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# "Concepts of Community"

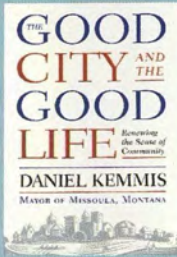
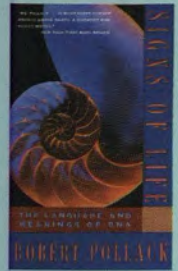
## The Books of Summer

Stick-to-your-neurons summer reading: three books that will help shape your understanding of the next millennium.

### SIGNS OF LIFE: The Language and Meanings of DNA

by Robert Pollack (Houghton-Mifflin)

Molecular geneticist Robert Pollack has written a "biological biography" of DNA that will help non-scientists better understand the genetic revolution. Borrowing from the humanities, Pollack offers a fresh perspective: DNA should be seen as a great work of natural literature, a three-billion-year-old text that is continuously evolving. He also examines the consequences of our new-found power to change the human genome. James D. Watson, author of *The Double Helix*, calls Pollack's book "A warm and human overview of molecular biology and its growing impact on civilization."



### THE GOOD CITY AND THE GOOD LIFE: Renewing the Sense of Community

by Daniel Kemmis (Houghton-Mifflin)

Drawing on his personal experience as the mayor of Missoula, Montana, Kemmis provides both a broad analysis of democracy as a human enterprise and a specific view of civility as a survival mechanism in American cities. According to Kemmis, a deeply renewed experience of citizenship is the only thing that will rebuild our trust and our cities. As Amitai Etzioni, author of *The Spirit of Community* writes, this is "a book about civil society and community by a mayor who lives, loves and enlivens both. A must-read for any citizen and communitarian."

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### ROMEO AND JULIET

by William Shakespeare (Signet Classic)

The college will use multi-media to explore Romeo and Juliet. This classic tragedy of star-crossed lovers shows how personal relationships can be affected by conflicts within the larger community. It raises questions of whether human lives need to be sacrificed in order to re-unite such fractured communities, and whether violence, in the name of honor, is ever justified. Our study of this summer reading selection will be greatly enhanced by a performance by visiting members of the Royal Shakespeare Company from England at the Garde Theater.

From its first appearance as the story of Pyramus and Thisbe to films such as *West Side Story* and Zeffirelli's *Romeo and Juliet*, this tale dramatizes the fate of personal relations caught in the web of community conflicts. A multi-media packet will be available after June 1. During the year, we will use all the arts to explore the lessons of this story.



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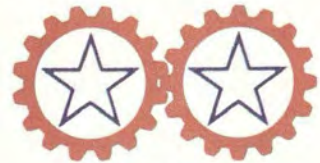
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**Engaged and valued**

*Like winning coaches, CC faculty members continue to help students play their best games*



Gaudiani, the student.

**C**onnecticut College faculty: Our most important memories center around the time they spent with us in class, in offices and in labs. A lot has changed in the decades since many of us graduated, but uncommon dedication to young people is still practiced on this hill.

I remember well my first French course taught by a young, beautiful professor who had a husband and two little children and a very fat book on her desk, which was her dissertation. I was impressed. Here was a vibrant and engaged teacher whose life spoke all that was possible for a young woman. As I tried to figure out how wanting a career could work with wanting a family, Nelly Murstein was a revelation.

Professor Murstein also had very high expectations. I quickly learned that my own tendencies toward professionalism would not be out of place if I aspired to be like her.

I think in some very important way this same story could be told about George Willauer.

I had always been considered a good writer and had been editor of my high school newspaper. But Professor Willauer showed me how I could make arguments that were more powerful, how I could make my writing clearer and in so doing think more clearly. I made enormous progress in writing during my freshman year because he worked with me, stretching my capacity and my self-discipline.

Later, as a junior, I took a course with Marion Monaco. One day she walked into class, drew a hand across her forehead and began reciting a scene from *Phèdre*. Her passion and command of the character claimed the text for me as though the words had never been said before. I watched and learned how to explore for new depth in text and in myself. Miss Monaco is with me still.

The faculty here trained me to aspire, as

Marion Doro did when I knew her informally. There was, she said, nothing I couldn't do. It may be hard for today's students to imagine why this was an extraordinary thing to say to a 19-year-old female in 1963. But for its time it was extravagant, and we were young enough to believe her. Like coaches, faculty expected us to play our best games, and they were willing to put in the time practicing with us. We felt engaged and valued.

We also spent a good deal of time with professors outside of class. The Wednesday afternoon teas in dorms (for which, of course, we had to wear skirts) are events that I tell today's students connected formal teaching with the rest of our lives. We learned how to listen and how to incorporate the knowledge that the faculty had into our own thinking.

These are the kinds of discussions that happen today in Cro. They happen after student-faculty softball games or at some of the 85 dinners that happened last semester in faculty homes. Faculty members

and students on campus are striving to assure that we have as many opportunities to talk together now as we did in generations past.

The reason parents send their sons and daughters to private liberal arts colleges is that they want wise and experienced people to spend time with their children. This is a tradition that has been part of the Connecticut College experience for decades. It continues to be, thanks to the guiding spirit of our professors. To find out how, turn to page 17.

**“One day Miss Monaco walked into class, drew her hand across her forehead, and began reciting a scene from *Phèdre*. Her passion claimed the text as though the words had never been said before.”**

Claire L. Gaudiani '66  
President of the College



## Mending the fraying ties that bind

### Class, stereotyping and painful memories

It was with great interest that I read "The Fraying Ties that Bind," by Lucas Held in the Winter 1996 issue. I read it with a backlog of mail, including the newsletter from the American Anthropological Association, in which articles and letters addressed similar concerns regarding the way we are reshaping civil society.

With a 20th reunion drawing close, perhaps it is appropriate that I reflect upon the issues Mr. Held raised in a way that is both personal and engaged with larger concerns.

The first image of Connecticut College and civility that I wrestled with upon reading your article was one of my most painful memories. In May 1976, Professor Chu had gathered the graduating Chinese department students and our parents at his home several days before commencement. It was a time to celebrate. The afternoon started in a typical way, with happy introductions. In the background, I heard one father networking, shaking hands, introducing himself and mentioning the name of his ivy league alma mater and the year he graduated. Laughter and polite teasing would follow as another father revealed his own college ties.

Somewhat shy, my parents were in the corner of the room. My classmate's dad finally reached my father, extended his hand with the same introduction: name, alma mater and year of graduation. **My father swallowed hard and said, "I am a meat cutter. I did not graduate from high school."** At this point, the gentleman withdrew his hand and turned on his heels. My father blushed, ashamed at his lower status in this room of high powered people. He and my mom remained cloistered in the back corner of that room for the rest of the festivities, despite the gallant efforts

of another parent who had witnessed the interchange.

I learned early in life that class and civility are closely related. One tends to be civil toward those with whom one identifies. Those who belong to groups with less power do not merit the civility one affords to one's equals. That day in Professor Chu's home, I strove to remain polite as I reflected upon my father's great accomplishments. He was born to immigrant parents, grew up in a Connecticut mill town, and learned to identify himself and his ethnic group by receiving the slurs: nigger, wop and guinea. He worked in the tobacco fields of the Hartford Valley as a child, along with his brothers and sisters. By the age of 10, he was employed in a bowling alley. He dropped out of high school

with poor English skills. He labored at two jobs all his life to raise his family out of poverty, yet he always had time for us.

Dad read all of my college texts, spending hours with a dictionary for each page. Some of my most energetic debates were with him at home. He also enjoyed reading Carl Jung's

work and was deeply interested in the manner in which we employ symbols in our lives. Any parent wishing an interesting chat could have had a rousing conversation that afternoon with my dad. Class and stereotyping prevented it.

This society has always been fractured along the lines of race, ethnicity, gender, religion and class. Religious intolerance in the Massachusetts Bay Colony spurred the growth of Connecticut and Rhode Island, for example, and **community as an inclusive phenomenon continues to be a fundamental civic challenge.**

I am hopeful. During the unrest of the '60s, I once asked my dad why he loved so intensely a country that seemed to have given him so little. He respond-

ed that this nation deserved devotion not for its flaws but for what it had made the commitment to deliver. He said promises require work.

What of CC in all this? Bravo for seeking engagement in the present great debate. For Connecticut College to work as a prototype, it must also nourish a direct engagement with those whose voices are rarely heard, whose ideas are siphoned through intellectual theories that too often turn these people into victims while ignoring their creative and positive engagements with the world. Part of the challenge for us now is to define the rules for discussion; civility as politeness is defined variously among our many ethnic and class groupings. There are dimensions of power in the manner in which we discuss. And discussion is the foundation of building a civil society.

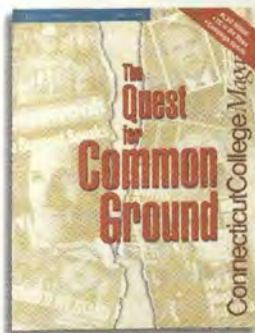
Best wishes. I remain proud that this small institution strives so mightily to achieve its liberal arts vision.

Linda Bordonaro Dwyer '76  
Bowie, Maryland

*The writer is a doctoral candidate in anthropology at Michigan State University and is writing a dissertation on immigrant communities in Los Angeles. — Eds.*

### The local politics of civil society

"The Fraying Ties That Bind" caused me to wonder if Connecticut College, particularly its environmental studies major, addresses and teaches to its students the critical role that citizens play as decision-makers at the local level. Think especially of the land-use decisions that planning boards, conservation commissions and boards of health make, and their far-reaching impact on natural resources and public health. Within the environmental studies major, is there such a topic as Conservation Civics? Do students come out of this major understanding that they can help determine the future of their own community by serving on one of those boards? Are they





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made aware that local officials really are the bottom line when it comes to watershed protection?

Our son, Scott ('97), is an environmental studies major. I have pored over the course catalog, and perhaps I have missed the course description that empowers these young adults to implement the theories they have learned in other courses. If there is no such course, could this information be integrated into another or addressed as part of a seminar?

Some people, notably relatively new arrivals in Washington, D.C., consider environmentalists just another "special interest group." However, they need to understand that the economy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the environment. Without a healthy latter, there is no former. I feel it is the responsibility of institutions such as Connecticut College to train its students to be good stewards in practice as well as in theory.

Donna M. Williams  
Worcester, Massachusetts

*The writer is program coordinator for the Massachusetts Audubon Society conservation advocacy office of Worcester county. — Eds.*

*Silfen Professor of Botany Peter Siver, director of the environmental studies major, responds:*

*I certainly appreciate Ms. Williams' interest in environmental studies and her concern for the environment.*

*The environmental studies program at Connecticut College is highly interdisciplinary and involves faculty from at least eight departments. Therefore, many of the courses in the major are listed in the Catalog by the departments that offer them.*

*Over the past few years we have expanded offerings in environmental studies through the development of three courses. Two of these, Environmental Law and Populations are seminar courses that will alternate on a yearly basis. The third is a course in Geographic Information Systems. All three of the courses did not appear in the 1993-95 Catalog. [The 1995-97 Catalog is now available. — Eds.]*

*In terms of courses that specifically address the role of citizens in making decisions at the local as well as national and international levels, the college offers a number of opportunities that are environmental in their orientation. Two of these courses, listed under the government department, are Problems of Environmental Policy and Law and Conflict in Environmental Policy. We also offer Environmental Ethics through the philosophy department, which addresses how individuals as well as societies view their world. In addition, students can design programs for independent study and honors thesis work. Our Center for Conservation Biology and Environmental Studies is similarly interdisciplinary.*

*We are constantly updating and expanding opportunities for students and welcome additional ideas.*

**A little respect from U.S. News**

About Connecticut College reaching the highest echelon of *U.S. News and World Report's* ranking for American liberal arts colleges (Campus View, Winter 1996). Not only is this development good for the school, but it is an excellent opportunity for all of us who felt that Connecticut College took a back seat to the likes of Middlebury, Williams, the Ivy Leagues, etc. to demand some respect.

Before hearing this great news I could never honestly admit why I chose to attend Connecticut College. When posed with the question, I had a number of answers at my disposal that were adequate for conversational purposes, but left me feeling empty and dejected.

Now that Connecticut College has a modicum of academic respect, I can tell you all that the real reason I entered Conn was because I didn't get into Yale. Many of my classmates were there under similar circumstances.

I remember in the winter of my senior year, with the real reason for attending Connecticut College deeply repressed, I went to a hockey game in order to show a little college rah. The game was against Amherst, which I



knew was ranked higher than us on *U.S. News'* list. Because of this discrepancy, I wanted blood. When the puck was dropped, the Amherst fans broke out into a chant of, "Safety school! Safety school!" My eyes turned red with rage. I looked for support from the rest of the Camels, but it seemed that after four years at Conn, they had resigned themselves to their fate as a "because-I-didn't-get-into-a-first-echelon-school" student. I walked home dejected.

That feeling of depression remained with me until I heard the good news about the report. Joyous scenes of fanatically yelling "safety school" at lesser opponents flashed through my mind. Now I am a proud graduate of the top 25. (Skeptics may point out that differences remain among the top 25, but I would argue that this point is as ridiculous as the fourth most wealthy person in the world calling the 15th member

## When your spouse didn't go to Connecticut College



"So, what is JA, who is Mr. G, and why does everything there have to be a pun with CONN?"

"worthy of welfare.") So now, when a person asks me, "Why did you go to Connecticut College?" I'll respond, "It's in the highest echelon."

Nicholas C. Bogaty '95  
New York City

### Waco reality check?

Concerning the tragedy at Waco, there will always be debates and disagreements. Who was ultimately at fault? Who and what was this enigmatic individual who precipitated the confrontation with the law enforcement community? Another of the world's dangerous "crazies?" A clever and calculating charlatan? Pariah, or Messiah, as he so proclaimed himself and as his followers apparently believed? Although, admittedly, I have not read Professor Gallagher's book, after reading the excerpt in *C.C. Magazine* ["Why Waco?" Summer

1996], my reactions were exactly like those expressed so articulately by Roger M. Herman in his letter to the editors in the Winter '96 issue.

Three cheers for Mr. Herman! It is easy to pontificate from Mt. Olympus, more difficult to make judgment calls down in the real world.

To quote Professor Gallagher in his response, "It locates itself instead within a tradition of interpretive, not predictive, sociology of religion that goes back to Max Weber." I'm sure the F.B.I. agents on the spot, confronted with the actual problem, should have considered this angle in making their decision! And how many angels can

stand on the head of a pin, Professor Gallagher?

**David Koresh was an unstable, power hungry, self-proclaimed Messiah who in the end got exactly what he wanted,** personal martyrdom and death by fire for those he claimed to love, his followers. And, not the least, the blame for his Armageddon to fall upon members of the law enforcement community.

Down here in the real world, law enforcement officers across our U.S. are called upon every day to make life and death judgment calls, sometimes in the space of mere seconds, and to lay their own lives on the line in so doing.

Sadly, at Waco, with the tragedy at Jonestown before them, the judgment call made by the agents ended in tragedy for both sides.

Mary Ann Knotts Walsh '43  
Denton, Maryland

*The writer is the grandmother of two Delaware State Police troopers, both of whom have received commendations for courageous action in the line of duty. — Eds.*

### Is *In Politics* still in business?

I was saddened to learn of the loss of Lauren Klatzkin '93. As I read the excerpt from her eulogy, however, I came across something that at the same time was exciting to me. I read that she "began writing for the student newspaper and soon was involved with a student-run journal of political thought called *In Politics*."

I was the first editor and one of the founders of *In Politics*. It took tremendous effort to create a magazine from the ground up and consumed a large part of my energy during my senior year. I really didn't know what had happened to the magazine since '82, which was the last





time I saw a copy. Thus, I was heartened and excited to know that it is still an entity that involves students and something the college seems to value.

I've enclosed a copy of our first cover. Thanks for the opportunity to update myself on life at CC in the '90s!

Dana Friedman Kiesel '81  
Los Angeles

#### For shame

What better reason to be ashamed as Americans ["Bringing Back Shame," President's Page, Winter 1996] then to recall the sad, continuing plight of our Native Americans. College graduates such as ourselves must awaken to the need to be more aware and become active participants in supporting the many worthwhile causes in our nation.

Frances Blatch '38  
Danville, Pennsylvania

#### We change history

I imagine I'm not the first to point this out. You slipped up when you wrote: "When the young women of the Class of 1945 came to Connecticut College, the U.S. was recovering from a global war..." ["Class of '45 Remembers Dean Alverna Burdick," Honor Roll of Giving issue]. That would have been in September 1941 when WW II was just getting started.

Betty Brown Leslie '45  
Old Greenwich, Connecticut

*We sure goofed on that one, and, yes, you weren't the only one to point it out.*

— Eds.

#### So much for vegetable-based inks

Observant readers will note that we no longer display the "Printed with Soy Ink" icon on our masthead. Beginning with this issue we are abandoning the practice of using soy inks, which we followed for five years. There are two reasons for this: 1) vegetable-based inks cost more than traditional inks, and 2) improvements in manufacturing tech-

niques and recycling/reclamation programs have negated the environmental value of printing with soy ink to the point where the expense can no longer be justified.

The main advantage of vegetable inks was that they cut down emission of volatile organic compounds, or VOCs, which are suspect in the reduction of the ozone layer. But our printer, The Lane Press of Burlington, Vermont, now uses a thermal oxidizer to clean paper-drying-oven exhaust gasses to 99 percent efficiency. They then route the waste heat into their building's heating system. Result? Essentially no VOCs.

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#### Corrections

**The obituary for Joanne Toor Cummings '50**, which appeared in the Class Notes section of the Honor Roll of Giving issue, incorrectly reported that Cummings was a member of the National Committee on American Foreign Policy for 10 years. She was a member of that organization for nearly 20 years.

**About Face** Due to a pre-press error, the photo of Frances Gillmore Pratt's ('60) "Starflower" in the the winter issue's Portfolio was reversed. The proper orientation was actually the opposite of what appeared. Our apologies.

**Additions to Heritage Society** The following members of the Heritage Society, people who have

included the college in their estate plans, were inadvertently omitted from the listing in the Honor Roll of Giving issue.

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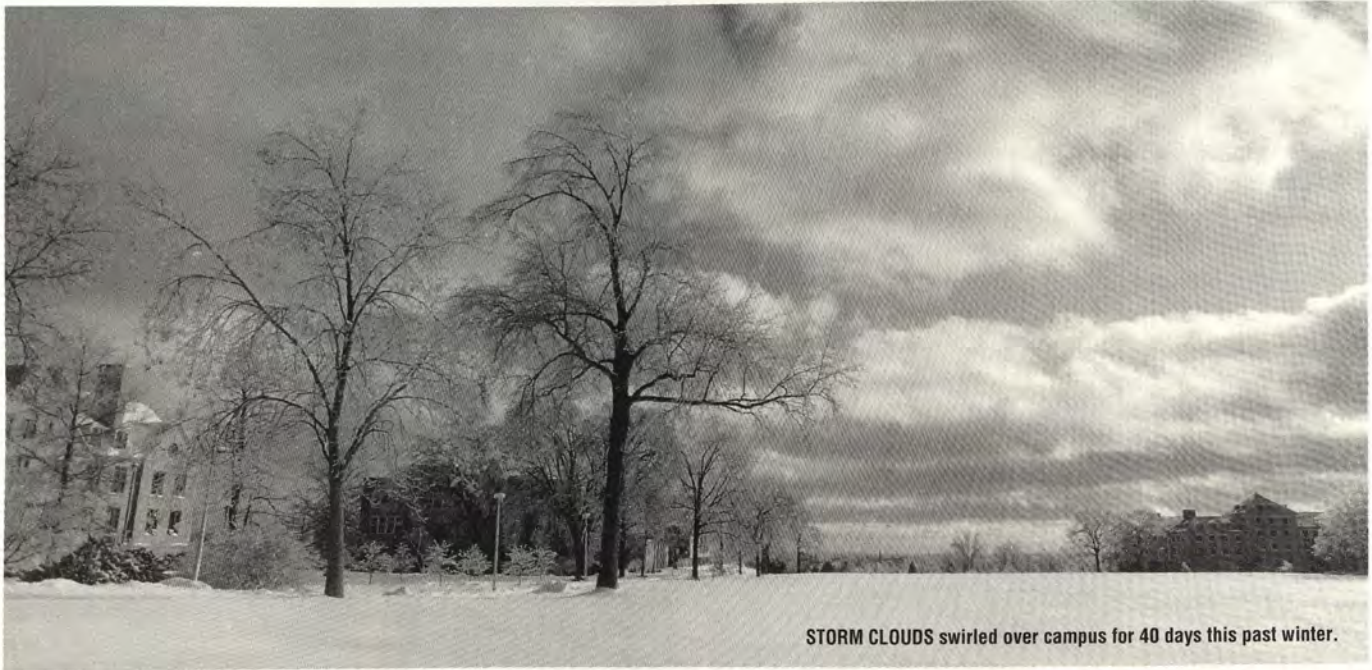
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**That was the winter that was** *8 feet of snow, 190 tons of sand, 1,500 hours of overtime. Phew.*



**STORM CLOUDS** swirled over campus for 40 days this past winter.

**NEWS** Eleven winter storms have dumped more than 90 inches of snow on the normally temperate Connecticut shoreline so far this season, making it the worst winter in 100 years. To date, the college's eight-man grounds staff, with occasional help from other physical plant workers, has spread 190 tons of sand and put in 1,500 hours of overtime.

During the so-called Blizzard of '96, which blew relentlessly from January 7-10, the crew worked non-stop for four days to keep ahead of the accumulating and drifting snow.

"Even so, by Thursday morning there were still some walkways and other areas of campus we didn't have time to get to," said Jim Luce, supervisor of grounds.

"We only got four hours of sleep over three days because

we were so wired and full of coffee," said Don Bezanson, a grounds crew member. "At the height of the blizzard the conditions on campus were pretty dangerous. In fact, we lost the road by the South Tennis Courts completely because it was covered with snowdrifts four to six feet high."

"This kind of winter is brutal on equipment," added Luce. "And breakdowns really slow down the crew." Out of the five pieces of equipment the crew uses to remove snow, Luce replaced transmissions in four of them this season.

Dining services workers put in duty above and beyond the call, too. "Several times our people stayed overnight, sleeping on mattresses physical plant hauled down for us, so we'd be sure to have staff to put food out for the students in the morning," said

Matt Fay, director of dining services.

So what does it cost to combat the worst winter in 100 years? At press time Luce

was still tallying it up, but budget contingencies should cover the expense. Meanwhile, the forecast for the weekend: Snow. — PL

## BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### *One equation or two? ...*

Topics for this year's math department teas, which meet Wednesday afternoons, weren't for the average pocket-protector crowd:



"Is there a Mathterlife? or How to Beat the Odds when You are Dead!" a scene from a play by Tom Stoppard, presented by Charles King and Erika Cox.

Professor Robert Tragesser speaks on Gödel's proof that mathematics is too large for the human mind.

"'In all Probability': Flipping Coins with Rosencrantz and Guildenstern." An informal performance by Charles King and Erika Cox of a scene from the play "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead."

"The Mismatched Valentines!" A mathematical mystery by Professors Kathy McKeon and Bridget Baird. Presented, of course, on Wed., Feb. 14.



## Anybody got a slingshot? A CC woman learns how David felt as she battles a giant corporation



Connecticut College certainly has its legends.

There are all of those ghosts in the Plex... Akida Bailey, star of *Harlem Diary*... and then, there's Brigitte O'Donoghue '96, who single-handedly took on the Playtex corporation in the name of women's health.

"At first I was thinking about a huge campaign. I got apprehensive, but then I just decided to go for it," says the resident of Earth House.

Suddenly the whole campus was abuzz about meetings and E-mail briefs outlining the dangers of dioxin, a byproduct of the chlorine that cotton suppliers use to whiten their product. The bleached cotton is, in turn, used by tampon manufacturers, risky business since dioxin may cause cancer or reproductive disorders.

O'Donoghue advocated a boycott of Playtex to force the company to keep chlorine out of its products. She thought that might help convince oth-

er tampon manufacturers to follow suit.

What started as a simple petition circulating around Connecticut College grew to a campaign on 22 campuses that gained attention in environmental circles everywhere.

Her research appeared in two environmental newsletters: *Threshold*, published by the Student Environmental Action Coalition in Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and *Free the Planet*, the newsletter of a national student environmental group in Washington, D.C. She directed people to an informa-

tional Web site at <http://critpath.org/tracy>, and she promoted the use of reusable and unbleached tampons.

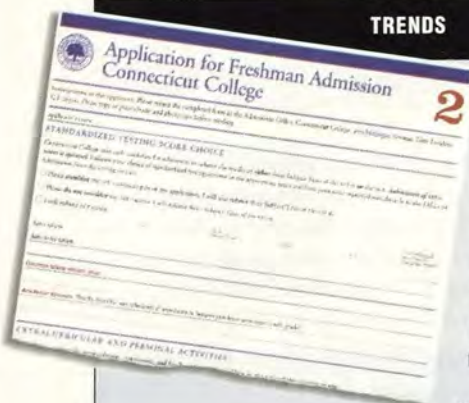
Where will it all lead? Not much farther, O'Donoghue says. No threats have been made, but she recently learned the boycott could invite a lawsuit against her. This didn't bother O'Donoghue much. But when she found out her parents could be named as well because she is their dependent, she backed off. Still, O'Donoghue views her work as a valuable learning experience and feels good that her message reached an estimated 40,000 people.

— Emily Luce '97



O'Donoghue: Down but not out.

### TRENDS



#### Hold on folks, are you ready for the Class of '00?...

Early indications show competition for CC's first class of the new millennium is tough. Dean of Admissions Lee Coffin reports that:

- Applications increased 10 percent to 3,414, the third largest pool in college history. The record is 3,688 for the Class of '88.

- The Admissions Office saw a 45 percent increase in on-campus interviews, with off-campus interviews by alumni also on the rise.
- Early Decision applications set a record, too. They rose 17 percent to 213, breaking the old record of 204 for the Class of '96. This is a critically important statistic because it represents an increase in the number of applicants who identify CC as a first choice. Thirty-one percent of the class was admitted under ED, versus 24 percent last year. Among that group 69 percent attended public schools, 25 percent attended independent schools and 8 percent parochial or church-affiliated schools. The students hailed from 20 states and three foreign countries.

Coffin attributes the rise in applications to increased travel by admissions counselors; changes in the SAT, which inflated scores and gave some students unrealistic expectations about their chance of acceptance at CC; and breaking into *U.S. News'* top 25 rankings.

## Four percent rise in fees for 1996-97



At its Feb. 16-17 meeting, the board of trustees approved a 4 percent increase in the college's comprehensive fee, the lowest percentage rise in the last 22 years. For 1996-97, the comprehensive fee — which includes tuition, room and board — will be \$27,375. The current charges are \$26,325. At the same time, the college will increase its budget for on-campus financial aid by 7.3 percent to \$11.1 million. Fifty-one percent of the student body receives assistance.

The board also announced a 3.9 percent average increase

in salaries and wages, consisting of a 2.5 percent across-the-board adjustment for faculty and staff with the remaining funds to be allocated based on performance. In order to assure competitive pay for both faculty and staff, the performance-based pay will be split so as to provide an average increase for the faculty of 5 percent and an average increase for the staff of 3 percent.

Except for financial aid and compensation, the college budget is not set until the May meeting of the trustees so that expenses can be kept in line with revenues.



Tim Martin



**CHEZ KNOWLTON:** Candlelight, tablecloths, quiet jazz and conversation. Below: CC Chef Lynnsie Manza's pork medallions with Jack Daniels sauce.

## What, no Spam? *Fine dining — in a dorm!*

**NEWS** Bet you never knew that the college owns elegant little silver butter knives with "CC" engraved on them. Or that you can get an incredible gourmet meal, complete with table service, right on campus — for five dollars, no less. But then, as I was to find out, Knowlton on the Green, which is open Wednesday evenings and which the dining services department calls a "pilot test in fine dining," is overstuffed with surprises.

Start your gastronomic adventure by making reservations the Monday before, just like you'd do at a prix fixe restaurant. There are three entree choices, plus soup, salad, a side dish, bread, and, of course, dessert selections. All of them are prepared by

members of the dining services staff.

When you arrive, the maitre d' will lead you to your table and pull out your chair. Notice that many students have left their flannel shirts and torn jeans behind and are dressed, if not to the nines, at least somewhat higher than a five. Note, too, that

this is not the anxiety-ridden-foreign-language-lunch-room Knowlton. This evening edition of Knowlton gets

you candlelight, linen tablecloths and quiet jazz in the background.

Relax. For the next hour and a half, eat delicious food and talk. Talk a lot. That's one of the main reasons Knowlton on the Green was created, to give students, faculty and staff a pleasant place to get together and exchange ideas. — Emily Luce '97



## Is there a would-be doctor in the house?

**NEWS** Getting into medical school is notoriously difficult, but a fresh approach to Connecticut College's pre-health program aims to give students a head start on the process.

The reorganized pre-health advising program began in October under the direction of Jack Tinker, director of career services, and Marylynn B. Fallon, senior lecturer in zoology. It has two aims: to help students decide whether a career in medicine is for them and, if it is, to help them get into medical school.

Early in the junior year, students spend a day observing surgery at a local hospital. They also intern at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital with emergency medical technicians, and others volunteer to work in the emergency room.

"In our EMT internship program, they can follow the emergency medical technicians and the patients right through the process, relate to the families and get a firsthand look at what the experience is all about," says Tinker.

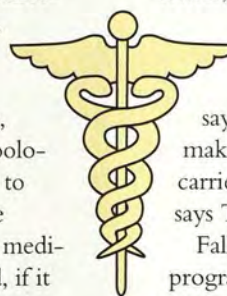
During the grueling med

school application process, students are paired with a physician who is a member of the college's 10-member Board of Medical Practitioners. When the faculty pre-health advisory committee writes a recommendation, it includes comments, and in some cases letters, from the local physician with whom the student was paired.

"If a neurosurgeon says our student would make a great doctor, that carries additional weight," says Tinker.

Fallon hopes the new program will strengthen students' medical school applications — as well as applications for those who apply to veterinary or dental school. "What's different here is the clinical experience," she says.

Because juniors apply to med school this summer for entrance in the fall of 1997, the effect of the new advising process won't be known for a while. But already interest in medicine is growing. About 75 students — an apparent record — registered as pre-medical students in the fall. That may be just what the doctor ordered. — LH



### EAR TO THE GROUND

#### *When Cupid was a Camel...*

Eight percent of Connecticut College alumni who graduated in the era of coeducation (after 1969) have more than a diploma to remind them of their alma mater.

According to records, **859 alumni tied the knot with another CC grad.**



Chris Burrell '87



## Isn't that spatial *At last, the reason why guys won't ask for directions*

**NEWS** Questions such as why men and women give directions differently and why people react more favorably to "a room with a view" drive the recent research efforts of Psychology Professor Ann Devlin. Her work is in environmental psychology, which explores the profound effects of the environment on our well-being and how we function in the world. "How can you merge the theoretical and the applied and actually make a difference in people's lives?" she asks.

Here's how. In a recent study done on campus, she and her students looked at how the view from a dorm room, especially the quantity of sunlight it admitted and the amount of natural landscape visible from the window, affected stress levels.

"We found that people have a shared conception of what a good dormitory setting should be," says Devlin. The ideal room would be on the second floor with views of nature, including campus greens, water or the Arboretum. As for practical applications, "There were meetings about the design of the new Plex going on, and the students hoped that some of the principles of environmental psychology could be incorporated into that design," she explains.

One of the ironies environmental psychologists face is that their findings are often dismissed as common sense. "With the Plex, people are apt to say, 'oh that's so obvious. Who wants a dorm room



**TAKE A LEFT AT THE LIGHT:** Psychology professor Ann Devlin is writing a book about spatial cognition, how visual cues in the environment provide people with information.

with a view of a garbage dump or low scrubby shrubs?" says Devlin. "But if it's so obvious why did people build it that way initially?"

In fact, environmental psychologists have made a valuable impact on the design of institutional settings. The work of Roger Ulrich, a friend of Devlin's from graduate school who is now on the faculty at Texas A&M, is an example. He demonstrated that patients recovering from gallbladder surgery who were given a view of trees from their beds required less pain medication, were released sooner, and were judged by nurses to be more cooperative than those with no view. This led to policy recommendations for hospital design at the state

and national level.

Devlin, who received her B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in environmental psychology from the University of Michigan, began working at Connecticut College in the early '70s. Her earliest work focused on elderly housing in New London, where she compared high-rise buildings with garden style apartment complexes, looking at factors that influence satisfaction as well as the kinds of cognitive demands such different styles make on the residents.

She is also exploring something called "wayfinding."

"My husband says he can look at directions [to a place] and tell whether a man or woman wrote them. I was annoyed by that statement, so

I'm doing a study to see if the quality of directional information provided by men and women is different."

Working with Jason Bernstein '95, she recently compared how men and women use cues and the types of directions they prefer to find their way on a computer-simulated campus tour. The study was published in *The Journal of Environmental Psychology*.

Like other researchers in the field, she spotted gender differences. "Women seem to prefer verbal cues more than do men," she explains. "Men are likely to choose the 'map only' option more than are women, who will take the map *and* the written directions." Men also made fewer errors and were more confident than women that they could find their way.

At first glance, wayfinding research seems unrelated to Devlin's other work, but it is all tied together by a concept called spatial cognition — how people's knowledge about the spatial aspects of their environment are represented in a mental construct.

"It's the notion of the role of the environment as a purveyor of information," she says. "The same principles apply, whether in a micro-environment such as a dormitory or elderly housing, or to travelers trying to make their way on the Cross Bronx Expressway. The question is, how is the environment structured and how do we perceive the cues?"

Devlin is on sabbatical this semester, writing a book about spatial cognition.

— Karen Baar



## Out, out brief losing streak *A reversal of fortune for the men's basketball and ice hockey teams*



Last year's winter of discontent for the Connecticut College men's ice hockey and basketball programs did an about-face in '95-'96.

A year ago Doug Roberts' hockey team went 5-16-2, and Glen Miller's basketball squad finished 4-20. But this year the Camels boasted two of the best single-season turn-arounds in New England and quite possibly in the country with a 16-7-1 record and an ECAC Quarterfinal in hockey, and a 18-8 mark and ECAC Semifinal in basketball.

### Basketball on a roll

After beating Ithaca College in the championship game of the Whaling City Ford Tournament, men's basketball garnered four straight wins. They trounced the Rams of Suffolk, 97-65, then won eight straight, tying a mark set during the 1984-85 season and receiving a 10th place ranking in the NCAA Division III Northeast poll for the first time ever. On February 9, the Camels faced their most formidable foe of the season in the 4th-ranked Polar Bears of Bowdoin College. Full-court pressure and hot shooting led to a 76-59 Camel win.

### Record unbeaten streak

After a convincing 5-2 win versus perennial NCAA power Salem State, Roberts' hockey team took six in a row and set the momentum for the home stretch. Against Wesleyan, the Camels tied a record for longest unbeaten streak at 10 with a 6-4 win.

The next night CC rallied from two goals down to beat arch rival Trinity 8-5, extending the streak to 11. This resulted in the highest ranking of the season for Connecticut — 7th in the NCAA Division III East poll.

### ECAC tournament bids

Hockey received a four seed in the ECAC East Hockey Quarterfinal and played host to five seed Hamilton College at Dayton Arena. Neither the home-ice advantage nor a new Camel mascot (see Last Look, page 80) could help Roberts' squad recover from an 8-0 deficit after two periods, and Conn lost 9-3.

Basketball, playing in its first post-season since the 1984-85, accepted a five seed in the ECAC Division III Tournament and defeated four seed Bridgewater State College 81-72. Down 43-30 at halftime versus Amherst in the semifinals, a resilient CC team pulled within four points, 56-52, before Amherst put the game out of reach with consecutive three-pointers. The Camels fell 73-59.

Both sports triumphed because of balanced team play rather than the performance of a superstar. Hockey touted six players with 20 points or more and 11 different game-winning goal scorers; basketball had four players who scored in double figures and averaged more than six rebounds.

And all agreed, after last winter's discontent, it was nice not to be on the receiving end of so many slings and arrows. — Mike King

### STATS

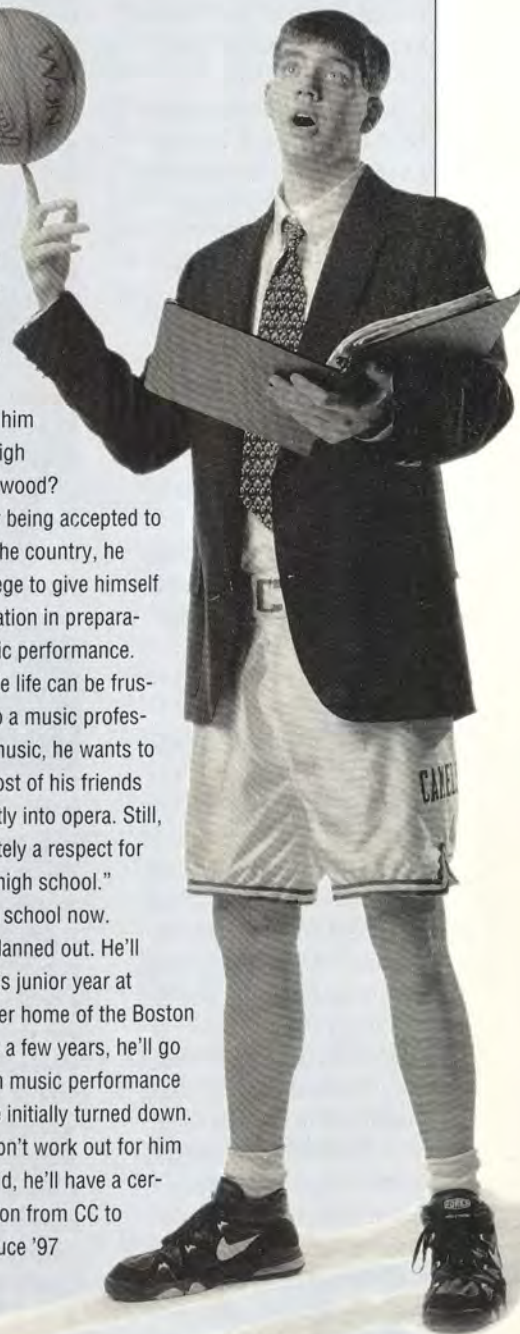
#### *Decisions, decisions: To sing or slam dunk ...*

Aaron Guckian is a hard guy to keep up with. True, he's a speedy 6'7" sophomore center on the men's basketball team averaging 11 points a game. And, true, he's something of a gym rat. But when he isn't performing on the basketball court, he's more than likely performing on stage — singing opera. Between academic classes and voice lessons, choir and basketball practice, there isn't a whole lot of time to chat. I resorted to a zone trap and cornered him in Cro to ask what's a high tenor doing on the hardwood?

Guckian says after being accepted to music schools around the country, he chose Connecticut College to give himself a solid academic foundation in preparation for a career in music performance.

Of course, a double life can be frustrating. "If I go to talk to a music professor, and I want to talk music, he wants to talk basketball." And most of his friends on the team aren't exactly into opera. Still, he says, "There's definitely a respect for [my music], not like in high school."

He's far from high school now. Already, he's got it all planned out. He'll spend the summer of his junior year at Tanglewood, the summer home of the Boston Symphony, and then, in a few years, he'll go on to get his master's in music performance at one of the schools he initially turned down. If he finds that things don't work out for him in the performance world, he'll have a certificate in music education from CC to fall back on. — Emily Luce '97





## “The Olympic Village as molting pot”

*For Anita DeFrantz '74, community began on the CC campus and expanded to embrace the world*

Anita DeFrantz was a member of two Olympic rowing teams and earned a bronze medal at the 1976 games.

Called “the most powerful woman in amateur sport” by Women’s Sports and Fitness, DeFrantz is a member of the International Olympic Committee. A practicing attorney, she is known as a strong advocate for athletes’ rights. Her lifetime membership on the International Olympic Committee coupled with her role as president of the board of directors of the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles has put her story in a variety of magazines, recently U.S.A. Today, Essence, Sports Illustrated and the cover of Parade magazine.

She is a trustee of the college and made these remarks as part of the Distinguished Alumni Speakers series on campus, February 15, 1996.

“ I have taken my title today, “The Olympic Village as Molting Pot,” from work that the esteemed president of Connecticut College has done looking at how a liberal arts education can make people better world citizens.

I am, of course, the product of liberal arts education. I started out as a music major and with great help from Professor Woody and others I managed, in my senior year, to change my major from music to political philosophy. It was one of those made-up majors of that era.

Things change here. About every 10 years you either have a language requirement or you don’t. You have to have a major or you don’t, etc. So I am grateful to those who hung with me and who saw something in me that would be a part of my future. I am grateful for the trust, the understanding and the experience of being at Connecticut College, which I believe to be the premiere liberal arts college in the country. Why?

Since the founding of Connecticut College there has been a strong commitment to community. And that’s what we need in our lives as citizens not only of the U.S. but as citizens of the world.

My first experience in a civil society, not to demean my high school in Indianapolis — that was a somewhat less than civil society — was here at Connecticut College. I realize now that part of the welcome feeling I had came from the faculty who would call on me in class. The first time a faculty member called on me,

much to my dismay, I had been daydreaming about something other than Plato’s allegory of the cave. Luckily I had the wherewithal to say something that satisfied Professor Minor Myers. The point is I learned I had to contribute, and contribute I did, as best I could.

Back in the old days — the third year of coeducation at the college — rowing became a sport here. It was right outside this building [The

College Center at Crozier-Williams] that Mr. Bart Gulong inspired me to give rowing a try, and things were going along fine until my senior year when one Mr. Rick Ricci appeared and said we had to get serious about this sport. He said we actually had to work out, run to warm

up — and this was foreign to me. I thought I was supposed to have fun out there. Sure it was a sport, but the hard work should be on the water not on the ground. If I’d wanted to run I could have been on the track team. I didn’t like running!

Anyway, Rick and Bart said that if I worked hard enough I could possibly make the Olympic team. I thought, if they think I can — then maybe I’ll give it a try. Thus began my career in terms of truly focusing on sport.

Going back a few years previous to that, one day in my freshman year the dean of the college, Jewel Cobb, spied me walking down the hall in Fanning minding my own business. She stepped out in the hall and said, “Aren’t you a DeFrantz?”

I said, “Yes, ma’am.”

“A DeFrantz from Indianapolis?”

I said, “Yes, ma’am.”

“Are you related to Bobby or Faye?”

I said, “Bobby is my father.”

Unbelievably, she had known him in high school. So already, although I had done my absolute best to escape the clutches of my parents — I thought nobody knew anyone here at Connecticut College — there I was, captured by the dean of the college.

Now, what does this have to do with an Olympic Village? It has to do with the fact that an Olympic Village comes around every four years. (I’m speaking of the summer games now; we split the winter games from the summer games for economic reasons.) What is so special about that village? That village is made up of thousands of people who have been



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successful. They have won the right to call themselves Olympians, and they are coming into the community in a peaceful manner, even those who are competing in boxing and wrestling and judo. Their mission is to peacefully decide who is the best athlete in the world. They live together, they share meals together, they share a common history when the games are over.

This is a very special time and place in the world. In 1996 we have 197 nations that are recognized to be able to compete, the most ever. How does this happen? Why does it happen? And why does it continue to happen? It happens because people trust and believe. They trust in one another to live peacefully, at least for this four-week period. They can share a meal with people who may have completely different religious backgrounds than they do, and a different approach to life, but they are united in their respect of one another.

My belief is that the world could become an Olympic Village. It's going to take a lot of time, plus the commitment of every one of us in this room, and in every room across this nation and actually across the world to want there to be a civil community. We have to want the world to be a better place and be dedicated to that.

Those of you who are Connecticut College undergraduates are learning a great deal. I had no idea at the time I was a student how this would prepare me for my current life. Some of my friends say that I just never

finished my work here and that's why the college won't let me go. I have to come back, to come back to do what I was supposed to do when I was in my senior year goofing off and rowing and enjoying being a house-

You come into and are part of a community that is in many ways similar to the Olympic Village. You have people at a liberal arts college doing their best to hone their skills and be prepared for whatever the world

world. You have choices and challenges. In 1980 I had a choice. [DeFrantz is referring to President Carter's lobbying of the USOC to boycott the Moscow Olympic Games. — Eds.] I could have just said, "Well, that's fine, I'll just forget four years of training and my financial situation and all that I knew about our constitution and our legislative process and said 'OK, if you don't want me to go, I won't go.'" But instead, because I was taught to question and expect an answer, I asked, "Why does the president think he has the right to tell me I can't go?"

Alas, President Carter had a little more influence than I did. Other athletes and I wound up suing the USOC and the U.S. government, so I was, in a sense, suing The White House, which is no easy task.

So, we didn't get to go. But the good news for me was that because I took a stand I was well-known outside of the U.S. and by the International Olympic Committee, and that is an important part of why I was elected to the USOC in 1986.

Now that I have you completely confused about whether you are in an Olympic Village or Connecticut College, one last message. The important part of what I have to say is that you have to give back.

Giving back, taking a stand, trusting, developing camaraderie are part of today and tomorrow ... and our future if we work together.



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fellow at Freeman (not a bad dorm — there is or was a fireplace in the housefellow suite. It also had a window you could jump out of if you needed to — I only did that once.)

brings to them as a challenge.

What happens after you leave the Olympic Village? What happens after you leave Connecticut College? You are back in the real



## Munich in Ohio Did the Dayton Accords really bring in "peace in our time?"

Marijan Despalatovic, senior lecturer in Russian studies and philosophy, first wrote about the war in the "former Yugoslavia" for CC Magazine after a visit to Croatia in the summer of 1992. He filed a second report from Zagreb in the fall of 1994. These are his observations of the peace talks that took place in Dayton, Ohio, during November 1995.



When the great Barnum and Bailey peace circus in Dayton closed last November there was little cause for joy.

The three Balkan leaders, as the press archly styled them, had been alternately bullied by the manic Holbrook and cajoled by the perpetually supercilious Christopher into signing a piece of paper. They were not impressed by the hulk of a B-1 bomber, although Holbrook had thought it good for the barbarians to see the power of the empire.

Holbrook's task was not easy. He had to snatch a compromise from the jaws of victory.

Izetbegovic of Bosnia-Herzegovina was the peacemaker's most difficult challenge. Izetbegovic was a quiet, reserved, thoughtful man who knew that he would have to accede to the dismemberment of his country and who bore that



knowledge with infuriating dignity. He was not a "mixer," that abstemious man of strong religious convictions. He was also the only one of the three presidents who had never been a communist and who advocated secularism and multiculturalism as the only fitting ground for a modern state. Journalists complained that it was diffi-

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other hand, was humorless, pretentious, Virgin Mary and Moses rolled into one. He carried the burden of his persona

and his "mission" with appropriate dignity.

Tudjman let his ministers do the work and flew into Dayton only for ceremonial occasions.

It was, therefore, inevitable that Milosevic of Serbia turned out to be everybody's darling and Holbrook's right-hand man. Here was a jolly cannibal, simply "one of the boys," always willing to settle issues with a glass of Scotch and then crack bawdy jokes to cover up embarrassing details. Here was the connoisseur of realpolitik and the victor of the first modern Balkan war. There was going to be no peace without Milosevic!

The so-called Dayton Accords represent, in fact, an instrument of capitulation: the West surrendered to the Serbs' demands and legit-



imized their war of aggression. Worse, the West sanctioned the cause of this particular aggression, namely a racist ideology of "blood and soil," which is mortally inimical to the idea of civil society. At the end of the 20th century, while we prate about globalism, justice, tolerance and other bonbons of pleasing flavors, brute power has been recognized as the defining coin of international politics.

No one is surprised that Milosevic was spared the indictment of the International Tribunal, although he has been publicly identified by his close associates and collaborators as the inspirator and murderous executor of the wars in Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina. Milosevic was designated the CEO of the "peace process" in the "former Yugoslavia" from the beginning of the bloody march to the sea by the "endangered" and "fearful" Serbs, who wanted to live in one country even if it was not their country but could be made theirs by discriminate use of murder and rape. And so the Stoltenbergs, the Bildts, the Holbrooks, just like their illustrious predecessors the Carringtons, the Vances and the Owens, trek to Belgrade to kiss the ring and receive assurances of Milosevic's benevolent interest in the cause of just peace. After all, Chamberlain went to Munich and wrung out of Hitler a piece of paper which, the old gentleman

believed, meant "peace in our time."

When the Serbs began their war, Bush said it was only a "hiccup." Eagleburger liked to intone mournfully: "We have here 1,000 years of tribal conflict." Boutros-Ghali called it "the rich man's war." Elie Wiesel found that all the "participants" in the conflagration were guilty, the victim was just as implicated by the crime as the criminal. Jimmy Carter became convinced that the Serbs had been "misunderstood,"

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which pleased his hosts, Karadzic and Mladic, mightily. And all the while the Serbs were doing their work with a will and a very accurate understanding of the UN, the UNHCR, the IRC, and the great leaders of the Western world.

The war affords us now a better understanding of the Serb soldier, and that means of the nation which sent him to do her will. The Serb soldier has been at his best when facing an unarmed opponent. Battle honors of the Serb arms in this "Crusade" are Vukovar,

Dubrovnik, Sarajevo, Zepa, Gorazde, Srebrenica. There the Serb has practiced under the reluctant eyes of the world every form of cruelly devised horror to achieve his perverted dreams.

But when the Serb meets an opponent armed and skilled and sustained by a just cause, he runs away and conjures up treason as the sole cause of his defeat. In victory the Serb has been pitiless, in defeat he is abject and base.

For three bloody years the "mediators" avoided the fundamental issue of the

so-called "Bosnian problem." There are "bad guys" in Bosnia (Milosevic and his Bosnian Serb lieutenants Karadzic and Mladic), and there are "good guys," ordinary citizens of Bosnia-Herzegovina, Muslims, Croats and Serbs, who now know that their state, a member of the UN, has been set to be extinguished by the action of other, mightier members of the UN. When the aggression began, ethnic Serb citizens of Bosnia-Herzegovina lived on about 24 percent of the territory of the republic. Now, in

Dayton, the Serbs have been given 49 percent of the country as their own, and a ghost state (The Serb Republic), an "entity," as the document calls it prettily. Furthermore, in this entity there are practically no Muslims or Croats left. They have been cleansed out of the entity. Obviously, for the Serbs the war has been a good investment.

One can sympathize with the discomfort of the international community as first the Croats, and then the Bosnians, declined to be victims. They quite unreasonably refused to be fed and clothed by the generous West so that they might then be slaughtered by the pragmatic Serbs.

The Croats armed themselves, stepped into the breach and trounced the armies of the "indomitable" Serb warriors, before whom the West had quaked for so long.

The Bosnians put themselves at the mercy of the world. They have now been made to suffer consequences of their ardent belief in the conscience of the West. After a thunderous show of NATO "resolve" and a decent interval of intense negotiations, Bosnia was butchered in the conference chambers of an Air Force base in Ohio.

"Out, damned spot — out, I say."

And they rubbed Bosnia-Herzegovina out.



## Gender stereotypes and women's health

### Associate Professor of Psychology Joan Chrisler

and Alyce Huston Hemstreet, editors, *Variations on a Theme: Diversity and the Psychology of Women*, 1995, SUNY, 238 pages, nonfiction.

Although the field of psychology — and that of the psychology of women in particular — has recently placed much emphasis on examining human experiences through the lens of diversity, that initiative has rarely been put into practice. This book is an important exception.

Seventeen contributing specialists in the field of women's psychology explore how differing ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, classes, ages and religious beliefs actually shape women's experiences.

The book begins by reviewing the issue of diversity in women's health. The authors state that little is written about the health needs of poor, rural women, and there continues to be a paucity of information on many minority groups.

Chrisler and Hemstreet demonstrate how gender stereotypes have "influenced what researchers deem important, what government agencies fund, what attracts practitioners' attention and the type of advice that patients receive." They go on to suggest how to improve health care for women.

On many levels, *Variations on a Theme* challenges and exceeds the scope of traditional psychology — moving beyond an examination of

the individual at the intrapsychic level to contextualize women's experiences in the sociocultural realm. Whereas reviews of research typically compare and contrast the findings of one group's experiences to those of another group, this book discusses the experiences of multiple groups of women.

In the chapter on physical abuse in heterosexual and lesbian relationships, the writers draw on theory and research to examine the issues that contribute to both male-female and female-female battering situations: power dynamics, substance abuse and gender roles. They conclude their chapter with a theme that circulates throughout the book — the importance of not comparing the oppression of one group of women to that of another. "To do so," the authors note, "distracts us from our common experience as women in a sexist, racist and homophobic society."

The contributors represent a wide array of backgrounds: professors of psychology and social work, psychotherapists in private practice, psychiatric nurses and ministers. This leads to a text rich in multiple perspectives and one that challenges the reader to question traditional definitions of psychological theory and research.

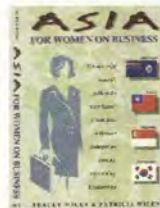
— Susan E. Beren '88

### Tracey Wilen '83

and Patricia Wilen, *Asia for Women on Business*, 1995, Stone Bridge Press, 256 pages, nonfiction.

More and more professional women are traveling to Asia's

"Four Tigers," the new industrial and economic powers of Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and South Korea. But the region's traditional attitudes about "a woman's place" can still pose special problems.



This practical handbook helps counteract these attitudes to bolster the visiting business woman's authority and effectiveness.

Extensive checklists summarize winning strategies for negotiating, dining, attending meetings and handling "awkward" situations. Also included are travel tips and overviews of business and entertainment protocol in each county, as well as advice on presentation and safety.

Tracey Wilen '83 is the author of *Doing Business with Japanese Men: A Woman's Handbook* and *Doing Business with Western Women: A Guide for Japanese Men*. — MHF

### Rachel Carley '76

*The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture*, 1994, Henry Holt, 272 pages, reference

Have you ever wondered how a tepee is constructed, how double-hung windows work, or how a Colonial mason laid up a brick wall? *The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture* is an indispensable resource for students, design professionals and anyone who would simply like to know more about the buildings

around them. This reference book explores the many styles of American housing, much as a field guide, but it also identifies the materials, structural underpinnings and elements that make a building what it is.

Rachel Carley '76 is a former staff member of the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission. She holds a master's degree in historic preservation from the Columbia University School of Architecture and has been awarded fellowships by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. An editor of *Home* magazine and the *Time-Life American Country* series, Carley is also the author of *The Backyard Book* and a contributor to *The New York Times*. — MHF

### Marjory Dressler '67

photographer, *The Mysterious Horseman: An Adventure in Prairietown*, by Kate Waters, 1994, Scholastic, 40 pages, children's fiction.

Charming photographs and vivid text tell a story of a young boy in Indiana during the days of the pioneers. Taken at Connor Prairie, a living history museum in Fishers, Ind., the color photos are sure to capture the imaginations of young history buffs.

Marjory Dressler, who holds a master's from Syracuse University, has worked as a freelance photographer, a book editor and a production and design director of a publishing house. She lives in New York City. — MHF



# *the* Transformers

*Eleven CC professors who  
change our lives*

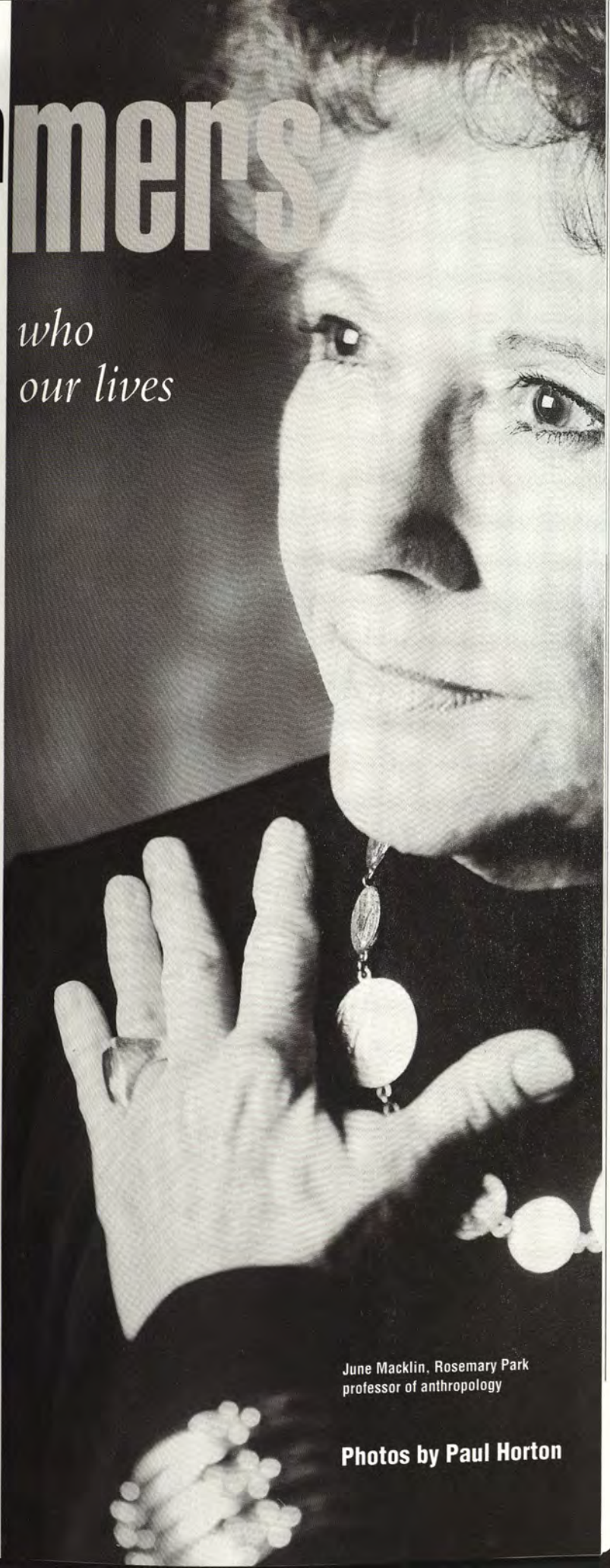
I attended a large urban university, one of those places where the faculty quite rightly had a reputation for treating a free thinking individual as a number. Mine was 070387256, and my Psych 101 class had 600 students in it.

Once, though, I had a *professor*. For an hour and a half, three times a week he led me on fantastic journeys among the stars — from Andromeda to Arcturus, from sidereal time to Soyuz. Sometimes his pal Isaac Asimov, who was also in the astronomy department back then, would barge in, and the two of them would carry on like a cosmic Abbott and Costello comedy team: Who's on first light? Right. No, *who*?

Twenty years have passed since I sat in that classroom, yet whenever I look deeply into the night sky I still feel a little rush of wonder. I am very grateful for that. Where anonymity was routine, I was lucky to find someone who had a profound influence on my life.

Here at Connecticut College, of course, you can hardly avoid it. When the editors were preparing this special faculty issue of *CC Magazine*, one thing became abundantly clear. The place is rife with star teachers who are active with their own intellectual telescopes. In fact, our greatest challenge was limiting the number of professors to meet space requirements. We wound up basing our choices largely on seniority, but we also attempted to spread the subjects out among departments. As a result, some excellent faculty members who have been part of this community for a very long time weren't profiled. We hope you will understand if your favorite professor isn't here. Perhaps you will honor us with *your* remembrances, which we promise to print in the letters column of our next issue. Meanwhile, sit back ... and prepare for a rush of wonder.

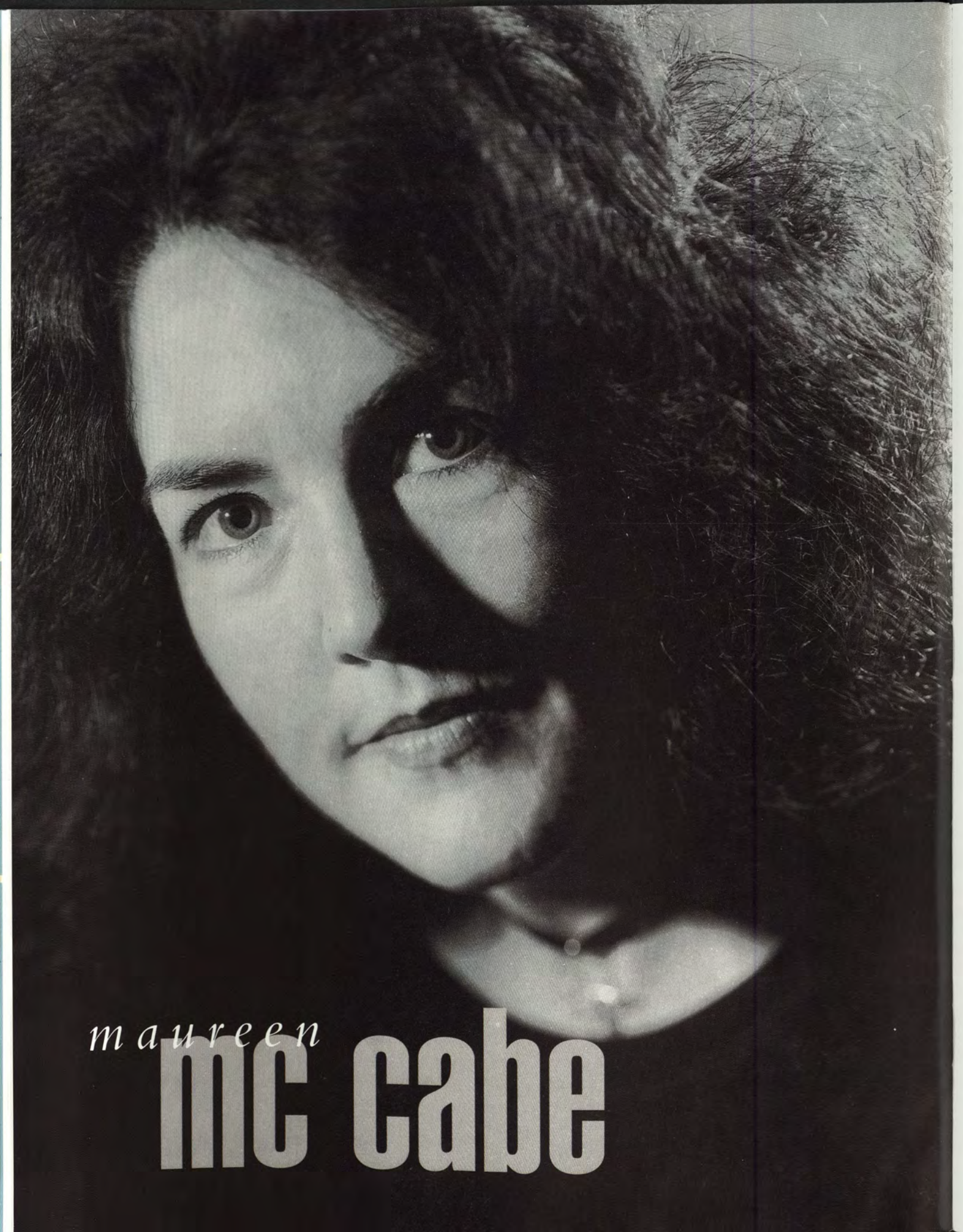
— Chuck Luce



June Macklin, Rosemary Park  
professor of anthropology

Photos by Paul Horton





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*By her own admission, she's tough.  
"I've been told I could critique a paper bag."*

**W**hen Professor of Studio Art Maureen McCabe came to her interview at Connecticut College some 25 years ago, a senior faculty member took one look at the black-clad, high heel wearing artist and said, "In a couple of months you'll be dressing like the rest of us." Many things have changed at Connecticut College since 1971 when McCabe joined the faculty, but her sense of style is not one of them. Neither has McCabe wavered in her dedication to her students. "They call me the mother of the department," she laughs.

Indeed, it is with a mother's devotion that she speaks of the students. She worries about her first-year students' handwriting and attention spans, and she wonders if her seniors will find jobs. "It's a very different climate for artists now than it was when I was starting."

McCabe's enthusiasm for teaching and her knowledge of art have won her a place among Connecticut's most favored professors. "She puts me in awe," says Katy Wood '98. "She goes out of her way to reach out." One recent graduate claimed he could never pay McCabe back for all she taught him. "I would like one day to throw my best jacket over a mud puddle for her to walk across."

Her success as a teacher, she says, is due to her honesty and the respect she shows her students. Trust is an important part of McCabe's teaching. "I teach my students the way that I wish I'd been taught." By her own admission, she's tough. "I've been told I could critique a paper bag," she says.

McCabe's training also is a reason for her popularity. "She really knows what she's talking about, and she gets across to the students how their work can be improved upon," says Wood. Educated at Rhode Island School of Design and Cranbrook Academy of Art, McCabe began taking classes at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, at the age of six.

Shattering the myth that professors teach, not "do," McCabe does just fine. Her complex assemblages deal with magic, folklore and mystery and have earned her a spot in *Who's Who in American Art*. "This is a personal cosmos with not a hair out of place," says *The New York Times* of McCabe's work, which is owned by numerous prominent collectors.

"Art chooses the person; the person doesn't choose art," McCabe reflects. It seems that Connecticut College is a much richer place because art chose Maureen McCabe.

— Mary Farrar

**"I would like one day  
to throw my best jacket  
over a mud puddle for  
her to walk across."**



*“He’s done so much for me.  
I don’t want to leave out  
anything important.”*

**S**onja Weissbach was in muck up to her thighs in the marshes of the lower Connecticut River when she was seized with panic at the sight of a dark, slithering creature.

“Dr. Fell!” she called, “There’s a snake!”

“It looks like *Natrix*,” the professor responded, thoughtfully gazing at the darting, foot-long reptile.

“What’s that ... in layman’s terms!” the frightened student blurted out.

“A common water snake,” he answered matter-of-factly.

Weissbach, a senior from Cresskill, N.J., loves to tell this story as an example of the unwavering curiosity of her mentor and guiding light at the college, Paul Fell, Katharine Blunt professor of zoology. The clincher for Weissbach came when Fell remarked casually later that day, “They have quite a nasty disposition.” It typified his subtle teaching style.

Weissbach spent the summer of ’94 doing field work in the marshes as a research assistant under Fell’s supervision.

“It was a lot of work,” she recalls, but the purpose of it all “gradually dawned on me.”

That dawning, or wakening of the intellect, is what Fell says makes his teaching rewarding.

“They wonder why we’re doing all this,” Fell says of field work, “then they start to see results and get excited. It’s plain hard, repetitive work. We can see where it’s going all along, but they don’t.”

Helping turn on a light bulb in a student’s mind is something Fell says he has continued to learn to do during a career that has spanned 27 years, all of them at Connecticut College.

“It is hard to put into words,” he confesses. “Teaching is a two-way street. You continue to learn how to teach effectively.”

He adds, “Part of it is motivation and part stimulation — stimulating their curiosity. The key is not only to convey information but to get students to think and question and to use that information. That’s what’s important — to get them to think like scientists.”

“All of us provide the basic background,” he says, “but a lot of what we do is to get them to think creatively and experimentally.”

Fell says being at a college with high-quality students and small classes has helped him avoid having to sacrifice his teaching to the pressures of research and publishing.

“What we try to do is involve students in our research,” he says, “so that it becomes a teaching mechanism, so it’s not in conflict.”

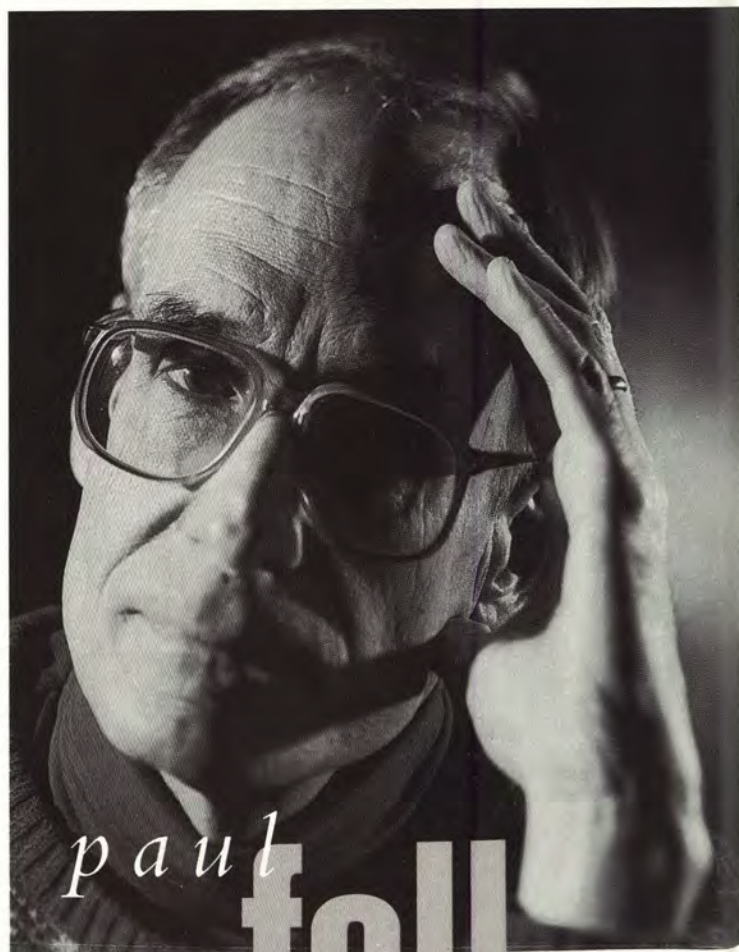
“It stretches you sometimes — the demands of research and of students,” he adds. “Your approach is much more investigative and exploratory, and you are reading current literature if you’re doing research. These endeavors are complementary.”

Weissbach says when she seeks Fell’s attention, he’s never given her the feeling she’s taking him away from more important work.

“He’ll always have time to talk to you,” she says. “He’s relaxed. He’s very understanding. I couldn’t have had a better adviser.” She says that the lessons she has learned from Fell have led her to the field she intends to pursue — coastal ecology. She had only one reservation in sharing her thoughts about her teacher:

“I’m nervous about doing him justice,” she says softly. “He’s done so much for me. I don’t want to leave out anything important.”

— Penny Parsekian





*“I like to teach  
around controversy.”*

**T**wo years ago, government professor Wayne Swanson devised a seminar class in which his students researched a current Supreme Court church-state case, traveled to Washington to watch the court hearing, then invited the lawyers to campus for a retrial. The mock court caught the attention of reporters and lawyers nationally, who praised Swanson's novel approach to teaching government.

Such innovation might seem unlikely from someone who's held the same job for 27 years, ever since he wrapped up his doctoral thesis at Brown University. But Swanson's students will tell you that creativity and fresh thinking are the hallmarks of his classes, no matter what the level.

“That independent study seminar epitomizes the excitement and forethought he brings to his classes,” says Lee Rawles '94, one of the nine mock court “justices.” Swanson's classes are “fluid,” Rawles says. “He's always trying to improve, to make the class a better experience for the students, to make the subject matter more tangible.”

For his part, Swanson says his focus these last 10 years or so on the courts and constitutional law was honed by his students' interest. He wrote *The Christ Child Goes to Court*, a 1990 book tracing the judicial challenge of a Rhode Island city's right to display a nativity scene, after the case generated enthusiastic debates in class.

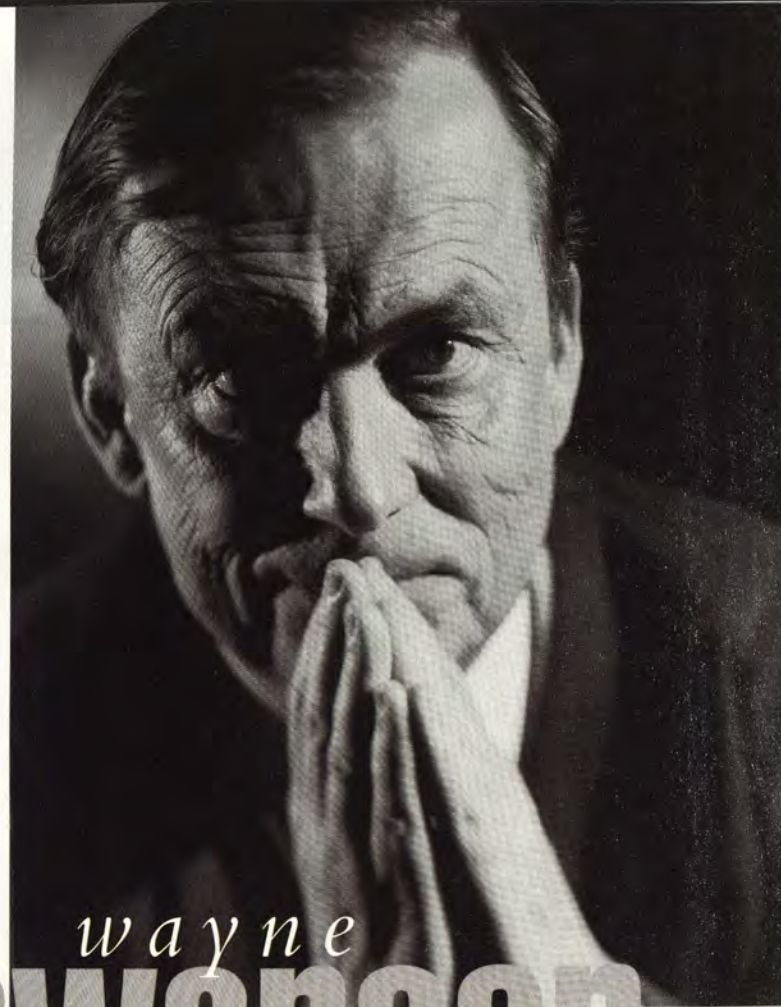
“I like to teach around controversy,” Swanson says, “and the courts handle the most controversial subjects.”

David Clark '73 was a freshman at Conn in 1969, the same year Swanson started teaching and the first year male students came to campus.

“He'd let us know his own bias, but he would encourage those with a different opinion to speak up, and he always respected what they had to say,” Clark says.

Swanson agrees. “My position has been to take stands that many students would disagree with. A balanced point of view emerges in my classes, but it doesn't necessarily come from me. The students learn there are no right and wrong views, which enhances their self-confidence.”

In the days before 24-hour cable analysis and live exit polls, Swanson was skilled at predicting the outcome of political races, Clark remembers. “He'd write up on the board who was going to win, and he was usually right,” Clark says. “And in terms of helping us digest and interpret the current political scene, he was better than anyone I've



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seen on CNN.”

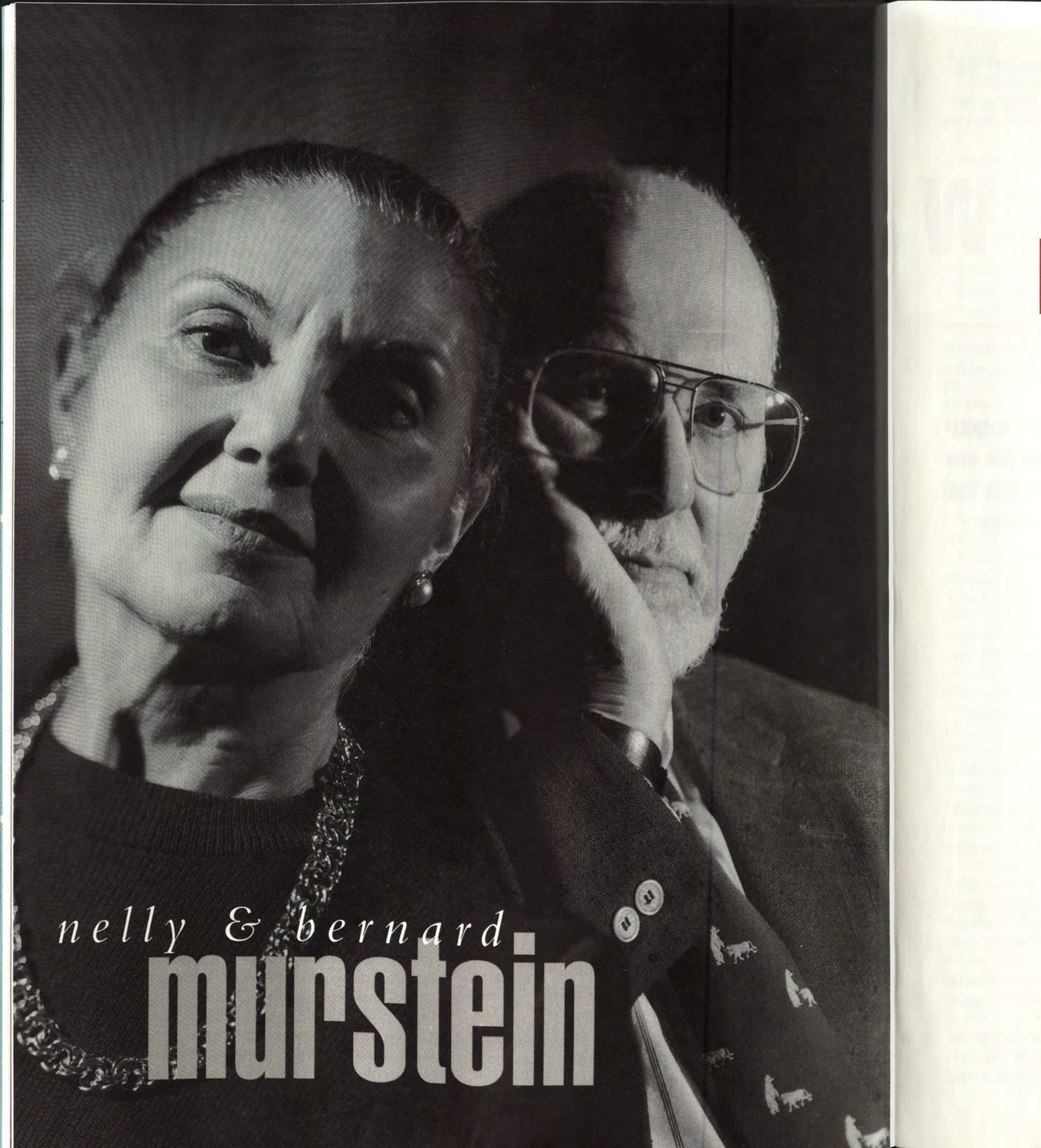
Swanson has served on the local Democratic town committee and wrote a guidebook to the Connecticut General Assembly, but he says he never thirsted for public office himself. His greatest political challenge may have been his appointment, at the age of 32, as dean of the faculty. He says the position, which he held for four years, taught him how to build consensus. Whether playing intramural basketball or leading faculty committees, he continues to earn the broad-based respect of his peers.

Swanson splits his time now between New London and a home in Maine, where he plans to retire in a few years to write and follow his two passions — baseball and politics. (His address, he quips, is “Wayne in Maine.”) But he says he'll miss the interaction with students.

“You open doors for someone, enlarge their perspective,” he says. “You draw students out, lead them, help them to better understand themselves and their own abilities.”

— Lisa Watts



A black and white photograph of an older couple. The woman on the left has her hair pulled back and is wearing a dark sweater and a chunky chain necklace. The man on the right has a white beard and is wearing glasses, a suit jacket, and a tie with a small animal pattern. He has his hand near his chin. The background is dark and out of focus.

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**murstein**



## *Parallel lives: an expert on love and marriage and a lover of French literature search for meaning together*

**N**elly K. Murstein, professor of French, and Bernard I. Murstein, professor of psychology, have long followed their separate dreams together. They've also helped countless students to see — and do — what matters.

They arrived at Connecticut College in the early 1960s with two young daughters. President Charles Shain conducted Bernard's job interview, asking first of all, "Have you read *The Feminine Mystique*?" The president wanted Connecticut College students — all women, back then — to see a faculty couple in which both did serious work while raising a family. "We were role models," says Bernard. Over the years, many students would ask Nelly how she balanced work and home.

Besides his work in psychology, Bernard has followed such interests as boxing (he was a college champ), restaurant reviewing (for *The Day*, in New London) and stock market analysis. Spending a sabbatical at a bank, he devised a new scale for evaluating stocks in the bank's portfolio. "They threw out 60 stocks as a result," he reports. Next year he'll pursue another interest — conducting a symphony orchestra. As her birthday present to him, Nelly has arranged for him to lead the Johnson City (Tennessee) Symphony.

"My husband realizes his dreams," says Nelly. She also notes that he has steadfastly supported hers. Early on she was "hopelessly addicted" to her work. "I felt I would die if I couldn't do it," she says. "Bernard knew this." Nelly also loves the arts and hopes to devote more time to enjoying them.

She aims to teach her students "how to read" — how to find meaning in a text — and wants their lives to be enriched, as her life has been. Bernard tells his students, "Have the courage to follow your ambitions and your fantasies."

Nina Ettie '86 recalls that Nelly "demanded excellence" and brought texts to life. "When we read Proust, she had us all over to her house to eat madeleines. She wanted us to have the experience that Proust had," says Ettie, who majored in French and government and is a vice president at New Japan Securities. She has endowed a French award in Nelly Murstein's name.

Edward Samul, Jr., RTC '94 remembers worrying a bit over whether he'd fit in and succeed at Connecticut College. But Samul, who's 52 and a battalion chief in the City of New London Fire Department, got encouragement — delivered with honesty and humor — from the man he calls "my buddy, Dr. Murstein." Now Samul, who majored in psychology, is pursuing a master's in public administration at the University of Hartford.

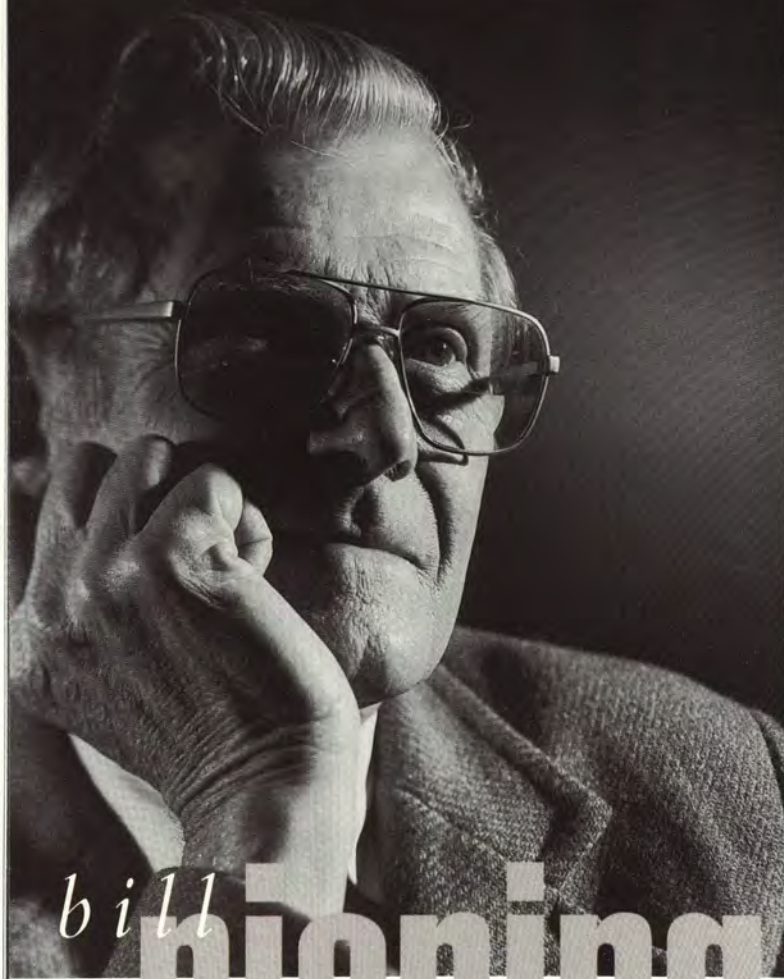
Bernard has gained national recognition for his research and writings on love and marriage, including theories of marital choice. But he points out that he went into this area of study several years after 1954, when he and Nelly — whose daughters now have careers and daughters of their own — met on July 4 and married on August 27.

"I wouldn't recommend this," he says, but he and Nelly don't regret it.

— Carolyn Battista

**"We were role models."**





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*“To leave the world a little better than we found it”*

**A**walk through the woods with Bill Niering, Lucretia L. Allyn professor of botany, is never an idle stroll. “He walks briskly, because there is so little time — in one class period, in four years, in a career — to teach all he needs to convey,” says former student Maggie Philbrick ’88.

Niering’s sense of urgency comes from his work advocating intelligent management of land in harmony with natural ecosystems, especially wetlands. And while that may sound ambitious for a plant teacher, Niering has always seen botany as not just the study of plants but also of the systems in which plants live. In that way he continues the tradition

of Richard Goodwin, his predecessor as botany chairman, now retired, who taught him such critical skills as grant writing and Jeep maintenance. Goodwin and Niering have given Connecticut College a national reputation for its ecological approach to the study of plants.

Niering’s students appreciate the most fundamental wisdom he passes on.

“Students tell me, ‘I still remember when you told us that our hands won’t get *dirty* out in the field, they will get soiled, and soil isn’t dirty. Soil is a very special thing. Dirt is what’s behind your ears,’” he says.

“He uses the word ‘holistic’ over and over, and now I find I do too,” says Philbrick, director of a nature center in nearby Mystic, Conn. “You can’t look at plants or birds without seeing their larger ecosystem.”

Jeanne Shelburne ’74 (*See related story p.38*) dedicated her master’s thesis at the University of Connecticut on naturalistic landscaping to Niering as a tribute to his influence. His enthusiasm for his subject matter is infectious, she says, and makes for lively, original classes.

Appealing to students’ baser interests, he once gave a campuswide lecture on the sex lives of wild orchids that drew a full house, she recalls.

His understanding of the college community’s own interrelationships and the respect of fellow faculty made Niering a clear choice a few years ago when President Claire Gaudiani ’66 needed an acting president to cover her sabbatical. His work continues to win awards, most recently the Margaret Douglas Medal of the Garden Club of America.

As important as his research may be, Niering pours most of his unflagging energy into his teaching. After 44 years at the same college, his work is still exciting, he says, because he works with students who are bright enough to be writing publishable papers as undergraduates. He loves reporting on where his former students are. Like seedlings, he encourages them to take root in their field as naturalistic landscapers, teachers, conservationists and forest managers.

“I hope to get students excited about the subject and to become involved in the world as activists, to leave the world a little better than we found it,” he says.

He points to the environmental progress that’s been made in the last 40 years, trends such as the emergence of organic farming and new regulations on pesticides.

“There is hope, even though some students come in a little pessimistic about the state of the environment. I’m a tempered optimist. You have to be.”

— Lisa Watts



## “What good is philosophy?”

**W**hen J. Melvin Woody arrived at Connecticut College in 1963, he found a paradox: his classes were full of women who “were so bright but you couldn’t get a word out of them.”

Helping them gain confidence in the classroom was crucial, and Woody, professor of philosophy, was at first opposed to coeducation because “I had the sense these women had to be told how good they were.”

That changed when he received a letter from a former “super” student who joined IBM, took a training course, and did so well that she was immediately made the trainer.

“I know you always told me how good I was,” the woman wrote, “but it wasn’t until I got out that I saw how incompetent these turkeys are that I believed you.” That convinced Woody that women wouldn’t believe they excelled until they proved themselves alongside men.

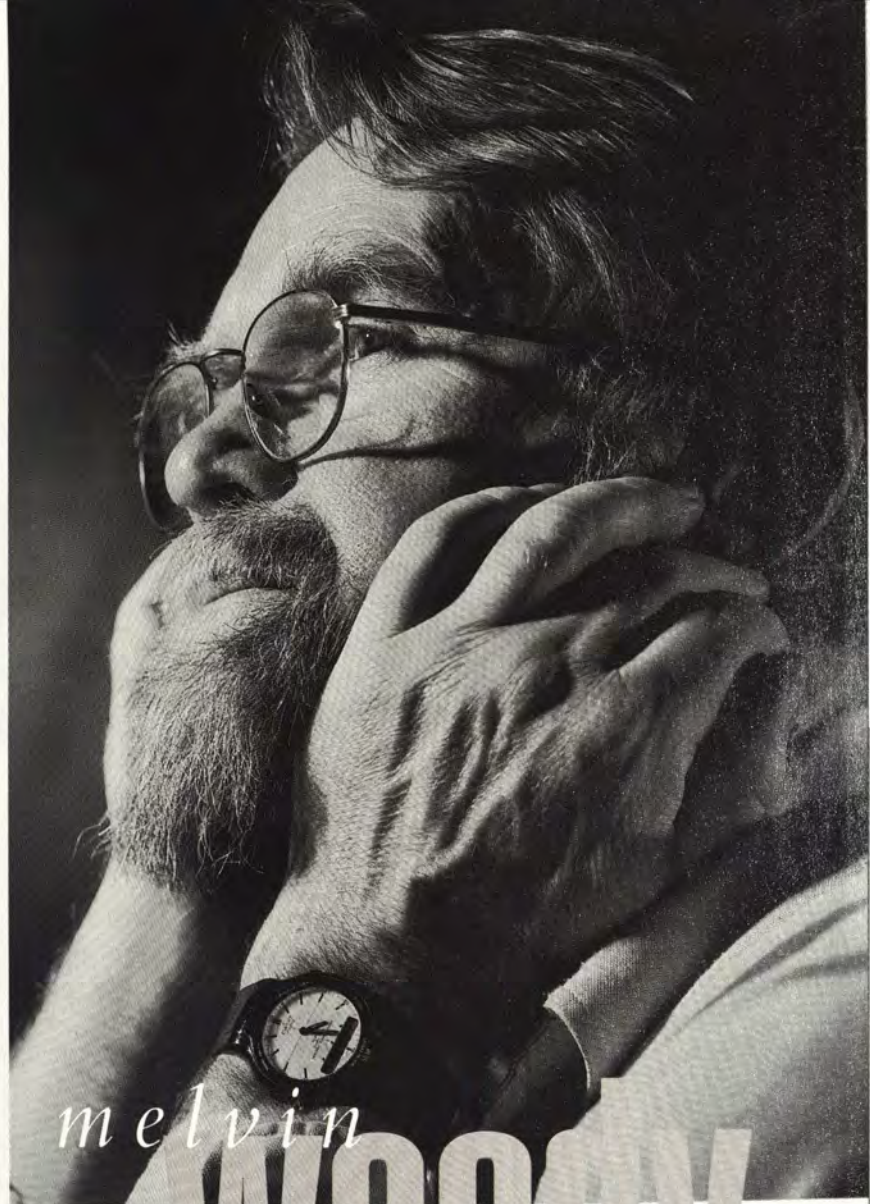
Long appreciated by his students for giving them intense, individual attention, Woody, who holds a B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University, has helped at least as many men as women find their intellectual voice.

Timothy D. Dempsey ’80, a software development manager for Lotus Development Corp. where he directs marketing for Lotus Notes, says Woody “went beyond the call of duty to teach me so much about the raw fundamental skill of communication. That was the real enduring asset I took away.

“He would tear off the cover page of your paper and turn it around in his typewriter and then often provide you with a full page of single-spaced comments on your basic idea, on the effectiveness of your topic, on the strength of your argument and on the quality of the paper,” recalls Dempsey.

David H. Gleason ’83, president of Practical Consulting Services Inc., a Boston-based software development company, says Woody “continues to be a wonderful influence on me. One of the things that Woody taught me was how to use serious intellectual language both in the spoken and written word.” Inspired by the part of Woody’s introductory philosophy course that deals with Eastern philosophy, Gleason is studying for a master’s in comparative religion at Boston University, all the while managing his business.

Insistence on careful argument was evident in a March meeting of Woody’s Freshman Focus class “Culture and Values.” Woody demonstrated how Locke’s philosophy —



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which held that all men are created equal since every mind is born a tabula rasa or blank slate and must gain ideas from experience — undermined the divine right of kings because “it established there is no natural basis for anyone to rule over anyone else.”

Brent R. Never ’99 is hooked. “I love it,” he says after class. “It’s really great to get behind the issues.”

Part of the pleasure, especially for philosophers, is in the journey. Richard C. Sauer ’80, who works at Pacific Western Pipe in Tacoma, Washington, recalls Woody’s answer to the question: “What good is philosophy?”

The sage response: “To answer the question you would have to say what you mean by good. And that could take several hours if not days.” The ability to question the question may be, in fact, the answer.

— Lucas D.B. Held



## *A world of stories*

**Y**ears before it was fashionable, Elinor Murray Despalatovic taught her students that history could describe not only wars and revolutions, but the shape of everyday life.

Considering her childhood, that may not be so surprising.

"I was brought up with stories. You knew only pieces, but there were lots," recalls Despalatovic, the college's Brigida P. Ardenghi professor of history.

Some came from Clyde Eugene Murray, her father. A dirt farmer's son, he grew up without toys but "could tell the time by looking at the sun, make a ball from rags wound around a pebble, and make all kinds of musical instruments with his mouth and hand."

Her parents, both social workers in the settlement house movement, tied their own family life to newly-arrived immigrants, some fleeing from Nazi-occupied Europe. At one time, her mother led a Croatian girl's club which performed traditional dances, one way, Despalatovic notes, to preserve a culture without a strong literary tradition.

In second grade in New York City, her teacher asked the class to be nice to a young Austrian refugee named Oscar, explaining simply "he's had a hard time."

That was not easy. "Oscar was always pushing me. I thought of him as 'Oscar my enemy,'" she says.

At 16, in the postwar summer of 1950 when Europe was filled with refugees, Despalatovic was a member of a Quaker work camp at a Lutheran orphanage in Dorlar, Germany.

"There was one little boy, three years old, whom we called 'the little professor' because he wore glasses. He liked me to hold him. He was shipped from East Germany under a load of coal with a tag saying: 'My parents have been arrested. Won't you please take care of me.' He used to sleep like this," she recalls, hunching forward protectively.

After graduate school at Columbia, and a bachelor's degree from Barnard College, she arrived at Connecticut College in 1965, which was a haven for outstanding women faculty at a time when many universities hired only men. She quickly became "one of the things that made Connecticut College a special place to be," says her former student Kathleen L. Fowler '70, now an associate professor of English at Ramapo College of New Jersey.

Despalatovic and her husband Marijan, lecturer in Russian studies and philosophy (they met in Croatia in 1960 while she was doing research for her Ph.D.), proved academic and family life could be balanced gracefully. Fowler learned from Despalatovic, who taught one of the first college courses on European peasantry, that history was "more than what Jane Austen called 'wars, politics, pestilence and kings,'" inspiring Fowler to a career in teaching.

Speaking in her Blaustein Humanities Center office, the walls lined by crowded bookcases and colorful Croatian folk art, Despalatovic is firm on the point. "To understand politics, you really have to understand the people, the literary and psychological world they live in."

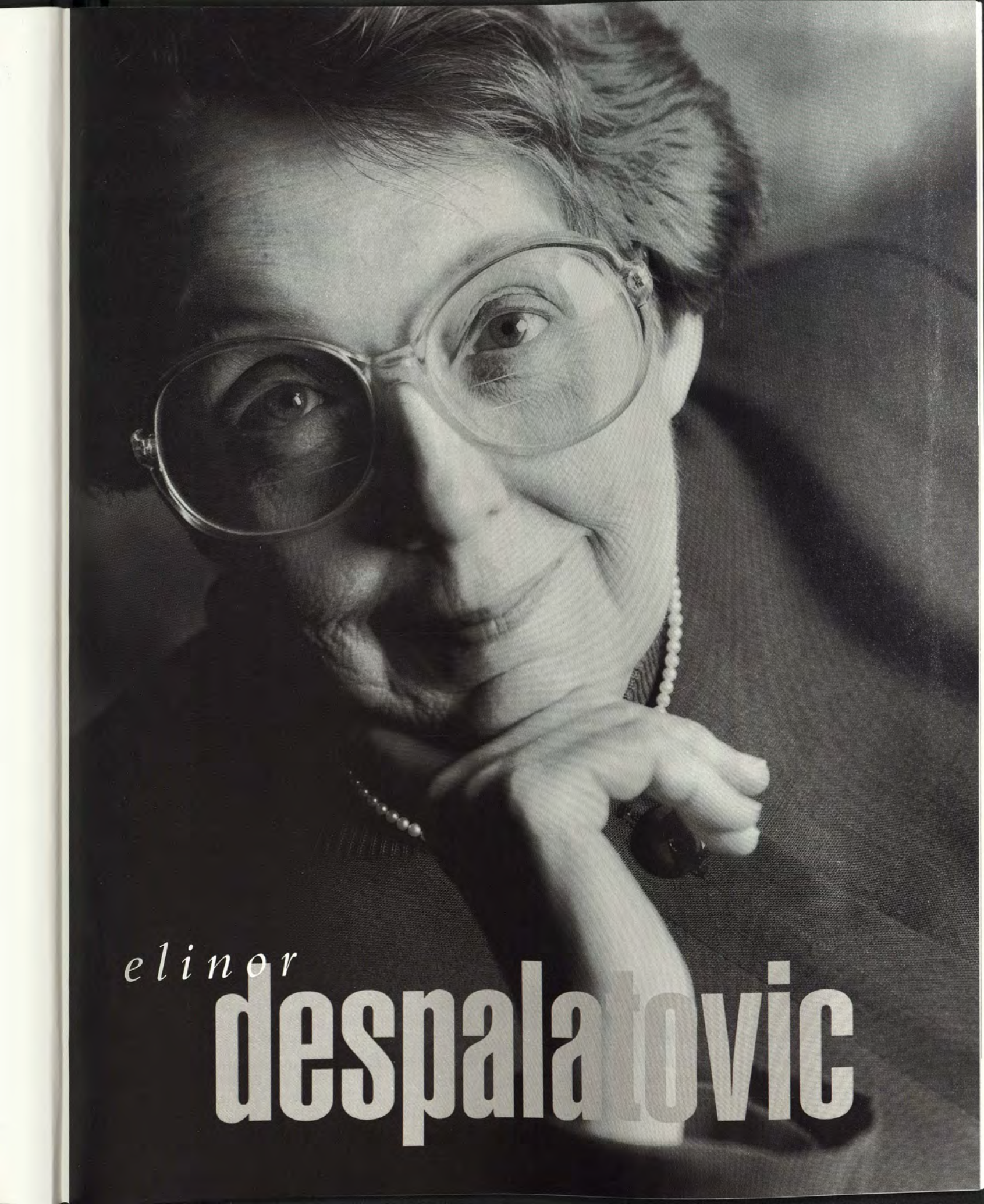
In her research on Balkan history — she is examining Croatian village life through 19th-century ethnographic sources — her thoughts often return to the immigrants she knew as a child and whose stories she only half understood. "It took me a long time to come back to that, but it's sort of come full circle," she muses.

She even met "Oscar my enemy" again. "The strange thing was," she says, looking up, "he remembered me as his best friend."

— Lucas D.B. Held

**"To understand politics, you have to understand the people, the literary and psychological world they live in."**





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*“Anthropology  
breeds in you a respect  
for human beings.”*

**B**efore she taught 7,000 Connecticut College students over the course of nearly 40 years, before she knocked off a master's and Ph.D. at two of the best universities in the country, before she breezed through Purdue in less than three years, before she was a

whiz kid teaching history and English at her old Indiana high school, before she did all that, June Macklin rode horses.

Her office, midway down the creaking second-floor corridor of Winthrop Hall, is what you'd expect of an anthropology professor: the walls seemingly are built from books, like paginated masonry, and here and there pottery and painted masks collected during field work protrude from the shelves. But there's a surprise at the center of it all. On the back of the old paneled door are several recent photos of the diminutive Macklin and a 1500-pound monster of a brown thoroughbred soaring weightless over a rail fence.

She is a good rider. Her back is straight, her head up, and she is tight over the horse's neck, guiding this leap of faith with subtle touch and pointed will. Those famous dark eyes of hers are fixed on a spot out ahead of the animal and, taking it all in, the observer can predict the trajectory of flight.

It is a perfect metaphor.

Macklin, Rosemary Park professor of anthropology, is blessed with equal measures of grace and guts. With fearless determination, she chose a course of study dominated by men in the early '50s, yet one's lasting impressions upon meeting her are sincerity and warmth. When she was hired as an instructor in the college's sociology department in 1956 (anthropology courses were taught under the umbrella of sociology back then), she confessed her midwest bias had pegged Connecticut College as a glorified finishing school. But that opinion quickly changed when she met women faculty members like Ruby Turner Morris, Marjorie Dilley, Rosemund Tuve and Dorothy Bethurum, all of whom had made indelible marks in their fields.

Macklin became one of them. “Anthropology breeds in you a respect for human beings,” she says. “It teaches you to regard all people as rational beings who perceive events, attempt to organize them and act accordingly, whether or not it's ever going to do them any good. This provokes in me a great deal of curiosity about human nature.”

Over the years, that curiosity mainly has been consumed by the study of Chicano life in the United States, and of shamans, spiritualism and “complementary” healing beliefs in Meso- and South America. As a result, she is just as comfortable in the jungles of Mexico as she is in a New London classroom, and students good-naturedly call her Indiana June.

— Chuck Luce

**Little wonder students  
good-naturedly call  
her Indiana June.**



## “Visual bombardment”

*Editors' Note: Hendricks is teaching in Ghana this spring. Since he could not be here for a new photograph by Paul Horton, we substituted a favorite self-portrait.*

**A**rtist, jazz deejay, photographer and Connecticut College professor for more than two decades, Barkley Hendricks is as imaginative and unpredictable as the music he loves.

Landscapes that are mostly sky, iconographic basketball courts empty of players, women's furs and belts affixed to canvas and reverently framed are some of the pieces that are typical of Hendricks' oeuvre, much of which combines tradition with a quirky individualism.

Hendricks' manner is as cryptic as his output. Sly smiles, easygoing banter, baffling phrases and black berets make him seem a 1940s bebopper lost in time.

Hendricks' most visible date so far may be the Whitney Museum of American Art's "Black Male" show in early '95, in which his simple, photo realistic portraits like "Tuff Tony" impressed critics, uptown and downtown alike.

The college and New London communities, though, have known Hendricks' work since 1972, when he arrived after earning a master's degree from the Yale School of Art. Hendricks is also a graduate of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts; his work hangs in numerous museums, among them Washington, D.C.'s National Gallery and the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Despite a sturdy academic pedigree, Hendricks is anything but a formalist.

The artist gets inspiration from all kinds of places. His New London home looks like a cross between a museum and a junk shop; the five thousand jazz records, scores of women's shoes, fashion mannequins, baseball caps coated in shiny paint and walls packed tight with framed art are the fruit not only of world travel but Saturday yard sales.

The artist's wife, Susan Hendricks '94, who graduated from Connecticut College after taking nearly two decades off, calls the artist's life one of "visual bombardment."

Besides the art he produces at a dizzying rate, Hendricks is also full of stories.

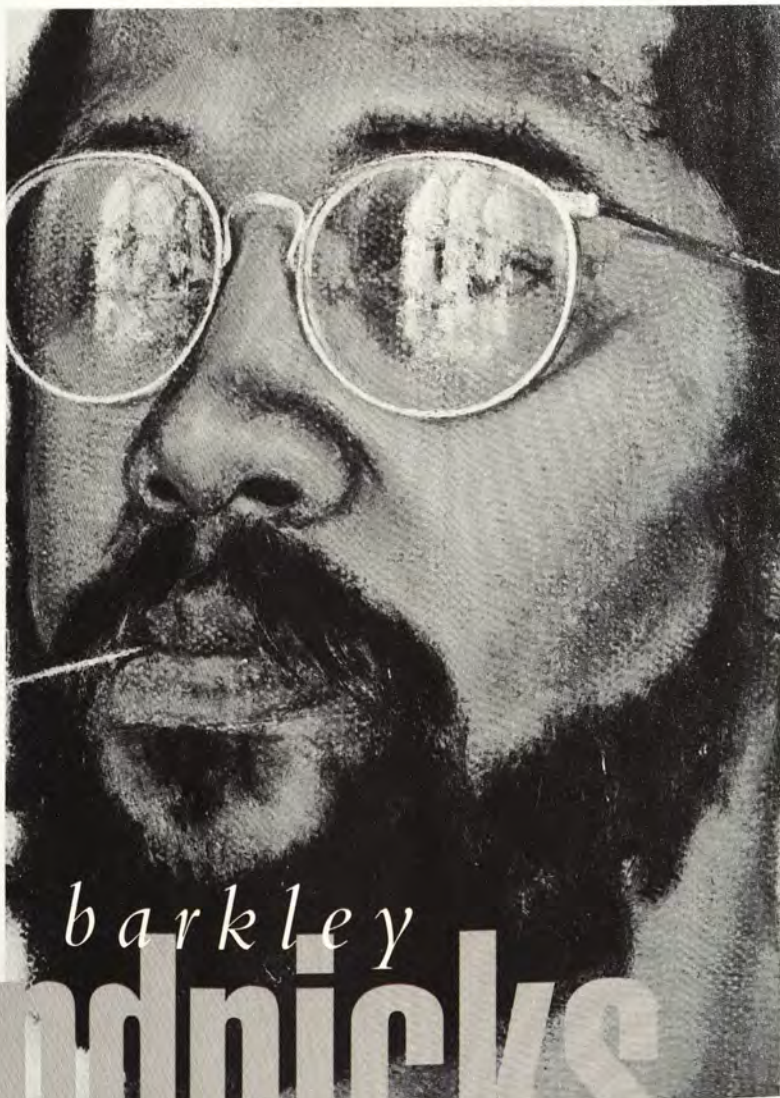
"I had to laugh," many of the anecdotes begin, "because I was talking to a friend the other day..." By the end of the tale, the listener could be in the Amsterdam apartment of jazz saxophonist Eric Dolphy's girlfriend, or on a trip to China, where women wear WCNI T-shirts and dance to Marvin Gaye. Hendricks also speaks fondly of his native Philadelphia and of a life as a jazz fan that culminated in meeting his

hero, Miles Davis, in 1988. "I look to Miles for a number of things," says Hendricks, who admired Davis' dress, music and attitude if not his visual art. "He painted about as well as I play trumpet."

Hendricks' former students speak of him highly. Peter Misisco '75, who works as a vice president for a New York fragrance maker and exhibits his photographs as often as he can, admires the artist's integrity and courage.

"Barkley has chosen the alternative road," Misisco says, explaining that Hendricks could be more prominent in New York galleries but dislikes art's commercial side.

"He made (art) seem exciting and romantic," says Mary Bridgman '84, who majored in art at Conn and now heads the design division at the New York fashion company, Ellen Tracy. "A lot of instructors can give you technique and advice," Bridgman says, "but there are only a few who have a personal impact. He teaches people to be individuals. And that's what being an artist is about." — Scott Timberg



barkley  
hendricks

photo: Ted Hendrickson



A black and white portrait of George Willauer, an older man with short, light-colored hair, wearing a dark suit jacket, a white turtleneck sweater, and a dark tie. He is looking slightly to the right of the camera with a subtle smile. The background is dark and out of focus. The text "george willauer" is overlaid at the bottom left of the image.

*george*  
**willauer**



# “Memory believes before knowing remembers.”

— William Faulkner, *Light in August*

Once again, impeccably attired in navy blazer and red bow tie, George Willauer is ready to tread the twisted, muddy byways of Faulkner’s Yoknapatawpha County. Some 25 rumpiled students jam English 301A to wrestle with the writer’s universal themes.

“We bring ourselves to what we read,” he tells the class, steering the conversation to the protagonist of *Light in August*, the outcast Joe Christmas, who was branded because of his purported mixed blood.

“I can relate to this very personally,” Willauer volunteers. “For 13 years, I was always the shortest in my class — I was ‘Shorty.’ Everyone knows that ‘Shorty’ is doomed in our society, and I spent most of my childhood on the bench ... That kind of experience has a lot to do with what one is. Of course, Napoleon had one solution. You know what it is like to have a personality imposed on you. I got in the habit of letting others do things, and it was very nice when I got older to find that I didn’t have to do that!” Without missing a beat, he segues back to Faulkner.

One who vividly remembers Willauer’s lectures is Michael Passero ’79, who studied with him as an undergraduate and 10 years later completed a master’s thesis on Faulkner and the Puritan tradition under Willauer’s guidance.

“I had a fantastic experience with him. He’s extremely demanding, but the rewards are tremendous,” says Passero, now a lawyer.

A Wesleyan grad who earned his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, Willauer came to Connecticut College from Philadelphia in 1962, despite a day of interviews he perceived as “disastrous.” Fortunately, President Rosemary Park, Professor of English Dorothy Bethurum and Dean Gertrude Noyes did not detect a trace of anxiety in the 27-year-old who was applying to be an instructor of English, “perhaps for a year.” Thirty-four years later, Willauer has preserved his neatly-folded letter of appointment.

A man who celebrated his 60th birthday in East Africa last fall, Willauer, by his own account, has yet to experience a mid-life crisis and finds all of his decades of teaching “wonderful, in different ways.” He calls the teaching he did in Dar es Salaam “thrilling — some of the most enjoyable of my career.” His students, who had to fulfill several years of national service before attending the university, were primarily Muslim men in their late 20s and early 30s. “They were eager, hardworking and very bright. They taught me how to read a poem from a Marxist perspective. And they were shocked by American morality, shocked by Emily Dickinson!”

One can almost hear the words of the New England poet echoing in the room with George Willauer. “The Soul selects her own Society...” has added meaning when you consider the society this scholar has chosen to keep — Melville, Hawthorne, Faulkner and Frost. Willauer’s message, however, affirms that the society afforded by literature is not an elite or exclusionary one — it expands and enriches our own lives by the multiple experience of others.

Says the veteran professor, “Teaching is a two-way process. I never teach a course the same way twice on account of what I’ve learned.” That’s the message in his entreaty to students who are preparing a paper for him, “I hope you are challenging yourselves to material beyond this class. I want to *learn* something from these papers.”

Whether students always see beyond his “rage for order” does not concern him.

“You don’t know who your best teachers are until 10 years later,” he says.

And in the hearts and minds of many of his students — to borrow Faulkner’s famous phrase — Willauer will not merely endure: he will prevail.

— Lisa Brownell



# Where Are They Now?

*We asked Alice Johnson, "DJ" to most of you, to check up on as many of the emeriti faculty as she could. She wasn't able to contact everyone, but she came pretty close. Here's what she found out.*

**Oakes Ames**, president emeritus of the college, lives in New York City, and is happily involved with environmental issues. He travels for the Audubon Society and serves on its national board. He continues to pursue his interest in solar energy, and he is president of the Environmental Advocates Board.

**Frances Brett**, associate professor emeritus of physical education, continues to work regularly as a volunteer at the Lawrence & Memorial Gift Shop. She does more reading and playing bridge than housework and takes long walks down the boardwalk at Ocean Beach. She gave up maintaining a rigid schedule, she says, because it forced her to make too many decisions.

**Charles Chu**, professor emeritus of Chinese, says that when he taught Chinese, he felt that he "was planting and caring for many trees and flowers... (eventually) they all blossomed." At present he is watching a "whole orchard grow." He continues painting to illustrate books, giving lectures and demonstrations that interpret the Chinese tradition from whence he and his art came. He also works hard building up the Chu-Griffis Collection of Asian Art, which serves the college as a teaching tool. He recently was acclaimed in the *New London Day* for the significant cultural contribution he has made to the community.

**Jacqueline Chadorne**, professor emeritus of French, still resides at home in Waterford, CT., and looks out for her neighbors.

**Marilyn Conklin**, associate professor emerita of physical education Marilyn Conklin shares her home in East Haddam, CT, with four basset hounds and two black and tan coonhounds. Although she has lost both legs, Marilyn continues her involvement with the local basset hound club and still breeds dogs; her five-year-old basset, Sassy, had a litter in the fall. This spring, Marilyn has plans to show another prize female. When not "dogging it," she can be found riding horses at High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, Inc., in Old Lyme.

**F. Edward Cranz**, Rosemary Park professor emeritus of history, reports, he is doing "simply more of the same." He is working on the creation of a general catalog of all Latin manuscripts from ancient times through 1600 A.D. Before he could start on this project, as editor-in-chief, he finished volume five of

*Medieval and Renaissance Latin Translations and Commentaries* (The Catholic University Press, 1984).

**William** (professor emeritus of Music) and **Claire Dale**, now residing in Boise, Idaho, traveled widely throughout the U.S. until Bill's major heart attack, which led to five-by-pass surgery. Fortunately he has made a remarkable recovery and is now playing the piano for patients at a rehab hospital, a psychiatric center, and at various retirement homes. Claire keeps in touch with her "historic preservation friends" and is delighted that Boise is an artistic town, complete with "art museum, historic museum, dinner theater, and 'Music Week' activities."

**Pierre DeGuise**, Brigida Pacchiani Ardenghi professor emeritus of French, is completing a critical edition of a volume of Benjamin Constant's *De La Religion* (published 1825) on ancient religions as part of the complete works of Constant to be published in Germany. His wife, **Alix DeGuise**, associate professor emerita of French, continues to write articles, book reviews and introductions to 18th-century novels written by women. Both of them left for France (March 4, 1996) to continue working on their scholarly pursuits.



**Ruth S. Ferguson**, associate professor emerita of physical education, concentrated on travel in the early years of her retirement. She went all over the world. Once she had gone through the locks of the Panama Canal, she went up the Rhine with its 12 locks all the way to the Alps. Ruth still exercises every day, swims, belongs to a duck pin bowling league and a music appreciation group. She



is addicted to crossword puzzles and loves to read biographies. Furthermore, she volunteers at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital and works for the Red Cross blood campaign. As she says, "I'll do anything to avoid housework."

**Richard H. Goodwin**, Katharine Blunt professor emeritus of botany, another great "retired" activist, is engaged in at least nine different organizations and/or projects that require more energy and hours every day than one can imagine. A partial list: He is presently involved as a board member in the resuscitation of the Science Center of Eastern Connecticut on Gallows Lane. He serves as trustee of the Conservation and Research Foundation; the Pond Mountain Trust in Kent, and the Peace Sanctuary in Mystic.

**Beth Hannah**, professor emeritus of education, retired to Pacific Grove on the Monterey Peninsula, California, to rejoin her husband there and to continue working on her short stories. Her novel is now in the last stages of revision before publication. She walks the shoreline trail each morning for several miles to observe seals, sea lions, sea otters, and a variety of birds. She visits art museums, attends theatrical performances, and her "California hobby" is to visit wineries and tasting parties.

**Margaret (Billy) Hazlewood**, retired assistant professor of English, retired early in order to pursue her lifelong interest in theater and to read all the books she had never had time to enjoy before. She also has, over the years, continued to sign up for courses at the college. She enjoys hearing from her former students and keeps in touch with local retired faculty.

**Jean V. Johnston**, associate professor emeritus of chemistry, returned to Shippensburg, PA, when she retired, not to continue in chemistry, but "to explore and to serve outside professional boundaries." Her hometown welcomed her back, and within a short time she was deeply involved in the community. She discovered joy in never having learned how to say "No." She had always been intrigued by archeology, and in retirement she was able to explore many digs around the world. Last summer she visited Alaska again and, she will be off to Portugal in May, 1996.

**R. Francis Johnson**, dean emeritus of the faculty and professor emeritus of religious studies, who recently lost his wonderful wife Patsy, lives in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. He found the hardest retirement chore is to get books from his local library since the non-academic world does not go in for wall-to-wall bookshelves. He has cruised the Alaskan intercoastal waterways; visited islands of coastal central America, and lectured in Chiangmai University in Northern Thailand on "The Changing American Religious Scene." Frank believes "there should be a new degree for completing adventures in retirement."

**John H.R. Knowlton**, professor emeritus of art history, is clearly enjoying himself these days and compares himself to Thomas

Cole's epic cycle depicted in "The Voyage of Life." John, now twice Cole's age when he died, sees himself in his later years as a "tourist climbing aboard the Delta Queen, and re-ascending the river of life to enjoy the experiences I didn't have the time to enjoy on the trip down." What this means is that John Knowlton has gone back to painting. He is an elected artist member of both the Old Lyme and Mystic Art Associations and has contributed to exhibitions at Slater Museum in Norwich and the Essex Art Association.

**Robert Lorish**, professor emeritus of government, who with his wife, Jean, now lives in Hilton Head, South Carolina, is having a marvelous time playing golf and recuperating from a number of serious illnesses. Jean also has had some problems after a fall, which ended in a broken hip. Last Christmas they took their children and grandchildren on a gala cruise in the Caribbean.

**Mary Louise Lord**, professor emeritus of classics, for the last four years worked on the completion of her husband's (Albert B. Lord) book after his untimely death. A sequel to his *The Singer of Tales*, the new work, *The Singer Resumes the Tale* was published in July 1995. Mrs. Lord continues to transcribe and edit Latin commentaries on Virgil for the same catalog that Edward Cranz is directing (see above). Although she still misses the college, she enjoys keeping busy with her scholarly pursuits and hearing from her Connecticut College friends.

**Charles B. Luce, Sr.**, professor emeritus of physical education and retired director of athletics, has been doing yeoman's work as a fundraiser visiting our alumni. Still active in alumni affairs, he is presently co-chair of the Connecticut College Golf Tournament, which will be held on the Friday before Alumni Weekend. This tournament is open to all faculty and alums who wish to participate. At the moment he and his wife, Gay, are vacationing on Jekyll Island, Georgia, and plan to drive to Alaska in a recreational vehicle as soon as his "snapped patella tendons" are restored to health.

**William Ashby McCloy**, Henry B. Plant professor emeritus of art, continues to work in his art studio about 100 yards from his home. He has been deeply involved on various committees and commissions for the town of Montville, CT. Despite this political activity, he has not neglected his main interest, art. He recently did a poster for the Rotary Club to promote their "Teddy Bear Affair." But he quickly pointed out that the poster "is not something I am going to exhibit in my next retrospective."





**M. Gertrude McKeon**, Margaret W. Kelly professor emeritus of chemistry, has traveled to nearly a dozen countries. She studied Italian for two years and spent two weeks in Florence in a language school. She attended her first Elderhostel in Scottsdale, Arizona. Trude also volunteers at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital Gift Shop; as a literacy tutor; and on the Waterford Pollution Control Authority. Active at the Waterford polls during elections, she also is a tax counselor who helps the "elderly" prepare their income tax returns. She is a dedicated bridge club member and plays with Gertrude Noyes, Frances Brett and Alice Johnson.



**William Meredith**, the Pulitzer prize-winning Henry B. Plant professor emeritus of English, who suffered a serious stroke a few years ago, is presently in Bulgaria attending an international conference on the Balkans. He has won the highest literary award in Bulgaria, named after Nikolai Zaptarov, the famous revolutionary poet for whom more than 350 schools and theaters have been named.

**Martha Meyers**, Henry B. Plant professor emeritus of dance, is having a great time teaching in New York City, where some of her former Connecticut College and Smith students are in residence. She is still a member of the American Dance Festival, which has taken her all over the world. At present, she is getting her students ready to perform in a special program at the Kennedy Center in May 1996.

**Ruby Turner Morris**, Lucretia L. Allyn professor emeritus of economics, is delighted that her retirement years have allowed her to concentrate on her interest in politics and become an active citizen on the political scene in New London. She has served as mayor of the town, is secretary of the Democratic Party and is the designated representative to all ongoing committees that are concerned with improving the quality of life in Southeastern Connecticut.



**Helen F. Mulvey**, Brigida Pacchiani Ardenghi professor emeritus of history, remains true to her great love: the history of Ireland. She recently completed a bibliography for 19th-century Ireland from 1800 to 1921. This work will be part of Volume VI of *The New*

*History of Ireland*, which is being published by The Oxford University Press. She has recently been invited by the Royal Irish Academy in Dublin to serve on the editorial review board for the *Dictionary of Irish Biography*. Her essay on Thomas Davis will appear in *The New Dictionary of National Biography*, a British publication, under the auspices of the Oxford University Press. Along the way she has taught in the Pfizer Adult Education program, as well as offered a course for Elderhostel at the college (Summer, 1994).

**Gertrude Noyes**, dean emeritus of the college and professor emeritus of English, continues to move along her serene way. She still belongs to a weekly book discussion group and, when the weather permits, continues to play bridge. She served as a volunteer at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital for many years.

**Catherine Oakes**, associate professor emeritus of English and retired dean of sophomores, retired in 1958 then taught English at The Williams School and became headmistress before moving to Bath, Maine, where she tutored high school students for many years. Last December 22, 1995, she celebrated her 103rd birthday. Although her vision is now somewhat impaired, she has set out to read (in enlarged print) *The Holy Bible* from Genesis in the Old Testament right through to all those "begats" to the final book of Revelation in the New Testament.

**Eveline Omwake**, professor emeritus of child development, who is recuperating from a broken pelvis, lives in Black Mountain, North Carolina, where she has worked for a Regional Day Care Center. In fact, her fundraising saved the center, and it is now a thriving operation. She enjoys retirement in her own home with a lively Cairn terrier as a companion. Right now, she is cruising about the town in a motorized golf cart.

**Rosemary Park Anastos**, president of the college emeritus, who left us to become president of Barnard, moved on to Los Angeles after her marriage and served as Chancellor of Education at U.C.L.A. For many years she travelled the continent in great demand to discourse on challenges in higher education. Today, however, her travels are somewhat limited because of a recent bone transplant. She continues to write for the intellectual journal, *Change*, and is vitally concerned with the political fate of this country. As a New Englander, born and bred, she advises every one to move out to Los Angeles where the weather is always fine.

**June Patterson**, professor emeritus of child development, gave a series of lectures in China which were published in book form in Chinese. She is a visiting lecturer in child development at the college, and she keeps in touch with many former students by cards, letters and telephone visits. June would be delighted to hear from more of these graduates.

**Helen Reeve**, professor emeritus of Russian studies, although just retired in June 1995, continues with her scholarly pursuits, including her critical essay about the Russian writer, Ruf Zernova, a



complete bibliography of her works for *Russian Women Writers*, to be published by Garland Press (Spring 1996). She is presently translating a study of Tolstoy by Ya S. Luria. For this project she has applied to the Rockefeller Foundation for a grant to confer with Professor Luria on the translation. At home, she has already been elected to the Board of Education for Haddam-Killingworth Regional School District and now serves as chair of the Board of Education. She loves to entertain her children and grandchildren and keeps in touch with colleagues and former students, especially those who require recommendations.

**Charles Shain**, president emeritus of the college, who lives in Georgetown, Maine, still plays tennis and completing a third book on Maine — this one on old maps of the area. Early in his retirement he was actively engaged in local Maine politics, served as chairman of the Board of Education and also on the board of the *New London Day* for several years.

**Sally Taylor**, professor emerita of botany, urges everyone to plan well in advance for retirement. If you don't plan ahead you will suffer "intellectual atrophy," she says. She serves as education coordinator for the Arboretum; publishes articles in *American Nursery*; travels all over the globe in pursuit of penguins and plants from the Antarctic Peninsula to New Zealand.



**Eugene**, professor emeritus of philosophy, and **Anita TeHennepe** get kudos for being the most happy couple living Down East. Although Franklin, Maine, is on the coast, Gene has been too busy to go fishing. Gene has given several papers at conferences, including one at the Cosmos Series to dedicate the Olin Science Center at the college. At the moment he is working as a carpenter to make more

needed space and to build an art studio for Trudie, Anita's sister. Anita is a board member of an 80-voice chorus (Acadia Choral Society), and she will perform on July 16, 1996, at the Franklin Historical Society in a Schubert program.

**Jane Torrey**, professor emerita of psychology, is still involved in women's activities and traveled to the NOW conference in China, in 1995. She lives in Jaffrey, New Hampshire, climbs Mount Monadnock frequently to keep in shape, and is writing a novel.

**Antoinette Wagner**, retired aquatic director and assistant professor of education, whose son created the cartoon figure Maxine based on his mother's character [see Last Look, Spring 1995 — Eds.], recently was honored for her 55 years of volunteer service for the

Red Cross. She has given many popular talks at senior citizen groups about her comic figure as Maxine.

**Bernice Wheeler**, professor emerita of zoology, is another world traveler who is determined to go as far and wide as possible to see where exotic birds and animals live and to visit art museums. On April 24, 1996, she is off on a tour of Provence. She has done a great deal of volunteer work in such programs as literacy tutoring, Planned Parenthood and Meals-on-Wheels and has worked hard to help resuscitate the Science Center of Southeastern Connecticut on Gallows Lane. She has always enjoyed a "dip" in Long Island Sound, where she can be seen on a summer's afternoon bobbing in rhythm with the waves.

**Gordon P. Wiles**, professor emeritus of religion, spent some time painting, but recently has been ill. **Margaret Wiles**, conductor emerita of the Connecticut College Orchestra, is still teaching violin and viola to eight promising students. Three are already in the Connecticut Youth Orchestra, and she believes a number of them will go on eventually to be professional performers.

**James Williston**, professor emeritus of French, has completed his work on Coutumier d'Oléron. He and his wife, **Jacqueline**, retired director of the Language Lab, divide the year between home in Waterford, CT., and their 200-year-old home abroad on the Ile de Ré. Much time is spent visiting relatives and friends. Both are in fine health after an abdominal operation (Jim) and a knee-joint replacement (Jacqueline). They particularly enjoy their family as well as college friends nearby.

Several retired faculty members are now living in retirement homes, such as **Julia Bower**, professor emerita of mathematics, who sends regards from Florida; **Betty Flanders Thompson**, professor emerita of botany, reports from Clinton, CT; and **Peter Seng**, professor emeritus of English, who now lives in a community home in Milwaukee.

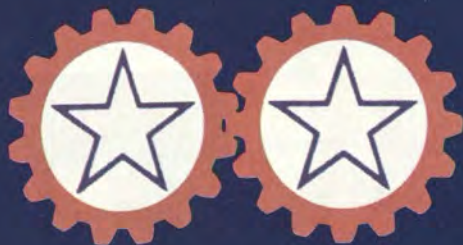
The author of this piece, **Alice Johnson**, dean emerita of the college and professor emerita of English, is still teaching at the college in the Return to College Program; is writing her "memoirs" of the college; is active in East Lyme-Niantic politics, where she is a member of the Democratic Town Committee and is chair of the Planning Commission.





# Take this Job *and* Keep It!

*Richard Greenwald '87 and Ken Jockers '88 of America Works are helping to change the rules of the welfare game in New York City and providing a model for pragmatic solutions elsewhere.*



AMERICA WORKS

by Lisa Brownell

“I’ve taken people from living in a homeless shelter to having decent housing. I’ve gone to housing court to prevent an eviction, and I’ve gone to bat for people who need child care,” says Ken Jockers ’88. In many respects, Jockers has the responsibilities of a government social worker, yet he answers to a for-profit corporation, America Works.

An innovative private employment company, the 11-year-old corporation is demonstrating that the paycheck is mightier than the welfare check and is winning nods of approval from both liberals and conservatives. It’s also changing lives.

Many in this country have come to believe that welfare is a highly efficient system ... for keeping people on welfare. If there is too little incentive for many clients to get off welfare, there is even less for caseworkers to make job referrals for their clients. In the end, the caseworkers will get paid the same no matter how many people are receiving public assistance.

The modus operandi of America Works is simple: find a full-time job (with benefits) for a welfare recipient, offer training and support that will guarantee that person’s success and otherwise assist the transition from welfare recipient to wage-earner. Six months later, the state (or the city, depending on the contract) pays America Works \$5,400 when the hire is successful, thereby saving most of the approximate \$23,000 in state and federal money it takes to keep a family of three on welfare for a year. The ultimate savings is passed along to the taxpayer. This formula is being multiplied by the hundreds, and even thousands of cases, in Hartford, Albany, Indianapolis and New York City.

#### **Big changes in a short time**

“I have seen the tangible results in each case. The feedback is so clear from your clients once they have succeeded in a new job,” says Jockers, whose experience in the social services has not always yielded such concrete outcomes.

“What makes America Works unique is that we move people into jobs *quickly*,” says Jockers, who is the corporate representative for the company.

“We started in a recession in New York, and we were placing people in jobs, even in tough times,” notes Richard Greenwald ’87, a development manager and director of operations, whose job is “to help grow the company.”

America Works offers a formula that makes sense on a human level — hard-nosed expectations that must be met (job seekers are dropped from the program if they show up even five minutes late for their first training workshop) and real-world necessities such as child care (90 percent of their clients are young mothers who need daycare in order to take a job).

What about the satisfaction of the employers who hire from the referrals of America Works? Rob DiGregorio, an operations manager at Merrill Lynch, admits that he was





Robert Simko

Greenwald '87 (left) and Jockers '88 credit "great professors such as Art Ferrari, Robert Hampton and Julie Rivkin" for an understanding of the social issues they both deal with on a day-to-day basis in the New York City-based America Works.

"very skeptical" when he first learned about the program. Nevertheless, he hired Sabrina, an America Works candidate, as an administrative assistant.

Looking back on that three-month grace period, DiGregorio reflects, "She came in with the right attitude. I could tell that she had a lot of positive feedback from them [America Works] during her training." In the end, Sabrina became part of the full-time staff at Merrill Lynch's Fifth Avenue office. "She was the best hire we had all year," he says.

#### Friends since freshman year

Long-time friends from their college days — Jockers majored in government, Greenwald in sociology — they both launched their careers in the public sector.

Greenwald worked for two years in the office of then U.S. senator Albert Gore, Jr., D-Tenn., and for three years at the Environmental Protection Agency. He readily attributes his ability to work in the public sector to skills he acquired at Connecticut College. For providing an understanding of the issues he credits "great professors such as Art Ferrari, Robert Hampton and Julie Rivkin." He earned a masters of public policy and administration from Columbia University in 1993.

Jockers, who is earning a JD at the Brooklyn Law School, previously worked for four years with the City Volunteer

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Corps, a program that offered youth educational scholarships in exchange for a year of volunteer service to the city. His next move was to the Manhattan District Attorney's office, where he interviewed witnesses and gathered evidence for child abuse cases.

Joining them in the America Works office was Blair Taylor '90, who also had worked with Jockers in the City Volunteer Corps. Taylor has since relocated to

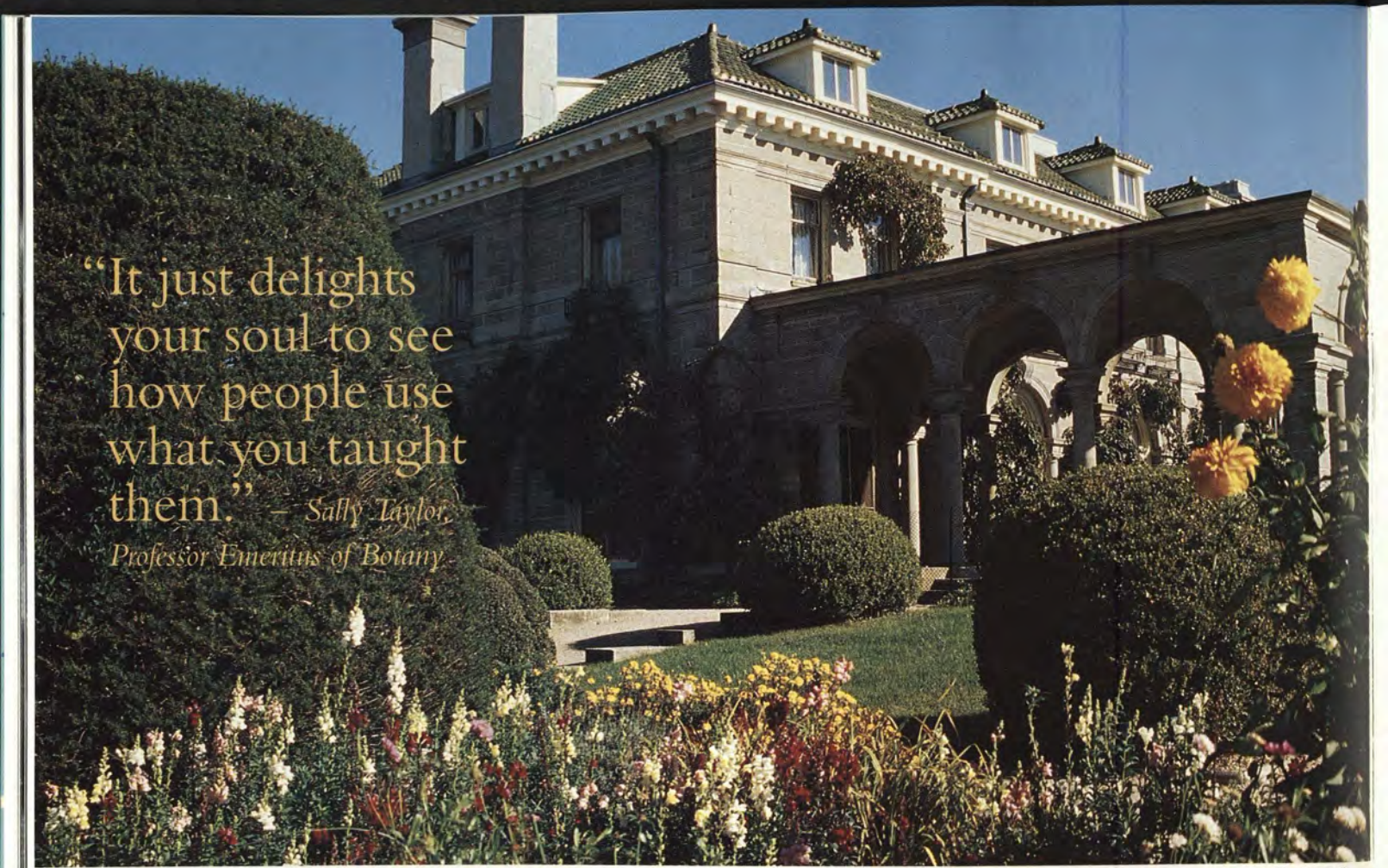
Tennessee and may soon become the manager of a new branch office for the company there.

The positive press on America Works — from *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post* and elsewhere — could wallpaper a small executive office, and the company frequently is cited as a "company with a conscience" by the business press.

The numbers are daunting — there are one million on welfare in New York City, 300,000 of whom are the heads of households — and Americas Works' 450 placements annually in the city may seem like a drop in the Hudson. This figure makes an easy target for those who criticize the program and even call AW "poverty profiteers." But it's clear that the company, by challenging the welfare system one case at a time, is putting people to work. It's an effort that generates support from unexpected directions.

"We invest our own capital up front. Both Mario Cuomo and Newt Gingrich love us," says Jockers. ●





*"It just delights  
your soul to see  
how people use  
what you taught  
them." — Sally Taylor,  
Professor Emeritus of Botany*

Thanks to the efforts of a volunteer corps, the gardens once owned by Mary Harkness (as in Harkness Chapel) are bursting with color again, even in early October, when this photo was taken.

Lisa Brownell

# Harkness Redux:

*How CC alumni helped rescue a corner  
of heaven that had fallen on hard times*



*by Carolyn Battista*

IN A SEASIDE GARDEN, SUMMER VISITORS SAVOR the vanilla scent of heliotrope plants. They stroll by borders of dahlia, snapdragons, larkspur and more. They peer into a jade-lined pool; they catch an ocean breeze. "This," they sigh, "is Heaven."

Actually, it is the recently restored Oriental Garden at Harkness Memorial Park in Waterford, Conn., and it's the cornerstone of a project to rescue the park. Connecticut College alums have helped by doing research and planning, rallying support and literally digging in.

The park was once the grand estate of Mary Stillman and Edward Stephen Harkness, who gave Connecticut College both the chapel and the dormitory that bear their name. They named the estate "Eolia," after the home of the wind king in the Odyssey. When Mary Harkness died in 1950, she willed Eolia to the State of Connecticut.

Connecticut College students, staff and faculty regularly make their way to the park, where the circa-1910 mansion overlooks lawns, gardens and a beach by Long Island Sound. Many remember picnics; others may recall



Botany 317, Ornamental Plants. "I took my classes there," said Sally Taylor, who is now retired from teaching botany but still cares about what she calls "the remarkable collection" at Harkness.

One of Taylor's former students eventually would tackle serious problems — and exciting possibilities — at Harkness. Jeanne Shelburne '74 majored in botany and studio art, earned a master's in landscape architecture from Cornell University, and by the mid-1980s was working for the parks department of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). "We knew the mansion needed help," said Shelburne, who with her colleagues was asked to make a preliminary assessment of the crumbling masonry and ancient wiring.

She also eyed the Oriental, Italian, Boxwood and Alpine Gardens. They had been created in the 1920s by one of America's first women landscape designers, Beatrix Jones Farrand (who had trained by touring European gardens with her aunt, the novelist Edith Wharton). The gardens had lost much of their original glory.

"I did a little research and put in my two cents worth," Shelburne recalled. She tracked down Farrand's original garden plans in archives at the University of California at Berkeley and persuaded the parks department to include the gardens in its planned \$3.6 million restoration project.

Taylor recruited another former botany student to aid research — Sheila Wertheimer RTC '84 (whose three grown children include Alyssa '86). "I was worried about Harkness," said Wertheimer, and once she received her master's in historic landscape design from the University of Connecticut, she was "ready to do something about it." She spent 1987 working for the Connecticut DEP on the Harkness project before opening her own business in landscape design and building.

"We wanted to show that Harkness was an important site," Wertheimer explained. Eolia had been the summer residence of a millionaire couple who lived well and gave generously to many causes. Noted designers worked on the mansion, and some 60 employees tended what became a 235-acre, self-sufficient manor, with flower gardens, vegetable gardens, orchards, cows and horses.

Wertheimer interviewed Harkness relatives and former employees, including a fellow who told her how, every week, he'd "take a truck down to New York to deliver produce and flowers from the estate" to the Harkness family's Manhattan townhouse. Others shared old photos with her. "A treasure chest opened," said Shelburne.

Shelburne and Wertheimer also considered how Harkness could become self-supporting. They planned on income from weddings and conferences in the mansion,

along with horticultural activities tied to the historic gardens. With DEP officials, they recognized that a private citizens' group could run programs to support the park.

In 1991, when she was home on leave from the DEP after the birth of her daughter, Shelburne continued shaping the Harkness plans. But the next year, everything came to a frustrating halt when funds earmarked for the restoration were frozen. It was time to take action.

Linda Callahan '87 (another botany major) was a Harkness supervisor from 1988 to 1993 and had organized volunteers to help in the gardens and greenhouse. Wertheimer called on these volunteers and other park fans, who in 1992 formed the Friends of Harkness.

The Friends wrote to legislators and newspapers describing the deteriorating conditions. They raised money, partly through events like the annual Harkness Day. In the winter, volunteers propagated heliotrope from Mrs. Harkness's original stock.

"Everybody worked so hard," said Wertheimer, who was interim president as the group organized and is now its historian. Shelburne, who left her DEP job in 1993, is the current president — a "full-time job" for her.

For the summer of 1994, the Friends filled the beds in the Oriental gardens with heliotrope, giving notice that the gardens were on their way back. In the summer of 1995, they raised \$20,000 for a sprinkler system and \$5,000 for plant material to fully restore the Oriental Garden. They spread manure, planted, trimmed and weeded regularly. "I did Saturdays," recalled Elizabeth Mawhiney RTC '80, one of several Connecticut College alumni among the Friends. Even as temperatures hit the 90s, she "considered it an honor" to work in the beautiful garden.

All summer, visitors sniffed vanilla and murmured of Heaven. But since the restoration funds still weren't freed, the future looked dubious.

Then, in September, Governor John Rowland announced that the funds would be released, and the Friends took a bow. "The governor could see there was a commitment on the part of a private group to do something at Harkness. We put our money where our mouth was," said Shelburne. **C**



Jeanne Shelburne '74



Sheila Wertheimer '84





*Magnetic Field #8*  
acrylic on canvas  
12" x 12"  
1995

▲ **Pamela Marks**

I seek to explore personal affinities with nature as well as the factual. Examining central forms of plant and animal organization has been a continual source for my imagery. The various manifestations of energy that create patterns of growth and form in nature and visual connection between these elements is central to the work. This morphology of plant and animal is then transformed into a painterly language and space.

▶ **Peter R. Leibert**

Clay is a wonderful medium. I am very familiar with it. I have thrown on the potter's wheel for a long time and can't seem to give it up. The pots I throw are usually not pre-planned; they develop from a basic idea. Somehow my pottery and sculpture (found objects, altered and most recently intentionally, burned) manage to survive together. They tend to feed each other and probably always will.



*Sea Pot*  
saggar/weed fired  
stoneware  
7" x 10"  
1995



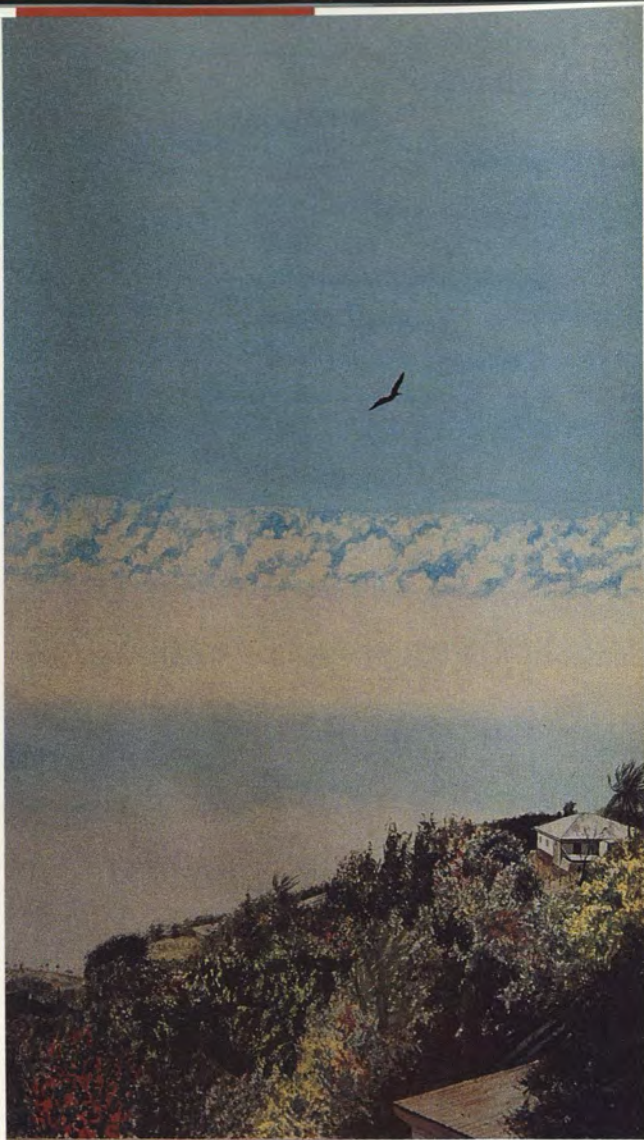
► **Maureen McCabe**

*Young Fortune Teller with Mojo Bag* visually depicts the positive excitement and chaos of magic and chance. The work is assembled on an antique wooden pinball machine and incorporates a 1908 fortune teller game. The gypsy's wheel has stopped permanently on the Ace of Clubs = prosperity, domestic concord, peace of mind, a letter, success in business, good news. The mojo bag from New Orleans adds a touch of protection and luck.



*Young Fortune Teller with Mojo Bag*  
24" x 16" x 4"  
assemblage  
1995





◀ **Barkley L. Hendricks**

The scale is small to place it in the proper perspective relative to my vantage point, some eight hundred feet further up the Santa Cruz Mountains in Jamaica. The exact height above sea level has also been cause for speculation and random guesses, even in a *National Geographic* feature on the island. Such guesses and speculation are grist for the creative mill.

Yet all this is academic when it is the thrill of painting from such spectacular vistas and panoramic observation plateaus. Winslow Homer in the tropics is a major inspiration and a definitive document on watercolor painting in the Caribbean. I feel my images can be viewed from similar positions, especially as they relate to the love, wonder and amazement they generate.

*Lovers Leap Series III*  
watercolor

▶ **Ted Hendrickson**

“...this led me to reflect on the inimitable beauty of Nature’s painting which the glass lens of the camera throws upon the paper in its focus — fairy pictures, creations of the moment, and destined as rapidly to fade away. It was during these thoughts that the idea occurred to me — how charming it would be if it were possible to cause these images to imprint themselves durably and remain fixed upon the paper!” — *William Henry Fox Talbot, reflecting on the camera obscura and his inspiration to invent a photographic method of image-making during a trip to Lake Como in 1833, The Pencil of Nature, 1844.*



*Landscape, Pomfret, CT*  
gelatin silver print, sulphide toned; 17.5" x 22"; 1995





Foreground: *Ancient Science/Earth Machine*, aluminum and stainless, 42" high, 1992; Middleground: *Cloud/Temple*, granite and aluminum, 76" high, 1993; Background: *Millstone I*, stainless steel and granite, 56" high, 1993.

▲ **David A. Smalley**

These pieces are part of an installation of outdoor works at my studio in Quaker Hill. A particular pleasure in making outdoor kinetic works is placing them so they catch the light and wind in interesting ways.

► **Timothy McDowell**

My work has a premise, a proposed equilibrium between the metaphysical and phenomenal, which if successful, allows in each painting a visual equivalence to exist between the representational elements and the abstract occurrences of the medium. The subjects of allegory, botany, decorative motif, metaphor and pseudo-science are my imagery sources.

*Hayrake*  
encaustic on wood  
48" x 48"  
1995



*view-Master view*  
2 pulse laser holograms, welded steel frames  
30" x 10" x 7"  
1995

▲ **Andrea Wollensak**

My recent work has utilized optical, digital and holographic technologies to explore issues of time and place, and to conflate or transcend the dichotomies that characterize many of the new visual technologies such as virtual/real, active/passive, and absence/presence.



# A TIME TO LEAD

NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGN FOR CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

## NEW MILLION DOLLAR GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE INCREASE SHARPLY

**G**iving to the college from new donors has increased dramatically during the Time to Lead campaign. Thirty-three donors have given \$1 million or more to the college since it was founded in 1911. Of those, 14 gave \$1 million during the campaign, while the campaign gifts of five others pushed their lifetime giving to the college over the million dollar mark.

Among the million dollar donors, 8 were corporations or foundations and 25 were individuals, 11 of whom are living alumni, parents or friends of the college.

## Hale Laboratory to Receive \$2.1 Million Renovation

**H**ale Laboratory is slated for a \$2.1 million renovation, which will transform it into a state-of-the-art facility for advanced teaching and joint faculty-student research. To help support the renovation, the National Science Foundation awarded the college a matching grant of \$676,072 in 1993.

Built in 1953, the lab was given to the college by Ruth Hale Buchanan '39 (in memory of Ruth's mother, Helen Dow Hale) and other donors. The building was designed for teaching basic undergraduate chemistry courses. But since its construction, the size of the faculty and the number of chemistry majors have increased significantly, and the mission of the department has changed. Faculty are more engaged in research, which they conduct with the help of students, primarily juniors and seniors. The students gain valuable experience working in a variety of fields, from the synthesis of organic compounds to laser-based analysis techniques in physical chemistry.

The transfer of first- and second-year general chemistry laboratories to the new E.W. Olin Center last year has freed up much-needed space at Hale for new research facilities. Five laboratories will be renovated or constructed and

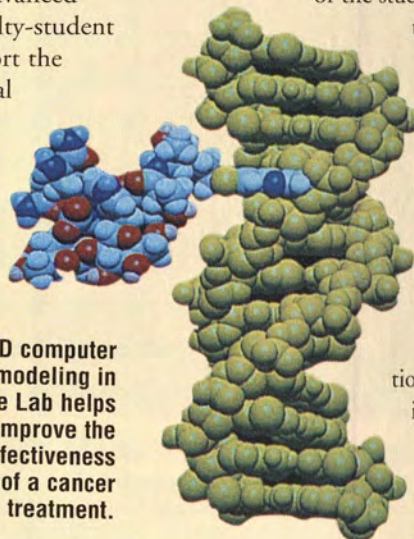
three new teaching laboratories will be created. "This renovation will let us match the facilities to the high quality of the students and faculty and

the opportunities that we offer them,"

commented Bruce R. Branchini, McCollum-Vahlteich Professor of Chemistry, who has been the department chair since 1986.

The Hale renovation will include the installation of health and safety features such as modern ventilation systems and fume hoods, as

well as modifications that will make the building more handicapped-accessible.



Last summer, Christine Alfano '96 assisted McCollum-Vahlteich Professor of Chemistry Bruce Branchini with his research on chloride ion transport.





# Michael Dubilier '77 Funds CISLA Internships

**M**ichael Dubilier '77 has funded one internship and is completing the funding for a second one for students enrolled in the Toor Cummings Center for International Studies and the Liberal Arts (CISLA). The founder of a new investment firm, Dubilier remembers well his experience attending a program affiliated with the London School of Economics when he was a junior at Connecticut College.

"It was a pivotal point in my life in terms of my ability to mature and enjoy a liberal arts education," Dubilier said, noting wryly that his experience abroad effected a veritable "sea change" on his grades, which improved markedly. He is supporting these internships to the Toor Cummings Center because, he explained, "I want others who may not have the means to have a similar experience."

The select group of students who enroll in the CISLA program as sophomores gain in-depth knowledge of the language, history, politics and economics of some region of the world. The summer of their junior year, students pursue an 8- to 12-week internship abroad, for which the college provides a \$3,000 stipend to cover expenses. They work in the region that particularly interests them. This internship is the basis for the integrative projects they complete as seniors. Many of the internships are sponsored by alumni, parents

or friends of the college or through a bequest.

A recent article in *Forbes* magazine attested to the professional value of programs like CISLA, which was featured prominently. According to the article "ambitious young people are skipping rungs on the career ladder by doing internships overseas." Kevin Dodge '92, was mentioned as an example. He was among the first group of students to receive certification in the CISLA program and, after a turn at Union Bank of Switzerland, entered the Harvard Business School.

Micheal Dubilier finds many ways to support CISLA. As a member of the program council, along with other



Miles Ladin

**Michael Dubilier '77**

alumni and parents who have international careers, he helps locate internship positions. A resident of Manhattan, Dubilier also hosts a party for sophomores enrolled in CISLA on their annual visit to the United Nations, and tries to connect with New York friends who have had interesting international experiences.

## WORKS OF ART FROM JOANNE TOOR CUMMINGS' ESTATE TO BE SOLD AT CHRISTIE'S AUCTION

Christie's will be conducting the sale of the estate of Joanne Cummings '50 during three days this spring in New York. Proceeds will go to Connecticut College (see *A Time to Lead*, Fall 1995), the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the New York Public Library and other organizations. A few of the pieces offered include: *Femme de Venise IX* by Alberto Giacometti (above), *Les citrons au plat d'étain* by Henri Matisse (top) and *Nature morte à L'Espérance* by Paul Gauguin (bottom).



Christie's New York



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# Lenore Tingle Howard '42 Endows \$500,000 Term Chair

Lenore Tingle Howard '42 remembers touring the campuses of Vassar, Smith and Wellesley with her father when she was in public high school in Garden City, New York. "Then I went to Connecticut College," she said, "and I absolutely fell in love with the hillside setting and those beautiful buildings." She had four happy years here, graduating magna cum laude. "The college is still my love," she says. Howard recently decided to demonstrate the affection and loyalty she feels for Connecticut College by donating \$500,000 from her family's foundation to fund the Lenore Tingle Howard '42 endowed term chair.

Endowed term chairs are intended to attract promising faculty at the beginning of their careers and support their scholarship. The chair is given to a scholar in a field chosen by the president and provost and is occupied by the same individual for four years, at which time another teacher-scholar is selected to occupy the chair.

## A WONDERFUL TIME FOR A SIGNIFICANT GIFT

Howard decided to make this gift because as she put it, "with the

Campaign for Connecticut College under way, I thought it would be a wonderful time to give a really significant gift. It's the biggest thing I've ever done, and it feels good." She hopes it will accomplish a number of goals. Howard would like her contribution to encourage others to make generous gifts to the college. "I do think," she said, "that endowments for small colleges are very important. And I know that Connecticut College needs this kind of endowed money. And then, getting down to what this term professorship will do for the college," she continued, "I think it will help bring good, young professors to the school."

One of the pleasures for Howard of giving such a generous gift to the college is that she is also honoring her father, for whom the family foundation—the Leonard Tingle Foundation—is named. "My father felt that education was very, very important," she said, noting that although he became a successful businessman, he did not finish high school.

Since Howard was the first in her family to go to college, her graduation was eagerly anticipated by her parents and by her in-laws—she had married Harry Howard in her senior year. She



Deborah Jassen

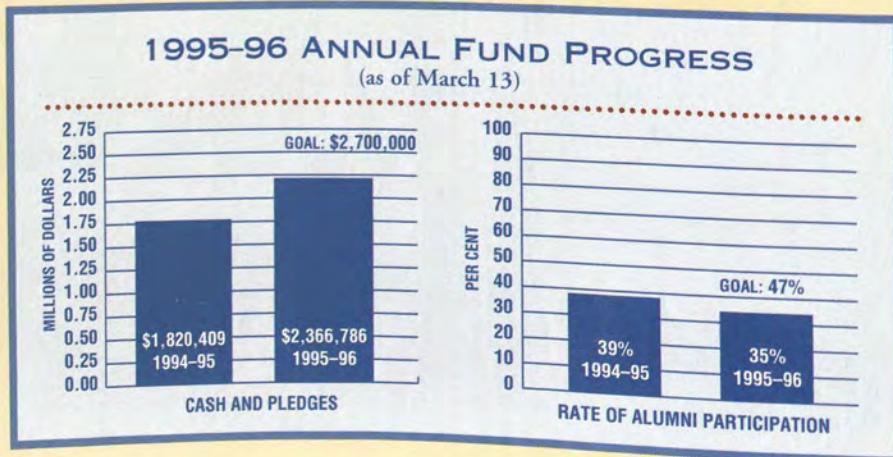
Lenore Tingle Howard '42 and her husband, Harry

almost missed graduation, however, because her husband, then in the naval reserve, phoned three days before graduation to say his ship was coming into Boston. He assumed he would see her there. "You mean you want me to miss my graduation?" she had asked. "You mean you want to miss seeing me?" Harry had replied. An unexpected and hastily arranged leave from the reserves meant a happy ending for all concerned.

## NO "GOOD NIGHT" KISSES

Howard had to receive special permission from President Katharine Blunt to remain at the college once she was married because married students were officially barred from the college. Although President Blunt was sympathetic to Howard's pleas and relented, she did not think marriage gave a student the right to engage in open displays of affection, which, Howard learned, the president quite disapproved of. Howard and her husband were exchanging a pre-curfew, good-night kiss in their car, parked in front of Howard's dorm, when President Blunt tapped on the window. "None of that on campus," she said.

A member of the board of trustees from 1976 to 1981, Howard was a trustee when the decision was made to become a coeducational institution. "I must say, at the time I did not think it was a great idea," she declared. "But I think the college has turned out to be a marvelous coeducational institution."





# INSIGHTS

A PHOTO ALBUM OF A FEW OF THE 160 ALUMNI WHO BRAVED A SNOWSTORM TO ATTEND ON-CAMPUS VOLUNTEER TRAINING ON MARCH 2

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Annual Fund Chair Judith Mapes Metz '61 congratulates Judith Ammerman '60 on behalf of her classmates' record 35th reunion giving to the 1994-95 Annual Fund.



Dan Hirschhorn, a trustee of the college (left), and Mike Fishman, co-class agent chairs for the Class of 1979, took a moment after lunch to review their list of classmates who have given to the Annual Fund.



Reunion chairs get a head start on 1997 reunion planning.



Members of the Class of 1996 Senior Pledge Committee joined class agents, class agent chairs and planned giving agents in a leadership workshop Saturday morning.

Photos by Lisa Brownell



# Class Notes

Your classmates would love to hear from you.

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**Grace Trappan** celebrated her 90th birthday on 12/19/95. She is living comfortably in an assisted living facility in Portland, ME.

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Correspondent:  
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**Margaret Burroughs Kohr** writes that she and Bob are doing well in their CA home, but were not up to returning for reunion. Peg retains great loyalty to the class and confers with the few remaining class officers.

**Wilhelmina Fountain Murphy** has moved to a sr. citizen complex in Ventura, CA, four miles from her son, Jim, and near two granddaughters and two great-grandsons. She says she is starting a new life.

**Nellie Fuller Mattacotti** was saddened by the death of her sister, Marion, this past spring, but did not attempt the long journey back to CT for the funeral service. She is thankful that she can still drive, at 25 miles an hour, around her town. She reads a great deal and enjoys bridge. Nellie says that WI people go in for potluck suppers and warm clothing. She is always looking for some dish to wow the other senior citizens at the center where

she is a frequent bridge player.

**Verne Hall**, your class correspondent, is always hoping to receive a card or letter from a classmate. We are interested to know how you are spending your time. I'm keeping busy with community activities — especially library and church. Preparing for the annual church Holiday Bazaar was foremost on my agenda in Nov., and my sewing machine gets a good workout. My walking is limited; I drive short distances, but depend a great deal on my younger friends for transportation.

**Eunice Mason Blaser** and husband have given up their country estate in Alexandria, VA, and taken up residence in a "continuing care retirement community" in Falls Church. From their 12th floor apartment, they have marvelous views of DC and the countryside.

**Elizabeth Riley Whitman** maintains her interest in '29's well-being and is just sorry she cannot be more active. Neither she nor her husband are able to drive, and you all know how inconvenient that can be. Peg still needs a cane or walker to move about and is glad to have good help to prepare their meals. She keeps in touch with friends by phone and communicates with your class correspondent frequently on college matters.

Do you know that *U.S. News and World Report* lists Connecticut College as one of the top 25 liberal arts college in the nation? Did you also know that in '39 our class established an endowed scholarship that benefits today's students?

A \$259 scholarship was granted to Angela Annino '94 for the '93-94 year. Angela participated in the American Maritime Studies Program at Mystic Seaport studying marine ecology and maritime history. She received a B.A. in environmental studies.

In '94-95, the recipient was Darcy Devin '97. She is most grateful to '29 for her \$273 scholarship. Her major is anthropology/pre-med; she is taking five challenging courses (three of which are labs), working 14 hours per week for dining services, and volunteering two and a half hours on Friday afternoons at Waterford Health and Rehabilitation Center. Her goal is to be a doctor and at present, she thinks her specialization will be medical research or genetics.

**Virginia Van Bark** writes that she is approaching 90, but "I only feel like it on occasion. I carry on as usual taking care of house and garden and two cats. When I retired in '93, I was sure I was going to go back to painting, but I've just been too busy."

The class wishes to express its sympathy to

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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 please note that *Connecticut College Magazine* publishes six issues yearly: Winter (Jan./Feb.), Spring (March/April), Commencement (May/June), Summer (July/Aug.), Honor Roll of Giving (Sept./Oct.) and Fall (Nov./Dec.) — please make sure **your class correspondent** receives your news by the deadline listed below.

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the families of **Alberta Boardman Truex**, who died on 12/8/94; **Helen Minckler Dawson**, who died on 1/3/95; **Helen Stephenson White**, who died on 3/16/95; **Barbara Bent Bailey** who died in March '95; **Flora (Pat) Hine Myers**, who died on 3/21/95; **Eleanor Rose Carey**, who died on 5/12/95; **Margaret Anderson Hafemeister**, who died on 5/21/95, and **Elizabeth Speirs**, who died on 7/16/95.

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**Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996**  
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**Evelyn Whittemore Woods** now lives in the Health Center at Essex Meadows in Essex, CT. She is very well and happy, her only disability is her lack of short-term memory, which keeps her from remembering that she is a widow. Her daughter, Evelyn Woods Dahlin '58, visited her in Oct., and they had a grand time driving around CT admiring the foliage.

The Class of '31 extends sympathy to the family of **Grace Reed Regan**, who died on 8/23/95.

The class also sends sympathy to **Harriett Hickok Kenyon**, who lost her husband, William Kenyon, on 1/22/96.

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**Virginia Van Bark '29**  
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Bill and I returned from a motor trip through CT and PA to visit **Jane Hutchinson Cauffield** in OH. **MP Hanson Navidi** flew in from NY at the same time, so we made tentative plans for our 60th reunion in '98. Jane took us to the Great Lakes Historical Society Inland Seas Maritime Museum (Vermilion, OH), of which she is a trustee. Jane has four horses, but only two in her barn, and two Dalmatians watching the house. MP had recently returned from a visit with her son on the West Coast and had to return home to continue work on her book. While there, **Marie Schwenk Trimble** phoned from Clearwater, FL, to let Jane know they were well as were their two sets of children.

En route home, we made a side trip to Cooperstown, NY, to check on **Carman Palmer von Bremen** and found she moved to NJ to be near her daughter, Janet.

**Helen Swan Stanley** said moving to a retirement community means saying yes or no to the many volunteer job offerings, especially to one as busy as she is with her church and other affairs.

Notice to any classmates living within easy driving distance to New London, come and join **Selma Silverman Swatsburg**, **Frances Walker Chase** and me at the Sykes Society luncheon to be held at the Hood Dining Room in Blaustein on Friday, May 31, during Reunion '96.

The Christmas mail brought sincere greetings from **Mary (Hoppy) Hellwig**

**Gibbs, Evelyn Falter Sisk** and **Helen Swan Stanley**.

**Jean Pierce Field** was hospitalized by two heart attacks and after a stay in the nursing facility of their retirement community is up and about.

**Kay Boutwell Hood's** husband is in a nursing home. Last fall, Kay traveled to DC to visit her granddaughter.

**Marjorie Hanson Navidi** sent a picture she took of an iceberg during a trip to St. Anthony, Newfoundland.

**Selma Silverman Swatsburg** and Harry are still traveling. The latest trip was an eight-day excursion to Paris sponsored by the L.A. Museum. They came home and six days later returned to Scotland and England with the annual Goodspeed Theater group.

**Ruth Hollingshead Clark** and Bose are enjoying apartment living at John Knox Village where they have been this past year. They returned to Branford in June to attend the wedding of their grandson, Michael, and spent the rest of the month visiting friends. Ruth is learning to use an Apple Macintosh Performa, which will help her in her conservation work to save wetlands and water resources.

**Anne Oppenheim Freed** and Roy never slow down. Last spring, they were back teaching at the New Bulgarian U. While there, they set up two projects. One is for a Boston company to import beautiful Bulgarian posters for sale to collectors. The other project is to try to set up Elderhostel study tours to Bulgaria. Various other trips took them to Istanbul to explore the mosques and other antiquities. Berlin and Amsterdam brought them in touch with friends from former days at home and abroad. Anne works with doctoral candidates at Boston College Graduate School of Social Work, and Roy works on his book and makes speeches on computer law while creating new sculptures.

It is sad to hear of ill health. **Billie Foster Reynold's** husband underwent a second hip replacement resulting in nerve damage that left his left foot numb. On the brighter side, he celebrated his 80th birthday with all the family present.

**Frances Walker Chase** spent Christmas holidays with her daughter. Frances is looking for someone to replace her as class president, as she is working full time on fundraising for our class scholarship fund.

**Ruth (Poofie) Earle Brittan** returned from a trip to AZ to remind me that she is also looking for a replacement for her job as Class Agent Chair. Do I see any hands raised high?

We extend deepest sympathy to **Betty Gilbert Woods**, whose husband died after being incapacitated for six years.

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California alumni celebrate the holidays at the home of Sue Hazlehurst Milbraith '76, third from right.

The party was a great success and fun was had by all. Many thanks to Sue, Sheila and Jeff for coordinating this event!

Many graduates attended the holiday open house hosted by Mark and Cathy Iger '75 on Sunday, December 3, at their home in New York City. Guests were treated to a special performance by the Shwiffs (Connecticut College's all-women a cappella group). A special thank you to Mark and Cathy for hosting such a wonderful evening!

Let's hope that holiday parties become annual events for our regional clubs!

**Professor Gene Gallagher Brings a Message to the Big Apple.** On January 25, Professor Gallagher spoke to 21 alumni about his recent book, *Why Waco?* As always, his lecture was thought-provoking and interactive. "I felt like I was back on campus!" said Natalie Fine '91. Contact Liz Cheney '92 (860-439-2310) for more information on how to bring Connecticut College faculty to your city.

### Valuable Admissions Component Added to Book Award Packets.

The Alumni Association would like to double the number of book awards presented to exceptional high school students. This past year 44 awards were given out across the United States. We would like to increase this number by asking the nearly 18,000 members of the Association to sponsor an award.

Book Award packets are given to sponsors by the Alumni Office early in the year. The packet contains everything the sponsor will need, including a list of possible books, a certificate, book plate and guidelines for choosing books and recipients. The next step is to contact an area high school guidance office and ask if they would like to include a Connecticut College Book Award as part of their awards ceremony. The guidance office then chooses the award recipient

The benefits are obvious! The college's name is spread, which helps with the recruitment of students. This year the admissions office has added a fee waiver and application to each packet to encourage book award recipients to apply to CC (a \$45.00 value!). To find out more about the Connecticut College Book Award contact Liz Cheney '92 in the Alumni Office at 860-439-2310.

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Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996  
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**Justine Clark** gets the class prize for the greatest number of Elderhostels attended. Her 37th was on the coastal ecology of Cape Cod at Provincetown. Number 38 was at Ashville, NC, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Biltmore Estate. Number 39 was a canoe/camping trip on the upper Delaware River, paddling over rocks and rapids out of the Catskill Mountains. Sounds spectacular. And on her 40th Elderhostel, she was at Cape May, NJ, studying birds, butterflies, genealogy and 300 years of Cape May history. All this in one year! Justine keeps moving at a rapid pace.

**Doris Kaske Renshaw** lives in Boca Raton, FL, but spends her summers at her old family home in CT, where gardening, attending the theater in NYC and Westport, bicycling, swimming and "need I mention, bridge" fill her days. In between her seasonal moves, she travels. Last fall it was a cruise in the Mediterranean with stops at many islands.

**Mary Stevenson Stow's** children gave a lovely party for her at the beautifully decorated-for-Christmas Mendenhall Inn, near Stevie's home in Wilmington, DE. Paul and I drove from Northern Virginia to help Stevie celebrate her 75th birthday, but the most exciting part of the luncheon was meeting Stevie's fiance, Herb McCutchan. Herb's sister, a long-time bridge partner of Stevie's, introduced them — and they've been playing bridge together ever since! Stevie, who lost her husband, Ted, in '91, has four children. Her daughter Susan is a supervisor in a medical lab in Princeton. Marty, who has two college-age sons, Nathan (Ohio State U.), and Jeffrey (taking flying lessons), was married a year ago to Tim Bunell, who has a daughter, 12, and a son, 15. Stevie's son Rick has two sons: Ryan, 8, and Derek, 6. Rick is a pharmacologist; his wife, DyAnn, is head counselor at St. Andrew's School in Middletown, DE. Stevie's other son, Fred, an attorney in Las Vegas, was not able to be at the party. Stevie has seven grandchildren counting Fred's daughter, Meredith, 17. Meg Robinson Manning '41 and her husband



were among the 40-plus guests at Stevie's birthday bash. The Mannings also live in Wilmington.

**Lenore Tingle Howard** has been settled in Carefree, AZ, for 20 years. She and Harry celebrated 54 years together. They have five children ("all happily married") and 17 grandchildren. "Still golfing, playing bridge and all games. Busy with church and community."

I am sorry to report the death of Lt. Cmdr. Theodore S. Pattison Jr., husband of **Virginia Martin Pattison**, on 11/3/95 in Seattle, WA. Pat had been battling Parkinson's and Alzheimer's for many years. The Class sends its sympathy to Ginny.

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*Correspondents:* Charlotte Hosfeld Tarcy, 50 Pequot Road, Pawtucket, RI 02861 and Jane Storms Wenneis, 27 Pine Ave., Madison, NJ 07940

**Katharine Johnson Anders** entertained a few fellow alumnae and their husbands in her Medford, NJ, retirement home in July. **Mary Surgenor Baker** and Dave came from their new home in Hilton Head, SC. **Jeanne (Jennie) Corby Bell** and Ken from CT, **Barbara Murphy Brewster** from NY, **Jane Storms Wenneis** and Bob plus **Constance Smith Hall** and Gene represented the Class of '43. In addition, two Emily Abbeyites attended from other classes — Anne Hester Smith '44 and Louise Spencer Hudson '42. "We caught up on 50-plus years and enjoyed every minute." In Oct., Kackie missed a NYC luncheon (three of us) due to a serious mishap in Aug. When vacationing in ME with **Evelyn (Fliv) Silvers Daly**, she fell and severely injured her back. No fun!

**Alys Campbell Vincent**, living in Old Forge, NY, has a daughter in OH, a son in NJ and three grandsons. She and Don have a summer home on a lake in the Adirondack. The cold bothers her asthma but family ties will keep them in northern NY.

**Margaret Grout Tambke** lives in Hilton Head, SC, where she still enjoys golf. Because of a knee problem, she has now given up tennis. She has a "fun" job in a toy store on a part-time basis. Her daughter lives in Seattle and her son is in SC. **Barbara Hogate Ferrin** visits while en route to FL and updates Peg on CC news.

**Barbara Hellman**, dividing her year between Westbrook, CT, and FL, continues her gardening in both climates. In '94, she went on a Finesse ("bridge-oriented") Tour from Calgary to Vancouver, and in the summer on '95 taught duplicate bridge in CT. Last June, she enjoyed a cruise in Scandinavia and through the Kiev Canal where the group visited the Hermitage. (Too many steps!)

**Frieda Kenigsberg Lopatin** met her physician husband when she was searching for 5:00 a.m. transportation shortly after graduation. He was it! Life is busy in Fairfield, CT. One daughter lives in Atlanta, one in CA and

their son (married to a CC graduate) and two grandchildren are nearby in CT. Frieda missed reunion but will come next time.

**Virginia (Ginny) Leary** taught English and after 37 years and an additional degree switched to guidance counseling at Norwich (CT) Free Academy. In 1993, she retired to fully enjoy her home. Arthritis in her hands is a problem, but nothing can keep her down!

**Mary Lou (Mel) Walsh Thackrey** has lived in CA since the late '40s. She met John at United Aircraft shortly after graduation. Their first daughter is a CT Yankee (by birth), but all three daughters are living near Mel's home in Santa Ana. After her family was raised, Mel ran the Faculty Club at U. of California/Irvine for 16 years. Now she has retired and volunteers for UN activities. Her husband, Jim, is not well, so nearby family is a big plus.

**Jacquelyn Myers Couser** celebrated 30 years as a member of the International Furishings and Design Association and received their highest honor, the IFDA Honorary Recognition Award.

If any of you are inspired to look up an old friend, both of us have lists with current addresses and phone numbers. Please call either of us. Phone calls are so rewarding! The class extends sincere sympathy to **Mary Enequist Faircloth** whose husband died at home on Sept. 30.

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*Correspondents:* Elise Abrahams Josephson, 25 Antigua Rd., Santa Fe, NM 87505 and Alice Anne Carey Weller, 423 Clifton Blvd., E. Lansing, MI 48823

**Stratton Nicolson McKillop** enthuses over a two-week trip with the Aspen Institute to Russia (St. Petersburg and Moscow), Tallinn and Estonia. She also attended a wonderful seminar with art leader and former president of Oberlin College, Dr. Starr.

**Mariana Parcels Wagoner** enjoyed a happy family time at the wedding of a granddaughter in May. In Aug., she saw **Ann Hoag Peirce**.

**Dorothy Raymond Mead's** youngest grandchild, son of her youngest son, was born on Christmas night '94. She went to a stupendous family reunion at Lake George in Aug. '95. The four sisters plus families — 59 out of a possible 65. Some came from CA, AZ and WI.

**Ruthe Nash Wolverton** had a nostalgic visit to Harkness Chapel to show two grandchildren where she and Walt were married. All their children and grandchildren then joined them in New London for their 50th anniversary celebration. Classmates **Millie Gremley Hodgson** and **Barbara Jones Alling** joined them.

**Mary Melville Heron** is still making adjustments after her husband's death in Jan. '94. Mary is trying to resume freelance writing and continues to work with the South Country Stroke Club, Seniors Helping Others and the Narragansett Friends of the Library.

She deals with arthritis, an irregular heartbeat and uses a cane. "A nuisance getting old."

**Jacqueline Pinney Dunbar** and Norman are now residents of Deer Isle, ME, but spend time in Princeton, NJ, where they lived for almost 30 years. They had Thanksgiving with their family and a sister's family in the Bahamas.

**Karla Yepsin Copithorn** spends winter months in Naples, FL, where she enjoys times with **Susan Balderston Pettingill**. Karla spent a beautiful month with daughter and family in Bergen, Norway. Son, Rip, lives in Severna Park, MD, and his twin brother, Fred, lives in Syracuse. Karla keeps busy tutoring a fifth grader and with other volunteer commitments in Cazenovia, NY.

**Trudy Weinstock Shoch's** youngest son, 46-years-old, was married for the first time with an all-out wedding. "Just the way we used to do it." Trudy visited Savannah for the first time — found it charming.

**Jean Leinbach Ziemer** was surprised that she recognized so many names in the last Class Notes. Brought back fond memories of her two years at CC. Jean's second husband has Alzheimer's — worse than physical problems. She's thankful that they live in a life-care community.

**Lila Sullivan Murphy** spent two weeks in London and Paris. She recommends the channel train. Lila is busy helping establish an Elderhostel Institute at a local college. She enjoys life in Newport. "The most joy in my life comes from my twin granddaughters, age 2. They will always be more important than my bridge game."

**Libby Massey Ballinger** and her husband have sold their house and moved to a townhouse surrounded by woods where she has wonderful walks with their dog. "No more leaf raking, snow shoveling or mowing the lawn — what a gift."

**Arabelle Kennard Dear** took a great Tauck tour to Athens, the Greek Isles and Istanbul in June. Husband, Arkie, had a mini-stroke in July but is fully recovered. Fifth grandchild Christopher McGeorge Dear's birth was announced by his mother over the phone one hour after his birth on Sept. 17.

**Elizabeth Swisher Childs** and her husband are taking few trips now that they "are experiencing poor health." They did manage one to the Grand Canyon in July — 11 of them including grandchildren ages 2, 8 and 10. Orlo was a park ranger there in the '30s and still can lecture on everything in the canyon. She is taking her granddaughter to CC to a CISLA (Center for International Studies in the Liberal Arts) program to introduce her to the academic side of CC life.

**Lucretia Lincoln Stanley** and George again visited son, Gary, and family in Sydney, Australia. His children are each learning a different language — Japanese, German and French. When Teeto and George returned the rest of the family and many friends gave them a gala 50th anniversary party. "All this served to soften the blow of learning that





Kate Swift '45 observing the anti-graffiti rule in the Temple of Heaven at the Women's Conference in China.

George is now legally blind (due to ARMD)." Many adjustments include some role reversals. George is taking over the kitchen and the garden. Teeto is back in school studying for her MAT and is also tutoring two second graders. George will attempt to use microscopic systems glasses so that he can read.

**Janet Witte Brooks** spent three weeks in a wonderful old farmhouse in Tuscany. She had two cataracts removed this past year and now "has the eyes of an eagle" so was designated driver for 2,000 miles in Italy. They were back in time for the World Series win of the Atlanta Braves. Anyone coming to Atlanta for the '96 Olympics call Jay.

**Barbara Jones Alling** and Ward attended their first Elderhostel at Center Harbor on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. The professors were excellent — knowledgeable and humorous — as they taught English history from Elizabeth I, Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and English Country dances (to work off the excellent food at the 1880s inn). Autumn leaves were glorious.

**Marylouise Oak Cowan** made a 23-day, round-the-world trip in Oct. She met **Virginia Passavant Henderson** and Sid in London when they were on a 50th anniversary trip. Spent time at Eaton's Ranch in Wolf, WY, for the 22nd year. **Mimi Griffith Reed** was also at Eaton's.

**Frances Smith Minshall** was at Delray Beach this past winter. She was very busy raising money to build an historical museum on Kelley's Island — a successful year. Son, Bill, and his second wife had a son in April, William E. Minshall IV. Franny has 13 grandchildren, nine girls and four boys. She watched granddaughter Julia's soccer team's eastern finals at Niagara Falls. They didn't win but it was exciting.

**Ethel Sproul Felts**, as first vice president of the U.N. Association of Greater Miami, has been immersed in activities that center on the 50th anniversary of the United Nations.

Here is an excerpt from a letter of hers published by *The Miami Herald*. "The United Nations accomplished a great deal at very little cost (0.001 percent of the U.S. budget). It eradicates diseases, feeds and shelters thousands of refugees, increases world food production, controls the spread of advanced weapons, protects the global environment and brings peace to regional conflicts when opponents consent."

**Helen Rippey Simpson** was honored by the Greenwich (CT) Chapter of the American Red Cross. A Blood Services volunteer since '78, she has logged more than 11,000 hours of service.

**Martha Reid Hudson's** husband died in Oct. '93. "Thank heaven for my painting, teaching and exhibiting which have been my salvation. I taught a watercolor course in Italy last summer — beautiful." We, her freshman year classmates, extend our sympathy to Marty and our respect for her coping.

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*When I heard the Class of '45 was represented at the Women's Conference in China, I thought we might all enjoy hearing of Barbara (Kate) Swift's visit. Hence the following report by Kate:*

Late last summer, I was in Beijing with some 400 other American women attending a U.S./China joint conference on women's issues sponsored by People to People International (PPI). Meeting in small groups with our Chinese professional counterparts — women in education, science, mathematics, literature and other fields — we shared knowledge and experiences for five days preceding the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women. Many of us then stayed on to take part in the conclave of non-governmental organizations, known as the NGO Forum, that paralleled the UN event.

Thinking about what I might say in the 750 words **Marje Lawrence Weidig** asked me to write for our class news, I realized there must have been many Connecticut College alumnae in Beijing and suburban Huaito, site of the NGO Forum in late Aug., and Sept. Perhaps there were other members of the Class of '45. Two women on our roster of PPI delegates, whom I did not meet, are members of the present CC faculty, and another, with whom I talked briefly, is a returning older student, who graduates this June and plans to enter law school.

The gathering in China was the largest international assembly ever of women working for women. Nearly 50,000 — about five percent of them men — from 187 countries took part in events like the one sponsored by PPI, the NGO workshops, discussions and plenary sessions, or in the official UN Conference that developed a program for action by member nations on themes of pri-

mary concern to women: economic empowerment, education, environment, reproductive health, violence, peace. The overarching theme voiced by Hillary Clinton, was "Women's rights are human rights."

Being part of such an assembly was exciting and profoundly moving. Talking with women from Iraq, Bangladesh, Chile, Rwanda, Vietnam, Zambia, I understood fully for the first time that the women's movement is not confined to Western industrialized countries, but is a worldwide grass-roots process fueled by the rising aspirations of women everywhere.

Since this was my first visit to China, I was extremely curious about that fabled land, home to one fifth of the earth's population. Reading about its rich cultural heritage and long history of internal conflict and foreign invasion did not prepare me for today's Beijing, a modern city resonating with exuberance and vitality. Nor was I prepared for the warm, gracious hospitality of the Chinese people — not only of conference officials and participants, but of ordinary citizens I met in travels about the city and surrounding country, including tours of a maternity hospital and a cloisonné factory as well as visits to famous historic sites.

On my return home, I was amazed to find that my family and friends had worried about me because of what they had been told by the U.S. media. Press reports of oppressive restrictions and surveillance by Chinese officials in no way reflected my experience or that of others I was with. On the contrary, the atmosphere was more free and open than I had anticipated, and the host country's role in facilitating the logistics of the UN Conference and NGO Forum contributed significantly to their success.

In our college years during W.W.II, it's unlikely any of us ever imagined ourselves involved in a world conference on women's rights. I surely didn't. Feminism was archaic, I thought, a footnote to history that had long preceded me. More than half a century later, my perceptions are different, and I would guess that among the Americans who gathered in China to help advance women's equality around the world were many others from "our college on the hilltop by the sea" — and that thousands more were there in spirit.

*Co-correspondent's note: When news is scarce, we may do more of these longer reports from one classmate. Contributions and suggestions are welcome. Get those cards and letters started!*

By the time you read this, **Penny Gilpin Griffith** will be Mrs. Al Marshall. Both Penny and Al are widowed, both have grandchildren, and "neither ever suspected that they would ever marry again." They attend the same church in Vero Beach, FL, and will live in Al's house after their Jan. 6 wedding. Penny and Al eventually hope to build a house of their own.

We spent a grand evening with **Helen Savacool Underhill** and Francis in late Aug. As always, they have many interests and are



deeply involved in a local mediation center. Both Helen and Francis are trained mediators and their center mediated 1,000 cases last year in their county in NC. The subjects range from dog disputes to property arguments to divorce settlements.

Savie and Francis have attended Elderhostels everywhere; they were headed for one in Baltimore on young composers and how music has changed. Francis also teaches in Elderhostel, as does **Bets Elsworth Starbuck's** husband, Ray. (We know that many of you attend these successful programs. Share your recommendations with the class!)

**Pat Feldman Whitestone**, our new class president, and husband Dorsey were also welcome visitors to Cape Cod in Sept. They are delighted with their new location in Branford, CT. Pat sees **Connie Barnes Mermann** frequently; the two of them were about to tackle an 8-week course at Yale on the Victorians. Pat reported later that she has seen **Patty Hancock Blackall** and husband Steele as well as **Betty Brown Leslie** and a group of friends at the Yale-Brown football game.

Send us a letter and let us know what's going on with you. Not everyone came to reunion and some didn't send in "yearbook" pages. All doings, both large and small, are interesting to us.

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Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996  
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**Mary Margaret Topping DeYoe, Marie Ann Bloomer Patterson, and Shirley (Chips) Wilson Keller** held a mini-reunion in early Nov. '95 in Binghamton, NY. Unfortunately, some of the other classmates from upper NY and PA, who usually attend, couldn't join them this time. Mary had just returned from California and Mary Margaret was heading West to visit her son. The group evidently had a good time discussing the merits and demerits of estrogen.

**Barbara Caplan Somers** received a call from **Chips Wilson Keller** during Chips holiday visit with her daughter, Polly, and her family in Concord, MA. Barbara suggested meeting for lunch on Christmas day. They had a delightful visit over lunch in a Chinese restaurant in Lexington before returning to their families for their Christmas dinner. Chips' son, Peter, and his wife made a trip to China where they met and brought home their adopted Chinese daughter. They have two children of their own.

**Mary-Nairn Hayssen Hartman** and Jack are enjoying their daughter, Lisa's new son, Angus. Lisa and her husband, Mike, live only an hour away.

**Jody Ferry Gates** and Dick keep young with their seven grandchildren, many Hartford projects, good golfing at the new

**"Press reports of oppressive restrictions and surveillance by Chinese officials in no way reflected my experience or that of others I was with."**

**— Kate Swift '45 on her experience at the Women's Conference in China**

Stonington (CT) Country Club and a few stolen winter moments at Marco Island and summers in Watch Hill.

**Harriet Kuhn McGreevey** enjoyed having her family and two grandchildren visit her at Christmas. We are hoping Kuhnny's elderly mother will be well enough for Kuhnny to join us on Reunion Weekend.

**Gloria Frost Hecker** and Art motored 5,000 miles to attend Art's high school reunion in St. Louis during the summer of '95. On the way, they went to Opryland, Lake of the Ozarks, Branson, Memphis, (even took in Elvis's Graceland), Kansas City, Mobile, and all points south and east. After all that, they flew in own their plane to Napa Valley for three days with friends. Since one of Glo's daughters has moved into her own apartment, she has a guest room again and invites friends to come see her.

The jungles of Borneo in the states of Sabah and Sarawak beckoned **Betty Barchet Shabacker** and Bob in the late fall of '95. They found 10 orangutans in the wild and much more. Betty is getting ready for a solo show at the museum in Pueblo, CO, from May-Aug. '96. Wildlife will be the subject matter. The Shabacker's daughter is teaching English at the New Mexico Military Institute.

**Barbeur Grimes Wise** was thrilled with the arrival of her third grandchild, Eleanor Chandler Masinic Wise, born on 9/22/95 to Scott and Elizabeth Wise. Elizabeth is doing her residency in pathology at Columbia Presbyterian, and Scott, who is a senior city planner for NYC, is now home for two and a half months taking care of his new daughter. Barbeur had a 17-day vacation to England, Ireland, and Scotland in Aug.

**Jessie MacFayden Olcott** and Bob took a trip to Belize and plan to attend both 50th college reunions at Connecticut and William's.

Your correspondent, **Skip Coughlin Rudolph**, spent several days in late summer '95 with her sister and brother-in-law at Hovey Manor on Lake Massawippa, Quebec, before joining friends in Avalon, NJ, for a final fling in the ocean.

Class Agent Chair **Joan Jacobson**

**Kronick** wrote Class President **Janet Kennedy Murdock**, "Dear '46 classmates, many delighted thanks for your beautiful flowers on the occasion of my 70th birthday. I was utterly surprised by this splendid bouquet and considerably puzzled by the mystery of the source of the gift, and so I send this appreciative acknowledgement to our class president. To all of you, loving thanks."

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This past Sept., I spent a couple of days in NY art museums and visited with **Lorraine Pimm Simpson** and her daughter, Dale, who is a vice president for Echo Designs. During the summer, Lorraine visited her son, Jim, in the San Francisco area and also went to AK.

A note from **Janet Pinks Welti** informed me of the death of her husband, Phil, this past Aug. The class extends its sympathy to Janet.

The class also extends sympathy to the family of **Barbara Wells Merritt**, who died recently.

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**Marge Reichgott Sosnik's** son, Doug, is political director to President Clinton. A front-page story in the *Winston-Salem Journal* describes him as hard-working and extremely effective. Through him, Marge and Bob have visited the White House several times. Most thrilling for Marge was the State Dinner for art, where Pincus Zuckerman performed and a poised Bill Clinton led the guests in "Thanks for The Memories" to honor Bob Hope.

A bulletin from **Shirley Reese Olson**

## WERE YOU IN BEIJING?

Alumnae who attended the 1995 Women's Conference in China and are interested in participating on a panel during Reunion '96 should contact Liz Cheney '92, Alumni Office, 860-439-2310.




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reports that she and husband, Merritt, are "busy spending our sons' inheritance," i.e. traveling up a storm. Merritt was included in a group of U.S. veterans who traveled to Moscow for the 50th anniversary of "The Great Patriotic War." Shirley visited son Chris, who works for City Bank in Brussels, twice this year — once with son Curt, a travel agent. This year the Olsons enjoyed a fascinating tour of Eastern Europe, including Budapest, Bratislava (where Shirl has a cousin in the USAD), and Prague. **Joan Wilmarth Cresap, Bobbie Kite Yeager** and Shirl joined up at their 50th high school reunion in '94. The Olsons visited the Yeagers at their lovely Naples, FL condo while on a March trip to Key West and saw them again while they were en route from Unadilla to Naples. The Olsons also lunched with **Ed and Dodie Quinlan MacDonald** in Venice, FL. All are fine. The Yeagers have

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just returned from a cruise through the Panama Canal to Aruba. In between trips, Shirl's job as president of Herndon-Reston F.I.S.H., a non-profit social service organization, which operates a thrift shop to fund its work, "keeps me out of mischief." Shirl is the reunion chair for our 50th reunion. Please write her with any and all suggestions!

**Frances Sharp Barkmann** announces the marriage of son Peter, hydrogeologist, to Gay Delduca, medical social worker, in Evergreen, Co. The newlyweds are living in Denver. Frances reunited with **Barb Witte Kauth** in West Bend, WI.

**Nancy Morrow Nee** writes, "**Phyl Barnhill Thelen** invited us classmates to the opening of the Sausalito Art Show on Dec. 1. We got to see and hear about her silk screening, lithographs and embossed serigraphs. Later, the same group (**Chella Sladek Schmidt, Polly Amrein, Fran Farnsworth**

**Armstrong, Marty Wardwell Berryman, Susie Little Adamson '50** and Gaby Nosworthy Morris '50) savored lunch at **Ginny Gieson Richardson's** house in San Anselmo, CA. We had a glorious time laughing, discussing the film "Carrington" and many other things." Nancy and husband, Tom, had a great trip to Eastern Europe. In Nancy's lively words "Warsaw, Krakow, trips to Auschwitz/Birkenau — awesome — and to the Widiczka Salt Mines, where there are sculptures and chandeliers made of salt; on to Prague, Budapest, and Vienna — enormous changes in P and B since our '76 visit — people so friendly and full of energy, and Prague practically submerged in tourists."

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**Dallas Grayson** spent three weeks in Scandinavia in the spring with side trips to Helsinki and St. Petersburg. A highlight was seeing the long-hidden Impressionist paintings at the Hermitage.

**Sandy Strotz Kaiser's** activities include golf, the church choir and volunteering in political campaigns. They have a daughter in Dallas who has two little girls, a daughter in Minneapolis and a son who lives in Austin.

**Josephine Parisi Beebe's** daughter, Susan, a psychologist in private practice (as is Jo), presented them with their first grandchild, Tyler John. Son, Edward, a physicist, and his wife, a native of Beijing, presented Jo with her second grandchild, a baby girl.

**Sue Nankervis Clippert** was in San Francisco for son Geoffrey's wedding when she lunched with **Sally Osman Moltzen** and **Mildie Weber Whedon**. Her son and his bride live in Guam.

**Cynthia Carey Taylor** retired from teaching at Anna Maria College and is working as scholarship coordinator at the Greater Worcester Community Foundation, taking courses and doing volunteer work. They have a son, Bruce, in NH and a daughter in CT who is in a graduate program at CC.

**Babs Ayers Herbst** and her husband spent a week in June at a ranch in CO with three of their four children and their significant others and one grandchild. Everytime they puffed up the hill to their cabin, they were reminded of the 9000-foot altitude.

**Marilyn Viets Davis** attended her 50th high school reunion in Simsbury CT and went to Block Island with **Ann Glazier**. She and Jim drove to AK in June and July — a good way to escape Tucson's heat.

**Lou Rothe Roberts** had lunch in White Plains with **Irma Klein Schachter** and **Betty Brainard Sandick** and her husband William, who were visiting their son and family in Bedford Hills. All agreed they look and feel great despite the years. Lou had a fabulous trip to Israel in the spring and plans to go to



Jordan and Egypt in Feb. She makes frequent flight to FL to see her 97-year-old mother who is in a nursing home. She will be taking one of her four teenage grandchildren to visit CC in the spring. Lou works part time at Barnes and Noble, working with the authors.

**Jane Smith Moody** has had a year of celebration: husband Bill's 70th birthday, her 50th school reunion and her twin grandsons' fifth birthday. She heads the search committee of the Maine Historical Society for an executive director, time consuming, but interesting.

**Gret Schafer Skelley** and Joe had a wonderful cruise in August from Venice to Athens by way of the Corinth Canal and Turkey. Their granddaughter, Grace Price, made her stage debut in the chorus of "Sea Revels" in Cambridge, MA, at age 6.

**Jean Pierce Tayerle** went to two high school reunions and was happy to rediscover old friendships. She went on the C.C. cruise to the Greek Isles and spent two marvelous weeks sailing from Athens to Rome. Jean was greeted at home by new grandson, Zachary.

**Pooh Ashton Biggs** is building a new house, having moved to WV.

**Mabel Brennan Fisher** works for the local literacy council and tutors twice a week which she enjoys very much. Her husband's nature photography will be in an exhibit at the Botanic Gardens in DC. Daughter, Debbie, has an excellent job in psychological research, and son, David, is an attorney in Baltimore. She spent a wonderful day last week with **Marge Stutz Turner** and Ned and plans a mini-reunion with them and **Margaret Ashton Biggs** and her husband.

**Betsy Bragg Bronner** and her husband had a very interesting trip to Poland last spring. They were part of an Elderhostel Global Volunteer group who participated in a service project to teach English in a small city about 50 miles from Warsaw. She taught children in public and private schools, and husband, Ed, taught adult train conductors and automotive engineers. They found learning about the country and the people a very rewarding experience.

**Minette Goldsmith Hoffheimer** and Bud enjoy their home in FL with summers in Cincinnati and visiting children in NC and CA. They took their four sons and daughters-in-law for a reunion cruise to Nova Scotia and Quebec last fall. Minette works at the Boca Raton developing a program to make the museum more accessible for everyone. She wonders where the time goes as she already has two grandchildren in college.

**Mary Stecher Douthit's** daughter Sue Morgan got her Ph.D. in drama from the U of Washington, and son and wife produced their first grandchild Harold Kenneth Douthit IV. Stech claims they are the oldest first time grandparents.

**Mabel Brennan Fisher** sent word about **Peggy Walzer Charren** receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom presented by

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President Clinton. (See Winter '96 issue, p. 48) Quoting *The Washington Post*, "Some awardees were humble in their appraisal of their places in history. 'I know what I've done, and I know what I haven't done,' said Charren modestly. 'I was so impressed by all that my co-winners had achieved.'" Well, we're pretty impressed with you, Peggy. Congratulations.

**Lee Garrison** should be very proud of her achievement, too, with the exhibition at the Dana Art Gallery in Wellesley of her paintings. They include paintings of grasses in southeastern Italy and portraits of old friend Vlada Petric, curator of the Harvard Film Archives.

Another of our talented classmates is **Mary Elizabeth Stone**. Stoney is into sculling in a big way, rowing in the Head of the Charles Race in Boston in Oct. From *The Palo Alto Weekly*, "Three days a week, she gets up early in the morning, drives to Sausalito and rows three to four miles in a 24-foot carbon-fiber shell on San Francisco Bay. On calm days, she'll even row out of the Golden Gate."

(Correspondent's note: All of which leaves me speechless!) Stoney's brother, Waddy, is the husband of **Sally How Stone**. Sadly, Sal has Alzheimer's disease and lives at the Newton-Wellesley Alzheimer Center. Sal (one of my bridesmaids) and Waddy have seven children.

**Millicent Flink Jick** has been living in the same house in Lexington, MA, for 30 years. She has four sons and five grandchildren. Husband, Leon, has retired as history professor at Brandeis U., but Mil remains involved as research associate in the Egyptian Department of the Museum of Fine Arts. She researches and restores ancient jewelry, such as the only complete bead-net dress (2500 B.C.) ever found. In winter, she and Leon head for AZ.

Yet another artist in our midst is **Sylvia Joffe Garfinkle**, who is living the motto "it's never too late to be what you might have been." She has become a craftsperson, producing small boxes of natural materials — bark, twigs, pods — and selling them!

**Nancy Henneberger Matthews** has organized an exhibition of art from South Africa which will visit several cities throughout the U.S. for the next two years. Nancy is also still working full time at the Meridian International Center in DC and spent Christmas in South Africa.

Leaving all this talent and creativity for a while (I am feeling very second-rate!) — well, it seems we all went to our 50th high school reunions and had a ball.

**Alice Fletcher Freymann** says hers at Northfield was beautifully run by **Irma Klein Schachter** and **Bobby Miller Smachetti**. **Betty Leslie Hahn** and **Barbara Walker Fitzgerald** were also there. Betty claims to have the best of two worlds, living in Nashville, KY, but spending summers in CT. She croons over new grandchild Rachel, born to son, Eric, and his wife. Barbara's husband,



Rower Mary Elizabeth Stone '49 in her 24-foot carbon fiber shell at the Head of the Charles last year.



## CONNECTICUT COLLEGE CALENDAR



### ECLIPSE WEEKEND

April 12-14

### COMMENCEMENT '96

May 25, 1996

### REUNION '96

May 31-June 2, 1996

### ALUMNI TRAVEL ✈

Archeological Seminar in  
Jerusalem

June 2-14, 1996

### ALUMNI TRAVEL ✈

Blue Danube River Cruise

July 3-13, 1996

### FAMILY WEEKEND

Oct. 4-6, 1996

### HOMECOMING

Oct. 11-12, 1996

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David, passed away in Feb. '95, and she has started the Little Mountain House B and B in Springfield, MA. The B and B is primarily for parents of students at nearby Wilbraham-Monson Academy.

**Emily Ottenjohn Scherz**, too, lost her husband of 45 years, the Rev. Clyde Scherz, who passed away in May '95. Our sincere sympathies to both Emily and Barbara.

**Rhoda Meltzer Gilinsky** moved to Manhattan last year, traveled to France and then to Turkey for two weeks. She ran (literally) into **Helen Mae Knafel Askin** at the Denver airport in Aug., an amazing coincidence considering the size of that place. Their reunion was fun — but brief.

**Betts Johnston Prime** was in Seattle for eight days for the Seattle Opera's "Ring" cycle and other tourist activities. She loved it all. (Correspondent's note: Well, of course!)

**Janet Johnston Strang's** passion is fly-fishing. She goes almost every month, resorting to golf when the trout hide under the rocks.

**Julie Spencer Porter '50**  
probably speaks for most of  
us when she reports that  
she and Sandy are "creeping  
slowly from advanced  
middle age to elderly."

We send our deepest sympathies to the family of **Maggie Farnsworth Kemp**, who passed away in Aug. '95. She is survived by her daughters, twin sister and four grandchildren.

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The good news is: we ran out of space in our last column. The bad news is: that flood of news has slowed to a trickle. Keep those cards and letters coming please.

First, let me correct a shameful oversight. I neglected to express my thanks to **Anne Russillo Griffin** on behalf of the class for yeoman work as our Class Correspondent. I promise to maintain her high standards.

More vacation news from our peripatetic classmates. **Eleanor Wood Flavell** spent a month in Paris last summer, including day trips to Leon and Beauvais and visits to museums they had never heard of. She reports that the city is shinier and cleaner and more friendly than ever. Neither she nor her husband are retired yet.

Closer to home, **Rhoda Freed Mann** enjoyed a Smithsonian Study Tour on American Indian Art in the southwest, an Elderhostel in Savannah in April, and summer in Maine with her family. Son, Andrew '83, came from San Francisco, and daughter, Susan, came from Storrs, CT, with her husband, Peter, and two children.

**Priscilla Harris Dalrymple** also reports a wonderful summer with family — including having her 7-year-old granddaughter with her for two months. When last heard from, Priscilla and Stuart were planning a two-week cruise and land tour of AK.

Calling herself "CC's only homeless grad," **Holly Barrett** reports her return to AZ, where she has given up outdoor roller-blading for indoor ice-skating and is dedicating her life to gluttony and sloth.

Several sent regrets at having missed our 45th Reunion. **Dorothy Warren White** was

celebrating her 45th anniversary, but says she feels that her age should be 45, not the number of years she's been married. They have been blessed with two of their children married and six grandchildren. In Nov., she led North Carolina Episcopal Cusillo #70. Dan would like to hear from any other *cusillistas* in the class.

**Nancy Canova Schlegel** had an acceptable excuse for missing Reunion. First, she went on a cruise to Bermuda. Then, her youngest son, Rick, and his wife had twins, Luke and Sophie. Candy's current count: one grandson, six granddaughters. She is still working and busy with her "New Beginnings" support group.

**Anita Manasevit Perlman's** family celebrated its first reunion last spring, with 82 participants from the U.S. and Canada. She and her husband have both retired. Elliot sold his dental practice, and Anita found a buyer for her career counseling practice. She is able to work for the buyer part-time. Anita also reports a first grandchild, an Elderhostel trip to Greece and non-stop gardening.

Your annual holiday letters are an excellent source of material for this column. So, if I'm not already on your mailing list, please put me on it NOW.

For example, **Mary Clark Shade** thought we all looked "splendid" in our Reunion pictures, provided to her by **Susan Little Adamson**. Mary suffered last year from the bite of a brown recluse spider and spent six months recovering from the subsequent infection. She is still writing, as a volunteer, a weekly newspaper article, "The Library Presents." Husband, Ross, designs and manufactures lapidary equipment. Their five grandchildren and assorted animals are well, busy and bringing joy. Mary continues to find "sheer delight on this thrilling planet."

In the same vein, **Dorothy Hyman Roberts Cohen** declares that she has been blessed in many ways — wonderful parents, and her first marriage to Paul Roberts, when they worked together at Echo and had two wonderful children. On behalf of the class, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dot for the beautiful Echo scarves that she presented to us at each Reunion. When Paul died at 50, Dot wondered how she could go on — their lives were so intertwined. She succeeded him as president of Echo and with the help of her children and loyal employees, they have expanded the business into other areas, including small leather goods and men's neckwear. Some 13 years ago, Dot met Paul Cohen, also widowed with two children. Married now for 12 years, they have nine grandchildren. Among their friends, Dot counts **Dorothy Abrutyn Turtz**, **Beth Youman Gleick** and **Elaine Title Lowengard**.

**Julie Spencer Porter** probably speaks for most of us when she reports that she and Sandy are "creeping slowly from advanced middle age to elderly, but running from slowing down."



Also not slowing down, **Naomi Harbug Levy** is enjoying semi-retirement. She and Martin travel as much as possible. Son, Jonathan, is an assistant professor at Miami U. in Oxford, OH.

**Nancy Kearns Morris** has achieved a life-long dream, becoming a "practicing, productive, recognized artist." Like everyone in her family, she grew up "doing art." After Connecticut, she spent two years at the Art Students League. But marriage and a growing family put her budding career on hold. She now has a full-blown career that has been "the greatest accomplishment and the biggest surprise in my life!"

Among our busiest classmates is **Christine Hult Kurtz-White**, director of the Women's Development Center at Florida International U., a position she attained six months prior to her 65th birthday. The mission of the center is to help women to start and grow their own business. In just 18 mos., she built a business with a two-person staff and a tremendous swell of support from the community. Chris somehow finds time to do volunteer work for her community and her church and to revel in her five children and 11 grandchildren.

Remember '50 + 50 = 2000!

It's been a hard three years for **Marilyn Wunker Julnes** since the death of her husband after 42 years of marriage. She keeps busy at a retirement center, women's club, with altar guild duties at the local Episcopal Church and baby-sitting her daughter's twins. She also has done quite a lot of traveling and would like to hear from anyone who is taking the spring '96 CC trip down the Danube.

The Class extends sympathy to the family of **Maryelizabeth Sefton**, who died on 7/1/94.

We also extend sympathy to the family of **Joanne Toore Cummings**, who died 9/19/95. (See obituary in *Connecticut College Magazine*, Nov. '95)

Lastly, the class extends sympathy to **Nancy (Candy) Canova Schlegel** and her family. Candy's oldest, beautiful granddaughter, Tara, was killed in an automobile accident on 10/27/95. Sixteen-years-old, Tara was happy and healthy, had a host of friends and excelled in sports.

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**Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996**

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"Remember

'50 + 50 = 2000!"

— Ruth Kaplan '50,  
class correspondent

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For almost forty years **Susan Manley Price** and husband Gordon have been operating Ingalsby Farm, a wholesale and retail vegetable, fruit and flower business in West Boxford, MA. They are now semi-retired but keep busy helping their two youngest children run the business. They enjoy traveling, skiing, boating and their eight grandchildren.

**Hildegard (Hildie) Drexel Hannum** has been "on the board of the E.E. Schumacher Society for about 10 years. Schumacher was the author of *Small is Beautiful: Economics as if People Mattered*. The organization is an educational, nonprofit, promoting a decentralist, regional economy with emphasis on revitalizing community and preserving the environment." Inadvertently she became the in-house editor of all publications.. Hildie went backpacking in CA's high Sierra with two friends. Camping at 10,000 feet, they explored the spectacular scenery of the Hoover Wilderness and Yosemite National Park. Daughter, Lisa, and her husband, Stephen, an architect, have two children; Amelia, 6, and Hunter, 1. They live only 20 minutes away.

**Joan Rudberg Lavin** and husband Bob's middle daughter, Debbie, married last Aug. Debbie and Peter have bought a house in Natick which is two towns away from them. Daughter Janet is Dean of Admission at Wellesly College. Nancy and Dan have two children, Molly, 4, and Austin, 1 1/2. They live in Concord and bought a summer home in Duxbury, where they are two streets away from Joan and Bob.

**Jeanne Garrett Miller** went to Scotland (Jan. '95), just before the big storm, to help out daughter Linda. She just had their fourth (Jeannie's sixth) grandchild — a boy, Colum. A great visit, but too short. Jeanne enjoys playing tennis and a little bridge.

**Janet Roesch Frauenfelder** and husband Frank enjoy traveling including taking three grandchildren to a family reunion in Yuma, AZ. They joined **Nancy Clark Anderson** and husband, Dexter, in Key West for a week of fun in the sun. Janet and Frank stayed in an old Naval Station where

Harry Truman used to vacation. They took their first Elderhostel trip to Denali National Park, AK, where they attended classes on wildlife, Mt. McKinley, dog sledding and early explorers. They also took a ride in a Cessna 180 around Mt. McKinley. (While Frank was "scared to death," Jan loved it!) They also traveled to San Diego to see **Bonnie MacGregor Britt** and Roger. Jan and Frank realize how fortunate they are to have their children living near them.

Another year and **Jeannie Eacker Olsen** and Bill are still traveling extensively. Trips this year include two trips to Chicago and four to NY. They cruised the St. Lawrence River, taking a month and did what is called the Triangle Trip: out the Oswego Canal to Lake Ontario, down the St. Lawrence to Sorel. They then picked up the Richelieu River and the Chambly canal system. It was quite an experience! They are glad they did it, but wouldn't do it again. On the home front, they kept busy remodeling. Jeannie complained about all the dust, and Bill eagerly awaited the new queen-size bed! Jeannie's H&R Block business is doing well.

**Emily Howard Ryan** reports that she and husband, Bill, now have 10 grandchildren. Their latest trip was to Bali and Java, Indonesia, which included "rafting." They still enjoy running a computer business.

**Sally Wing's** news includes the addition of a new grandniece and grandnephew. Sally is still very active in the Grace Church and continues to volunteer and serve on many committees and councils. She attended both the American Psychological Assoc. convention in NY and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Assembly in Minneapolis. Her recreational "activities continue to include gardening, theater, and trying to keep up with lots of books and journals." Sally attended a Wing family reunion in OR. Attending a number of stockholder meetings this past year, she was particularly impressed with AT & T's. She is "involved in a research study, to determine the effects of hormones on cancer, heart disease, etc. in women. She doesn't know if she is taking hormones or a placebo, but this is a well-organized, massive, lengthy study."

*Correction:* In the 1996 Winter Issue it was erroneously reported that **Barbara Weil Grant** attended the wedding of **Annelen Fine Guth's** daughter, Bonnie. It should have read "Bob Grant, the husband of Barbara Weil Grant, attended the wedding."

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**Janet Rowe Dugan** notes that '95 marked her 25th year in the practice of law. Her grandchildren have an island, Little Mark, on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH, and they would love summertime visitors.



**Irene (Missy) Marcus Feuerstein** and Bernie continue to enjoy NYC living where Missy takes art classes and volunteers at the Museum of Modern Art. Their growing family includes six grandchildren. Daughter Susan is a teacher and mother of Michael, 12; Emily, 9, and Rebecca, 4. Daughter Barbara, an endocrinologist, has Rachel, 7; Hannah, 4, and Carly, 1. The Feuersteins' son, Steven, a sports promoter, is married and living in Taiwan.

Will and **Carol Gardner Ertman**, John and Betty Gardner Wyeth '51 (Carol's sister) and I, **Lois Keating Learned**, enjoyed an Elderhostel week in Vienna and a week cruising the Danube. Carol's first career was as an elementary school teacher, and she just retired from her second career of 17 years in special education. Will is a semi-retired patent attorney. Their daughter Debby is married to Phil Edmondson and has three children. They bought the Ertman's house in Hingham, MA, when Carol and Will moved to a nearby condo. Son Doug, an MD, is married to Lisa, whom he met in Switzerland where he was studying. They have a daughter and live in St. Paul, MN. Daughter Betsy is married to Tom Bahn and lives in Seattle with two children. Son Jeffrey is married to Debra and is in Portland, ME, finishing a medical residency. Besides traveling around to see their children, Carol sees **Debby Phillips Haviland** for sailing off the Maine coast and is a volunteer with the Adult Literacy Program.

**Jeanne Knisel Walker** writes, "Panama City Beach, FL, recently billed as the World's Most Beautiful Beach, now since Hurricane Opal, is more like Sarajevo-by-the-sea! She was evacuated for three days to Montgomery, AL. Fortunately, her town house suffered little damage, but her sister's condo across the street and on the Gulf is being rebuilt as is the library where Jeanne works part-time.

**Dorie Knup Harper** and Rollie are grandparents again. Lauren was born in June '95 to son, John, and daughter-in-law, Terri, who live nearby in PA.

**Norma Hamady Richards** and Ed are grandparents for the fourth time. Son, Mark, and daughter-in-law, Rita, had a boy in Sept. '95; sister Kira is 4. The Richards visited CA three times this year and will be with daughter, Andrea, and her family (two boys) in San Francisco for Christmas. Norma sees **Jan King Evans**, who "looks terrific and is busy, busy as always."

**Loie Keating Learned** is a step-great-grandmother. Emily was born 12/21/95 to Chris and Doreen in Ventura, CA. She's the first girl born in the Learned family in three generations.

**Betty Sager Burlem** and Bill did a lot of traveling in '95: first a cruise to Bali and Singapore in Jan.; Cali, Columbia in March; a cruise from Montreal to NYC taking in the fall colors and seeing **Joanne Williams Hartley** and Dick in Boston, and then to New Orleans for five days in Nov.

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Maya Angelou, 'I approve of  
myself for being alive.'"  
— Ruth Eldridge Clark '55

Also traveling are **Enid Sivigny Gorvine** and Bill who were in HI where they met **Claire Wallach Engle** and Ray. Last summer, they had a family reunion in Boston. Son, Bill '91, was at Harvard for the summer continuing his studies in Tibetan Buddhism for a Ph.D. from UVA. Betsy '83 is in NH with her daughter, Jane, 5, and husband, Brent Abrams. Betsy continues her work at the Nashua Children's Assoc., and daughter Sue '80 works in New Orleans as human resource director for a home health care agency. Her daughter, Kate, is 9. Enid's husband, Bill, is active on the Punta Gorda Island, Florida Civic Association Board, is vice president (and actor) of the Charlotte Players and rear commodore of the Yacht Club. Enid is chairperson of the Charlotte Players Foundation, trying to raise \$5 million for a performing arts complex. Unfortunately, she has had Chronic Fatigue Syndrome since Aug. '95. Her progress is coming along, but it is a slow recovery.

**Libbets Alcorn Holt** and Bim are remodeling their home in ME to accommodate the whole family on holidays. This past Aug., they cruised the down east shores in a "lobster-type" boat.

The class joins me in sending our condolences to **Evans Flickinger Mondari** whose husband, Iraj, died suddenly in Aug. Many of us remember his quiet humor at reunions.

**Pat McCabe O'Connell** sent sad news that **Lois Starr Kimble** died peacefully after a short illness 10/22/95 from "liver and kidney complications." She and Bill have lived in HI since '82 and had three children: Beau, Bill and Sue, and several grandchildren. The class extends sympathy to her family.

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Your correspondent gave up trying to choose a few comments from **Ruth Eldridge Clark's** reunion response. Instead I would like to share it all.

She listed her occupations as "nursery school teacher and florist," and her activities include "Head Start, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, PTA, school board, church governing body and many committees, Hospice, Masterworks

Chorus and recently CFS support group." She listed hobbies of "hiking, gardening, quilting, seeing the U.S., sewing, group singing, swimming, grandchildren and PEO." She has an "engineering sales husband almost retired, two sons and two daughters who are all married and seven grandchildren (five boys, two girls) ages 11 years to 8 mos."

Of her student experience Ruth wrote, "My favorite class was physiology, and I certainly have put it to good use! It's easier to accept a malfunctioning body when you have understanding and awe of its complexity.

"Since Jan. '90, I have been severely incapacitated by Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome (CFIDS or CFS). CFS is a serious, devastating illness characterized by relentless pain, indescribable fatigue and weakness, sleep disorders, intestinal and neurological abnormalities, cognitive impairment, immune system disruption, endocrine problems, and more. Add to this the trauma or being treated by the medical profession as if you were crazy, and you begin to understand the overwhelming problems of CFS.

"Accepting the reality of chronic, disabling illness involves a long, painful grieving process for the lost life, and the self you used to be. I have learned so much by paring life down to its basics. I have grown spiritually and deepened my faith. I know with certainty that just 'being' is okay — 'doing' is not necessary to being a whole person. I can say with Maya Angelou 'I approve of myself for being alive.'

"I started a support group and learned that I am one of the lucky ones, with a loving, supportive husband and family and (so far) good health insurance. My sense of humor is intact. I reach for smaller goals I can achieve and explore that which is inside of me."

Each one of us, whatever our state of health or circumstance can surely gain from this testament. CFS has been in the news lately, and I hope that Ruth can benefit from the new understanding of this disease.

Some family news not in the 40th Reunion Book. Next issue — travels!

**Adrienne Audette Feige** hopes to leave the farm to visit her sons who now live all over the country: Leif and his wife, both teachers in ME; Hans, an environmental scientist in OR; and Eric, a pilot, and his wife, an Army major, in AK.

**Nancy Brown Hart** considers herself lucky to have her three within commuting distance. Lisa, in historic preservation, is with her husband and three children in Brooklyn, NY. Kate is a divorced mother of one in Northboro, MA, and son Rory, his wife and three boys live just down the road in Lyme.

**Rachel Child** reports that her "two daughters are wonderful strong women."

**Margot Colwin Kramer** writes, "I've been the middle generation, overseeing my mother who passed away last June ('94), and fulfilling other family obligations. It has been a challenge."



**Joan Flaherty Johanson's** seven sons are "all over the country."

**Polly Haebler Van Dyke** reports that "both Bill and I are happy. We are close to our daughters and sons-in-law. Kathryn, our oldest, is an artist, having graduated from Yale with her MFA in painting. Debby raises and trains yellow and black Labrador retrievers and does a lot of fishing and hunting with her husband. She excels at both. Ellen, our youngest, is an outstanding equestrian and has been National Hunter Champion for several years."

**Carol Kinsley Murchie** reports that her four children are scattered around the country. The oldest son, The University of the South (Sewanee) graduate, has stayed in Alabama and works for National Cement; second son, a Yale graduate, is music director at St. James Church in NYC.; son number three (Wesleyan) is communications director for the Mayor of Hartford; daughter (Barnard) moved to Seattle where she writes poetry and dreams of being published.

**Martha (Marty) Manley Cole** wrote of visiting family members, including two grandsons from PA. (Their mother is a paramedic.) Daughter, Betsy, is a financial officer in PA. Son, Doug, and his wife, Suzanne, from CT presented Marty with a new granddaughter, Courtney O'Keefe Cole 11/11/94.

**Dorothy (Doe) Palmer Hauser** feels, blessed with three grown children who are fine people and six grandchildren who like to do all kinds of things she likes: theater, concerts, books, restaurants, and travel. They have so much fun together!

**Cynthia (Buzzy) Reed-Workman** says, "Although I enjoy the grandchildren, I am glad the I am not expected to baby-sit or care for them."

**Lucia Roraback Putnam's** kids are scattered: one in New Orleans, with husband and four children, one in Seattle with husband and baby son, two sons in Salt Lake City, and a daughter in VT.

**Cynthia Russell Rosik** is spending more of her time looking after her Dad, "94 years young," who lives an hour away. Since the last reunion the "most significant events were the success of (husband's) consulting business, the marriage of our son to a lovely girl and the birth of two darling granddaughters to our daughter and son-in-law."

**Dorothy (Dotty) Rugg Fitch** reports that son Tom (Babson '87) is treasurer of the family business in Greenfield, MA, and happily married. Son Scott is "finally on medication for ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)," and daughter Laura (Dartmouth '89) is finishing a graduate degree in marketing at Kellogg.

**Margaret (Peggy) Streifler Barton** writes, "I've been fortunate to have been married for 40 wonderful years to Jerry Barton with whom I have two great children. My daughter, who lives 20 minutes away, has two adorable children. My son, who was just married (Nov. 94), lives in NYC." Peggy looks forward to watching her grandchildren

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Vicky Sherman May '56  
on her Thailand-born  
granddaughter, Erin**

grow up and welcoming new ones.

**Martha (Mart) Warner Olson**, on her own since '93, has visited son Mark and his new wife, Petrina, and her son Andrew in San Francisco and her daughter, Kim, who's with the EPA, in Kansas.

**Mary Ann Wolpert Davis** reports that her three daughters are now quite successful in their respective careers.

It is with regret that I report the death on 9/25/95 of **Marilyn (Skip) Smith Marsh's** husband, Byron. He died at home surrounded by family and loved ones in the mountains that they loved. Byron was a gifted storyteller and a "Storytelling Party" was held to celebrate his life on Sept. 30 with stories, prayer, and balloons.

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A reunion hopeful, **Camilla Tyson Hall** is "a golf nut" (in summer) and volunteers at a local hospital year-round. She and Tom spend time in FL where she can visit **Sue Crane Kramer** and live, quite coincidentally, right next to **Barbie Givan Missmer!**

**Sally Smith LaPointe's** whole family gathered to celebrate her father's 88th birthday — three sons and families, including six grandchildren. After last winter's sampling, the LaPointes hope to return to Granada for a longer visit.

Dick and **Vicky Sherman May** keep in touch via E-mail with their new granddaughter (third grandchild) in Bangkok. In Dec., the Mays will visit HI and Thailand via Elderhostel.

**Nancy Stewart Roberts** visited two grandchildren in CA in Feb. and received the

other three at home last summer. (Just one granddaughter). She teaches Spanish at St. Bernard High School and at CC in the summer. Brad is retired and cares for his 93-year-old father in their home. "See you at reunion!"

When not at work in her 23rd year for *The Litchfield Enquirer*, **Gayle Greenlaw Ingraham** visits far-flung grandchildren and their parents. She is chairman of the board of directors of her church. "Between travel and duties, I love it."

From Richmond, VA, **Marsden Williams** treated us to a photo of herself with her elegant Russian wolfhound, Dushinka. You'll see the photo at Reunion — or, we hope, the real thing! Meanwhile, Marsden works part-time in an art and antique shop which allows time for painting and walks (with Dushinka, we suppose). Both her daughters live in small towns in PA.

**Mary Ann Hinsch Meanwell** is co-director of the YWCA Women's Art Gallery which has received city grant awards in a little over two years of existence. Mary Ann also serves on several boards: Hospice of Cincinnati being a favorite. Mary Ann visited Egypt in Nov. '95.

At work as usual volunteering at the Metropolitan in NYC, playing tennis, visiting her daughter Cathy in CA — **Margie Lewin Ross** continues her advisory business, Tips on Trips and Camps. Daughter Nancy is back in NYC from Prague. "Hope that we have a big turnout for reunion."

In July, NYC dweller **Suzanna Martin Reardon** escaped to Old Saybrook for the annual reunion with **Marilyn Dunn Mapes** and **Janice Helander Sayre**; in May, she and **Arlyn Clore Berlinghof** visited NJ for lunch with **Jan Ahlborn Roberts**. Back at Trinity School in NYC, it's the college counseling department, under new management. "New, different and, as usual, interesting."

**Jean Bahr Waltrip** reports "all children and grandchildren are well, happy, enjoying their job and lives." She continues as director of an infant intervention program in Roanoke, VA, where funding is her primary concern.

Another reunion hopeful, **Adele Olmstead Sullivan**, updated us on her retirement in the Poconos. The Sullivans have left Paoli, PA — he after 23 years as a minister, and she after 20 years of college teaching. Now they hike, canoe, landscape, read, relax and travel a bit.

Catching up with five children and five grandchildren compelled **Margot Harper Zeeb** to take a break from her job in social work at Children's Hospital in Knoxville, TN. Daughter Laurie has shelved law for the present to raise three children under five. Daughter Lucy has begun home schooling her 5-year-old. Youngest daughter, Kathy, is just finishing graduate work in occupational therapy. Son Bill still lives in Germany, and Charles works on toward a doctorate in computer science. After extended treatment,



Charles is now clear of Hodgkin's disease.

Another reunion hopeful, **Bev Lawson Watts**, writes of a cross-class mini-reunion on Cape Cod last summer with **Sally Whittemore Elliott**, Joyce Tower Sterling '54 and Joan Pine Flash '50. Bev and Dave survived Hurricane Marilyn on St. Croix. They were in China last fall.

**Sheila Walsh Bankhead** apologized for sending in late news because of Hurricane Opal. She tells of an active year as head reference librarian for Panama City, FL. In part, she has taught her staff how to use the Internet. She traveled to a DC conference in March where she saw **Nancy Cedar Wilson** and to CT in the summer to vacation and visit with **Iris Melnik Orlovitz**.

Following a DC conference of women state legislators, **Suzi Rosenhirsch Oppenheimer** headed for CC to speak and help with our reunion. Daughter Marcy has moved on to be assistant to the head of the Health Care and Financing Agency within Health & Human Services in DC. Suzie's two sons are trying to succeed as film directors in LA, and her youngest is at work on a master's degree in education at Bank St. College. "I'm still Senator."

**Gloria MacArthur Van Duyn**e remains a board member for the Cultural Center in Flint, MI, as well as for the Music Institute and the Children's Center. Beyond that her business endures (aided by original employees of 20 years' standing!), her family burgeons (10 grandchildren) and her husband maintains his medical practice — "our lives are overflowing."

**Edith Fay Mroz** also plans to attend our reunion. She had two family reunions within the past year: one at home on the farm and one in Aspen, CO in September when youngest son, Paul, was married. We extend our sympathy to Effie for the death of her mother in Dec. '94.

An offer from **Jane Haynes Duplessis** in Chinook, WA: she would welcome a mini-reunion with any '56ers nearby. (Plan a trip to visit her enticing region!). Janie helps husband, Lou, market and manage a RV resort business, and she runs a wholesale gift business and volunteers with a local crisis pregnancy center. Jane and Lou have five children and 15 grandchildren. Their youngest son has married and settled in Brisbane, Australia.

**Beth Ruderman Levine** celebrated her 20th year as president of her travel agency. Last year the Levines went to South Africa, Scotland and Santa Fe. Antarctica is next year's goal. Meanwhile, "the Levines are very happy and lucky" with five "divine" grandchildren. Daughter, Jill, is raising children in Houston, TX; son Jonathan works as a company agent in NYC, and Teddy is about to begin an MBA at Northwestern University.

Reunion Co-Chair **Debby Gutman Cornelius** is teaching at Rutgers this year. She writes of her visit to fellow chairman **Anne Browning** and Ted Wilson in Portland, ME, with Jim and **Jan Ahlborn**

**Roberts**. Deb and Anne planned the reunion while the others played tourists and guide. Debby also reports that her daughter, Kriszti, has been awarded a Fulbright for dissertation research in Hungary.

**Vicky Sherman May** and husband, Dick, spent seven weeks visiting Honolulu and Bangkok, where their oldest son Ron lives. Ron and his wife, Dawn, had a daughter, Erin Andra, on 9/27/95 in Thailand. Her birth certificate states that she was born on the fourth waxing moon, the 11th lunar month, in the lunar year Koon in the year 2538 since the enlightenment of Buddha. "What a start to life." Vicky's other two grandchildren live in MI.

REUNION NOTE: Please mark the Reunion in your May-June calendars now. Be there. It matters to others whether or not you come — make everybody happy!

NOTE: We have had one red-alert for a postcard gone astray. As Ellie and Jan have never failed to include news from all cards returned, they hope you will write or call us if you miss your news in print. Sometimes, the news from one set of cards cannot fit in one issue, owing to length.

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**Evelyn Woods Dahlin** writes, "Both of us are still employed and still at the same jobs: Roland as federal defender for the Southern District of Texas, and I am fundraising coordinator for the Good Samaritan Foundation (nursing scholarships). Our two children are typical Generation Xers: not yet through college, not yet married, not yet focused on a permanent career. (Only one still lives at home, however.) Last Feb., we celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary by flying to London for a wonderful week of sightseeing"

**Barbara Bearce Tuneski** writes, "I again returned to CC in Oct. '95 for Connecticut College Council and was delighted with the news that the 'plex' would be renovated. Perhaps it may be completed by our 40th in '98! Please mark your calendars for June '98 After all, you are alumnae of one of the nation's top liberal arts colleges!"

"If anyone has heard from **Sally Rogers**, Windham, sophomore year, I would like to know of it.

"I continue to own and operate my title research business and derive much satisfaction from it. Bob and I are still golf nuts and took the family on a trip to Disneyworld and other points south for golf during Christmas '95."

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I'm writing this just as '96 is upon us, although you won't read it until much later. I hope you are counting your blessings and wishing for a safe and prosperous new year for all. And I hope that I'll hear from many of you, so I can fill our column with news!

I received a delightful long letter from **Judith Oberfelder Raff**, written from her home in Mallorca, Spain. She has been a "missing person" and now she's found us again. Judith left CC after her sophomore year, but like so many has continued to feel connected. Judith and her husband Joe decided to go to Europe early in their life together, and ended up joining the Fielding travel publications business. For years they covered Europe for the *Guides*, with Judith particularly involved with the *Selective Shopping Guide*. Now they devote their time primarily to *Fielding's Britain*. Judith says "Mallorca is a marvelous place to be based and it has a fascinating cultural heritage as well as art, music and nine golf courses."

Judith remembers and sends greetings to her CC friends, such as **Susan Twyeffort Spoor**, **Kate Driggs Perry**, **Bunny Block Griffin**, **Pat Wertheim Abrams** and **Joan Wertheim Carris**. She'd love to hear from you and others.

**Susan Herbst Ehrenhaft** loved reunion and was very impressed by the work of our organizers. (Amen!) She was amazed at how connected she still felt to the people she started out with in North Cottage. (As a Vinal Cottage neighbor, I totally understand.) Susan's a social worker, training other social workers, in a residential treatment center in Katonah, NY. Her husband is a teacher, and their two offspring are living on the West Coast. She sees **June Salamy Krisch** frequently and thanks her for helping get her to reunion!

I shared a dinner table with **Mary Lee Robb Seifert** but it took the phone call to get caught up. Mary Lee stayed with **Ann Milner Willner** and enjoyed seeing classmates again. She got a second degree, in accounting this time, in Dec. '94 from the U. of Maryland. Mary Lee works for House Care Financing, administering the Medicare program (which is under fire as I write this). She has volunteered for Campfire for a long time, and was pursuing her favorite pastime — quilting — when I called. The quilts go to her three children and nine grandchildren,



who she says are "the delight" of her life. She wishes they lived closer, but at least they're all on the East Coast.

**Nancy Switzer Foss** and Glenn had to miss Reunion because they both had surgery in the spring and then their daughter was married in June. The daughter lives in Saratoga, and a son is in WY building houses. Nancy still teaches school and participates in a national on-line math program. They take great pleasure in summers at Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. She said they feel extremely lucky to have their house paid for and a five-minute commute to work! Sigh.

Nancy visited last summer with **Shirley Devitt**, so I called her. Shirley just retired after 34 years teaching French to middle and high schoolers. (Whew!) She is taking care of her father, and has a new puppy to enjoy. She also saw **Pat Fletcher** in NYC.

Wanting to report on a West Coaster, too, I phoned **Janet Beh MacDonald** who lives in Vancouver, BC, and feels quite Canadian now. She and her husband used to visit Whidbey Island regularly (where I lived), but of course we didn't connect. Janet has three granddaughters, courtesy of her daughter who is a nurse in BC, and she loves being a grandma. Her son is in Ontario working on his Masters in Geology. Janet's hobby is building and collecting miniatures — her current project is a historically accurate New England colonial building. She does research and visits places when she's in the States.

Another Canadian is **Susanne Strayer Kaplan**, who lives in Saskatchewan. Susanne is still painting; in fact her portrait of the retiring president of Dalhousie U. in Halifax, Nova Scotia, was the backdrop for President Clinton and his G7 televised press conference last year. (She kept hoping they'd show more of the painting!) Her husband, a musician and composer, is a retired department head at the U. of Saskatchewan. Her two children are in Alberta, one in clinical psychology and one a chef. Since she didn't make it to reunion this time, maybe we can lure her there in 2000!

Remember, the millennium approaches!

I'd love to hear from those of you who live at a distance. It's one of the ways to keep the Spirit of '60 alive, and growing.

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**Judy Irving '68 continues with her San Francisco Bay swimming. She swam to Alcatraz Island on New Year's Day.**

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July brought a letter from **Cecilia (Sandy) Holland** of Eureka, CA, "I'm still living in Northern CA. Still writing my new novel *Jerusalem*." The novel, which was scheduled for publication in Feb., is set in the 1180s in the Holy Land and is a story of a Knight Templar who falls in love with the Queen of Jerusalem. Cecilia is teaching two writing workshops at the Pelican Bay State Prison and also teaches at Pacific Dunes High School. Cecilia's middle daughter, Karyn, is "blossoming" at Pacific Dunes. Oldest daughter, Bonnie, is a jr. (with a 4.0) at Mills College. Youngest, Debra, is entering high school. "It's amazing; they were little babies only yesterday."

Suzan Dill Nixon was married on 6/3/95 (which gave her a valid excuse for not coming to reunion). She and Bill bought a sheep farm/bed and breakfast in Randolph, VT, and are learning the ropes of a completely new livelihood. In their prior lives, Sue was an Episcopal minister, and Bill was a businessman in the Boston/ Cambridge area.

**Lois Larkey Reiser** and I (**Leslie Setterholm Fox**) are ex-officio as class president and reunion chair — representing our class on the newly formed Connecticut College Council under the auspices of the Alumni Association. We both attended a council meeting on Oct. 13 and 14 at the college that was enthusiastically attended by rep-

resentatives of many classes. The point of all this is to stimulate more alumni involvement in the life and mission of the college. We naturally welcome and encourage your input. Lois was just back from Oxford, England, where she had spent a few days helping her older daughter, a Wellesley student, get settled into her junior year abroad. Her younger daughter is a sophomore at Middlebury.

Your co-correspondents have managed to get together a couple of times this past year (along with our S.O.s, Paul Robinson and Tim Curtis) at **Sue Peck Repass's** home in Manchester, VT, for some après ski frivolity, and at Leslie's timeshare trade in the Berkshires for an afternoon of Mozart at Tanglewood and a little traipsing around Stockbridge, MA. Sue underwent a hip replacement operation in Aug. Her surgeon at Dartmouth is responsible for some of the latest technological breakthroughs of her new "Super Hip with Titanium." Sue is back up to full speed now. She hopes to have scads of postcards to compile into a column for the next issue. Please don't let her down.

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I'll bet you can't believe that you are reading two class notes columns from me in a row. That is because Assistant Editor Mary Farrar has been receiving messages from you. Keep them coming!

**Sandy Stevens** writes that her elder son, Drew, is a sophomore at Miami U. (OH), and Justin's a second grader! She is still working at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation as editorial editor for Nephrology/Hypertension Dept. She is thrilled to be using her English degree and artistic talents by composing the slides for the department's presentations. She is single parenting and is trying to avoid being run over by the information highway.

**Dana Freedman Liebman** is still teaching those seventh graders outside of NYC. Daughter, Joanna, is a freshman at the UPenn, and son, Josh, a typical teen, is in ninth grade. She sees **Sue Mendelson Braitman** often and, at least once a year, gets together with **Chris Miller St. Jean**.

**Carol Cohen Freifelder** is in NY. Husband, Len, opened an office for the Center for Forensic Economics. Craig, 7, bounces from school to SEGA to Tae Kwon Do. Jack, 3, is attending a Montessori school with **Marjorie Singer's** son. Carol is still in television commercial sales.



*Challenging Racism***Ellen Hofheimer Bettmann '66**

Director of Research  
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A WORLD OF  
DIFFERENCE Institute

**W**HEN ELLEN Hofheimer Bettmann '66 was an undergraduate English major, she knew what she would do when she left Connecticut College. "I wanted to teach at a school where most people had given up on the kids." After graduation, Bettmann taught English at Junior High School 125 in the southeast Bronx. Thirty years later, although she is no longer a teacher, she continues to make the world a better place.

Bettmann is one of the directors of ADL A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE Institute, a New York-based organization that presents programs "which address intolerance towards racial, religious, ethnic, gender, disability and sexual orientation differences and other forms of prejudice and discrimination."

In the early '80s, Bettmann worked in the Massachusetts public schools facilitating Understanding Handicaps, a curriculum that taught fourth and fifth graders about disabilities. In 1985, when the Anti-Defamation League launched a one-year campaign, A World of Difference, in response to racial and religious tensions in Boston, a friend called Bettmann. "They need you," the friend said, "but they don't know they need you."

Bettmann phoned the ADL, got an interview, and began working to develop programs on how to address the issues of prejudice with teachers. Although A World of Difference was only underwritten for a year, its success continued even after the money ran out. "We became a fee-for-service organization." In 1989, A Campus of Difference and A Workplace of Difference programs were developed to address diversity issues in collegiate and corporate settings.

Now in its 11th year, ADL A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE Institute holds workshops in 29 American cities. "We deal specifically with all the 'isms,'" says Bettmann, who travels around the country to train facilitators.

After a lifetime devoted to public service, she seems in no danger of burn-out. "Every day there are new projects that I am excited about." On one day a colleague in Jerusalem might call wanting help implementing a program on how words can bias people. A supermarket chain needs to sensitize their cashiers to diversity issues. However, Bettmann admits that working so close to your personal convictions is not easy. "It's much harder to find a balance between one's personal and professional life. You become sucked into the Hoover of it."

She credits much of her success to her teacher and friend, William Meredith, Henry B. Plant professor emeritus of English. Bettmann spent two summers working with Meredith in Connecticut College's Summer Program in the Humanities, a program that gave minority girls from inner cities a chance to take college courses. "My interest in racism was inextricably formed during those summers, and it never diminished." She learned from Meredith that good intentions are better than bad intentions and that "the thought that we might not accomplish what we want to shouldn't stop us from trying."

Looking to the future, Bettmann has no plans to stop trying. "This is my life's work," she says. "When I was growing up, my mother, who was my Girl Scout leader, always told me to leave the campsite a little cleaner than I found it." Bettmann plans to continue to "clean the campsite," and, she laughs, "to grow old as gracefully as I can." — MHF



Lisa Brownell

**Carol Davis Peterson** is still teaching English after 20 years and was recently featured in a college text book, *In the Classroom: An Introduction to Education*. Carol was remarried in '91 to Mainert Peterson Jr. and has three stepchildren ages 30, 25 and 13! She is still in Clinton, CT.

**Deborah Swanson Hardy** is still in Cleveland and loves it more than ever. She describes her life as being circumscribed by books: teaching, graduate school and reading group. The best news is that daughter, Miller, loves attending CC! Miller is happy, content and involved. Deborah is still trying to decide if she chose the right major!

**Suzanne Mitchell Mahoney** remarried in Aug. '94. Her husband consults with the Defense Nuclear Agency on policy matters. Son Theron is an Electrical Engineering major at Cornell. Sean is attending Virginia Tech., and daughter Emily is majoring in biology at Colorado College. (She should look up my son, Casey!) Suzanne is still working on her dissertation in information technology at George Mason U. Probabilistic models are her primary interest!

After 18 years of teaching preschool, **Marcia Hunter Matthews** is teaching reading recovery to first graders. She is excited about the program and the chance to do something new. Son Billy graduated from U. of Wisconsin Law School, and son John from Lynchburg College in VA.

**Ann Weinberg Mandelbaum** has recently published a 110-page book of photographs to accompany a traveling show which began in Germany and opened in March at the Grey Art Gallery in NYC. She continues to teach at the Pratt Institute as an Adjunct assistant professor of photography.

**Wendy Thompson Noyes** continues to be challenged by her medical supply company as every day brings another health care merger. She and Jim are enjoying the empty nest. Their daughter, Christy, graduated from college and joined the stampede of college kids to Breckenridge to become ski bums for a season. Son, Tim, is playing Division I tennis in Florida.

**Christine Carlson Kohnstamm** has returned to teaching after a long break at the International School of Amsterdam. She has a kindergarten class of seven different nationalities. Her daughter is in her last year at Bowdoin and her son is studying in the Netherlands. She has been married for 25 years and turned 50 this year... the years just keep getting better!"

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Thanks to those of you who responded to my holiday postcard appeal. And, to the rest of who may find the postcard tucked away at the bottom of one of those piles on your desk,



**Gary Zeger '74 is happily married since June and lives in Marina Del Ray (near O.J., but he denies that they are friends).**

please submit it to me anytime. It is always a treat to receive your news.

**Judy Irving, Ruth Kirshner Young** and I got together at a CC presidential reception in San Francisco in Oct. It had been decades since we had seen one another. Ruth lives in San Francisco with husband, George, and kindergartner, Lucy. Lucy's school is practically in walking distance to my home in Marin, so Ruth and I are making the most of our renewed friendship. Meanwhile, Judy, and her partner, Chris, are hustling for their next film project now that *Nagasaki Journey* is on the road, traveling to HI, Seattle, Houston, Chicago, Cambridge, UT and New London. They are also finishing up a children's film on habitat restoration and hope to then raise funds for a feature. She also will be pursuing two book projects: a screenplay how-to-book and a children's environment series. "Sometimes I wish I just had a paycheck!! The freelance life doesn't let me coast ..." When not hustling, Judy continues with her San Francisco Bay swimming. She swam to Alcatraz Island on New Year's Day.

**Brooke Johnson Suiter** commutes only one mile to her English teaching job at The Bishop's School in La Jolla. She and Bud are two-thirds of the way to an empty nest, with Katherine, 21, a sr. at Duke, and Elizabeth, 18, a frosh at Yale. Tom, 15, keeps them busy with track, cross country and basketball events. After 30 years in the business world, Bud is in graduate school at UCSD, planning to teach secondary school science and coach. "So, we're a household of four full-time students, one teacher, plus a dog and a cat."

**Allyson Cook Gall** says 1996 will be an busy year as assistant director of American Jewish Committee in NJ, as the group is celebrating 50 years. "How did a zoology major end up doing this?" Trips now seem to center around visiting kids: Nantucket Island when daughter, Rachel, was doing an astronomy internship there; an April visit to Israel to visit her youngest, Yoni, 15. She plans to spend two weeks in Jerusalem with him and two days viewing the Pyramids. "Good life — great kids (oldest son, Ari, is still home with them and studying) — great husband. Wish we could collectively have the will to provide jobs and education for all in America."

**Kristin Stahlschmidt Lambert '69** was appointed director of donor relations for the University of Connecticut Foundation, the private, non-profit corporation that raises and manages private funds to support UConn. Lambert served as executive director of the Connecticut College Alumni Association for the past 11 years.

**John McCormick '87** of Canton, CT has been named a partner in Farley Whittier Partners, the largest commercial real estate firm in New England. McCormick, who has been with the company since 1989, is manager of the office leasing group.

**Wendy Kuntz '90**, a MS student at the University of Nevada, has received the 1995 Stephen R. Tully Memorial Grant from the Raptor Research Foundation for her research on Mexican spotted owls.

**Lucy Helvenston '94** of the National Marine Fisheries was awarded the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Administrator's Award for her work in implementing a limited access program for the American lobster fishery.

**Susie Van Winkle Pollock** is well, happy and still selling real estate in Litchfield, CT. Chip, 21, is a jr. at Georgetown in the School of Foreign Service and is managing editor of the *Georgetown Voice*, a weekly news magazine. Jennifer, 25, received B.A. and master's at George Washington U. She married Shaun Ryan, a foreign service commercial and economic officer in '94. Right after the wedding, they moved to Madagascar and five months later to Lusaka, Zambai, where Jen is managing the commissary. Susie hopes to visit them in '96.

**Charity Young Vitale** and husband "continue to be busy with the usual work and family stuff" in Glencoe, IL. In addition, she has two exciting volunteer positions: she is PADAA (Parents Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse) liaison to their son's elementary school. She is also program/ad book chairperson for the annual benefit at her daughter's school. "Both jobs are bringing new knowledge, friendship and opportunities."

**Midge Auwerter Shepard** sent a newsy holiday letter from her home in Darien, CT. Midge continues to work for Mercedes Benz Credit Corporation as a computer systems analyst and project leader. She loves the benefits of a 15-minute commute and a Mercedes 300E Sedan. She had a recurrence of her Meniere's inner-ear disease after a 15-year lapse and had surgery in July which cured her vertigo symptoms but left her with no hearing in her right ear. She is a member of two Darien book clubs and started a women's investment group of which she is president. Bill commutes to NYC where he works for a large international bank. Trip, 22, is a sr. at Tufts. Jay, 20, is a sophomore at Boston U., and Susan, 16, is a jr. at Darien High School They continue to enjoy family vacations in Bermuda.

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**Ellen Aronoff Kent** writes that her daughter, Heather, received her master's in public health from Johns Hopkins U. in May '95 and is employed at the Johns Hopkins Medical Center. Son Joel graduated from Brown also in May '95 and is now employed at the Federal Reserve Bank in NYC. Son William is a jr. at Trinity in Hartford, CT. "Don and I are still working hard and waiting for the children to take care of us!"

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*Organizing for the Long Haul*

**David Desiderato '78**

*Health Care Coordinator, Northeast Citizen Action Resource Center*



**D**AVID DESIDERATO IS PASSIONATE about his job, family and home. A dedicated organizer with Hartford's Northeast Citizen Action Resource Center (NECARC), he works towards health care reform.

Health care reform has had its ups and downs the last few years, giving Desiderato and his colleagues an opportunity to learn and regroup. As Health Care Coordinator, he focuses on building coalitions to work toward several goals: to stop federal cuts and the "race to the bottom," to expand proven health care plans that work, to expose the true nature of managed care and to set standards for quality and choice.

Desiderato, son of Professor Emeritus of Psychology Otello Desiderato, says that his liberal arts background has contributed to his quality of life, allowing him to enjoy literature and the arts for their own sake. As an undergraduate, he immersed himself in his studies, trying "to avoid knowing how bad the world is" for awhile. But activism was in his blood. In high school, he protested the building of Electric Boat's Trident submarines; in college he became involved with The Clamshell Alliance, an anti-nuclear movement in New England.

Desiderato has dedicated his professional life to social change, working for organizations such as the Connecticut Citizen Action Group (where he met Valerie, his wife of eight years), the Citizen Research Education Network and the Hartford City Council's Democratic Caucus.

He advises college students to make good use of their work opportunities in school because experience is valued highly. And he encourages young people to become involved in non-profit work, believing that "if your employer's bottom line is to make money for wealthy people, you are 'part of the problem.'"

As he gets older, he says it's harder to keep idealism front and center. "You have to be more vigilant to keep your dreams alive." Desiderato is doing his best to keep it there. And with the support of his family, he will continue "organizing for the long haul." — Jen Ammirati Doyle '91

David's Top 10 List on why everyone who has a passion for justice should get involved in the non-profit sector:

10. It's fulfilling
9. It's not boring — you do anything and everything
8. Dress is casual
7. Greatness is thrust upon you
6. There's always upward mobility
5. You are making history
4. The Culture is egalitarian
3. The pay will not corrupt you (but you can support a family)
2. You can do it.
1. WE NEED YOU - the world isn't fixed yet.

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**Married:** Donald Kane to Yael Septee, 8/20/95.

**Gary Zeger** is an assistant professor at the University of Southern California School of Medicine and is director of Transfusion Medicine at USC University Hospital. He will soon be medical director at the blood donor center and invites donations. He is happily married since June and lives in Marina Del Ray (near O.J., but denies that they are friends). However, he does talk to **Peter Paris**. Gary was married on 6/25/95. (*Eds. note: Gary, send your wife's name to us at the Alumni Office, please.*)

**Donald Kane's** wedding in Aug. was attended by best man **Brian Peniston** and **Jonathan Gold, Laurie Lesser Hodgson, Paula Marcus-Platz, Jimmy Wolf,** Nancy Williams Ward '73, Amy Lesser, Henry B. Plant Professor Emeritus of English William Meredith and former CC professor Christine Royer.

**Mark Samuels Lasner** gave a talk at CC on an exhibition entitled "Mothers and Others: Victorian Literacy Association Books, Letters and Drawings." Mark is also working on a project for a William Morris Show at the Grolier Club.

**Brooks Gottsch Workman** works in a family business as well as a new manufacturing business that the family bought three years ago. A venture in China is in the works. Brooks and her husband live in Tampa Bay with her three teenaged children and spent time this past summer flying their twin-engine plane to AK.

**Marian Boynton** continues teaching kindergarten in MA and performing in amateur musicals and choirs touring England and Scotland. She is also writing musicals from popular fairy tales for elementary schools.

**Niki Ann Holtzman** works full time as the occupational therapist for the Acton, MA, public schools. She also gardens and putters around their old house in Ayer with husband, Steve, two children and four cats. Niki would like to hear from **Donna Toomey, Chuck, Tom, John B.** and Roz Rustigian '73.

**Pam Strawbridge's** 3-year-old daughter appears to be continuing the musical tradition with her love of singing. Pam is vice-president of sales for Marketing Force, and husband, Rich, is piloting 757s and 767s for United. Their recent purchase of a Lake Michigan house is a dream come true!

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ing with trade publications in Fairfield County, CT, and is active in the PTA. Husband, Bill, is a consultant and develops banking scheduling software. Their two teenage daughters share their love of tennis. Holly interviews prospective candidates for CC and is impressed with their high calibre.

**Nelson Neal Stone** is associate professor of urology at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, NYC, and wife, Gloria, is a psychiatrist. They have three children, the oldest a competitive swimmer. Neal recently lectured on prostate cancer in Istanbul.

**Kathy Powell Cohn** was appointed by the Governor to a five-year term on the Baltimore County School Board. Kathy was one of two parents who served on a Maryland State Department of Education Task Force in the spring to establish English Language content standards for grades K-12. Kathy continues interviews for public health studies also. Husband Rick '75 remains busy with soccer coaching, other volunteer commitments and his law practice. All three of their children are soccer players.

**Karen Davidson** visited Italy in April '95 and saw **George Aelion**, who enjoys living in Rome and working for the U.N. Karen made the papers after winning a large trial recently. She's enjoying her spacious new

office overlooking the water in Providence, RI. Karen finds teaching junior achievement in project schools to be rewarding.

**Pamela Gleason Swearingen** has completed her 14th year working as a pediatrician at Lahey Clinic, Burlington, MA. Pam traveled to London with her husband and 7-year-old son, Christopher, and then to Dear Isle, ME, last summer.

**Leslie Revilock** began a new job in Aug. as computer operations manager for Clean Harbors, an environmental services company. Leslie enjoys courses in landscape at Radcliffe College, gardening, softball, football and tennis. She sees **Cathy Backus** often and her nephew hopes to attend CC and carry on the tradition.

**Cynthia Campbell Hitchcock** teaches jr. high and surfing in TX after living in CA for many years. Cyndi is busy with her two children: Chris, 8, and Tim, 11, volunteering at local food pantries and painting.

**Mark Wasley** received his MPH from Emory U., his fifth and (hopefully, he adds) his final degree. He is director of Planned Parenthood, Atlanta, in which he utilizes his nursing, legal and political training as well. He travels extensively and plans a trip to the West Bank this spring.

**Amy Cohen** teaches at Western New

England College of Law and has two CC graduates in her first-year class. She just completed a year's sabbatical during which she and her family (Rebecca, 15, and Madeline, 11) traveled to London and Puerto Rico. Husband, Harvey, also teaches, arbitrates labor cases and runs their synagogue. Newest addition to the family is Zapper, their collie.

**Lon Sulkowski** is the sr. catering sales manager at the Stanhope Hotel, NYC. Other activities are breeding pug dogs and deep sea fishing in the Keys.

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**Born:** to **Alexander Farley** and Nina, Alexander Jr. 11/18/95. Little Alexander joins sisters: Lyles, 3, and Lacey, 1. "All are well!"

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Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996  
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Correspondents: Wendy Crandall, 24 Landing Ln., North Kingstown, RI 02852 and Sheila Saunders, 608 Milan Ave., S. Pasadena, CA 91030

**R. Tracy Master** enjoys married life in the wine country of Temcula, CA. He works as director of claims for a 30 hospital member risk retention organization. Tracy recently fished the waters of Key West for tarpon and wahoo with much success. Lately he can be found somewhere off the coast of Mexico fishing for yellowfin (ahi) tuna.

**Sheila Saunders** has digressed from the traditional full-time job after experiencing ("close up and personal") the effects of managed health care on psychiatric treatment ("as a member of hospital administration, not as a patient"). She now owns her own business in Chinese Herbs, works part time as a family mediator in superior court (mediating parenting plans between divorcing couples), and is in a Ph.D. program in homeopathic medicine. She also moonlights as a salesperson for a conference recording company for which she recently spent a month in Berlin, all expenses paid, working at the World Peace U. In Oct., she went on a Mexican cruise with eight friends from high school to celebrate her 40th birthday. She then enjoyed the company of Jeff Oshen '76, Paul Escoll '81, sister Dianne Saunders '74 and classmates **Sue Hazlehurst Milbrath** (with husband Don) and **Michael Tulin** (accompanied by wife, Deb, and 20-month-old Andrew) at a local birthday bash.



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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

**Susan Calef Tobiason** attended the National Association of Social Workers Convention in Philadelphia this fall. Sue and husband, Art, have been on the road a lot recently, attending bluegrass music festivals in ME and NJ. Sue and Art also spent some vacation time in Mystic, CT, which has become a favorite get-away spot. "I'm eager to receive news and anecdotes to share with the Class of '78. My mailbox has been lonely lately."

**Howard (Ben) Sprague** is still in the marine industry in RI working with America's Cup builder, Eric Goetz. He saw **Ellen Shaw** at this year's Newport Sailboat Show but regrets not getting a chance to catch up on the 15 years since he last saw her.

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Correspondents: Christine Fairchild, 60 Winthrop St., Charlestown, MA 02129 and Christine Martire, 1571 Beacon St., Apt. 53, Brookline, MA 02146

**Married:** **Chris Wright** to Holly Powell, 7/7/90; **Meaghan O'Connell** to Andrew Shawcross, 10/26/91; **Audrey Cutler** to Steve Shafter, 10/24/93; **Donna Merz** to Stephen Freeman, 4/30/94.

**Born:** to **Beth Kukla Hamilton** and Alvin, Paige Marie 8/4/95; to **Lisa Rinaldi Brown** and Tony, Sam 3/20/95; to **Marcia McLean** and Peter Lasusa, Tim 7/17/94; to **Audrey Cutler** and Steve Shafter, Benjamin 5/22/95; and to **Meaghan O'Connell Shawcross** and Andrew, Melissa Jeanne 9/4/95; to **Chris Wright** and Holly, Ryan 10/23/93; to **Marina Moscovici**, Paolo 10/94; to **Mark Jones** and Michelle, Samuel Taylor 5/22/95; to **Anne McGee Morcone** and Michael, Brian Anthony 8/23/95; to **Eleanor Buckley Sugarman**, David Matthew 9/20/95.

More news keeps flowing in from your postcards! For those of you who still haven't completed your postcards, "just do it!"

**Claire Quan-Brignola** writes from Atlanta that she, her husband, Emil, and her two children had a very busy summer swimming, playing tennis, cruising to Mexico, and cheering the Braves on in the sixth game of the World Series.

**Pat Lanning** has been in Baltimore for more than 10 years and is married to Fred Strieder with two children. Pat and Sandy Rappoport '77 are district directors for Family & Children's Services in Baltimore and spend part of their time working on grants to support domestic violence programming. Pat was at the Abbey reunion a couple of years ago and looks forward to the next reunion!

**Michael Proctor** practices commercial

**"Bought a totally cool T-shirt at the new campus store at Cro (\$16.95) which I've worn every weekend — all weekend — since." Steve Gutman '79 followed the T-shirt acquisition with the ceremonial campus cruise and lunch at Mr. G's, where he remembered immediately why he never went there. "Stick with Fred's Shanty!"**

real estate law as a partner at Pullman and Comley in Bridgeport, CT, and lives in Trumbull, CT, with his wife, Anne Peters, and children Maggie, 9, and Nathaniel, 7.

**Stephanie Gail Russell** is a medical rep for Ciba Geneva Pharmaceuticals in Atlanta. She continues to search for her soul mate, and would love to hear from fellow alumni!

**Eleanor Buckley Sugarman**, who writes from the Boston area, celebrates the birth of her son David Matthew, who joins his big brothers Scott, 10, and Michael, 8. Eleanor has taken a year's leave from teaching preschool to spend time with her newest family member and invites her CC friends to get in touch.

**Terry Fairfield** confesses that he hasn't been in touch for the past 15 years but was motivated by our letter to provide us with these highlights: he's been married for eight years to Carla Leukhardt, has three boys, ages 1, 3, 5, technically resides in Trumbull, CT but bounces around Asia and is living in Singapore (we have the stamp to prove it), working for IBM.

Aloha from **Katie Brewer Romanchuk** who is at the U. of Hawaii, finishing the degree that she started with us. Katie works as a counselor at a shelter for battered women, and amazingly also finds time for her family (two kids), playing guitar in a Celtic band, art, gardening, swimming, and protecting the environment.

**Anne McGee Morcone** has put her career as a lawyer temporarily on hold with the birth of her third child, Brian Anthony, who joins sisters: Kathryn Lillian, 6, and Jessica Lynn, 4.

**Mark Jones** and his wife Michelle live in Arlington, VA, with their first child, Alexandra, 3, and their newest addition,

Samuel Taylor. Mark is an attorney for a small firm in DC.

**Marina Moscovici** reports from DC that her son, Paolo, has filled and changed their lives tremendously. She has just returned to her painting conservation studio to generate funds for his college education.

**Steve Gutman** filed this report from Los Angeles: Oct. '95 marked his 10th anniversary living in Los Angeles and working at Disney, where he's a vice president of the Disney Channel. His family of four (wife, Sally, and sons Alex, 5, and Sam, 3) joined Steve for his first return to CC since graduation. Steve writes, "Bought a totally cool T-shirt at the new campus store at Cro (\$16.95) which I've worn every weekend — all weekend — since." He followed the T-shirt acquisition with the ceremonial campus cruise and lunch at Mr. G's, where he remembered immediately why he never went there. "Stick with Fred's Shanty!" Steve also reports rounding out his trip with a stay in NH and a visit with **Philip Tift** in Marion, MA, and in NY on the East Coast and in Laguna Beach and Catalina Island in CA.

**Chris Wright** reports his personal "saga" since '79: Graduated from Brooklyn Law School in '82; theatrical talent agent in NY for next six years; talent agent in Los Angeles for four years; and now partner in Rawlins and Wright, a personal management company. His clients included David Caruso through all of his upheaval on NYPD Blue ("No longer a client, but that's okay"), Shirley Knight ("Indictment: The McMartin Trial") and Jessica Hecht '86 (who appears on NBC's "The Single Guy"). Chris is happily married to Holly Powell with a beautiful son, Ryan.

In addition to his job as managing partner of Ohland, Greeley, Ruggiero and Perle, **Paul Greeley** has agreed to take on the Herculean task of Reunion Chairman for our 20th in 2000 (ugh!). Paul is eager to find some creative volunteers to help him think about this milestone. Please contact him if you're willing to help: 203-327-4500 (work) or 203-834-0654 (home).

**Beth Kukla Hamilton** writes that she and her husband are the proud parents of Paige Marie and Grace Elizabeth. Beth is enjoying a leave of absence as head of the Lower School at Wooster School.

**Jay Greenspan** reports that, in addition to baby-sitting his kids, Don and Jessica, he has also been responsible for some CC interns recently. "Were we ever that young?!"

**Lisa Rinaldi Brown** is living in Reading, MA with husband, Tony, and baby, Sam, and sounds very happy. She is working part time as a psychotherapist, and, in what little spare time she has, keeps up with **Pat McGowan Samson** (working in public relations) and **Margie Kaufman** (working in marketing).

**Marcia McLean's** postcard was a breath of fresh air: "I haven't traveled around the world ... or invented the next generation of microchips ... wasn't a juror in the O.J. trial ...



nor did I run for political office." But she does have a wonderful husband, Peter, and son, Tim. She works with the Rockefeller Family & Associates as a senior advisor. She keeps tabs on **Debbie Tomlinson Moran, John Bush, Fay Wharton Bush, Chip Clothier, Jeff "The Beagle" Siegel, Barb Lynch, Alice English Johanssen** and **Erik Johanssen**.

**Cindy Price Collins** sounds like life is busy in Clinton, CT, where she lives with her husband and two children (10 and 13 1/2); the latter will be entering high school next fall - isn't that an eye-opener?! She is operating a frame gallery out of her home, selling prints, artwork and gifts.

**Steven Shaffer** is married and has two kids, lives in Gotham City and is the managing director of Hampshire Group, an investment banking and brokerage firm in NYC.

**Mark DiGiorgio** writes that his job as director of media and public affairs at CIGNA Healthcare is fun — he's responsible for news media relations for CIGNA's east coast operation and TX. He sees **Dave Insoft** quite a bit and has worked with **Leslie Margolin '77** on a couple of projects.

**Michael Passero** and his wife, Mary, have two children (Thomas, 8 and Elizabeth, 5) and are holding down the fort in New London. When he's not practicing labor law in Milford, Michael can be found either riding shotgun on the back of a New London fire truck, or sailing around Long Island Sound in the family's boat *Riverin*.

**T.J. Ryan** is living in San Francisco and still running his own insurance agency with his sister. He is the proud papa to two little boys: T.J. IV, 4, and Davis, 2.

Also representing the "Left Coast" is **Cecile Reinhardt Fenstermaker**, who has spent the last nine years nurturing her two little boys and staying involved in community service projects. We wish her all the best as she heads back to work as director of admissions at San Francisco Day School.

**Bill Kavanaugh** has joined the media moguls of NY and is producing and directing television documentaries. He hears from **Liz Breuer '80** (living in WI near John Hunter Greenler '81) "and other Abbeyites who roam the earth freely."

**Kurt Fischer** is living in Lyme, CT, with his wife, Susan, and daughter, Mara. Kurt is working for Northwest Airlines as a 747 captain, and that alone restores my faith in the aviation field. In between stints in the air, he keeps up with **Scot MacKinnon '78, Ross Delaney '78, Sally Zebuski Barrett '78** and **Nicki Neviasser '85**.

**Anne Goldberg Duckett** has had a range of interesting careers since leaving CC: social worker, chef, restaurant critic and cooking teacher. She is teaching kindergarten and looks after 3-year-old daughter, Blythe, with husband, Francois.

**Jinni Clarkson** is thriving in TN, along with husband, Roland Shafer, (in computers) and perfect son, RJ. She writes books and

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**— Christine Fairchild '79, class correspondent**

songs for kids and is curriculum director at a day care center.

**Andrew Rodwin** checked in from Boxborough, MA, where he lives with his wife, Denise. He is a software engineer at Shiva Corporation (which makes Internet access products — keep your eye on this one!) and is in touch with **Matt Tyndall '80, Sam Gibson '78, Evan Stone, John Atkins** and **Noah Sorkin**.

Got a nice update from **Pam Crawford Mosenthal** who is managing a full and varied household: husband, Scott; children, Skylar and Kirby; a cat and a parakeet (and the latter live in harmony?). In addition, she volunteers in the local public elementary school, teaches Sunday School, and leads a Brownie troop, as well as a women's exercise class. She and her family have made some wonderful trips recently - VT, RI, PA and two terrific weeks in OR.

**Hilary Henderson Stephens** provides news from our nation's capitol — she has two children and works part-time at Special Olympics International. "How exciting it was to return to New London last summer for the Special Olympics World Games swimming events and find the magnificent new Olympic pool at Ocean Beach Park. What we would have given for a pool like that in '75!"

**Lesley Wise Countryman** is in NYC, balancing family (2 1/2 year old daughter, Kate) with dance (recently choreographed a production of "Childe Byron" on Theatre Row, directed by Michael Hunold '74).

**Meaghan O'Connell Shawcross** reports a few milestones being reached: married **Andrew Shawcross** of Manchester, England, in '91, delivered baby girl, **Melissa Jeanne**, on 9/4/95 and, as if that's not enough, is busy being vice president, account supervisor at **Ogilvy & Mather Direct** in New York.

**Lynn McKelvey** is thriving in beautiful Santa Fe along with husband **Glen** and her "marvelous blessings:" **Corey, 7, and Max, 4 1/2**. She is working 20 hours per week for a case management agency that handles all the HIV clients in Santa Fe — not only is this rewarding work, but it also affords her the flexibility to spend time with her boys.

Despite the distance, she is in touch with **Audrey Cutler** and **Andrea Freed**.

Even though **Audrey** and I live in the same city (Boston), our attempts to rendezvous have been doomed. **Audrey** was forced to communicate by postcard that her son, **Benjamin**, is a beautiful, thriving little boy. (I'm determined to have an eye witness account by the next issue.) She left her job with the Boston Police Department and is now "of counsel" with her husband **Steve's** law firm.

**Michael Brettler** is vice president of Shapiro Bernstein Music Publishing in NYC. He is definitely playing with the big boys, as he recently co-published **Blessed Union of Souls** whose debut single "I Believe" was prominently featured on the Top 10! When he's not scouting out new talent, **Michael** keeps track of **David Fiderer, Peter Mykrantz '80** and **Steve Certilman '78**.

And that's all we can fit this time around - stay tuned for news from **Don Jones, Chris Wright, Vicki Chesler, Tina Gould Reardon, Barb Bates Sedoric, Steve Gutman, Eric Schoenburg, DoDo Ellis, Teri Ursin Guidi, Colin Ewing, Lisa Freije** and much, much more!!

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Correspondents: **Ellen Harris Knoblock, 11 Sherman St., Belmont, MA 02178** and **Paul A. (Tony) Littlefield, 122 Emery St., Portland, ME 04102**

We hope you all had a joyous holiday season.

**Seth Weitzman** wrote that he lives in Larchmont, NY, with his wife, **Jill Bleemer '79**; **Jason, 5, and Emily, 3**. **Seth** taught five years in NYC, earned a doctorate in educational administration from Teachers College, Columbia U., and has been principal of **Herricks Middle School** on Long Island for four years.

**Janice Mayer's** inaugural season of being in business for herself is going well. Her roster of artists is growing.

**Bernice Flanagan** has been promoted with the *Wall Street Journal* and has relocated to Los Angeles.

Spring is a great time to write your correspondents and to reconnect with the school.

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Reunion: **May 31-June 2, 1996**  
Correspondents: **Kenneth Goldstein, 94 Dudley St., Unit 1, Brookline, MA 02146** and **Christine Saxe Easton, 712 Wall Road, Spring Lake, NJ 07762**

**Married:** **Jacquey Zuckerman** to **Robert F. Tynan Jr., 6/26/94**.

**Born:** to **Katherine Gould Maglieri** and **Vittorio, Nicholas 9/30/95** and to **David Zieff** and **Alison, Joseph Jerry 8/12/95**.

**Jacquey Zuckerman Tynan** has moved from Phoenix to **Huntington, CT**. **Jacquey** is a copywriter and editor for a marketing com-



munications and design firm. Husband, Robert, is the head coach at a local high school. Jacquey also takes classes in the writing and editing certificate program at Fairfield U. Sorry, Jacquey, for the long delay in submitting this!

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Correspondent:  
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**Married:** **Lori Simons** to Larry Frank, 10/22/88.

**Born:** to **Eliza Mendes Marks** and Kevin, Benjamin de Sola 7/20/95; to **Lori Simons Frank** and Larry, Joshua 6/91.

**Eliza Mendes Marks** had a recent visit from Mary Keating Martin '83 and her new baby, Jessica. Eliza's older son, Daniel, has begun nursery school.

**Lori Simons Frank** and husband, Larry, bought a house (dubbed the "money pit") in Peabody, MA, three weeks before their '88 wedding. They have a great yard and a fantastic location next to the elementary school Lori attended as a kid. They are less than a half mile from her parents who are their built-in baby-sitters. Son, Joshua, is 4. Lori started her own business providing telecommunications training and support in '93, and it is slowly growing. The best part is that it is part-time and allows her quite a lot of time with Josh. Her husband, Larry, is finishing up his MBA in addition to his position as controller at H.C. Watson Corp. She keeps in touch with **Sarah Shriner Gangi**, who has two children: Willie, 5, and Teri, 2. Lori also hears from **Patty Daniels Appel**, who lives in VT with husband, Randy, and her two children.

**Eliza Helman Quigley** is busy mothering her three girls: Rachel, Aleah and Hope, and her new "baby," a 4-year-old Thoroughbred mare who's fresh off the track.

Your class correspondent's big news is that after eight years at home raising my two children: Colin, 8, and Kristin, 6, I am going back to work full time. I started my job search in late Sept. expecting a long and arduous process. But, in two and a half months, I had an offer with the help of an excellent recruiter. I'll be the list database manager for a company here in the Princeton area called Films for Humanities and Sciences. They market educational videos primarily to the secondary school, college/university market. I'm very excited about the job, but also slightly terrified at the prospect of balancing work and family. I know that many of you do it, so I'm sure that after an adjustment period, all will be fine. Happy '96 to all of you!

**Marc Romanov** was appointed publisher of Wilson Newspapers of RI, publishers of *The Narragansett Times*, *The Chariho Times*, *The East Greenwich Pendulum* and *The*

*Standard Times* of North Kingstown.

The Class of '82 sends sympathy to **Richard Campbell Vancil**, who lost his father, Richard Vancil, on 1/10/96.

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**Married:** **Nicole Nolan** to John Koester, 9/19/93; **Nini Ravesloot** to Michael Webb, 8/26/95; **Elizabeth Greene** to Michael Roos; **Laura Patz** to Jeremy Barber.

**Born:** to **Catherine Sponagle Paul** and Jamie, Natalie Anne 10/13/94; to **James Jolly** and Leslie, Julie 7/19/95; to **Joanne Segal Fryer** and Gary, TRIPLETS Matthew John, Jennifer Janet and Rebecca Marie 3/4/95; to **Elizabeth Rogers Sisson** and George, George Edward 1/17/95; to **Nick Nesgos** and Maggie, Phoebe Elizabeth 6/12/93; to **Sally Becker Cors** and Brian, Stephanie Alison 8/14/95; to **Nathaniel Cohen** and **Jody DeMatteo Cohen**, Jesse William 11/11/94; to **Peter Foley** and **Beth Luebbers Foley**, Colin 7/14/95; to **Liza Berlow Voigt** and Greg, Daniel Ralph 7/9/93; to **Janet Baker** and Richard Malabre, Sam Baker 12/16/94; to **Rachel Shatz** and William Dunnell, Amelia Hannah 4/27/95; to **Beth Miller** and Fred Felleman, Brandon Felleman Miller 6/11/95; to **Christina Holz Eckerson**, Olivia Lowell 5/11/95; to **Perry Stone** and Anne Charlton '85, Perry Hunter 8/3/95; to **Anne DeLaney** and Chip Carver, TWINS Sean Delaney Carver and Calvin Reeve Carver III 8/1/95; to **David Lobel** and Christine, Jessica Anne 9/4/95; to **Gina Varano**, Victoria 5/11/95; to **Megan Vosburgh Saliterman** and Vic Saliterman '82, Emily 10/94; to **Leanne Pedro Gravel** and **Jim Gravel**, Jerome Donovan 8/7/95; to **Karen Neilson Rae** and Giles, Lauren 4/95; to **Becca Davies** and **Jeremy Kramer**, Daisy 9/18/95.

Sincere and deep apologies to all of you who faithfully wrote to your class correspondent, and then saw nothing in print for what appeared to be forever. **Claudia Gould** was struck by a car while riding her bike in DC late this summer, suffering multiple serious injuries which required a lengthy hospital stay and many months of recovery with her family in NY and then again back in DC. (A bike helmet made all the difference, so you better wear one always!!!) Unfortunately, all your cards languished at her house, and she has only gotten to them now that she is doing better.

**Mary Ellen Masciale** and husband spend most of their time between homes in New London and VT, and traveled this summer to CA to hike in Yosemite.

**Faith Benton** is happy to say she is a permanent resident of Boston since she and husband, Karl, bought a house in Somerville. She is working as a clinical psychologist in NH,

and keeps in touch with **Betsy Sharon** who is an attorney in DC.

**Julia Greenway** received her MFA from Mass. College of Art, where she now teaches part-time, and spent a busy summer hiking in Italy, and teaching at Creative Arts Camp. She also works in her studio and has moved to Needham MA where she continues to play ultimate frisbee and is very happy.

**Becca Davies** and **Jeremy Kramer** added a daughter to sons Stewart, 5, and Edward, 3, who are slowly getting used to the idea. Jeremy is a portfolio manager at Alliance Capital in NYC, and Becca is a consultant at McKinsey & Co., although she is taking some time off to be with the new baby.

After some moving about, **Leslie Yager** is in Chicago, married an Englishman in London and delivered a daughter, Ella. Fortunately, for all the moving, she is a typewriter/designer who can take her customers with her and work via modem. She reports that **Alison Horton** married a Russia man named Igor Zomb, and that among the wedding guest were **Elisa Rooks**, **Jill Henken**, **Nick Nesgos**, **Richard Teitelbaum** and **Whitney Wilson** '85.

**Loren Shapiro** has taken on the role of adjunct class correspondent. He sends information about a whole crew of people:

**Bob (Caveman) Gibb** was seen on Letterman playing basketball against the Knicks. He has, according to Loren, lost a step since "B" League, but maintains a pretty good shooting touch. **Herb Holtz** appeared on NBC's "Dateline" and *The Wall Street Journal* regarding a client he represents. Loren wanted to make sure we did not assume he was being indicted or anything. Also, Loren attended an international polo event Herb organized as a fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Herb did not play due to an untimely rib injury. Loren spotted **Jocelyn Taylor Dezell** and husband, Jim '81, racing through Logan Airport. Loren looks forward to warmer weather and more barbecues with **Susan Coakley** and husband, Dave Astrue.

Congratulations to **Tom Roberts** who is writing in for the first time! After some detours, a tortuous route through business school at Columbia, and investment banking, he woke up, realized he hated it, and quit. Now he works as a director of Product Management for a software and information services company and lives in La Jolla CA. Biggest mistake — turned down an offer from Microsoft. Smartest move — married **Johannah Smith** '84 in 1992. They live happily with Roxy, the dog.

In spite of a dry summer in VT, **Julia Hewitt** reports a bumper crop of cucumbers, apples and other homegrown organic goodies. She took some on her trip through Biysk, Siberia and Russia in April aboard the Trans-Siberian Railway with 13 of her high school students, husband Phil and daughter Marilla, 6. She went biking with **Nancy Reynolds**



this summer and gave **Alec Madoff** travel advice before the American Museum of Natural History sent him to St. Petersburg to measure amber samples.

**Jessica Tolmach Plett's** son Nicholas attends a childcare center called Basic Trust, that Jessica highly recommends. She is on the board and serves as a fund raiser. Jessica is the senior fashion editor at *SELF* magazine, and her husband, Malcolm, is an investment advisor at Smith Barney. They love NYC, and still see **Richard Teitelbaum**, his wife, Nanette, and daughter, Nicole.

**Catherine Fukushima** is manager of School, Youth and Family Programs at The Brooklyn Museum where she oversees interpretive programs for schools throughout NYC, workshops for families, and teacher training seminars. She is active in museum education professional committees, has worked with Abby Erlich '80, and has lectured at NYU and Bank Street College of Education. Husband, Robert Perris, is completing a master's in landscape architecture.

**Elizabeth Greene Roos** had several alums at her summer wedding including **Beth Lerman Becker**, **Tanah Kalb**, **Edie Taylor Rathbone**, **Lynn Herrick Snyder** and **Karen Condaris Beati**. She is assistant principal of an elementary school in Andover, MA, where she and Michael have bought a house.

**Karen Neilson Rae** has left work in Cambridge to juggle home life with the birth of her third child. Daughter, Hawley, is in first grade and son, G.A., who has Down's Syndrome, has entered an integrated preschool. Due to issues concerning G.A., Karen is state parent representative for the Department of Public Health which oversees early intervention programs. **Erica Van Brimer Goldfarb** and family visited in August. "Hi to Matt, Laura, Becca and J."

**Jim Gravel**, **Leanne Pedro Gravel** and their three children: Danielle, Robby and Kip, welcomed a new brother this year. All have adjusted to number four quite well. Jim is still at UNUM and is teaching a weekend class at Husson College. Leanne is loving being at home with the children, tending gardens and chauffeuring the two oldest to Saint Patrick's School, where she is on the school board.

**Heather Cusack-Tetrault** ran for an elected position in Southold, NY, on the Democratic and Independent United Southold line. The parties were duly impressed with her college background and her knowledge of tidal marsh and human ecology.

**Kim Tetrault** is working with Cornell, growing scallops in their marine center.

**Stephanie Berman Schafer**; husband, Dave; Caroline, 5, and Dana, 2, have relocated to Buffalo Grove, IL. They are enjoying themselves and would love to hear from classmates in IL.

With three children and a full-time practice in Pediatrics, **Melanie Labinger**

**Rick Zieff '83 has decided  
that now that his college  
texts are old enough to be  
bar mitzvah-ed, he can live  
without *Ethnography  
Through Film and Linear  
Algebra Made Easy.***

**Cotenoff** is busy, busy, busy. But not too busy to inquire after friends **Martha Moulton** and **Faith Benton**. Where are you guys?

**Rob Ingram** is happily living in CO with daughter, Samantha, and wife, Pam. He is an attorney with Dickinson, Everstine & Prudhomme in Denver.

**Ann Donihue Travers** is enjoying time at home writing and researching on the Internet, having had an abstract accepted for an article in *Feminist Collections* out of the U. of Wisconsin for Winter '96 publication called "Internet Resources: Expanding the Horizons of a Rural Campus." Work, husband, Gary, and two daughters means that there is never a dull moment in her life.

**Laurie Reynolds Rardin** and husband, Jed, have enjoyed a year filled with travel, to London and the surrounding countryside, San Francisco and Carmel and Ontario-Muskoko Lakes. Laurie works at the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection for the Office of Long Island Sound Programs, and Jed is in his third year of ministry at the South Britain Congregational Church.

**Nancy Reynolds** still loves the quality of life in VT, where she is a health care manager at a dementia-care facility. Her side business as a wheat weaver has taken off, and she displays her work at festivals and private shows. She saw **Laurie Reynolds Rardin** and **Jed '84** at their baby shower in Mystic, CT, with **Jill Baker**, and revisited our beloved arboretum.

**Byron Woollen** finished his Ph.D. in psychology this year and married Willa Hall in Oct. They are living happily in NYC.

**Gina Varano** is returning to work at Baker & Fulco in Wethersfield, CT, where she specializes in commercial litigation. She enjoyed time at home with both children after the birth of her second daughter.

**Jane Wickstrom** is still working in the international development field as assistant regional director for a nonprofit family planning organization, focusing on Asia. She was married in '94 to a lawyer at Legal Aid Society in NY. **Sally Grafstein Blinken** introduced them! Jane misses the DC crowd, but loves living in Manhattan.

**Nancy Farquhar** studies math and sci-

ence at Harvard Extension School in preparation for future studies in physical therapy. She now works at Elderhostel in Boston, and volunteers at Mass. General. She vacationed this summer in CO, and claims that if it were closer to an ocean she would move there!

Atlanta is treating **Jocelyn Taylor Dezell** and husband, Jim '81, well. Jocelyn designs corporate fitness programs. She sees Jay Reilly '81 and Susan Roehrig Reilly '81 frequently. They are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the '96 Olympics to their city.

**Laurie Hoffma** works at a community center in Boston's Chinatown. She plays in the rock band Vision Thing — look for their debut CD on Cherrydisc Records. Look for her to come to your town to play!

In addition to twins and two daughters, **Anne DeLaney** still manages to run Happiness Unlimited, an adult make-a-wish foundation for cancer patients in NJ. Anne sees **Sarah Davison**, **Holly Golden Samociuk** and **Priscilla Toland Jansen '82**.

**Virginia Aldous** is back at Huntington Theatre Co. after a whirlwind tour of the UK and Ireland this summer. She drove over 2,000 miles in six and a half weeks, leading a group of teenagers. It was great!

**David Lobel** has bought a business, Direct Mailers, in White Plains NY. That, and the birth of his daughter, has made it a busy year.

**Ken Lankin** finished a two-year cruise that included stops in South America, West Africa, Norway, Cuba and Haiti. He is now starting a family practice residency at Pensacola Naval Hospital. He adds that the Navy is very strict about NOT dumping plastics at sea!

**Jean Lewis Maloy** is celebrating her ninth year in the clothing business!

**Christina Holz Eckerson** is production manager for Bulfinch Press at Little Brown and Co. in Boston. She spent a wonderful summer at the beach with her son, Henry, and newborn daughter.

**Brian Schneider** is living and working in Cleveland, OH, handling considerable pension fund investments for TRW, Inc.

**Steve Wilson** and wife, Karen, live in Herndon, VA, with Emily, 7, Christopher, 5, and Margaret, 13 mos. Karen is a preschool administrator, while Steve is VP of operations for NCAS, a third-party administrator for employee health benefit plans.

**Leslie Finesmith** is at home juggling the schedules of three daughters. Her husband, Ross, will finish his training in pediatric neurology in June.

**Sally Grafstein Blinken**, husband, David, and 2-year-old Allegra saw **Glenn Harris** and **Andy Robinson** and their families on Martha's Vineyard over Labor Day, and had a great time.

**Valery Bataille-Ferry** is working for the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe as its environmental compliance coordinator. She lives in Norwich, CT, with husband, John and two dogs.



**Nini Ravesloot** is working as a research associate at IMCOR in Stamford, CT. She and her husband are living in Greenwich CT.

**John Allen** and wife, Lezlie Rocka, are happy and homeless searching for a nest in the Pacific Northwest.

**Martha Moulton** is a partner in a family practice in a small town in Western CT. She enjoys needlework and basketry in her spare time and visits with **Royse Shanley Isleib**, **Taryl Johnson McKee**, Clyde McKee '80, **Laura Patz** and Howard Geden '85.

**Rick Zieff** lives in Los Angeles where he is busy acting in film, TV and theater. He has connected with the alumni group there. He's decided that now that his college texts are old enough to be bar mitzvah-ed, he can live without *Ethnography Through Film* and *Linear Algebra Made Easy*.

**Karen Bachelder** works as creative and marketing director for HT & Associates in Houston, TX, an advertising firm. She spends most of her time learning this new career and playing with dogs, Oscar and Molly.

**Oren Tasini** was named partner with the law firm of Fleming, Hoyle, Shaw & Gundrach in North Palm Beach, FL.

**Nicole Nolan Koester** and husband, John, are living in Port Washington, NY. Nicole works as VP of marketing at Alliance Mutual Funds in NYC.

**Sally Becker Cors** and husband, Brian, relocated to DC in '94, where Brian works for Mitel, a telecommunications company. Following the birth of Stephanie, Sally returned to part-time work at Warner-Lambert, marketing a drug to treat Alzheimer's disease.

**Jim Stiles** joined 3,300 other cyclists for the Boston to NY AIDS ride, helping to raise more than \$6.5 million to support research and care in both cities. It was an exciting and wonderful trip.

**David Upin** and family are busy and happy in Saint Paul, MN, where David is associated with Dain Bosworth, a regional brokerage firm based in Minneapolis. He still keeps in touch with freshman roommates **David Kaster** and **Bert Czuchra**.

**Anne Schulson Young**; husband, Steve, and sons Jason and Daniel, 2, live in Riverdale NY. Anne teaches third grade at Columbia Grammar School where Jason is in kindergarten.

**Topher** and **Martha Healy Hamblett** live in Providence, RI, where Topher works for Save the Bay, and Martha is temporarily at home with Sophie, 3, and Alice, 1.

While on business this summer in Saint Petersburg, **Alec Madoff** visited **Steve Buscher** in Moscow! The rest of his (and wife Jeannine's '84) time is spent on their "fixer upper" in Greenwich CT (more fixer than we realized!!)

**Ellen Landis-Schiff** and husband, Tom, had a great summer vacation riding bikes from Seattle to CA. Ellen is living and working as a dance movement therapist in Amherst, MA.

**Leslie MacLeod-Lamb** and husband, Rob, live in the Catskills where she manages an Abstract & Title Corp. She was married in '83 and has a son, Ian, 10, who loves soccer and riding four-wheelers. Leslie loves the rural lifestyle!

**Catherine Sponagle Paul** reports that full-time motherhood is a great thing! She keeps busy with two children and finds time to read and lead a monthly discussion group. Benjamin, her first-born, started preschool at the same school where Daddy teaches seventh grade English. The family spends the school year in CA and the summer in Islesboro, ME.

**James Jolly** and wife, Leslie, have their hands full with new baby, Julie. Jim says fatherhood is rewarding and spectacular! He was recently promoted to Manager of a Rent-to-Own store in Grinnell, IA.

**Nancy Lerner** has been living in Seattle, WA, since '92 where she completed her master's in marine affairs. She would love to see any one coming out her way.

**Richard Auber** is way too busy running the harpsichord company in Stonington, CT, but not too busy to keep up with classmates **Gerry Gaffney** (this summer on Block Island the day of the seaplane crash) and **Joe Cooper**.

**Erica Van Brimer Goldfarb** and family, including daughters: Natalie, 6, and Sarah, 3, had a great summer, spending a week in Lake Placid, NY, with Melinda Macht-Greenberg '85 and her family. During their East Coast travels they also saw **Karen Neilson Rae**. Erica is still living in Shaker Heights/Cleveland — home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Come visit!

**Anita Visconti Bronsdon** has spent her time circling the globe, visiting Turkey and Greece last fall, and the Bahamas in the spring.

**Laura Patz Barber** and husband, Jeremy, are starting married life in Easton, MA, where Laura continues her work at Associated Family Child Care services as a bilingual coordinator. She is also teaching ESL part-time.

**Eric Brunstad** and wife, Kim, live in the Hartford area with sons, Eric and Robby. This is big Eric's third year teaching at Yale Law School in addition to his practice at Hebb & Gitlin in Hartford, where he has been a partner since '93.

**Betsy Gorvine Abrahams** lives in Merrimack, NH, with husband, Brent, and daughter, Jane Elizabeth Starke. Betsy is beginning her 13th year at Nashua's Children's Association, where she is the Director of Program Management. Betsy spent last year on the workshop circuit lecturing on family-centered residential care for abused and neglected children and families. Betsy has been collaborating with the Child Welfare League of America in DC and has two articles ready for publication in their *Mapping A New Direction* resource guide. A part-time step-mom to Carrie, 17, and Lisa, 14, Betsy is looking forward to the next reunion.

Look for *Asia for Women in Business*, a practical handbook which seeks to solve the obsta-

cles to women traveling and working in a region still dominated by traditional attitudes, the third book written by **Tracey Wilen**. (See write-up in the Chapter & Verse section of this magazine.)

**David Gleason** continues to run his software company in Boston. He and his staff write custom software applications under contract. He adds that he is very grateful for the preparation he got in college.

**Megan Vosburgh Salterman** and husband, Victor '82, are still living in Stamford, CT, where, until the birth of their daughter in October '94, she was a VP of Concord Leasing. Now she is at home with Ben and Emily, while Vic commutes to Andersen Consulting in NYC.

**Karen Condaris Beati** and husband, Mark, divide their time between homes in Chelmsford, MA, and Cape Cod. Karen has been a school psychologist in Lowell for 10 years and continues to enjoy it. She kept up with friends **Elizabeth Greene Roos** and **Carmen Ponce Detrano** at their weddings this year.

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**Married: Mary-Ann Giordano** to Christopher Ziluca, 10/14/95

Born to **Laurie Fleishman Walowitz** and Nate, William Scott 9/30/95.

Over the holidays we caught up with a few alum's via holiday cards and phone calls! **Marc Gearin** has recently taken a new position as a Vice President with the Boston Private Bank & Trust Co. Marc keeps in touch with **Ted Nelson** who is a tough guy to get a hold of, but Lisa finally caught up with him over the holidays! Ted splits his time between Atlanta and Tampa, doing free lance advertising projects in both cities.

**Fran Trafton Barnes** and husband, Ankie, ventured to South Africa with their daughters, Grier and Ella, shortly after Christmas to visit family. The Barnes' reside in DC.

**Jennifer Watral Degnan** and husband, Tom, are living in the Boston area where they are house-hunting.

**Jonathan Stavín** is working as vice president and General Counsel with JPA Development, a real estate company in Philadelphia.

**Mary Ann Giordano** was married to Christopher Ziluca on 10/14/95 in Wilton, CT. **Lisa Levaggi Borter** was the matron of



honor and **Sonia Caus Gleason** and husband, David '83 also attended.

**Debbi Flashman Cutler** wrote to tell us that she has been working as a clinical social worker at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston for the past seven years after getting her MSW at Boston U. She and her husband, Michael, and daughter, Lauren, live in Newton, MA. Debbi keeps in touch with **Judy Prescott**, **Beth Munigle**, and Pamela Eliasoph '86. She was sorry to miss our reunion but was getting ready to return to work after a maternity leave.

**Carole Tomko Recka** wrote that on 5/31/95 she had a beautiful baby boy! Fellow alumna, **Maritza Maiano Guillocheau**, and husband, Bob, are the godparents. Carole and her family live in Gaithersburg, MD, and she returned to work full-time in Sept. as an executive producer with Discovery Networks. She has been with the company for six years. Carole also keeps in touch with **Sue Funkhouser**.

**Sean Lee** was recently promoted to Lt. commander (U.S. Navy) and will be reporting to the U.S.S. *Normandy* in April. He is stationed in Norfolk, VA with his wife, Laura.

**Joan Makosky Marshall** wrote to tell us she gave birth to daughter, Hannah, on 5/29/95, which, of course, prevented her from joining us at reunion!

**Sarah Babbitt** wrote to report that she is a certified massage therapist and has opened her own practice in Fort Collins, CO. This year she has taken up rock-climbing and enjoyed a canoe trip in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in MN. She also visited Babbitt, MN, named after her great-grandfather! She is working to fulfill a life-long dream by applying to become a member of the County Search and Rescue Team. Amidst all of this she writes that she occasionally has some studio time for her artwork.

**Carol Spencer Wipper** and **Scott Wipper** had a first birthday party for their son, Michael, in early Dec. Among those celebrating were **Amy Buckingham**, **Marc Gearin**, **Steven Geiser** and Holly Burnet '80. **Masako Nakamura** was in Seattle on business and unable to attend.

**Suzanne Fox Buchele** wrote to report that she is in graduate school at UT Austin working toward a Ph.D. in computer science. Her husband is attending seminary full time. They have three children and thus are a family of five, headed by two students!

**Sandra Matos Ryther** keeps busy raising her three children: Caitin, 6; Andrew, 4, and Rachel, 2. The family recently moved to Albany, NY, and Sandy is going back to school for a graduate degree in early childhood. Not that she hasn't already earned her stripes!

**Caroleen Hughes Mackin** and her husband, John, are still enjoying a hectic but fun life in NYC. They enjoyed visiting with many CC alums at a festive holiday tree-trimming party at the home of **Alex Amill** in Bowie, MD, on 12/9/95. Other CC alums

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who traveled to Alex's home that evening included **Charlie Kernan** (living in Dallas); **Ted Root** and his wife, Christie; Nick Kouwenhoven '86 and Christine Weaver Kouwenhoven '86, Lynn Hyman '84 and Will Eglin '86.

**Deb Lowry MacLean** recently applied for a license as a family day care provider and runs her own child care program out of her home in Princeton, NJ. Her husband, Mark, will receive his M.Div. in May '97, and they will go into full-time ministry. When Deb is not taking care of kids, she has a little time to write friends and paint. She recently heard from John Sharon '86, who is teaching in New Haven.

Thank you for your news! Please continue to let us know what you have been doing or who you have spoken with or seen! Class News can be sent to either of us at the listed address or directly to the Alumni Office. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Reunion: May 31-June 2, 1996  
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I am writing this as I look out my window at falling snow (10 inches already!) with hopes that when you read this, the sun will be shining, the grass turning green and Reunion '96 just weeks away. Yikes! Ten years since graduation, now that's a reason to celebrate! It's not too late to firm up those plans (and those bodies) to attend this fun-filled weekend with lots of familiar faces. I look forward to seeing you there.

**Married:** Lynn Gulick to Bob Stockmaster, 11/13/93; **Lestra Litchfield** to Dr. Steven Atlas, 9/18/94; **Chris Selby** to Melinda Sulton, 7/12/94; **Liz Schelpert** to Robert Potter, 5/95.

**Born:** to William Ultan and Lisa Prezioso Ultan '87, Emily Sarah 3/2/95; to

**Amy Slifka Cook** and Jamie, Sarah Alison 11/1/94; to **Katie Fiene Wray** and Tom, Gavin Thomas 2/17/94; to **Polly Altrocchi Clark** and Kevin, Penelope Lucille (Lucy) 6/6/94; to **Deborah Vileno Esborn** and John, Garrett Normen 10/26/94; to **Bente Jones Starble** and Craig '85, Katherine Morgan 5/22/94.

**Polly Altrocchi Clark** and her husband, Kevin, had a baby girl. Penelope Lucille, on 6/6/94. Lucy weighted in at a whopping nine pounds, 14 ounces.

**Faith Damon Davison** is working on a master's degree in library and information sciences at URI. She hopes to finish soon and will look for a position in a special library archives or museum. Faith can be reached online at f.dav1512@uriacc.uri.edu

**Anthony Ward** has the lead in the play, "Arms and the Man," which will be performed on 4/29/96 at the college.

**Katie Fiene Wray** is living in Portland, OR, and loves it! Her husband, Tom, works for Nike and she teaches fifth grade. In their free time, they're chasing 1-year-old Gavin Thomas, who was born prematurely and had to spend eight weeks in neonatal critical care. They are happy to report that Gavin is doing incredibly well — strong, happy and healthy!

**Cynthia Jaffe** has left Boston to move to San Francisco and loves it!

**Chris Selby** married Melinda Sulton last July in the Fiji Islands. Although the bachelor party was held under water (scuba diving!), the wedding party stayed on drier land for a ceremony on the beach.

**Chris Fray** has made a home with his partner, Chip, in Westport, CT. Chip voted for Reagan-Bush in the '80s, so Chris must be mellowing a bit. After six years of leading tours all over the world, Chris has gone back to school to get certified to teach at the secondary level. He sends a special "hi" to Madge in HI.

**Lynn Gulick Stockmaster** married Bob on 11/13/93 in Rochester, NY. Attending the wedding were **Susan Brown Nagy**, **Jennifer Downey**, **Amy Lester Bellido**, **Margaret Dougan Sullivan**, **Amy Campbell Catlin** and **Katy Richter**. Lynn is attending the U. of Rochester's William E. Simon School of Business (part-time at night) for an MBA. Mercifully, Lynn is almost finished with her classes!

**Jodi Kelber** sent news of her life from the past couple of years. In Nov. '93, she curated a lesbian and bisexual women's photography exhibit, "XXposure." She received a master's degree in art history from the U. of Arizona/Tucson and plans to take a year off before pursuing a Ph.D. In June '94, Jodi moved to Phoenix to live with her partner, Stacey, who is in naturopathic medical school. They plan to "escape AZ" and move to wherever Jodi begins her Ph.D. Jodi also began a T-shirt/mug business with a friend, The Postmodern Coffee Company. Although still in the beginning stages, they've met with some local success with their first design. Jodi



## SCOTLAND'S HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS

*An Arboretum Tour,  
June 24-July 7, 1996*

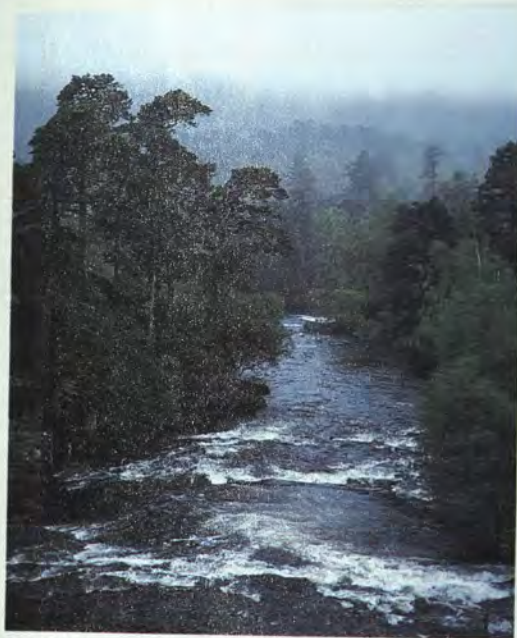
**J**oin Arboretum Director Glenn Dreyer, his naturalist wife, Wendy, and Professor Emeritus of Botany Sally Taylor in a rare opportunity to discover the natural and cultural wonders of the Scottish Highlands and Islands, including the Shetlands and the fabled Isle of Skye. We will be the guest of Sir John and Lady Lister-Kaye at Aigas House, their family home out side of Inverness. Sir John is the North West Regional Chairman of Scottish Natural Heritage, a UK agency responsible for landscape and wildlife protection.

We will travel by air from New York to the Shetland Islands, the northern outpost of Great Britain, for the ornithological experience of a lifetime. For three full days Sir John, a noted naturalist and author, will guide us to the various islands to view colonies of seabirds including Kittewakes, Guillemonts, Fulmars and the world's largest Puffin colony. Wildflowers will be at their peak on the breathtaking landscape of sandstone seacliffs, long winding inlets and windswept meadows. A 2,000-year-old Pictish fortress, where Storm Petrels nest in the ancient walls, is also on our agenda.

From the Shetlands, we travel to Aigas House, our base for most of the trip. This Victorian era hunting lodge has been converted into both the Lister-Kaye family home and a natural history field center. Each day, we will travel in minivans with a ranger/guide to different locations — from the warm and sunny Black Isle to the misty crags of Skye. Our itinerary includes Inverewe, the world famous public garden on the northwest coast with its semi-tropical climate and amazing international plant collections. An overnight on the Isle of Skye, allows a visit to Dunvegan Castle and various birding spots. We will tour a number of outstanding private gardens with an opportunity to chat with their owners. Ample time to explore Inverness and Glasgow is also scheduled.

The \$3,700 price of this 14-day trip includes airfare from New York, all ground transportation, all accommodations and most meals. Participation limited to 20. For further information and a detailed itinerary call 203-439-5020 or write: Arboretum Program Coordinator, Box 5201 Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT 06320.

and Stacy spent a weekend in Los Angeles visiting **Joyce O'Connor** and **John Ebin**. Although it was "too rainy to swing by OJ's house" they were able to drive down Bundy for awhile! When in Boston and NY, Jodi sees **Christina Horzepa**, **Sue Spencer Cramer**, **Anne Young Greenberg**, **Kristin Rademacher**, **Deborah Vilen**



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**Esborn, Amy Muskin Shelton**, Ellen Bailey Pippenger '87 and Peter Twyman '87. Jodi misses them all and extends a welcome to anyone who wants to visit (you don't have to stay in Phoenix, you can go to the Grand Canyon!). Jody can be reached at [jodik@aztec.asu.edu](mailto:jodik@aztec.asu.edu)

**Lestra Litchfield** was married to Dr.

Steven Atlas in Tuxedo, NY, in '94. Alums in attendance were Anne Charleton Stone '85, Perry Stone '82, **Margie Schwartz** and **Sally Blodgett Olsen**. In Nov. '94, she received her master's degree in art and architectural history from Tufts U. and is working at the MIT museum with the Architectural Drawings Collection. Lestra and Steve live in Cambridge, MA.

**Jocelyn Moore** teaches for the Triton Regional School District (Salisbury, MA). She coordinates the inclusion of children with severe special needs into regular classrooms. Jocelyn lives in Andover, MA, with her Irish beau of five years.

**Lisa Newman** continues with her freelance interior design business and just bought a condo on the water in Guilford, CT. Lisa speaks with **Lynne Pogmore LaBelle**, who lives in Sarasota, FL, at least once a week. Lisa corresponds with **Chris Sieminski Ramirez** and would love to hear from others!

**Kirstie Rice Fiora** saw **Athena Tsakanikas** and **Sean Peoples** in Hartford, CT, last Christmas. Kristie is selling technical training for a division of Addison-Wesley Publishers. She still volunteers as the career coordinator for the CC Club of DC.

**Donna Roberts Dione** has worked for Mystic Marinelifa Aquarium for more than five years and currently is the special programs coordinator in the Education Department. She gets to dress in sea star and squid costumes every once in a while! Donna enjoys visits with **Renee Rougeot Pease** and **Donna Spencer Pudlinski** along with their baby girls. She and her husband, Don, live on the Niantic River in Waterford, CT, and enjoy life on the bird sanctuary where they are caretakers.

**Mary-Ann Somers** is working in marketing as a brand manager at Chesebrough-Ponds (maker of health and beauty products). She reverse commutes from Manhattan to Greenwich. Mary-Ann sees **Margie Schwartz**, who is a department head (European Works of Art) at Sotheby's; **Sarah Hutter**, a freelance writer, and **Kitty Ijams**, Human Resources at Christie's. Mary-Ann reports that **Meg Felton Staunton** is traveling in Australia and New Zealand.

I received a postcard from **Athena Tsakanikas**, who was using all modes of transportation to enjoy a much needed vacation to Greece. She went though the Cydadid Islands, stopping in Mykonos for "sun and fun," Delos for sightseeing and a few others on the way.

**Deborah Vilen** keeps busy with new baby, Garrett; Elizabeth, 4, and Andrew, 2. She does, however, manage to squeeze in a few pieces of art now and then and the occasional trip to NYC to see **Christina Horzepa** and **Lynne Pogmore LaBelle**.

**(James) Bradley Wade** and his companion, Darren Coleman, traveled to Ireland last spring. They often hike and camp in the mountains of NC, where they once had a



close encounter with a hungry bear! Bradley and Darren spent a week in March with **Richard Kassel** and his wife, Debbie, in Charleston, SC, and Savannah, GA. Bradley lives in Decatur, GA, and is in nursing school.

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Correspondents: Michele M. Austin, 506 Main St., Hingham, MA 02043 and Martha Denial Kendler, 137 Westwood Ln., Middletown, CT 06457

**Born:** to **Lisa Prezioso Ultan** and Bill, Emily Sarah 3/2/95 and to **Sarah Garlick Bruns** and Matthew, Alison Catherine 9/9/95. Emily Sarah Ultan joins big brother, Matthew, 3; to **Jenifer Kahn Bakkala** and **Peter Bakkala**, Katherine Elizabeth Kahn Bakkala 10/28/95; to **Stephen Blackwell** and Aleka, Timothy 4/25/95.

The Bakkala family moved to Barrington, RI. Pete is an audit manager at Fleet Bank. Jenifer is home full time with Brian, 3, and Kate. They keep in touch with Debbie Duffy Gabinelle '86 and Greg Gabinelle '84.

**Stephen Blackwell** finished his Ph.D. in Slavic literature at Indiana U. and is now an assistant professor of Russian at the U. of Tennessee/Knoxville.

**Chris Burrell** got his master's in education from Goddard College and is the technology coordinator at a small elementary school on Martha's Vineyard. His son, Harvey, 4, loves pirates, Gene Autry and NYC. Chris, I love to see all the comics you contribute to the Connecticut College Magazine. Good to hear from you!

I heard from Rabbi **Michael Schadick**. He was ordained a reform rabbi in June '94 and earned his degree from the Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati, OH. He is now working as an assistant rabbi at the Congregation of Liberal Judaism; their congregation has 600 families. He ran into Rabbi Larry Bazer '85 at a Jewish Educators Conference at UMass. Thanks, Michael, for bringing us up to date.

The Class of '87 sends sympathy to **Virginia Vancil Wilkins**, who lost her father, Richard Vancil, on 1/10/96.

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Correspondent: Alison Edwards 2119 11th Ave. West Seattle, WA 98119

**Married:** **Scott Sawyer** to Corinne Crotty, 10/95; **Margaret Felton** to Stephen Staunton, 10/7/95.

**Scott Sawyer** and wife, Corinne, honeymooned in San Francisco and HI. "We had a wonderfully relaxing time as I recently graduated from Seton Hall School of Law and passed the Connecticut Bar. I now practice law in New London. We had a busy and great year."

**Margaret Felton Staunton** and hus-

## Creating a Human Rights Community

### LaShawn Jefferson '88

*Researcher for the Americas Human Rights Watch/Women's Rights Project*

**L**ASHAWN JEFFERSON'S eyes speak volumes. Through her interviews of women throughout the Americas, she has been a witness to human rights abuses, and she has used a keen intellect and power of persuasion to document these wrongs and search for justice.

A native of Washington D.C., Jefferson found something she needed to nurture her career at Connecticut College, but it wasn't something listed in the course catalogue.

"Conn gave you enough freedom to explore what interested you," she says, citing student activities in social causes such as SOAR (Society Organized Against Racism) and Umoja. "That freedom was encouraged and fostered." A joint major in government and English, she also acquired a skill that is essential to all she does as a writer/researcher for Human Rights Watch: the power to write in an argumentative way that will persuade people.

Following her senior year, Jefferson traveled to Spain as a Watson Fellow to study intra-cultural racism among Gypsies in a relocation camp near Madrid.

"I was interested in how they perceived themselves as a minority," says Jefferson, who drew parallels with the black community in the United States.

Her stay among the Gypsies launched a pattern of research and writing that continues through the present. After earning an M.A. at Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, D.C., Jefferson began with Human Rights Watch in 1993 as an Orville Schell Fellow. Founded in 1978, HRW is a nonprofit, nonpartisan group that works to end a broad range of human rights abuses. Its global agenda includes building a network of human rights contacts within 70 countries worldwide.

As part of a team, Jefferson immediately began conducting research and participating in missions. In 1994, she traveled to Haiti to investigate the use of rape as a tool of political repression.

"In spite of having come from the inner city, it was my first experience of irreversible poverty," she recalls. Jefferson conducted interviews of women who had been raped by soldiers or attachés; in most cases, victims were deliberately targeted in an attempt to demoralize both the women and the men in their families. To her surprise, in addition to the human rights abuses, she also discovered "a tremendous resilience and belief in change," among the Haitians. Later that year, her report, *Rape in Haiti*, was published. Her next mission examined and documented violence against street children in Columbia.

Jefferson now works exclusively with Women's Rights Project on issues of violence and discrimination against women in the Americas. Currently, she is working on a report on discrimination against women workers in northern Mexico's *maquiladoras*, factories specializing in light industries such as electronics. She recently attended the U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women in China as part of a six-member team from HRW.

Looking to the future, she describes her goals without hesitation: "To be a better women's rights advocate, and to connect more women ... to help create a human rights community." — LHB



Lisa Brownell





Lori Rubin '89 and John Burke '89 with fellow alums at their May 28, 1995 wedding. Front row, left to right Sarah Casey Forbes '91, Connie Bischof Russell '91, Stacy Sibley '89, the bride and groom, Julie Cahalane '89, Ellen Boucher '89 and Jeff Lewis '90. Back row, left to right: Charlie Forbes '90, Liam Russell '90, Bill Messer '91, Tim Harrington '96, Mike Moccia '90 and Jay Ackerman '89.

band, Stephen, shared their wedding day in Blue Hill, ME, with the following alums: Jackie Newman Eshet, Kitty Ijams, Mary Ann Somers, Robert Kovacik, Polly Altrocchi Clark, Sarah Hutter, Margi Schwartz, Maureen Conlin Rudd, Gordon Rudd and Mibs Southerland Mara. The Stauntons live in Greenwich, CT.

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Correspondents: Deb Dorman, 5305 North Carlin Springs Rd., Arlington, VA 22304 and Alexandra MacColl Buckley, 4826 Bradley Blvd., Chevy Chase, MD 20815

**Married: Lori Rubin and John Burke,** 5/28/95.

Lori Rubin and John Burke were married in Chatham, MA, in an outdoor ceremony on the ocean. Ellen Boucher and Stacy Sibley were bridesmaids, and Jay Ackerman was a groomsman. Lori and John are living in Brookline and are both working in downtown Boston. Lori is the director of



Alumni at the wedding of Sally Northrop '90 to Jeff Reichgut are, from left to right: Dan Polidoro '90, Dana McAlister '90, Jerry Olivetti '89, Jennifer Harvey Olivetti '90, Allyson Smith '90, Nancy Northrop '87, the bride and groom and Andrea Squibb '90.

public relations and special events for a homeless shelter, and John is an assistant district attorney with the Suffolk County D.A.'s office.

As of July, Elsie Vazquez had been living in NY for two years and working as a child psychotherapist for Visiting Nurse Services. She has maintained contact (mostly partying) with Nichola Minott since her return from the Peace Corps, and recently with Jonathan Smalls (party crashing) and Pam Holmes. Nichola and Elsie were anxiously awaiting the return of Liz Blood from France in Aug. Liz was completing her Ph.D. in French literature. Elsie and Nichola were spending their lazy Sundays playing Ultimate Frisbee in Brooklyn.

Michael Coffey is an assistant district attorney in Brooklyn, NY, and recently prosecuted his first homicide case. He also plays basketball each week with Chuck Olsen, Marc LaPlace '88 and Greg Long '88.

Betsy MacDonald is in her fourth year teaching high school computers at the American International School in Kuwait. "It's been a very enjoyable and educational time in Middle East, but four years is enough.

I am in the process of finding a new job somewhere else in the world — possibly Asia. Would love to hear from anyone via E-mail. My address is raja@ncc.mok.kw."

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Correspondents: Rachel Reiser, 92 Newton St., Apt. 3, Somerville, MA 02143 and Roger (Ricki) Pahl, 8200 Southwestern Blvd., Apt. 308, Dallas, TX 75206

**Married: Katie Bing** to Patrick O'shaughnessy, 6/10/95; **Jennifer Harvey** to Jerry Olivetti '89, 9/3/95; **Katherine DeWitt Cheek** to Robert Mast, 9/30/95

Hello, Class of '90! We've been very busy of late and has been great about reporting all of the news that's fit to print. We really like hearing from you guys, so keep it coming! There seem to be a number of alums living in the Boston area, including Timothy Smith, who says he lives in a "charming" one bedroom apartment in Newton and works as a tennis professional. He hopes to be in graduate school for education in a couple of years. He sees Lou Cutillo '89 for dinners in Boston every couple of months.

Katherine Cheek Mast was married in Sept. at Trinity Church in Boston, and she and her husband now live on Beacon Hill in Boston, where she is in an interior design graduate program.

Jerry Olivetti '89 and Jennifer Harvey Olivetti reside in Brookline, Mass. "I have run into Joan Brazier several times, and we keep swearing we'll get together for dinner," writes Jennifer.

Tanya Feliciano is an associate at O'Brien, Tanski, Tanze & Young in Hartford, CT, doing medical malpractice litigation, health care law, and appellate work.

Also in CT are Tobe Korsgren and Paul Haringa, who reside in West Haven. Tobe just began her new job at the Urban Forest and Education Program in NYC.

Speaking of NYC, Greer Kessel is working as an Assistant Editor at Scribner Publishers, while Lisa-Lynne Kuhn states that "after nearly five and a half years, I still find myself living in NYC working for the same Japanese firm." She is pleased to announce that in Sept. '94, she was promoted to an officer - the first female officer in the history of the firm - and she sends her best wishes to everyone.

Marc Doo-Kingue works as a tennis professional in the NYC area, spending his summers at the Green Hollow Tennis Club in East Hampton as tennis director/manager. He completed a year of M.A. studies in international trade and finance at Johns Hopkins. He would love to hear from any alumni working in sports management, as he is looking for a job in that area. Marc also wonders what happened to Iain Anderson, so anyone with news, please let us know. People who wish to get in touch with Marc (and he'd love to hear from other alums), can get his number and



address in NYC from the Alumni Office, 860-439-2300 or alumni@conncoll.edu.

Marc isn't the only one to attend Johns Hopkins. **Karen Fortuin**, is now pursuing her doctorate in international health at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene after having completed her master's of public health. She hopes to do her research in the next year in Latin America, concentrating on effective child survival programs. Her current projects are in Mexico and Bolivia.

Also in NY is **Marni Kaufman Cornick**, who is the fashion and beauty editor of Fashion Internet, a new on-line fashion magazine, which is a joint venture with the Internet development company EarthWeb.

**Katie Bing O'shaughnessy** and her new husband, Patrick, live in Indianapolis, IN, where Katie is an assistant soccer coach at Butler U. In attendance at their wedding in June were **Kim Sloper**, **Lucy McDonough**, **Hedi Dur**, **Liz Arnold Bolt** '89, **Bill Lyons** '88, and **Matt Charde** '87. **Leslie Pelton** reports that she is the director of community development for the YMCA of Philadelphia and vicinity, developing and operating programs throughout the region that serve people in need. She says it is always fun to interview prospective CC students from Philadelphia.

**Jennifer Cook** teaches Spanish and Latin to sixth, seventh and eighth grade students in Baltimore, while **Eliza Polly** is the human resources manager at a major marketing research firm in Cincinnati. Eliza "finally left the Big Apple" a year and a half ago, and is currently pursuing her master's in human resources at the U. of Cincinnati. She stays in frequent contact with **Kathleen Trainor**. She'd love to get phone calls from anyone visiting the Cincinnati area (which she loves); her number and address can be obtained from the Alumni Office, 860-439-2300.

**Dana McAllister** writes, "In Sept. '90, I accepted a position at Guinness America in Stamford, CT, in the human resources/benefits compensation area. Needless to say, I drink my fair share of Guinness products now. I attended 15 weddings in '95, many of them CC alumni!"

**Abbe Bartlett** is still living in Arlington, VA, where she's been since graduation. She is rather busy of late, finishing her master's thesis and works as a research assistant with a medical anthropologist on a project dealing with aging with a disability. She continues to row and coaches crew at a local high school, a job that she really enjoys. She recently saw **Malvina Anderson** and **Lisa Harren** '91 at their annual Christmas bash.

**Alex Stancioff** and **Lisette Stancioff Suarez** relocated to South Florida, where they enjoy the warm, tropical winter. Lisette is in law school at the U. of Miami, and Alex works in Ryder Systems corporate strategy department. Your Texas-based class correspondent is still stuck in Dallas, and continues to see **Lauren Aguiar**, another temporary-

Texan, fairly regularly, but I hope to be back in the Northeast by summer.

**Tamz Keunz** is getting a master's in museum management at Harvard.

There are also a couple of '90 alums who filled us in from the West Coast. **Juliana Perry** is now working on getting her teaching credentials and master's in bilingual education at UC/ Santa Cruz, after spending a year teaching English in Costa Rica. In June, however, she hopes to join her boyfriend in Argentina to teach and study more Spanish.

**Chip (Richard) Callahan** is working toward his Ph.D. in religious studies at UC/ Santa Barbara. This is after having received a master's degree in folk studies (folklore and folk life) from Western Kentucky U. and a master's degree in religious studies from UC/ Santa Barbara. His field of study for his Ph.D. is American religious history, with a focus on "folk" or "popular" religious expression. He plans to remain in Santa Barbara for a few more years, though he reports that he does make excursions eastward. He hopes other alums will contact him via E-mail atpholk@well.com.

Lastly, **Alicia Hesse-Cleary** sent a lot of news from Hong Kong, where she said about 40 CC alums convened in the fall. Professor Emeritus of Chinese Charles Chu brought along 20 CC friends of all ages and from all parts of the U.S. during a visit to China. The remaining 20 are alums who are living in Hong Kong and doing a variety of exciting things. Alicia started a fundraising and non-profit management consulting company with another American woman this past summer and is pleased to have a couple of clients already. She reports that **Deb Landon** moved to Hong Kong in Oct. with Thomson Financial Services from Boston. It is Deb's first time in Asia, and Alicia reports that not only is Deb having a blast traveling between Hong Kong and Singapore, but that the two of them hang out just like the old times.



**MOUNTAIN MAN.** Andrew McKnight '89, a self-described "New England folkie who got sidetracked in Appalachia," has a debut folk CD, *Traveler*, on the Falling Mountain label. Born and raised in Plainfield, Conn., McKnight now lives near the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, where he writes music drawn from many influences, including blues, country, Celtic and pop. The guitarist and tenor plans a follow-up recording this year.

We can be reached by E-mail as well as through the good ol' postal service. Just write to us at rprahl@post.cis.smu.edu or reiser@acs.bu.edu to fill us in on class news or just to chat. We're both looking forward to hearing from you!



Many alums attended the Sept. 3, 1995 wedding of Jennifer Harvey '90 and Jerry Olivetti '89. Top row, left to right: Jon Kateman '90, Dave Blair '89, Bill Marshall '89, Millie Lerner '90, Alice Berry Blair '90, Dave Torrey '88, Allyson Smith '90, Andrea Squibb '90, Peter Mohr '88, Reyna Mastro Simone '90, Geoff Philip '90, Paul Chiesa '87 and Ed Hurlay '86. Bottom row, left to right: Steve Turko '89, Marty Scasserra '90, Dana McAllister '90, Sally Northrop '90, the bride and groom and Vicky McGarry '87.





Kaida Verravas '90 and George Scaglia celebrated their Sept. 9, 1995 wedding with Becky Filene '90, Leanne Costa '90, Alice Berry Blair '90, Kerri Morrissey '90, Kathy Macol Blöse '90 Julie Crozier '90, Dave Blair '89 and Pete Bergstrom '91 (and a few camel wanna-bes!).

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**Reunion:** May 31-June 2, 1996

*Correspondents:* John Kogan, 3107 Coachman's Way, Durham, NC 27705 and Jonathan Zobel, 215 W. 108th St., Apt. 2, New York, NY 10025

Adam Gimbel will graduate this Dec. with an MBA in finance and management from Columbia Business School. Adam passes along two pieces of news: **Jim Greenleaf** was married this Oct. to Suzie Cascio '92, and **Evan Kirshenbaum** was married (also in Oct.) to Lisa Kapelus.

**Kimberley Foster** wrote us to say she has been very busy during her first year at med. school at USC but has had time to miss old friends from CC! She was delighted to hear about **Cathy Eliot's** wedding to Bill, but had to miss the Aug. wedding due to a pre-scheduled trip to AK: she supervised 24 teenagers from Oakland in a work project in the city of Sitka. Kimberley has been in touch



Jennifer Ammirati '91, assistant director of Conferences and Special Events, and Kelley Doyle '93, were married on May 20, 1995 in Harkness Chapel with many CC friends and family members in attendance.

by E-mail with **Julia Novina** in Germany. Julia has put her Georgetown law studies on hold to dance professionally in Berlin's answer to Broadway. Kimberley has lost touch with **Turiya Manheimer** and hopes she reads this message and gets in touch. Kimberley's E-mail address is: kfoster@hsc.usc.edu

**Jennifer Coolidge** is in Miami training for the Olympics as a member of the U.S. National Sailing Team. Last year, she won a silver medal in the women's single-handed class at the Pan-American Games in Argentina. She was also ranked second in the world last year for this class. In Oct., she will start a Ph.D. program at Oxford.

*Editors' note: Our apologies to Paul Mazarulli for misspelling his name in the Winter issue. Thanks, Paul, for your good humor!*

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*Correspondents:* Liz Lynch Cheney, 1 Latham St., Apt. #1, Mystic, CT 06355 and Jen Cahalane, 1070 Franklin St., Duxbury, MA 02332

**Suzanne Larson** graduated from a physician assistant program at The George Washington U. in DC. She now lives in Norwalk, CT, and works in the emergency room at Bridgeport Hospital. "Yes, it's just like the show. I love it."

**Margarita del Rosario** is getting her Ph.D. at Harvard in Romance Languages.

**Amy Cook** completed her MSW at Boston U. last spring and is heading off to Jamaica to work as a medical and community-based social worker in Montego Bay. Anyone who is going through the Caribbean or West Indies should look up Amy. She would love to show you around the islands!

On 7/23/94, Amy went to CO for the wedding of **Cheryl Jett** and Nate Clements. Cheryl recently gave birth to a baby boy, Boeing Jett Clements! We wish them all the best in marriage and parenting!

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*Correspondent:* Carrie Stevens  
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Bethesda, MD 20852

**Alysa Freeman** is in her first year at The Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, PA.

**Sharon Page** is completing her master's in special education at George Mason U. in VA while working in special education in Falls Church. She rooms with Jamie Poff '94 and sees Lee Rawles '94, Carol Giusti '94, Esther Potter '94, Sandra Carrigan '95, Ben Tyrrell '95, Meg Littlefield '95 and Derek Fisher '95, who are all doing well. "Come visit the DC crowd."

**Majja Wysong** left Atlanta in Dec. for Stamford, CT.

**Kate Dennis** has yet to leave the depths of MA, but is exploring graduate school options.

**Anne-Marie Carlow** recently returned from Morocco.

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*Correspondents:* Lee Rawles 1133 Connecticut Ave., Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20036 and Manning Weir, 4293 Hathaway Lane, Memphis, TN 38117

**Knute Gregg** is in his first year at Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College in OR. He may be reached through his E-mail address: gregg@lclark.edu.

**Doug Lampart** lives in NYC with Molly Smith '93. He recently finished a four-month run in a Greenwich Village production. He continues to pursue a theatrical career while tutoring at Marymount



Manhattan College. Doug keeps in regular contact with **Jody Alford**, **Kathy Arthur**, **Daphne Green**, **Emily Zimmerman**, **David Adams** and **John Goosman '95**.

On New Year's Eve, **Meg Littlefield**, **Neil Maniar**, **Jamie Poff**, **Esther Potter**, **Lee Rawles**, **Manning Weir**, Sharon LePage '93, Julie Granof '95, Ben Tyrrell '95 and Jon Zaff '95 rang in the new year.

**Esther Potter** received her master's degree from the George Washington U. School of Political Management in DC. She is working at Craver, Mathews, Smith and Company handling direct mail fundraising for the ACLU.

**Rachel Schwartz**, interim director of special programs in the Alumni Office, recently returned from Missoula, MT, where she saw **Jen Hollis** and **Sara Spoonheim**.

**Justine Setnik** and Mark Karmoryn '92 were married on 8/5/95. Becky Storck '95 was the maid of honor, **Sheri Nechamkin** was a bridesmaid, and Grant Walker '93 was the best man. Other CC alumni in attendance included Susan Setnik '70, Linda Herskowitz '71, Paul Anderson '92, Erica Bos '92, Darren List '92, Marc Ockert '92, Paul Whyntott '92, **Nan Lila**, **Paige Meginley**, **Deb Portnoy**, **Alix Westbrook**, Cindy Eisler '95 and Kristin Garni '95.

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Correspondents: Liz Lessman, 1304 Broadway, Apt. 2, Somerville, MA 02144 and Matt Cooney, 79 Mayo Rd., Wellesley, MA 02181

Hello to everyone, and welcome to the first Class Notes for the Class of '95! Thank you to everyone who sent back postcards telling me what they have been up to since graduation. It was great to see what diverse and interesting paths everyone has embarked upon since May. The response was amazing, so don't be surprised if your entry is in the next issue.

**Walker Adams** wrote in to say that he moved to Chicago in November and is working at Northern Trust in the Daily Valuation Department. He got to see **Andy Doben** and **Josh Levine** when they stopped by on their post-graduation car trip across the U.S.

**Kathleen Coons** is also living in Chicago. She moved there in June to pursue her acting career. In the meantime she is waiting tables, and occasionally sees **Kimberly Senior**, who is also in the area. Kimberly wrote in saying that she does a lot of thinking about theater, but is managing a coffee shop.

**Zachary Manzella** is in his first year at the Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, PA.

**Elizabeth DeSanto** is working as a research intern at the American Museum of Natural History in NYC. She is busy applying to Ph.D. programs in ecology and evolutionary biology for next year.

**Thomas Jacobsen** began an internship with the International Union for the Conservation of Nature in Mali, West Africa, in Oct.

**Jeff Klein '95** has reached a new level of maturity and responsibility as youth director at the Jewish Community Center in Baltimore, leading a fully-clothed, quiet, reserved life.

**Beth Johnson** spent the summer in an exchange program to Oxford, England, before returning to Ridgefield, CT, to teach fourth grade in public school. She keeps in touch with **Dan Towvim**, **Amiee Ganley**, **Ed Peselman**, **Dave Kranowitz** and **Kristen Perrotta**. Beth's E-mail address is 74653, 2002@compuserve.com.

**Jeff Klein** wrote: "I have reached a new level of maturity and responsibility as youth director at the Jewish Community Center in Baltimore, leading a fully-clothed, quiet, reserved life."

**Jennifer Knapp** is living in Seattle and working in a law firm while doing volunteer mediation. She lives with Mami Hussong '94. Jennifer is also showing and selling black and white photography.

**Mark Lucey** still enjoys his work as the environmental organizer at Connecticut College. He and a friend have started a national social justice activism group called Youth for Justice. Mark also has created a spoken-word compact disc with his friends. He hopes to be publishing another issue of *biophilia*, his "progressive, political 'zine," soon.

**Aaron Maines** lives in Frescati, Italy, where he teaches English and writes.

**Nigel Mendez** is living with **Lex Adams** and **Kirsten Howard** in the Boston area. He is working at Hub Data, a financial software company in Cambridge. He sees several fellow alums in the Boston area.

**Ali Mitchell** is in Somerville, outside of Boston, and is the outreach coordinator for the Massachusetts Democratic Party. She, **Molly Wilcox** and **Liz Lessmann** are sharing an apartment. Molly is working at an optical engineering company doing "computer graphics and other things that are completely unrelated to my major." Liz will begin classes in the spring at the Harvard Extension School to earn a Special Certificate of Management and Business. She is also working at Harvard in their career placement office for undergraduates. Oh, the irony.

**Elizabeth Murtha** spent the summer in Marblehead employed as a head sailing instructor. She is now in Costa Rica teaching



**Cheryl Jett '92** and **Nate Clements, U.S.A.F.**, cut the cake during their July 23, 1994 wedding.

English and perfecting her Spanish. In May, she will return to New England to teach sailing again. Elizabeth plans on entering the Peace Corps in the fall.

**Judy Musicant** has been living in Key West, FL, working for Florida's Department of Social Services. She plans on moving to Miami in the next few months.

**Caroline Tower** has an apartment and a career in Budapest, Hungary. She is working in the administration at Central European U. Even with her busy schedule, Cate managed to find time for a recent weekend trip to Vienna, just a train ride away. She sends her regards and an invitation to anyone who will be in the area. Contact the Alumni Office for Cate's address, 860-439-2300.

The Class of '95 sends sympathy to **Salvatore Sigleski** on the death of his brother, Darryl, on 12/2/95. Darryl had a heart condition and died from a heart attack while playing hockey.

Please don't hesitate to drop me a note about your lives, and let me know if you want



**Christina Ifill '92** and **Joe O'Connor** tied the knot on July 9, 1994. Fellow alums in attendance are, top row, left to right: **Geoff Anderson '90**, **Elwyn Jones '89**, **Jon Severn '90** and **Rob Weaver '91**. Middle row, left to right: **Dawn Binder '91**, **Jennifer Yeske '92**, **Jo Williams '92**, **Mary Haines Severn '89**, **Anne Althausen '92** and **Meg Sheehan '92**.



## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS



The Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the 1996 Athletic Hall of Fame award, which will be presented during Homecoming weekend. Nominations may be made by phone or mail to:

**Elizabeth Cheney '92, Alumni Office/ Becker House,  
Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT  
06320 -4196, 860-439-2307.**

to change your mailing address (You can also change your address through the Alumni Office at 860-439-2300.) Oh, by the way, my fellow correspondent, **Matt Cooney**, has been living in Budapest, Hungary, since graduation along with **Rob Yauckoes** and **Scott Hendrickson**. He was back in the states briefly, and among other things is starting one of the only American theater-comedy groups in Budapest. He is enjoying the expatriate lifestyle and plans on returning to Budapest for awhile. I figure he can be the correspondent for the years '98-2000. Take care!

## Retired Faculty

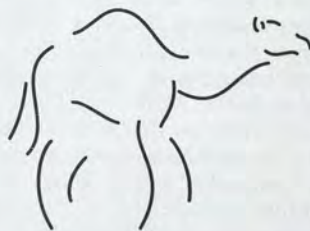
**Jane Bredeson**, secretary emeritus of the college, is busily traveling to such places as Hong Kong, Thailand, France and throughout the U.S. Active in local affairs, she is on the executive committee of the Community Foundation of Southeastern CT, on the board of the Connecticut Storytelling Center and the board of Bacon, Hinkley Homes and active at the Second Congregational Church. She frequent-

## YOUNG ALUM OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the first **Young Alum of the Year Award**, to be presented at Homecoming '96. Nominees must have:

- Graduated from Connecticut College within the last decade (classes of 1987-1995),
- Served as a volunteer for the college in various capacities,
- Shown outstanding leadership qualities, and
- Gone beyond the call of duty for Connecticut College.

Please mail nominations to Emily Strause '95, Alumni Office/Becker House, Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Ave., New London, CT 06320-4196.



ly visits children, grandchildren, relatives and friends.

E. LeRoy Knight, treasurer emeritus, and his wife Stella are delighted with life in Brunswick, Maine. As active members of the American Birding Association, they are out "birding" every day whatever the weather. This winter some rare birds have appeared such as the great grey owls and black vultures rarely seen so far north. Roy served as a member of the long-range planning commission in Topsham until moving to Brunswick, where he now serves on the High School Building Committee. He is also a track official for the NCAA at Bowdoin. He and Stella particularly enjoyed being invited last fall to visit the Connecticut College Today program.

**Jeanette Hersey**, dean emeritus of admissions, continues to work as an educational consultant. She serves as secretary and chair of the school committee for the Community Foundation of Southeastern CT, is a member and past president of the Visiting Nurses Association in Stonington; and is a consultant for the scholarship programs of several corporations in the Northeast.

## Obituaries

**Katherine Troland Floyd '21**, of Waterford, Conn., died on Jan. 14, 1996. Mrs. Floyd retired as director of publicity at Connecticut College in 1951 after 20 years. She had previously been a teacher for many years. She was predeceased by her husband, James, in 1963. Survivors include two nephews and a niece.

**Anna Buell '23**, of Hamden, Conn., died on Oct. 22, 1995. Miss Buell received her master's degree from the University of Chicago and was a social worker in Connecticut and New York. A volunteer for the New Haven Legal Assistance office, she received a certificate of recognition from *The Hartford Courant* for outstanding volunteer work in the field of community service in 1987. Survivors include a niece and several great-nieces and nephews.

**Florence Levy Cooper '25**, of Miami, Fla., died on Nov. 27, 1995. She is survived by one daughter, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Doris Barton '26**, of North Haven, Conn., died on Jan. 16, 1996. A retired bacteriologist, Miss Barton worked for the city of Bridgeport from 1935-71. She is survived by one nephew.

**Constance Clapp Kauffman '26**, of Sturgis, Mich., died on Dec. 14, 1995. Mrs. Kauffman received her master's of arts in religious education from the Hartford Seminary. Survivors include three stepsons, eight step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, the Rev. Albert Kauffman, in 1972.

**Helen Little Clark '28**, of Lakewood, N.J., died on Feb. 2, 1996.\*



**Amelia Green Fleming '29**, of Jackson Heights, N.Y., died on Nov. 23, 1995. She is survived by three daughters, including Dr. Patricia Fleming '61; three granddaughters, three grandsons and four great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Andrew.

**Louise Hill Corliss '34**, of Mandeville, La., died on Jan. 4, 1996. A retired social worker, Mrs. Corliss is survived by her husband, Clark; two sons and two daughters.

**Cait Lewis Witt '34**, of Monroe, Conn., died on Oct. 14, 1995. \*

**Mary (Polly) Spooner Hays '35**, of Westerville, Ohio, died on Oct. 6, 1995. Executive director of Big Waters Council in Alpena, Mich., Mrs. Hays later bought and managed the Cookery Nook in Rockford, Mich. A member of the American Business Women's Association, she was a volunteer tutor for the Literacy Council of Kent County, Mich. Survivors include one son, two daughters and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, John.

**Dora Jane Steinfeld Todd '35**, of Cleveland, Ohio, died on Jan. 26, 1995. Mrs. Todd studied painting at Case Western Reserve. Her portraiture and landscapes received numerous awards. She leaves behind her husband of 59 years, Arthur; two sons, two daughters and four grandchildren.

**Mary Batchelder Cogswell '42**, of Wenham, Mass., died on Aug. 16, 1995. Mrs. Cogswell is survived by four daughters and four grandchildren. She was the wife of the late Dean E. Cogswell.

**Janet LaBar Rodgers '42**, of Scranton, Pa., died on July 15, 1995. \*

**Sara Sears Slosberg '43**, of Norwich, Conn., died on Dec. 23, 1995. Mrs. Slosberg was an antiques dealer and collector and had a small shop in North Stonington village during summers in the late 1960s. Survivors include her husband of 51 years, Gurdon H. Slosberg; two sons, four grandchildren and two sisters, including Frances Sears Baratz '40.

**Barbara Wieser Charlotte '44**, of Hudson, Ohio, died on Jan. 9, 1996. Mrs. Charlotte volunteered at Akron (Ohio) General Medical Center for 25 years. During World War II, she worked as an auditor at the Cleveland office of Price Waterhouse where she met her husband, Robert. In addition to her husband, survivors include a daughter, a son and four grandchildren.

**Betty Chasnoff Koralchik '46**, of Kansas City, Mo., died on Jan. 1, 1993. \*

**Patricia Wilman Hewitt '46**, of Rock Island, Ill., died in Nov. 1992. \*

**Jean Hemmerly Berrie '47**, of Glasgow, Scotland, died on Jan. 20, 1996. Mrs. Berrie, who received a master's degree in botany from Wellesley College, is survived by two daughters and a son.

**Margaret Inglis Cornwall '47**, of Brentwood, N.H., died on Dec. 24, 1995. Mrs. Cornwall restored historic buildings and operated a clothing store for several years. She volunteered for Seacoast Hospice and the Exeter Congregational Church. Survivors

## Richard McLellan '78,

September 13, 1956 - January 1, 1996

RICHARD MCLELLAN, OF DEEP RIVER, Conn., died on Jan. 1, 1996 after a long illness. He was 39.

Mr. McLellan worked at Connecticut College from 1980-1985, serving as assistant director of admissions and director of Unity House, the Minority Cultural Center and of the Office of Volunteers for Community Service. He was also a member of the Wesleyan University administrative staff for 11 years.

An active leader in the New London and Middletown communities, he is survived by his parents, Lee McLellan of Nassau, N.Y., and Norma Jackson McLellan of Atlanta; a brother, Michael Hurt of Albany, N.Y.; and two sisters, Theresa Frazier of Schenectady, N.Y., and Marilyn Harrison of Stone Mountain, Ga.

*A memorial fund has been established in Mr. McLellan's name to assist students with educational opportunities. Contributions may be sent to: Richard L. McLellan Memorial Fund, c/o Connecticut College, Development Office, 270 Mohegan Ave., New London, Conn., 06320.*



include her husband, Harry; three daughters and two grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Mathewson Weiss '47**, of Southhampton, N.H., died on April 27, 1995. Mrs. Weiss was a volunteer for more than 25 years in the admissions office at Holy Redeemer Hospital in Meadowbrook, Pa. She earned her pilot's license when she was a grandmother and enjoyed extensive flying trips with her husband, John. She was a member of the Ninety-Nines, the International Women Pilots Organization and the Philadelphia Aviation Country Club. Besides her husband, survivors include three sons, a daughter and nine grandchildren.

**Joan Somerby Brennan '47**, of Branford, Conn., died on May 30, 1995. \*

**Susan Bergstrom Campbell '51**, of Claremont, Calif., died on Feb. 19, 1996. She is survived by two sons and six grandchildren.

**Mimi Logan MacDonald '53**, of South Egremont, Mass., died on Nov. 12, 1995. A photographer and historian, Mrs. MacDonald owned Apple Hill Designs, publishing and distributing her own postcard line. Her photographs have been seen in many magazines, including *Smithsonian*. In 1994, Mrs. MacDonald was named a Living Legend by the Southern Berkshire Chamber of Commerce. Survivors include her husband of 41 years, Angus; a son, a daughter and two granddaughters.

**Ellen Morgan Thomson '54**, of Overgaard, Ariz., died on Dec. 27, 1995. A music major while at Connecticut College, Mrs. Thompson declined an invitation to sing

professionally with Lawrence Welk in his radio and television performances. She continued to sing in church choirs throughout her life and also worked at various times as an executive secretary, teacher and bookkeeper. She is survived by her husband of 42 years, Donald; two daughters, three sons and seven grandchildren.

**Betty Urban Morrison RTC '75**, of East Lyme, Conn., died on Nov. 29, 1995. Mrs. Morrison was a historian and the first chairwoman of the Smith-Harris House Commission that restored the historic dwelling in East Lyme. She was clerk and historian of the Second Congregational Church of New London. A secretary in the psychology department at the college from 1968 until her retirement in 1975, Mrs. Morrison is survived by her husband of 50 years, Samuel, a son and two daughters.

**Popli Khalabari '87**, of London, England, died on Feb. 6, 1995. \*

**Leslie R. Leeds '95** died on Feb. 4, 1996. A native of Burlington, Conn., she was valedictorian of the Class of 1991 at Lewis S. Mills High School. She graduated *summa cum laude* from Connecticut, where she was a Winthrop Scholar and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. An accomplished artist, poet and fiction writer, Ms. Leeds was the first student allowed to do an honors thesis in both fiction and poetry. She is survived by her parents, Barry and Robin Leeds, of Burlington; and a sister, Brett Ashley Leeds, of Atlanta, Georgia.

\* Obituary unavailable at time of publication.



## Mascot makeover *Camel haute couture reaches new heights*

Spring is the time for a new wardrobe, especially when your 20-year-old camel suit (left) is looking a little the worse for wear. The new and improved camel made its debut at a CC men's hockey game last month. The project was funded by the college's Human Endowment Program, which boosts institutional pride.

**BEFORE** The limp-eared, ragged look:  
Walked a mile too far, big guy, or just retaining water?



Lose that blue eye-shadow. Too '70s.

Busted zipper. If your mother only knew!

Hide those hands if you need a manicure!

Mangy coat. Trot on down to the drugstore and invest in a bottle of Camel Sheen. It'll do wonders.

Undistinguished footwear. Now, why the guy on the right has hooves on the hind feet and paws on the front, we couldn't tell you.

**AFTER** The spunky, hip look:  
Strut your stuff on the fashion runway!



A well-toned hump will always turn heads!

Camel hair. Very in.


Ah, something new has been added — a tail, the perfect way to accessorize!



# Pop Quiz!



Have you ...

- " baked cookies for the office?
- " spent more than 48 hours with a mob of your close and distant relatives?
- " sent flowers to someone you barely know?
- " rallied pipsqueaks to the Old-Timers baseball game?
- " invited your neighborhood to a backyard barbecue?
- " fought City Hall?
- " put together an Olympic team?
- " negotiated a Mid-East peace settlement? 

In the space below, please tell us about any premeditated or **random acts of kindness** you've engaged in lately. Responses will be evaluated for creativity, not expression. Show us you've made one small step for man or one giant leap for humankind and we'll flatter you with a follow-up phone call -- and possibly, inclusion in Connecticut College's projected bestseller, **50 Ways to Love Your Neighbor**.



Respond with enthusiasm no later than May 1, 1996 to:

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**FRIDAY, MAY 31**

- Third Annual Golf Tournament  
at Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middletown, CT
- Sykes Society Luncheon for Classes 1919-1945
  - Alumni College • Cookout
- Keynote Speaker - To be announced
- Celestial Observations from the  
F.W. Olin Science Center Observatory

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1**

- Annual Alumni Parade led by  
Old Possum's Dixieland Jazz Band
- Alumni Awards and Class Gifts Presentation
- President's State of the College Address
- Picnic on the Green
- Faculty and Alumni Seminars
- Tennis Tournament
- Class Dinners & Entertainment for all the classes

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2**

- Service of Remembrance
- Heritage Society Brunch

PLUS class events, housing in the old  
dorms, van tours of the campus, sports  
activities, child care and more. Look for full  
details in the mail, in upcoming issues  
of *Connecticut College Magazine* and on the  
future Alumni Web page (coming soon!)

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**1991**

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