It was great to catch up with my former theater "partner" and talk shop. Hope she can come

to reunion!

I also snagged Luise Von Ehren May on the phone. She continues to teach music at home and is the music director and organist at her Presbyterian Church in IL. Both her children are married: her son lives in St. Louis and daughter just moved to Auburn, OK.

I had a long, interesting conversation with Robyn Roessler Hanser who lives in St. Louis. She has been director of development for over five years at the Churchill School for children with learning disabilities. She helped start it in '76, then made use of its services for her younger son. She also did fundraising on a larger scale for Webster U. for nine years. Her older son is married with two children and lives close by. Her younger son went to FL and became a Coast Guard-certified sea captain and is now enjoying that trade. Robyn sounds quite happy with her single, and very rich, life. She enjoys gardening and has recently returned to photography as an art form. We found that we had many feelings about life in common.

Naomi Wolk Goodell is another director of development, this time for the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences of Arizona U. in Phoenix. Before that she was campaign director and then associate director of the Jewish Federation of Phoenix. Her oldest son is an artist in NYC, middle son works for a Congressman in DC, and youngest daughter is in Chicago with Bank of America. Her husband took early retirement and went back to school in order to teach elementary education. They spend as much time as possible at their cabin in Flagstaff. Naomi stays in touch with CC but unfortunately won't be able to attend reunion because of her son's wedding.

Carolyn McGonigle Holleran and her husband, T. Jerome Holleran, received the Franciscan Award from Alvernia College in PA. The award was given in recognition of the couple's "support of the college mission and community service." Carolyn, a self-employed consultant specializing in economic education, is a trustee at Alvernia. Jerome is president and chief operating officer of Arrow Precision Products, Inc., vice chairman of the board of trustees of St. Joseph Medical Center and president of the United Way of Berks County.

And you others I tried to reach — you're off the hook for now since I won't be able to do a column for the next issue. I'll be in Africa on a long-awaited trip and will miss the deadline (sob). Maybe someone else will give us an update on reunion in that issue. But I expect mail from several of you when I return and I hope to see many of you in June. I'm looking forward to it!

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Your correspondent has recently received two long, newsy letters from our fellow classmates. I will do my best to give you the highlights.

Kathleen Wong Wu writes that she had an art exhibit at the American Cultural Agency in Taipei. It was attended by many local businessmen and the staff and students of the Taipei American School where Kathy teaches. It was a huge success. This past summer, she spent visiting with her two sons. Lucien, the eldest, is studying voice at Boston U. after his graduation from Harvard. Dino, the youngest, is attending Harvard Law School, and Kathy plans to attend his graduation in June. Her husband, Francis, joined his family in MA after directing a music tour of Rome, Belgium and Riga with Fon-Tsong and other Chinese-European musicians.

Ellen Goldberg Siegel reports from Singer Island, FL, that she is alive and well and very active in state politics. Her middle son, Steven, 27, graduated from the City U. of New York Law School at Queens College and is working as an assistant district attorney. Ben, the oldest son, 30, graduated from Columbus Law School at Catholic U. in DC. Ellen attended both graduations and then both their weddings. On 9/7/94, Ben married Michelle Cassel of West Hampton Beach, NY. On 9/28/94, Steven married Adriana Vieco of NYC. Both wives are also lawyers. Barney, 25, her youngest son, lives in Telluride, CO, and likes skiing and snow boarding.

Ellen ended her letter with a proposal that if any and all CC alumna in South FL would like to hold a get-together, she would be delighted to host the event. Call the Alumni Office, 203-439-2300, for her address and phone.

I have received a news item that Susan Eckert Lynch and Ronald contributed 1.3 million dollars to the leadership challenge fund of the Cornell Campaign to endow a deanship in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Ron Lynch serves as a chair of the campaign's Major Gifts Committee and was presented with a statue of Ezra Cornell during a reception and dinner at the Statler Ballroom. Congratulations to them both.

On the home front, this has also been the year of the wedding. In April '94, our oldest son, Oliver, married Jennifer Mary Kelly in Westport, CT. Our middle son, Winthrop, married Mary Elizabeth Clark in Oct. '94 in Geneva, NY. Two new Mrs. Phippens! I agree with Ellen that two weddings in one family in one year is quite enough. This Aug., I was floating down the Snake River in Jackson Hole, WY, at 5:00 a.m. We passed the deserted ranch that was once in the family of Margo Conderman Arnold, my old CC roommate. I have been in touch with Margo, and she just returned from a grand trip to

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Australia. She and her husband, Arnold, became proud grandparents with the birth of eight-pound Margaretta on 9/1/94. Now Margo (Margaretta) has a beautiful little namesake to watch over.

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**Shelley Taylor;** husband, Mervyn Fernandes; Sara, 13, and Charlie, 11, spent part of last summer on a Yale/Harvard cruise of the Greek Islands and the Turkish coast. Shelley writes: "Several of the men on the boat were at our freshman mixers, and next door to us, was a man from my freshman year Operation Match list! The lecturers aboard ship and the sights were fabulous and made me nostalgic for humanities courses once again." Shelley is professor of psychology at UCLA and co-directs the Health Psychology Program there with another Connecticut College alumna, Christine Dunkel-Schetter '74. Academia continues to be a satisfying career choice, although state cutbacks have added an element of stress. Despite hard economic times in CA, Mervyn's architecture practice continues to thrive. Later in the summer, they joined **Karen Ramers Boyd;** her husband, Robert, and their sons, James, 12, and Thomas, 10, visiting from London for a week at Lake Tahoe.

In July, I took a wonderful white water rafting trip on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon. It certainly was memorable. Then in Sept., I was on the East Coast and spent a weekend with **Ruth Cheri Edelson** and her husband, Rick, in CT. Ruth, like **Helen Epps**, has spent much time caring for her ailing mother in the past years. While visiting them, I was in touch with **Joanne Intrator**. Christmas vacation saw me and my son, Gabriel Stern, on the beaches of Mexico south of Puerto Vallarta. When not traveling, I continue to work as a critical coronary care RN at Marin General Hospital. However with "work redesign" and the replacing of RNs with lesser trained personnel, I don't imagine that my decade-long association with this hospital will extend beyond June. Then, who knows?

Please continue to send me news of your lives. This column is only as good as we make it. Until then, be well and be in touch.



**Margaretta (Margo) Conderman Arnold '62** with her namesake, Margaretta, in September 1994.

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Returning to Connecticut College for our 25th reunion last spring was certainly a high point of the past year. After so much planning and communicating, it was fantastic to watch the weekend unfold. I felt as if I had been part of a huge surprise birthday party — and the gift was friendship.

For those of you who were only present in spirit, perhaps the T-shirts and memory book helped you re-connect enough to make attending our 30th in '99 a top priority! The weather and campus were gorgeous; the activities as diverse and busy as one chose to enjoy; and our '69 Sunday Brunch stop-off (at the Coffee Ground Café in the College Center at Crozier-Williams) provided a great spot for quiet conversation and unhurried good-byes.

**Ann Tousley Anderson's** superb video, **Kris Stahlschmidt Lambert's** unique perspective on our class from her role as Alumni Association executive director *and* alum, plus the impromptu performance of returning '69 Conn Chords combined to make Saturday night absolutely outstanding.

Thanks to one and all — especially **Ellen Lougee Simmons**, who has faithfully and cheerfully served the Class of '69 with upbeat, energetic leadership for over 25 years! We're proud to have her representing our class and our college on the Board of Trustees.

**Judy Bamberg Mariggio** is anxious to get started on Reunion '99. — **Lynne Cooper Sitton**, class president



**Barbara Gristede Whipple '62** (right) poses with her granddaughter, Rebecca Rose Bertenshaw; daughter, Deborah Whipple Bertenshaw '85, and classmate, Maryann Donington Weyman '62. There are high hopes that little Rebecca will be a member of the Class of '16. 2016!

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**Margaret Shepard** reports she is eager to return to campus to visit her professors (some now retired) and see the new facilities, especially for biological sciences. Hardly credible that it's been 20-plus years!

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**Polly Tompsett Walsh** and her husband, Michael, breed and show beagles. They have three dogs that were awarded AKC championships in '93. They're on their third generation of winning dogs. Polly also visits a local hospital with her dogs in a "pet therapy" program, and she provides special classes at local elementary schools on pet care and responsible pet ownership.

**Elissa Goldweitz Baly** retired as a partner of a DC law firm after her first child, Marissa Anne, was born on 2/24/94. "I'm doing a lot of volunteer work for the National Symphony and traveling with my husband, Michael, who is president of a trade association. We enjoy living in Georgetown in a turn-of-the-century Victorian house.

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**Andrea Berger Ehrlich** reports that her child development major is serving her well. She is the head teacher for both two- and three-year-old classes at a preschool that emphasizes the whole language approach to education. Andrea feels this is a wonderful

## UAC presents first scholarship

*"It means someone cared enough ..."*

**A**FTER A SUCCESSFUL YEAR OF FUND raising, Karla Gonzalez '98 of Los Angeles Calif. and Glidjy Dupont '98 of Brooklyn, NY. were named Unity Alumni Scholars for the 1994-95 academic year.

Doriel Inez Larrier '90, co-chair of the Unity Alumni Council, said that the Unity Alumni Scholarship Fund (UASF) drive was initiated last year in response to the council's desire to "give back" to the college.

"We wanted to ensure that present and future students could benefit from scholarship monies to alleviate financial issues," said Larrier. One goal of the UAC is to fund a full scholarship. "We want the entire college community to



Dupont '98

realize that UAC has a specific commitment to the students of color, and we want to continue the great legacy that has come through Connecticut College. We don't want finances to deter students from pursuing their goals."

Reflecting on the scholarship, Dupont, who is considering a major in economics, said "To me, it means someone cared enough." Concerned at first "only about getting good grades," he found that he was motivated by meeting the Unity alumni who contributed to his scholarship. "It's important not to let them down. My goals are even higher now," he said.

Thanking all the contributors, Gonzalez said, "I've worked extremely hard to get here, and the scholarship makes it financially easier to stay." Gonzalez plans to earn a doctorate in

English some day and hopes to be an English professor or work in international relations.

Fund-raising for the Unity Alumni Scholarship Fund is conducted through the Annual Fund. In 1993-94, over \$15,000 was contributed to the UASF. This year, the goal is \$30,000. Anyone interested in designating their Annual Fund gift to the UASF may either send their gift with a note to that effect or call the Annual Fund office at 1-800-888-7549.

*Unity Alumni Council is a committee of the Alumni Association that supports alumni of color and the efforts of Unity House, the multicultural center that serves the Connecticut College campus.*

teaching environment. Her husband, Stephen, manages a data processing company in Philadelphia. They are busy with their two daughters: first grader, Amy, and fifth gradeR Polly.

**Jonathan Kromer** earned his MSW from the U. of Georgia. In addition to being valedictorian, he was named MSW Student of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers.

**Nancy Hershatter** started her own business, Music in Early Education. She is a music consultant to preschool programs in

Westchester/Riverdale, teaching classes for young children and presenting workshops for teachers. Her 5-year-old son, Jeremy, has a passion for trains and loves school. Husband, Gerry, co-produced the Greenwich Village Folk Festival in Sept. '93. Nancy also sings with the Walkabout Clearwater Chorus, part of Pete Seeger's campaign to clean up the Hudson River through raising public consciousness about the environment.

**Craig Chapman** is now a partner with Brown & Wood, and opened their Tokyo office in Aug. '92. He expects to be there



Gonzalez '98



**DREW KETTERER '71** is sworn in as the State of Maine's Attorney General on January 6. Governor Angus King is at right; Ketterer's 12-year-old son Andrew and wife Susanne are at left.

with his wife, Suzie, and children Jane and Louise for a total of three to five years before moving back to their Scarsdale home.

**David Alden**; wife, Anne, and their four children have completed their three-year assignment with Ford Motor Company in Taiwan. They have moved to Southern CA where David is the Western Marketing Manager for Ford.

**77** Correspondents: Wendy Crandall, 24 Landing Ln., North Kingstown, RI 02852 and Sheila Saunders, 1634 San Gabriel, Glendale, CA 91208

**Born:** to **Bruce Hager** and his wife, Nancy, Eric James 12/1/94.



**DINNER FOR TWELVE STRANGERS** at the Saybrook, CT, home of Mark Warren '75 on Oct. 25, 1994. Clockwise from left: Nicole Ramos '98, Tina Compton '98, hosts Lissa Loucks '88 and Mark Warren '75, Freshman President Kea Williams, Freshman President Sam Van Derlip, Dean of Freshman Louise Brown, Listrino Baquiran '98, Mike Goodman '98, Mike Steinberg '98, Jennifer Plecs '98 and Christine Knorr '98. The alumni-sponsored event provides an opportunity for members of the college community to meet in an informal setting.

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Correspondents: Tom Kobak, 2 Dewal Ct., Norwalk, CT 06851 and Susan Calef Tobiason, 70 Park Terrace East, Apt. 4I, New York, NY 10034

**Born:** to **Lynne Stauffer Wayne** and Charles, Annika Kirsten 12/4/93.

**Lynne Stauffer Wayne** and her family are living in IL. Their new daughter joins brothers Michael, 12, and Kurt, 8.

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**80**

Reunion: June 2-4, 1995  
Correspondents: Ellen Harris Knoblock, 11 Sherman St., Belmont, MA 02178 and Paul A. (Tony) Littlefield, 122 Emery St., Portland, ME 04102

**Married:** **Tom Speers** to Elizabeth Cromwell, 6/25/94.

Hello to all our classmates. We hope you had a joyous holiday season!

**Tom Speers** reports of his marriage to Elizabeth Cromwell, a teacher and director of admissions at the Bryn Mawr School in Baltimore. Tom continues as pastor of Dickey Memorial Presbyterian Church. Congratulations and best wishes to you both!

We received an exciting letter from **Adam Martinez**, who left his job as manager at Unisys to return to Darden at the U. of Virginia to get his MBA. He graduated in May, and in July left the U.S. for a 15-month assignment in Poland with MBA Enterprise Corps which is the MBA version of the Peace Corps. Adam notes, "This means we work on marketing and finance instead of building schools, and that I have a washing machine and cable television." Adam is in Radom, Poland, 60 miles south of the capital, Warsaw. He works for a Polish computer company,

## ATTENTION GRADUATE STUDENTS:

### PHI BETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Delta chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is pleased that it will award two scholarships of approximately **\$1,500** each to Connecticut College alumni, including members of the Class of 1995, for **full-time graduate study** during the academic year. Due date for the applications is April 1, 1995. Alumni who wish to apply for one of the scholarships should write to the chapter Vice President for applications forms:

Kenneth Bleeth  
Department of English  
Box 5416  
Connecticut College  
New London, CT 06320-4196

helping them to adjust to the demands of a market economy in a primarily industrial city. Adam says, "I think for all of us who graduated in '80 at the height of the cold war, it is amazing to think about living in a former Eastern Bloc nation. I know that I never thought I would visit Poland. Everyone has been so extremely nice. Many people have invited me into their homes for meals and parties. When I got lost on the train and ended up on the Ukrainian border, a family invited me to spend the weekend with them! As part of the MBA Enterprise Corps orientation, we have visited most of the large cities in Poland. (In Oct.) I stood at the gates of the

**ADAM MARTINEZ ('80) is in Radom, Poland, 60 miles south of the capital, Warsaw. He works for a Polish computer company, helping them to adjust to the demands of a market economy in a primarily industrial city. Adam says, "I think for all of us who graduated in '80 at the height of the cold war, it is amazing to think about living in a former Eastern Bloc nation."**



Gdansk shipyard where, three months after we graduated from CC, Lech Walesa started the solidarity movement that led to the downfall of communism. Gdansk is now a vibrant city. I hope while I'm here at least a few CC grads will stop by." You can call the Alumni Office at 203-439-2307, or class co-correspondent **Ellen Harris Knoblock** for Adam's address. He would love to hear from friends.

Closer to home, **Bernice Flanagan** has joined *The Wall Street Journal* in advertising sales. Bernice lives in NYC and is an active volunteer in the care of AIDS patients.

Some of us have reunited by getting caught up in the Rolling Stones tour. It seems both your correspondents attended the Boston Concert, although neither knew the

## Taking Charge of the Trees

### Pamela Goff Sapko '78

*Executive Director, Delaware Center for Horticulture*



**I**N STAMFORD, CONN., PEOPLE have been planting and tending trees all over town, and passersby can view lush foliage and changing exhibits in a greenhouse that's part of a downtown office building. In Wilmington, DE, people will be learning more about plants and tackling such projects as community vegetable gardens.

Behind all this is Pamela Goff Sapko '78, a horticulturist who is always aiming for more people to know — and grow — green things. "What I've been excited about is getting other people excited about growing, and working with, trees and plants," she says. She's now the executive director of the Delaware Center for Horticulture, a non-profit organization in Wilmington with the motto "cultivating a greener community."

Before coming to the center last August, Sapko was facilities manager at Champion International Corporation in Stamford. She arrived at Champion about a dozen years ago, shortly after the company moved into a new building with a 40-by-40-foot greenhouse.

She took on the greenhouse. "I did the whole thing, from developing shows to sweeping out the leaves," she recalls. The big space became "an educational greenhouse," with changing exhibits (like one showing the role of sugar and other plants in history) against a backdrop of tropical foliage. The greenhouse, open to the public at no charge, attracts thousands of visitors each year.

In Stamford, she was also a prime mover of Stamford Trees, Inc., a volunteer organization widely admired for its effective tree-planting and educational programs. "I volunteered," she says, "and I became president." Her efforts included developing a program in which firefighters served as mentors to city youngsters, helping them plant trees and joining them to eat pizza.

At Connecticut, Sapko majored in botany and studio art. She also remembers an internship that proved just right for her. "The courses I took in botany and ecology really set a good foundation," she says, and her winter internship at the Brooklyn Botanical Garden showed her the perfect way to build on that. "That was my first exposure to public horticulture, and it really set the tone of my career," she says, noting that she loved the combination of plants and people. She received her master's in public horticulture from the University of Delaware in 1981.

She says that her new job at the D.C.H. provides an opportunity to "combine my managerial skills, honed at Champion, with my passion for horticulture." She'll oversee the planting of trees in Wilmington, the promotion of community vegetable gardens, and the center's main workshops and educational programs. Reaching out into the community, she says, "is the soul of what we do."

She'll also be mapping out plans for the future of the center, which she notes is a small organization poised to grow. "It's ready to jump to the next step; I have to make sure that it happens," she says.

Sapko and her husband, Paul, a computer analyst, live in Unionville, Penn., with their daughters, Larissa, 5, and Hannah, 2. "We love to hike and go outside," Sapko says. But, she adds, so far the girls haven't taken to horticulture. "I hate to admit it," she says, "but they prefer the grocery store." — Carolyn Battista



*Family lines may be life lines for the victims of depression*

**Judi Marks-Cohen '80**

*Social worker and therapist*

IT'S MID-MORNING AT BAYCREST Centre for Geriatric Care in Toronto, Canada, and an unusual therapy session is about to start. Eight women and two men, all out-patients at the Psychiatric Day Hospital for Depression, sit in a circle as therapist and social worker Judi Marks-Cohen '80 sketches a family tree on a large easel. Today the family tree belongs to "Estelle," a petite, stylishly dressed grandmother. Marks-Cohen inscribes a circle to represent Estelle, then draws lines connecting Estelle back to her own parents, their parents, and an array of aunts, uncles and siblings. Other lines link her to her husband, children and grandchildren. When the drawing is complete, Marks-Cohen coaxes Estelle into telling the group about her relationship to her parents. A complex picture emerges: a father she "worshipped" and a mother she "never appreciated."

Family trees — or genealogical diagrams — have been used by family therapists for the last two decades as a way of getting to know their clients. Using the diagrams as a tool to treat depressive illness is a new approach, however.

"Sometimes this helps individuals begin to deal with the past," says Cohen of the need to recognize patterns of thinking which are borne out through generations. "For the first time they see that while they can't change the past, they do have some control over how they respond to it." Among the trends recognized in the Baycrest study has been that the childhood loss of one or both of one's parents is associated with depression later in life.

Marks-Cohen, a child development major while at Connecticut College, tells her clients that most people take on certain family roles in childhood — the peacemaker, the troublemaker, the caregiver, the object of blame — which become part of their self-image for life, sometimes doing lasting emotional damage. By recognizing which roles may be harmful, people can begin the difficult task of challenging how others perceive them and how they have come to perceive themselves.

The process of drawing up family trees can be extremely painful for some people, notes the social worker. "It took months before one woman who had lost her entire family in the Holocaust could listen to others speak of their own parents and siblings without breaking down in tears." Eventually, however, she asked Marks-Cohen to draw her family tree. "It was a real triumph," she recalls.

— Michelle Noble

other was there. **Tony Littlefield** subsequently visited **Chris Gottlieb** in Houston and went to the concert there, while my husband, Henry, and I visited Marty and **Amy Kohen Cohn** in Miami and went to that concert. "It's only rock 'n roll, but I like it!" We'd love to hear from other classmates who frequent the Voodoo Lounge. (Yes, this is a call to action; send news, Stones or otherwise!)

We wish you all the best in '95, and will hope to see you at the 15th reunion in June.

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*Correspondent:* Grace Sweet Bitter, 2 Oakwood Way, West Windsor, NJ 08691

**Married:** Dale Leslie to Gene Gentili, 3/23/94.

**Born:** to **Judy Duker Rosenberg** and Ken, Jessica Duker Rosenberg 6/14/94; to **Nancy Schubert Riffe** and Christopher, Cara Jean Riffe 6/30/94.

After a two-week honeymoon to Italy, **Dale Leslie** and husband, Gene, are residing in Wrentham, MA, where she is a department head of real estate for the FDIC, and Gene has a construction business.

**Nancy Schubert Riffe's** mom sent me a very nice note since, as she puts it, Nancy would never get around to it with a new baby and a busy career. Nancy is executive director of the Bayouland YMCA in Houma, LA. Her husband is captain and marine technician for the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium research vessel, the *Pelican*.

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*Correspondents:* Claudia Gould, 1612 North Fillmore St., Arlington, VA 22201 and Greta Davenport Rutstein, 1723 Windmere Ave., Baltimore, MD 21218

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*Correspondents:* Lucy Marshall Sandor, 253 Katydid Lane, Wilton, CT 06897; Sheryl Edwards Rajpolt, 24 Bugg Hill Rd., Monroe, CT 06468 and Elizabeth Kolber, 400 East 71st St., 5L, New York, N.Y. 10021

**85**

**Reunion:** June 2-4, 1995  
*Correspondents:* Kathleen A. Goodwin-Boyd, 54 A Landy Ave., Florence, MA 01060 and Anne-Marie Parsons, 185 Hubbard St., Apt.1, Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Married:** Laurie Fleishman to Nate Walowitz, 3/5/94.

**Born:** to Paula McDonald Fischetti and Joe, Nicholas Joseph 11/17/93; to Deborah Whipple Bertenshaw and Stephen, Rebecca Rose 2/22/94.

Laurie Fleishman Walowitz is still enjoying her work at WBAL Radio as the director of marketing. Her March wedding to Nate Walowitz took place at the Hyatt Regency in Baltimore. Among the CC grads were: Eric Kaplan, Lisa Levaggi Borter, Jody Bates Bliss, Ted Nelson, Tammy Brown Wolfe '84 and Suzie Gerber Offit '56.

Paula McDonald Fischetti is enjoying parenthood. She has been in touch with Pam Walsh Torsiello, Pamela Missal '84, Shari Passerman Turner '86 and Mary Beth Lee O'Brien on a regular basis and reports all are doing well.

Deborah Whipple Bertenshaw loves being a full-time mom in St. Louis. Connecticut College was well represented at her baby's christening. Present were her mother Barbara Gristede Whipple '62; Maryann Donington Weyman '62 and Barbara Morsen Geider '69. Perhaps Rebecca will be a CC graduate, Class of 2016.

## FAX from Hong Kong: The Year of The Camel?

Mark Siladi '82 and Kim Newby '86 are among the 12 CC alumni who call Hong Kong home.

**Mark Siladi '82** *General Manager, Virgin Atlantic Airways Hong Kong*



WHEN RICHARD BRANSON, OWNER of Virgin Atlantic Airways needed someone to launch the airline's new service to Hong Kong in the fall of 1993, he approached Mark Siladi '82. Just three days after that Monday morning conversation in New York, Siladi had arrived in Hong Kong. Then director of sales for North America and a five-year Virgin veteran, Siladi was a logical choice for the new assignment — he was the only manager in the company who speaks fluent Mandarin.

Armed at first with a single notebook computer, he had three months to set up Virgin's operation before the first planes landed. He quickly located an office and hired 39 employees to begin marketing and organize reservations, ground handling and catering. Last fall he took part in the Sino-British Air Service negotiations in Beijing, where his grasp of Mandarin proved invaluable.

Siladi's Brazilian wife, Marilim, whom he met while working in Rio de Janeiro, and their five-year old daughter are adapting quickly to life in Hong Kong. All three are tri-lingual. An Asian studies major at Connecticut College, Siladi went on to study Mandarin at Nanjing University in 1984-85. He is now learning Cantonese.

**Kim Newby '86** *Attorney, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.*

ACROSS TOWN, KIM NEWBY '86 HAS JOINED THE FIRM OF FULBRIGHT & Jaworski L.L.P. as an associate in the international department. Newby, who is fluent in Mandarin Chinese, previously worked for the U.S. Department of Commerce in the United States and China. After graduating from Connecticut College cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa (with a major in economics and minor in Asian Studies) she went on to earn a master's degree from The Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies and a J.D., with honors, from the Valparaiso University School of Law.

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**Born:** to Hilary Gans and Hayley Altman Gans '87, Kalen Harold 7/29/94; to Nick Kouwenhoven and Christine Weaver Kouwenhoven '88, Alexander Bennett, 1/3/95; to Wayne Elowe and Gina Sykes Elowe '87, Grace Alana 8/25/94.

### DID YOU PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE AT CC?

We are looking for alumni who performed community service involving children that was organized through Connecticut College between academic years 1985-86 and 1989-90 and who are willing to describe or talk about the impact their service has had on their lives. If you have kept up with or could give us names of any of the children you worked with, we would like that, too. We want to highlight these stories as part of the tenth anniversary of Campus Compact, the national organization we belong to that encourages community service by college students. Claire Gaudiani chairs the executive committee. Please send or phone a few brief details to us at 203-439-2509; jepas@conncoll.edu or Office of College Relations, Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Avenue, New London CT 06320-4196. We will contact you if we need more information.

# 87

Correspondents: Michele M. Austin, 24 Lincoln St., Jamestown, RI 02835 and Martha Denial Kendler, 137 Westwood Ln., Middletown, CT 06457

**Born:** to Hayley Altman Gans and Hilary Gans '86, Kalen Harold 7/29/94; to Linda Christensen Wright and Bill, Allison Margarete 10/3/9; to Gina Sykes Elowe and Wayne Elowe '96, Grace Alana 8/25/94.

Linda Christensen Wright and Bill say their lives have changed, of course, with the new addition. Christmas was full of coos, smiles and looking at bright lights. Congratulations, Linda and Bill!

Helen Murdoch is now teaching history at Carpinteria High School near Santa Barbara, CA. Susan Brager recently visited

her, and they spent a great day in Los Angeles.

Adam Kunin is living in Boston working as a medical resident at Mass. General Hospital.

# 88

Correspondents: Lisa Pelosa, 32 Pixley St., San Francisco, CA 94123 and Alison Edwards 2119 11th Ave. West, Seattle, WA 98119

**Born:** to Christine Weaver Kouwenhoven and Nick Kouwenhoven '86, Alexander Bennett, 1/3/95.

Giridhar Clark writes, "I've gone from a poorly paid boarding school English teacher to a hardly paid assistant tennis coach at Boston U. and a student-loaned to the max graduate student at Boston College. Still visit Connecticut College to keep up with my for-





Jamie Glanton '89 and John Costello Jr. with alumni at their wedding. Back row, from left: Lucy McDonough '90, Jeff Durrman '89, Kim Krasko Brockway '89, Bonnie McEwen Sailor '89 and Anne Mickle '89. Middle row, from left: Leyman Skinner '86 and Julie Cahalane '89. Front row, from left: Michele Matthes '89, Ellen Boucher '89 and the bride and groom.

mer students and my former professors/coaches; campus looks great!"

## 89

*Correspondents:* Deb Dorman, 220 Century Place #3205, Alexandria, VA 22304 and Alexandra MacColl Buckley, 4826 Bradley Blvd., Chevy Chase, MD 20815



Jeannie Kim '90 and Jason Kamm '88 celebrate their wedding with fellow alums, left to right: Meredith Kamm '84, Andy Slavin '89, Brinton Brosius '88, Tom Price '88 and Deirdre Demakis Price '87.

## 90

**Reunion:** June 2-4, 1995

*Correspondents:* Jennifer Harvey, 1522 Chestnut Hill St., #1, San Francisco, CA 94123 and Dana McAlister, 78 Myrtle Ave., Westport, CT 06880

**Married:** Claudia Stokes to Michael Cooney, 6/25/94 in Nyack, NY. In attendance were Laura Francoeur, Alicia Dieni, Kathleen Trainor, Emily Kessler, Liza Polly, Tanya Feliciano and Dave Kearns. Claudia is still working for Columbia Artists in NYC. We wish her and Michael the best.

**Christie Cobb** is working for a French bank in NYC.

**Alicia Dieni** is teaching at the Williams School.

**Tanya Feliciano** graduated from UConn Law School and will be clerking for Chief Judge Antonette DuPont of the CT Appellate Court.

**Laura Francoeur** is in her third year of graduate school at Clemson U. in SC. She will receive her masters of science in wildlife biology.

**Dave Kearns** is living in DC.

**Emily Kessler** is working and going to school in NYC for interior design.

**Liza Polly** is living in Queens, NY.

**Kathleen Trainor** is in graduate school.

## 91

*Correspondents:* John Kogan, 3107 Coachman's Way, Durham, NC 27705 and Jonathan Zobel, 79 Pine Brook Dr., Larchmont, NY 10538

**Born:** to Elissa Farrow Savos and Chris, Jacob Farrow.

**Elissa Farrow Savos** and Chris highly recommend the parenthood thing. All is going well except for some minor sleep deprivation.

**Melissa Ferguson** moved back to Lawrenceville, NJ, this fall and started a MAT program in special education.

**Jen Ammirati** now lives in Middletown,

CT, with Kelley Doyle '93. She is about to enter her fourth year as a full-time staff member at Connecticut working in the Office of Conferences and Scheduling. She sees a lot of **Anne Lott** on campus. (No pun intended — I don't write it, I just report it!) Jen is also serving on the Board of Directors of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Southeastern CT (donations happily accepted).

## 92

*Correspondents:* Liz Lynch, 61 Broad St., Apt. #3, Norwich, CT 06360 and Jennifer Cahalane, 1070 Franklin St., Duxbury, MA 02332

Message from **Jim Moran**, "Where are you?! Please send comments on what you are doing. We have new class correspondents: **Elizabeth Lynch**, who can be reached at the Connecticut College Development Office, 203-439-2439, 1-800-888-7549 or through e.mail at ewlyn@conncoll.edu, and **Jennifer Cahalane** who can be reached at the above address. Many thanks to **Brooke Hejduk** for the last two years as class correspondent."

**Jen Cahalane** is working in the admissions office at Tabor Academy and working on a master's degree at Harvard. She welcomes everyone from the Class of '92 to contact her in order to be included in the magazine.

**Liz Lynch** is working in the Development Office at CC and taking graduate classes in psychology. She talks with **Dave Baum**, **Jim Moran**, **Cristy Stoddard**, **Simon O'Rourke** (via e.mail) and **Jen Cahalane** frequently and urges anyone with access to e.mail to write her at the above address.

**Cristy Stoddard** is living in Austin, TX. She loves her new home and is keeping busy doing freelance graphic design work.

**Dave Baum** is living in NYC, finishing up his pre-med work at Columbia U. He can be reached via e.mail at ddb9@columbia.edu. He is doing research for the Drug Use Research Center at the New York State Psychiatric Institute as well as biomedical research in the Rheumatology Division of Columbia's College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dave is still basking in the New York Ranger's Stanley Cup victory, their first in 54 years!"

**Simon O'Rourke** is working in Egypt for The American U. in Cairo Press as an assistant editor. He sends hilarious letters via e.mail and can be reached on the internet at simon@auc-acs.eun.eg. He was back on campus for the trustee meetings in early Oct. It was great to see you, Simon!

**Tyra Norbeck** recently sent a postcard from Milwaudee where she lives and teaches. Tyra is in her second year of teaching social studies to eighth grade students at an alternative school. She sends greetings to fellow '92ers and notes that she recently had lunch with Lynn Elliot '91 while in Chicago.

## SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

(\$500) to alumnus doing graduate study in library science, archival management or book conservation. For more information, contact **Laurie M. Deredita**, Shain Library, 203-439-2672 by March 3.

Liz also sees **Kristin Supko** around campus. Kristin is working as an athletic intern (assistant women's soccer and lacrosse coach) and is finishing her master's in education.

Both Jen and I, **Liz Lynch**, are looking forward to hearing from you. Let us know where you are and what you are doing!

# 93

Correspondent:  
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1220 East West Hwy. #822  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

**Married:** **Kathleen McLaughlin** to **Bill Hoyt** on 9/25/93.

**Anne-Marie Carlow** is in Morocco until Aug. '95. She is serving in the Peace Corps. The Alumni Office has her new address, and she would love to hear from her classmates.

**Pete Festersen** quit his job with the



**Ruth Hetzer '91** and Former Assistant Director of Admissions **Jim Bock** at their July 1994 wedding with alumni and staff members. Front row, from left: **Ken Culver '90**; **Joe Silvestri**, former associate director of public information; **Bryce Breen '92**; **Lee Coffin**, senior associate director of admissions; **David Solazzo '91**; **Bill Hoyt SP '93** and **Andy Sharp '89**, former director of alumni clubs. Second row, from left: **Martha Bory '92**; **Lisa Boudreau**, associate director of the Annual Fund; **Jill Silvestri**, former assistant director of the Annual Fund; **Beth Sharp**, former director of major gifts; **Jennifer Gieg '91**; **Jill Dello Stritto '91**; the bride and groom; **Betsy Joseph '93**; **Kate McLaughlin Hoyt '93**; **Elaine Elliott '91**; **Diane Stratton '91**; **Jennifer Ciotti '92** and **Alexis Audette '93**.

**Sherwin-Williams Co.** and is now living in Boston. There he is taking classes and competing on the Professional Curling Circuit.

**Peter Francis** spent the spring and summer doing lobster research for Connecticut's Department of Environmental Protection. He came back in Dec. from a four-month stint on commercial fishing vessels out of Dutch Harbor, Alaska, where he served as an observer for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

**Brad Geller** spent the summer of '94 traveling in Australia and New Zealand. He went bungy jumping in New Zealand! Now Brad is a first-year medical student at the U. of

Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry in Rochester, NY. Contact the Alumni Office for his new address and phone number.

**Andrew Gibian** is living and working in Yamaguchi City, Japan, teaching English and soaking up Japanese culture. He reports that life is good and would love to hear from anyone (Contact the Alumni Office for his new address). He assures us that he is neither pregnant nor engaged.

**Adam Green** is working as a sales supervisor at **FAO Schwarz** toy store in Newton, MA. He lives in Wakefield. Adam keeps in touch with **Marguerite White**, **David Brauner**, **Anne Zachary**, and **Jennifer Brainerd '92**. He also works near **Julie Rothenstein**.

**Kate McLaughlin Hoyt** reports that she can't believe it's been more than a year already since she got married! She and her husband moved to San Diego, CA, in November. She's certain it will be fun!

**Betsy Joseph** and **Sonia Schoenholtz** are living together in Somerville, MA. They have a number of CC neighbors — **Matt Smith**, **Colleen Shanley** and **Beth Emmons** are a few of them. They enjoyed a beautiful New England Fall and are looking forward to a great ski season!

**Molly Joslin** is working in NYC as a receptionist and is looking for an apartment with **Jen Angelo**. She sees **Sung Kim '92** a lot, as well as other members of the class of '92. She planned to spend New Year's in NYC with **Thea Anthony** and **Kelly Grady**.

**Stacie Kabran** just started a new job in DC working for a non-profit organization that promotes education for minorities.

**Craig Kaplan** is currently working in



Classmates helped **Jodi Simon '90** and **Jason Stewart '90** celebrate their August wedding. Bottom row, left to right: **Judy Rubin**, **Dana Belcher**, **Michael Scheman** and **Jeff Philip**. Top row, left to right: **Mare Neary**, **Stefanie Zdravec**, **Bartley Johstone**, **Jonathan Kateman**, the bride and groom, **Dave Ashton**, **Michael Dietrich**, **Rachel Saks**, **Andrew Meyer** and **Kevin Cuddihy**.



Anne Connolly '91 and John Fischer '91 were married in July at Harkness Chapel. Attending the ceremony were many fellow alums. Back row, left to right: Melissa Marquis Audier '90, Maggie D'Antonio '91, Kely Bernier Burns '90, Mary Haines Severn '89, the bride, Dana Otis '91, Liz Adams Eckman '92, Carolyn Underwood '91, Helene Tulling '92, Heather Pierce Stigall '91, Paula Mirto '91 and Jeremy Tubb '91. Front row, left to right: Brian Sawin '91, Shannon Range '91, John Severn '90, the groom, Chris Eckman '91, Steve Stigall '91, Tom Bartell '91, Tom Seery '91, Scott Cave '91 and Rich Hannah '91.

NYC for the National Hockey League, involving preparation for the All-Star Game in Jan. in San Jose, CA. He hopes there is a season to look forward to!

**Hilary Kolman** is currently living in Quincy, MA, with **Rebecca Resnik**, and is working as a sales assistant in the Private Client Services Division of Goldman, Sachs & Co. in Boston.

**André Lee** worked on a film this summer. He was the location manager for the feature film, "Slack Trek: The X Generation". The film is a commentary on the media's creation of Generation X. It's a science fiction/horror/comedy film. On the set he met Ted Shapiro '86. He is now in graduate school at Tufts U. for a master's in education. He says that people who work at CC are nicer than the ones at Tufts!

**David Lisle** is doing brain tumor research

at Mass. General Hospital and is taking pre-med classes at Harvard in the evenings. He will apply to med. schools next summer to start in the fall of '96. He is living outside of Harvard Square with three roommates and his yellow lab puppy, Phineas.

**Sara Schloss** is living in the Bronx and is loving it. She is in a doctoral program in school psychology at Yeshiva University, which she is also enjoying immensely. One of her classmates is Mary Todd Goodspeed '88. She reports that she is involved with a wonderful man and is, in general, very happy with her life.

**Kenny (RAY) Widmann** is teaching and coaching in Memphis, TN. He says he has sighted the E-Dog (**Ethan Brown**).

**Theo Yedinsky** is still working as an intern for a minor league hockey team in AL.



Claudia Stokes '90 and Michael Cooney at their June wedding with Emily Kessler '90, Alicia Dieni '90, Laura Francouer '90, the bride, Kathleen Trainor '90, the groom, Eliza Polly '90. Tanya Feliciano and David Kearns '90.

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On June 16, **Sasha Levy** married Lieut. Gregory Griffin at a ceremony at her home in Newport.

Employed in Washington with the Council on Foundations, **Jen Lapan** is working on a project called the Regional Initiative that is involved in enhancing the capacities of regional associations of grantmakers in the United States.

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## Obituaries

**Blanche Finley '22**, of West Hartford, Conn., died on Dec. 18, 1994. In 1934, Miss Finley worked in New York for the French Information Center as head librarian. The library closed in 1942 and its files were sent to Washington to the Office of Strategic Services, forerunner of the CIA. Miss Finley was sent to Washington to organize the move for the State Department. From 1943-47, she served with the Free French Press and Information Service in New York as documentation researcher. She moved to Paris in 1947 to work for the United States Information Agency and the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. In 1950, she returned to the U.S. to work for Ann Randall who founded a school for Dramatic Arts in Hartford. Her last job was with the U.S. Mission to the United Nations where she was a librarian in the Reference and Research Section. After her retirement, she completed a three-volume publication entitled, *The Structure of the United Nations General Assembly: Its Committees, Commissions and Other Organizations, 1946-73*. Survivors include a niece, a nephew, a great-niece, a great-nephew and one great-great nephew.

**Agnes Fritzell '24**, of North Chatham, Mass., died on 10/11/94.\*

**Sarah Gordon Hahn '24**, of New London, died on Dec. 2, 1994. She taught at Jennings School in New London until her marriage to William Hahn in 1935. She is survived by one brother, Milton Gordon of New London.

**Elizabeth Arnold Haynes '25**, of Wellesley, Mass., died on June 19, 1994.\*

**Margaret Woodworth Shaw '27**, of Fairfax, Va., died on May 18, 1992.\*

**Alberta Boardman Trux '29**, of Shelburne, Vt., died on Dec. 8, 1994.\*

**Louisa Kent '30**, of Norwich, N.Y., died on Jan. 19. Miss Kent, who was the correspondent for the Class of 1930, received a nursing degree at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons before receiving her master's degree in education at New York University. She taught pediatric nursing at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. During World War II, she volunteered for an Army medical unit from Columbia Presbyterian and served three and a half years in hospitals in England and France. She is survived by a sister, a brother and three generations of nieces, nephews and their spouses.

**Doris Ryder Watts '30**, of Seal Beach, Calif., died on Jan. 6.\*

**Ruth Andersen '31**, of Cromwell, Conn., died on Nov. 28, 1994. She received a master's degree from New York University and did graduate work at Harvard on a fellowship. She taught at Norwich (Conn.) Free Academy, becoming chair of the Social Studies Department. She is survived by a sister, Hannah Andersen Griswold '39, two nieces and two grand nieces.

**Alice Kindler '31**, of White Plains, N.Y., died on Oct. 19, 1994. She was a volunteer at St. Agnes Hospital and a member of the Westchester Hills Golf Club in White Plains. Survivors include a nephew and three grandnieces.

**Julia Stahle McKenzie '31**, of Oakton, Va., died on Jan. 1. She was a teacher and administrator at Pine Point School in Stonington, Conn., retiring in 1973. The widow of Julian Lowell McKenzie, she is survived by two daughters, six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

**Mildred Pratt Megginson '32**, of Chesterfield, Mo., died on Nov. 28, 1993.\*

**Dorothy Thompson Smith '32**, of Port Jefferson, N.Y., died on Nov. 3, 1994. Mrs. Smith, a former school teacher, is survived by her husband of 60 years, Gerald W. Smith; a son, a daughter and three grandchildren.

**Louise Bunce Warner '32**, of Vero Beach, Fla., died in Nov. 1994.\*

**Virginia Stephenson '32**, of Gaithersburg, Md., died on Nov. 10, 1994.\*

**Bessie Bronson Adams '33**, of Hartford, Conn., died on 12/8/94.\*

**Fannie Rasin '34**, of Norwich, Conn., died on Oct. 11, 1994. Miss Rasin was a graduate of Norwich Free Academy and was a Winthrop Scholar at Connecticut. She received her master's degree at Columbia University. She taught Latin at the Norwich Free Academy for 40 years and was the head of the Latin Department at Norwich Free Academy. She is survived by a sister, a brother and two nieces.

**Margaret Creighton Green '35**, of Bar Harbor, Maine, died on Jan. 16. She was a senior staff scientist of The Jackson

## George Sherman Avery, 1903-1994

### *Botany Professor and Developer of Arboretum*

**G**EORGE SHERMAN AVERY OF Quaker Hill, Conn., who developed the Connecticut College Arboretum and was one of the nation's most prominent plant physiologists, died on August 6, 1994 at Greentree Manor Convalescent Center, where he had been for two and a half years. He was 91.

Dr. Avery came to Connecticut College in 1931 as professor and chairman of the botany department and director of Connecticut Arboretum. During the next 14 years, he was responsible for developing the original 70 acres of the arboretum and initiating a program that brought a six-fold increase in its size.

Dr. Avery once said his years at Connecticut College were the most active research years of his life. In 1944, he was named director of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, a prestigious post. Soon after, he became president of the Botanical Society of America, in which he was active for many years. A brief history of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, published in 1985, described Dr. Avery's time there as "the golden years."

Dr. Avery had a leading role in giving Connecticut College its national reputation for the scholarship to its botany department. Richard Goodwin succeeded Dr. Avery, and William Niering succeeded Goodwin.

Niering, research director of the arboretum and botany professor at the college, worked for a time under Avery at Brooklyn Botanic Garden. He described him as "a great person who was always willing to help others in any way he could."

Professor Avery taught at Duke University for several years before he came to Connecticut College. He was hired by the late President of the College Katherine Blunt who wanted to start a botany program and develop an arboretum.

Born in Benton Harbor, Mich., Avery received his bachelor's degree from Tulane University and his master's from Dartmouth. He was awarded a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin in 1927.

In addition to his wife, Mary Virginia Kellogg Avery, Dr. Avery is survived by a daughter, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

— John Foley, *The Day*



A photo of Dr. George Avery from the 1944 *Koiné*. He was at the College from 1931-44.

Laboratory. Both before and after her retirement in 1975, she devoted most of her energies to compiling information about the mutated genes and normal genetic variants of the mouse and published the information in linkage maps and catalogs.

She received a master's degree from Brown University in 1937 and a Ph.D. in genetics and cytology from the State University of Iowa in 1940.

Dr. Green held a variety of positions in

the Department of Zoology of The Ohio State University between 1941 and 1956. From 1953-55, on leave from Ohio State, she was employed at the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C., where in 1954 she served as the first program director for Genetic and Developmental Biology in the Division of Biological and Medical Sciences. She began her career at The Jackson Laboratory in 1956.

The author or co-author of 70 published

**Katherine Finney**  
**June 17, 1914 - August 24, 1994**

*Lucretia L. Allyn Professor Emeritus of Economics*

**K**ATHERINE FINNEY, LUCRETIA L. ALLYN PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF Economics, began her 35-year career at Connecticut College in 1944 and retired in 1979. Born in Hamilton, Ohio, where her father was a Presbyterian minister, she grew up in Iowa and Arkansas, and attended the University of Arkansas where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior and graduated with honors in 1935. She earned the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University.

Before coming to Connecticut College, Professor Finney taught at Barnard College, Smith College, Flora Stone Mather College and Western Reserve University where she was a member of the faculty as well as director of admissions; she also worked as an economic research analyst at The Chase National Bank. She served the college in many different capacities — as dean of sophomores from 1949-51, director of graduate studies from 1961-75 and for various terms on major committees, particularly the advisory committee and several major search committees for administrative officers.

In 1973, Katherine Finney was appointed to the first of two terms as a director of the Connecticut Bank and Trust Company. She was the first woman to serve as a board director in a New England bank. Her publications included several books on savings banks and articles in *The American Banker*. She was active in a number of professional associations including the American Economics Association, The American Association of University Professors, the American Association of University Women and the New England Regional Computing Program. She was also active in local community affairs and was a member of the Board of the Pequot Foundation.

Her career at Connecticut College spanned an era of enormous change, and she participated in it actively and generously — she was responsible for the development of the graduate program; she helped to initiate the computer program and the Return to College Program. She participated in and shaped several of the major governance committees of the college, and she was a steadying influence as the college moved into coeducation. Katherine Finney did not shrink from embarking on new programs or taking on new responsibilities.

All of these activities were marked by two characteristics: exceptional intelligence and a keen sense of humor (which many of her friends described as “impish”). These characteristics were enhanced by her deliberate and patient approach to problem solving, by her exceptional capacity to hear and be responsive to the positions and views of others, and by her command of the evidence. As one of her friends put it: “Obviously she had been thinking while we others squabbled.” It helped that she had a precise vocabulary and never harbored a grudge.

Finally her friends remember the pleasure she took in gardening, a succession of cocker spaniels and westies and summer vacations on the Maine coast. They also remember her strength and courage during the months of her last illness. Her serenity of spirit never left her.

— from the *Memorial Minute of the Nov. 2, 1994 Faculty Meeting*

papers in scientific literature, she edited *Genetic Variants and Strains of the Laboratory Mouse* in 1981.

Dr. Green was honored by election to membership in Phi Beta Kappa at Connecticut College in 1935 and in the Society of Sigma Xi at the State University of Iowa in 1939. Along with eight others, she was cited for pioneering the development of inbred strains of mice by the National Cancer Institute, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the Cancer Research Institute in 1978.

Her husband of 54 years, Dr. Earl Green, followed her in death on Jan. 18. She is survived by a sister, Jane C. Orr, of Annapolis, Md., and several nieces and nephews.

**Ruth Fairfield Day '35**, of Northbrook, Ill., died on Oct. 29, 1994. Survivors include her husband, Dr. Emerson Day; two sons, three daughters and nine grandchildren.

**Mabel Somers Kane '36**, of Lynn, Mass., died on Oct. 30, 1994.\*

**Jane Wykcoff Bishop '36**, of Fort Myers, Fla., died on Dec. 6, 1994.\*

**Charlotte Sharp Wheeler '37**, of Chevy Chase, Md., died on Jan. 14. Survivors include her husband, Edward K. Wheeler; one daughter, one son, five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

**Sylvia Draper Fish '38**, of Falmouth, Mass., died on Feb. 6. A former president of the Canton Unitarian Alliance, she did volunteer work at the Norwood and Barnstable County hospitals. She leaves two sons, two daughters and seven grandchildren.

**Jean Abberley Hunt '39**, of Westport, Conn., died on Jan. 12, 1994.\*

**Anne Drake Boyd '42**, of Jacksonville, Fla., died on Dec. 7, 1994.\*

**Jane Dill Witt '44**, of Milwaukee, died on Jan. 5. The widow of Norman A. Witt, she is survived by four daughters and 11 grandchildren.

**Jane Armstrong Bradlee '45**, of Winchester, Mass., died on Jan. 30. The wife of Dudley H. Bradlee, she leaves her husband, three daughters, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Carolyn Arnoldy Butler '45**, of the Philippines, died on Oct. 5, 1994.\*

**Janet Colby Bills '45**, of Edgewater, Md., died on Jan. 30, 1994.\*

**Sally Wecker Johnson '45**, of Grosse Pointe, Mich., died on Nov. 1, 1994. She served the Garden Club of America as a director, national committee member, lecturer, flower show judge and co-chairperson of the 75th anniversary annual meeting. Mrs. Johnson was awarded the Garden Club of America Fenwick Medal and the Harriet deWaele Pucket Creativity Award. She is survived by her husband, Daniel Lee Johnson; two daughters, a son and three grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Faulk '47**, of Deerfield Beach, Fla., died on Jan. 2 after battling can-

cer. Dr. Faulk made psychological care available to the poor at her Center for Group Counseling in Boca Raton. She is remembered as a person of exceptional vigor and vision who felt connected to all people.

"Elizabeth held people in such high regard in terms of their inner resilience to help themselves. It's like she knew that within each of us is a well of strength, and under the right circumstances, we can all be strong," said her cousin and center co-founder, Merrilee Middleton, also a clinical psychologist.

Faulk was born in Jacksonville in 1925 and earned degrees from CC and the University of Florida. She held staff positions at the Menninger Foundation, the Veterans Administration Hospital in Topeka, Kan., the Juvenile Court Psychiatric Clinic in Miami and the Guidance Center in Daytona Beach.

A consultant to numerous foundations, associations and agencies, including Palm Beach county schools, she received honors in recognition of her service and dedication.

The Center for Group Counseling has helped more than 29,000 people since 1973, when Faulk began the center soon after establishing her practice of clinical psychology in Boca Raton. The center's credo is "People Helping People Help Themselves."

"She felt whole heartedly that when one volunteers of their time, not only do they help the person they are volunteering for, but they help themselves," said Deborah Persico Coyne, a volunteer administrator at the center.

Faulk is survived by her family, Middleton, Ruth M. (Sissie) Montmeny and Martha Gullede. — reprinted with permission from *Boca Raton News*

**Florence Koenig Scharfenstein '48**, of Cos Cob, Conn., died on Jan. 3.\*

**Ann Andrews Paxton '51**, of Portland, Ore., died on Jan. 30.\*

**Diane Potter Wolfensperger '61**, of Orinda, Calif., died on Aug. 10, 1994.\*

**Dr. Judith Kreiger Gardner '64**, a developmental psychologist, teacher and researcher died on Nov. 24, 1994 of an aneurysm at Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem, three weeks after becoming ill while on a trek in Nepal. She was 51.

Dr. Gardner was born in Philadelphia. After graduating from Connecticut *magna cum laude*, she earned a doctorate in psychology at Harvard University in 1971.

An expert on developmental psychology and child rearing, she was an associate research professor at the Heller Graduate School of Advanced Studies and Social Welfare at Brandeis University, where she directed the family and children's policy center.

From 1979 to 1992, she was a research associate at Children's Hospital in Boston. From 1983 to 1988, she was a staff psycholo-

## The College Medal and The Harriet B. Lawrence '34 Prize

Nominations are now being accepted for the **College Medal**  
and the **Harriet B. Lawrence '34 Prize**

**The College Medal**, created in 1969 to mark the 50th anniversary of the first graduating class, is the highest honor the college can confer on those whose accomplishments and services have enhanced its reputation and nourished its growth.

The award is given to members of the college community, usually alumni, but is not awarded to current employees of the college.

Nominations for the College Medal are reviewed by the Honorary Degree Committee and committee recommendations are approved by the Board of Trustees.



**The Lawrence Prize** was established to recognize outstanding contributions to society by any member of the college community. It was created in honor of an alumna who, in the final years of her life, became increasingly committed to charitable activities and support of higher education.

Lawrence Prize recipients are those whose lifetime achievements created notable changes for the good of society, inspired others to pursue service opportunities and reflect the principles and ideals of Connecticut College. Nominations for the Lawrence Prize are reviewed and recipients are approved by a committee that is representative of the college community.

Please send nominations to: Office of the President  
Connecticut College  
270 Mohegan Ave.  
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Although nominations are accepted throughout the year, those received by April 7 will be given first consideration.

gist at the Judge Baker Guidance Center in Boston.

Dr. Gardner was the author of *Classics in Psychology* and *Classics in Child Psychology*. She also worked as a consultant to the Lifetime cable television network and the Alfred A. Knopf publishing company, and taught a course at Harvard University's extension school on the history of child rearing.

She leaves a daughter, Kerith of New York; two sons, Jay and Andre, both of Belmont; and her parents, Sylvia and Bernard Krieger of Boca Raton, Fla. — Reprinted by permission from *The Boston Globe*

**Mark Newman '86**, of Cambridge, Mass., died unexpectedly on Nov. 9, 1994. While at Connecticut College, he studied music and history. After graduation, he worked both as a computer programmer and as a rock musician, including touring in the

U.S. and Europe with the Lemonheads. He is survived by his parents, Raisa and Dr. Morton Newman; two grandmothers, Rae Kemler and Mimi Newman; his sisters, Dr. Emily Newman and Judy Newman MacGregor '79, and his niece and nephew, Rebecca and John MacGregor.

\*Full obituary unavailable at time of publication.

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## And you thought posture photos were bad!



*The New York Times Magazine* caused a minor sensation last month when it ran an exposé on the nude "posture photos" that were once routine at American colleges and universities, including CC, prior to 1960. The editors of *CC Magazine* think the *Times* story pales by comparison to our photo find depicting a pointless ritual (otherwise known as freshmen initiation) once common at CC. Here seven hapless members of the Class of 1941 bow to tradition in the fall of 1937.



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