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**Needed: A language of aspiration**

"Out of the experience of an extraordinary human disaster that lasted too, too long must be born a society of which all humanity will be proud."

That could be a reference to Bosnia, or Rwanda, or New Haven. In fact, it is the language of Nelson Mandela's inaugural.

He speaks a rhetoric of aspiration, that we do not hear these days as leaders struggle with polls about what they should and should not say. Today's young people hear equivocation and experience futility. As a result, from fractured urban homes to elite campuses, they tell us repeatedly that their future is hopeless.

We have done these young people a terrible disservice. First, we apparently changed the goal of education. It is no longer to develop knowledge and skills for a lifetime, or even to get trained for a job. Now it is to get trained for a job that pays more than your parents earn. Then we decided that for this generation, for the first time in American history, this goal will not be attainable.

No wonder young people speak a language of futility.

The parents and grandparents of this generation were raised on a culture of aspiration. Out of the depths of a depression and a dramatic two-theater world war, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill spoke with force, imagination and confidence. We heard John and Robert Kennedy and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. espouse the idealism of justice, pursue voter registration and begin to make civil rights a reality: "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." "I have a dream."

Today's young people hear no such language from our leaders. In the cities, the African-American preachers who used to frame a rhetoric of aspiration are less heard than the empty boasting of gangsta rap. We have told our children what is not possible rather than what is. We have chosen to predict a future based on analysis rather than to imagine one based on principles and values.

The culprits are all of us over 30. It would be easy to blame the press, which takes a podiatrist's view of leaders, focusing only on their feet of clay. We could blame politicians who consistently put personal agendas and party dominance ahead of national needs. We could blame schools that no longer teach values, or religious leaders who have lost personal values or who confine morality to sexual ethics and then are cited for sexual abuses. It would be easy to blame busy mothers who do not read enough bedtime stories or fathers who do not help mothers enough. But in fact, as a society, we are all at fault.

We must begin to imagine a future despite the odds. Unless we do, will have lost our best allies in the struggle that faces us: our children. We could begin by proclaiming the progress human beings have achieved over the past 500 years. During this time, people have come to an international consensus that torture is morally wrong, that genocide is never excusable, that the wanton destruction of noncombatants is unacceptable, even in the most difficult war.

We have evolved a concept of international human rights. This moral accord does not mean that heinous abuses do not continue. It does mean that regardless of culture and national context, major segments of the world's population can agree on a set of basic values.

As we develop such ideas, we will engage our young people in a discourse of aspiration that will help them envision, with us, a better world with different goals, perhaps focused less on materialism and self-indulgence and more, as earlier generations were, on life in community.

We should not forget that the culture of materialism and violence that confronts young people is a relatively recent obsession in America. It can become short-lived if we decide its force among us is pernicious.

Claire L. Gaudiani '66
President of the College
Symposium: How far should CC go in becoming a model civil society?

In the January/February issue we published “Toward a Civil Society in a Global Community,” President Gaudiani’s vision of the duty of liberal arts education in a post-Cold War world and of Connecticut College’s ability to make a distinctive contribution. It was a work-in-progress, Gaudiani made clear, and she welcomed reactions. She got a spirited response, as the following indicate. — Eds.

The [Jan./Feb.] President’s Page was inspiring and deserves wider distribution and discussion. Gaudiani’s vision rang true for many reasons.

First, as a CC graduate who has devoted her professional life to issues of poverty and urban decline, I see every day the growing disparities between people in this society who have money, jobs and an education and those who do not. I also see a rise in people’s inability to understand and appreciate one another, something that in its extreme form, gives rise to violence. The more CC can help its students understand the underlying interdependence among seemingly diverse and disparate individuals and groups, the better our society will be.

I had the opportunity to work in West Africa for a summer between my junior and senior years, and it had a profound effect on my understanding of myself and my country. I also worked in a public housing development in New London, which, too, formed my values and future direction. Last year my oldest son left college for a year to teach in Black townships in South Africa. He will never be the same after seeing such poverty and realizing the importance of an educational system that works for all.

While I support the president’s goals, I would caution that they be used as a framework rather than as rigid requirements. The college should provide students and faculty with the opportunities to work and study abroad or in inner-city or rural areas. At the same time, the college should continue to nurture diversity of thought and action.

Elizabeth Brereton Smith ’69
Newtonville, Mass.

This letter was originally submitted to the student newspaper The College Voice by 12 students who had a dinner with President Gaudiani to discuss a version of her article that was distributed on campus.

As a group of students we are frustrated. We are not frustrated that this world is full of hatred, greed and destruction. We are frustrated because we feel we can affect no immediate change on these problems — they seem too large to tackle. Yet the problems mounting around us are ones that will destroy us unless universal solidarity is achieved. How do we increase communication between different races, genders, classes, ethnicities and other identities?

Attacking these problems on a global scale is an overwhelming and impossible task. What we can do is address the problems on a local scale and make our contribution to the larger solution. It will take many small-group efforts to chip at the gross problems that frustrate and anger us. As members of a community — a small college community — we must evaluate those societal maladies that encroach on our small, isolated world here on the farm. What aspects of Connecticut College need to be improved, and more important, what are we willing to do to bring about these changes?

Perhaps classes should be more nurturing of diverse learning styles. Lecture classes and traditional linear learning are certainly not entirely effective in many cases. Perhaps dormmates do not respect rights to quiet and privacy. Perhaps racial and gender discrimination is far from remedied on campus. Awareness, understanding and equity are attainable.

It is all in our hands. We have, here at Connecticut College, all the tools and resources we need to create the optimum learning and social environment.

Our school is unique in that it is based on an Honor Code that permeates every aspect of our lives and gives us the privileges and responsibilities of being held accountable for our own actions and the actions of those around us. Not only are we given trust and respect to conduct ourselves in accordance with shared philosophy, we are also given administrative power, and our small size allows us to see and feel the impact of our actions, and to know that we can, and do, make a difference.

We as students are given a voice in every facet of campus life, and we are surrounded by opportunities to use this voice to further our own personal growth. The Office of Volunteers for Community Service, for example, enables us to learn through personal interaction with people of all ages, ethnicities and abilities, and, at the same time, to give back to the community in which we live.

It is possible to live at this college for four years and never realize or take advantage of the resources we have at our fingertips. We have a key role. With all of our privileges and opportunities, we have the tools to shape our college community into a voice and a model that will help determine the future of the global community.

We can first use this voice to shape the future of Connecticut College. Our greatest tool for change is to come together and form a unified voice. We must envision necessary changes and then use our voices, hearts and hands to make these changes happen.

As the world becomes attuned to the negative global impact that our current lifestyles have on the environment, we, as a student body, must respond by educating ourselves. We can work to create an environmental model at Connecticut College in which we are aware of our impact on the environment and live in a responsible way. As privileged individuals, this awareness extends to our impact on other human beings. With heightened exposure, we can begin to understand other cultures, classes, genders and other ways of perceiving the world. This all begins with us taking our education into
our own hands. Only once when we all become active participants in shaping the learning process can we begin to truly own our education.

We have everything we need. We are in a supportive, fostering environment—one which encourages and thrives on change. We are surrounded by opportunities to bring these changes to life. No one is going to make these changes for us. It is up to us to use each of our individual voices to speak out for what we believe in. We are in a position to shape our future and take part in a global transformation.

Erin Corcoran ‘95, Peter Drum ‘96, Peter Esselman ‘94, Bruce Hereforth ‘95, Emily Hoffhine ‘97, Tom Jacobsen ‘95, Brooke Loder ‘95, Mark Lucey ‘95, Martin Lund ‘96, Heather Montgomery ‘95, Goldie Weixel ‘97, Seth Wilkinson ‘96

Many concerned alumni have watched for years as “bold” five-year plans and major structural changes have taken place at CC. However, President Gaudiani’s frightening rhetoric in the Jan./Feb. 1994 issue may indicate that the worst is yet to come.

Gaudiani’s version of doublespeak, implemented while I was a student, has been enlarged to include “civility” and “civil society.” Her strange reDefinitions of these terms reveal only how ignorant she is of their meaning. Her facile and gnostic view of faith strengthens my conviction that she should spend a little more time investigating her own tradition before she sets about “innovating” it. For example, Gaudiani seems to argue that CC’s nondenominational tradition makes it a “model of a civil society”; perhaps she should observe the United Kingdom, the archetypal civil society which nevertheless maintains a national religion.

One other major gaffe: a few months ago Gaudiani attributed “habits of the heart” to the sociologist Robert Bellah. Bellah indeed used the phrase...after citing the original author, Alexis de Tocqueville.

No one can doubt that as information technologies advance, international travel increases and economic interests become more and more multi-national we will need to adapt to a changing international milieu. But I would suggest to the president, alumni and students that we need to reflect on what it means to have a liberal education before we turn the CC experience into a smattering of foreign cultures augmented by specialized technical training. For one thing, students will learn the necessary technical skills at their first job, if they haven’t already. Second, large universities are better equipped and funded to train students in this manner. Most important, I shudder to think of our college adopting a new surname: Connecticut College A&T.

Peter R. Brooks ‘90
Charlottesville, Virginia

In a world of wrenching change, Connecticut College is blessed with a president with both vision and courage.

The telecommunications highway with its global reach, the demographic factors which may alter the make-up of our student body, and the need to contain costs present a huge challenge. We must find out what is coming and how to meet it, what to keep and what to change — in today’s lingo, we must “stay ahead of the curve.”

President Gaudiani’s plan is to preserve the intellectual commitment to the liberal arts we alumni all know and revere, and to expand the moral (Honor Code) and social (volunteerism) efforts that distinguish our college. Connecticut College really can become “a model of a civil society in a global community.” Our country could use hundreds more examples like it!

This is daring and exciting. I know well the quality of the college’s alumni. They will understand and support this initiative with gusto.

And while I’m at it, congratulations from an old editor for a truly smashing magazine.

Eleanor Hine Kranz ‘34
Martha’s Vineyard, Mass.

Consensual relationships

Working for the last six years to end violence against women, I have come to understand that sexual violence is not about sex but about the misuse and abuse of power through sexual relationships. As a society we have been forced to legislate legal definitions for inappropriate sexual relations as a result of the rampant misuse of power in relationships (“Advising and Consent,” Jan./Feb. 1994). Clearly nonconsensual relations are illegal, but I am specifically addressing the prohibition of some “consensual” sexual relationships. We have sexual assault laws that protect minors, people with disabilities and others for whom consent is not possible. The Connecticut General Assembly recently passed a law (PA 93-340) prohibiting sexual relations between psychotherapists and their clients regardless of consent, recognizing the inherent power difference between client and counselor...Similarly, there is an inherent power difference between faculty and staff of an institution and its students regardless of supervisory role.

Most sexual harassment policies for institutions of higher education include a section discouraging, if not prohibiting, sexual relations between faculty, staff and students to protect students from potentially abusive relationships, and protecting the faculty, staff and institution from legal liability.

Connecticut College’s Sexual and Racial Harassment Policy should also include such a section.

Regardless of legislation or policy prohibiting sexual relations between faculty, staff and students, I strongly believe that there should be no sexual relations between these groups. Even with the best of intentions, there is too much room for conflict and legal liability. I urge the faculty and staff of Connecticut College to recognize your inherent power over students and abstain from sexual relations with students.

Sarah G. Wilson ‘89
Hartford, Connecticut
More on hatred
Elie Wiesel understood it. Benigno Aquino understood it. So did Rodney King and Reginald Denny. They knew and understood what it meant to be a victim.

Baruch Goldstein did not understand it. Nancy Kerrigan understood it for a while, but at the critical moment she blew it because she forgot her special role.

Goldstein could hardly be perceived as a victim in the sense that Elie Wiesel is an authentic victim of the Holocaust. He was a victim by association and identification with the sufferings of his forebears and friends. His anger and outrage were justified, but his method was not. He rode the tiger and ended up inside.

Wiesel’s family perished in Auschwitz, and he himself survived Buchenwald. Yet he did not seek revenge. He sought an end to violence and hatred. He asked for forgiveness for those who committed the unspeakable crimes against his family and people.

Benigno Aquino languished and almost died in jail as a political prisoner during Marcos’ martial-law regime. Yet the experience did not leave him embittered. He did not seek revenge for his tormentors. Instead, he sought reconciliation with Marcos for the sake of his country.

On his way home from exile in the United States, he planned a meeting with Marcos to persuade him to relinquish his dictatorship and prepare for a transition to democracy in the Philippines. He was assassinated when he landed in Manila. He remained a true victim to very end. He paid the ultimate price.

Rodney King asked for calm and an end to violence after he was beaten by persons in authority. “We’re all in this,” he pleaded. Can’t we get along? Can’t we get along?”

Reginald Denny forgave his attackers, who almost killed him. He, too, understood what it meant to be a victim. He tried to make sense out of it.

It behooves the victim to remain humble and gracious — to remain a victim in the eyes of the world. If the victim unduly seeks revenge, two eyes for an eye, or she loses his or her moral high ground. The victim is then perceived as the victimizer, the aggrieved party as the aggressor. The victim should seek justice and fairness, not revenge — and let God do the rest.

In the speech he delivered at CC’s conference, Jew Hatred: A Paradigm for Racism?, Wiesel said, “Hatred is distorting. Hatred breeds a kind of superiority on the part of the hater who thinks he or she has the right to determine the nature of humanity. In the former Yugoslavia, the problem is that people remember. If they could forget what one group did to the other 500 years ago, it might be possible to bring them together.”

If the Jews could forget that they are Jews, and the Arabs that they are Arabs, and only remember that they are human beings, then the trouble in that part of the world would probably be nearer solution. Which brings us back to Rodney King’s haunting words: “Can’t we get along? Can’t we get along?”

The answer lies with each one of us, victim as well as victimizer.

Virgilio I. Gonzales ’93
Danbury, Connecticut

I am proud that my college was the convener in November of an international conference to promote understanding and combat hate. I salute my college for promoting good works for the benefit of all peoples. I appreciate my college for having the grace to select faculty not only widely educated, but also of magnanimous temperament. And I thank my college for honoring and publicizing faculty efforts and accomplishments.

Elise Abrahams Josephson ’44
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Where the boys are?

While President Gaudiani promotes gender equity in The New York Times, Connecticut College Magazine apparently feels no pressure to do likewise. The proportion of male students must have truly skyrocketed since I graduated. How else can one explain that of the 14 photographs of students contained in your article “A Day in the Life of the Mind” (Sept./Oct. 1993) a mere three had female students as the primary focus. How disappointing, especially given Connecticut College’s long history of education for women.

Sara Koritz ’79
Buffalo, New York

It is true that the number of men pictured in “A Day in the Life” was not a true representation of the college student population (it
following the murder of the democratically elected president [Allende] and the murder of several thousand supporters of the lawful government, Pinochet and his henchmen murdered, over a period of years, thousands of progressives, liberals, teachers, democrats, students and trade unionists.

I hope you will follow up that mal-odorous article with another to provide a little balance: an educational account of the role of Henry Kissinger and Richard Nixon, who schemed with Pinochet to achieve the brutal destruction of the oldest functioning constitutional democracy in the Americas.

Sara Bard Brasket '71
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Thank you for raising some important issues. Matt Leavenworth '94 gave a frank account of his encounter with Pinochet, a man many regard as a brutal dictator. He also described the hero's welcome Pinochet was given, a scene that was no less ironic to some observers of history.

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Ann M. Savos '54
Storrs, Connecticut

Fascists from the field

I am appalled at the political article by Matthew Leavenworth ("Notes from the Field," March/April 1994), in which, among other details, Leavenworth describes his enthusiastic and successful effort to shake hands with the fascist dictator of Chile, Pinochet. It is shameful that someone educated at Connecticut College should exhibit what is, at the very least, sociopolitical ignorance of epic proportions. It is even more shameful that your magazine should print such blatant, outright fascist apologistics.

Pinochet belongs to the same exclusive club of bloody fascists as Benito Mussolini, Adolf Hitler, and Francisco Franco; Pinochet had a career which most resembled that of Franco. Pinochet, like Franco, lacked majority support among his countrymen, and so he seized power in a military coup.

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Kind words

The Jan./Feb. issue of CC Magazine was spectacular in every way. The willingness to take on tough issues (racism, and faculty/student relations) is the mark of a confident school.

Jeff Lesser
São Paulo, Brazil

The author is a member of CC's history department and is away on sabbatical. — Eds.

I appreciated so much your Jan./Feb. issue. I am age 82 now and am proud of my college's progress.

Dorothy S. Tuten '34
Orange City, Florida

Corrections to Arboretum Annual Report

The following people were inadvertently left off the list of donors printed in the Connecticut College Arboretum annual report:

Nancy J. Kataja '71
Caroline Leedoer '89
Andrew Rodwin
Helen L. Rowe-Drake '74
Sasha Mooney '86
Adele Gravits-Harper
Nancy Harvey '87
Kathleen M. Feeney '93
Elizabeth V. Dodge '83

This end up

Due to an error in CC Magazine's electronic pre-press, both of the paintings in the March/April "Portfolio" by Elizabeth McGuire Enders '62 were printed incorrectly. This is the correct orientation. The editors regret the error.

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Arson, racist graffiti unnerve campus  Community declares, “Hate cannot destroy hope”

**News**

Stepped-up security, a march against hate and the hard-to-forget smell of extinguished fires in college buildings were not exactly the kind of rites of spring people had in mind for second semester.

Six fires, small and localized, but all the work of an arsonist, and two incidents of racist graffiti frazzled nerves, angered members of the college community, propelled the tranquil hilltop into the local media spotlight and mobilized community responses.

A task force of state and local fire officials and the New London Police Department, conducting an investigation into the fires, have interviewed over 100 college community members.

According to William Peabody, director of physical plant, the fires caused about $57,000 in damage to the recently renovated College Center at Crozier Williams, Blaustein Humanities Center and Larrabee dormitory. Water from sprinkler systems and fire hoses caused most of the damage, all of which was covered by insurance. No injuries were reported in conjunction with the fires.

Two weeks after the sixth fire, someone scrawled the message “Burn Those Niggers” on an exterior wall of the College Center. The next day “Niggers Here 666” was found on a wall in the living room of Park House, a student residence.

“All these incidents seem designed to de-stabilize our sense of security,” wrote President Gaudiani in an open letter to the campus immediately following the discovery of the hate graffiti.

In response, over 300 people rallied and marched through campus in a show of unity. Students posted Maya Angelou’s poem “And Still I Rise” throughout campus and hung a banner inside the College Center that read “Hate Cannot Destroy Hope” on which many signed their names and wrote messages condemning racism and encouraging unity.

A well-attended series of “town meetings” with President Gaudiani drew concerned and frightened students, staff and faculty to discuss the fires and graffiti. Said Student Government Association President-Elect Marina Yoders ’95, “It’s been an inconvenience and at the height of it all, it really threatened people’s sense of security.”

Dean of the College Robert Hampton warned in a recent interview that it is not wise to assume that the Connecticut College campus is safe from the dangers of the world at large. “Most of us like to believe that when we’re on the hill there are no problems, that students, staff and anyone connected with the college are all okay. The reality is, some folks in the world aren’t necessarily okay, and I think we’re finally beginning to realize that.”

Following the first four fires, which all erupted in the College Center and Larrabee dorm within minutes of each other on February 22, Campus Safety stepped up patrols and began locking academic buildings after classes each day. But student alarm and vigilance quickly faded. “I think initially the attitude was, “This is inconvenience, some jerk is doing something, and I wish the person would go away and grow up,” said Hampton.

Two weeks later the campus was back on alert when a fifth fire damaged the Alice Johnson Room in the College Center. The sixth fire broke out in a second-floor classroom of Blaustein on April 25.

While a few security measures were kept secret so as not to jeopardize the investigation, it was impossible to miss others. At Shain Library, members of the college community and visitors alike were required to show identification and sign in and out. By 8 p.m. Campus Safety closed all campus entrances except the main driveway. And at Blaustein only two entrances remained unlocked during the day.

The precautions left some students feeling inconvenienced. “I’m the type of person who can’t work in her room because there are too many distractions,” said sophomore Susan Potter. “Now that they’ve closed the all-night study room in the library and the Chapel Library there’s nowhere to go. It’s frustrating.”

In addition to tightening security, President Gaudiani sent a letter to parents describing the incidents and the resulting precautions, including a toll-free information line for concerned parents. After the sixth fire, the college and its insurance company offered a $22,500 reward for information received by May 2 leading to the arrest and conviction of the arsonist.

Since the first week of May no additional fires or incidents of hate graffiti have been reported.

— Austin Jenkins ’95
Two for the road  Graduating seniors get national awards for activism, post-graduate study

Suzanne Dutton '95, chair of the college’s Campus Action for Social Equality and Justice (CASE-J), was chosen as one of only five Michael Schwerner Student Activist Award recipients in the U.S. by the Malibu, California-based Gleitsman Foundation.

Nurtured by her parents on activism for people’s rights, justice and equality, Dutton began her freshmen year at Connecticut College in the wake of the Los Angeles riots spurred by the Rodney King verdict. She quickly became a leader in the newly formed CASE-J, which reacted to the rioting with a march against racism and a subsequent teach-in that attracted roughly 200 students, faculty and local politicians.

Since that time, the psychology major has led the student group in activities designed to heighten awareness of racism and discrimination. Her approach is intergenerational, and the group’s undertakings have ranged from community voter registration to an arts-for-social-equality day. The group works closely with the college’s Affirmative Action Committee and has helped the college recruit professors and students of color. CASE-J also has helped add to the student catalog a key to those courses that address issues of diversity in race, culture, religion and sexual orientation.

Dutton traveled to Washington, D.C. in May to accept the honor during a press conference and luncheon. The award is named for Michael Schwerner, one of three white men killed nearly 30 years ago while working to register southern blacks for the vote. — LAG

Sarah Beers '94 says she let out a whoop when, just a few days before spring break she received word that she had been awarded a $15,000 Thomas J. Watson Fellowship. She will spend six months as a production apprentice to the Royal Opera Company of London, followed by another six months of manufacturing marionettes with the Swiss firm Marionette de Geneve.

Beers, an exceptionally self-assured senior, is wise to the benefits of grant-seeking. She spent the spring semester of her junior year in New York City in an off-Broadway internship attained through the Great Lakes College Association/New York Arts Program, an affiliate of the college staffed by professionals who pursue "real" arts jobs while also serving as mentors and faculty in the program's seminar series.

Through this internship Beers made the contacts that would ultimately land her a position with the Royal Opera Company. She arranged her tour at the Geneva-based marionette factory through the Atlanta Center for Puppetry Arts. She will prepare by taking a concentrated French language course this summer.

The Watson Fellowship program was inaugurated in 1968 to enable college graduates to immerse themselves in a foreign culture for a year. Fellows are selected for their integrity, strong ethical character, intelligence, capacity for vision and leadership, and potential for humane and effective participation in the world community.

Beers’ post-Watson plans are up in the air. She hopes the fellowship will provide contacts in the industry and is considering pursuing classical costume-making with an opera company. Then again, she might decide to concentrate on marionettes, perhaps combining production with teaching. Never performing, though, “I definitely get stage fright, she says.”

— LAG

Even cowgirls get Watsons: Costumer Sarah Beers ’94 in one of her creations.
The verdict is in  Government students scoop the U.S. Supreme Court

"Oyel! Oyel! Oyel!" So opened, in standard ceremony, oral arguments in Kiryas Joel v. Grumet, as presented before the Connecticut College Supreme Court on May 5, 1994.

In what is believed to be an unprecedented academic event, nine Connecticut College government majors were given the opportunity to rule on the current case, having extensively studied it and the complexities of constitutional law, and having attended the attorneys' oral arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court March 30, then hearing these same attorneys re-argue the case before their own "court."

In an eight-to-one decision handed down May 16, the Connecticut College Court ruled unconstitutional a New York public school district created exclusively to serve Hasidic Jews.

The ruling strikes down the Kiryas Joel School District, established in 1989 by the New York state legislature to settle years of turmoil between a group of Hasidic Jews and the community around Monroe, N.Y. The court held that the legislature had breached the constitutional boundary between church and state when it established the special district requested by the Jews of the Satmar sect, who sought public education for their handicapped children but who wanted to shelter them at the same time from the "outside world." At issue is whether the school, serving an exclusively Hasidic community, can be administered in a secular manner.

Writing for the majority, Chief Justice Jonathan Finnimore said that creation of the school district violated the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment because it had no overriding secular purpose — that the school was established to prevent students from having to sacrifice their religious traditions in order to receive state-sponsored services for handicapped students — and because it advanced the religion of a specific community and created "excessive entanglement" between the state and an exclusively religious community.

The ruling upholds the decisions of the New York Supreme Court, the Appellate Division and the New York Court of Appeals. Individual taxpayers and members of the New York State School Boards Association had challenged the establishment of the Kiryas Joel Village School District.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice Chad Marlow reasoned that the school district is not constitutionally invalid because it was created for a legally-established secular village, the religious composition of which is irrelevant.

"This was the most satisfying teaching experience in my 25 years at the college," — Professor Wayne Swanson

The hearing was conducted in true Court procedure and endured one hour, the standard time allocated for virtually all oral arguments. As Professor Wayne Swanson, who initiated and led the seminar, explained, "in theory, oral argument is the time for the attorneys to make their case. In fact, it is an opportunity for the justices to raise questions about the case as presented in the briefs. It turns out to be more a dialog between the justices and the attorneys than a presentation."

Throughout the hearing, the justices raised a broad range of issues: Does this situation parallel or not parallel public schools throughout the country that are dominated by a singular religious group, for example the Presbyterians of Kentucky and the Mormons of Utah?; Was the school created to segregate children religiously, or was it created to prevent the trauma they might experience by carrying out their traditional religious practices among non-Hasidic children?; If we are to religiously classify the group, could we also look at it the same way we look at race- or gender-based classifications?

In what Swanson referred to as "the most satisfying teaching experience in my 25 years at the college," the group spent the entire semester studying prior Court decisions, the Hasidic religion and traditions, the history of the case in New York courts and all the written briefs submitted to the Court.

Said Swanson: "I wish that everyone who would question the value of a liberal arts education could have attended our sessions and watched the students draw upon the different academic experiences and training to confront the challenges we faced in deciding this case."

The real Supreme Court decision was expected in June. — LAG
Physics majors Philip Chickering ’96 and Nick Kalayjian ’95 showed they really know how to say afloat in a sea of blue this semester when they ventured across Route 32 and took a class at the Coast Guard Academy. Through the single-course exchange program, the two enrolled in Introduction to Engineering and Design, a class that culminates in a boat building competition.

With a little enthusiasm, sailing experience and the help of a computer, Chickering’s and Kalayjian’s design took top honors, beating out those of 40 other teams. (They were the only students in the class who were not Coast Guard cadets.) In fact, their score was the highest the instructors could remember.

Constructed of styrofoam, and limited to 60 cm in length, 20 cm in width and 10 cm in depth, the model boats were evaluated for stability, drag (friction in the water), safety and cost. Testing took place in a 10,000-gallon tank with circulating water.

Kalayjian and Chickering described their boat as “a big risk.” It was “basically a surfboard,” according to Kalayjian, “a very flat boat... shallow with a splash guard on the front in case a wave came over it.”

No testing of the boats was permitted before the competition, but “it was a carefully designed boat, and it did what it was supposed to do,” Kalayjian remarked.

Kalayjian says he doesn’t have any plans to construct a life-size version. But there’s no question that, at least in this early stage, he and Chickering have a firm handle on what floats their boat.

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The Salsa beat

Widely considered the father of Salsa, Willie Colón packed Dana Hall one evening last February without playing a note. Instead, his presentation, titled “Salsa: A Social-Political Perspective,” employed a compelling combination of words, recorded music and images to communicate the growth of Salsa and what he calls the historically “uneven hand of U.S. politics toward Latin Americans.” His message was of optimism, urging Latinos to develop a pride in their common identity and encouraging all to remember that though the world is filled with “horror, injustice, ignorance and hate,” there is also “hope, knowledge and love.”

The evening, said Julia Kushigian, chair of the department of Hispanic Studies, was the culmination of the college’s “quincentenary series of lectures celebrating the Latin American experience and the encounter of cultures that defines the Americas today.”

In the past few years the college and its Hispanic studies program have been enriched by a series of presentations by leading cultural figures. The novelist Mario Vargas Llosa, one of the 1991 Summer Reading Program authors, spoke that fall at Homecoming/Parents Weekend (his remarks were excerpted in CC Magazine, November 1991). The diplomat and novelist Carlos Fuentes spoke at the same occasion last fall. (Many people have asked for the text of his stirring remarks about the role of diversity in history; they will be available in a forthcoming book, ordering information for which was not yet available at press time. — LAG

New report details five years of campus change

“A Time to Lead,” a comprehensive summary of the college’s accomplishments under its first five-year strategic plan, is hot off the press. Covering the years 1988-1993, the report is crammed with specific examples of growth, and charts and graphs that show how Connecticut College stacks up against peer institutions.

The strategic plan’s three overarching goals of strengthening academic resources and intellectual opportunities, enriching diversity and enhancing common life, and increasing financial strength, provide the framework for the report, which lists accomplishments like:

• establishing three new interdisciplinary teaching and research centers,
• attracting and retaining distinguished scholar-teachers by increasing support and quality of life for faculty members,
• doubling the endowment,
• increasing the college’s ranking by U.S. News & World Report from 41st to 26th,
• completing $22 million in capital building projects.

“A Time to Lead” also outlines challenges the college can expect in the coming five years, even as the next strategic plan works its way through the community approval process.

To receive a free copy of the report, call the development office at 800-888-7549. — LAG

May / June 1994
Air waves  Powering up at WCNI

For longer than the Class of ‘94 has been listening, the campus radio station, WCNI, has been planning to grow. Someday, perhaps soon, the FCC will allow WCNI to increase its power from 500 watts to 5000. This, coupled with a change in the frequency a generation of Connecticut College students used to set their clock radios—from 91.1 to 90.9—would give the station the ability to reach cities as far away as Providence and New Haven. So what’s the holdup?

According to Chief Engineer Steve Keefe, WCNI is facing opposition from a radio station in Boston that already operates on the 90.9 frequency. Although there would be little interference between the two stations, he said technical details have yet to be resolved and “the FCC is not the swiftest branch of the Federal government.” He explained that WCNI has retained a broadcast law firm in Washington to expedite the power increase.

“There is no question that it will happen,” he said. “The question is how soon.”

But this delay hasn’t stopped WCNI from evolving. Since moving to newly renovated studios in the College Center, the station has been trying out new ideas and getting more active in public affairs. A Thursday afternoon show airs the viewpoints of local youth, and Rocky Wagner’s blues show on Sunday mornings features a public affairs segment. Also of note is Will Longman’s program on Native American affairs, which has featured members of the Mashantucket Pequots and the Mohegans, as well as the Split Feather Singers, who provided an excellent live show from CNI’s new performance studio.

Other activities Keefe is working on include a free concert in New London after Labor Day weekend and plans to broadcast live performances from Dana Hall and Palmer Auditorium.

When the power increase does happen, Keefe says, “It won’t change the format of this station one bit. We differ from most radio stations. We play what the other stations won’t. And we’ll keep on doing so.”

That harmoniously eclectic approach results in some bizarre juxtapositions (like the polka show that is followed by an industrial music show), but it also generates cross-generational enthusiasm: there’s something for everyone. Station treasurer Jeff Stern provides a good example: “A woman came in to a Saturday afternoon open house and brought her 13- and 15-year-old sons. While she’s going on about how much she enjoys the folk music on WCNI, her kids are asking me all about Bob Butler (who has a very heavy metal show) and digging out all kinds of strange records. The whole family left happy.”

It’s not surprising, then, that WCNI’s first fund-raising marathon in its new studio was a big success. By late April, nearly 90 percent of the pledges had been turned in, and Stern estimated that the station raised about $14,000.
— Bill Hileman ’94
Winter. And the word on the Weather Channel and in the dining halls was that this was the meanest in 10 years. Harkness Green, covered with a deep, untouched layer of snow, no longer called me to soccer practice in the afternoon, and I was enjoying the freedom. With my newfound spare time I was doing work (and sometimes avoiding it), hanging out and trying to construct, unsuccessfully, an acceptable life plan. In other words, I was reveling in the senior-year ritual of contemplating what we all too sarcastically call the real world. Then I checked my voice mail.

It was Coach Lessig: “Peter...Bill here. You’ve been drafted in the second round by the Buffalo Blizzard of the National Professional Soccer League. Give me a call.”

I listened to it again and laughed. Not only was this the most absurd thing I had ever heard, but I knew nothing of the NPSL or the Blizzard. I was certain of one thing, though: if there was a professional soccer team in Buffalo, it would have to be called the Blizzard. I rang Coach Lessig back. He assured me that it was no joke and that I should consider their offer. Offer? He told me they wanted to fly me to Buffalo, put me up in a hotel and show me the facilities, the players and perhaps talk about a contract.

What I learned between agreeing to visit the team and the actual trip is that the NPSL is, in effect, the same thing as the old MISL, but bigger. It is the only professional indoor league I know of, and the Buffalo Blizzard is in its third year of competition.

Formulated much like the box lacrosse leagues, indoor soccer is all excitement and fast action. The scoring system accommodates the American fan’s inability to appreciate a contest with a final score of less than double figures: From beyond the 18 yard-line a goal is worth three points; if a team is down by a player (because of a penalty) their goal is worth two points, and if a team is up by a player their goal is worth one point — I think. There are five-second penalty kicks and an over-and-back rule much like in basketball. All very confusing, even for someone familiar with the game.

I was getting used to this new life of mine without the rigors of athletics. I had looked forward to it. Now, somehow, I was teetering on the brink of becoming a “professional athlete.” But how could that be? I am, or was, a Division III soccer player whose choice to play at Connecticut College was based on a desire for high-level competition at a good school, without the high pressure of Division I. I had no place being considered in a draft, and certainly did not think I deserved the label “professional.” These people were offering to pay me money to play soccer. I laughed again.

It was on the plane heading for Buffalo on Thursday, February 17th that I finally attempted to sort it all out. I did not (and I still may not) want anything to do with the sweat, sacrifice and discipline of such high-level competition. I grew up playing good soccer with good friends and counted my minutes on the field as some of the finest I’ve known. I finished my career at Connecticut College as an All-American. My name was regarded with others I knew and respected, and I was proud and satisfied. For my entire soccer career, I had been a talented yet unfocused amateur, and now, because this team heard I was worthy, it was all to change.

The team’s head of PR picked up at the airport and handed me a Blizzard baseball hat, my itinerary and the key to my hotel room. I met the other draftees in the hotel bar, where they sat awkwardly chatting with the general manager, ordering beers and (what else) Buffalo wings.

They were all Division I players: two from Southern Connecticut University, one from Seton Hall, one from the University of Connecticut and...
one from Dartmouth. The soccer they knew was a game I had attempted to avoid by deciding to study at Connecticut College.

The recruits laughed when the general manager asked us if we would finish school on time. One guy boasted that the only reason he was going to graduate was because he would receive six credits in his major for a 20-page paper on the history of soccer.

None of the recruits had ever heard of Connecticut College, and I knew I didn’t really belong. I spoke very little in that first meeting. When I did, I felt either misunderstood or out of order.

Saturday we practiced with the team. They had lost their last two games, and the lineup was being reevaluated. Each player was fighting for his position. Completely out of shape, and without my touch on the ball, I played well, scored a couple of goals, and felt comfortable on the floor. Perhaps a little overzealous, I threw my body between the ball and the team captain, and beat him. He swung at me with his arm and missed. I was starting to have fun.”

announced the players amidst a lightshow and hoopla that would have made P.T. Barnum envious. Short bits of bad ‘70s rock played during the entire game, and the announcer belted out substitutions, goals, penalties and hat-day contest winners while the players ran about on the field.

The style of indoor is fast; nothing like the outdoor game. The players ranged from 22 years old all the way to men in their late 30s. Forwards are small and tricky, backs are strong and conservative. After the first quarter, I was impressed, intimidated and for some odd reason, content. I became nostalgic. I thought about every game I’d been a part of. Highlights came and went in my mind’s eye with intense clarity:

Harkness green on an idyllic fall day with the hill packed with fans; Homecoming victories with players now graduated; the long years just playing and enjoying the game and the competition.

Suddenly Buffalo didn’t seem that bad.

At half time we were escorted down to the field and told to line up on the 18 yard-line. Surrounded by over 8,000 Blizzard fans, the announcer’s voice made my knees shake and put a lump in my throat, “Please direct your attention to the south entrance and the Buffalo Blizzard’s 1994 draft picks.” The crowd quieted as one by one we were introduced.

We looked at each other nervously and tried not to look stupid. I was last in line and last to be announced, “And from Rochester, a first team All-American from Connecticut College...Peter Spear.” I stepped forward, smiled, turned to each part of the auditorium, raised my arm to wave and it was over. We loosened our ties, went back to our seats and watched the Blizzard trounce the Heat 28-9. Sometime later, an older woman in front of us turned, smiled at each of us and said, “I had no idea you were such celebrities.” I mulled that over for a while. The idea of being a professional soccer player was beginning to grow on me. I took the job.

Graduating senior Peter Spear majored in English.
Finding money in the trash  Why businesses can’t afford not to take environmental action

Chapter and Verse

Tedd Saunders '83

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Tedd Saunders '83, author of The Bottom Line of Green is Black, and Loretta McGovern present a comprehensive range of examples throughout the corporate world of environmental initiatives that directly save or make money for the company. This is the bottom line, according to Saunders: "Business can't afford not to take environmental actions. In these economic times, businesses are looking at operating leaner and meaner. Environmental programs create efficiencies and reduce waste — saving dollars that go down the drain, in the trash or to the utility companies."

According to Saunders, many companies operate under the false impression that ecologically sound business practices mean a shortcoming in products and service.

"Environmental action need not mean less to the whole product." Again and again in The Bottom Line, Saunders proves his point. Companies from Coca-Cola to Esprit are implementing environmental programs and saving dollars in the process. Ben & Jerry's ice cream manufacturers save $235,000 a year by recycling plastic egg pails instead of sending them to the landfill. The Los Angeles Times recovers and resells all its used film — approximately 100,000 pounds annually — to extract the silver. And Saunders' own Park Plaza Hotel has seen a $1.25-million-dollar increase in convention business as a direct result of its environmental program. "Our guests have encouraged us to do more, to take even bolder initiatives.”

Chapter Six of the book includes step-by-step guidelines for recycling, reusing and buying recycled supplies; making an environmental program an effective part of marketing and public relations campaigns; and educating employees — from management to maintenance — and soliciting their input.

Saunders has published an important book that shows the common ground between environmental action and the business world. "The environment not only provides the opportunity for businesses to come together across competitive lines, it allows for a unified approach to solving a commonly-shared problem.”

— MHF

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When "profitable, environmentally sound business" is not an oxymoron

"The environment is one of the few issues that touch all aspects of our lives and all segments of our society. It is both necessary and possible for all of us to think creatively about environmental initiatives. One of the primary goals of this book is to instill in others the same concern for the environment that I feel. Like a photographer who looks at everything through the lens of his camera, I now look at all my daily actions with an environmental perspective. Once you get caught up in this new focus, it changes how you view consumption. Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, 'A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.'"

"I hope that the concepts and case studies presented in this book inspire other businesses and create a ripple effect that will benefit others. We can rectify our current situation only if we begin collectively to take environmental action — no matter how small. As Edmund Burke wrote, 'No one made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.'"

"As a third generation family businessman, I have found this personal and professional commitment to the environment to be one of the most powerful and rewarding decisions in my life. I hope that by these examples, other companies will recognize this opportunity. We must acknowledge the impact of our everyday actions and make changes to minimize their effects on the planet. 'We did not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we merely borrow it from our children,' aptly states a Native American saying. We cannot wait until our supply of resources has vanished before we give them the respect they deserve.”

— Tedd Saunders, The Bottom Line of Green is Black
Nancy Netzer '73


Nancy Netzer '73 has published the first detailed study of the Trier Gospels, an important early medieval manuscript. She sheds light on the process of the book's production, the models that preceded it and the background of its two scribe-artists. She also reveals the complicated process of cultural interplay that took place in the scriptorium at Echternach (in modern day Luxembourg) in the eighth century.

Netzer, an associate professor of fine arts at Boston College, is also the director of the college's museum of art. She holds an M.A. and a Ph.D. from Harvard University. — MHF

Daniel M. Joseph '84

All Dressed Up and Nowhere to Go, with Lydia J. Mendel, 1994 Houghton Mifflin, children's fiction.

It began when Daniel M. Joseph '84, a kindergarten teacher at the Episcopal School in New York City, arrived at work one day dressed more formally than usual. His fellow teacher, Lydia M. Mendel, commented, "You look all dressed up today, Mr. Joseph," to which he quipped the usual, "Yes, all dressed up and nowhere to go."

The seed was planted for a children's book. Joseph, who now teaches preschool at the Co-op school at the Westside YMCA, sat down and in 45 minutes wrote the first draft. It was subsequently revised by him and Ms. Mendel "over a bottle of Kahlua," he explains.

Knowing that the parent of one of the students was a literary agent, they showed her the book. "Even though she usually worked with fiction," says Joseph, "we just wanted her opinion as to whether it was a good book." The agent not only thought it was a good book, she actually approached two publishers with it. Houghton Mifflin, which receives 3,000 unsolicited manuscripts a year and selects only three, finally agreed to publish the book.

Joseph, who received a BA in child development and psychology from Connecticut, learned this news in March, 1989, while on vacation in Florida. "I signed the contract without reading the fine print. I called my brother, who is a contract lawyer, afterward. He told me that I essentially gave the agent power of attorney," he laughs.

The book was not finaly published until October 1993. "It took a year to edit, and only one word was changed," Joseph says. "Then it took a year to get it illustrated." Joseph and Mendel chose, after much searching, a "romantic realism" style of illustration. While they had the right of refusal over an illustrator, an unusual fact for first time authors, they could not meet or talk with the illustrator.

Joseph found the process very frustrating. "I have another book ready to go, but I'm not sure I want to go through the hassle again." And yet he is justly proud of his accomplishment. "Somehow, through the book, I now feel immortal." — KSL

Graphic designer Allen Moore '82 (who designed many of the college's admissions recruitment publications) has prepared a book on his great-grandfather, N.A. Moore (1824-1902). Distributed by Northeastern University Press, Nelson Augustus Moore presents the life and work of this early photographer and Connecticut landscape painter.

Other CC alumni who are descendants of the artist include Max Moore '82, Hub Moore '83 and, by marriage, Edith Taylor Rathbone '83.

Under the most perfect graduation day sky in recent memory, 513 students received degrees at the college’s 76th Commencement, Saturday, May 28. During the processional march, students repeated a new tradition begun last year and carried Dwarf Blue Leaf Arctic Willow, Butterfly Bush or Double-file Viburnum saplings as a reminder of their lifelong growth and connection to the earth.

In her address, the Commencement speaker, Federal Judge Kimba M. Wood ’65, urged the graduates to dedicate themselves to salvaging the lives of needy children.

“Let yours be the generation that looks beyond greed and exclusiveness, and embraces all the children in your community,” she said. “As slavery was our country’s original sin, our continuing tolerance of racism and poverty remains our continuing sin.”

She continued, “Government can help. But my generation learned that even massive government spending isn’t enough to solve these problems...Fixing the law turned out to be only the easy part. Only if the best and brightest — you — lead by your example and personal commitment to those less fortunate can these problems be solved.” (See “Verbatim,” page 18, for a biography and more excerpts.)

The remarks came in Wood’s first-ever commencement address, 29 years after she left the New London campus. She received an honorary doctor of laws degree.

Other honorary degrees were presented to Juan Somavia, Chilean Ambassador to the United Nations and head of the forthcoming United Nations “social summit” in Copenhagen in 1995; noted sociologist Amitai Etzioni; George White, director of the Eugene O’Neill Theater Center; and Roger Fisher, director of the Harvard Negotiation Project.

Senior Class President Neil Maniar and Senior Class Speaker Ernest Montgomery both addressed the graduates, who gave a standing ovation to Montgomery. He talked of the trials of being a student of color at a predominantly white college. “The most important
thing I’ve learned,” he said, “is
don’t give up hope, don’t be
afraid to dream, and one per-
son can make a difference.”

Two alumni were awarded the Connecticut College
Medal, the highest honor the college can confer on its grad-
uates: Community leader Jay B. Levin ’73, an attorney and
former mayor of New
London who sits on the boards of the Jewish Federation of
Southeastern Connecticut, the local chapter of the American
Cancer Society, the National Young Leadership Cabinet of
the United Jewish Appeal and the Lawrence & Memorial
Hospital; and Sondra Gelb
Myers ’55, special assistant to
the chairman for institutional relations at the National
Endowment for the Humanities. Her documentary
film of Jews during the
Holocaust, “The Courage to
Care,” was nominated for an
Academy Award in 1986.

Graduating senior Megan
Beth Littlefield, a Phi Beta Kappa zoology major, was
awarded the Anna Lord Strauss
Medal, given annually to the
student who has rendered out-
standing service to the college
and the New London commu-
nity. In her junior and senior
years, Littlefield was the head student coordinator at the college’s Office of Volunteers for Community Service. During her sophomore year, she organized the Seaport Challenge at the Mystic Seaport Museum for college student mentors and youth from New London.

She completed a summer internship in a public health clinic in Puerto Rico where she had the opportunity to provide health services and strengthen her commitment to become a primary care physician for underserved populations.

John F. Symons was award-
ed the Oakes and Louise Ames Prize for the senior who has completed the most outstanding honors thesis. His thesis, “Wittgenstein’s Glasses: The Bewitching Ideal in Modern Philosophy,” analyzed the role of Ludwig Wittgenstein as one of the determinative philosophers of the 20th century. The paper set Wittgenstein within the history of modern philosophy as one of the last members of that tradition and shows him to be one of the founders of post-modern thought. — PL

LEADING THROUGH ENGAGEMENT:
College Medal and honorary degree recipients: (from left) Sondra Gelb
Myers ’55, Juan Somavia, President Claire Gaudiani ’66, Provost Stephen Leonis, Board Chair Jack Evans, Roger Fisher, Amitai Etzioni, Kimba Wood ’65 and George White. (Not pic-
tured: Jay Levin ’73)
The front end of the problem  Salvaging the next generation of children

Kimba M. Wood is a federal judge in the Southern District of New York and a 1965 graduate of Connecticut College. Wood entered in Connecticut College in 1962, graduating three years later in the top 10 percent of her class. A government major and fluent in French, she was editor of Insight, a student creative arts magazine. She was awarded the Connecticut College Medal by her alma mater in 1989. (For a more complete biography see the feature article on page 20.) These remarks are excerpted from her Commencement address, May 28, 1994.

As I look at you graduates, and your friends and your families, sitting in the middle of this beautiful campus, it brings back a flood of memories from the Sixties, when I was in college. The school was all-female then, and we devoted our energy single-mindedly to our classes (and, equally single-mindedly, to weekends at male colleges).

Meanwhile, of course, out in the real world, enormous changes were taking place. The American South was being jolted by the beginning of the civil rights movement. Although a few members of my class courageously left school and went South to participate in sit-ins, most of us stayed right here, reading our Yeats and our Hemingway and dating.

One of the pleasures I most enjoy today is learning how many of those who were here with me have gone on to become involved in the struggle to solve the problems my generation faced — the insidious problems that unfortunately continue today. In particular, I note the inextricably interwoven problems of race and poverty, the problems with which we still struggle, the problems that are now yours to resolve.

Those of us who thought the problems of segregation and poverty could be wiped away by the monumental legislation of the 1960s have been sadly mistaken. Ridding America of de jure segregation was a triumph, but fixing the law turned out to be the easy part. Just as slavery was our country’s original sin, our continuing tolerance today of racism and poverty remains our continuing sin. If ever we could ignore these problems, we cannot ignore them now. Consider the conditions you inherit:

- Over 40 percent of all births in the 20 largest cities in our nation are to women living alone.
- The black infant mortality rate and the black unemployment rate are twice those of white Americans. Our infant mortality rate is twice that of Japan, and it is higher than that of many other countries, including Canada and France.
- Forty-three percent of black children are born into poverty; the rate for children of all races living in poverty in this country is close to 20 percent. That means one-fifth of our country’s children live in poverty, prey to random violence and malnutrition.
- The number of people on food stamps is nearly 28 million, an all-time high. In the last four years alone, more than 76 million Americans have been added to the food stamp rolls. The discouraging fact is that many of these people work full-time and yet earn too little to keep themselves above the poverty level.

Other countries put us to shame in the area of day care for children: while France and Sweden, for example, provide universal day care free of charge, we are parsimonious with it.

And in this country, when children grow up poor, many of them end up in prison. We lead the world in the number of people in prison per capita. More black males in this country have done time in jail or have been sentenced to terms of probation than have attended college.

While many single women heroically raise their children well, millions of others are caught in a cycle of poverty and a culture of crime that traps both them and their children. In those places, as Senator Bill Bradley has said, “fear covers the streets like a sheet of ice.” Both the number of crimes and particularly the number of murders have doubled in the 20 largest cities since I graduated from Connecticut College. Indeed, murder is the highest cause of death among young black males.

As a judge, I deal with crime. But crime is often the back end of the problems I’ve described. Before I sentence criminal defendants, I read their life histories, as reported by probation officers in their pre-sentence reports. These histories often are chilling and usually describe woefully deficient parenting — absent fathers, and mothers overwhelmed by poverty or who use drugs. Often these defendants were surrounded by role models who made a life of crime. Many saw few choices
for themselves in the legitimate job market.

Vast sums of money are spent to imprison and treat these people at the back end of the problem. But by the time I sentence them, many will never turn themselves around, will never become productive members of society. I am here to urge each of you to dedicate a part of your lives to solving the front end of the problem, to salvaging the next generation of children.

This is your generation's plight and its opportunity. This nation's children must be permitted to grow up healthy, both physically and morally. They need day care, after-school activities, job training and job opportunities. Unless they can be productive members of society, the country's economic and spiritual well-being is at risk.

Government can help. The president can preach. The Congress can legislate. The courts can confine. But my generation has learned that even massive government spending is not enough to solve these problems. The people in this underclass need more help than government workers can provide. Only if the best and the brightest — you — lead by your example and your personal commitment to those less fortunate, can these problems be solved.

If any of you are like any of us were at graduation, you may worry that you don't know exactly what you want to do with your lives. Most of us were at sea too. I remember the feeling. I'm sure almost everyone else up here on the platform has been affected by it at one time or another. In fact, this is such a recurrent theme that Yogi Berra — the former Yankee baseball star — said to himself when he addressed the graduates: "When you come to a fork in the road, take it."

I had come here to college with a serious desire to becoming either an airline stewardess or a simultaneous translator at the United Nations. After Connecticut College, I went on to graduate work in political theory at the London School of Economics, partly because I had taken a constitutional law course here from Marjorie Dilley, and partly because the civil rights movement had sparked my fascination with the choices made when societies set the rules by which they will live. I realized three months into graduate school that I had seen all the political theorizing I wanted to see, and that I thought law school would give me a chance to temporize, maybe to become a civil rights lawyer.

I mention this only as some reassurance to those of you wondering, "How will I ever find my way to something I want to do, something satisfying?" My false starts continued right into my early 40s, until finally I realized I could not be satisfied spending my time simply helping turn the wheels of commerce. I became a judge, and I found out what I wanted to do with my life.

Most of the people I know who are satisfied with their lives did not follow a well mapped plan. They made false starts, endured unproductive phases, changed their minds, picked themselves up and started again. What they have in common is that they kept trying to be true to what was important to them. I suspect that your choices are broader than each of you can imagine today. Don't constrain yourselves unnecessarily. Whatever you choose to do, please remember that true happiness comes from matching your talents to your work, and involving yourself in the important issues of your day. As Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes said (whom I paraphrase, to include women): "Life is action and passion. It is required of [us] that [we] should share the action and passion of [our] time at peril of being judged not to have lived."

The most important issue of this day is how we — one of the richest and most egalitarian nations on earth — can live up to our dream of a society where children have equal opportunities. Even if the jobs you choose are not in public service, you must be personally involved in solving these problems. The ways in which you can involve yourselves are limitless, and they may change with time. I will mention just two examples. Right now, you can be a Big Brother or Sister to a child who needs your attention and your example. Later, you might ally your family with a poorer one and help that family to grow — with material things and, equally important, with assistance in navigating through life.

However you choose to help, you should start now and continue all your life. Let yours be the generation that looks beyond greed and exclusiveness and embraces all the children.

Let me leave you with an analogy from a talk given by Robert Fulghum. Do you remember the children's game of musical chairs? Children walk in a line around a circle of chairs as music plays. When the music stops they each sit in a chair. Then the music starts again, and they begin walking again. Each time the music starts, one chair is removed. Each time the music stops, the pushiest children get the seats, and the child with no seat slinks away to watch, feeling every bit the loser he or she was made to be. But, Fulghum pointed out, there's another way to play this game. What if, when the music stops, the pushiest children get the seats, and the child with no chair gets to sit in another child's lap? No one is left out, and no one is diminished. And everyone enjoys the game just as much, if not more.

I leave you with my congratulations for all you have accomplished thus far, and with my hope that you will find enjoyment and satisfaction in building a more inclusive community.

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If it is true that the wheels of justice turn slowly, today's session in Manhattan's federal district court could be exhibit A.

"Is there a way to do this faster?" Judge Kimba Wood firmly asks the assembled attorneys. It is almost noon and the morning's antitrust hearing is proceeding at a tedious pace. At stake is a $450 million purchase of Nabisco's shredded wheat cereals by Philip Morris' Post-brand division. The New York State attorney general's office, on behalf of breakfast-eating consumers everywhere, is trying to annul the deal. In a market where the top three makers control nearly 75 percent of the business, they claim the sale will lead to higher cereal prices and damage the ability of smaller manufacturers to compete.

It is a classic antitrust problem. The central issue is whether allowing the third-largest brand (Post) to gobble up the sixth will spur or restrict price competition in a business where the cost of cereal has climbed three times faster than that of other grocery store food over the past five years.

Last year, Wood refused to grant a preliminary injunction that would postpone the sale until a jury heard the case. Now, before the full trial begins, the New York State attorney general's office wants to enjoin Post from changing the design of the Nabisco cereal boxes, which it claims will irreparably taint the Nabisco name. They argue that health-conscious consumers of Nabisco shredded wheat products will stop buying the brand if it is marketed by the purveyor of such sugary cereals as Fruity Pebbles. Judge Wood will rule on the validity of this claim but must also determine if the preferences of these Nabisco consumers, who account for less than 3 percent of sales in an $8 billion market, are worth protecting. It is a complicated trial, but Wood, who specialized in antitrust as a lawyer, enjoys it. "I like the fact that these cases permit one to consider the interplay between social policy, economic policy and the law," she says. But she confides that the many entangled issues in the cereal suit can seem "kind of dense" to an outsider.

To rule on the injunction, Wood must cut through the arcane marketing maxims spouted by the lawyers and witnesses, and she does. A case in point is her tough handling of the state's expert witness, a food marketing economist. The economist testifies that because grocery store retailers restrict shelf space to...
The Federal judge who sentenced Michael R. Milken yesterday to 10 years in prison has a reputation for bold and sometimes imaginative decisions and apparently did not feel unusual pressure in sentencing one of the best-known financiers of the 1980's.

Federal District Judge Kimba M. Wood normally works 12-to-14-hour days and did not change her schedule when given the voluminous files from the Milken case, said her husband, Michael S. Kramer, a columnist at Time magazine. "The notion that this has been a tense, nerve-racking thing for her is just not what I've seen at all," he said.

The actual length of the sentence for Mr. Milken, who became a powerful investment banker but violated securities laws in the process, is still being decided. Mr. Milken's attorneys plan to file a motion to reduce his prison term on the basis that he is 50 years old and has no criminal record.

By KEITH BRADSHER

Judge With a Reputation for Innovative Thinking

In her six years on the bench, Judge Wood has presided over some of the most important criminal cases of the decade, including the 1989 conviction of Wall Street financier Ivan Kremer for conspiracy to rig the junk bond market and the 1991 conviction of Boesky for insider trading.

Judge Wood, who is 45 and is one of the youngest women on the federal bench, has earned a reputation for bold and sometimes imaginative decisions. In the Milken case, she sentenced him to prison, but she also imposed a $1,500,000 fine and ordered him to pay $1,900,000 in restitution.

"Judge Wood is known for her unorthodox and imaginative approach to cases," said John P. Litt, a lawyer who represented Milken in the case. "She is not afraid to take risks and is not afraid to be controversial."
Even a Harvard law degree did not guarantee a job. One Boston law firm flat-out told her that her interview was only a formality because they did not hire women.

KIMBA MAUREEN WOOD was born on January 2, 1944, in Port Townsend, Washington. Her mother chose her...
unusual first name after searching through an atlas for suggestions, settling upon the pleasant sound of a small town in Southern Australia. Her father's occupation as a speechwriter for army generals forced the family to relocate many times among military bases in the U.S. and Europe. In fact, Wood notes that she was fluent in French before English.

Her interest in law was, at least in part, the result of these frequent family moves. "You realize very early on as a child that different rules apply in each place," she says. Wood recalls a time when she was 10 years old and her family was moving from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to Georgia's Fort Benning. Soon after entering the South, the family stopped for gas. Wood's former Catholic grammar school had taught pupils of all races, and Wood was oblivious to institutionalized forms of prejudice. When she went to get a drink, she was shocked to see two drinking fountains, one labeled 'white' and one 'colored.' "I've never forgotten that moment," she says.

"Throughout my life there have always been times when I was interested in 'Who makes the rules? What are the rules?'" This experience was not lost upon her arrival at Connecticut College. After transferring from Switzerland's University of Geneva, Wood took a constitutional law class from esteemed government Professor Marjorie Dilley while the civil rights movement stirred in the South. Wood remembers observing how federal judges became the enforcers of constitutional rights. Yet she didn't consider a career in law. "In those days, very few people thought of it as an option for women," she recalls. "No career counselor ever said anything about law school."

With Dilley as her role model, though, Wood switched her major from French to government, hoping to become a college professor. After graduating cum laude, she enrolled at the London School of Economics to study political theory. Two months later she decided not to pursue a career in academia and took the law boards. Her good scores opened the doors to the best law schools, and after returning to the states with a master's from LSE, she attended Harvard, graduating in 1969.

But even a Harvard law degree did not guarantee a woman a job. One Boston firm flat-out told her that her interview was only a formality because they did not hire women. She eventually found her first position in 1969 at the Washington D.C.-based firm of Steptoe & Johnson. Among 45 lawyers, Wood was the lone female. "It was very hard to be seen or heard as a woman," Wood recalls. "You were close to invisible."

By necessity, her early years were the origin for the "gentle but tough" label she now carries as a judge. Fitting in at Steptoe & Johnson, and later at the New York-firm of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Leiby & MacRae in 1971, required certain concessions that seem unfathomable today. Though no fellow attorney ever explicitly asked Wood to fetch coffee, she remembers serving it because it helped put her colleagues at ease while she used the opportunity to draw attention to herself. "A woman back then had to work hard not to alienate people by being too intensely professional," she says. "So my way of dealing with it was to try to modulate my behavior so that I didn't offend people but still had my voice heard so that I could represent my clients appropriately."

Her patience, combined with an intense work ethic revered by fellow lawyers, helped her advance at LeBoeuf. But if being a female lawyer was rare, working in the antitrust arena was even more unlikely. Women attorneys were frequently assigned to legal back offices like estates or wills, not the tightly knit antitrust area where law firms collected huge fees. As an associate, Wood gravitated toward antitrust because her firm was defending a large paper company against a series of price-fixing charges. This was in an era when a brigade of state and federal trust-busters investigated companies like AT&T and IBM. By the late 1970s, Wood was one of only a handful of women doing antitrust work at major law firms. In 1978, she became a partner at LeBoeuf.

Since antitrust cases tended to involve a multitude of defendants, Wood enjoyed the opportunity to learn from dozens of fellow attorneys. They, in turn, came to respect herlegal acumen. Stephen Axinn, now an attorney with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, worked with Wood on a case involving the insurance industry. He remembers the leadership role she often assumed with the group of roughly 25 male senior partners from major law firms. "She has a kind of serene calmness that overpowers people," says Axinn. "She controlled situations without raising her voice, which was disarming to egomanical lawyers."

When Wood was being considered for a seat on the bench, she knew that leaving the life of a corporate attorney would mean more than a 50 percent pay cut as well as the endless demands placed upon members of an overworked judiciary. (Wood estimates that about 400
civil cases on her docket await a hearing.) But the possibility had always intrigued her. "A judgeship offered a unique and wonderful variety of work: the intellectual challenge, the opportunity to help in developing the law, and working with people," she says.

In 1988, New York Senator Alfonse D'Amato recommended Wood for a seat on the bench. Her friends recall cringing at D'Amato's testimony during her confirmation hearings when he told other senators not to let Wood's beauty cloud the fact that she was a brilliant lawyer.

As a self-described "moderate Democrat," Wood was a conspicuous exception to the stridently conservative judges appointed by the Reagan administration. Attorneys who know Wood speculate that her experience as a defense lawyer in antitrust cases and, by extension, her belief in the efficacy of free markets, made her palatable to the Reagan administration. Indeed, Wood cites Judge Robert Bork, the failed Supreme Court nominee who is an opponent of government intervention in the marketplace, as a person who helped shape her judicial ideas with his 1978 book The Antitrust Paradox. At 44 years old, Wood became the youngest among 21 judges of the Manhattan Federal Court. And after just 26 months on the bench, too short a time to have accumulated a large judicial record, she randomly drew one of the most notable and controversial assignments of the 1980s, Michael Milken's sentencing.

As with all her cases, Wood refuses to discuss how she determined the length of Milken's initial sentence and his parole. In a plea bargain, Milken confessed to six felonies and paid the government $600 million in fines and penalties. Although his financial crimes carried a maximum of 28 years in prison, the courts had been criticized for light punishments of white collar criminals, and it was uncertain whether Judge Wood would mete out a jail term. If he did go to jail, legal observers predicted Milken would receive anywhere between three and five years. But when sentencing hearings began in September 1990, the economy had just begun to sour. Some blamed the problems on Milken as the legacy of the leveraged-buyout era caused debt-laden corporations to shed hundreds of workers from the payrolls and sell off valuable assets of formerly healthy businesses. To many observers, Judge Wood wasn't determining the punishment of one man's crimes; she was passing judgment on the so-called decade of greed.

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On November 21, 1990, Wood read from a prepared text in front of more than 200 courtroom observers. In a subdued voice that had onlookers straining to hear her sharp words, she told Milken, "When a man of your power in the financial world...repeatedly conspires to violate and violates securities and tax laws in order to achieve more power and wealth for himself and his wealthy clients and commits financial crimes that are particularly hard to detect, a significant prison term is required in order to help deter others." Asking Milken to rise, she said: "It is my hope that the rest of your life will fulfill the promise shown early in your career." Her sentence of a 10-year prison term drew an audible gasp from the assembly and dominated news headlines for days.

Later, when she granted Milken parole after only two years in jail, the shock was just as stunning. At Milken's sentencing, Wood left the courtroom without mentioning guidelines for his parole. Then, in February 1991, Wood recommended that Milken be eligible for parole according to standard guidelines, after serving between 36 to 40 months of his sentence. Since Milken assisted federal investigators by providing information about other financial crimes and testified at another trial, he qualified for a sentence reduction based on his cooperation. Milken had also been a model prisoner, tutoring his fellow inmates, according to prison officials.

With these considerations, Wood announced in August 1992 that she would waive a year of Milken's sentence, and after only two years in jail, Milken was freed in March 1993. Although barred from the securities industry for life, Milken retained his millions. Voicing an opinion shared by many, Massachusetts Congressman Edward Markey said, "I think Judge Wood's decision is outrageous."

Yet a close examination of sentencing guidelines reveals that Wood was not lenient at all. In most cases of cooperation, judges usually waive jail terms or cut them in half; Wood reduced Milken's sentence by only a third.

THE HULLABALOO ARISING from both of these decisions propelled Wood into the national spotlight. Her picture appeared regularly in newspapers and on television as pundits tried to predict the verdict. Wood, who says she loves her job and has no ambition to do anything other than what she is doing right now, remained unruffled. "I don't believe I treat any case differently because of
media attention,” she says. “It takes so much effort to be prepared and keep up with the lawyers and testimony there isn’t room to be worried about reporters following you in the street trying to get an interview.”

This calm in the face of controversy helped Wood survive her second moment in the national spotlight, her aborted nomination for attorney general. President Clinton had promised to name a woman as attorney general but dropped his first nominee, Zoë Baird, after disclosures that she did not pay taxes on a household worker who was an illegal immigrant. In late January 1993, Wood met with White House staffers and President Clinton before word leaked to the press that Wood was going to become the nation’s attorney general. Two days after the initial news reports, however, she removed her name from consideration.

The imbroglio revolved around what Wood did and did not tell the White House about her own domestic worker. Wood had hired a babysitter from Trinidad in March 1986, before hiring illegal aliens was outlawed. Wood stated that she paid all social security taxes on the earnings of the worker, who eventually became a legal U.S. resident. In contrast to Baird, Wood adhered to the letter of the law. Yet the Clinton brass felt that middle America and Congress would not understand the distinction. Worse, unnamed administrators accused Wood of failing to disclose all the particulars of her hire during the interview process. In a letter to The New York Times, Wood countered, “...because I had complied with all laws, I did not view this as a ‘Zoë Baird problem.’”

The full story may never be known; Wood declines further comment. But this is consistent with her avoidance of unnecessary publicity. She explains, “Judges should occupy themselves with judging and not with speaking out in the political realm.” In any case, her silence has been a rare example of restraint by a spurned political figure.

Wood also will not comment on her past judicial decisions, but some general strains of her philosophy are evident. As a trailblazer for women in the law, it seems no accident that Wood’s most notable decisions show her as a foe of arbitrary discrimination. In 1988, she rejected a government decision that denied refugee status to a soldier from Ghana accused of treason. Wood wrote, “A coup may be the only means by which political change can be effected.” In 1989, she upheld the right of a 76-year-old New York judge to seek reappointment even though he had passed the state’s mandatory retirement age. And earlier this year, she ordered that shareholders could force a company to fund a proxy vote on corporate policy toward employment discrimination. This last decision is a good example of a case that distinguishes Wood from other Reagan-era laissez-faire appointees. Observes Lloyd Constantine, a friend of Wood’s and now a visiting professor at Fordham Law School, “Kimba feels that social or civil liberties issues cannot be resolved through free markets.”

Like those of any good judge, Wood’s stances on issues of discrimination are not reflexive and depend on the merits of the case. An example is her controversial decision last year to overturn a jury verdict. The case involved a female employee who claimed she was fired from the New York-based investment firm Goldman Sachs because she was a woman. After the jury ruled in her favor, Wood set aside the verdict, claiming there was no evidence of discrimination. Such a decision is rare, but it illustrated Wood’s adherence to the letter of the law.

THE NUMBER OF FEMALE JUDGES is rising, according to another prominent lawyer, Susan Thomases ’65, who was a distinguished alumni speaker on campus this spring (see Connecticut College Magazine, Jan./Feb. 1993). As of the end of April, Thomases points out, Clinton had nominated 29 women, compared with four each by Reagan and Bush, and two by Carter at the same time in their presidencies. As the percentage of women on the bench increases, courtroom observers are watching to see if a distinct female voice emerges in decisions. Some believe that female judges are more apt to rule in favor of women in child-support and divorce cases and tend to favor victims of discrimination. Wood is part of the camp that believes wisdom has no gender. “There are hypotheses that women sympathize with minorities and are more prone to seek compromise,” says Wood. “I don’t know whether that is the case. Many men are wonderful compromisers and wonderful settlement judges, too.”

However that question eventually shakes out, people will be paying attention to Wood as one of the country’s notable female jurists. Her intelligently-reasoned decisions bear witness to a judge who, despite her own wishes, has nonetheless become something of a celebrity.

Warren Cohen ’89 is a reporter at U.S. News & World Report.
As death and dying become more depersonalized and over-medicalized, Connecticut College history Professor Fred Paxton finds that medieval chants may have a modern purpose in easing the transition from Life to Death.

"There are things our predecessors knew, and that we have forgotten, about how to die — and how to live — well. The limits of science and technology do not define the limits of human responses to problems."

The man on the bed in this Montana nursing home is dying of bone cancer. But against a backdrop of institutional noise, three women weave an entirely different tapestry of sound. Playing harps and chanting softly, adjusting their voices and music to the changes in his breathing and to the movements of his shrunken frame, they work to release the man from pain. They are student interns from the Chalice of Repose Project at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula. I am with them to experience firsthand what Therese Schroeder-Sheker, the founder and director of the project, calls music-thanatology or, more poetically, musical-sacramental-midwifery, a form of palliative medicine that uses prescriptive music to bring comfort to the dying.
ew scholars of medieval Europe ever see their research applied to present-day needs. I certainly never expected my work on the history and cultural meaning of Christian rituals for the dead and dying to be of more than intellectual or humane interest. But thanks to an extraordinary combination of musical training, scholarship, spirituality, and vision, Therese had given me that privilege. It was the culmination of a scholarly collaboration that began with our first meeting a decade ago.

In May, 1984, while finishing my doctorate at Berkeley, I gave a presentation at an International Congress on Medieval Studies at Western Michigan University. Speaking on “Liturgy and Anthropology: A Monastic Death Ritual of the Eleventh Century,” I reported how anthropological theories of rites of passage had altered my understanding of death and dying at the Benedictine monastery of Cluny, a topic on which I had written a Masters thesis for the University of Washington a few years before. When viewed as rites of passage, the elaborate play of gestures, prayers, chants and symbols that accompanied the death and burial of a monk at Cluny appeared not just as a bit of monastic history, but as a profound expression of the human urge to structure and give meaning to the mystery of life and death.

At breakfast the next morning, among the two thousand or so medievalists milling about, I met another young scholar. She had heard my presentation and, as we sat down to eat, said, “Listen to this.” Leaning over, she sang in my ear two alternating lines in Latin and Old Irish that echoed the deathbed chants at Cluny. It was hauntingly beautiful, and profoundly moving. An accomplished harpist, singer, musicologist and recording artist, Therese Schroeder-Sheker had been attending the death-bed vigils of the aged and dying in the Denver area since 1973. From the beginning, she had employed medieval music, particularly exploring the beneficial effects of plainchant on the terminally ill. For her, my talk opened a new level. To her it was not just an accompaniment to the ritual process, but an integral part of it. The music was there to do something — to help the dying person to let go of this world and move on in peace to the world to come.

Out of that understanding, she conceived the idea of developing a repertoire of music and a practice that would renew this tradition in a manner appropriate to the modern world. Eight years later, the trustees of St. Patrick invited her to come to Missoula and put her ideas into practice. Though housed in a Roman Catholic hospital and based primarily on forms of music developed within Christian European culture, the project does not promote specifically Catholic or even Christian understandings of life and death. Rather, the goal is to place the peculiar properties of medieval music at the service of the needs of the dying in an atmosphere of love and support. It is a gift from the medieval Christian tradition to the greater human family.

As Therese explained to me, medieval Latin chant (called hymnody or psalmody), because it has no beat — no time signature — helps relax the bonds that hold us to time and to life. It is also written according to modes, very different from our major and minor keys, each of which has an effect on the body and can be used to reduce pain, lower blood pressure and lessen anxiety. Once a person’s doctors have decided that there is nothing more that medicine can do to postpone death, their concern shifts to the provision of comfort — to palliative rather than curative medicine. The goal of the Chalice of Repose is to provide the dying and their families the aid and comfort of contemplative music and sung prayer. They work not

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just in nursing homes, but in intensive care wards, hospices and private homes.

This spring, the first class of trained music-thanatologists — 16 women and two men — graduated from a two-year program of study and clinical training. Some had come with a background in music, some without. All had mastered a repertoire of chant and other medieval music and could accompany themselves on gothic harps. By the time their clinical internships are completed and they become certified music-thanatologists, they each will have attended a minimum of 50 vigils, though some have attended more than 100. Some will stay in Missoula; others will leave to practice around the country and abroad.

I visited Missoula a month before the April 30 graduation for a day-long seminar. The students knew me as the author of texts that Therese published for their use through the Chalice of Repose Project’s own St. Dunstan’s Press. Some regarded me as “one of our tribal elders” (as one student put it). For six hours we spoke about the history of spirituality and the history of the body, medieval religion and society, and death and dying. Each time we set to work — in the morning, after breaks and after lunch — one of the group would sing and play. Before their performances they passed out finely crafted short presentations on the lyrics, author and history of the song. After each performance, I felt energized and refreshed. All classes should work this way.

By 4:30 in the afternoon, I was tired, though, and no doubt visibly flagging. As the day came to an end, Therese suggested that it would be important for me to personally experience something essential about their work: How patients are actually anointed with sound from head to foot. I lay down in the middle of the room, and the group gathered around me to play and sing. Four harps and 19 voices began to arch over me. At first I felt the sound above and outside of me, but slowly the separation from the music dissolved. My breathing fell in sync with the fingers of the harpists on their instruments. I was suffused with sound. When it ended, I sat up refreshed, retuned.  

One of the topics that we came back to again and again that day is the rela-
So you’re browsing through the Connecticut College Catalog — the history department — and your eye falls on this course description:

320 Health and Mortality in Late Antiquity and Early Medieval Europe

Responses to sickness, death and dying in the Roman Empire and the early medieval West. Demography and disease. Understandings of illness and models of healing. Rituals for the sick and the dying. Modes of burial and commemoration. Relations between the living and the dead.

Can this be for real? “Absolutely,” says the course’s instructor Fred Paxton. “Sickness, death and dying are universal human realities, and the early medieval period is a perfect laboratory because it is the root for many modern Western traditions. What we learn about the values of these ancient people — the way they dealt with these issues — has a direct application to today.”

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Fred Paxton is an associate professor of history at the college whose current research interest is sickness and healing in late antiquity and the early medieval West. He is the author of six articles and three books on health and mortality in history, most recently A Medieval Latin Death Ritual: The Monastic Customaries of Bernard Ulrich of Cluny, St. Dunstan’s Press, 1993.

Inquiries about music-thanatology, publications from St. Dunstan’s Press or Therese Schroeder-Sheker’s publications and recordings are available by contacting the Chalice of Repose Project, 554 West Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802. 406-542-0001 x2810.
Ned Owens '95
Olympia, Washington

Set a new school record at the Men's New England Championships in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 49.42.
Kristin Hansen '94
North Andover, Mass.

Broke the record for the most college career wins in squash when she triumphed in her 51st match at the Howe Cup at Yale.

Connecticut College athletes earned high marks both on the field and off this year. By spring, they had shattered more than a dozen school records, setting new marks for future generations to meet or exceed. Records were set in the 35-pound weight throw, women's cross-country, men's and women's basketball, squash, freestyle swimming and relay, women's backstroke and one-meter dive, racewalking and women's discus and shot put.

A few of these athletes slowed down just long enough for photographer Paul Horton to capture them on film. To all of the record-breakers — three cheers and thanks for setting new standards of excellence.
Established a college record when she scored 194.25 points in the one-meter dive.
Dave Barron '94
Weston, Conn.

Broke the record for the 35-lb. weight throw twice last winter. Won the New England Division III meet and finished second in the All-New England Championships.
Lyn Balsamo '94
Northford, Conn.

Set a school record of 18:14 for 5000 meters at the ECAC Women's cross-country championships at Tufts University last fall. Qualified for the Nationals.
Eileen Parrish '94
Des Moines, Iowa

Became the leading woman scorer in college track and field history.
Portfolio Selections from the Senior Art Majors Show, Spring 1994


Laura Unkauf, *Red*, mixed media.
Kathryn Friedman, *Like Clockwork*, mixed media.
Nancy Choi, #1 In the Eyes, silver gelatin prints.

Rubén O. Acoca, Kamares Ware-inspired pots, stoneware clay reduction.

Jonathan Bucci, Tiger Boy, oil on wood.
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It is appropriate to start this column with news of Jane Moore Warner, the first one to reply to our request for news and our outstanding class president for many years. We enjoyed her Feb. letter to members of our class and her information about the ever increasing development and attractiveness of the campus. She also informed us of the activities during Alumni Weekend and Parent's Weekend last fall. We share pride in the higher ranking of Connecticut College as a national liberal arts college as reported by Pres. Gaudiani and The U.S. News and World Report. We were reminded that alumni support is an important consideration in the ratings and in the decisions of foundations and others when making donations. In March, Jane wrote that all was quiet on the Rochester front with snow piled high. She is in good health. Karl has a balance problem and moves slowly with a walker. She has decreased her volunteer work and attends church circle. She plans a quick flight to San Francisco with a brother to celebrate the 80th birthday of their sister, Em.

Vivien Noble Wakeman wrote, "On 10/26/93, David, my husband of 61 years, died. It is hard to adjust to life without him, but I have a very large, loving and supportive family. Even more special, I have two Silent Partners — God and Bonnie, my golden retriever. Love to hear from you, my class-
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July 20-31

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March 17-27, 1995

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CHINA: Look for details in upcoming magazines concerning a trip to China with Professor Emeritus of Chinese Charles Chu.

For more information, contact Bridget Bernard in the Alumni Office, 203-439-2304.

Elizabeth Waterman
Hunter '34 has given up golf for line dancing! To date: cataracts, yes; arthritis: no!

Dorothy Rose Griswold's oldest granddaughter, who spent four months of her sophomore year in Nepal, graduated from Lewis and Clark in OR. She will enter graduate study in social services at Smith. Another grandchild attends Union College, NY. Two grandchildren graduated from high school this year. The youngest grandchildren, now four and seven, and their parents continue to live in Dot's big home with her. Dot claims she "may have the youngest grandchildren of any of our classmates?"

Dorothea Simpson continues to be content with activities and hobbies in Salem, CT. She enjoys reading, and she mentioned recently that "now I appreciate my own education.

Following cataract surgery, individuals have varying reactions. Gertrude Smith Cook is quoted, "Good news and bad news. The good news, my cataract operation was a huge success. The bad news, while I was under the anesthesia, the surgeon went at my face with a small but deep plow. At least that is what my mirror tells me. No one who feels young as I do could possibly develop such an old wrinkled face naturally. My vision is crisp and clear so I'll be able to pass my driver's eye test next year. First new and improved hearing aids, then yoga exercises. After that (more) eye surgery. Now I am looking for more effective exercises than crossword puzzles to improve my mind." She asks for suggestions.

Louise Wagner Thompson wrote that her husband, John, died on 12/23/89. The following June, she moved to Marquette Manor in Indianapolis. The retirement apartments have an attached nursing home and a new wing for assisted living. The city provides much of interest to her: theater, museum and symphony. Louise's daughter, Ann, lives in nearby Columbus, IN. Her son, Sam, is an ophthalmologist in Fort Wayne. The other son, George, a salesman of springs to manufacturers, is in Chicago. All of her grandchildren have graduated from college. Louise has two great-grandchildren in Jacksonville, FL, and one is due soon in DC.

Last June, Elinor Wells Smith moved into a one bedroom with bath at Fairhaven Retirement Center in Denton, TX, 17 miles from her son's home in Lewisville. The center has about 50 residents and a dining room. She has a small strip of land between her window and a railed sidewalk, so "I will garden as much as my arthritis will allow. Denton is a nice college city, so we have a lot of entertainment by and for students from Texas Women's U. and the U. of North Texas. Skip-Bo is the game here, also a TX game of 42 or 84. No bridge games yet, I miss playing bridge."

Delinda Syne wrote from VT that her mother, Jane Williams Howell, moved into the Windover House in Randolph, VT, in June '93 a few months after her husband, Joby, died following a long illness. Jane is frail, having lost a great deal of weight. Although she is "impaired in reading, writing and remembering," she always seems pleased with frequent visits by her two daughters.

This class correspondent, Beatrice Whitcomb, because of a recently fractured hip, owning no typewriter and not being able to find double postcards, attempted hand-written notes. On 2/4/93, when Mary Farrar, assistant director of alumni publications, mailed an updates list of the Class of '31 (we now have a total of 80 in the class), she wrote that the Thames River was choked with ice and the temperature at minus two degrees. We who lived off campus in the '20s, can imagine the chill factor. Connecticut College Magazine recently added three new CASE (Council for Advancement and Support of Education) Awards, and a silver medal for overall excellence. Mary wrote that '93 had been a frustrating year for the magazine staff with printer and other problems. While the Computer Age is mostly beyond our comprehension, we have empathy for printing and publication frustrations. We are most proud of our Connecticut College Magazine and most appreciative of the helpfulness and achievements of its staff.
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33 Correspondent:
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Among the more active members of our class are Helen Peasley Cornber and Betty Kunkle Palmer. They both live in NC and meet often. Helen and Bob are happily situated in a retirement community.

Ruth Ferree Wessels is still well and active. She vacationed recently in Bermuda. Ruth also enjoyed two weeks with her daughters on Gasparrilla Island in FL.

Joanna Eakin Despres was chosen for the San Francisco Women Artists' Jan. '94 announcement card. She winters in Paris where she paints at her leisure.

Jessie Wachenheim Burak, who retired as class correspondent, still swims and plays tennis.

I am your new correspondent, Esther White Cornish. I welcome news of members of our class and will pass them on to the Class Notes section of Connecticut College Magazine. I still swim daily and teach English as a Second Language. I also tutor a couple of illiterate adults. Arthritis limits more strenuous activities.

34 Reunion: June 5-6, 1994
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It's a windy sunny but chilly April day as I mail these '34 tidbits of news to our fantastic college magazine — I hope you all are aware of the many honors awarded last year!

Not one of us can quite believe we celebrate our 60th reunion in June. The list of potential attendees is impressive! Some of us will bounce into the Alumni Office, others will creek (I'm included), but it will be a very special gathering. Many thanks go to Edith Canestrari Jacques and Lilla Linkletter Stuart for their hours of planning for the event. Lilla carried on while Edie and Bob went to Europe in April. Son and daughter-in-law joined during last week. Emma Howe Waddington, whose Christmas letter always makes poetry of the ups and downs of the year, plans to get us guffawing at reunion, showing those animated memory trickling movies we watched at our fabulous 50th.

What a heartwarming card arrived here in Dec.: "Two happily married people wish you a Merry Christmas!" It came from Ruth Lister Davis, whose husband John died after a long and painful battle with cancer, and Carl Knirk, a widower, and fellow church member. A snapshot reveals a very youthful-looking Ruth and a beaming Carl.

Our class appears to follow the philosophy of the postal service — no matter what the weather, we survive! You may recall that none of us blew away when "Bob" attacked the Eastern coast with such vengeance; then news from California brought reports of "frightfully close" to the devastating fires and the quake. Millicent Waghorn Cass could see the flames blazing in Malibu, and the earthquake shook her house enough to loosen the hot water heater so her apartment was flooded. Gertrude Tetor Young wrote that she was fine, but son and wife had "a few things go over" in the quake; but no serious damage. Helen Andrews Keough sent me a map showing that she was safe north in Winterhaven, but son and family, in Thousand Oaks, were scared by both fires and quake: "no damage except to nerves." Elizabeth Waterman Hunter was far enough north to escape rumblings. Betsy keeps busy with volunteer commitments — has given up golf for line dancing! To date: cataracts, yes, but arthritis: no!

Marjorie Prentis Hirshfeld had smoke and cinders blowing at her in the fires, but no earthquake problems. Says she, "There are four seasons in CA: fire, earthquake, flood, drought." In February, she took a trip through the Panama Canal.

Marion Bogart Holtzman and George sold both the summer place in CT and the condo in Delray Beach and are happily ensconced in a retirement place in Miami near their son’s future retirement home, near three granddaughters, and next to some retired Coasties.

Jane Trace Spragg reports that Shirley has recovered slowly but surely from a fractured lumbar vertebra. Reluctantly, they sold the Keuka Lake cottage, "a source of 33 years of wonderful memories."

Jean Berger Whitelaw says, "All is well if you discount a few heart flutters (Mac) and a gimpy knee (me)." Their children and grandchildren all enjoy vacation spots at the "way up in the boondocks" camp. In Feb., she and Mac had a "shortish birding trip to Belize."

In March, Eleanor Hine Kranz flew to "the end of the world" — a trip to the Tierra del Fuego, Chile or Argentina, depending on whether east or west of the Strait of Magellan.

Many of you have read Grace Nichols’ priceless Christmas letter. She and Arnold had planned to clear out the horrendous pile of "accumulated stuff" from house and barn so they could move into a spot with no worries of shoveling snow, mowing, plumbing and furnace problems, but family doings prevailed — keeping them traveling for a wedding, a new grandson, etc. At least they had a relaxing birding trip to Cape Cod.

Alison Jacobs McBride and Vince have left the "bird songs" and are now in a retirement spot nearby. If family can rally round to take care of Vince, Allie might make it to
Connecticut College Club of Hartford Searching for New Leaders. After serving the Connecticut College Club of Hartford for more than two years, the current leadership is looking for new ideas, new people, new leadership. Alumni interested in volunteering for the club should contact Jill Perlman '87 at 203-666-7750. Again, thanks to all members of the current leadership. They’ve done an outstanding job!

Connecticut College Club of Hartford’s Annual Meeting. More than 30 alumni and guests gathered at the home of Elaine Title Lowengard ‘50 on May 25. Connie Dowell, college librarian, spoke to the group about the Connecticut College Library and the use of technology for research purposes. Seth Stone ‘82 addressed the group about upcoming events including rafting down the Farmington River, a new student reception in August for incoming freshmen and transfer students, the banner contest to be held during Homecoming (October 7-9), and the possibility of hosting an alumni event when the Phantom of the Opera comes to the Bushnell in 1995. If you would like information on any of these upcoming events or would like to help please contact Jill Perlman at 203-666-7750. Thanks to all who organized the meeting.

Connecticut College Club of Maine Conducts Annual Meeting. The Inn by the Sea was perfect for the May 12 annual meeting of the Connecticut College Club of Maine. Thirty alumni and guests joined Agnes Gund ’60 for a reception and tour of the Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit at the Museum of Modern Art on April 28. Cynthia Fazzari ’88, club president, stated it was the best attended event the club has ever hosted. Cynthia remarked “The presence of so many alumni at the reception captures the same spirit of unity that is fostered by the Ivy League universities and leading liberal arts colleges. A vital network of CC alumni live in NYC, and it is the club’s mission to continue building the energy of this group through dynamic club programs.”

Connecticut College Bay Area Alums Gather at Home of Ginger Reed Levick ’59. Alumni from the Bay Area gathered for an informal gathering at the home of Ginger Reed Levick ’59 on May 15th. Ginger and Joan Peterson Thompson ’59 organized the event which 25 alumni and guests attended. Ginger and Joan plan on having future events for alumni, and if you would like to assist them, call the Alumni Office for more information.

Connecticut College Club of Fairfield County Seeks New Volunteers. After serving the Alumni Association as Club President, Bob Schneider ‘76, is looking for new leadership. Alumni interested in taking on this challenging and rewarding responsibility or who would like to volunteer to help organize events should contact Bob at 203-261-9218.

Connecticut College Club of Southeastern CT Thanks Carol Hunsinger ‘88. At the Annual Meeting of the Club on June 1, Carol Hunsinger ‘88, club president, handed the gavel to Richard Arms, MAT ’87. Carol has served the club for the past two years and has done an outstanding job engaging southeastern CT alumni in the activities of the club and the college. The Annual Meeting featured Economics Professor, Don Peppard, who discussed the progress and future of the College Steve Loomis discuss the progress and future of the F.W. Olin Science Center. The group in attendance agreed that opportunities available through the building of the Science Center are significant. Many commented that the building affords students many opportunities that were inconceivable when they attended CC. Special thanks to Michael Wilbur ‘81, club president, for organizing the event.

Connecticut College Club of Philadelphia Hosts Reception. On April 26, nearly 60 alumni and guests gathered in Philadelphia to hear College Provost Steve Loomis talk about all the exciting events happening on campus. Special thanks to Club President Jerry Jones ’84 for organizing the event.

If you are interested in starting a club in your area or would like more information concerning club activities, please contact the Alumni Office at 203-439-2300.
her husband, Sam, died on 6/26/93. He was always so helpful and is sorely missed. Daughter, Marty, a social worker in Waterbury, has adopted a 10-year-old daughter who has been in foster homes most of her life. Her chosen name is Eleanor Kathleen Child, and the first doll of her own is named Kathy.

**Jane Cox Cosgrove**, after a tough bout with pneumonia, has moved to a retirement community, Village Gate, in Farmington. She loves the meals and may never gain again, perhaps just gain weight. She enjoys crossword puzzles, some furnished by her daughter, and keeps in close touch with her family.

**Correspondent's note: Two days after my chat with Jane, she died suddenly at Hartford Hospital on 3/30/94. We send her family our deepest sympathy.**

**Elizabeth (Betty) Farnum Guibord Hartzell** is fortunate to have improved vision in an eye formerly damaged by an accident. She’s enjoying life in Ponte Vedra, FL.

**Merion (Joey) Ferris Ritter** and Julius had their usual winter vacation in Marathon Key, FL, where Julius can get out every day on his scooter Rascal and improve his tan. Their daughter, Ruthie, and younger son plus cousins visited for two weeks. Ruthie is a great help and enables Joey to get her correspondence done.

**Rebecca (Becky) Harris Treat** and her husband, Bob, continue to enjoy retirement from their tree farm which her youngest son manages. Mystery novels divert her, and she brags of three perfect grandsons (men run in her family). Bob had his second lens replacement, but health is good, and they prosper. They are especially thankful their children and grandchildren live nearby.

**Mary Savage Collins** spent Christmas with her son, Bill, and family in SC. Both his children, 5-year-old girl and 8-year-old boy, are on baseball teams. Her daughter had come up for Thanksgiving with her 5-year-old daughter. A son in VA has two children, both doing well at UPenn.

**Mabel Spencer Porter** was given an 80th birthday party in Oct. by the Congregational Church in Middletown. She lives in a quiet retirement community and has been chair of the hospitality committee and secretary of the Association. Mabel has one brother in FL.

**Lois Smith MacGiehan** and Neal are ready to celebrate a new boat slip on the lake dock nearest their building. It will be a good place to have a picnic even if they don’t take the boat out often. Having her 21-year-old granddaughter living with them helps keep them alert to young peoples’ concerns: getting promoted and having a raise.

Harry and I spent five weeks in Destin, FL, playing bridge and golf and socializing with friends. Every time we called home, our sons were plowing the driveway — such a tough winter. We returned in late Feb. to be greeted by more snow. We received a full house for Easter and rejoice that our family is all nearby.

The Class of ’36 sends sympathy to friends and family of **Elizabeth Sawyer**, who died on 2/4/94.

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

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Those of you who have contributed to the ’36 Endowed Scholarship Fund will be interested to know that your help has been gratefully appreciated. If you were at the 55th reunion you met Dan Dwyer, our first recipient, and you know how graciously he expressed his gratitude. Our second recipient, Megan Littlefield, wrote that she “grew up in a single parent family and ... would not be able to attend Connecticut College without scholarship assistance”. Megan is a lovely girl to meet and very ambitious in her pursuit of an education. We now have James Boyd ’96 as the ’93-’94 recipient, and you will be hearing more about him at a later date. Did you know that 52 percent of the ’93-’94 student body received some sort of financial aid? Do keep on helping these deserving students!

**Anne Gildersleeve Blackman** still collects cookbooks and is now having fun with her computer. She and Sid have a summer place in the mountains of Brevard, NC, where they spend Easter weekend and attend the Heritage Golf Tournament. They often see **Marion Podmore Loughran**, who lives near Salem, SC, and **Joan Pollock Beverly** in Asheville, NC. Anne had a hip replacement but still plays golf — although she can’t hit the ball quite as far!

**Jane Hutchinson Caufield** had a respiratory infection during the Christmas season which sent her to the hospital. Jane is quite concerned about the lost “History of the Class of ’38” notebook which she wrote and sent to the college. During these winter days she is busy making jelly from the juice she extracted and froze last summer.

Thanks to those who responded to my cards, I can report that **Dolly Klink Cameron** is interested in gardening, both in FL during the winter and WI in winter.

**Hazel Davenport Buck** and husband are both retired and busy with volunteer work. Their oldest son and family moved from FL and live nearby. Their youngest son lives in Cincinnati and has three children. Hazel and Wendell go to his home in VT every fourth of July, and she visits **Bessie Morehouse Kellogg**. Bessie has moved into a sr. housing complex in Bethel and is fortunate to have her two sons and their families living in the vicinity.

**Mary Hector Smith** and Bob have moved to Las Vegas because of Bob’s allergies. She and **Martha Cahill Friel** exchange Christmas notes.

Andy and **Mary Mory Schultz** were with her family in Denver and came down with the flu bug so were late arriving in Ponte Verde Beach, FL. They have dined with Bob and **Mu Beyea Crowell** who live nearby.

**Betty Cherry** underwent serious surgery last year and now her husband has heart problems! She admits it is hard to keep up with college because of commitments to the various schools and hospitals she has been involved with since leaving college.

Correction: The Nov./Dec. issue of the Connecticut College Magazine should have read **Jean Young Pierce** not Jean Pierce Young.

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**Gladys Bachman Forbes** had a successful cataract operation and now only needs her glasses for distance. Another bright spot in her life, a grandson born in Oct. ’93 to her daughter, Kathy.

**Elizabeth (Betty) Downs Bradley** reports that the long process of convincing her reluctant sister-in-law to enter a nursing home took a whole year and, for her, was a very difficult and demoralizing experience. Betty still lives in her own home and her pleasures are reading and playing bridge.

**Apphie (Muff) Hack Hensley** has a second new knee that is working well. She parted with her gallbladder on her 75th birthday. She still loves being a docent at the St. Louis Zoo. All is well with husband and children and she notes that a 25-year-old grandchild is in the movie industry in Los Angeles.

**Margaret (Bunny) Haddad MacDonald** is now living in Boca Raton, FL, and finds CC friends nearby, one of whom is **Fran Sears Baratz**, who is spending the winters there. Speaking of Fran, our reunion chairman, Bunny asks for program
suggestions for our 55th. Bunny and her husband love to travel and hope to be on an extended Mediterranean cruise in May.

Letitia (Dolly) Jones Sherman is very accomplished. She is on the Board of La Jolla Branch of American Pen Women and has had several articles (mostly whimsical) published. Her most recent adventure was to fly tandem hang gliders from atop the cliffs near Salk Institute of La Jolla. This feat was performed on Dec. 17 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Wright brothers flight. Seven minutes into the flight, she and companion had to make a forced landing in the ocean. Last year, Dolly went ballooning, and two years ago, she did some sail planing. Dolly says she has done it all except for bungee jumping. That she will not attempt. Now she is enjoying her rocking chair. Dolly does not talk politics because she lived in Little Rock eight years ago.

Jean Keith Shahan lost her husband, Philip, in Sept. We extend our sympathy to her and her family. Jean is now concentrating on her love of painting. She does children's portraits in pastel and some adults as well. She is pleased, although pressured, by her success and is booked to '96. Jean expresses her gratitude to CC and Mr. Logan for her art instruction.

Bessie Knowlton Tyler and her husband, Brooke, celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary skiing in Stowe, VT, “with kids and grandkids.” Now she is in Naples, FL, to “thaw the old bones.” She is in touch with Martha (Topsy) Copeland Bott, Jean Moran Gaffey, Mary (Teddie) Testwuide Knauf and Suzanne Spinney Raymond through Christmas cards.

Naomi Kissling Fortune had two fascinating weeks in Italy last fall and then a week on the Mississippi River paddleboat followed by two days in New Orleans prior to Mardi Gras. She writes from Vero Beach where she is spending the month of March.

Elizabeth (Betty) Anderson Lerchen had a mini-reunion in Sept. ’93 at her home in Quechee, VT. Classmates Helen Stott Waugh and husband Charlie, Marillyn (Perky) Maxted Higgins and Isabel Scott McConnell visited her. “We had fun sightseeing, golfing and just being together.”

Jane Loewer Egner wants us to know that despite all the snow and ice in Columbus, OH, “my greatest Valentine arrived an inch and a half pounds boy — eight-and-a-half-pound boy.

Sylvia Lubow Rinds科普f and husband are enjoying travel — favorite things are golf and travel (as if we hadn’t enough in the Navy). She has been a docent for Historic Annapolis for 18 years. Highlight of ’93 was her granddaughter’s graduation from Wellesley cum laude. She is now a paralegal in Boston.

Elizabeth (Bettie) Lundberg Small retired from her husband’s advertising business in ’83 (at the time of his death) and was for several years a member of the Wellesley Green Board of Managers. Although she has had a bout with arthritis that curtails her traveling, she is enjoying life with good friends, her needlepoint, reading and bridge. She questions whether these are really the “golden years.”

Thea Dutcher Coburn writes “to pass on the bad news” from a couple of Christmas cards. Elizabeth (Ebbie) Butler Cordelli is limited to a wheelchair or walker; she fell and broke her hip and left arm. The Cordelli’s drive to FL and stayed with Mary Hoffman Pearce.

Jane Merritt Bentley’s husband is in and out of the hospital with congestive heart failure. Jane manages a life of her own — golf, bridge, DAR AAUW and church activities.

Betty Burbrood Graham had both knees replaced last Aug. and gets around well.

Thea, Burf and Henry and Louise Stevenson Andersen had lunch together and, another time, drove to Thea’s Kennebunk beach house. Thea is still active in local land trust and did three Elderhostels last summer. Everyone’s complaining about the rugged winter of ’94! Glad us Newman’s are in FL, but we’ve had our share of hot and cold weather and hospital stays.

Sally Schley Mangold and Bob stay in CA for the winter.

Ann Rubenstein Husch loves Sanibel, FL. She goes for a couple of months and continues her teaching of yoga and flute playing. One of Ann’s daughters teaches kindergarten with enthusiasm; another practices medicine in St. Louis. A granddaughter is at Ohio State and another teaches piano and voice. Ann lost her sister in a car accident.

Mary Louise Cutts came home from a 34-day cruise with pneumonia.

Henrietta Dearborn Watson and Joe have most of their family living nearby in Kitty Hawk, NC, and so are into their grandchildren’s school events.

Edythe (Chips) Van Rees Conlon wrote on her exotic travels, including a trip to Fiji and the South Pacific Isles. She went to famous Aggi Gray’s in Western Samoa where Mitchener and R.L. Stevenson have stayed. She enjoyed seeing a new grandchild in Seattle. That makes four boys and four girls. She was off again to Switzerland near the Austrian border — all trips are off the beaten track.

Rosalie Harrison Mayer and Oscar enjoy homes in Madison, WI, and Rancho Mirage, CA, with frequent visits from family. Granddaughter’s graduation from Cornell and Oscar’s 59th reunion made a double celebration for them. Trips took them to Great Britain on the Regina Renaissance and through Hudson’s Bay, Labrador to Halifax on the Polari.

Louise Stevenson Andersen keeps busy with different volunteer jobs and family. They have a granddaughter at Dartmouth.

Most of these notes are from holiday cards, but keep them coming. One we enjoyed was a picture of Allayne Ernst Wicks family and a nice note from Doug. Another good letter came from Phil Leach (husband of the late Ginny Newberry Leach), who keeps up his spirits with the help of his wonderful family.

Carol Chappell says she is fine despite the bad winter. She had trouble staying mobile in the ice and snow.

Janice Reed Harman’s husband, Jerry, had a stroke a while back, but is driving the car and working with his computer. They spend a lot of time in VT and take frequent trips to CA to visit family.

The Class of ‘41 extends sympathy to the family and friends of Bradley Langdon Kellogg, who passed away on 10/10/93, and Mary Ann Smith Schmidt, who died on 1/31/94.
My apologies for a major mistake in my column in the Jan./Feb. '94 issue. Janet Carlson Calvert is the sister-in-law of Parker Calvert, not the sister. As children, the Calvert brothers, Parker and Bob, often visited the farm in Lebanon, CT, that had been in the Calvert family for years. That is the reason Parker and his wife, Deedie, spent their honeymoon there. Bob later bought it, and it has been home to Janet and Bob ever since. Parker is proud of the way Janet and Bob have restored and improved the 90-acre farm. Parker and Deedie are neighbors and good friends of your correspondent here in Vinson Hall. My apologies to Janet for misplacing her family!

June Perry Mack, from Glencoe, IL, visited her daughter's home in NYC after a trip to Sea Island, GA. Her daughter is married and has three children, ages 15, 13 and 9. June is a deaconess at Glencoe Union Church, a nondenominational church with 300 members. Her responsibilities include being the "flower lady" and putting on events after memorial services. She bowls weekly in winter and golf at Sea Island whenever she can. June has 14 grandchildren: two in her home area, four in her daughter's home in Aspen, CO, a single parent, has three; a son in Puerto Rico is a divorced builder with three children living in Hood River, OR; a son in Clinton, CT, has one little girl; plus the daughter in NYC with three. June's brother, who turned 101 in Jan., is in good health and still lives in her home in Albany, NY, with her widowed daughter. They go out every day for lunch, and June visits two or three times a year. Sometimes they drive to Clinton, CT, to visit June's son, Brad.

Sue Sprague Morse moved 20 miles from her home of many years in Nonguitt, MA, to the "little village" of Monan after CL's death in May '92. Her own health is precarious due to diabetes. She has given up driving because of poor vision, but is able to live independently with the help of the Visiting Nurse Association and Meals on Wheels. She lives now in an apartment in a lovely old house on Buzzards Bay, with spectacular views of the water. Her kitchen doubles as an art gallery where a number of CL's watercolors hang. For many years the Morse Christmas card showed his paintings of local scenes. Sue's four children and five grandchildren live nearby. Oldest child, Sally '66, is close enough to drive Sue wherever she can't walk. Sally's daughter, Lisa, lives with her Uncle Wold (Sue's third child) in Worcester where she rents and sells luxury cars. Son John and his wife, Nancy, live in Essex, CT, with Peter, 13, and Seth, 12. Tenley, the fourth child, and her husband, Randy, a Massachusetts state trooper, have two children: Colby, 12, and Brie, 10. Tenley works in the development office of a private school in Marion. Sue no longer ice skates, but her interest in that sport never flagged. She attends skating competitions whenever she can. She remembers skating on the college pond, way back when. Sue and Ruth Symington Miner exchange birthday phone calls. Ruth, a widow, still lives in Hamden, CT. She has two children and several grandchildren.

Doris Kaske Renshaw winters in FL, summer in the family home in East Norwalk, CT, via the auto-train. She spent a week at the Von Trappe Lodge in Stowe, VT, with daughter, Nancy, and husband, Ken. Doris went to granddaughter Meredith's graduation from Goucher a year ago. Doris is in her 9th year as an AARP tax volunteer.

Marjorie Mitchell Rose and Dick had a rough '92. Dick had two surgeries on plugged carotid arteries, but is doing well now.

Mary Rita (Sis) Powers represented the college at the inauguration of the president of the Quinebaug Valley Technical Community College in Danielson, CT.

Adole Rosebrock Burr and Jack have a pattern of going to FL in Nov. and March and to Lake George for a month in the summer. At home in Bronxville, NY, Adole keeps busy volunteering at the local hospital and the Women's Club. Their granddaughter, Carrie, is 16.

Franny Hyde Forde had all five grandchildren with her for Christmas dinner. She went on an Elderhostel last fall at Johns Hopkins, and had a reunion with three women who went to AK with her three years ago.

Peggy Ramsay Starr is enjoying retirement in Jacksonville, FL, visits her sister Mary in Tampa and her brother Bobby in Daytona Beach.

Eleanor Harris Emigh wrote that two trips to the East Coast (from St. Louis) and one new grandchild summed up '92. She and Ward attended their oldest grandchild's graduation from Berry College in Rome, GA. In the fall they went to Ward's 50th reunion at the Coast Guard Academy, Jonathan Dean Brobst, their eighth grandchild, was born to their daughter, Mary. Jonathan has two sisters, Margot and Melissa. The area of St. Louis were the Emighs live is 250-feet above the city, so they were in no danger of being washed downstream in the flood of '93. The Emighs are also thankful for their health. Eleanor wrote, "There is nothing like a reunion of old friends to make one realize how important good health and good fortune are."

Living with a 16-year-old again was different, Mary Stevenson Stow wrote. Stevie's grandson Jeff spent last summer with her at Beach Haven, while he worked at a restaurant. She had "only a few" anxious nights when he stayed out extra late. It went well enough, so that they will have the same arrangement this summer. Jeff and his brother Nathan, a freshman at Ohio State, are daughter, Mary's children. Stevie had a super trip through the Panama Canal with a friend from her church, and now she is eager to do more traveling. Stevie had a crowd for Christmas dinner in her home in Wilmington, DE; sister, Sue, from FL; daughter Susan; Marty and her family and Stevie's son Rick and his wife and two boys. Stevie's other son Fred lives in Las Vegas with his wife and daughter.

Lil Wescloh Maxwell enjoys living close enough (in Noank) to the college to participate in college classes four days a week. She loves the intellectual challenge of reading such works as Thomas Mann's Magic Mountain in the original and speaking only German in her German lit class. She says, "Dancing and studying with the students is so superior to our age affiliations. How lucky I am to have these advantages at Conn." Lil's art school is thriving and keeps her busy two days a week. Lil and Ed were on the same trip that Sue Parkhurst Crane was on, up the Columbia and Snake Rivers, reported in a recent column. Actually there were three couples from the college on that trip, and Lil said their table was always the noisiest. All of her grandchildren who are 10 or older are into sailing in national competitions. Eldest granddaughter, a jr. at Dartmouth, was in Australia and Japan, representing the U.S. at sailing competitions. Lil says those are her husband's genes coming out. Lil is delighted that her second grandchild has been chosen on early admission at Connecticut. His sailing expertise helped, but art is a strong major potential. Lil went to Europe in April, one week in Berlin with two European cousins and a week in Rome with a former student of hers.

Married: Alma Jones Waterhouse to Daniel Francis Collins, 4/9/94.

Barbara Andrus Collins has three children and nine grandchildren (including adopted twins). She and Stewart celebrate their 50th
Insights '94 Thanking those who make a difference

All photos by Roger Riley

Right: Miriam Brooks Butterworth '40 shares an idea with President Claire L. Gaudiani '66.

Left: from top to bottom: Robert Rasumssen, vice president for development and college relations leads a workshop for class agents; Jane Neumann, director of major gifts with Michael Willbur '81 and Dave Clark '73; Rosemary Park, Professor of Anthropology June Macklin and alumnae; Volunteer training sessions in Blaustein.

Below: a reception for faculty and alumni.

“The program, which has evolved from the former Alumni Council, provides a formal opportunity for the college and the Alumni Association to recognize the many contributions of its volunteers,” said Kristin S. Lambert ’69, executive director of the alumni association. “It also provides ongoing training and support for our volunteer corps as well as a chance to see the campus in action.”

Invitees included all alumni who volunteer for Connecticut College. In addition to attending training workshops led by advancement staff members, alumni also dined with President Claire Gaudiani ’66, met with senior administrators over breakfast, attended faculty seminars and a student panel discussion and toured the campus as well. Many were present for the dedication of the Winslow Ames House, home to the College’s new Center for Arts & Technology, and a performance of Pippen by the student Musical Theater Group.

“Volunteers make a difference, especially at Connecticut College, which has undergone so much change,” Alumni Trustee Warren Erickson ’74 told those assembled at the volunteer recognition lunch on Saturday. “We as volunteers have a significant impact on the excellence of the student body, whether it’s in tangible or intangible ways. The college needs us to keep doing what we’re doing plus more. We also need to encourage others to volunteer for the institution.”
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Barbara Negri Opper '61, of Chevy Chase, MD, has been admitted as a member of the Cosmos Club, in recognition of her achievements as a financial economist.

Dr. Ellen Vitetta '64, a researcher at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, was elected to the National Academy of Science. Dr. Vitetta is director of the medical school's Cancer Immunobiology Center.

Karen Fraser '69 has been promoted to vice president-human resources at Axel Johnson Inc., in Stamford, Conn. The company operates businesses in telecommunications, environmental, industrial and energy markets.

Martha E. Gifford '73 an attorney with Proskauer Rose Goetz & Mendelsohn has been elected to serve as President of the New York Women's Bar Association for 1994-95.

Jan Merrill-Morin '79 of Waterford, Conn. was inducted to the Connecticut Sports Museum and Hall of Fame on May 24. A member of the U.S. Olympic track and field team in 1976 (at which time she set a new U.S. record for 1500 meters), she also was a gold medalist in the 1975 and 1979 Pan American Games. Merrill-Morin is the girls' cross country and track coach at Waterford High School.

Carolyn Goulet MA '86 was chosen Middle School Counselor of the Year by the Connecticut School Counselor Association. She has been a guidance counselor at Adams Middle School in Guilford since 1991.

anniversary this year. They enjoy retirement and anticipate an Elderhostel trip to CA.

Martha Boyle Morrison, whose stop at reunion was brief, is recovering from surgery she had last May. Martha and Reeves, who is retired, are in West Hartford.

Lois Creighton Abbott and Seth went on an Elderhostel trip to Italy this spring. They have two sons and a daughter. One of the sons lives in the New London area.

Mary Hartshorn Gregory regretfully missed reunion. She was in France with her daughter who had arranged for her two sons to remain in NC so the "girls" could be care-free. At home in FL, Mary plays a lot of bridge but focuses on her work in the Episcopal Church. She's active in altar guild and interviews prospective priests and deacons. Recently, she attended a luncheon where Terry Waite recounted his experiences in the Middle East, a Japanese explained the pain of Hiroshima, and Barbara Harris, the first woman Episcopal Bishop, spoke. In March, Mary attended a CC luncheon in Palm Beach where Barbara Hogate Ferrin, in charge of all arrangements, introduced Pres. Gaudiani.

Betty Hodgson Yeager, in LA, was about to jump into her heated outdoor pool when I called (on a wintry March NJ day). She continues to enjoy retirement with sum-

ers in Eastham, MA. Betsy visits with Lucetta (Lucie) Rourke Williamson and Edith Goberman Sudarsky while there. This year, she plans a long auto trip in the northeast.

Sylvia Klingon Eisen and Charles have been in their Great Neck home for 40 years. Their family includes three daughters and three grandchildren. Sylvia is national VP of American Jewish Congress, a sponsor locally of the Center for Prejudice Reduction, working toward anti-bias. She meets Elizabeth (Teal) Middleton Brown and Jean Kohlberger Carter occasionally for a CC "fix" and is a museum devotee.

Jean Kohlberger Carter and Charlotte (Tottie) Hosfield Tarpy in a recent phone conversation had many chuckles remembering their shared summer while at G. Fox. Jean missed reunion because her daughter had a 25th that weekend and travel arrangements were too complicated. She hopes for a mini reunion soon. She and Elwood have two daughters living in NJ. In spite of health problems, they enjoyed a family vacation in Stratton, VT, this winter.

Lois (Taus) Nagel Martin and Ralph are now permanent Floridians relaxing and enjoying swimming and sailing. Taus took a master gardener's course and her volunteer days included teaching blind children the joys of horticulture. She also spent many hours of volunteer work in a hospital. When Pres. Gaudiani was in FL in March, Taus lunched with Alice Brewer Cummings and Betty Hammink Carey.

Mary Lou Shoemaker Lind reports that the highlight of '93 was a family gathering of all in FL for the Christmas holidays.

Shirley Socolof Sherry has three sons. Her interest these days is in the New Age shops she owns. She teaches yoga and the shops carry tapes and records in this field.

Jacqueline Tankersley Matthey and Lois are also Floridians after many years in the Midwest. They have a son, a daughter and a teenage granddaughter. Jackie transferred to Black Mountain College as a sophomore and served in the U.S. Navy in Key West and HI. After marrying, in 1947, she and Lou settled in MO where she started the first black Girl Scout troop. In PA, a later period, she was a township committeewoman. Jackie has always been active in church work. When Pres. Gaudiani was in Sarasota Jackie attended the luncheon and met Carolyn Merchant Arbonies whom she knew at Penn Hall.

Isabel (Ebee) Vaughan James and Grover are in East Aurora, NY, their home for over 40 years. Ebee enjoys organic gardening, furniture refinishing, a lot of golf and tennis and also finds time for helping with meals-on-wheels. This fall a trip to England is planned and then a stay at Gasparilla Island, FL.

The Class of '43 sends sympathy to the family of Elizabeth Ann Roth Lewis, who died on 2/8/94. Elizabeth transferred from CC to the U. of Michigan. Her daughter reported that the Memory Book and CC Bag we all received in June brought her happy memories of her time at CC.

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Karen Fraser '69
visitors are welcome. In June '93, Ellie and Neil’s children and grandchildren gathered at the Basin Harbor Club in VT to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and the wedding of remaining bachelor son, Matt.

Ruth Hine regrets that ankle surgery this spring prevented her from going to reunion. She had a wonderful trip to Egypt in Sept.

Dorothy Raymond Mead is busy with golf and boating in FL and golf at home.

Elizabeth Swisher Childs pressured several friends to return for Reunion ’94.

Arabelle Kennard Dear’s husband, Brock, had a four-way bypass in Jan. ’93 but is well now. In Aug. and Sept. ’93, they cruised from Juneau to Seattle and saw whales, porpoises and sea otters. They also toured British Columbia, Vancouver and Victoria. They came home to ghostly mildew due to a faulty hot water tank — two months to clean up. She was sorry to miss reunion.

Lois Webster Ricklin reports a rough winter in Southern New England with waves of bad weather plus “more than our share of non-life threatening illnesses.” She plans to join an alumni trip to the lower Caribbean and Venezuela.

Marjorie Alexander Harrison had a very pleasant Elderhostel trip to Costa Rica in Sept. ’93 and plans another to San Francisco. She enjoys her grandchildren: one is a sophomore at Princeton, one at Andover, two in Ridgefield, CT. The youngest, age 4, is in day school in DC.

Ethel Sproul Felts “continues to be tuned on by children and grandchildren and traveling to same and meeting yearly with some high school friends and attending cultural events in Miami and dabbling in my favorite organizations ... I just love it all and feel exceedingly lucky!”

Almeda Fager Wallace is feeling well again after her pulmonary thrombosis and is back to playing golf. She and Bill spend six or seven weeks each year at their shared condo in Solano Beach, CA. Both are busy: Bill is a docent at the Tempe Historical Museum, and Al still teaches music to visually impaired preschoolers.

Trudy Weinstock Shoch writes, “My husband, David, died of cancer almost four years ago after less than a year’s illness. It’s awful, awful, awful — no denying that, but like most things, it could be worse. My children are attentive though far away (one in Palo Alto and the other at Dartmouth). I am in my 10th year in a part-time librarian job that I like very much. Managing my home and grounds alone is not as bad as I thought it would be, and I am fortunate to be without economic problems.”

Our class wishes to express our sincere sympathy for Trudy and also to Catherine Wallerstein White, whose husband, David, died in Dec. ’93 four months before their 50th wedding anniversary. “Another 10 years would have been great, but to die with no pain or suffering has its advantages. I’m bogged down in paperwork which is interfering with my mice-drug research. I’m gray and fat and have a wobbly walk, but I’m coming to reunion anyhow.”

Communication does not seem to be our strong point as a class, eager as we are to hear about everyone. You have to put pen to paper so that I can.

Marjie Lawrence Weidig and David spent some more time in Puerto Rico, and eventually want to make their home down there half the year. After this wild winter, you can understand why. Look at all our classmates in FL.

Seis (Betty Seissen Dahlgren) and Wallie had 9 months at their family place on Lake Chaplain, but the extreme cold drove them back to HI. An enjoyable month in Portugal intervened. She is wondering where the 50 years have gone since she and Wallie were married.

Our Cape Cod friends report that Bev Bonfig Cody has found the perfect small house only two miles from Marjie, and she’s settled in happily. Bev’s family had been going to the Cape for years, so she knew the lifestyle she wanted. Our Marjie is as busy as ever. Church, Interfaith Council for the Homeless and chair for the Children’s Programs at the library “keeps me out of trouble.” She zooms into Boston to see Ben (2-1/2) and the symphony. She reported that they see Savie (Helen Savacool Underhill) each year as she and Francis visit Boston to check out their 2 grandchildren.

Billie Peck O’Hanlon reports that she is now a bionic woman — new knee working out fine. They continue to find that FL agrees with them.

Seis also reported on the death of Barky (Jane Barksdale Pelzel) after a long siege. I remember Barky telling how she helped establish hospice in Seattle, and happily that enabled her to stay in her home, surrounded by family till the end. She had as much radiation and chemo as feasible. But Seis said that when she saw her, Barky’s low-key sense of humor and special laugh were intact.

Patty Hancock Blackall took a great trip to Australia and Tasmania. They poked around beautiful Sydney, charming Melbourne, visited ruins, hiked the countryside and petted kangaroos, wallabies and those wonderful wombats! Two of their families live nearby, and they stay close to the other with fax and phone. Aren’t we all grateful for the fax? Patty and Steele are both still working, so schedules are frantic.

Margot Hay Harrison is very busy traveling far afield to keep up with new grandchildren. Art is permanently in a nursing home in Houston, she caught up briefly with Joyce Stoddard Aronson. Then her children, all from afar, completely surprised her with a birthday dinner for 20 at the Yacht Club. She and Jodi will do the Chelsea Flower Show in London, which I can testify is the grandest, most inspiring we’d ever seen. In fact, I simply had to fade out under a tree before reaching the end. “Another fabulous cruise from Istanbul through the Greek islands.”

A good Christmas letter from Joyce full of grandchildren and moving. They found apartment living not for them, so they bought another home in Houston. The Pagoa Springs home is for skiing — for all but Joyce!

Jeanne Mendler Davies is selling her mother’s home and looking for an apartment, still in Florida, naturally. Remember when Mendie was running that ski lodge in Waterville Valley, NH? That was evidently enough winter for her.

Ethel Schall Gooch was overcome at a fabulous 70th that Warne gave her. Friends came from out of state in the worst weather when most people couldn’t get out of their driveways! The Gooches travel extensively and have close friends around the globe. They visited Diane for Italy to visit, married to an Italian. All these excursions are between constant trips to Stratton Mt. where they entertain
extensively.

"Ye scribe" just returned from St. Croix where Mabel Cunningham has a lovely condo and welcomes friends. No one is a more considerate hostess, and between her kindness and the tropical flowers, one is in another world. She is much given to cruises with friends, and recently took one to the north and Russia, and another to the Greek isles and Turkey... But I returned to the message that Penny Gilpin Griffith's husband, Bruce, had died the morning before. It was long expected, and Penny was touched by the flood of loving kindness from their church friends that had been surrounding him constantly and made the transition easier.

Namita Bailey Neely, has more notable experiences than most of us, because she lives dramatically. On her farm, the snow was so heavy that one day she anchored herself to her four poster and ventured out on the roof to shovel it off before it collapsed!

Don and I have toured a lot to visit our family, but he is so wrapped up in volunteer social work, and in classes, that I take off myself. We had a lovely Christmas with daughter Holly's in-laws in MA and then Stowe, VT. Holly and Tom Wescott '74 and Alec, are now in Nairobi, so that is a happy take off myself. We had a lovely Christmas to shovel it off before

Janie Seaver Coddington '46

has been inspired enough to attack a mending pile that has been building up for years. — Marilyn Coughlin Rudolph '46

Joanne (Jody) Ferry Gates and Dick have been leaving their Hartford home to spend a couple of months in FL during the winter. Summers find them at their house on the coast of Rhode Island. Dick still has business concerns in Hartford, and Jody has kept in touch with the Counseling Center at the U. of Hartford. She has also joined the CC Forum, specifically, the Arts and Technology, which she finds "wonderfully fascinating." Paul, their oldest child, recently moved to FL, and Cindy, the single mother of two teenage boys, has been doing an excellent job parenting. Sue is still producing musical beauty in the Hartford area and assisting at the historic Wethersfield Church. The Gates have five grandchildren and one granddaughter.

From the San Francisco area, Anne Frank Oser writes that when not traveling, she and husband, Dick, a daily commuter to the city, enjoy their two children and grandchildren who live nearby and the many activities in the area where they live.

Gloria Frost Hecker happily reported that their youngest daughter, Susie, presented them with a sixth grandchild in July '93. They now have four granddaughters and two grandsons. In May, Glo had two thirds of her right lung removed. All was benign for which she was extremely grateful. She has returned to her church work and some golf and tennis. We are very happy for you, Glo.

Sally Duffield Wilder went on a fossil expedition to UT and then to Copper Canyon in Mexico with the Heard Museum, recently. She was surprised to find that some of the natives in the canyons of Mexico still live in caves.

Last summer, Nancy Platt Sands and Stan took a cruise on the Royal Viking Queen. Among the passengers were three other CC graduates and Kristin Stahlschmid Lambert '69, executive director of the Alumni Association. Nancy and Stan spend their winters in Phoenix, AZ, but enjoy living near four of their five children and all seven grandchildren in NE during the remaining months.

Jane Paul Loomis and Bob enjoyed a great trip through WY and MT last Aug. A happy event occurred for the Loomis's in Oct., when their daughter, Margaret, was married. Meanwhile, Joan continues to tutor French, and she and Bob are active in Pegasus, a horseback riding program for the mentally retarded.

Last Sept., Frances Farnam drove up the Mississippi River Road from LaCrosse, WI, to Red Wing, MN, to meet with Marquetter Butler Rood and Henry, who were visiting his sister in Minneapolis. They had lunch at the restored St. James Hotel and exchanged news and pictures of their children and grandchildren. Margie and Franny had great fun catching up. Franny spent the Christmas holidays with her children in CA.

Doris (Dorry) Lovett Morrill relates that it is a quiet life for them now as Edwin is only able to go out for doctor's appointments. Dorry is well and sends news of her children: their son is married and a sr. accountant with Midwest Resources in Des Moines for 20 years. They have three daughters. One daughter, a single, biochemist, finished graduate school at the U. of Minnesota and moved to CA in Dec. to work at Research Institute in Oakland. She is associated with Children's Hospital there.

Mary Margaret Topping DeYoe and Ed have been enjoying working in pencil, pen and chalk during their art lessons in Whitney Point, NC. They also had instruction in watercolors while on several Elderhostels.

Far from the rigors of winter in ME, Jane Montague Wilson is thankful to be in Vero Beach, FL, where she can enjoy tennis, golf, dancing and many friends — the blessings of retirement and the joy of two climates. Her family is doing well.

Muriel Evans Shaw and Jane Seaver Coddington went to the Lenox Hotel in early Dec. to hear Sally Nichols Herrick singing. According to her classmates, she did very well. The Boston CGers from '46 still meet every few months. Wish I had a hidden recorder! Muriel spent Jan. to April in FL this year.

Harriet Kuhn McGreevey celebrated the birth of a granddaughter in March '93. She also enjoyed a fun trip with an Akron friend to Seattle and Portland. A 10-day cruise around the Washington, Vancouver, OR, area on a small ship was included. Harriet has been keeping close watch over her 96-year-old mother and managed to survive the "no-name" hurricane in FL last March. She entertained her family of four children plus spouses and grandchildren for the holiday.

Mary Gates asks her fellow alumnae if anyone has a house in an interesting location for which they needs a sitter. ME, HI, CA, FL, etc., are all acceptable to Mary who comes highly recommended. The Central NY and PA mini-reunions will gladly gather to check on her.

Joan Alling Wueth (whom I missed on a very brief trip to Oak Bluffs in Aug. '93) and John picked up their 12-year-old grandson in CT in mid-Jan. for a 10-day trip to Costa Rica to visit their missionary daughter and family. In May, they were in Germany and Switzerland and then traveled to CA to visit their eighth grandchild. Joan is vice president of the local conservation group on Martha's Vineyard.

Janie Seaver Coddington writes that husband, Parker, who has been retired for a year and a half, has settled in beautifully. They have been regularly visiting their children in Portland, OR, and Oak Ridge, TN. Janie enjoys writing classes and is also promoting household Ecoteams — an organized program that helps people improve their household environmental habits. She has been inspired enough to attack a mending pile that has been building up for years.

Ethen (Laurie) Lawrence Woodbury was deeply saddened, as we all were, by the death of Jean Compton Boyce. Jean had visited Laurie during the summer of '93, and Laurie was to have visited Jean in Jan '94. Laurie reports that her husband, Jim, remains about the same and she travels occasionally to see family and friends.

Last summer, Jessie McFayden Alcott and Bob traveled from SC to Stonington, CT. They stopped at CC to tour some of the new buildings which they found very impressive. Jessie is looking forward to our 50th reunion in '96.

Phebe Clark Miller is very pleased with her recent move to a condominium in Milton, MA. No more leaves or snow to worry about. She continues to work for Talbots and enjoys gardening, the children and grandchildren and ME from June to Oct.

Jeanne Lowe Nixon is glad to return to
Norma (Posy) Wittelshofer Fink is retired and doing volunteer consulting for nonprofits for the Executive Service Corporation. With husband, Aaron, she spends the summer months at their farm in VT.

From Providence, Jane Sapinsley Nelson continues with her hospital interests. After serving in many areas, she was the first woman elected to the hospital’s Board of Trustees and was subsequently made an honorary life trustee in ’89. For the past three years, she has been traveling to the Far East and South Africa with a wonderful companion.

Joan Jensen Johnston had retired form interior design work and is trying to catch up with old friends and a new husband, Douglas. Daughter Kay, recently gave up being the managing editor of Texas Monthly in order to be a full-time mom. Daughter Nancy is an artist and lives in Paris. Son Michael has his own firm in Houston, and daughter, Susan, is an art critic for The Houston Post plus editor of the “Texas Cooks Calendar.”

A sad note, Joan wrote that Tulah Dance Crow died suddenly of heart failure on Jan. 4, 1994. She is survived by her husband, Pete, three daughters and three grandchildren.

It was good to receive these works from Bobbie Kite Yeager. “It certainly takes time to get better, but Bill and I are very grateful to the Class of ’46 for their visits in Albany, their phone calls, flowers, cards and gifts — it had not been for you, we would never have done so well. You kept your spirits optimistic and gave us courage to fight our injuries.” The Yeager’s courage has been an inspiration to our entire class.

Marilyn Sullivan Mahoney writes that her six offspring, scattered throughout the nation, are all productive, well and happy. Husband, Jack, works, although he takes more vacation time. The Mahoneys still ski every Feb. and March and enjoy golf in the fall.

Donna Williams Klopfer of Santa Fe and husband, Ed, took four Andalusian horses to Albuquerque, Denver and Ft. Worth for shows. Their three grandchildren often come to visit them from Houston. Donna and Ed are teaching them to ride and ski.

Another Westerner, Enid Williford Waldron of Salt Lake City, has taken a job in Southeast Asia and, like Phyl Hoge in China, is having adventures.

Edie Aschaffenburg Wilhelm and Fred have been retired for some years and do a fair amount of traveling, just recently to New Zealand and Australia. Blessed with five children and six grandchildren, they live on a small farm in North Granby, CT, where Fred “has lived for 55 years, still keeping a few beef animals and a couple of pigs for home consumption.” Their daughter, Ann, who lives near them, has taken over the vegetable garden and is building up a small business with a farm stand during the summer. Her parents enjoy helping her.

Finally, Edie writes of her friendship with Amy Yakele Yarrow. “Whenever she was in CT, she never failed to call me or to come for a visit. I had a lovely chat with her just last June after the 45th reunion. I shall miss hearing from her.

A letter from the Yarrow’s son, Mark, says, “To see the tragedy in the best light, at least they died together, instantly, where they loved living... free and happy.

Recently Peggy Reynolds Rist became the proud and happy grandmother of a second granddaughter, Kate Mackenzie Miller.

My thanks to all who write.

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A new lifestyle and new friends for Irv and Joyce Benjamin Gloman. They have settled in Ocala, FL after leaving Ft. Wayne.

Joi Ginzberg Farkas sent me a fabulous card with four photos of her in different roles: grandmotherly, spinsterish, glamorous and as- though. Her new career in TV-movies pays a lot better than acting on stage. Jo’s son patched up Anne Grayson in the emergency room of Framingham Hospital and "renewed my interest in CC, which had waned."

Hope many of you whose interest in CC has flagged will drop a card, mail a check, attend a reunion or show up in this column. We need new faces and life stories!

Mary Elizabeth Stone is busy calling for the Annual Fund. “Back on campus last spring for dedication of Crozier-Williams and had a nice reunion with Naomi Gaberman Vogel as we looked at our family wall plaques on the “Connections” wall of C.W. The campus is impressive, and I was envious of the undergraduates now, especially the scullers who have a new indoor rowing tank at the nataatorium.” One of Stoney’s Retirement activities is open water rowing in San Francisco Bay, an 80-mile round trip from Palo Alto, CA.

Mary Lou Strasser, Bob Treat and husband, Bob, retired from Northfield-Mount Herman Academy after 21 years to their new home in Putney, VT. Son Roger renovated and enlarged the house in a most meticulous fashion. They took a five-week trip to AK. Jessica, their daughter, produced a child and a book in one year. Kai is the first grandchild. The book, A Robber in the House, was published by Coffee House Press. Sharon, the legislator in ME and environmental lawyer, was
awarded a Toll Fellowship as one of 34 people in state government. Carolyn completed a MFA from Rinehart School of Sculpture in Baltimore. Rory is in publishing and film making in NYC.

The class of '49 sends sympathy to the family of Margaret Whittemore Paine, who died on 7/13/93.

Mary Clark Shade, of Auburn, CA, writes that the Shades moved from Mill Valley two years ago. They sold their house and bought this one with a fabulous view of the Sierras. She doesn't see friends as often as she'd like, but she and Sue Little Adamson and Gaby Nosworthy Morris did get to San Francisco for their annual Christmas luncheon. Sue's daughter, a veterinarian, had her picture, atop a llama, in a recent National Geographic.

Elaine Hansen Fraser of Amherst, MA, retired in June as a clinical social worker. Dunc retired from his advertising business. They've already gone on three trips and anticipate many more.

Alice Hess Crowell, of Philadelphia, has five grandchildren to report, from newborn to seven years. She is still working at the U. City Science Center and caring for her mother who is 99.

Selby Inman Graham and Frank say that their nine grandchildren keep them young at heart. They went to England and spent six weeks touring. They have bought a little place in a fishing village on MD's eastern shore. Selby continues as a docent at the Shakespeare Folger Library and as a guild member at church. They hang out in Gaithersburg, MD.

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Carol Crane Stevenson tells us of the death of our classmate, Dina Claybaugh Worley, last Nov. in her home in Cheshire, CT, in her sleep. Dina has suffered from a stroke several years ago and had been getting along on a walker. Her husband, Alan, died about five years ago. Dina leaves three married children and several grandchildren. Our sympathy goes to Dina's family.

The rest of your news will have to wait until next time. As ever, Russ.
Seabourn Pride for a week up the coast of Norway. In Aug., they visited friends in Seattle and Snowmass, CO. Herb renewed his fly fishing skills and will do more of that now that he has retired. Retirement took place in Oct., allowing the Hansons to spend the winter in the desert. A second granddaughter, Allison Rose, was born to Lynn and Jeff in Sept.

Betty Beck Barrett and Jack had another wedding in '93. Martha and Stephen Malcom were married "in Sept. by the sea on the most beautiful day imaginable" with the entire family present. In, Sally and Alec presented Betty and Jack with a new grandson. Jack still talks about retirement but "no action as yet." Betty travels to Cleveland frequently to see her 92-year-old mother.

Our sympathy goes to Viv Johnson Harries whose mother died last March at 93. Thanksgiving brought both Viv and Brent's families together for a total of 32. Two of their grandchildren visited over Christmas. Viv enjoys working in her neighbor's art gallery.

Our sympathy also goes to Helen Johnson Haberstroh, who reports the death of her father at 92. The family gathered to share memories and part with their childhood home of 60 years. Although increasingly aware of becoming the senior members of the family, as is true for all of us, Helen and Dick are models for remaining deeply involved in life. "Dick's garden and model railroad compete with volunteer work at the new blood center." Dick also is involved in a church project to rehabilitate an inner-city house. Helen continues her house portrait business, sings in two choirs "aided by voice lessons on the side." Helen, too, is active in the church as clerk of sessions under the new pastor.

Nancy Bohman Rance is the proud grandmother of Constance McCall Rhodes, born 11/3/93 and named in memory of Nancy's father. Both granddaughters and daughter, Kathleen, visited with Nancy in FL this winter. Nancy enjoys Boston and has joined the Plymouth Church and sings in the choir.

Joan Truscott Clark and Cameron report Jeremy and Peggy presented them with another grandson last June. All were home over Christmas.

Margie Erickson Albertson and Murray enjoyed a trip to Egypt in '93. They also report a growing family: Bonnie had a third child.

Dorrie Cramer Maitland's grandson, Will, turned three in March. The Maitlands have made "no positive moves toward retirement, though it is becoming increasingly popular with our friends." Done looks forward to our 45th.

Ronnie Williams Watlington and Hal spent a busy summer and fall planning the wedding of their daughter Clare which took place in Oct. About 60 overseas friends and family joined a total of 300 guests. Writes Ronnie, "It was a glorious day, and we were able to use the traditional horse and carriages to go to the church and back. The old 17th century church was alive with white flowers and Bermuda foliage. Clare was radiant and Martin resplendent in his kilt. A bagpiper topped it all off." Ronnie and Hal took off for VT for some R & R after the newlyweds left for their honeymoon. They are delighted that Clare and Martin have settled in Bennington, particularly as Clare lived abroad since '80.

Roldah Northrup Cameron writes of her continued contact with many classmates. She attended a dinner party at Mary Pennwitt Lester's in early Feb., to which she was invited along with Jane Kelte, Jo Appleyard Schelpert and John, Joan Andrew White and Henry. The next day, she saw Janice Schauman Bell in church. Jane was visiting her daughter Margo, who lives two blocks from Roldah and is a member of her church. Roldah and her family are looking forward to son Alex's wedding in June in Columbia, MO, Alex and Ann met in Rehobeth last June where Ann's family's summer home is three doors from Roldah's.

Lastly, your correspondent reports her retirement as a clinical social worker as of Feb. Thus far it is great being on permanent vacation! I enjoyed a week of R & R in Carefree, AZ, in March, have time for art seminar lectures and day trips, tennis and other self-indulgences. I also am free now to entertain out-of-towners and show off Baltimore's Renewal. So let me hear from you if you are going to be in the Baltimore-Washington area! Keep the news coming.

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Married: Eleanor Souville Higgenbottom and Paul Levy, 11/12/93.

Nancy Alderman Kramer reported that she was still enjoying her work as a clinical social worker but beginning to think of retirement.

Sidney Brown Kincaid reports from Bellevue, FL, that she and Pat spent a wonderful five months in their second home, Woodhull, WI. On their way north, they visited Memphis, TN, to see the Napoleonic and Russian Icon exhibits. In WI, they enjoyed many canoe trips, on several of which they went to the island cabin of Fairfield Frank Dubois and Art. The Dubois are having a hand-hewn log cabin built to help house six grandchildren, Ann's triplets and Bill's twin boys and daughter Sarah. In November, Sidney fell from a dais at a National League of American Penwomen conference and broke her ankle. She was recovering with the help of Pat and their daughter Carolyn, a certified nurses' aide, and says she is spoiled rotten. Sidney was looking forward to a visit from Joyce Leeming Mayfield.

Joyce Leeming Mayfield spent Christmas in PA with son Tom, his wife, Rainy, and their two little boys who attacked the packages and detached the tags, leaving confusion as to what belonged to whom.

Kathleen Nelles McLaren writes that daughter Kathy and her family are in Ameba, ME. Annie and her family are in Melton, VT. Doug Jr. is an architect in eastern Long Island, and Peter has completed the requirements for his master's at Boston U. Kay is involved in several crafts and miniatures groups and in gardening. Doug runs the business affairs at the Blake School and teaches English to a delightful class of seventh graders. The high point of their year was the time they were able to spend at their renovated camp in Maine and enjoy everything that Great Pond offers — swimming, sailing, splitting wood, sunning, snoozing and seeing friends. Minneapolis continues to be an exciting place for the McLures to live.

Nancy Reeve Blank, Mary Ann Rossi and I had a mini-reunion last Aug. Nancy and Mary Ann were in the Seattle area visiting daughters and the three of us along with Nancy's daughter Cathy and her husband, Rick, met at a local winery for talk and tasting. Mary Ann's daughter Sandy was undergoing radiation treatments and is recovering nicely. Mary Ann and Bruce were expecting all four children to be with them in London for the holidays. Bruce's Newton manuscript was to go to the publisher in Jan.

Patricia Reinherz Kaplan has moved from Brookhaven to Hull, MA.

Eleanor Souville Levy and Paul were married at the Old Courthouse in Fairfax, VA, and honeymooned in HI. They are now at home in McLean, VA, but will be spending time in France, giving Ellie lots of opportunities to use her French.

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Joc Haven Mickle met Allie O'Brien in NYC and took her to the Beverly Bridge Club where they did well in their duplicate game. If anyone else is in town wishes to try their hand in a very competitive game, call her.

Kit Gardner Bryant writes from Cohasset that she paints, sails, does a little school occupational therapy, and takes groups to St. Eustatius to paint, swim, snorkel, hike, and relax as she loved it on her previous trips. Contact her if you'd be interested in such a trip in the future — special low rates at a beautiful water-side hotel. Kit has a painting hanging in Rep. Gary Studd's Hearing room in Washington.

Sally Wing church activities include Synod Ecumenical Commission and Church Council of Greater Seattle. She finished service on the Evangelical Lutheran Church in American Nominating Committee and was
Ann Strohsberg Savos had her first grandchild, Jacob, born 1/3/94 in Sterling, VA. The parents are Christopher Savos, who graduated from Dartmouth '88 and MIT '93, and Elissa Farrow Savos '91. Sadly, Milie didn't live to see Jacob.

Ann Marcuse Raymond wrote that Addie Harris Beck is alive and well and living in Cambridge, MA. (She was left off of the Class Directory list.) Ann was in Jordan, at Petra last summer climbing the ruins and swimming in the Red Sea.

Jan Parker is still happily teaching at Suffolk Community College on Long Island.

Betty Sager Burlen and Bill traveled extensively in '93 to Columbia, the Panama Canal, Singapore, and India. “A wonderful experience.” This spring they traveled to the Sea of Cortez with their daughters. Betty also does some volunteering and water aerobics.

Evan Flickinger Modarai visited son, Gordon, and his wife, Barclay, in Corpus Christi last fall and was “treated like a queen for eight days.” While there, she visited San Antonio and Mexico. Gordon and family are off to the UK for two years, courtesy of the U.S. Navy Legal Services. Daughter, Martha, is living in Rocky Hill, CT, studying for her optician’s license. Evan’s other activities include instructing and making a step-aerobics video, “Jane Fonda, move over.”

Dorie Knup Harper and Rollie went to the West Coast to see their only grandchild as a snowflake in “The Nutcracker,” and visited children Rollie and Leslie and their families. Spring was not so joyful: Dorie’s mother died suddenly in ‘93. In April, Rollie had stomach surgery that was unexpected. He’s doing fine now. Dorie has seen Tina Child Reynolds — “first time I’d seen her since her marriage in ’96.”

Carol Connor Ferris and Tom have traveled to Egypt, Israel, St. Croix and Utah. Last fall, Carol went for a week of riding in Telleride, CO, with her horse group from MN. Glad her broken arm is healed.

Speaking of broken arms, M’Lee Catledge Sampson was a victim of this terrible New England winter and broke her right arm slipping on an icy roadway. She’s coming along well.

Ann Christensen’s father died this past December, and has re-married. In May, her sons’ lives. They also visited Switzerland, Germany, and the Black Forest.

Jeanne Eacker Olson and husband Bill have a 2-year-old granddaughter, Molly. They spent the summer at the beach in Duxbury with other members of the family.

Jeannie Eacker Olson and husband Bill spent the past year traveling to their boat and on their boat via Chattanooga, Atlanta, and Nashville. While there they got caught in the “storm of the century.” Alabama folks had a difficult time coping with this snow resulting in all the interstate being closed and causing their trip to take a circuitous route. They explored the eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay and while in Baltimore visited with Jeannie’s roommate, Franinnie Wilcox Johnson. Since Jeannie does tax returns, she took her laptop, monitor, printer, and six boxes of returns on her trip. No one can say that she isn’t devoted to her work! Husband, Bill, loves retirement and to Jeannie’s delight has taken over a lot of the home maintenance.

Janet Roesch Frauenfelder and husband, Frank, have five grandchildren. Although Frank is retired, he still goes into the office daily for a few hours. They recently took a trip to Manzanillo, Mexico, for some “R & R.”

Joyce Heissenbuttl Neill and husband, Clark, took on a new role of hosting foreign students for the American Language Academy at Babson College. Guest were from Panama, Korea, Paris, Brazil, and Venezuela. They said it was fun and rewarding to try to help them understand the idioms and slang and often baffling usage of American speech. Clark keeps busy refurbishing old bathrooms with Joyce putting latent decorating urges to work. She joined a national decorating company, Transdesigns. She has also been in some theatrical shows. She still auditions when called and occasionally get cast commercially. They are also involved in the choir and curving.
Paul and Joyce Bagley Rheingold’s daughter Susan is now a resident in pediatrics at Johns Hopkins. Son, David, has returned to NYC to join Rheingold & McGowan. Joyce noted it’s nice to have one child nearby. Paul and Joyce went to the Olympics in Lillehammer and had a fabulous time.

Nellie Beetham Stark retired to a small farm near Wren, OR. She does consulting between building a log home and developing a native plant business. Nellie also raises sheep and other animals. She also enjoys being a courtesy professor in Forest Services at Oregon State U.

Anne Buchman Newman keeps busy substituting teach in a nursery school, and volunteering for Corporate Angel Network, an organization which uses empty seats on corporate jets to transport cancer patients to and from treatment all over the USA. She walks two to three miles several times a week, and has traveled to China, London and California. Son Peter, 28, practices law in Philadelphia, and son David, 24, is doing graduate work at Yale in the School of Public Health and Forestry. Anne sees Carolyn Pfeifer Horchow when she’s in NYC and Sue Schwartz Gorham in Scarsdale and the Berkshires.

In November, Debby Gutman Cornelius, Jan Ahlborn Roberts, Suzanna (Moe) Martin Reardon and Anne Browning assembled in NJ for a weekend of good company, food and talk. Anne was en route to NC to attend a memorial service for her son Mark Hall ‘81. The class extends its condolences to Anne on Mark’s death last summer.

Ruth Coughlan Weaver and husband Bob are spending a year as volunteers with a Service Corps in southwest AK. They are working with an after school learning program which provides affirmation and help with basic skills to disadvantaged children at five sites. Ruth wrote that it was a whole new learning experience for them and a great winter to be living in the South.

Pat Grossman Black has just become a grandmother to Jessica Mara Franks. She and Stan now shuttle back and forth to England so as to not miss a thing. Pat is active volunteering at a large Boston Hospital and enjoys growing orchids in her greenhouse.

Jean Harris Whitney wrote, “I’m looking forward to spring and getting back to my landscaping clients if ever the frost is gone. Saw Judy Gregory Bowes in DC last fall and I see Celie Gray Rosenau regularly. I visited Santa Fe in Dec. and truly felt that I had ‘come home.’ What a wonderful place. I had forgotten how many stars there are in the sky.”

Mary Ann Hinsch Meanwell and Jack skied in Aspen with their children and extended families. Mary Ann continues to volunteer at Hospice and co-curate the Women’s Art Gallery at the TVCA. She wrote, “We are the most proud of our last exhibition, the Manschka Photographs, which tell the story of her matriarchy: a beautiful and sensitive show which gave city-wide recognition to the gallery as did our award-winning catalogue. If there is anyone who has an idea of a traveling women’s show that could come to Cincinnati, please let me know!”

Bonye Fisher Norton is busy on her church Vestry’s Adult Ed committee. She heartily recommends a book by Joyce Rupp “Praying Our Goodbyes” for anyone who has lost a beloved home, had a dear friend move away, lost a loved one or job, or left a broken marriage. Bonye said “My husband is teaching philosophy at the McKendrie School of Religion in Baltimore which gives a B.A. in religious studies. At 70 he won’t give up the ship! I volunteer at a hospice and lead a group of clergy spouses in centering prayer on a monthly basis. Our daughter is back in Baltimore and our son is now with the Dept. of the Navy.”

Marge Lewin Ross continues her work with “Tips on Trips and Camps.” At a recent meeting in Baltimore, she met with Susie Gerber Offit. Marge volunteers at the “Met,” also. Daughter Nancy is working in Prague, and Cathy graduated last June from Dartmouth. Marge highly recommends a visit to Prague, “one of the few cities left with old world charm; a walker’s and photographer’s paradise.”

Ann Lewis Cooper and Charlie will soon publish their first book collaboration, “Tuskegee’s Heroes of World War II” as depicted by the art of Roy E. LaGrace.

Ann Mahoney Makin’s son Thomas was married on Jan. 15 in RI to Elizabeth Duffy. Anne noted that it was a joyful occasion and rare gathering of family and friends who braved the ice and snow to be there. Tom is a Brigade Intelligence Army Captain, stationed in Ft. Stewart, GA.

Vicky Sherman May and Dick biked through the Loire Valley in France last year and cruised through the Panama Canal.

Adèle Olnstead Sullivan continues to teach part-time at Eastern College, in PA.

Jaki Rose Bailey broke her ankle and has had a number of illnesses this winter. Her daughter Lise, a student at Mamaroneck gradu- ate, is working in NY. Jaki heard from Brewster and Ann Hathaway Sturtevant who have a new granddaughter, Ryan.

Marilyn Schutt Spencer continues working at the Meadows Museum in Dallas as special events coordinator. Norm and Marilyn have three granddaughters. The Spencers spent two weeks trout fishing in CO, San Juan Mountains — the best of vacations. Although retirement is going well, Sally Smith La Pointe says that she has more free time while working! Sally has been doing CASA work which is being a guardian Ad-

Litem for young children that have been removed from their homes. Sally finds that courts and lawyers move slowly.

Marsden Williams had a show of her recent paintings at duJour Restaurant in Richmond, VA this Spring.

Margot Harper Zeeb now has three children in CO, sons in Germany and FL, and a daughter in OR.

Bud and I, Ellie Erickson Ford, retired on March 31. Bud after 38 years with AT&T, and Ellie after 14 years with Bell Atlantic and Bellcore. They have been wonderful careers and we feel fortunate. We’re in our newly renovated home in Westbrook, CT, looking forward to having lots more time to enjoy our grandchildren!

I’m thankful for Jan who co-edits our column notes. Please keep the news coming to either one of us! You’re doing a great job of providing data. If you haven’t sent in any news in a while, please do so.

Meredith Prince Morris and Lawrence moved into a three bedroom condo on Lake Michigan in Wilmette, IL. She had to give up working on her master’s degree for a while, but says she’ll get back to it. Sue Krim Greene writes that her life is changing in some wonderful ways. She retired from IBM in Aug. ’93 after more than 29 years. So now she is developing a marketing consulting practice, Suzanne Green Associates. But her most exciting new career is as a ski instructor at Keystone, CO.

Toni Garland Marsh has lived in Williamsburg, VA, for the past seven years. She is the copy editor of the Virginia Gazette. Husband, Barry, owns a management recruiters firm. Their daughter, Lindsay, recently married at Miami U. in OH. She and her husband were Class of ’88. Their oldest daughter, Lisa, lives in Boston and has a master’s in intercultural communications. She sees Ellen Smith. Their daughter Laurie lives in the Rochester, NY area. She is married, has three children and works full time. Son, Christopher, also lives in Rochester and is married. Toni had fun catching up recently with Sally Ann Read Dow and Bettine Horgan Montgomery. They were in Williamsburg for Bettine’s daughter’s wed- ding at the College of William and Mary.

Libby Kirch Seaton moved to an old house about three years ago and has been renovating it ever since. She’s been “reviewing” French with some friends, playing bridge and cooking for the homeless. Vacations recently have been to visit family members. She traveled to San Francisco where Elizabeth ’87 is a middle school teacher. Anne ’89 is getting a degree in historic preservation at the U. of OR in Eugene.
One piece of exciting news: Lolly Espy Barton put her daughter Jennifer’s often painful preteen and teen poetry to extraordinarily beautiful music — ranging from a lullaby to a rousing spiritual. The 25-minute composition, called “My Daughter’s Words: A Musical Dialogue Between Mother and Child,” was scored for Lolly’s singing choir, a soprano, piano, acoustic bass, saxophone and a narrator. It’s performance was sponsored by the Princeton Arts Council and presented at a Princeton theater.

A psychologist movingly introduced the piece with deep understanding and respect for the painful, worrisome journey of a mother with her struggling child. There are not words to express the tender beauty of Lolly’s composition and Jennifer’s words. Jennifer ended by adding a beautiful tribute to her mother:

“Angel, a muse who taught me well these melodies.”

Congratulations, Lolly!

Married: Gareth (Gary) Griffiths to Richard Hester in Oct ’93. Richard is a well-known piano maker, and Gary assists in his business. Their home and business are in an 1870s house with large gardens from which Gary makes her own herb vinegars and oils. She is music director of the First Unitarian Society in Schenectady, and director of education and outreach for the St. Cecilia Orchestra. May you long make beautiful music together!

Agnes Gund, Museum of Modern Art chairwoman, received an honorary degree from Hamilton College during the college’s 182nd commencement exercises in May.

Carolyn McGonigle Holleran and husband, Jerry, live in an 1840 farmhouse that they restored and have shared with family members from newborn to age 96. Carolyn left paid employment a few years ago and now volunteers for many local organizations. She and Jerry are very involved in their community, and she is thoroughly enjoying this phase of their oldest daughter is married and living in Deerfield Beach, FL, with her husband and two little boys.

Judy Hartt and Al became grandparents with the birth in Feb. ’93 of Kevin Daniel to son Bruce and his wife, Elaine, in Seattle. The following Sept., son Jeff married Katie in NH where they now live. Judy and Al’s travels have taken them many times to Seattle, FL, Mexico and San Francisco. They continue to enjoy life in Niantic, CT, and love being near the sea.

Lynne Twinem Gorman says grandmothering is more fun than she imagined. Grandson, Ian Thompson German, was born in Oct. ’93.

Nancy Keith LeFevre and Ned spent New Year’s with their children at their time share in HI. Nancy keeps busy taking courses such as Mind Body Medicine, Genealogy and Oriental Rugs. Of course they continue to travel — next trip is a cruise around the British Isles. They took a week’s trip to Detroit, MI, for the wedding of Sandy Jellinghaus McClellan’s daughter last fall.

Nancy Hamilton MacCormac continues as executive director of a federally funded state agency concerned with providing labor market information for career guidance. She has just completed four years on the Raleigh (NC) Planning Commission. In Sept., she and husband, Earl, went to Berlin and Prague: Berlin for Earl to deliver a professional address in German on brain research, and Prague for a week’s vacation of enchanting, unspoiled, middle-European Baroque and Rococo architecture. Their older daughter, Ann, continues her studies of veterinary medicine at UPenn. Daughter Susan graduated from Duke Law School in May with J.D. and L.L.M. degrees with a specialty in Chinese law. She is an associate at Watson, Farley and Williams, a London-based law firm in New York involved in international shipping and banking.

Jeri Fluegehnan Josephson still teaches floral design and works twice a week at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Husband, Buddy, is still active in his dental practice, but they travel whenever possible. Their daughter, Andrea, and her husband, Peter (who is with Citibank), have just moved to London for a three-to-four-year stint. Their first child, Jack, was born in Jan., an excuse for Jen and Buddy to become international travelers. Their son, Stephan, is a doctor in Gainesville, FL, where he is taking a three-year fellowship in gastroenterology.

Allan I (Anne Detarando Hartman) spent a wonderful vacation in June ’93 in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Park. We were lucky enough to escape the New England winter with a trip to Naples, FL, in Feb.

The class extends its sympathy to the family of Kate Crehan Bowman whose mother died in April ’93 and to the family of Janet Larsen Carley, who died on 11/15/93. Much sympathy also to Kathy Gray Pearson, who lost her husband, Jeff, in March.
life after many "growing" experiences. Besides their own blended family of six children, they have close ties with Hispanic families in their area. Their travel tends to be vigorous: biking in Ireland and sailing in the Caribbean.

Susan Twyefort Spoon wants people to travel up to Alberta, Canada, for the annual Calgary Stampede and visit her and husband, Jan. She's raising llamas and teaching English as a Second Language (ESL). Son, Martin, is in medical school; son Thijs is doing an internship in nuclear pharmacy. Susan keeps up with ex-roommate Kate Driggs Perry, and hopes to get to their 35th reunion next June. She had a wonderful idea: send me your Christmas newsletters (even if they come in the spring) and I can extract news from them!

Christie Steinfelder Wagner is another farm person. Hers is in the Catskills of NY, with six dogs, five horses, two goats, eight cats, five ducks and four chickens (at last count). She also works as a nurse in a small local hospital. Her daughter lives in Holland (married to a Dutchman) and her son lives in New York (married to an Indian woman from Kenya). She stays in touch with several classmates, so I'm hoping we can get her off the farm for our 35th.

Continuing the international theme, Harriet Kaufman Breslow's daughter Aimee has been in Ljubljana, Slovenia, working on a "think tank" for peace. She has also spent lots of time in Israel and traveling widely, but is returning to the US soon for studies at the Columbia School of International Relations. Son, Jeff, is living at home after graduating from law school. Harriet is a social worker and family counselor, specializing in short-term therapy, at a non-profit center. Her real loves, though, are tennis and skiing. She saw Pat Abrams last December and maintains her Skiffs connections.

Helen Puls Turner and husband Jim have been married 31 years and live in Atlanta. Son, Mike, is graduating from the Culinary Division of the Art Institute of Atlanta, and daughter, Karolyn, is a jr. in college. She has been in touch with Sally Feinberg Aronson, and I was able to reconnect her with Noreen Raymond Frink.

If you want to know how to beat jet lag, ask Gail Turner-Slover. For ten years she did research in "chronobiology" and for a while had her own firm in Connecticut specializing in jet lag reduction. Gail has been taking advantage of her daughter's United Airlines family pass to visit family members and friends. Son, Greg, is in the Air Force stationed in England, and son, David, is a cowboy in WY. She also visited fellow zoology major Marilyn Hinkes Bruce in the San Francisco area. Divorced after 24 years, Gail credits her faith with helping her through the tough times.

I had a wonderful visit this winter with Marion Fitz-Randolph Coste and Bill in HI. Her second book, Honu, on the native sea turtle is doing very well.

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Colleen Dougherty Lund visited Joan Gattes Eskridge and Charlie in Houston last year and had a lovely tour of the city. Daughter, Jenny, flew in from Honduras in time to see brother, Tim, become a naval aviator and receive his wings. Colleen also reports many family weddings and a visit from Edmea da Silveira McCarty '59, a CC friend.

Judy Ensign received a doctorate in adult education from Teacher's College, Columbia U. in '92. She has been working at the Manassas Campus of Northern Virginia Community College since '91 developing non-credit programs and undertaking some corporate training. She saw Alice Fitzgerald in Aug., who is incredibly successful in her career and just as nice as always. She also had a short visit with Joan Swanson Vazakas in Nov. She looks wonderful and is working very hard on the violin. Judy still plays chamber music, but no longer performs in public. She lives living in Reston, VA.

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Ann Decker Erda visited their son, Rob '95, in Hong Kong in Nov. where he spent a semester at the U. of China. They took a fascinating side trip to Beijing.

Colleen Dougherty Lund visited Joan Gattes Eskridge and Charlie in Houston last year and had a lovely tour of the city. Daughter, Jenny, flew in from Honduras in time to see brother, Tim, become a naval aviator and receive his wings. Colleen also reports many family weddings and a visit from Edmea da Silveira McCarty '59, a CC friend.

Judy Ensign received a doctorate in adult education from Teacher's College, Columbia U. in '92. She has been working at the Manassas Campus of Northern Virginia Community College since '91 developing non-credit programs and undertaking some corporate training. She saw Alice Fitzgerald in Aug., who is incredibly successful in her career and just as nice as always. She also had a short visit with Joan Swanson Vazakas in Nov. She looks wonderful and is working very hard on the violin. Judy still plays chamber music, but no longer performs in public. She lives living in Reston, VA.

Susan Foster has recently been promoted to vice president for Information
Technologies at the U. of Delaware.

Recently retired from 20 years as a lab technician, Barbara Frick Jung had a wonderful visit from Joan Knudsen Perkins and Ken from Sydney, Australia, last Oct. Sons Mike and Doug are seeking their fortunes in AK and CO having graduated from Colorado State U. and U. of Colorado/Boulder. They have a darling 8-month-old granddaughter, Maggie, born to Mike and Devon of Ft. Collins, CO. Barbara and Jim do a good bit of traveling, and Joan enjoys riding her horse three or four times a week.

Jan Hall drives past CC three days a week as she now does speech and language rehabilitation in Mystic and Niantic. That combined with other speech jobs is adding 500 miles a week to her car! Jon '86 is at McEwan Design in NYC, and Jess is a sophomore at E.O. Smith High School on the UConn campus.

Greetings from Lisbon, Portugal, where Marion Hauck Robbins has been living since '86. She is now teaching Kripalu Yoga, and her husband works as a private consultant in the area of urban development. Marion still travels to Venezuela often, since her father is quite elderly and ailing. Daughter, Suzanne, lives in Pleasantville, NY, and does concert tour arrangements all over the world. Son, Hutch, is a lawyer in Baltimore.

Linda McCormick Rice is happy to report her marriage to Bob on 9/11/93. She is still living in Atlanta and works at Travelers Insurance. Life is good.

Frank and Judith Mapes Metz are retired and loving it. All six Metz kids plus two of three spouses are employed and happy. Their first grandchild was born in Feb. They are very involved at Memorial Sloan-Kettering, St. Luke's and Roosevelt Hospitals and trying to give back.

Judy Novik Lyons is now executive director of the Mohawk-Hudson Community Foundation for the Capital Region, Albany, NY. Started in '68, the foundation has amassed a $3.7 endowment and dispersed 2,000 small grants totaling $3 million.

Brent Randolph Reyburn moved last year to be closer to work and get a cute little house. Things are going well and she still works at the marina. Lisa graduated with a master's in June; Mimi has gotten her license to be a hairdresser in RI.

Eileen Rem Chalfoun recently returned from a trip to Costa Rica that Betty Burger Jones arranged. Daughter, Anna Lisa, just completed a semester at the Oceanographic Institute in Woods Hole and returned to Smith for the last semester of jr. year. Son Edward's hockey team just won the Vermont State Championship with him in goal.

Sara Stewart Robertson retired from The First National Bank of Chicago in '93.

The Class of '61 sends sympathy to the family and friends of Virginia Thorson Goodall, who passed away on 8/1/89.

Susan Feldman Copeland enclosed the following news on her Christmas card: she and Hilda Kaplan Colten visited Seattle and Vancouver together in Aug. They then went on an exciting Alaskan cruise. They had hopes of seeing Florence McCrea Wright while in Seattle, but she was away in the Southwest.

Ann Morris Loring reports that she has finished guide training for "Discovering Habitats" at the Ashland Nature Center near Wilmington, DE. During Jan., she and her husband, Ed, visited their son, David, who is now employed by Fidelity Corporation in Salt Lake City. Ann also continues to guide at Mount Cuba, a wild flower and horticulture center located near her home.

Ann was kind enough to pass along to me news and photographs of Kay Stewart Neill. Kay was married on 7/10/93 to Andrew Neill in the Denver Temple of the Mormon Church. He is retiring from the U.S. Army and is now a graduate student in the Engineering Department at Ohio U., where Kay is a third year graduate student in clinical psychology. Please note her wedding dress — she made it herself. We wish them a happy, healthy life together.

Dr. Linda Lear was awarded a s. post doctoral fellowship to the Smithsonian Institution and the Beinecke Fellowship at Yale U. for her work and biography of biologist and writer, Rachel Carson. Congratulations, Linda.

Roberta Yellin Barron writes that her daughter, Jean Louise, graduated from the U. of Redlands in CA in June '93, and has joined the ranks of those looking for a job.

Ellen Watson Payzant's husband, Tom, was nominated for assistant secretary for elementary and secondary education and was expected to be confirmed shortly.

Marion Stafford Lor was recently awarded a long-term disability payment and very generously contributed part of her first check to CC. She is going to graduate school on the remaining amount.

Judith Abbott Raffety has been busy with training and development consulting and ESL tutoring for Literacy Volunteer. She is looking forward to spending the summer on Block Island. Her son Daniel, 14, will be in high school next year. He loves drama, karate, and playing the drums. Husband Don "puts me to shame riding in centuries (100 miles) on his bike."

Monica Blum Lemieux and her husband, Bob, have two children, Jennifer, 9, and Jacob, 8. Both Monica and Bob work for NYC, she as the head of an independent...
Elizabeth Overbeck Balkite '65

Genetics Counselor

When Elizabeth Balkite graduated from Connecticut College with a degree in zoology, she never could have foreseen her future career in genetic counseling. The field simply did not exist in the mid-60s.

“We spent very little time on molecular biology in those days. We ended with the study of DNA; that’s where it all begins now,” says Balkite, who has vivid memories of anesthetizing fruit flies in New London Hall.

Balkite recently returned to campus as a guest speaker at a conference on breast cancer sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Not surprisingly, she wanted to visit the site of her former science classes and take a look at the Olin Science Center under construction. “Bernice Wheeler was the professor who influenced me the most, along with John Kent and Jeanne Prokesch,” she recalls.

More than a decade after she graduated from Connecticut College, she earned an M.S. in human genetics from Sarah Lawrence College. Now a 15-year veteran of one of the youngest health care professions, she brings her patients both a specialized knowledge of genetics and a listening ear. In this last capacity, she says Balkite, “particularly in families with a known history of Down’s syndrome or polycystic kidney disease, to cite just two examples.” Her publications include writings on genetic counseling prior to amniocentesis, newborn screening and screening for cystic fibrosis.

In addition to her private practice in genetic counseling in Greenwich, Conn., Balkite served for 10 years as a genetic associate on the staff of Yale School of Medicine and Norwalk Hospital. In 1981, she established the Genetic Counseling Division at Norwalk; at Yale she specialized in counseling expectant mothers having prenatal diagnosis.

In June, Balkite relocated to Santa Fe, N.M., as program manager of Integrated Genetics, a company that offers diagnostic lab services and other testing. She takes an active role in all the company’s education programs for hospitals and medical centers. Newly elected to the Ethics Committee of the National Society of Genetics Counselors, Balkite helped the society develop and write a code of ethics for professionals in the field.

“As a career, it’s a great option for anyone who loves science and also enjoys people. I didn’t want to spend my life in a laboratory,” she says. There are only 1,200 certified genetics counselors in the U.S. “At least three of us are CC grads,” notes Balkite. Seth Marcus ’80 practices in Illinois, and Pat Ward ’74 in Texas. — LHB
CC WORKING FOR GOOD GOVERNMENT IN FRAMINGHAM, MA. Jade Schappals Walsh '68 just completed six years on the local Board of Education. Pam Sharp Hulme '71 (center) was just elected to fill that seat. On the right is Barbara E. Gantz Gray Gardner '48, who has represented Framingham in the Massachusetts Legislature for more than 20 years. (None of these alumnae majored in government at CC.)

Married: Ann Gulliver to Michael DeVlaming Flinn, 2/14/93.

Dear classmates, we realize that our column has looked empty for sometime now. We hope that you will keep us up-to-date on your news, and we will try to be more timely in our reporting. Since we're sure you don't wish to read excuses about our inability to keep you continuously informed, we won't make up any.

Ann Gulliver Flinn was married on Valentine's Day '93. Now that far more than a whole year has gone by, we think it is time to write a special congratulations to Ann. She has begun a new life in CT and is very happy.

Congratulations are also due to Charlotte Kling Goldberg, who along with husband, Howard, has become a grandparent not once, but twice. Their granddaughter, Rivka Goldberg, was born on 7/1/92; Rivka's sister was born on 11/11/93. They live in Jerusalem where Charlotte visited and spent part of her sabbatical. Her second son is married and living in Jerusalem as well. She also has two daughters who are now 12 and 9. Charlotte is still teaching at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles, and Howard is in private medical practice.

Louise Fay Despres wrote that she has been teaching French for 25 years. Last June, she spent six days at Trenton State College correcting the AP French exam for ETS. She has recently been in touch with a former Connecticut intern of hers, Joan Edwards '87, and has heard from Jill Andrist Miller '65 and Lary Smith. Louise is pleased that two of her former students are now at CC. Louise is already looking forward to seeing many of us at our 30th reunion in two years.

While Carol Chaykin is working for the branch of SIAC (Securities Industry Automation Corp.) which processes activity for the NSSC (National Securities Clearing Corp.), she has been on loan to the NSSC in order to write a business plan for a participant profile system. She will return to the SIAC in March '95. Carol also began a master's program in computer science at the Courant Institute of NYU. Finding appropriate courses was difficult, so Carol has taken a break in order to work on a certificate in software engineering at NYU. She also reports that she has two delightful kittens that keep her very entertained.

Some of our classmates had their own reunion. Katherine Curtis Donahue saw Bridget Donahue Healy, Jan Davison Peake, Muffy McNab Bunn, Jane Brown Baird, Lee Johnson Stockwell and Caroline Davis Murray at Barb Sachner Boyle's (67) home in CT in March '93. The whole crew went into NYC for dinner at Astra's. Katherine reports that "naturally, none of us have changed a bit."

When contacted, Ann Langdon was looking forward to moving to DC over the summer to join husband, Drew Days, who is solicitor general of the U.S. Ann has remained in CT this year so her daughter could complete her senior year in high school. As one daughter prepares for college, the other is making plans to attend medical school. Ann continues to work for Young Audiences of Connecticut as program director (arts in education), and is excited about returning to her old haunts and interests in DC.

Congratulations to Judy McIntosh Carr and Bill on the 4/16/94 marriage of their daughter Lauren '91 to Dr. Stacy Larsen. We know this has been a busy year for the Carrs: their son, Chad, was married on 10/16/93 and Lauren's wedding will be 4/16/94.

Pam Mendelsohn has had an unexpected bonus added to her job description. The World Institute on Disability, for whom she works, has a USAID grant to provide technical assistance and training to people who are disabled in Russia. Pam has been to Russia three times in nine months. Is that a good excuse for not writing this column? Please keep in contact with her so she can update this column when she's at home again.

The Class of '66 sends sympathy to the family of Joan Short Vincinanzo, who died on 10/10/92.
"Nineteen ninety-three has been a great year for all the Meyers," writes Stephanie Hirsh Meyer. "Through our teen paper, we delivered 20,000 letters to Pres. Clinton and met with him!" Ali is a recent Colby graduate, and Rob is a Yale freshman. Stephanie sees Nancy Finn Kukura and Leslie Levin Dangel at school functions.

Barbara Modeski Holbrook spent '93 adjusting to civilian life in a new city. Bob retired after 26 years in the Navy and purchased a small technical business in Tampa, FL. Scott is a sr. at Penn State, and Allison is a high school sr. Barbara enjoys life in the warm weather, full with family, golf and other woman's clubs, but hopes to "rejoin the world of paid employment in '94."

Allyson Cook Gall is assistant director of American Jewish Committee for NJ. She has "three great kids ages 14, 18 and 21 — really good people whose interests vary from Tai Kwon Do to tennis and violin."

Roberts Ward Holleman passed the CPA exam on her first try and has been doing some accounting work in Sonoma, CA. She also still works as an automotive service worker "in the most culture-oriented garage on the west coast — we even have a bookstore in our office!"

Bonnie Cohen Cousens keeps busy doing PR and publications as assistant director of the Society of Humanistic Judaism. Husband Mark's labor law practice continues to grow in MI. Jeff is a sophomore at Northwestern, and Beth just graduated from the U. of Michigan.

Kathleen Gunther Tiews keeps in touch with Ann Fertig Tiemann and Brooke Johnson Suijer while serving as an administrator at NH Technical College, a board member of a local agency "pioneering in family health care in our impoverished rural settings" and a member of chamber and choral groups. Her husband is a computer programmer, after 20 years as an elementary school teacher. Her three daughters by her first marriage are Jessica, Princeton '95; MacLean, Harvard '97, and Alex, a high school sr.

Cynthia Stork Gerber is still enjoying a small college town atmosphere in Davis, CA. She and Jay "are great." Elizabeth is a freshman at Middlebury, and JB is in eighth grade.

Congratulations to Marion Yamin Paulson, our 25th reunion chair, who married Don Campbell on 12/4/93 in Los Angeles. Son Greg is a freshman at Princeton.

As of this writing, I have postcards from a few classmates. I need more! So please send me that postcard you tucked away during the year's end or drop me a note. I'm looking forward to hearing from you and keeping our class column full and interesting. Happy summer vacations!

It is with sorrow and sympathy to her family that we announce the death of Jane Atchshuler Stavola on 1/3/93.

Married: Barbara Camp to David Linville, 7/10/93.

Norma Drab Goldstein, Ph.D., is the new assistant dean of instructional improvement at Renton Technical College in Renton, WA, just outside her home in Seattle. She also teaches pre-service teachers for Western Washington U. She recently moved from her post as assistant professor of English and director for the East Mississippi Center for Educational Development for the Meridian Branch Campus of Mississippi State U. She and her family: husband, Allen, and son, Adam, 5, keep in contact with older sons Ivan, a graduate student at Temple U., and Todd, who is at Trinity. She is also in touch with Patricia Lenehan Breley ’71 in Medford, NJ.

Ruth Ritter Ladd loves her position as a wetlands biologist with the Regulatory Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, as she gets paid to tromp around swamps. Her husband, Larry, and children are all well. Lowell is a sr. in high school; Stacey and Robin are in 10th grade, and Aaron is in fifth.

Wendy Antrim Ross still lives in Berkeley, CA, with her husband of nine years. She works as a sr. commercial lender for CivicBank of Contra Costa, an independent bank headquartered in Oakland, CA, and in off-hours has recently completed a major remodeling of her house.

Beth Alpert Nakhai received her Ph.D. in Near Eastern archeology in May ’93. Her dissertation topic was “Religion in Canaan and Israel: An Archaeological Perspective.”

Nancy Burnett recently attended a four-day conference for independent radio producers in TX and is working on a story for National Public Radio.

Nancy Marshall Athey is a board member of the Greater Baltimore Crisis Pregnancy Center and serves on the vestry of her church.

Barbara Sundheimer Extein writes to ask the whereabouts of Marjorie Waxman-Bost and Susan Malool.

Danna Mauch is a partner in PDM Health Strategies, a consulting firm based in Cambridge, MA. She is married to a practicing Civil Rights attorney who teaches law at Harvard. Their receiving an intensive course in child development from two-year-old son, Alexander.

Amy Lewis Tabor recently served three years as PTA president at son Scott’s middle school, writes two columns weekly for a local paper and covers School Board Meetings. Her daughter, Kory, is in 11th grade, thinking of college with an eye on CC (no pressure or influence, Monty), son, Adam, in fifth grade, has entered a special gifted class.

Carol M. Adams is a trusts and estates lawyer living in Brooklyn with husband, Gary, also a lawyer. They have two children, Rachel, 9, and Andrew, 6, from whom they receive great satisfaction and laughter with moments of frustration.

Mary Ingoldsby works as a school social worker at the Thomaston High School. She has adopted two beautiful daughters: Carolyn, 7, from Korea ad Mary-Selvi, 6, from India. She reports loving her hectic, challenging life as a single parent.

Barbara Carroll received her doctorate in education from Harvard where she is now a sr. consultant in the research office. Her two sons keep her very busy and content.

Linda Lee Howe continues to work as an illustrator-artist with storytelling and attending the Storytelling Festival at CC last spring.

Carolellen Downie Ogle received her M.A. in early childhood education last May from Adelphi U.

Pamela McKittrick received an M.S. in education from Hofstra U., in Dec. ’91 and is active in the schools as a volunteer. She and her husband, Eric Keim, moved to Huntington, NY, with their three children: Cody, 15; Morgan, 12, and Leigh, 9.

Claudia Pikula Farrar and Michael Farrar are exploring the sites, customs and culture of China where Michael is VP in charge of exploration of ARCO China, Inc. During spring break, they traveled with sons, Shane, 8, and Dakota, 6, to Beijing to tour the Great Wall, the Forbidden City and other points of interest. They live in a community of 125 families within the city of Shekou, and the boys attend Shekou International School. Claudia reports no one is fluent in Mandarin Chinese yet, "but we’re working on it.

Amy Cohen continues to teach at Western New England College Law School and is active in several community agencies.; She also tutors new Americans from Russia in English. Husband, Harvey Shrage, is now tenured at Western New England College and is president of their synagogue. They both plan to take a sabbatical in the spring of ’93. Their daughter, Rebecca, 13, became a bat mitzvah this year, and daughter Madeline is about to begin middle school. Amy’s comment regarding our upcoming 20th reunion in June: “Yikes! Middle age!”

Jim McLaughlin is alive and very well in Tucson with his wife and two girls. He is chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at the county hospital.

Mark Vokey is vp of sales at Daniels Printing in Everett, MA. His wife, Melissa, is very involved with the community of Newburyport where they live. She is on the board of the Women’s Crisis Center and the Newburyport Maritime Museum. Children, Caroline, 13; Nick, 12, and Cameron, 7, are doing well. A trip to Jamaica with Jim Berrien and wife was unfortunately canceled due to a lapse in child care. Jim is sr. vp of American Express in NY. Mark is planning a golf outing with Jeffrey Whitestone whose handicap is supposedly six or seven! Jeff lives in Boston and is sr. underwriting consultant for Crum & Forster Insurance Co.

Susan Wittspenn Ott lives in Medfield, MA, and is enjoying life at home as a full-time mom. They adopted a daughter, Katherine Saunders Ott, in March of last year. She is now 1.

Nancy Cannon is working for the New York State ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens). She and her husband and son, Charles, 3, live in Albany, NY, and are avidly fisherman.

Karen Davidson has become a certified scuba diver and recently flew to St. Lucia to dive among the eels, rays, sharks and deep sea creatures. Her private legal practice in Providence is thriving and she is president of the Rhode Island Women’s Bar Association. Going on her own and becoming a small business person was the best career move she ever made. She’ll be at reunion.

Pam Gleason Swearingen continues to enjoy her 13th year as a pediatrician at Calley Clinic in Burlington, MA. She is happily married and living in Belmont, MA. Her son will start first grade in the fall. They enjoyed cross-country skiing in Stowe, VT, this winter.

Sherry Alpert continues as vice president of public affairs at Jewish Memorial Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, Boston. She and her husband, Dick Shimshkiss, live in Canton, MA, where she serves on the Board of her
Temple and is active in the Connecticut College Club of Boston. Sherry's stepdaughter, Laura, a sr. at Colby, spent last semester on a program in Nepal.

Cathy Backus leads a double life as manager of the Enfield clinic of Planned Parenthood of Connecticut by day and a professional singer by night. She sings with two professional vocal ensembles: CONCORA (Connecticut Choral Artists), who just released a CD, and the Woodland Scholars, a group of 16 singers specializing in Renaissance music. Needless to say, she does not have much spare time.

Holly Babbitt Cobb left IBM two years ago and is now more involved in the "day to day" lives of her daughters, Whitney, 15, and Blair, 11. She is even president of the PTA! Holly works part-time with her husband, Bill, in his consulting business that specializes in retail bank scheduling systems. They plan to attend our 20th reunion in June.

Debbie Canter has been an Air Traffic Control Specialist for nearly 12 years. She is employed by the Cleveland Air Route Traffic Control Center in Oberlin, OH, the world's second busiest air traffic facility. She does this to support her kennel of 35 racing Alaskan Huskies, who live with her on a farm near Oberlin. She trains the dogs all fall and races all winter, traveling nearly every weekend in Jan. and Feb. to sprint races in MI, Ontario and WI. She also serves as vice chairman and sanctioning chairman for the International Sled Dog Racing Association. She would love to hear from anyone who still remembers her!

Linda Carson is a gynecologic oncologist, associate professor of OB/GYN and vice chair of the Dept. of OB/GYN at the U. of Minnesota. She has also been elected secretary/treasurer of the Minnesota OB/GYN Society. Her husband, Rod Burke, a general surgeon, is also an associate professor at the U. of Minnesota. They have four children ages 9-15. Linda's research interest include quality of life in women with gynecologic malignancies, and Rod studies the molecular biology of neural and hepatic function in sepsis. (Your humble class correspondent apologizes if I got that last part wrong.)

Ann Taback-Fairman Pasquier and husband, Bernard, will go to Paris in July for his mother's 80th birthday and some museum visits. Daughter, Wendy, is in neuro-science research at the Vollum Institute in Portland, OR. Ann still enjoys teaching fourth grade in Groton, CT.

Margaret Hamilton Turkevich finished her MBA at Kent State U. in July '93, four days before loading a van for a move to Alpharetta, GA. She; husband, Leonid; Elizabeth, 10; Paul, 8, and Julia, 1, are busily adjusting to year-round outdoor tennis after nine Cleveland winters.

Janice Johnston Primiano and husband, Stephen, have two active boys: Gregory, 4, and Eric, 2. She works three days a week as a preschool education consultant resource teacher for a local school district. She also serves on the Board of Directors of two organizations affiliated with the Visiting Nurse Association. Janice lives in Barrington, RI.

Sara Pettengill Petersen and husband, Dale, celebrated 20 years of marriage in '93. Sara continues to work part-time as a nursery school teacher, but most of her energy is spent keeping up with her children: David, 16; John, 14; and Rachel, 11. A vacation in '93 took them through CO, UT and parts of AZ. They live in West Hartford, CT.

Kathy Powell Cohn is looking forward to our 20th reunion! She has been working part-time doing public health and educational studies and telephone interviews for Survey Research Associates, a subsidiary of Barrell Institute. She also serves on her children's elementary school PTA Executive Board and a community Advisory Committee for Curriculum and Instruction in the Baltimore Public Schools — a real juggling act. She is also involved in Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and general kid chauffeuring. Next year, all three of her kids will be in different schools, but her youngest will be in first grade.

Nelson Stone is married with three children: Michelle, 10; Jonathan, 9, and Laura, 6. He is associate professor of urology at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine in NY. His wife has a private practice in psychiatry.

Anne Swallow Gillis left her hospital chaplain's position in Nov. and has entered the ranks of the self employed as an ordained minister, she does weddings, provides spiritual direction and griefwork for individuals and leads women's spirituality groups. She also does consulting with a local in-home health agency, providing hospice spiritual care as well as bereavement support for nursing staff. She is president of the Monterey Peninsula Ministerial Association. She loves living on the Pacific Coast with her husband, Chris; son, Nicholas, 9, and stepdaughter, 9-1/2.

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Greetings from your phantom correspondent, Miriam Josephson Whitehouse. Thank goodness Nancy Graver has joined us or you might not have seen any news for who knows how long. Actually, I had the best intentions to write a column after returning from the Ultimate Reunion last fall. I am sure that everyone who attended will agree that it was a fantastic weekend. What an incredible treat to see so many people from so many classes. Many of us, I think, had not been back to campus for many years, but having made the effort, they found it worth their while. It was a unique experience to be there during the school year as it gave us a real glimpse of Connecticut College life in the 90s, and it is quite different from the 70s, believe me.

Some things apparently don't change, though, as we discovered Saturday night when Roomful of Blues showed us that they haven't lost their touch. Dance, dance, dance all night long. I guess we haven't lost our touch either.

Well, now that we have renewed some connections, it rekindled our enthusiasm for old friendships, let's hear from you, and I promise that if you make the effort, I will too and your news will be published within, oh, say six months as opposed to one year?

Peter Carlson was married on 9/11/92. He and his wife moved from NYC to Los Angeles where they have an interior design firm, Carlson-Chase Associates.

Mark Warren organized the 18th annual Arbor/Opening Day Softball game with help from Mike Ridgway and Steve Brunetti '76. Other CGC graduates who played this year were Dan Tucker, Chip Miller, Adam Schneider '76, Dave Bro '76, Andy Krevolin '77, Ritchie Glanz '77, Bobby Williams, Scott Carney '77 and David Saltzman '76. Owen Prague '76 was the honored guest from the West this year. No one got hurt and Steve Brunetti '76 provided the usual entertainment. Big plans are underway for the 20th in '96!

Here's my contribution to kick us off. On New Year's Day, many Connecticut College buddies gathered to help Ammy Bussman Heiser celebrate her 40th birthday. (Don't feel bad, Am, we're all 40 already, so you're in good company.) Bob Gould and his wife, Lesley; Miriam Josephson Whitehouse and her husband, Jonathan; Marjorie Bussman Gillis '73 and her husband, Chip; Donna Chobot Festinger '76 and Ellen McCarthy '73 and her husband, Mark, all joined in the party. I think Am was sufficiently distracted as she slipped over the hill.

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Notes from alumni seem to come in bits and pieces, but I can always count on Dan Cohen for an original, well-thought out and typed note. I hope I can do justice to his original format titled Dan's Fantasy List. Since we last heard from Dan, he has successfully sold the house he had bought in '87 (doesn't men-
Born: to Lisa Quinon Abbott and Geoff Nichols 11/3/93; to Judy Voorhees Trobe and Jack, Sanha in '93.

Judy Voorhees Trobe and her husband, Jack, now have five children, including 4-year-old triplets and a 7-year-old son. Judy has temporarily put aside her social work career in order to devote full-time to motherhood.

Lisa Quinon Abbott and husband, Geoff, are thrilled about the newest addition to their family. Lisa reports that she had to be hospitalized for 27 days prior to Nicholas' birth due to complications, but baby and family are all doing well now. Big brother Matthew, 5 1/2, was ecstatic about getting a brother. At Christmas time, Lisa saw Anne Morrison Danaher, who now has three children.

I had an enjoyable phone conversation with Anne McConnel Naber. She and husband, Richard, along with their dog and cat, are now living near Flint, MI. Anne has moved several times due to Richard's job, and sings the praises of mobile home living. Anne has been active on the church vestry and plans to continue studying for her CPA credentials. Anne keeps in touch with Pari Ahmad and Bill Sheffield.

YES! The Class of '79 has come through with some news for my final column.

Born: to David Fiderer and Terez, Jason Tyler 4/27/93; to Debbie Tomlinson Moran and Buddy, Meredith 4/15/93; to Richard Belshaw and Julia, Emily Slater 2/18/93; to David Stewart and Katherine McNair Stewart '81, Sarah Katherine 6/27/93; to Beth Kulka Hamilton and Alvin, Grace Elizabeth 12/18/93; to Cindy Stone Phelan and John, Holbrook Christina 1/7/94; Michael Fishman and Evelyn, Jeremy 2/12/94.

Debbie Tomlinson Moran lives in Upper Montclair, NJ, with her husband, Buddy, and two beautiful daughters: Lindsey, born 8/31/91, and Meredith, who arrived punctually on her due date of 4/15/93 interfering with the Morris tax filing.

Cindy Stone Phelan is on maternity leave with Holbrook and older brother Griffin, 3-1/2. She'll return to work as an attorney at Fitzhugh and Associates in Boston, where she practices environmental and insurance coverage litigation. Cindy keeps in touch with Janice Bolton Trebat and her husband, Alan '78, who have two children and live in Ashland, MA; Caroline Baldwin Kahl, an attorney in DC, who had her second child, a boy, in Sept. and is living in Alexandria, VA; and Betsy Beyer, who lives in Norwalk, CT, with her husband, John Lucey, her son, Chez, 8, and stepson, John Conrad, 7. John and Betsy were married 11/6/93. Cindy's husband, John, often runs into John Moore '78 as they both work for State Street Bank and Trust.

I am writing pursuant to your request in the Sept/Oct. volume of Connecticut College Magazine. I have recently decided to start my own law firm. For the past five years, I have been with the firm of Riley & Defalce, P.C., where I was a shareholder. My new firm will be known as Rosenberg and Fenchel. We concentrate our practice in the area of insurance defense litigation, commercial litigation and entrepreneurial representation. Very truly yours, David J. Rosenberg. Amen. I couldn't have said it better myself.

David Stewart and Katherine McNair Stewart '81 wanted to come to the reunion but it conflicts with David's high school reunion. The Stewarts have a son, Daniel, 5, as well as new baby, Sarah Katherine. "She was born at home with a midwife," writes Katherine. "It was a wonderful experience for the whole family."

Last April, Susan Avtges Kayeum moved to Yarmouth, ME, from Philadelphia as a result of husband Thor's new job at UNUM, Maine's motto, "The way life should be" truly captures life for the Kayeums. Susan writes that it's a wonderful and beautiful environment in which to raise her two daughters, Laura, 6, and Sara, 4. Prior to moving to ME, Susan worked as a consultant at Johnson and Higgins (corporate home to Alice English Johansson who toils there from dawn to dusk). Now that she's in ME, Sue has shed the insurance broker lifestyle to become a skating, sledding and cross country skiing instructor for her children. She also teaches an insurance course at the U. of Southern Maine. Sue keeps in touch with Nina Weinstock Lesser, Mike Fishman, Jordan Multer and Debbie Daigle (who is news director in Hartford, CT, on radio station 93.7 FM from 5-9 a.m.)

Dick Belshaw wrote in to report on the birth of daughter Emily last Dec. in NYC. Dick says that he and wife, Julia, are still on that "new parent high" which they hope will last indefinitely.

Marcia McLean was happily married on 10/2/93 in Old Lyme, CT, to Peter Lasia Jr. Many Conn alums were there to celebrate: Laura Horan Burke, John Bush, Fayelle Wharton Bush '81, Chip Clothier, Holly Hubbard Cheo '83, Louise Draper Gaumont '81, Barb Lynch, Debbie Tomlinson Moran , Jeff Siegel, Susan Emery Quinby '72 and Barry Twomey '81. The Lasias had a great day and then spent two wonderful weeks in Italy. Marcia is still working at Rockefeller and Co., Inc. (going on 11 years). For the past two years, she has been managing the global private investment group.
FREE JOB-FINDING SERVICE NOW ON LINE

Alumni are invited to register for kiNexus, a new nationwide electronic job-finding service now available free of charge to alumni and students at the Connecticut College Office of Career Services. Employers with openings access the computer database and contact candidates with suitable credentials. Interested alumni must complete an application profile to register for this service. To obtain a registration form and more information about kiNexus, call the Career Services Office (203) 439-2770 or complete and return this form to:

kiNexus Registration
Office of Career Services
Connecticut College
270 Mohegan Ave.
New London, CT 06320-4196

Please send me kiNexus information and a registration form.
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Please write again (with your name!), and we’ll be happy to include your news in the next issue.

Married: Stephen Murphy to Becky Lockwood '81, 6/87.

Born: to Fontaine Kohler Kane and James, Robert Kohler 1/10/93; to Tina Reich Hass and William, Peter 3/9/94;
Betsy Bravman Halpern and Dick, Danielle Elizabeth 5/7/93; to Jeanette Theroux and Pierre Garneau, Delphine 1/23/93; to David Schwartz and Cary Gamboa, Michael Gamboa 3/19/93.

Beth Hardie Nelson writes she's back at work part time since having Rose and Tom. Though “newsless,” Bedie should be recommened for just living in northern VT during “the winter that wouldn’t give up”.

Fontaine Kohler Kane lives in Atlanta, GA, with her husband and new baby, Robert, who joins two older sisters, David Erbafina is the godfather and joined Fontaine and family for the christening with his wife, Mary. Fontaine also started a new job in Jan. ’94 as a mortgage loan officer, which she says is a much needed change from banking.

Elizabeth Hantzes Bolen lives in “Old Town” in Alexandria, VA, with her husband, Ed, and a black Lab, Abby. By day, Beth is director of development for George Mason U. At night, she is a graduate student working toward her master’s in English lit.

Tina Reich Hass is taking a leave from her position as librarian at Earthwatch in Waterman, MA, to welcome new son, Peter, who joins sister, Caza, 4. Also working for Earthwatch is Jessica Smith. She enjoys living in a tiny house she bought on a salt marsh on the Essex River in MA. Jess and Tina still have the chance to visit.

Lisa Card Rapoza and husband, Wally, live in Ashaway, RI, in a house they built two years ago (complete with pool). Son, Jonathan is 8, and Wally is a ship’s superintendent at Electric Boat in Groton. Lisa is a reading specialist in the Westerly School system and is being trained as a reading recovery teacher. Lisa says, “Life is busy, busy, busy.”

Betsy Bravman Halpern and husband, Dick, are enjoying their baby daughter, Dani, but wish they were getting more sleep.

Stephen Murphy and Becky Lockwood ’81 live in Wellesley, MA, with children Garnett, 4 1/2, and Sarah, 2 1/2. Stephen is a lawyer who (to give you the past 14 years in brief) graduated from USC Law School in ’83 then drove east to practice law in Boston for nine years. He now has his own practice in Wellesley, “in part, because I was becoming a stranger to my wife and children.” Stephen has published several articles on the Bankruptcy Code.

Deborah Satorium is presently living in TX with husband, Mark, and son, Drew, 13, and 11-year-old daughter. She is working for Deco Art as coordinator and consultant for their paint line. Deborah is also in graduate school at the U. of Texas/Arlington in land-

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Husband, Peter, is a founding partner in the Stratford Business Group.

Patricia McGowan Samson was lucky to have a mini-reunion of sorts at her July ’91 wedding to David Samson. Alison Butler Geyer ’80 and husband, Fred; Lisa Rinaldi Brown and husband, Tony; Kate Feakes Lee and husband, Bill Lee ’80, were there to celebrate. Pat is director of development and public relations for Milion Hospital in MA, and her husband is professor of art and architectural history at Worcester Polytechnic.

They have bought a home in Franklin, MA, and “can’t believe we’re old enough to own vacuum cleaners and drapes.”

As I was talking to Jill Quirk Vernon on the phone the other night, memories of landing in Heathrow Airport in ’77 with Sandy Erbafina on our way to a jr. semester abroad all came flooding back to me. Jill is great of course. She’s married to long time sweetheart, Bill. They live in Darien, CT, with two children, Will, 6, and Corey. 3. Jill left a 10-year brilliant Wall Street career to devote her attention to her children and to keeping up with her college friends. Nina Korelitz has a stunning career as international marketing director for Lancaster, an international company.

Sue Schulman and Larry Eyink have a great NYC apartment. Sue is a very successful independent art dealer enabling Larry to stay home with their adorable daughter, Adi, and attend graduate school. Sandy Erbafina, is still at her job at Raytheon in Boston. Luisa Franchini “married a great Irish photographer” who is second in greatness only to Lucy Slooman’s wonderful husband, Stephen.”

Dina Catani is married to Nina Rutenberg’s brother-in-law (their husbands are brothers). Nina lives in NYC with a new baby, Dina is in Boston.

Jill runs into Carter Sullivan and Anne Dempsey Sullivan ’80, Cindy Gray (their kids are in the same gymnastics class), John Bush and Win Hotchkiss. She also knows that Tony Bowe has two children and lives in Brooklyn.

Since this is my last column, I’ll give you an update on myself. I’m still married to Jeff MacGregor, Citizens VP of something financial. I am still the mother of two: Rebecca, 7, and John, 4-1/2. We live in Monclair, NJ, in a large rambling house with a golden retriever and many other pets. In June ’93, I left Bantam Doubleday Dell and the Trumpet Club, which I founded and run for eight years, to take a much needed summer off. After getting to know my kids again, I returned to work at the end of Sept. for Scholastic as VP of Marketing. It’s great to work downtown in Soho (if any of you ever venture out of Darien into the city, please stop by). Life is complicated, full and rich, and I can never believe that I’m really a grown up. There’s part of me that will always live in the Housefellows Suite in Smith. I’m looking forward to seeing you all at Reunion ’94.

Hello, o wonderful and eloquent classmates. Thank you so much for your response to my solicitation for news! Interest had been waning, but as you can see from the length of our column, weecee’re back! Please note, if you do not see your news, it’s because three of you didn’t sign your names on your postcards.
scape architecture, and Mark works for the NRC.

After eight years as an officer in the U.S. Coast Guard, Tamara Swegels Bingham lives in Dallas, TX, with her husband who is a pilot for Delta Airlines. They have a four-year-old son. Tammy volunteers with the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and with her son’s Montessori school. She also enjoys marketing her calligraphy and watercolors. Tammy still corresponds with Barb Fried Weisel who lives in MD with a horse and three boys.

(Alice) Veronica Wilding-White Winters and husband, Lon, are enjoying their 1-year-old daughter, Geneva. Their bookstore, The Happy Wanderer, has expanded and sells Native American books and music and travel and nature guides to tourists coming through Sedona on their way to the Grand Canyon. Noteworthy visitors were Sue Taylor Farnsworth and her husband, Bob.

Libby Orzack Friedman lives in New London and helps her husband with his custom furniture business. The couple have two children, Margot, 5 1/2, and Jacob, 3, Libby is also acting director of New London Landmarks.

Jeanette Theroux and husband, Pierre Garneau, live on Nantucket with daughter, Delphine. Jenny is the general manager of the Nantucket Beacon, the island’s weekly newspaper.

Ellen Sherk and Nico Walsh live in Yarmouth, ME, with their boys, Willie and Jack. Ellen is busy at home, and Nico is busy with his solo law practice.

Judith Krones manages a primary care/family planning program for those without insurance at the Washington Free Clinic. Husband, David Schoor, works for the World Wildlife Fund on trade and environmental issues.

Margaret Pescatello is president of Group E Communications, a new FM radio license with the call letters WXZR in Southeastern Connecticut and Long Island (98.7 on the dial). Programming features “album oriented rock format.” Tune in, all!

Gail Sampson Leichtman is on leave as a geriatric social worker, while she plays countless games of Candyland with her two sons, ages 5 and 2. She still keeps in touch with Pam Long, who lives in Brattleboro, VT.

Bob Seide recently moved to Boston and joined Liberty Mutual Insurance company as counsel in their Legal Department. He works with two other CC and Suffolk Law School alumni, Viki Price ’76 and Larry Yahia ’79. Bob and wife, Cheryl, have a daughter, Laura, 5, and son, Aaron, 3.

David Schwartz writes that he married Cary Gamboa in ’88, and they have a son, Michael, who “is out, is the most beautiful boy in the world.” He’s enjoying watching Michael learn to walk, talk and play with their two dogs. David received his master’s in instructional systems design from the U. of Maryland/Baltimore in ’92 and is now a sr. consultant at Booz•Allen & Hamilton developing training and dabling in multimedia. Cary is a LCSW doing private practice.

Also in Baltimore is Joel Mishkin, who is the assistant rabbi at Beth El Congregation where he enjoys his work immensely. Joel and his wife, Beverly, have twin three-year-old sons, Alec and Evan. He recently visited Kevin Clifton ’79, wife Sandy and their three sons in Chicago and, “found our friendship was rekindled through our mutual good fortune” as Kevin has twin sons, too. Beverly is currently in school, studying for an MSW.

Tim Dempsey lives in Andover, MA, with his wife, Pam, and sons, Ian, 5, and Sam, 3. Tim works for Lotus, as director of New Technology Marketing where he helps “define and introduce products exploiting emerging technologies in mobile computing and groupware.”

I’m enjoying being your class correspondent and look forward to receiving your letters.

Married: Gregory Taylor to Abby Purdy, 8/5/89.

Born: to Kim Carlson Stevens and Jeff, Julia Pinkham 7/5/93; to Katherine McNaire Stewart and David Rainbow, Sarah Katherine 6/27/93; to Susan Roehrig Reilly and Jay, Matthew Caleb 6/28/92; to Christine Saxe Easton and Charles, Michael John 6/25/93.

Kim Carlson Stevens’ daughter, Julia, joins brother, Myles, 4, Julie took her first sail on Mon and Dad’s boat at five days of age right into a thunderstorm while Kim prayed the lightning would strike elsewhere.

Katherine McNair Stewart and husband, David Stewart ’79, reported on the birth of their second child, Sarah, who was delivered at home. Big brother, Daniel, is 5.

Jay and Susan Roehrig Reilly’s newest, Matthew, is their second son.

A second son was also born to Chris Saxe Easton and Chas; Michael and 4-year-old Charlie keep me running full time. In whatever spare time I can find, I gather ideas and make plans for our new home which we are building in Howell, NJ.

Greg Taylor sent an update on the past 13 years; he was married in ’89 and lives in Fairfield with two Jack Russell terriers and a cat (two kids). Greg is director of strategic account sales for Datalogix International, a leader in application software for manufacturer based in Valhalla, NY. Greg enjoys his work and travels internationally. His wife, Abby, is president and co-owner of the Greenwich Gallery of Art and partner in a the New Canaan Gallery. Greg went flying to the Bahamas with Elizabeth Hinkley Hoyt and sees Tom Ziegler ’82 and brother-in-law Jim Dezell. Greg was impressed with the new sports facilities at Connecticut and wishes he was rowing tanks way back when ...

Marsha Williams writes from NYC where she is assistant director of research for the TV show “Ghostwriter.” She works like a dog but loves it. Martha keeps in touch with Jaquely Zuckerman, Diane Smith, Elizabeth Berkman Cohen ’82, Julia Peterson Dahlgren ’82, Susan Coakley ’83 and Greta Johnson ’83.

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Correspondents: Grace Sweet Bitter
2 Oakwood Way
West Windsor, NJ 08569

Born: to Elizabeth Howard Sellers and Thomas, McLane 10/23/92; to Patrice Rausch Milley and Timothy, Graeme Clifford 10/3/93.

Liz Howard Sellers is having a great time raising sons Charlie and Mac. She’s hoping to vacation soon with Libbie Christie Hibbs and her three children and Tina Wurtlitz Harvey, who has a baby girl, Erin.

Patrice Rausch Milley writes, “In May of ’93, my staff of floral designers and I traveled to Ridge Hill Reservation in Needham, MA, to decorate the wedding of Dori Frewold ’94. Carrying a bouquet of long-stemmed pink tulips, Dori was stunning. Once again this spring, I participated in Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. Graeme is adorable and light of our lives.”

Tatiana Lopuchin writes, “Dreams do come true! I’m finally going to teach and live in Moscow, Russia, for a few years. Anyone visiting Moscow may contact me through the American Embassy or the Anglo-American School.”

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

Married: Charley Taylor to Stephanie Zacharek, 9/92; Chuck Painchaud to Holly Masum, 9/18/93; Loren Shapiro to Allison Byck, 11/27/93.

Born: to Holly Golden Samociuk, Jamie Lynn 5/12/93; to Peter Foley and Beth, Sarah Ellen 8/14/93; to Jessica Tolmach Plett and Malcolm, Nicholas Joseph 6/23/93; to Melanie Labinger Cotenoff, Adam Samuel 10/18/93; to Robert Gibb and Jane Ford, Kinsey Anne 12/17/93; to Herb Holtz and Sarah McCarthy Holtz, William Hunter 2/15/93; to David Upin and Stephanie, twin girls Heather Elizabeth and Emily Louise 10/4/93; to Peter Kasparrson and Suzanne, Lauren Johanna 2/22/93; to Beth Lerman Becker
Frederic Macdonald '87
Vice President/Creative Director
Olive Jar Animation

Surreal machines with giant gears spring to life on screen. Human-like figures form and dissolve at warp speed while sound effects baffle the listener. Olive Jar Animation’s newest reel, “Experimental” is a sensory roller coaster ride that can reduce a viewer’s vocabulary to a single word—wow.

Fred Macdonald ‘87 is one of the few people who can answer the inevitable question about special effects, “How did they do that?” Co-owner and creative director of a production studio that is in the vanguard of 3-D animation, Fred and his business partner Lawrence Pensack are tapping a market for their special brand of award-winning visuals. Recent projects include a 20-episode series of public service announcements for McDonald’s Corporation, station IDs for MTV Networks, Nickelodeon, The Cartoon Network and UK Gold/BBC, and commercials for Hidden Valley Ranch, Cap’n Crunch and Perdue Chicken. With two fellow camels, Matthew Charde ’87 and Melissa Tower ’89 now on the team, it looks like fast forward from this point.

But hit the rewind button on Fred’s life and we find a Connecticut College student who majored in economics (he spent one semester abroad at London University) and minored in studio art. “Art was really my second calling,” he says. Soon after graduation, Fred found a position in mutual funds with the Putman Companies in Boston, and he reported for work with high hopes. “On my first day on the job the stock market fell 500 points,” he recalls.

After eight months in a near-disastrous financial climate (“I had four suits, and my salary couldn’t even pay for them”) Fred decided to go for broke. Working weekends as a security guard at the Institute of Contemporary Art kept him in sync with the art world, and he began looking for an internship that would give him training in film. His quest led to a four-year-old production company, Olive Jar Animation. Here he got paid as a set builder and fabricator and quickly acquired the diverse skills he’d use in the future. After a stint in Los Angeles as a special effects designer for Universal Studio’s Ghostbusters’ “Spooktacular,” Fred got a call that would bring him back to Boston as executive producer for Olive Jar. In 1991, when one of the studio’s original two founders left to pursue other ventures, Fred became co-owner and creative director.

Although it made a name for itself in “claymation” techniques, the studio turned to more mixed media under Fred’s direction. “We’re going for a look that feels gritty, a human touch that you know is manipulated by hand, not machine,” he explains. The virtuoso display of styles and techniques is the hallmark of 20 or so employees (the number can go up to 35 for peak production times), each of whom brings a special talent. A 30-second spot typically can take eight to twelve weeks production time.

Melissa Tower ’89 recently joined as office manager, and numerous CC students have served as interns. The executive producer is Matt Charde ’87, who, among other distinctions, was freshman year roommate with Fred. Although the company is moving to new quarters with 12,000 square feet of space, that wasn’t always the case. “The first office we shared at Olive Jar was actually smaller than our dorm room in Wright,” says Fred. —LHB
Sean Lee '85 and Laura Stroman (U.S. Naval Academy '88) are all smiles at their May '93 wedding in Newport, Rhode Island. They are living in Manhattan with their sons Stewart and Edward. She works for McKinsey and he for Neuberger and Berman.

Mont Fennel is still casing the streets of Boston as a business reporter for N.E. Cable News. He and Katharine Canfield '84 are now enjoying their second child, Rebecca, born in September. Two-year-old Sarah is learning to ski, loves her puzzles and helps mom and dad adjust the tracking on the VCR when needed.

David Blaney reports that he and his wife Chul are living in Mexico City where they are optimistic about NAFTA and President Clinton and where they are quickly learning the language.

Attending Loren Shapiro's wedding were Tracy Auer Lemoine, Susan Coakley, Bob Gibb, Herb Holz, Chuck Painchaud, Jocelyn Taylor Dezell, Anita Visconti Bronsdon, Susan Rotatori McAuliffe '82 and Kristen Smith '86. Loren and Allison will be living in Medford, MA. Loren is working at Assurance Mortgage in Burlington. Allison works at Soft-Letter Publishing in Watertown. They send congratulations to Chuck and Holly, Bob and Jane, Herb and Sarah.

Herb Holz has a new job at the law firm of Todd and Weld in Boston. He asks, has anyone heard from Greta Johnson?

David Upin lives with his wife and daughters in Minnesota.

Oren Tasini says send your class dues of $25 to Tim Bishop, P.O. Box 382, Deerfield, MA 01342, or else.

Reunion: June 3-5, 1994

Correspondents: Elizabeth Kolber, 400 East 71st St., New York, N.Y., 10021 and Bart Hoskins, 22 Larchmont Rd., Salem, MA 01970

Born: to Deborah Jacobs Wiskind and Michael, Rachel Jennifer 9/23/93; to Katharine Canfield and Mont Fennel '83, Rebecca Canfield 9/7/93; to David Hinden and Liz, Jackson Reed 11/23/93; to Jordan Krown and Brenda, Martine Frances 12/24/93; to Rebecca Carver Bozadjian and Greg, Rachel Virginia 12/3/93.

Katharine Canfield and husband, Mont Fennel '83, are living in Boston and enjoying life with their two daughters, Sarah and Rebecca. By the end of the year, Katharine hopes to be back at work as an editor and writer.

Jane Friedland married Seth Silverstein on 1/16/93. Deborah Jacobs Wiskind attended the wedding with her husband, Michael. Jane currently lives in NY and spent her first wedding anniversary in the Caribbean.

Andy Pinkes and Suzanne Batchelor were married on 1/8/94. Eric Berkeley, Billy Forrest and Steven Fleaney attended the wedding.

Eric Berkeley has moved back to NYC after living in Los Angeles for several years. He is running the international advertising department for Max Factor.

Billy Forrest is living in NYC and is the general manager for Tiroler Loden Inc., an Austrian woolen manufacturer.

After an absence of five years, Liz Kolber has moved back to NYC from Boston and is a buyer for Lord and Taylor.

Kris Kossmann is working on a master's in elementary education at Columbia U. Teachers College.

Dan Joseph is living in Manhattan and teaching preschool. He writes musicals that are performed by kindergarten children. He speaks at teacher conferences on subjects of
writing and producing musicals in elementary grades and on men who teach young children. He co-authored a children's book, All Dressed Up and Nowhere To Go. A write-up of the book is in the "Chapter and Verse" column of this magazine.

Hal Sizer works at Paul Revere Insurance Company in their brokerage office. Susan Budd Sizer just received her master's degree in elementary education from Lesley College. She works part time as a freelance editor for educational publishers and substitute teaches. Both Hal and Sue are volunteers for The Jimmy Fund, a major fundraising organization for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

Congratulations to Jean Abdella! She will be graduating from UPenn with two degrees: an MBA from the Wharton School, and an M.A. in international studies through the Lauder Institute. She thanks her CC friends for their understanding while she immersed herself in school. She has been traveling around Mexico, enjoying the beaches, people, food and culture and hopes to visit and/or work there in the future.

Welcome to Rachel Virginia Bozadjian. Her parents, Rebecca Carver Bozadjian and Greg, are living in Medfield, MA. Rebecca is the manager of commercial marketing for ABB Environmental Services.

Married: to Laura Stroman, 5/8/93.
Born: to Libby Marston Twitchell and Tim, Emily Elizabeth 10/31/93; to Douglas Evans and Marjorie, Danielle 4/15/92 and Samuel 1/19/94.
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working as a correspondent/field producer for Building America TV, Inc.

**Married: Mariel Hagan to Todd Weinman, a visiting student at CC in '85-'86, 9/25/93.**

Elizabeth McCullough works as a stock broker with Dean Witter. She is busy conducting investment seminars and offering financial advice to whomever will listen. She lives in San Francisco with Lisa Peloso who graduated last summer from U.C. Berkeley with a MSW. Lisa is now making big bucks working with the elderly at a private non-profit in East Oakland. Elizabeth and Lisa see a lot of Lauren Meltzer who also lives in San Francisco. Lauren works at the Learning Company in Fremont, CA, where she designs children's educational software.

Kevin Wolfe is taking post-baccalaureate pre-med classes at San Francisco State U. Kevin doted off his clays to play with the pros in a World Cup promotional event organized by Tim Killenberg and the company he works for in CT.

Peter Kriis works at Govett & Company, an international fund management company in San Francisco. He returned this fall from England after working for 6 months at the Govett office in London.

Amanda Kuklin Derdener lives in Cambridge, MA and is an Assistant Vice President at Shawmut Bank, where she works in commercial real estate. Amanda sees a lot of Sandy Pfaff, who also works at Shawmut Bank as a loan officer. Sandy just celebrated her birthday in Naples, FL, where she ran into Julie Robison.

Mariel Hagan and Todd Weinman have moved to Buffalo, where Mariel works at Jewish Family Service as a clinical social worker and Todd works at the U. at Buffalo as a psychologist in their counseling center.

Will Meyer spent the past five years in DC and New Orleans working as a paralegal and attending Tulane Law School. He is in now back in New York working in the litigation department of a medium-sized law firm. Will wants to get word to Reed Thompson that he still has Reed's T.V. and will gladly return it to him if Reed will let him know where he is.

Thomas Laughlin studied in Venice from Jan. through March of 1994 as part of his curriculum as a master's candidate in landscape architecture at the U. of Virginia.

**Born: to Kristin Masturzo Cuddihy and Jim, Madeline Margaret, 9/24/93. Kristin and Jim were married 10/7/90, and prior to Madeline's birth, Kristin had been working in regional sales for Clinicare Cosmetics. They live in Fort Washington, PA.**

**Married: Minnie Tate to Jeffrey Bernett, 9/18/93. Minnie and Jeffrey live in London.**

Peter Brooks earned a master's degree in political theory at the London School of Economics in '91. He spent the next two years at the U.S. Supreme Court. He is now pursuing a Ph.D. in government at the U. of Virginia. He'd like to hear from anyone in the Charlotteville, VA area.

Marni Kaufman married Stephen Corkick '89 on 8/8/93 in East Hampton, NY. They have been living in NYC since graduation. Marni is pursuing a master's degree in art history at Columbia since leaving her editorial position at Travel Holiday Magazine last year.

Rumor has it that Jessica Hirsch is living in NYC and in her second year of law school at St. John's.

Ernesto Mayser is working in international relations with South America. He recently moved to Philadelphia and now rooms with Chesa Sheldon.

Laura Peterson is enjoying working a variety of jobs at her alma mater, St. Katharine's/St. Mark's School in Betterdorp, Iowa. Her jobs include the weekly newsletter, annual alumni publication and pre-kindergarten aide. On a personal note, she is dating Jim Jardine and visiting her mom, fellow alum Martha (Marty) Flynn Peterson '59, every chance she gets.

Nancy Ross has been living in Prague since Aug. '92 and working for the Civic Education Project, an international educational organization that sends academics to teach social science courses. The organization works to promote educational reform at local universities. While it's been a wonderful experience living and working in Prague, she plans to return to the U.S. in the fall of '94.

Michael Sorell is a master's candidate at Dartmouth in economics and history. As acting treasurer of Connecticut's Alumni Council, he keeps in touch with many fellow alumni. However, for those he doesn't see, he wishes his best.

Amy Spahn and Melissa Nutant drove cross country in April '94 for a four-week "Thelma and Louise" adventure.

Andrea Squibb is living in Chicago and working at Salomon Brothers as an equity salesperson. She still plays lacrosse and is acting in community theater in her "spare" time. She likes Chicago, but misses her friends at CC.

**Correspondents:** John Kogan, 907 Burch St., Durham, NC 27701 and Jonathan Zobel, 79 Pine Brook Dr., Larchmont, NY 10538

**Michael Sandner graduated from the U. of Dayton School of Law in May.**

**Kristin Juska is living in Brooklyn with Kieran Mulvaney '92. She works as a head preschool teacher at a private school near her house. Kristin recently discovered that she has an older brother who was adopted at birth. It has been an overwhelming and wonderful experience getting to know each other.**

**Tracie Krysiak lives in NYC and works at a restaurant while working on medical school applications.**

**Amy Bein lives in NYC and works at American Heritage magazine.**

**Chad Joseph lives in MD and is attending law school.**

**Leah Starr lives in Austin, TX, and attends library science school.**

**Chris Wallerstein lives in Atlanta and works for St. Martin's Press.**

**Tom Neff is out of the hospital after recovering from a very serious case of adult chicken pox. Good luck for a speedy recovery.**

**William Meyer is teaching lower school science (K-3) at the Buckley School in NYC. He will coach lacrosse in the spring.**

**Amy Lebowitz is in her second year at Grinnell College as a residence life coordinator and academic counselor. As hard as it might be to believe, she loves IA — the small-town living and the relaxed pace of life. She has seen Dan Polidoro '90 and Dean Brown recently. For those of you traveling cross-country on I-80, she's right off the highway. Amy reports that Elissa Farrow Savas recently moved to VA. She and Chris are expecting their first child in Jan. Deb Michelson is finishing up her third year at Cornell Law School. She has accepted an offer from a NYC law firm and will be moving to the city at the end of May.**

**Stefanie Kim is also in NYC working for an art gallery.**

**Fabio Ferrari sends a special hello to the gang from Knowlton. He and Heather Morrison are living in tropical Costa Rica. He bumped into the crowd from Park (freshman year) in ME last summer. "The voice" was not among them, but it was good to see Kelly McCan '90 and Co.**

**Adam Gimbel will be spending the next two years at Columbia's Business School.**

**Melissa Ferguson and Kim Marcantonio are sharing their fourth apartment in Boston since graduation. Melissa is working at the League School, where she teaches autistic preschool children. Kim is working as an orthopedic clinical assistant at Harvard Community Health Plan. She also manages a local band called Response. This keeps both of their weekends pretty busy.**

**Margaret McCutcheon is pursuing a Ph.D. in anthropology at the U. of Oxford. Please call the Alumni Office for her new...**

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Paul Mirto has completed her first season as the head coach of the Darien High School girls gymnastics team. The team finished the season, 10-3, ranked 9th overall. Her biggest satisfaction was not in coaching one girl to first team All-State and Connecticut Post All-Star Team honors and another to second All-State, but rather in the fact that nine of her 12 gymnasts earned scholastic honors during their athletic season. She will have another strong team next year as she will only lose one senior. Way to go, Paula.

The Class of '91 sends sympathy to the family of Stephen Barnes, who died on 1/28/94. A memorial fund has been started to plant a flowering tree in the Caroline Black Garden in Stephen’s memory. Donations may be sent to: Stephanie Biewal '92, The Stephen Barnes Memorial Fund, c/o The Alumni Association, 270 Mohegan Ave., New London, CT 06320-4196.

Married: Lisel Allen to John Hettinger, 12/19/93.

Jen Ahlen is attending law school in OR. She spends her free time hiking and heading out to the coast. Jen encourages anyone out on the West Coast to look her up. She loves OR!

Janet Cardona is living in Meriden, CT, and is working as an outreach social worker for the child guidance clinic for Central Connecticut Inc. She acts as both the family intervention program counselor and a Hispanic crisis parent aide. Using her Spanish daily, she counsels mothers on parenting and adolescents aged 13 to 16 who are at risk for delinquent behavior or who are involved in Juvenile Court. Janet also serves on the executive board of the Connecticut College Club of Hartford and keeps in touch with a lot of people from Connecticut, Kim Elliot, is at Harvard School of Architecture.

Alex Barrett will be attending Yale School of Architecture this fall. Classmate, Sarah Carslake '27, of New York, NY, died on March 12. A member of the faculty of the Brearley School in New York City for 48 years, Ms. Carslake retired in 1977 as director of admissions. After her retirement, she did volunteer work at New York Hospital and the Lenox Hill Neighborhood House.

Bernice Neumann Booth '49, of Orleans, Mass., died on March 30. Mrs. Booth taught in the Hartford, Conn., public school system until her retirement in the early 1980s. She received a master's degree from the University of Connecticut.

Suzanne Carver Arnold '53, of Kennebunkport, Maine, died on April 12. She is survived by her husband of 39 years, Peter Arnold; two sons, a daughter, three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Cynthia Worsley Lance '53, of Salisbury, Conn., died on April 19.

Page Brown Cheskin '69, of New York, N.Y., died on March 1 of cancer. Educated at Connecticut and Bank Street College, she taught sixth grade at the Fieldston Lower School in New York City for nearly 10 years. Previously she taught at Friends Seminary, The Barnard School and Walden School. In the 1970s, she and her husband, Joel Cheskin, founded the Escuela de Idiomas Cheskin in Caguas, Puerto Rico. In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters.

Nancy Duncan '70, of New York, N.Y., died on March 27 in a diving accident. After earning a degree from Boston College Law School, she was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1973. Miss Duncan worked for New York City Mental Health Services and the Brooklyn Legal Aid Society. She was a founding partner in the New York City law firm of Abbott, Duncan, Weiner and Reich. Survivors include her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Peter A. Duncan; a sister, two brothers and eight nieces and nephews including, Brian Comfort '92.

Mark Sicher '92, of New York, N.Y., died on April 29 of cancer. A magician, Sicher organized “Share the Magic,” a fundraising event for the American Cancer Society that pulled together the country's top magicians in May. Sicher leaves his mother, Francee Rakatansky Sugar '67; stepfather, Steven Sugar; father, David Sicher; stepmother, Linda Sicher; three sisters, one brother and a cousin, Jennifer Myers '93.

* Obituary unavailable at press time.
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