Connecticut College's first 70th reunion class.

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

Homecoming
Saturday, Sept. 23, 1989
All alumni invited

Annual Meeting of the Alumni
Association Saturday, Sept. 23, 8:15 A.M.

Executive Board meets Sept. 21–24.
As part of a Fulbright-Hays Studies Seminar in 1988, Florida Atlantic University Professor Heather Turner Frazer '62 traveled to 12 cities and several villages throughout India, and met more than 100 women in a wide variety of occupations. In this story she tells of her research into the changing status of India's women.
E M. Forster expressed a profound appreciation of the changelessness of India during his first visit to the subcontinent in 1912-13. He described in his diary the startling vistas of rural India and the beauty, grace and individuality of the Indian people. At the same time, he decried the isolation of the British from the people they ruled and the resulting "disharmony" in human affairs. Forster incorporated these observations gained during his first visit to India in his classic novel, *A Passage to India*.

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

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

Our formal academic program consisted of individual research projects as well as lectures and seminars given by Indian academicians and professional women on subjects ranging from "Women in Indian Mythology" to "Women in Engineering and Urban Planning." Our six-week program took us to 12 cities and several villages throughout India.

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

Visits to social welfare organizations founded and directed by women showed us educational and training programs for women and young girls who have no visible means of support. Our informal program included lots of sightseeing, home hospitality, and an all-too-brief exposure to Indian dance, literature, film, theater and religion.

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

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

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

Life is difficult for the majority of women. In rural areas, women are responsible for the home and family, and their work is often repetitive and physically demanding. They may be denied access to education and employment opportunities, and their efforts are often undervalued and underpaid. In urban areas, women may face discrimination in the workplace and face challenges in balancing work and family responsibilities.

In conclusion, while India has made significant strides in modernization and development, the current status of women reflects the contradictions of the country itself. There is much work to be done to ensure equal opportunities and rights for women in India.
Indians, but women suffer additional hardships. Life expectancy for women averages 55 years while it is 56.6 for men. The age-specific death rate for Indian females during the first four years of life is 70.2 per thousand, as contrasted with 58.3 for Indian men and 16.8 for white females in the United States. There are 933 women per thousand males, and only 25 percent of Indian women are literate as compared with 47 percent of the men. In striking contrast to these statistics is the fact that 10 percent of India's Parliament today is composed of women, while women make up only five percent of the members of the U.S. Congress.

My individual research projects in India—dowry and women's representation in Parliament—were designed to focus upon some of these striking contradictions. The population increase, the patriarchal joint family, religion, caste and village traditions help explain some of these contradictions and are all factors in the continued inequities experienced by women.

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

The Dowry Prohibition Act of 1961 and subsequent amendments outlawed the practice of dowry. However, in spite of the prohibition, the dowry system is becoming more prevalent in this country that expects all women to marry and which sees their social value in their ability to bear sons. Typical dowry might include jewelry, large sums of money, land, costly clothing, VCRs, a video tape of the wedding, automobiles, and motor scooters. There are even well-defined grades of dowry for men in different professions or trades, with officers in the Indian Administrative Service ranking above business executives, engineers and doctors. The elite serves as the role model for the rest of the populace: even rural farmers are prepared to go into debt and sell their land in order to provide adequate dowries for the marriage of their daughters. The dowry system, therefore, is a factor in the escalation of rural indebtedness.

Dowry is just one reason for parents to weep when a daughter is born. Historically, Indians have preferred sons because they are producers for the family, will perform the necessary funeral rites for fathers, look after parents in their old age, and bring brides to the home as workers. Daughters, in contrast, are not necessary for parental death ceremonies, and their marriage deprives the family of workers and caregivers for elderly parents. Dowry compounds the problem, and families begin to worry about dowry as soon as a daughter is born.
Evidence points to Indian families using amniocentesis as a tool for sex determination and then aborting female fetuses. A Times of India survey conducted in Bombay in 1985 found that of 8,000 abortions carried out following prenatal sex determination, 7,999 were of female fetuses. The sex determination test and subsequent abortion is significantly cheaper than having to provide dowry.

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

Madhu Kishwar, editor of the feminist magazine Manushi, does not see the escalation in the practice of dowry as a response to increased materialism in Indian society since independence. She argues that if the West's materialistic culture was truly responsible for dowry's excesses, one would expect to find dowry demands rampant in the West. Dowry is simply one aspect of a humiliating strategy designed to make a woman accept a subordinate position within the patriarchal family. Dowry giving, according to Kishwar, provides a public affirmation of the bride's inferior status.

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

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

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

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

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

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

In spite of the pessimistic conclusions of my research in India, I cannot wait to return. I miss the vibrant colors of the saris, the magnificent monuments and sculpture, the lushness of the coastline at Kerala, the busy activity in the Bombay train station, the beauty, and even the variety of smells. Most of all I miss the graciousness of the people and the courage and endurance of India's women.
D o elements of Russian grammar reflect the psychological relationship of Russian people to authority?" This was just one of the many intriguing questions raised in one of my Connecticut College classes by Associate Professor of Russian Studies Vladimir Papov. He, and his Russian classes, instilled in me a gnawing curiosity about the Russian language and the politics of the Soviet Union. The mystery of Russia eventually led me to such unlikely places as the Ural Mountains and the Bering Sea.

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

LIFE ABOARD A SOVIET FISHING TRAWLER

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

In the fall of '83 I was slated to fly to Moscow State University. But I was immersed in Soviet life much sooner, aboard a Soviet factory ship in the North Pacific. The same sanctions invoked by Carter to chastise the Soviets had the unintended effect of stimulating an unusual joint Soviet-American fishing business based in Seattle.

That business, Marine Resources Company, benefited from the sanction that banned Soviet fishing in U.S. waters. An opportunity was at hand for underemployed U.S. fishermen to harvest fish and sell it directly to Soviet factory ships. They, in turn, would process, freeze and deliver it to Soviet markets. This did not violate the ban because Soviet nets never hit U.S. waters. In addition, this satisfied the Soviets' desperate need for a cheap source of protein caused by the inadequacy of Soviet agriculture. The huge Soviet fleet had long since decimated fish stocks in other waters by overfishing.

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

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

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

As I spent long hours on the bridge, I began to feel quite comfortable working with the mates. During free time, we talked about life in our countries. The work had its difficulties, however. I was at sea for only 69 days, but the cramped quarters, lack of fresh vegetables (we ate garlic and onions for vitamin C), non-stop work days and tensions in the fleet made it seem like six...
months. In the beginning, the Americans complained that the Soviet factories were processing fish inefficiently. Then the Soviet captains complained about the Americans' streak of lousy fishing. The tension was less an issue of dealing with Soviets and Americans, and more an issue of dealing with fishermen who are fiercely independent, stubborn and proud. As interpreter and broker, I served as mediator for many of these problems.

FROM THE SEA TO MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

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

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

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

To get to our section, one had to pass a main gate and two internal check points. ID cards had to be shown at each point. If Soviet students were to visit foreign students, even if all of them were studying and living at the university, the visitor's passport was held until he left, and his identity along with the name of the person he visited was recorded. If the visitor was not out by curfew, someone would knock on the door. Twice during the semester, we were awakened early in the morning by militia men who demanded our papers and looked into our rooms.

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

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

After dinner, Yuri and I left to get the metro before it closed. The militia man outside stopped us and demanded Yuri's documents. (All Soviets are required to carry passports at all times.) Claiming there was an irregularity in his passport, Yuri was detained and I was told to move along. I called our dinner host, who came down immediately and told the guard that Yuri was officially invited to dinner. He demanded to know the reason for Yuri's arrest, but the guard did not answer. A few minutes later, a car arrived, and three men forced Yuri into it and then drove off.

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

I stayed in Moscow through January, 1984. Christmas is not officially celebrated; New Year's is the big winter holiday. The city had decorated the streets with lights, and huge decorative numbers hung over the avenues: 1984. At that time, George Orwell's book, 1984, was much discussed in the Western press, and the Soviets were angry with comparisons of their society to the novel. They reacted by publishing criticisms of the book in their newspapers. The parting irony was that 1984 was still a banned book.
Back in the States, there were no appealing job prospects involving Russian, so I finished my degree and reluctantly went back to sea in 1986. I spent three years in the Bering Sea, working six to eight months a year, and spent time in the Korean and Japanese fleets as well.

In 1988, I became the fleet coordinator for the nearly 50 vessels of the Soviet-American flounder venture, which runs from February to May. My respect for Soviet and American fishermen grew as I watched them battle the winter storms. The cooperation among U.S. and Soviet fishermen under trying circumstances remains an inspiring memory. For example, in order for American ships to escape the freezing spray that can cover a boat with ice and sink it, the Soviet factory ships would cut paths into the ice flows, allowing the smaller, American fishing vessels to run from the punishing swell of the open sea. In addition, Soviet mechanics and welders were often resourceful at repairing damaged U.S. fishing boats.

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

WORK AS AN "INFORMATION USA" EXHIBIT GUIDE

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

The first USIA exhibit featured American home furnishings and was inaugurated in 1959 by then Vice President Richard Nixon. While home furnishings may sound like a tame subject now, then it sparked a heated argument between Mr. Nixon and General Secretary Nikita Khrushchev, who claimed that no average American could possibly afford to own the things displayed. The argument started at the kitchen exhibit, and is remembered in the history of the Cold War as the "Kitchen Debate." The exhibit withstood the "heat in the kitchen," and USIA continued to send new exhibits to the USSR throughout the '60s and
In July, 1988, I joined "Information USA," the first exhibit to tour the USSR since the improvement in Soviet-American relations. I traveled in the Soviet Union for seven months, visiting Magnitogorsk, Leningrad and Minsk. While our exhibit theme, "Communications and Computers," was new, the exhibit format was much the same as the 1959 event. Every exhibit is accompanied by young, Russian-speaking Americans called "exhibit guides." The guides are trained to demonstrate American equipment, but often spend a great deal of time describing American life to sometimes skeptical, but always curious Soviet visitors. The contact with Americans was often cited by Soviets as the best part of the exhibit because it was a rare thing to safely meet with foreigners, especially Americans.

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

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

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

Many Soviets puzzled over why religion was still such a powerful force in America. I was often prompted to talk about Adam Smith's notion of the invisible hand in the free market, as the mechanism for allocating economic resources was hard for average Soviets to understand. It was a challenge explaining why Americans tolerate fringe groups such as the KKK and the neo-Nazis. I was passionately attacked, especially in Minsk (where the Nazis had been particularly brutal) for defending America's broad notion of the right to freedom of speech.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Faculty from four strategic planning committees led panel discussions on Friday and Saturday afternoons on topics such as "Diversity in American Life" and "Ethical Choices in the Modern World," and solicited alumni input for the college's Five Year Plan. Connecticut graduates got acquainted with President Gaudiani and her husband, David Burnett, at Friday's reception on Harris Green. Children frolicked at the Sports Camp. The Mystic Paper Beasts entertained the whole family Friday evening with an allegorical play about reunions, and the B. Willie Band played music from the '40s to the '80s Saturday night in Conn Cave. Art lovers enjoyed "Nightfeathers," the Sunday morning presentation of the works of painter Joan Ross Bloedel '64, as well as the vibrant, varied works of the late Professor Marguerite Hanson on display in Shain Library and Cummings Art Center. Nature lovers visited the Arboretum for the Friday afternoon dedication of the Lillian Dauby Gries '27 Conifer Collection, designed by landscape architect Sara Manwell Bradford '63 of Albert Vei & Associates. Those who missed the dedication had a chance to see the Arboretum on a Sunday morning tour led by Director Glenn D. Dreyer M.A. '83.

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

Block off June 1-3 on your calendar for Reunion 1990, and hope for equally wonderful weather. Who knows? Reunion '89 may have been the start of a streak!
Above: Special vests identify these class members, here at the registration desk. Left: Alumni and friends enjoy refreshments after panel discussion in Cummings Arts Center. Below: Former Executive Board President Ellen Hofheimer Betmann '66.
Alumni enjoy the annual Saturday parade, the Sykes Society luncheon, and the sunny reunion weekend.

Mary Caroline “M.G.” Jenks Sweet ’38, recipient of the Alumni Association’s highest honor, the Agnes Berkeley Leahy award.
Alumni gather in Sunday morning's downpour at the Lillian Dalby Gries '27 Conifer Collection in the Arboretum. The Collection was designed by landscape architect Sara Mannwell Bradford '63, and features a semi-circular stone wall with commemorative plaque. The Collection was dedicated on Friday of reunion weekend.
An important part of each year's reunion festivities is the presentation of class gifts to the college. At an awards ceremony following the Saturday morning parade, President Gaudioni collected a balloon from the class agent chairman or another representative of each reuniting class. The amount of the gift and the percentage of the class participating were written on the balloon. This year's presenters: (L to R) Janet Mead Szaniawski '39, Mary Alice Robertson Jennings '54, Ruth Kellogg Kent '39, Elizabeth (Bibbo) Riley Whitman '29, Olga Wester Russell '34, Daniel Hirschhorn '79, Jane Bridgwater Hewes '44, Ellen Lougee Simmons '69, Sadie Coit Benjamin '19, Mary (Mimi) Adams Bitzer '59, Alice Fletcher Freymann '49, Ellen Corroon Petersen '64, Dhuanne Schmitz Tansill '64. (Kneeling, L to R) Sheryl Edwards '84 and Paula Dzenis Healey '74.
Doris Merchant Wiener '35: Patriotic Pilgrim

BY ROSEMARY BATTLES '85

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

It's genealogy. And as a Past Governor, Elder, and Deputy Governor General of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Arizona, she's been plenty busy. Her commitment to the Society and other lineage organizations was originally fueled by her interest in uncovering her own lineage; nine of the 26 surviving passengers on the Mayflower are among her ancestors.

Now, she devotes much of her time to the club because she enjoys meeting new members, and promoting and upholding the ideals of the Society: patriotism and historical preservation.

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

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

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

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

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

Twelve generations after they landed on the shores of Plymouth, MA, the original 26 surviving Pilgrims may have produced 25 million descendants. Yet just 25,000 active members nationwide belong to the Mayflower Society, a 92-year-old institution. Although there have been many disputes over how stringent admissions policies should be, requirements seem to be standardized. What do you need to be admitted?

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

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

Doris Wiener is a Connecticut Yankee who, like the character in Mark Twain's novel, is equally at home in the present and the past, adapting to both with gusto. She doesn't yearn for the East, the home of her esteemed ancestors. During her interview she said, "Honey, if I'm going to miss the East, I'm going to miss the West!"
Commencement '89,
A Tribute to Scholarship and Style

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

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

—E.C.

Sending the Elevator Back

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

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

Louise Stevenson Andersen ’41, Former Executive Director of the Alumni Association, and Gertrude E. Noyes ’25, Dean Emeritus of the College and Professor Emeritus of English, were among the guests. Both women have scholarships named after them.

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

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

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

Many of the other donors present expressed similar sentiments. Marlis Bluman Powell ’50 and her husband, Junius, sponsor the Ernest and Annelise Bluman Scholarship because they believe scholar-ships play a role in the renewal of the quality of Connecticut’s student body. Also, having “the memory of someone who’s gone helping someone who is the future” holds special meaning for them, said Mrs. Powell.

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

—E.C.

Collecting Art for Corporations

Joan Goldman Kaplan ’64, fine arts advisor, returned to the campus on May 2 to present the program “Corporations as Collectors: A Powerful Force in a Changing Art World” in Blaustein Humanities Center.

Kaplan spoke to a group of 40 students and faculty on the impact of corporate collecting, changes in the art world, and the role of the art advisor in the past two decades. After a 25-minute talk, Kaplan showed slides of 140 works she has acquired for corporate clients. The program concluded with a lively question and answer session, and an informal dinner hosted by the art and art history departments.

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

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

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

—E.C.
Author Saul Bellow Speaks at Founding of Symposium on Writing and Moral Vision

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

Blanche McCrary Boyd, writer-in-residence and organizer of the symposium, and Herbert Klagsbrun spoke briefly at the beginning of the program about Daniel Klagsbrun’s life and the purpose of the symposium. President Claire L. Gaudiani ’66 introduced the author with a list of his works and honors. She recalled his recent statement, “People can no more do without literature than they can do without salt,” and commented that, “Mr. Bellow has brought us, his readers, the salt that seasons our imagination...the salt that flavors this evening at Connecticut College.” When Bellow reached the podium, he quipped that many doctors now advise their patients to avoid salt.

Although begun with a joke, Bellow’s hour and twenty minute talk, “A Jewish Writer in America,” examined a weighty issue — his moral consciousness as it relates to his faith. Bellow said that he had never spoken on the topic before, but his readers will find the underlying theme familiar: the problem of defining one’s humanity in modern Western civilization. Because he was born into an ancient culture, Bellow said, he was born with an identity from which he could not separate himself, and thus was spared from “the horror of an identity crisis.” Yet he, like other Jews, he said, was not immune from the sense of spiritual desolation that pervades the nihilistic West. His dilemma as a young man was deciding “how to combine being a Jew with being an American and a writer,” and how to deal with challenges that came from a fundamentally anti-Semitic literary establishment, and from Jewish thinkers as well.

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He went on to discuss the effect of attitudes about Jews and the experience of Jews in the 20th century on his own moral consciousness. He talked at length about the often blatant prejudice of Gentile writers and philosophers, the Holocaust and how it stigmatized the Jewish people as eternal victims, the warnings of Jewish writers against assimilation by nihilistic cultures, and the freedom of American Jews to create a full Jewish consciousness. At the end of his discourse, Bellow returned to his 1976 statement, concluding that he would let “the record...show what the 20th century has made of me, and what I have made of the 20th century.”

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In addition to the Nobel Prize for Literature, Mr. Bellow won three National Book Awards (for The Adventures of Augie March, Herzog and Mr. Sammler’s Planet), the International Literary Prize for Herzog, for more than a block. Klagsbrun said very little but, being closest to the man, caught flying karate kicks in the head and neck, according to The New York Times. He collapsed into a coma and died two days later.

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

—E.C.

Daniel Klagsbrun ’86

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

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

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the Pulitzer Prize, and the Croix de Chevalier des Arts et Lettres, the highest literary distinction awarded by France to foreigners. In all, he has published 10 novels, two collections of stories, and one novella. A second novella, The Bellarosa Connection, will be published this fall by Penguin Books. He has also contributed criticism and essays to leading periodicals, served as a war correspondent for Newsday during the 1967 Arab-Israeli conflict, and taught at numerous American universities. He currently serves on the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago. The next Daniel Klagsbrun Symposium on Writing and Moral Vision will be held September 20-21, 1989. Writers E.L. Doctorow and Marita Golden, and poet Carolyn Forché will talk about “The Writer As Witness.”

—E.C.

Thematic Dormitories

Increasing numbers of students are expressing an interest to live together in a residential community with a common interest and purpose different from traditional residence hall living. This fall the residential life program will include additional theme houses and a theme wing. In the 1988-89 academic year, the Student Government Association Residential Life Committee (comprised of house fellows, SGA assembly members, and students at large, and advised by the coordinator of residential life and housing) introduced a thematic housing program. Interested students submitted detailed proposals, including a house mission statement, individual statements of contributions, proposed method(s) of evaluation, house rules, and nominations for a house manager. Applicants were interviewed individually and in groups by students on the Residential Life Committee, by the coordinator of residential life, and by other administrators. Accepted proposals include a Creative Arts House in North Cottage, a Sign Language House at 130 Mohegan Avenue and a Community Opportunity Outreach League (C.O.O.L.) on Harkness first floor. Each community intends to provide an atmosphere conducive to the house theme, and to establish a living situation in which students, faculty, staff and outside community members can come together. Formal and informal gatherings and programs will range from a Collaborative Arts Montage performance to a Sunday Brunch Sign Language Group.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Nancy S. Newcomb '67—joined Citicorp's senior management policy committee in January 1988. She is a senior corporate officer and principal financial officer responsible for funding, liquidity and capital planning. She joined Citicorp, a bank holding company, 21 years ago and last served as senior executive vice president of AMBAC, its insurance subsidiary. Newcomb earned a B.A. in economics from Connecticut College and an M.A. in economics from Boston University in 1968. She has also attended Harvard Business School's Program for Management Development.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jeffey L. Idelson '86—was named assistant director of media relations for the New York Yankees on January 30, 1989. He has a B.A. in economics.
KARIN WIMBERGER '81

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

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

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

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

Karin had a love for South Asia, a passion for adventure, multiple linguistic skills, and significant broadcast journalism and filmmaking experience. In addition, she was an insightful student of international politics and had written an honors thesis with an Afghan focus. What could have been a more rewarding undertaking than her job as a location manager, translator and sound recorder for a free-lance production team in Afghanistan working for CBS News. The final product, "The Battle for Afghanistan," was aired in a CBS Special Report.

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

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

by Professor Edward Brodkin
History Department Chairman

ZELMIRA BIAGGI PINEDO

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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THE AGNES BERKELEY LEAHY ALUMNI AWARD
Nominations Sought

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

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

In 1925, after earning her master’s in psychology from Columbia University, she returned to Connecticut College to teach. She left the college in 1929 when the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., headquartered in New York, asked her to set up their national personnel department. Under her leadership, the Girl Scouts trained over 80,000 volunteer leaders and recruited 2,000 professionals.

Upon her passing, the National Staff Reporter of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. wrote, “Agnes had a rare combination of brilliant mind and staff reporter the U.S.A. wrote, “Agnes had a rare combination of brilliant mind and gracefulness. We are seeking a correspondent for your class. If you are interested, please contact the Alumni Office.”

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

The parade ended at Dana Hall for the presentation of class gifts and alumni awards. Elinor Hanken Torpey, class agent, was unable to attend (a broken hip).

Margaret Dunham Cornell took her place, carrying to the stage the balloon and the report saying that 43% of the class had contributed. President Gaudiani, who is a warm dynamic person of great charm, spoke of her plans and dreams for the future of the college.

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

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

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

Gladys Westerman Greene writes, “there is not much of interest here. Son, Steve, is restoring an old golf mill to live in. Gladys has trouble with her eyes and doesn’t drive any more.”

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

Marion Vibert Clark writes, “News is nil.” She is “finding the good old days much better than the ‘70s were when they were here.” She hoped to fly to AK in June when they were here.”

We send our sympathy to her family.

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

Robertita Btigood Wiersma, 28’s indomitable president, fund raiser and organizer, is working in A-1 form.

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

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

Eleanor (Woody) Wood Frazer writes ecstatically that she “had a new medicine and has found out that she does not have Parkinson’s—thank heavens!” Catherine (Dill) Page McNutt writes, "After Mac died every widow I know advised me to keep very busy. I did. I had to! I don’t have time to think. That is not good. Here I am so busy that I don’t have time to relax and think of past pleasures. The family is all well and prospering. The last two gradis are in college and the three great-grands are in preschool and kindergarten. My accident? Did you ever hear of anyone getting four teeth broken by a swimmer in an indoor pool? I was caught in the middle of the grandma. For two weeks one eye was shut, face black and blue. Four teeth were in need of serious repair. Dill is still mending and is mastering a Macintosh computer."

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29 REUNION
Saturday, June 3, 10 '2gers sporting class colors and corsages preserved from our 50th reunion.
joined in ... 3637 Longmeadow, Sarasota, FL 34234, 813-371-7640; or contact Susan Kolb, director of alumni programs, at 203-447-7525.

24 school friend whom she's known for 64 years. At home in CA. where she was spending three months with a high

290 Route 156.

32 Catherine Campbell Hanrahan and Raymond moved to McAuley, a retirement community in West Hartford on 10/11/88.

"We are enjoying it. There is so much to do, we are continually making choices. I am able to place piano, which I love, and am a member of the CC Club of Hartford."

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Events are usually planned for the late fall and winter months. This is a perfect time for all of you "snowbirds" to join in on the fun and become re-acquainted with Connecticut College today. For more information, please contact Ethel Failey Holt '40, (club president), 3637 Longmeadow, Sarasota, FL 34234, 813-371-7640; or contact Susan Kolb, director of alumni programs, at 203-447-7525.
celebration was held last fall. He received the International Beyond War Peace Award for his furthering of Soviet-American relations. He took a choral group of 50 to Russia again in June. 43 from Yaroslavl arrived in the spring, and 11 with his group.

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

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

The class extends sincere sympathy to the families of Isabelle Bartlett Hogue, who died 2/24/89; and Carolyn Hincks Dillman, who died 2/26/89. Also our love and sincere sympathy goes out to Cecilia Standish Richardson, whose husband died 2/28/89.

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REUNION

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

Four '19 pioneers took part in the celebration and were welcomed by President Gaudiani '66, Alumni Association President Ellen Hofstetter Bettman '66, Executive Director Kristin Stahlschmidt Lambert '69, Reunion Chairman Peter O'Connor '81, and Sykes Society Coordinator Ann Crocker Wheeler '34.

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

Classmates attending the luncheon were Lillian Bacon Hearne, Cary Bauer Bresnan; Marjorie Bishop; Marion Bogart Holtzman and George, Ruth Bronson Arc and Emil; Edith Casnareti Jacques, Ann Crocker Wheeler, Muriel Dibble Vosilus and son Howard, Elizabeth Flanders McNeilis, Eleanor Hine Kranz, Emma Howe Waddington, Alison Jacobson Vincenzi, Phyllis Johnson Dowdle, Judy Kent Nenne and her husband, January; Helen Lavietes Kronick, Lilla Linkletter Stuart, Dorothy Merrill Dorman, Edith Mitchell, Grace Nichols Rhodes, Marjorie Preniss Horsfield, Lydia Riley Davis, Gladys Russell Munroe and Lumar, Jean Stanley Dice, Jane Trace Spragg and Shirley, Elizabeth Waterman Hunter, Olga Wester Russell and Ruth Wheeler Cobb, Emily Dugie Vogel and Henry and Elizabeth (Betti) Flanders McNeilis' delightful companions joined us for the all-class dinner Friday night.

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

Lilla Linkletter Stuart, vice president; Helen Lavietes Kronick, treasurer; Olga Wester Russell, class agent chairwoman; and Andy Wheeler, correspondent and secretary.

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

We missed our absent classmates, and we vowed we would all return to our 65th in September. Note: Helen Kronick and I plan to do nothing but visit with old friends!

The class extends deepest sympathy to Lydia Alice Russell Reaske, whose husband, Harrison, died in Jan., and to Eugene Nicholas Arnold, whose wife, Minna Barret Nathan, also died in Jan. 1989.


What is the Sykes Society?

If you graduated in 1939 or earlier, you're already a member. All other alumni will automatically become members after celebrating their 30th reunion.

Established in 1980, the Sykes Society was named in honor of Frederick H. Sykes, first president of Connecticut College. It evolved because fewer and fewer alumnae in the older classes were able to return to reunion. By combining these classes into one larger group, these alumnae are able to enjoy the company of fellow "Sykesers" during a special meal and program at reunion.

"The individual class is not lost in the society, but is actually strengthened through association with its own peers of college and present days," said Ann ("Andy") Crocker Wheeler '34, the current Sykes Society Coordinator.

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

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

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

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

Arlene Goettler Stoughton and Bob left home Jan. 9th and were gone almost three months—first to the West Coast of FL; then to San Diego, CA, where they rented a condo for the month of Feb. and visited with their son, David. Other relatives from around the country also stopped in. In March they attended an Elderhostel at the U. of NM. Heading east they visited in GA; SC, NC, VA and PA; then arrived home April 5th, having traveled 9,900 miles.

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

Grace Ratbun Reed and Robert loved their trip
through the Canadian Rockies. After flying to Seattle, they then went by bus and train to Alberta and British Columbia. They even walked on a glacier and kept their balance.

Olive Tubbs Chendali, in her Christmas letter, wrote of her trip in April up the Mississippi River on the Mississippi Queen. In Aug. ’88 she explored AK, returning on the Holland-American Liner Noordam down the Norwegian coast a challenging place of great extremes and magnificent grandeur. In June ’88 a Tubbs family reunion was celebrated, Olive is on the committee planning year-long events for the 150th anniversary of the First European Congress on Psychology. After all this they returned to Cape Cod until another overseas assignment in Fukuoka, Japan in Sept.

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

Beth Mcachrath Hochoh says, "no eastern trip this year," but was glad to see everyone at reunion ’88.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hazel Davenport Buck works part time as a telephone operator for a private answering service. She and Beesie Morehouse Kellogg write and visit frequently.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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42  Margaret (Peggy) Keagy Whittimore
and Bruce live in Brewster, MA, where he
retired after a career in the ministry. Peggy spent
two years at Yale Divinity School after CC. Her
volunteer activities include church work, being part
of a hand bell choir, and the League of Women Voters.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Tequesta, FL 33469

Barry on the run, until the death of her mother last winter.
Constance Pope Williams has lived in Vero Beach,
FL, for the past 15 years, and feels "almost like a native
Florida."

On a special trip. Lennie and Harry live in Carefree, AZ, in their
dreamhouse, built in '78. They have five children: a
Ph.D., a computer consultant, a physician, an artist, and a
food consultant—all super people, Lennie says. Lennie
is a writer, having published a children's book in '84.

Lenore Tingle Howard and Harry take their 14
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Jane Clark Gibney, our president, visited
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year. She says the upcoming 50th reunion is
ever on her mind and asks that anyone with a suggestion
got in touch with Frances Sears Baratz.

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

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

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

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

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

Correspondent: Elizabeth Thompson Dodge, 55
Tequesta, FL 33469

Barry on the run, until the death of her mother last winter.
Constance Pope Williams has lived in Vero Beach,
FL, for the past 15 years, and feels "almost like a native
Florida."

On a special trip. Lennie and Harry live in Carefree, AZ, in their
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44 REUNION

The 36 class members who appeared on campus for our 45th reunion thank our reunion chairpersons, Marion Kane Wittner and Nancy Grosvenor English, for helping arrange a glorious weekend—With weather to match. Letters to each classmate with a reunion update will be published in the upcoming issue of Yankee Magazine.

Margorie Alexander Harrison's two oldest grandchildren were with her for two great weeks of a summer 1988 visit to England and Scotland. Marge keeps busy with coastal community activities and a continuing education program at Brown U.

Jeanne Jacques Kleinsmidt traveled from Philadelphia through the Panama Canal to San Diego in July. As in Japan in late 1988. Summer in Kenya, Roger had quadruple bypass surgery. They have eight grandchildren in OK, TX and KS. "I keep trying to get my chemistry brain into a parenting mode. Love it." Her other activities include golf and being a docent at museum.

Caroline Townley Von Mayrhauser welcomed a fifth granddaughter on Valentine's Day. "Richard Von, Kathy and baby Heidi are all well and happy." While we were there they had remarried and remarried and remarried. "We are off with Phyllis Miller Harley at a lovely new hotel. Phyl is "still tall, slender and glamorous, has a lovely home, and is round and round. Jack, is as much fun as ever." Phyllis Miller Harley also wrote of her delight in this meeting. Jack is doing well after his strokes and they are traveling again in a modest way.

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

Achievements:
Dean's List
Admitted to Class of `90 as a Sykes Scholar
Student Mentor for Summer

Minority Program
Financed 79% of education through scholarships, employment and loans.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Your support can make all the difference. Help to keep dreams alive with a gift to the Alumni Annual Giving Program.

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

Correspondents: Mrs. Neil Josephson (Elise Abraham), 645 Frontier, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and Mrs. George Weller (Alice Carey), 423 Clifton Blvd., East Lansing, MI 48823

45 Correspondents: Elizabeth Brown Leslie, 10 Grimes Rd., Old Greenwich, CT 06870, and Mrs. Dorsey Whittemore Jr. (Patricia Feldman), 33 Turtle Bay Dr, Branford, CT 06405

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

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Gloria Frost Hecker and Art were presented with a fourth grandchild, Virginia Anne, on 11/6/89, her 3-year-old brother’s birthday. “My daughters each have a boy and girl, which I think, is pretty smart—they don’t learn it from their parents, who had four daughters.” Second daughter, Linda, sells fax machines in Orlando and loves it. Third, Christel, is a psychologist and takes care of two babies. Fourth daughter, Susan, moved into a daring new home in Eustis, FL, making room for their expanding family. Gil loves busy with tennis, golf, bridge, Keeping up with many other activities for her church, in addition to being a “grouper” at jazz drummer husband, Art’s, “gigs.” Your correspondent is fascinated by the number of classmates who are moving to my “home” (for 17 years state) “I just hope FL doesn’t sink into the ocean.”

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

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

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

contemplating moving to OR. Sallie and Bob plan to move to The Meadows in Sarasota, FL, where Miriam (Mimi) Ward Ferkes and Marci Quinn Alano are both happily living. The Lettons and the Luzes are going to Switzerland in Sept.

The class extends sympathy to the family of Ann Barnard Wilson, who died 2/19/89. Correspondent: Mrs. Stuart Scharfenstein (Marion Keeso), 52 Dandy Dr., Cos Cob, CT 06807

40th Reunion

Our 40th reunion was a rip-roaring success with approximately 66 members in attendance. Many have been working very hard and the mood was upbeat and joyous. Friday’s cocktail party and dinner provided us with both camaraderie and a marvelous insight into what’s happening at Connecticut College today, and also a chance to greet President Claire Tideman James and hear her delightful and informative address. Needless to say, her speech gave us much food for thought, and the food itself was delicious.

Our early class meeting in Lambdin on Saturday morning was brief but fruitful, and the class of 1949’s new officers for the next five years are as follows, as presented by Elizabeth (Betty) Leshon Hahn, chair of the nominating committee: Ann W. Grayson, president; Jeanne Lowe Nixon, vice president; Greta Van Syke Whalen, treasurer; Irma Klein Schachter and Barbara Miller Smachetti, reunion co-chairpersons; Jane Broman Brown and Sylvia Joffe Garfinkle, co-coordinating secretaries; Bob Perrins, alternate correspondent; Helen J. Wettach, class agent; Lois Braun Kennedy, class secretary.

Kudos were offered to Mildie Weber Wheldon and Janny Jesvin Rivin and her husband, Dick, for their efforts and superlative job of organizing our 40th reunion; to Edith (Edie) Barnes Bernard for her tireless work in preparing our useful and attractive class book; to the alumni organization; to our Double Octet and Shwiff’s sing-along. A special thanks went to Alice Fletcher Freymann for her marvelous job as class agent. Past class officers were thanked for their efforts.

The class of ’49 is unique in many ways because especially those of us who have been the recipients of the highest honor the college can bestow, the Connecticut College Medal, given in recognition for special contributions to the college and the university. His Excellency received this honor this year, and self-efficaciously and jokingly added that it was given for “general perfection.” We certainly agree, and so do you, well deserved. Our other past honorees are Peggy Walker and her husband, Tom, for their efforts and superlative job of organizing our 40th reunion; to Edith (Edie) Barnes Bernard for her tireless work in preparing our useful and attractive class book; to the alumni organization; to our Double Octet and Shwiff’s sing-along. A special thanks went to Alice Fletcher Freymann for her marvelous job as class agent. Past class officers were thanked for their efforts.

Our early morning get-together, an alumni march accompanied by bagpipes took all past graduates and family to Dana Hall for a general meeting. President Claire Gaudiani’s rousing state of the college message followed a charming welcoming speech by Ellen Hofheimer Berrman ’66, president of the Alumni Association. President Gaudiani congratulated the class of ’19 for their 70th reunion, and told us of the newly-formed Center for International Studies and the plans for Crozier-Williams. Class gifts followed. The class of ’49 had 70% participation in the AAGP giving, totaling $64,293, while overall giving totaled $76,953—quite an achievement! Our class gift was given by a metal pressing machine at work. Daughter Betsy lives across the street and works with teenagers at the Uniting Church Family Care agency. Daughter May, her husband, John, and their son, Thomas, are also nearby. Their daughter, Son, Bill, was promoted to plant metallurgist by his gold mining employers and was sent to Perth several times in ’88. Tom’s project took Marjorie and Tom to China in April and May ’88. Marjorie’s activities include tap dancing, choir, and playing tennis. She has become an Elder in their Uniting Church which involves speaking at Bible studies, guild morning teas, and representing their Presbyterian Synod. She’s also involved in social issues, representing their church at Communicare, an agency that provides assistance to those in need, and has joined the Social Issues Fact Finding Team for the Country Women’s Association.

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and for the university reps who travel through their area.

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

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

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

Carol Raphael Stromeyer and her husband, Norman, who live in Springfield, NJ, and have a summer home in the Thousand Islands, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in Dec. '87 with a trip to Australia and Hawaii. Their only child, their granddaughter, Shana was born in July '88.

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

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

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

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

The class extends its sympathy to the family of our classmate, Frances Weinberg Kemper, for her death on 6/4/88; and to Marlis Bluman Powell, for the death of her sister, Eva Bluman Marchiowoy 5'5, on 3/12/89.

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

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Streeters, Wilma, of Menlo Park, CA, and balloonist, who returned to Deep River, CT, after spending many years teaching in U.S. military schools in Europe; and Janice Adams, who divides her time between NYC and Falmouth, MA.

Janet Weiss Donnelly and Dick live in La Jolla, CA; and Elizabeth (Betty) Sager Burlem and Bill in Sarasota, FL. The youngest, Ebby, was born to Sharon in July '88, and Mary Harrison Bergs' fifth child is in college. Jim is a consultant for three companies. Mary says everything is "up."

Mary Lackey Stowell’s daughter, Susan, married Peter Chipman and lives in Riverside, CT.

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

Ginger Dreyfus Karren lives in NY and works at Tiffany. Elizabeth McRae McKinney had a great vacation with all her children, their spouses, one son and a girlfriend, rafting the middle fork of the Salmon River in ID.

Lynne Durfee reports all is well with her. She plays in a band called "The Revelers" with Mauro Burrott.

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

Ruth Stumpel Weinish, Joyce Leeming Mayfield and Margarita Hoadley O’Connell are serving as class agents for the AAGP. Pudge and O’Keeffe are enthusiastic gardeners and enjoyed trips to FL, NY and New England. Their daughter Julie has moved to Kent Island, MD, and has a 2-year-old daughter. Daughter Peggy works in computer software in Chicago.

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

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

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

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Mary Robertson Jennings, AAGP class agent; and Lois Keating learned, class agent. We have a few extra copies of the reunion booklet; to receive one, send $6 to Lois Keating learned.

Not shown in the list above were: married children—Catherine (Cathy) Pappas McNamara and Bill’s son, Bill 9/85; grandchildren—Mildred (M Lee) Catledge Sampson’s son, Tom Daley, has a daughter, Sally, in Hawaii; and I. Lee; Marianne fisher Hess has two grandchildren, Helene Kestennman Handelmann and Bill’s daughter, Karen Simcl, had Kenay 1/89; and their other daughter, Nina, graduated from Ithaca 5/89; Sally Lane Brazen and Chot have three grandchildren; Judith (Judy) Yankauer Atmer has one; though Shoshana Traub Teicher, who left before graduation, has seven.

Susan Shafer married Robert Wolnoff in Aug. ’87 after 30 years of separation; they were wonderful school and early CC sweethearts! They live in Pelham, MA.

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

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

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

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

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

Evelyn (Ev) Connolly Meyers writes, “I sold my house in 8/88 and travel is the key word until a new house is built in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. The youngest, Ebbie, will start college and John starts LSU med school this fall. Five girls are married and two of her girls still single. We have five wonderful grandchildren, 11 months to 5—a busy babysitting routine. Come visit...
after mid '90 in FL. We couldn't get any of you to come to Baton Rouge!"
Carolyn Chapple Reed and David moved to ... is available in the Office of the Dean of the College. The campus deadline for application is Oct. 31, 1989.

and to M'Lee Catledge Sampson on her mother's death. Another is in the Navy, and a third is in a local exciting travels to the Arctic on a polar bear expedition of President Gaudiani, is a dynamic, exciting college. Cathy will begin college. Margie urges all classmates to Camps.” This fall daughter Nancy will be a sr at CC and 12/88.

The class joins me in sending condolences to Diane Jacquelyn Rose Bailey has moved again—this time to Naples, FL, in the winter. Their daughter, Vickie, recentl~ married. She sees Naomi Blickstein Pollack. Correspondence on the subject. Joyce's son Dave was taught science at the LI School of the Gifted in commuting ed. courses this past year. He teaches science at the LI School of the Gifted in Vanouver, BC, and has pursued some various health care and arts institutions, a director of a manufacturing company, and has formed a new chapter in the coastal area of CT. They have also started their own woodcrafts business. Her daughter, Diana O'Brien, has three sons; her son, Dr. Brian Vitelli, is expanding his veterinary hospital in East Haven, CT. Ann Lewis was married in NJ on 5/1/89 to Charlie Cooper. Your correspondent, Laura Elliman Patrick, was matron of honor and Sue Steadler McWain also attended. Several weeks later Ann and Charlie, Sue Steadler McWain, and Bill and Ericson's daughter, I. The Lupeki tribe is experimenting with new techniques for extraction and analysis. She was recently listed by the Ecological Society of America as one of the leading marine ecologists in the U.S. Jeanne Roche Vitelli Hickey spends a great deal of time on volunteer activities, having been elected to the board of directors of the Ethnic Historical Archives Society and the Irish-American Historical Society. She and her husband, Norman, are state directors of the National Outdoor...
Portrait of the '64, the 25th reunion class. The Class of '64 held its dinner in the Chappell and McKee Galleries of the Lyman Allyn Museum.

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Georgia Howe MacRae was promoted to vice president at Shawmut Worcester County Bank, where she has worked since '80. She is president of the Worcester Estate and Business Planning Council, founder/member of Women in Development and board member of the Worcester County Music Association. She is also a corporator of the Worcester Children's Friend Society. Correspondent: Mrs. David J. Carson (Judith Aastram), 21 Linden St., Needham, MA 02192

REUNION
47 members of the class of '59 gathered on campus to celebrate our 30th reunion, rekindle old friendships and embark on new ones. We took part in all kinds of activities from panel discussions to picnics, but the undeniable highlight came in Sunday morning Chapel when the sermon was delivered by our own Olivia (Muffy) Hallowell Huntington—talk about dynamic and inspirational! The campus is more beautiful than ever, and the town of New London looks a lot more attractive.

Judith (Judy) Karr Morse is focused largely on healing arts. She has a private massage practice and is teaching basic massage to women. Her two sons are Todd, 17, and Andrew, 14. Joan Dickinson Karter is completing her master's in remedial reading at Teachers College, Columbia, this year. Oldest daughter, Melissa, lives in NY and Cindy graduated from U/PENN in May.

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

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

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

Joyce Heald Payer’s son, Briggs, graduated from Conn in May. He will be working in a three-year management training program with AT&T near Middletown, CT. Joyce and Ray visited Emily Haugen Talbert and husband, Joe, in CA.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Draped in their red sweatshirts, the class of '64 continued to make their mark. The reunion committee held a dinner and a picnic on the lawn for the class. The picnic included food, music, and a performance by the band. The reunion ended with a gala dinner at the hotel.

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REUNION
I’m pleased to report that the 93 members of the class of '64 who attended reunion all look as good as new. We certainly did not expect that they would all be looking as good as they do. The reunion committee worked hard to ensure that the event was a success.

The reunion committee received $5000+ in donations from classmates. The donations were used to pay for the cost of the reunion. The committee also received a grant from the Alumni Association to help pay for the cost of the reunion.

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

If you did not receive the issue and would like a copy, please call us at (203) 447-7525, or drop a note to us at Alumni Magazine Office, Connecticut College, New London, Connecticut, 06320. We apologize for any inconvenience.
TV, thinking they could have watched more!

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

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

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

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

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

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

Juan Burrows Barnett is pursuing a MBA and is director, Fowler-McCracken Commission and vice president, International Management and Development Institute. She enjoys tennis, music and working with her husband in his painting business.

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

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

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

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

Margaret (Maddie) McCreary visited CC in Aug. '88 with her daughter, whose highlight seemed to be the juice machines! Maddie has taken on a law partner to become Maddie McCreary, Avon, CT.

Mary (Kate) Palme, reunion chairwoman; Norma Darragh, class agent chairman; Doris King Mathieson, treasurer. Kathleen (Kathy) McAvoy, 4/22/88; to Susan Rothwell Gurney and Laura Ault, David James 4/5/88; to Rebecca Nash Polster and David, Hannah 7/22/87; to Kae Kae, Tyler Brennan 11/5/88; to Deborah Emrich to David Andrew Neel, 4/15/89; Brenda Lindsey to Arthur E. Joseph Jr., 12/15/88; Miriam Steinberg to Richard Wolkin, 6/11/88.

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REUNION

Our 50th reunion was a great success and a positive experience for the alumni who came back. The weather was beautifully sunny and warm, with the class of '74 shone in our vivid red T-shirts, complete with college seal and highlights of 1974 printed on the back. (T-shirts may be ordered for $8 from Susan Compton Pollard, 1125 Sunrise Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15243).

Our class meeting introduced new class officers: Thomas (Tony) Sheridan, president; Katharine Powell Gurney, vice president; Lisa Philp, treasurer; Catherine (Katie) Palme, reunion chairwoman; Norma Darragh, class agent chairman; Doris King Mathieson, treasurer; and Marianne Riebel, class cor-correspondent.

A splendid class dinner was held at the St. James Inn in Mystic. There the class presented gifts of pens with thanks to Janice Curran, for an outstanding job as reunion chairwoman; Susan Compton Pollard, our class president who organized the T-shirts, and Paula Dennis Hilsen, who did an excellent job as class agent chairman.

We missed all who couldn’t attend, and hope to see you at our 50th.

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

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

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

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

Margaret Brigham-Ryan lives in Stonington, CT, with husband, Frank, and son, Patrick, 9.

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REUNION

The CC '69 reunion took place on one of those fine weekends in June when we get every kind of weather. Unfortunately, it poured during the Arborwomen Walk, but earlier the weekend was lovely for the parade and picnic. Many comments were made about the speeches given by President Gaudiani during the all-class dinner. It is certainly good for the morale of all the members of the class to see many of their classmates back on campus.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Anne Dietrich Turner; husband, Jim, and daughter, Abigail, 21, are in Australia. Anne is with the International Program at the National Wildlife Federation. She has seen Pamela McMurray Foose and Barbara Biehnus Harris.

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

Janet E. Pankratz compiled her Ph.D. in school psychology, and is now working part time. She and husband, Tom, are parents of Ian, 6, and Merritt, 4.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Elizabeth Harmon reports that daughter, Leora, is thriving as her business writing career.

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

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

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

Janet Lawler and husband, Jeff Coppage, live in Farmington, CT, with son, Andrew. 1. Janet is assistant coordinator of a children’s art program.

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

Lisa McCall Mounce lives in Seoul, Korea, with husband, Tom, and son, Dyllan. She is learning how to run a household in yet another language, and has been to Thailand, Malaysia and China.

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

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

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

Susan Rothwell Gurney is a part-time librarian at the Office of Undergraduate Athletic Administration.

Ellen Seaman, husband Ben, 19, and son, Tyler, love living in Los Angeles. Ellen is a part-time consultant for a beauty products manufacturer. She has two daughters, Yvonne Nash Polster and family in Scripps Ranch, CA.

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

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

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

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

Lindley Tidwell, editor of Queen Anne Hill in Seattle with sons, Zach, 9; and Nicky, 4.

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

Anita DeFrantz was the 1979 gold medalist in the 200 meter race walk. She still serves on the U.S. Olympic Committee Executive Board, and is the chairman of the committee’s eligibility committee. Anita is a trustee for both the U.S. Olympic Foundation and the Women’s Sports Foundation, a group dedicated to improving sports opportunities for women worldwide.

Francine Axelrad was featured in the Philadelphia Inquirer’s “Neighbors” section in Oct. ’88. The Cherry Hill, NJ native is one of the first-time solicitor and head of the new Dept. of Law in Jan. ’88.

Correspondents: Doris King Mailkis, 64 Vernon Pkwy., Mt. Vernon, NY 10552; and Marion Miller Vokey, 9710 49th Ave. NE, Seattle, WA 98115

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

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

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

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

Correspondent: Jonathan Kromer, 223 Colonial Homes Dr NW, Atlanta, GA 30309

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

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


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

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

Katharine Halsey has spent 10 years in the restaurant business. Her "Two Sisters Deli" is now located in Mystic and New London, CT. She is also busy catering for corporations located in SE CT.

She's recently traveled to India, Nepal, HI and WY.

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

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

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

Douglas Capelin lives with his wife, Beth, in NYC. Their son, Daniel, 1/26/88, lives with them. Continue on his plays but wanting to produce them as well. Lise also reports that life in the good old Southwest is quite wonderful with plenty of that American soul-searching going on.

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

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

Leigh Giovannelli Palmer recently turned full-time mom to Elizabeth (7/20/87) and Alan (6/20/89), but continues her activities as secretary on the board of directors at the Portland Yacht Club.

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

Correspondents: Marcy Connelly Gokkin, 2725 Oak Hill Dr., Allison Park, PA 15101, and Leigh Giovannelli Palmer, 42 Maine Ave., Portland, ME 04101

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

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

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

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

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

Farrar replaces Marie Parrish, who was the Class Notes Editor from March, 1985 until late August, 1989. Parrish and her husband, a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, have been transferred to Norfolk, Virginia.

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

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

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


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

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

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anyone in the Boston area to look him up.

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

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

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

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

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

Sun. morning class members were provided with continental breakfast in Larrabee living room before heading home amid promises to return to Conn in five years for our 50th!

MARRIED: Paul Mutty to Joanne Cyr, 7/30/88; Katherine Hax to Bradford Holmes, 5/20/89; Lelia (Lee) Brock to Stuart Alexander, 10/18/88; Karen Hanson to L. Curtis Nichols, 4/28/89; Denise Hadden to Elizabeth Schwartz, 10/9/88; Katherine (Kaci) Kine to Dr. Edward J. Carolan, 2/8/88; Renee Massimo to Thomas Smith, 4/9/88; Jane McKeen to Garrett Douglas, 9/18/89; Patricia Moe to Richard Andrews, 3/1/89; Paula Teurchich to Michael McGeady, 6/7/88; Martha Woodward to Jeremy K. Kube, 5/14/88.

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

Peter Margolis received his doctor of medicine degree from the Medical College of PA in May. He will practice internal medicine at RI Hospital in Providence. Jean Abdella moved to Boston last summer to open an office for General Reinsurance. Jean vacations with Mary Walsh last summer and looked forward to doing so again this year.

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

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

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

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

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

In addition, we are going to have more reasons for you to come to Connecticut College. You are going to hear about more alumni involvement in events happening at the college. There are many reasons why alumni of Connecticut College would be involved in events on campus.

Reunions are the obvious campus reconnection, with the friendships, memories, and personal evolution that they engender. But other opportunities for alumni to come back to campus — intellectual as well as nostalgic — will be coming your way. Without pre-empting any surprises for the future, let me put it this way: Watch your mail.
Caroline Shepard and Shelly Warman Santamiani. Her Sept. '88 wedding.

MARRIED: Lisa Pierce to Daniel Collins, 7/2/88; Andrea Rowe to Cornelius Cridden, 5/13/88; Sarah Aldrich to Stephen Murray, 7/30/88; Deborah Duffy to Gregg Gable, 9/4/87; Carol Newman to Shiperd Densmore, 9/16/88.

Guys in the news:

Robin Baxendale is a financial analyst in the Investment Banking Dept. at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in NY.

Nicholas Bell works with Dewe Rogerson in NY.

Daniel Benkovich lives with John Derderian in Cambridge. Dave's a project manager at a NH construction company.

Beth Block graduated from B.U. Law School in May and will begin working for Hannah Weisman this fall. She will be practicing in the firm's environmental law department.

Sally Blodgett is presently with Jackson Family Services in MI where she is doing individual psychotherapy with children and young adults.

Nina Calace-Mottola has moved on from G. Fox in Hartford to Elizabeth Arden Cosmetics in NY. She loves the NY social life and adds: "...I still love to talk!"

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The time is now!
scene in Fairfield County.
Elizabeth Wingate Ehrhorn still enjoys her work at the Employee Relocation Council in DC.
Kathryn (Katie) Flene teaches 3rd grade at the Sanborn School in Andover, MA.
Christopher Fray has kept busy while leading American tourists across the Soviet Union, spending three months on the Bering Sea as an interpreter on a Soviet fishing vessel, and working for an American fashion marketing firm which produced a series of shows in the U.S.S.R.
Rebecca Gates is heavily into the “underground music scene” in Portland, OR.
Heidi Geiges plans to move from NY to CA this fall to attend business school.
Leslie Goss helped in the successful campaign which has now afforded her father the title “Congressman” in FL. She is now unemployed and searching in the field of environmental policy.
Erik Haslun works for Hartford Steam Boiler, the “strangest little company in Hanford.”
Nicolas Dolin, who is with New York Magazine, both see Conn alums all over NY.
Jeffrey Idelson was named assistant director of Media Relations for the NY Yankees.

Julie Jacobsen teaches 5th grade in DC and is working on her master’s at GW.
Geraldine (Dina) Johnson is temporarily working in desktop publishing in the DC area while pursuing theater work.

Kevin McKeon works at the Hartford Insurance Co. and lives in West Hartford. He keeps busy after hours in local basketball and softball leagues.
Anne Resnik is a free-lance writer in NYC and a contributing editor at YM magazine, where she writes and edits articles on relationships.

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Myrna Carlson is working for the Yale U. Child Study Center on a research project for Children’s Needs Assessment in Eastern CT. Her July ’88 wedding was held in the Harkness Chapel.

Susan Breen presented her honors thesis research, “Personality Differences Between Eating-Disordered and Non-Disordered Women,” at the March ’89 meeting of the Assoc. for Women in Psychology. In Oct., ’88 she was elected honorary undergraduate fellow by the New England Psychological Association. Susan works at the Obesity and Anxiety Clinic, Cornell Medical Center, NYC.

Karen Levy works at the Northampton, MA Family Planning Council as assistant to the medical services coordinator. She and an assistant professor presented “The Media Constructs a Monstrous Monster: A Content Analysis of PMS Articles in the Popular Press” at the Oct., ’88 meeting of the Assoc. for Women in Psychology.

Correspondents: Sarah Stone, 313 Lewis Wharf, Boston, MA 02110

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Dear Fellow Alumni:

We open the new academic year with a number of summer achievements behind us. Our first Minority Summer Advancement Institutes brought 100 high school freshmen and their teachers to the campus. These students took three weeks of intensive coursework in one of the following areas: computer science, coastal marine biology, a chemical demonstration workshop, religion as a social force, and music and perception. Each Institute was taught jointly by Connecticut College professors and teachers from the students' own schools. Connecticut College students lived in the dorms as mentor-counselors. We welcomed back many alumni as well, as speakers and mentors. Following their experience this summer, these freshmen will return to the college for reunion workshops during the year, and will keep in touch with their mentors. The Institutes have received publicity on television, radio, in the *Christian Science Monitor*, *The New York Times*, *The Day* (New London, CT paper), and several other publications.

Summer also saw the continuation of the strategic planning process. In June, a drafting team of faculty, students, and administrators read the 12 planning team reports, designed the structure of the strategic plan, and pushed, pulled, cut and pasted the team reports to create a first draft of the college's Five-Year Plan for the next stage of excellence. The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed this draft in July.

In August, students, faculty and staff read the draft and offered suggestions before the production of the second draft, planned for September 17, 1989. Sonia Claus Gleason '85 has worked all summer as planning assistant. While it is too early to offer a detailed summary of the plan, it will call for a redesign of our general education requirements, and will expand our honors program, as well as strengthen faculty-student interaction outside of class. I'll write more on the Five-Year Plan in my next letter.

During the past year I reached the conclusion that our current students would benefit from more direct contact with alumni. The Alumni Association Executive Board agrees, and will set up the new Distinguished Alumni Speakers Forum this fall. Under the current plan, an alumnus will spend half a day on campus, speak to classes, make formal presentations on a topic, and then have dinner with the students and faculty.

Homecoming will offer another chance to honor alumni. On September 23 we will dedicate the Connecticut College Athletic Hall of Fame to recognize alumni who have achieved distinction as athletes. Alumni Association President Helen Reynolds '68 will host this event. Each year other alumni will be considered for election to the Athletic Hall of Fame.

I will be on the road again this year and look forward to seeing many of you in person around the country.

Cordially,

Dr. Claire Gaudiani '66
President
Snapshots of the Soviet Union.
Feature story on page 6.