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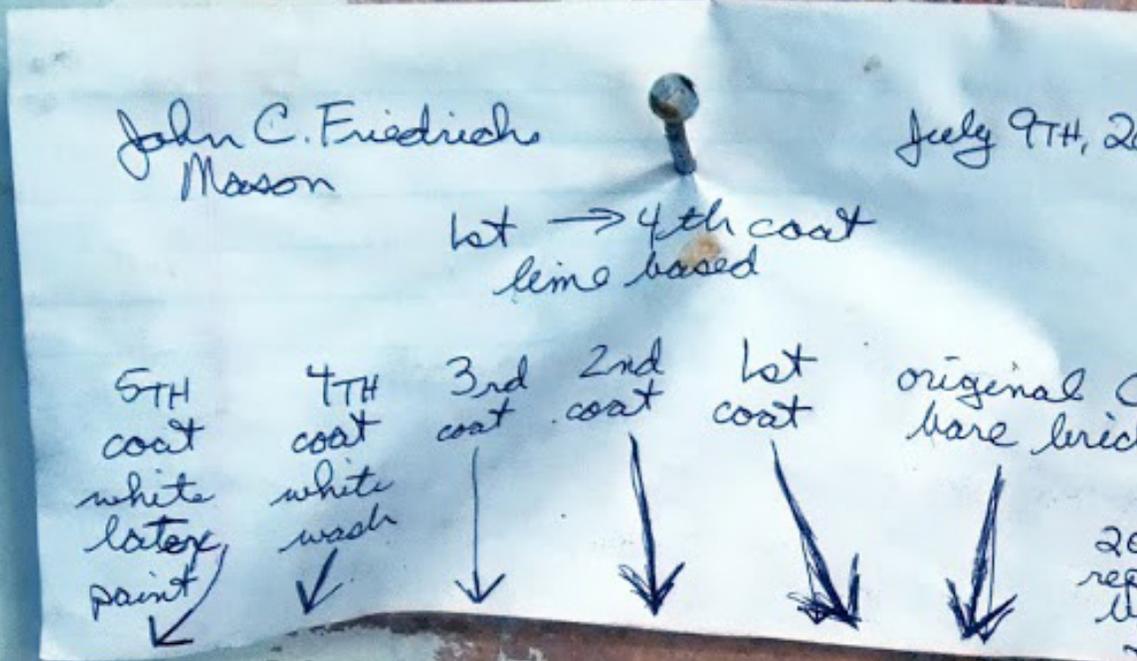
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# by the Numbers

# 1960

Lucas Morel, a politics professor and a preeminent Abraham Lincoln scholar, has been named the first Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics at W&L. See p. 10 for the full story.

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*Newly minted Marines, l. to r., Lee Brett and Connor Smithson.*



*L to r: Nick Cianciolo, Parker Mangold, Brian Ross, Marissa Thompson and Sasha Vandalov. They participated in Army ROTC with VMI's Marshall-New Market Battalion.*

# 100+

More than 100 new members of W&L's Greek organizations participated in the first of what the student organizers hope will be an annual coed day of service in the Lexington and Rockbridge County community, on March 30.



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- E. Ceramic and shell buttons
- F. Civil War-era minie ball



### Thoughts of a Non-Alum

I very much enjoyed the Winter 2013 issue of the magazine. I am not an alumnus, only a participant in the Alumni College run by the Office of Special Programs. I particularly enjoyed reading about Joe Landry '12's blog "To Reduce the Deficit, End Redistribution to the Rich" (a goal dear to my heart); Prof. Barry Kolman's admission in his book of find-

ing his subject boring (a category not restricted to music theory); and "The Gallic Wars" by Vincent W. Rospond II '81 (which I last encountered as a high school freshman 63 years ago and now have reason to revisit). I look forward to more editions.

**John Leddy**  
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### Classroom Technology

The Fall 2012 article on technology in the classroom poses serious questions for an institution that prides itself on top-notch teaching and personal attention. The academic technologies that are increasingly interposed between student and teacher often work against the very purposes to which the University has long been dedicated.

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Alison Bell examines the Robinson Hall treasures.



## Digging an Unexpected Bonanza

As work began in June on the restoration of Robinson Hall, Alison Bell '91 paid an obligatory visit to the work site. As chair of W&L's Historic Preservation & Archaeological Conservation Advisory Committee, the associate professor of archaeology routinely visits construction projects on campus as they get underway to determine if there are any preservation issues.

In this instance, Bell doubted there would be much to see around the site of Robinson, which was constructed in 1840 and now serves as home to the Department of Mathematics. Within minutes of walking onto the lawn behind Robinson and between Washington and Tucker halls, she knew she'd been wrong just by virtue of the numerous artifacts that she found on the surface.

"There was a dense scatter of artifacts from the early 1800s—not at all what I had expected," she recalled. "Steven Lyle, W&L archaeology intern, and I put in one 2½-by-2½-foot test unit and found a remarkable assortment of material."

That happened on Wednesday, June 12. After a rainy Thursday kept them away from the find, Bell and her team converged on the site on June 14 to start digging in earnest. They worked about 10 hours a day for the next three days, uncovering literally thousands of early-19th-century artifacts buried only two inches under the surface.

As it happened, the ground behind Robinson had been virtually undisturbed for more than 200 years, resulting in what Bell calls a "rich, rich site" that will help paint a more complete picture of student life at Washington and Lee in the years immediately after the institution moved from Liberty Hall, west of the current campus, to the ridge nearer Lexington, where the Colonnade stands today.

Bell is fairly confident that what they have uncovered is the construction site of Graham Hall, a combination

classroom and dormitory building constructed in 1804 and demolished in 1835. Graham was one of a pair of identical, two-story brick structures; its twin was Union Hall. These were the first buildings the Washington Academy trustees built with funds from George Washington's gift of canal stock. Eventually the Center Building—today's Washington Hall—would be constructed between Graham and Union; it opened in 1824.

"The time frame is perfect," said Bell. "Most of the artifacts are from the early 1800s up until about 1840, although there are some later objects that date to the Civil War. This tracks with the construction of Graham Hall, and then its destruction in 1835."

By the end of that first weekend, Bell and her team, including staff archaeologist Donald Gaylord, had dug 22 2½-by-2½-foot quadrats and had removed bags upon bags of soil to sift through later in a makeshift laboratory in nearby duPont Hall.

Once the team had cleaned the artifacts from each numbered quadrat on the site, they placed the most interesting items on a table, which they marked off with the same grid as the dig site so that the proximity of one artifact to another is clear.

Some of the items that stand out for Bell are a complete pocketknife, bone toothbrushes, slates, nibs for pens, medicine vials, pieces of a Rockingham Pottery pitcher displaying Rebecca at the Well, bone handles, ammunition of varying kinds and a jaw harp. And the list goes on.

"There are so many things to be excited about regarding this site," Bell said. "Not only do we have the evidence of the construction of Graham Hall with bricks left from that, but then we can see so much of the daily lives of the students by looking at all that we're finding," said Bell. "As we look, for instance, at the type of buttons and buckles, we have found a

range of quality, from copper alloy (brass) and delicate mother-of-pearl buttons to bone buttons.

“Some of the most interesting objects are those that show the academic experience,” she continued. “Lots of slate to write lessons on, and what we think are many examples of science labs—pieces of beakers, thermometers, glass stir rods. It’s rare to get a glimpse of early college life like this. We were, after all, among the earliest colleges in the country, so we are one of only a few that would even have an opportunity to see a site like this.”

In that era, the normal way that people got rid of all sorts of unwanted material was to throw it out a back door, creating a midden. “This wasn’t a class thing. Everybody did this, and we find collections of artifacts often accumulate around doorways,” Bell said. “We might have happened upon a doorway of Graham Hall. That could explain some of the artifacts. Others like buckles and buttons were probably just lost.”

While the vast majority of material dates between 1805 and 1840, there are outliers. One of the pieces that Gaylord points to as an unusual find for the era is a tobacco pipe of white ball clay.

“A pipe like this one would have been more common in the mid- to late 18th century,” said Gaylord, who joined the staff in January after 12 years as an archaeologist at Monticello. “This could be a pipe that a student had kept for some time. Or it could be something that pre-dates



**Steven Lyle (left), VMI intern, and Donald Gaylord, W&L staff archaeologist, at the site of the midden. This photo shows the surprising proximity of the artifacts to the surface.**

the building of Graham Hall, back to the time when this site was a farm.”

On the other end of the spectrum are several pieces that date to the 1850s and beyond. An 1851 penny is one of those representatives of a slightly later period, as are several minie balls from the Civil War era.

“We have one minie ball that was not fired. Our supposition is that it was dropped on the site, perhaps by participants in Hunter’s Raid on Lexington in 1864,” said Bell. “We know that VMI was destroyed in the

raid, but Washington College was vandalized but not burned down. This minie ball and some others like it could have come from that event in 1864.”

Gaylord noted that the unusual nature of the finding is largely the result of its having been protected from traffic over the centuries. “It’s unusual, because so much of what we have found is just as it was when it was dropped,” he said. “This was a low-traffic area. It hasn’t been plowed or dug up except for some utility trenches. So finding things like bone toothbrushes is very atypical.”

During the three days of digging, Bell believes, they have uncovered only about one third of the site. She has worked with the Facilities Management Department to protect the remaining portions while work proceeds on Robinson. Even though the bulk of the Robinson work is on the interior, the archaeological site will be used for equipment.

“After talking with archaeologists around the state, we have determined the most effective way to protect what’s left to dig,” said Bell. “This represents an incredible future opportunity for our students as part of one of our spring digs.”

Along with Bell and Gaylord, the team members have included Karen Lyle, who works closely with the archaeology program in her capacity as an administrative assistant and has been intimately involved in cataloguing materials; Lauren Hatfield ’14, an archaeology and history major; Steven Lyle, a VMI student who is an intern with the archaeology program; Chelsea Dudley, a recent Longwood graduate who has been working in the summers with the W&L archaeologists since high school; and Erika Vaughan ’12, who now works in Roanoke.

Robinson Hall is the fourth building to undergo a major renovation in the overall, \$50 million project to restore the Colonnade, which was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1972.

**Lauren Hatfield ’14 cleans artifacts gleaned from outside Robinson Hall.**





# The Class of 2013 Says Goodbye

On Thursday, May 23, W&L celebrated its 226th undergraduate Commencement. The 438 members of the Class of 2013, including 14 students who graduated in December, represent the second-largest class in W&L's history. Of the 424 who participated in the

ceremony, a record 21 earned two degrees, while 34 percent completed more than one major, and one student had three majors. The graduates were divided equally between men and women and came from 38 states and 16 countries.



W&L awarded an honorary doctor of law degree to the **Honorable Pamela J. White '77L** (left), an associate judge of the Baltimore City Circuit Court for the 8th Judicial Circuit. President Ken Ruscio '76 (right) joined her before the ceremony. She was the first alumna to serve on the W&L Board of Trustees, having previously served on the Law Council and the board of the Alumni Association.

**Steele Burrow '13**, a politics major and president of the student body, mentioned W&L's atmosphere of "honor, integrity and trust," telling his fellow graduates, "Trust itself is a sort of freedom. You don't have to look over your shoulder to check your neighbor's honesty. You are free from the restraints of skepticism and fear."





At the Baccalaureate service on May 22, **Harlan Beckley**, the Fletcher Otey Thomas Professor of Religion and the former director of W&L's Shepherd Poverty Program, told the seniors that they must not only acknowledge the power of grace in their lives but also live by it. "Acknowledging the power of grace in our lives and the lives of others is insufficient," he said. "Gratitude, especially gratitude for powers that have redeemed us from our mistakes and shortcomings, entails obligations to others."

**Kendré Barnes '13** (second from right) and **Wayde Marsh '13** (second from left) received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, which the faculty bestows on students who excel in "high ideals of living, in spiritual qualities, and in generous and disinterested service to others." Sidney Evans (left), dean of students and vice president for student affairs, and President Ken Ruscio '76 (right) presented the award.



# Goodbye to W&L, Hello to the Future



Valedictorian **Maggie Holland '13**, a biology major, compiled a 3.989 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.



**Robert W. Strong** who just finished a two-year term as interim provost, urged the Class of 2013 to think boldly and creatively and to cherish the ideals of a liberal education.



**Patience Jones Garrett '89** (left) and **Bill Garrett '87** (right) are the first parents who are both undergraduate alumni to have a child graduate from the University: **Will Garrett '13** (center).



Left photo: Recording the moment of diploma hand-off.

Right photo: Facilities Management personnel dry the chairs before the ceremony.

## NEW PROVOST: DANIEL A. WUBAH

**D**aniel A. Wubah is W&L's new provost, the second-highest-ranking position at the University. He came from Virginia Tech, where he served as vice president for undergraduate education and deputy provost and as professor of biological sciences. He succeeds June R. Aprille, who retired in 2011. Robert Strong, the William Lyne Wilson Professor of Politics at W&L, served as interim provost. Wubah will also be a professor of biology.



"I am delighted to be given the opportunity to serve in a role that advances the mission of one of the top-rated liberal arts universities in our country," Wubah said. "Foremost among the many impressive features of Washington and Lee is the unique Honor System, which fosters a community of trust and respect that is uncommon on campuses across the nation."

"He brings a wealth of experience and energy to this critical position and has led a number of important new initiatives at Virginia Tech that have clearly enhanced the undergraduate experience," said President Ken Ruscio '76. "Daniel's deep commitment to undergraduate education is readily apparent. He is committed to students, enjoys being with them, and enjoys helping faculty in their roles as teachers and scholars, permitting them to provide an undergraduate education of the highest standards."

The search committee was chaired by Brian Murchison, the Charles S. Rowe Professor of Law. "The committee brought forward a strong slate of candidates, and I deeply appreciate the many, many hours that they devoted to this search," Ruscio said. "At the same time, we are indebted to Bob Strong for his outstanding work as interim provost these past two years. I value his personal friendship immensely and want to express the faculty's collective admiration for his superb leadership."

As W&L's provost, Wubah will serve as a key member of the president's senior leadership team and as the chief academic officer of the University. The provost is responsible for articulating, developing and nurturing the distinctive educational mission of Washington and Lee.

Before his post at Virginia Tech, Wubah had been the associate provost for undergraduate academic affairs at the University of Florida. Prior to that, he held several positions at James Madison University, including special assistant to the president and associate dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. Prior to JMU, he chaired the department of biological sciences at Towson University.

A microbiologist, Wubah has held faculty appointments at all of the institutions he has served and has taught both undergraduate and graduate courses, including general microbiology, medical microbiology, microbial ecology and mycology. The National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Howard Hughes Medical Institutes have funded his research. He has published more than 60 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters and technical reports, and given over 100 presentations at professional meetings.

Wubah earned a B.S. with honors in botany and a diploma of science education from the University of Cape Coast in Ghana; an M.S. in biology from the University of Akron; and a Ph.D. in botany from the University of Georgia. In addition, he worked as a postdoctoral fellow at the Environmental Protection Agency research lab in Athens, Ga.

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**—President Ken Ruscio '76**

STUDENTS

**Kathryn E. Driest '14** won a Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship.

**Taylor Gilfillan '13** was the John W. Elrod General of the Year.

**Christine Luby '13** received a U.S. Teaching Assistantship fellowship in Austria.

**Wayde Marsh '13** was named the national leader of the year by Omicron Delta Kappa, the first W&L student to win the award.

**Andrew Seredinski '14** won a Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship.

**Sigma Nu** fraternity won May's one-week Power Down Challenge with a 26 percent reduction in energy. W&L's Energy Education Program sponsored the challenge.

**Jonathan Stutts '13** won the Alexander Thomas Boehling '10 Memorial Award.

**Jackie Yarbro '15** won the W&L Decade Award.

FULBRIGHT AWARDS

**Derek Barisas '13:** Fulbright research/study grant to Iceland for "Evolutionary Status of the Icelandic Black-tailed Godwit."

**Kendré Barnes '13:** Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to Panama.

**Max Chapnick '13:** Fulbright creative writing/arts grant to New Zealand

and to the International Institute of Modern Letters at Victoria University in Wellington, New Zealand for "Finding Truth in New Zealand's Verses and Equations."

**Bethany Reynolds '13:** Fulbright research/study grant to China for "Acquiring an Education for Migrant Children in Zhejiang Province."

**Isaac Webb '13:** Fulbright research/study grant to the Ukraine for "Disability and Invisibility: Human Rights for the Handicapped in Soviet Ukraine from Brezhnev to Gorbachev."

FACULTY AND STAFF

**Marc Conner,** Jo M. and James M. Ballengee Professor of English, head of the English Department and director of Spring Term, is now associate provost.

**Randolph Hare,** director of maintenance and operations, is president-elect of the Association of Physical Plant Administrators (APPA).

**Melissa Kerin,** assistant professor of art history, received a Mednick Memorial Fellowship Grant to research Tibetan Buddhist shrines in India.

**Athena Kirk,** Mellon Junior Faculty Fellow in the Classics Department, received the 2012 Distinguished New Course award from the Humane Society of the United States and the Animals and Society In-

stitute for her seminar The Ancient Animal World.

**Elizabeth Knapp '90,** associate provost and associate professor of geology, is now senior assistant to the president and director of the Johnson Program in Leadership and Integrity.

**Andrea Lepage,** assistant professor of art history, is one of 21 professors from around the country whom the Council of Independent Colleges chose for a seminar on Teaching European Art in Context, at the High Museum of Art, in Atlanta.

**Beverly Lorig,** director of Career Development, was recognized by the Center for Credentialing and Education (CCE) for satisfying the established knowledge standards in coaching as well as completing the Board Certified Coach Examination.

**Howard Pickett** is the new director of the Shepherd Poverty Program. He succeeds the founding director, **Harlan Beckley,** who will manage the Shepherd Higher Education Consortium on Poverty (SHECP).

**Wendy Price,** assistant dean of the College, was chosen by the Council of Independent Colleges and the American Leadership Institute to participate in a year-long Senior Leadership Academy during 2013–2014.

**R.T. Smith** received the 2012-2013 Gerald T. Perkoff Prize in Poetry from The Missouri Review. He is the editor of Shenandoah:

The Washington and Lee University Review.

**Robert Strong,** William Lyne Wilson Professor of Politics, received a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grant to serve as the Mary Ball Washington Professor of American History at University College Dublin, Ireland.

**John W. Tombarge,** associate University librarian for digital services and strategies, has been named University librarian.

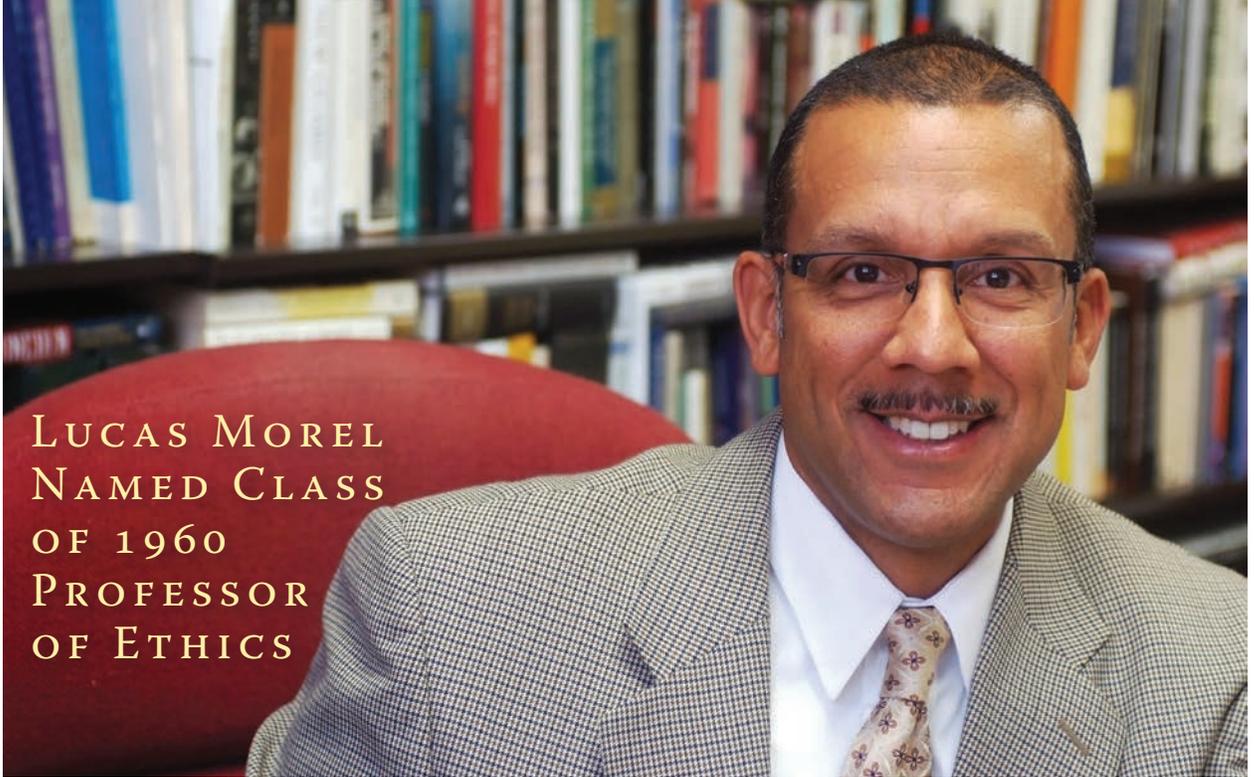
A narrative poem, "The Receptionist," by **Lesley Wheeler,** Henry S. Fox Professor of English, landed on the Tiptree Award Honor List for 2012, a feature of the James Tiptree Jr. Literary Award Council.

**Campus Kitchen** at Washington and Lee received the Outstanding Educational Institution Volunteer Program award for 2013 from Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell.

GRANTS

W&L received a four-year, \$577,000 grant from the **Andrew W. Mellon Foundation** in support of the University's efforts to enhance the quality of programs and projects in international education.

W&L and VMI are partnering thanks to a grant from the **Andrew Mellon Foundation's Liberal Arts College Program** to enhance collaboration between select liberal-arts colleges and their neighboring military institutions of higher education.



LUCAS MOREL  
NAMED CLASS  
OF 1960  
PROFESSOR  
OF ETHICS

Lucas Morel, a politics professor and a preeminent Abraham Lincoln scholar, has been named the first Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics at Washington and Lee. “I am extremely gratified and humbled by this appointment,” said Morel, who joined the Politics Department in 1999 and most recently served as the Lewis G. John Term Professor. “I am thankful to the Class of 1960 for continuing to think about W&L and what they think is most important about their W&L experience, which is the concept of honor. As the new professor of ethics, this is clearly an honor for me.”

The professorship, which the Class of 1960 established at its 50th reunion, stems from the Institute for Honor, which the class inaugurated for its 40th reunion. As the holder of a term professorship, Morel will have the position for an initial three-year term.

“We are excited to begin the next phase in the life of the Institute for Honor with the appointment of Prof. Lucas Morel,” said Ray Wooldridge ’60. “He appears to be uniquely qualified with his knowledge of Lincoln and Lee and the era in which our Honor System came to life. All of us in our class feel that the Honor System and what it stands for were hallmarks of our W&L experience. We look forward to the future as Prof. Morel sets a high bar for the program and the professors to come after him.”

Morel’s teaching and scholarship explore American government, political philosophy, black American politics, Abraham Lincoln and Ralph Ellison. As the Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics, he will undertake projects exploring ethics, honor, integrity and character as they relate to W&L’s Honor System and to the mission of the Institute for Honor.

“[I] hope that the work that I continue to do both in the classroom, and in terms of conferences and lectures that we’ll be sponsoring on campus, will reflect well on the Class of 1960’s intention to make honor an abiding theme of what we do here,” said Morel.

“I can’t think of a better or more appropriate person than Lucas Morel to be appointed as the first Class of 1960 Professor of Ethics,” said Lewis G. John ’58, professor of politics emeritus. “Lucas has had a most distinguished career here. He has served as a faculty moderator for the Institute for Honor’s annual symposium, and he will work well with that program and its advisory board in devising events in keeping with its mission of the promotion of honor at Washington and Lee, as well as the examination of ethical issues and conduct throughout society.”

“Not only does the professorship give the Institute for Honor a continuing presence on campus that it has never had before, but it does so through a person who enjoys high respect among faculty and students and

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who is committed both professionally and personally to the understanding and advancement of the concepts underlying the W&L Honor System,” said Bob Feagin ’60. “Interim Provost Bob Strong, with input from an advisory board that includes members of our class, has made a great choice in appointing Lucas Morel. We look forward to working with him as he leads us forward in fulfilling the mission of the institute.”

“The appointment fulfills a major initiative established at a seminar facilitated by the Aspen Institute for the Institute for Honor in 2007,” said Frank Surface ’60, W&L’s rector from 1997 to 2003. “W&L graduates and their friends from other colleges and universities participated in discussions which focused generally on the concept of integrity and trust in public life and specifically on the impact of honor systems on group behavior. The

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establishment of an ethics professor to lead the Institute for Honor programs was the number-one priority recommended by the group.”

Continued Surface, “The recent addition to the Advisory Board of younger alums and the sitting president of the Executive Committee assures that the institute will stay current in its mission to promote the understanding and practice of honesty as an indispensable element of society. Our class members and the seminar participants thank President Ken Ruscio, Interim Provost Bob Strong and Vice President for University Advancement Dennis Cross for their

creative thinking and support in bringing to fruition this important milestone in the life of the institute. Prof. Morel is a great choice to be the first professor to hold this position, and we are confident that the institute programs will flourish under his leadership.”

*For more than a decade, the Institute for Honor has sponsored an annual symposium administered by Special Programs. “Over the years, the institute has made possible creative opportunities for W&L alumni to return to campus for serious conversation and intellectual stimulation,” said Bob Strong. “The institute has consistently challenged its guest speakers and alumni audiences, along with current students and faculty, to think about how issues of integrity and character influence our lives. The annual symposia have raised profound questions about honesty in human affairs and about the relationship between principles and practice throughout our lives.”*

INSTITUTE FOR HONOR KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**David Abshire**, former U.S. ambassador to NATO; special counsel to President Ronald Reagan

**Mike Allen ’86**, chief White House correspondent, POLITICO

**Ken Auletta**, media critic

**Harlan Beckley**, W&L Fletcher Otey Thomas Professor of Religion; former head, W&L Shepherd Poverty Program

**Richard Brookhiser**, author; senior editor, National Review

**Tom Davis**, former U.S. representative from Virginia

**Michael Gazzaniga**, professor of psychology, director of the SAGE Center for the Study of the Mind, University of California, Santa Barbara

**Richard Holbrooke**, former assistant secretary of state, former diplomat

**Donald McCabe**, Rutgers professor of management, expert on academic integrity

**David McCullough**, historian, author

**Roger Mudd ’50**, broadcast journalist

**Norman Ornstein**, editor, author; resident scholar, American Enterprise Institute

**Kenneth P. Ruscio ’76**, president, Washington and Lee University

**Jeffrey Toobin**, lawyer, author, legal analyst

**John Warner ’49**, former U.S. senator from Virginia

**Bob Woodward**, investigative journalist, author

## ANGELA SMITH HEADS MUDD CENTER FOR ETHICS

Angela M. Smith, associate professor of philosophy at Washington and Lee, has been named the first Roger Mudd Professor of Ethics and the first director of the University's new Roger Mudd Center for Ethics.

"Angie Smith is an accomplished teacher and scholar who, in her short time at Washington and Lee, has earned the respect of students and colleagues across campus," said Robert Strong, William Lyne Wilson Professor of Politics and chair of the search committee. "She team-teaches a course on the ethics of globalization, and her research is admired by leading philosophers for its clarity, sophistication and originality. She is ideally suited to lead a new interdisciplinary center that will encourage and enhance serious study and conversation on a wide variety of ethical issues."

The Mudd Center was established through a gift to the University from award-winning journalist Roger Mudd '50. When he made his gift, Mudd said that "given the state of ethics in our current culture, this seems a fitting time to endow a center for the study of ethics, and my university is its fitting home."

"I am absolutely thrilled and honored to be the first director of the Roger Mudd Center for Ethics," said Smith. "I think that we have an opportunity with this center to do something really special, and this stems from the fact that Washington and Lee itself is a rather unique place for the study of ethics. W&L has a long tradition of combining liberal arts education with professional and pre-professional



**Angela M. Smith, director of the Roger Mudd Center for Ethics and associate professor of philosophy. She recently received a stipend from the National Endowment for the Humanities to conduct research on her manuscript "Attitude Matters: Responsibility, Respect, and Reconciliation."**

training. This gives us a real opportunity to bring together all these disparate disciplines to study ethics in a very rich, interdisciplinary way."

The Mudd Center will be a resource for students and faculty on campus and at all three schools. It will support faculty who wish to develop new courses to enhance the study of ethics across the curriculum, and will engage in programming that fosters serious and sophisticated conversation about public and professional ethics at the university.

Smith came to Washington and Lee in 2008 as a visiting associate professor of philosophy and a fellow in Society and the Professions, the program in applied ethics that has now been folded into the Mudd Center. She joined the faculty as

associate professor the following year, after 10 years at the University of Washington, where she was a tenured member of the philosophy department.

Smith's research interests concern the connections between morality, moral agency and moral responsibility. She has written extensively on the question of whether, and if so why, we are morally responsible for our attitudes—for our desires, emotions, beliefs and other intentional mental states. Her more recent work has focused on the question whether we can morally owe it to other people to have particular attitudes toward them. This work leads naturally into a number of important issues in legal and political philosophy, such as the justifiability of hate crimes legislation and the value of tolerance.

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**—Angela Smith**

## FACULTY



**Bruce Boller**,  
visiting professor  
of physics,  
2003–2013



**Bob de Maria**,  
professor of  
journalism and mass  
communications,  
1977–2013



**Holt Merchant '61**,  
professor of history,  
1970–2013



**Mike Pleva**,  
professor of  
chemistry,  
1969–2013



**Vaughan Stanley**,  
associate professor,  
Special Collections  
librarian,  
1993–2012

*We wish a happy and fulfilling retirement  
to these members of the W&L staff and faculty.*

## STAFF



**Linda Davis**,  
administrative  
assistant, physics  
and engineering,  
1999–2013



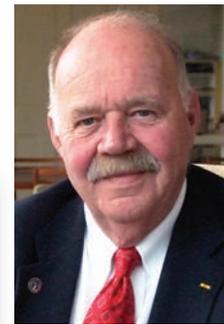
**Bill Mack**,  
custodian, Facilities  
Management,  
1972–2013



**Nellie Rice**,  
executive assistant  
to vice president and  
dean of students,  
Student Affairs,  
1959–2012



**Jane Stokes**,  
accounts payable  
coordinator, Business  
Office, 1996–2012



**Mike Young**,  
director of  
Public Safety,  
1991–2013

## Phi Beta Kappa Welcomes New Members, Honors Merchant and DeLaney

**O**n March 14, the W&L chapter of Phi Beta Kappa inducted current students and recent graduates. For their academic achievements, the chapter also welcomed as honorary members the day's keynote speaker, Elizabeth Varon, the Langbourne M. Williams Professor of American History at the University of Virginia, and two W&L history professors: Theodore C. DeLaney '85 and John Holt Merchant '61. The chapter also gave Scott Sugden '15 the J. Brown Goehring Sophomore Award, for the student with the highest cumulative scholastic average through the end of the fall term of his or her sophomore year.

**Class of 2012:** Ann C. Bernacchi, Blair Constance Gillespie, Alexis Wurth Harrison, Jessica Rene Strait.

**Class of 2013:** Rachel Katherine Alexander, Weining Bai, Derek Arthur George Barisas, Alicia Owen Bishop, Danielle Kay Breidung, Michelle Amanda Coriell, Ainsley Olivia Daigle, Elizabeth Rebecca Engel, Paige Elizabeth

Gance, Michael Lawrence Grimaldi, Wayde Zachary Christian Marsh, Madison Shea McCune, Michael Scott McGuire, Amy Leigh Nizolek, Leslie McFann Peard, Allison Emily Plump, Katharine Mary Price, Nathaniel Wilson Reisinger, Courtney McNeill Ridenhour, Delaney Oliver Rolfe, Kelly Mae Ross, Hannah Juliet Sackfield, Thomas John Sanford, Qiuchi Sun, Richard Dixon Sykes, Aleksandr Vladimir Vandalov, Emma Cait von Maur.

**Class of 2014:** Ebony Lynne Bailey, Emily Grace Comer, Hillary Faith Cooper, Erin Gretchen Dengler, Ryan Atticus Doherty, Kathryn Elizabeth Driest, Max Dyer Farrington, David N. Fishman, Caroline Hodges Gill, Virginia Claire Higginbotham, Christopher Winthrop Ives Jr., Jordan Taylor Kearns, Joseph Liu, Annelise Alissa Madison, Olivier Mahame, Julia Elizabeth Murray, Karen Arlene Roth, Andrew Michael Seredinski, Eric Matthew Shuman, Lorraine Marie Alice Simonis, Haley Elizabeth Smith, Jake Elijah Struebing, Thomas Christopher Wolff.



Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist **Jennifer Egan** (at the podium) delivered the keynote address, "New Ways of Knowing: Novelist as Journalist/Journalist as Novelist," for the Tom Wolfe Weekend Seminar, which took place on April 5–6. Wolfe (right) joined her in Lee Chapel.

**Cheech Marin**, right, talked with a Spring Term class about "Chicanitas: Small Paintings from the Cheech Marin Collection," which filled the Staniar Gallery this spring. The exhibition showcased 65 paintings by 26 painters. The comedian, actor, director and art collector also gave a public lecture on April 22.





## Questioning the Good Life

After he delivered his March 28 talk as part of the “Questioning the Good Life” series, Duke Cancelmo ’80 talked with, l. to r., Rebecca Dunn ’16, Camie Carlock ’13 and Ellen Stauffer ’13. The alumnus joined five other distinguished speakers who visited campus over the academic year.

The 2012–2013 academic year featured six distinguished speakers who visited campus as part of “Questioning the Good Life,” an interdisciplinary seminar series that examined our national obsession with happiness. Five faculty members ran the series: Tim Diette, associate professor of economics; Jon Eastwood, associate professor of sociology; Art Goldsmith, the Jackson P. Stephens Professor of Economics; Jeff Kosky, professor of religion; and Karla Murdock, professor of psychology.

**Richard P. “Duke” Cancelmo ’80**, Lead Portfolio Manager, Bridgeway Capital Management: “The Good Life: Can Your Work Life Become Your Life’s Work?”

**Richard J. Davidson**, Vilas Professor of Psychology and Psychiatry and Founder and Chair, Center for Investi-

gating Healthy Minds at the Waisman Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison: “Happiness is a Skill”

**Carol Graham**, Senior Fellow, the Brookings Institute; College Park Professor, University of Maryland School of Public Policy: “Happiness Around the World: Happy Peasants, Miserable Millionaires, and Questions for Public Policy”

**Corey Keyes**, Professor of Sociology, Emory University: “To Happiness and Beyond: Flourishing in Life and Real Healthcare Reform”

**Charles Taylor**, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, McGill University: “Relating Morals to Ethics”

**Eric Wilson**, Thomas H. Pritchard Professor of English, Wake Forest University: “Against Happiness: In Praise of Melancholy”

## PETERSON CENTER DEDICATED

The **Richard A. Peterson Center**, the 4,500-square-foot co-location center serving both Washington and Lee and the Rockbridge Area Network Authority, was formally dedicated on June 14. Situated on the W&L campus just north of the School of Law, the new facility has replaced the aging data center on the University’s campus. It allows multiple service providers to co-locate their network equipment as part of the county-wide broadband project that was initiated in 2010 with the receipt of a \$6.9 million federal grant. The building, which has been in operation since November 2012, when the University moved its servers into the space, is named for Rick Peterson, W&L’s former chief technology officer, who died in January 2011. He had been the guiding force who brought the various parties together to apply for the grant.

**Jasmin Darznik**, assistant professor of English, was among 79 new Americans who took the citizenship oath at Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello on Independence Day. She came to the U.S. from Iran when



she was five. In an interview on the “TODAY” show, she said, “I have such a keen sense of the struggles people around the world endure to acquire human rights and social justice. It seemed to me important to acquire a public voice in America.” Here Darznik is meeting the featured speaker at the event, Charlottesville-based musician Dave Matthews, who was born in South Africa and naturalized in 1980. She also gave a brief speech.

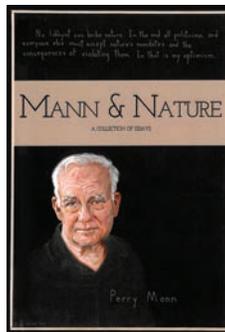
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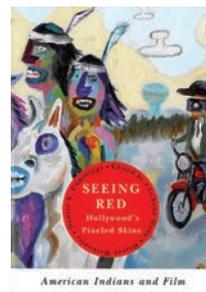
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**Ward Briggs '67** has edited “The Complete Poems of James Dickey” (University of South Carolina Press). Briggs is the Carolina Distinguished Professor of Classics and Louise Fry Scudder Professor of Humanities Emeritus at the University of South Carolina. He and Dickey, who died in 1997, were close friends.

When we featured **Hollister Hovey '00** and her sister, Porter, in an article last year, they were hard at work on a book; this spring, they published “Heirloom Modern: Homes Filled with Objects Bought, Bequeathed, Beloved, and Worth Handing Down” (Rizzoli). As the publisher writes, “the sisters pull back the velvet drapes on

the model ships, antique book collections, and vintage Vuitton trunks that fill the homes of today’s chicest heirloomists and flea-market lovers, and give readers a visual taste of this eclectic, generation-hurdling aesthetic.”

“Mann and Nature” (Kettle Moraine Publishing) is a collection of essays by **Perry Mann '49, '62L** about growing up during the Depression on a subsistence farm with his grandparents in southern West Virginia, his life-long relationship with gardening and his reverence for nature. His writing celebrates local agriculture and hard work and the benefits from both. Mann is a World War II veteran, a teacher, a philosopher, a writer, a voracious reader, a

naturalist and a lawyer. At 91, he tends his two gardens, writes articles and practices law in Hinton, W.Va.

**Harvey Markowitz**, associate professor of anthropology, co-edited with Leanne Howe (University of Illinois) and Denise Cummings (Rollins College) an anthology, “Seeing Red—Hollywood’s Pixelated Skins” (Michigan State University Press). It features 36 critical reviews of films that have portrayed American Indians. To make the book accessible to mainstream audiences as well as academics, Markowitz and his fellow editors asked contributors to make their reviews personal, intimate, autobiographic and humorous when appropriate.

## ADDITIONAL READING

**Lindsay Harris Hill '97** wrote “The Get Real Diet” (CreateSpace), a “step-by-step plan to embrace a plant-rich, real food diet that will help you look and feel better in a matter of weeks.” Hill founded Inhabit Health in Atlanta, where she provides holistic-health coaching and conducts cooking workshops and eating seminars.

**W. Randolph Jones '65**, of Houston, has published a novel, “The Way Up” (CreateSpace), about a struggling young lawyer. See [wardrjones.com](http://wardrjones.com).

**Kenneth A. Lambert**, professor of computer science, published “Easy GUI Programming in Python.” It is the first e-book for the author of 23 earlier textbooks. Lambert was particularly attracted to the e-book’s ability to include full-color images; his previous college textbooks were limited to two colors. “Color is very important with program code because you’ve got different elements in a program that you can highlight using color coding,” he said.

**Vince W. Rospond II '81** published an annotated and

illustrated version of Frederick the Great’s 1754 work as an e-book, “Frederick’s Orders: Frederick the Great’s Instructions to His Generals and His Way of War” (Winged Hussar Publishing).

**Jim Warren**, the S. Blount Mason Jr. Professor of English, contributed the introduction to “Outside” (Nawakum Press, 2013), a fine-press, limited-edition collection of six short stories by Barry Lopez, the American author, essayist and fiction writer. “I’m so proud and humbled by the production of this gorgeous book,” said Warren, who is writing a book about Lopez. “I am very lucky to have been asked to write the introduction. This is not exactly the normal faculty publication.” Only 12 copies of a deluxe edition (\$3,500) and 28 of a slip-cased edition (\$2,200) are available.

**Frank W. Wright '64** says he has put his B.A. in English to work and published his first novel, “Stained-Glass Curtain” (iUniverse). It follows the efforts of six persons, including a recent widower, and one dog as they attempt to hike the Appalachian Trail. See more at [stainedglasscurtain.net](http://stainedglasscurtain.net).

# Giving Dance a Twirl at the Corcoran

Performing aerial dance is challenging under any circumstances, but the W&L Repertory Dance Company confronted special challenges in late May, when it performed at the Corcoran Gallery of Art, in Washington.

Appearing before an audience of alumni, members of the Corcoran and the general public, the dancers had choreographed their pieces with the historic space in mind. “The Corcoran is one of the most unusual and beautiful places we have performed,” said Jenefer Davies, artistic director and assistant professor of dance at W&L. The six dancers performed in a rectangular open space in a two-story atrium that is about 40 feet high and surrounded by columns.

With rope and harness, the dancers often perform against a wall, for a solid base from which to push away and fly through the air. The Corcoran was especially challenging since the dancers were unable to use its columns and moldings as a base because of their historic nature and vulnerability.

The dancers created their own choreography in collaboration with Davies and prepared by visiting the space, studying interior images and working with computer-aided design drawings. The resulting dance highlighted aspects of the architecture through movement and brought attention to detail that may not be evident to the passing eye.

“It was really exciting to be in that space and use it in a new way, especially in front of alumni, since I’m a new alumna,” said Jennifer Ritter ’13. The other dancers were Erin Sullivan ’13, Dana Fredericks ’12, Emily Danzig ’16, Abigail McLaughlin ’16 and Ashleigh Smith, box office coordinator at the Lenfest Center.

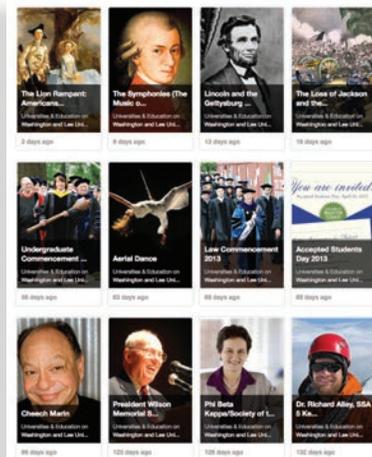
The Corcoran performance was the culmination of a partnership that began at the suggestion of Suzanne Humphries ’07, who studied dance at W&L and subsequently graduated from the Corcoran College’s M.A. program. The W&L students visited the Corcoran in April, and



Abigail McLaughlin ’16 and Emily Danzig ’16 rehearse at the Corcoran.

Corcoran students gave presentations on using space to create aerial installation art. Then the Corcoran students visited W&L, where the dance students presented their work on using vertical space to create dance and showed them how to work with aerial ropes.

## BRINGING CAMPUS EVENTS TO YOU



Nothing beats a campus visit, whether to attend Alumni College in the summer or a lecture by a W&L professor during the fall. Thanks to a new web service, Livestream, you can enjoy a selection of such programs, lectures and events on your computer, tablet or smartphone.

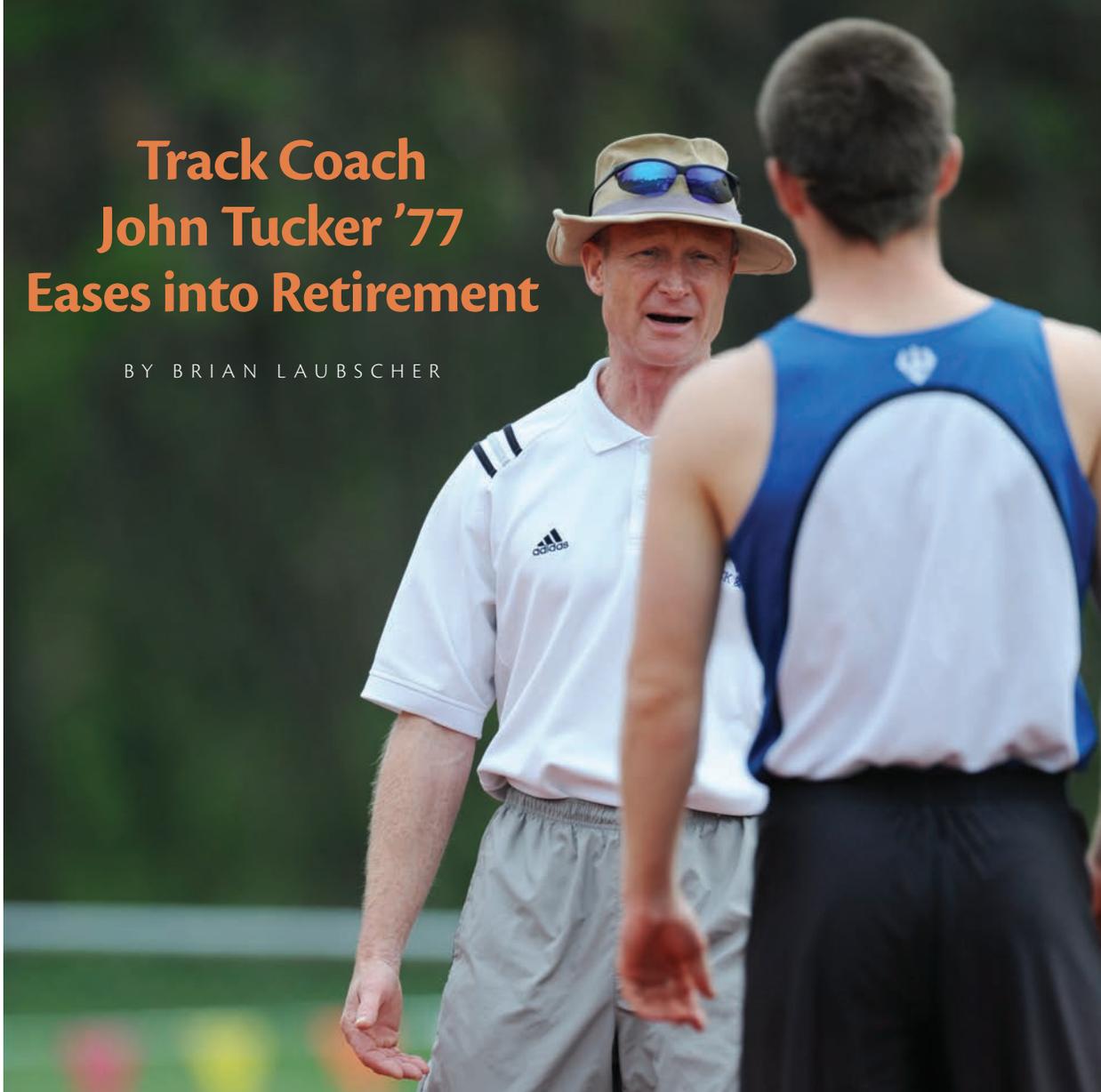
You can view LiveStream feeds across all desktop platforms and iOS/ android devices. It’s unable to deliver archived events to your iOS device, but we expect that upgrade sometime soon.

View our complete 2012-13 archive at <http://go.wlu.edu/live/>. It includes this summer’s Alumni College talks, undergraduate and law Commencements, the Spring Term campus performance of aerial dance, Cheech Marin’s talk on his art collection, historian Elizabeth Varon’s keynote at the Phi Beta Kappa/Society of the Cincinnati Convocation, Law Dean Nora Demleitner’s Q&A with Rep. Bob Goodlatte ’77L, Prof. Art Goldsmith’s Fall Convocation address, and more.

Future live offerings will be available at the site.

# Track Coach John Tucker '77 Eases into Retirement

BY BRIAN LAUBSCHER



**T**hanks to coaching mainstay John Tucker '77, the Washington and Lee cross country and track and field programs have experienced tremendous success over the past three decades. Tucker, who returned to his alma mater in 1989 as the head coach of both men's cross country and women's track and field, will enter phased retirement late this fall. He may remain with the University for up to four years as an associate professor of physical education.

"What a privilege it has been these past 24 years, working with such outstanding students, athletes and colleagues in such a beautiful place," said Tucker. "They truly have been the best years of my life."

In cross country, Tucker guided the Generals to seven Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) Championships and six conference runner-up finishes. His 1995 team won the 1995

NCAA Regional Championship and advanced to the NCAA Championship field. He mentored his runners to 37 First Team All-ODAC citations, four of which were named the ODAC Runner of the Year. ODAC named six athletes the Scholar-Athlete of the Year for cross country, while 10 athletes produced 13 NCAA Division III meet performances. For his efforts, Tucker won recognition as the ODAC Coach of the Year six times and as the Regional Coach of the Year in 1995.

As head women's track and field coach from 1989–2003, Tucker helped W&L athletes achieve 19 individual conference championships in the indoor and outdoor seasons combined, while setting numerous school records. His 1995 team claimed the ODAC Outdoor Championship, and he was named the ODAC Coach of the Year for

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—John Tucker '77

his efforts. From 1990 until 2003, Tucker's athletes set 11 indoor and 10 outdoor school records, seven of which still stand today. He also mentored Josephine Schaeffer Covington '96, who advanced to the NCAA Division III Championships four times, garnering All-America honors in 1993.

As an undergraduate, Tucker was a four-year letterwinner and two-year captain for the Generals' track and field team. A sprinter, he belonged to ODAC-champion and school-record-setting relay teams in 1976 and 1977,

and received the Forest Fletcher Trophy for overall excellence and sportsmanship his last two years.

An active competitor up to age 50 in various open and age group events, Tucker has won local, state and regional competitions, earned All-America honors in five different track and field events, and collected four silver medals in USA Track & Field national competitions. In 2000, Tucker took the gold medal at the USA Track & Field National Championships in the 50-54 pentathlon, which includes the long jump, javelin, 200 meters, discus and 1,500 meters.

## ATHLETIC AWARDS HONOR TOP STUDENT-ATHLETES, TEAM SUPPORTERS

BY BRIAN LAUBSCHER



*The best of the best with their W&L awards. Front row, l. to r.: Ashley Barnes, Emma Swabb, Mohamad Amine, Lauren Schultz, Iva Wiedenkeller. Back row, l. to r.: Wayde Marsh, Andrew Franz, Luke Heinsohn.*

**O**n May 14, the Department of Athletics honored the student-athletes and administrators who made the 2012-13 school year as successful as any in recent memory.

### **Lauren Schultz '13: William D. McHenry Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year, "Pres" Brown Outstanding Senior Female Athlete of the Year**

A four-year letterwinner for cross country and track and field, Schultz was a two-year captain for both sports. In cross country, she was a four-time First Team All-ODAC honoree, the ODAC Rookie of the Year in 2009 and an ODAC Scholar-Athlete of the Year in her final two seasons. A three-time First Team All-Region honoree, she finished in the Top 7 of the ODAC Championship meet all four years, helping the Generals to a pair of ODAC titles and finishing as the individual runner-up in 2011. As a senior, she finished ninth at the regional meet, and she was a two-

time NCAA Championship qualifier.

On the track, she earned All-ODAC honors 12 times, including first-team laurels four times. She was named the ODAC Outdoor Track & Field Rookie of the Year in 2010, the 2013 ODAC Indoor Track & Field Scholar-Athlete of the Year, and the ODAC Outdoor Co-Athlete of the Year this spring. A four-time ODAC individual champion, she also belongs to the school-record-holding, indoor 4x800 meter relay team (10:20.12).

### **Luke Heinsohn '13: "Pres" Brown Outstanding Senior Male Athlete of the Year**

Heinsohn, a four-year letterwinner for football and lacrosse, served as a team captain for football during his senior season. He played in 39 career games as a running back and placekicker, totaling a school-record 3,517 yards and 48 touchdowns. His 344 career points are also the best in school history, while his 188 points during the 2012 season were the

most by any college football player at any level. A three-time All-ODAC honoree, he is a two-time first-team selection and the 2012 ODAC Offensive Player of the Year. He also earned the Virginia Sports Information Directors Player of the Year Award and the Willie Lanier Award as the top small college player in the state, and was a finalist for the Gagliardi Award, which honors the top player in Division III. A two-time all-region pick, he also garnered Fourth Team All-America honors from *D3Football.com* last fall, when he helped guide the Generals to their second ODAC title of his career by rushing for 192 yards and four touchdowns, and kicking the game-winning field goal in a 45-42 four overtime win over Hampden-Sydney in the ODAC Championship game.

In lacrosse, Heinsohn played in 59 career games, totaling 57 points on 27 goals and 35 assists. A Third Team All-ODAC honoree as a junior, he scored the game-winning goals in a double-overtime win over top-ranked Salisbury and in an overtime win over Lynchburg in the ODAC Tournament Semifinals this season, when he helped lead the Generals to their first NCAA Tournament berth since 2009.

**Wayde Marsh '13: William D. McHenry Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year**

Marsh enjoyed a fruitful career as a member of the swimming and track and field teams. He earned a combined seven letters, four with the swimming team, and he served as a team captain for his senior campaign. In the pool, he earned All-Bluegrass Mountain Conference honors as a sophomore and senior and was a four-time All-America honoree. Marsh received Honorable Mention All-America honors with the 200 and 400 medley relay teams as a junior and as a senior. He is also a four-time member of the Scholar All-America swimming team. Marsh holds the school record in the 100 backstroke with a time of 50.63, and he also belongs to the record-setting 200 (1:31.82) and 400 (3:24.20) medley relay teams. In track and field, he earned Second Team All-ODAC honors when he finished second in the 800 meters at the ODAC Track & Field Championships. He swam on the winning 4x400 meter relay team at the Commonwealth Duals in 2012.

**Andrew Franz '16: Outstanding First-Year Male Athlete**

Franz lettered with the basketball team and played in 25 games as a small forward, starting 14 contests and finishing second on the team in scoring with 295 total points. His 11.8 points per game tied for the team lead and was the highest scoring average of any rookie player in ODAC. Franz also averaged 4.6 rebounds, 2.0 assists and 1.0 steals per game, while shooting 46.6 percent from the floor and 38.5 percent from beyond the three-point arc. In conference contests, he averaged 13.1 points and 5.8 rebounds per game, scoring a season-high 27 points in a win over Emory & Henry. He was named the ODAC and Virginia Sports Information Directors College Division Rookie of the Year.

**Emma Swabb '16: Outstanding First-Year Female Athlete**

Swabb lettered for the swimming team, helping lead the Generals to the ODAC Championship. She was First Team



**Jeff Hanna: R.E. Chub Yeakel Award**  
*The University's executive director of communications and public affairs received the award for his support of athletics and of the sports information office, both in his role as communications director and as a game-day assistant at various events.*

All-ODAC and received ODAC Rookie of the Year honors after winning two individual events and competing on two winning relay teams at the ODAC Championship meet. She set school records in winning the 200 (2:09.93) and 400 (4:40.25) individual medley events, and she helped the 200 freestyle relay team set a school, ODAC and championship meet record with a time of 1:37.15. She also helped the 400 medley relay team to the conference title, and finished second in the 200 breast stroke.

**Ashley Barnes '13: Wink Glasgow Spirit & Sportsmanship Award**

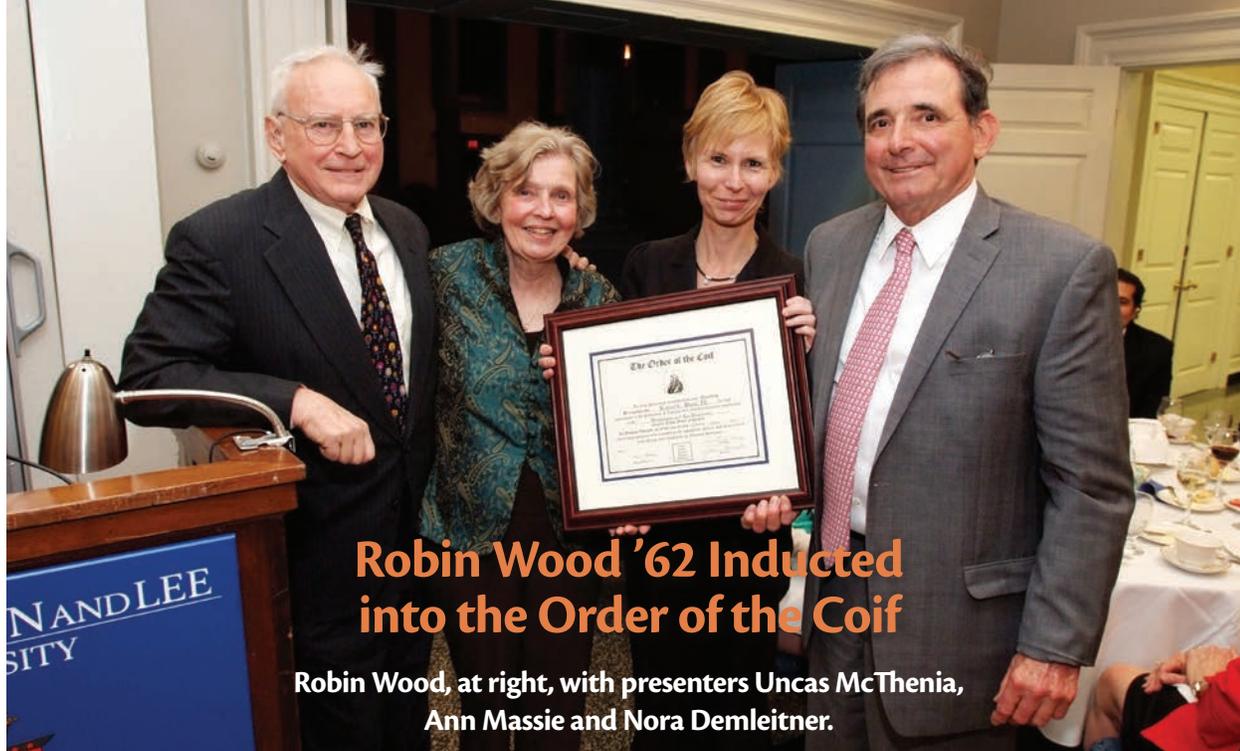
Barnes earned four letters with the lacrosse team and three more in field hockey. As a midfielder in field hockey, she played in 49 career games and totaled nine points on four goals and one assist. She is a three-year member of the National Field Hockey Coaches Association All-Academic team. As an attacker on the lacrosse team, she played in 55 career games and totaled 28 points on 22 goals and six assists. She also tallied 70 draw controls, 19 ground balls and 11 caused turnovers. Barnes helped lead the Generals to four ODAC titles and four trips to the NCAA Division III Tournament, earning Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Association Academic Honor Roll.

**Mohamad Amine '13: J.L. Lefty Newell Award**

Amine received the award as top student manager/worker after four years as a work-study student assistant with the men's lacrosse team.

**Iva Weidenkeller '14: Dick Miller Physical Education Scholarship**

Weidenkeller completed the University's physical education requirements as a model student.



## Robin Wood '62 Inducted into the Order of the Coif

Robin Wood, at right, with presenters Uncas McThenia, Ann Massie and Nora Demleitner.

**R**obin Wood '62, a principal at Edmunds & Williams in Lynchburg, was inducted as an honorary member of the Order of the Coif at the Law School. Wood has taught Virginia Law and Procedure at W&L Law since 1980 as an adjunct professor of law.

In expressing her gratitude for Wood's service to the School, Law Dean Nora V. Demleitner remarked that Wood's "impact on generations of lawyers in Virginia is likely unrivaled and unsurpassed."

Others who spoke during the event included Eric Sorenson '91L, one of Wood's partners at Edmunds & Williams, and Andrew "Uncas" McThenia '58, '63L, a W&L law professor and a contemporary of Wood's at W&L as an undergraduate.

"Your presence in the classrooms of Lewis Hall has made this a better place than it would otherwise be," said

McThenia in his introductory comments. "Your enthusiasm for lawyering is a wonderful gift. And even better, it is catching. Your students leave here with a vision of what it means to be an exemplary lawyer."

Wood joined Edmunds & Williams in 1967, specializing in litigation and corporate and business law. He is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of Commercial Litigation.

During his distinguished legal career, Wood has held leadership positions as president of the Lynchburg Bar Association and executive committee member of the Virginia Bar Association. In addition, he has served as chairman of the Litigation Section of the Virginia State Bar. Wood is a member of the Virginia Law Foundation and a participant in and former chairman of the Boyd-Graves Conference on Virginia Procedure, an influential law reform group.



**Monica Tulchinsky '13L** received the Oliver White Hill Law Student Pro Bono Award from the Virginia State Bar to honor her extraordinary achievement in the areas of pro bono public and under-compensated public service work.

She devoted 163 hours this year to EarthRights International, where she served as a legal and policy analyst on the *Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum* case.

Tulchinsky also volunteered with the Louisiana Capital Assistance Center on an appellate review project aimed at reducing the risk of wrongful convictions in the state.

In addition, Tulchinsky spent two summers working pro bono for international organizations. In 2011, she worked with the International Center for Transitional Justice in Chiang Mai, Thailand, where she

provided assistance in developing a training curriculum for Burmese activists who were learning to document human rights violations. In 2012, she interned with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Vienna, Austria, where she worked on the Institutional Integrity Initiative, a project aimed at incorporating the principles of the UN Convention against Corruption into the integrity policies of United Nations bodies.

At W&L, Tulchinsky was a founding member of the Women's Mentorship Program and co-president of the Women Law Students Organization. She was also the symposium editor for the *Journal of Civil Rights and Social Justice*, which hosted *Discrimination against Muslim Americans in a Post-9/11 World*.

Tulchinsky has accepted a Liberia-based fellowship with The Carter Center, which will place her at a government institution in which she will engage in legal reform and legal development at a critical time in Liberian history.



# A Great Foundation: W&L's Entrepreneurship Program

BY LAURE STEVENS-LUBIN



Vying for honors: For the 2013 Business Plan competition, each team in Jeff Shay's Entrepreneurship capstone class created a business plan and presented their fleshed-out blueprints to a panel of alumni judges. Visit [http://magazine.wlu.edu/business\\_plan](http://magazine.wlu.edu/business_plan) to view the finalists' video presentations.

If anyone in the Williams School had entertained doubts back in 2010 about students' interest in the fledgling Entrepreneurship Program, the inception of one of its key components swiftly dispelled them. Jeffrey P. Shay, the Johnson Professor of Entrepreneurship and Leadership, had been on the faculty for about a year. He asked a few members of his capstone course on entrepreneurship if they'd be interested in forming the Venture Club. Expecting about 10 students to show up, he suggested they meet in the upstairs room of Lexington's Salerno Family Restaurant. "About 80 people crowded into the room," remembered Mark Sowinski '14, the current president of the club. "Prof. Shay ended up spending about \$800 on pizza." It was clear: W&L had plenty of future entrepreneurs to educate.

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## THE CHARGE

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The Entrepreneurship Program commenced four years ago with Shay's arrival. He had spent the previous 10 years at the University of Montana teaching entrepreneurship, international business and strategic management. The Williams School had previously considered incorporating entrepreneurship into the curriculum and had tossed around ideas with the Law School. "But if you want to create something bigger, you need the resources to support it," said Larry Peppers, Crawford Family Dean of the Williams School, "and that came through Rupert Johnson's endowment. We are grateful for his support of our vision." The \$100 million donation of Johnson '62 established this professorship and one in history, in addition to the Johnson Scholarship Program.

"Johnson's gift was a catalyst," concurred Shay. "The Johnson professorship set the program in motion. Subsequently, other alumni and parents have become engaged and involved, and we have now received additional gifts. The first person to invest is always glad to see others invest—it shows the idea has been well received."

Such broad support has allowed the school to build a full-fledged program in only three years. "Usually it would take seven to 10 years to create such a program, and most established programs are at larger universities. It is rare to find a comparable program at a liberal arts college," Shay said. "But we are a forward-looking school."

Of the top 25 entrepreneurship programs for undergraduates listed by Business Insider, only one is not at a large university, a situation that initially presented a conundrum for Peppers. "Our focus from the beginning was to integrate the Entrepreneurship Program with our liberal arts environment," Peppers reflected. "Anyone can have a great entrepreneurial idea—a biology, English or religion major—for some sort of product or service, in the for-profit or non-profit sector."

Shay had already built a strong entrepreneurship program at the University of Montana. "My charge here," he said, "was to create an entrepreneurship program taking into consideration that we were a liberal arts institution with a commerce school embedded in it. I needed to meet the characteristics of our school." He spent his first year on strategic planning and giving presentations at alumni chapters.



**Jeffrey P. Shay, the Johnson Professor of Entrepreneurship and Leadership**

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## THE CLASS

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The program began with Shay's capstone class, Entrepreneurship. "We already had some of the curricular pieces in place, including a course for senior majors, but Jeff has molded that class into a case competition," explained Robert Ballenger '76, professor of business administration and information systems. "This class integrates everything they have learned. To be able to come up with a better presentation, students will strategically take other classes, including, say, my class in Multimedia Design and Development, so they know how to do the website for their business."

Each team in Shay's class creates a business plan from A to Z. At the end of the 12-week course, the teams present their fleshed-out blueprints to a panel of alumni judges in the Business Plan Competition.

Matt Langan '10 took Shay's very first entrepreneurship class. "We teamed up with a group of students and we did idea generation, made business plans, identified capital needs, and presented our concept to the class and professor in order to prepare for seeking out capital in the real world. That year was very validating," Langan said. "I spent a lot of time with Prof. Shay my senior year; he was a mentor for me. I thought I wanted to pursue entrepreneurship before, and I absolutely knew I wanted to do something in that arena afterward. After graduation, I worked in the corporate world. A year or so later, I decided to break off and start my own company, using the skills I'd acquired at W&L." His company, DigiDoctor, provides software to physicians for managing patient relations.

The Entrepreneurship Program has taken a similar direction. "Systematically we have moved along a path that we agreed upon," said Peppers, "in terms of the creation of the capstone class in entrepreneurship, as well as classes in social entrepreneurship, the Venture Club and the Entrepreneurship Summit."

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## THE CLUB

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"The Venture Club was founded to spread the spirit of entrepreneurship throughout the W&L community, including all disciplines and alumni. It was a way to connect everyone and share ideas," said Mark Sowinski. Any student may apply. "We try to maintain a diverse group in terms of grade level, majors and so on, because entrepreneurs can come from any sector of society." Membership is competitive. "Generally we get quadruple the number of applicants to available slots who are chosen by the committee of 12 officers," continued Sowinski. "Compared to other business extracurricular activities, it has a breadth that is unmatched in terms of variety of experience and the skills it teaches."

Colleen Paxton '14 chairs the club's marketing team. "I worked on the website my sophomore year," she said. "The club is a great way for alumni and students to interact and make connections. We also Skype in with entrepreneurs for video chats, so we can get a glimpse of entrepreneurship in action. It was exciting to get involved with the Venture Club on the ground floor and watch it grow." The club promotes the spirit of entrepreneurship across campus in a variety of ways: as well as bringing in speakers, it hosts a "Pitch Competition" open to all W&L students, regardless of major.

The club also boasts a consulting group that does various projects for entrepreneurial companies. It has written business and marketing plans and sales pitches for start-up companies, which have "run the gamut from technology, to food-and-beverage, to industrial products," according to Sowinski. "The students in the Venture Club gain valuable experience, while the company gets our help in return. It is a really rewarding process. We look for high-quality alumni projects." These are generally sourced through the growing LinkedIn network. "As a freshman, I helped to invite some of the first people to our LinkedIn group and have watched it grow from the tens to over 600," Sowinski added.

***In August 2012, James Williams '13 visited the tailor's shop in Dandora, a suburb of Nairobi, Kenya, where the Livelyhoods were made by his friend George Fundi. He and members of Great Potential African Youth (G-PAY) showed them off. l. to r.: Lamak Odyor, Samuel Oloko, Christian Ochieng, Williams, Felix Mugambi and Jude Mugambi. "I had met Jude through a friend I made in Spain earlier in the summer, and he became my tour guide, companion and great friend throughout my trip," said Williams. "He and his brother, Felix, really introduced me to the culture, inviting me into their home, teaching me to cook traditional Kenyan meals, and helping me around town through the crazy public transit system."***



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## THE ENTREPRENEURS

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Not all the projects are alumni-based. James Williams '13, a business administration major, joined the Venture Club in his sophomore year. "I grew up with a family business, restaurants, so I was always inclined in that direction," he noted. "In the Venture Club I got to work on some cool projects, like the project of Greg Brill '09 for a social networking app for clubbing, which is still being developed. But this past year I really wanted to do my own project."

A couple of years ago, Williams had received a gift of a hooded shirt from Africa. "I really liked the shirt—the style, the material and pattern. And it bothered me to think that someone living on the coast of Africa had made this shirt that I liked, but didn't have access to a broader market or a fair living wage," he said. In Ballenger's multimedia design class, Williams worked on a website to market the shirts, which he called Livelyhoods.

"I went to Kenya and met with the director of Feed the Children," Williams recalled. "They have a Livelihoods Program in which they re-socialize women living in the slums, helping them learn the skills for income-generating activities. I showed them my shirt and asked if they could make more." Feed the Children helped facilitate Williams' project, which now has eight women tailoring Livelyhoods. The Venture Club helped with the early stages of the project, including idea development, accounting, the cost of the product, contracts, and defining market segments and the brand.

He named his company Udu, after the African clay drum of the same name. The company's mission is to connect people with a broader marketplace so that all are able to earn a fair wage. "We are not giving them fish, we are teaching them to fish," said Williams, who grew up in a Catholic family that was always involved with community service. "My business is not a non-profit. Of course non-profits do great things, but I was trying to apply what I'd learned in business class to my service work."

Laura Lindsey Tatum '14, a journalism and mass communications major, joined the Venture Club during her first year. "I started a business when I was 13, so I knew entrepreneurship was something I was attracted to," she said. Her business, Lulu's, in Fort Worth, Texas, markets jewelry, clothing and accessories to students at nearby Texas Christian University. "The best thing about Lulu's is that I rent space inside another store, so I don't have to be present to make sales."

She participated in the Washington Term Program this past spring and will serve as secretary of the Venture Club next year. Tatum also embarked on another business venture, Lure, selling jewelry on Facebook through an online auction. Sowinski and Paxton, her tech-savvy cohorts, worked on

the company's website in Ballenger's class—entrepreneurship encourages this sort of collaboration. "Unfortunately, I found that unlike my other business, Lure was much more difficult to maintain as a student. It was too time consuming," Tatum said. "However, it was an interesting endeavor."

She added, "As a journalism major with an interest in business, the Venture Club is a great way to express that side without having to be a business major. It was just as exciting to listen to the other pitches as it was to present my own. It really showcases how innovative Washington and Lee students are." She came in third in last November's Pitch Competition. Drew Martin '13 and Will Whitley '14 took first and second, respectively. The competition was held in conjunction with the first Entrepreneurship Summit, which was also sponsored by the Venture Club.

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## THE ALUMNI

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The idea for a summit arose from the Entrepreneurship Alumni Advisory Board, which was formed in April 2012 and consists of alumni who had judged the Business Plan Competition and wanted to be more engaged. Lang Craighill '76 chairs the 14-member board. "We are working to get the word out to other W&L alumni about the program, and hosting regional events as a way to support students who want to start their own companies," said Craighill, who has enjoyed a career as a top information technology executive.

"We have a pretty complete set of experts on the board. Not all those involved are from the C-School. We want this to be an inclusive program," he continued. The board spans five decades of alumni, including graduates from last year, with people who've started companies in information technology, music and private equity, and those involved with the legal side of things.

Carol Dannelly O'Kelley '91 judged the inaugural business



Laura Lindsey Tatum

plan completion in 2010. “What I love about the summit is the way it has something to offer both students and alumni,” said O’Kelley, the chief marketing officer of Storage Post Self Storage. “It offers opportunities to everyone, including those making a mid-career switch, or looking for networking, feedback or peer-to-peer learning. What is most important is that we share the same core values—those that brought us to Washington and Lee in the first place. We all lived by the Honor System, and we operate our businesses that way. No one is afraid someone will hear an idea and steal it. This allows everyone to open up more. We all come to the table with the same expectations. It is a tremendous resource.”

DigiDoctor’s Matt Langan returned to campus last November to participate. “At the summit, my business partners and I had discussed how we would bring what we’re building to the market,” he said. “A number of alumni said to start small and get that right, then the initial users would be the champions of the venture and the company could grow organically. It has been good advice.”

“We’re proud of the work being done,” said Craighill. “With the Pitch Competition and the Business Plan Competition, alumni come back and engage with the students. To me this is much more interesting and relevant than regular reunions. It adds a lot of value in conjunction with what Jeff is teaching.”

The program has created a great touch point for the large number of alumni entrepreneurs, according to Shay. Many, like Craighill, move back and forth between working for established companies and then venturing out on their own. “For entrepreneurs, there has not been a direct access line to the University,” said Shay. “This program resonates with a group of people who own their own businesses—even private equity businesses. They can interact with people who have approached their career in a similar way.”

“W&L has a long history of family-owned businesses, where someone was an entrepreneur,” observed Peppers. “Many alumni are successful in traditional corporate areas, but by mid-career at age 45 or so, they have a body of knowledge and venture out

to be an entrepreneur. Many of our students will follow a similar path. In terms of the Entrepreneurship Program, we’ve put in place the building blocks, and we hope to keep expanding the program, including the summer internship program with start-up businesses. Jeff has worked with Steven Snead, a senior director of development at the University, to find alumni to underwrite internships, because start-ups by their nature don’t have extra money.”

Sowinski gained valuable experience during his summer internship—made possible in part through the Bennett Family gift to support the Entrepreneurship Internship Program—at venture capitalist Regan Reaud’s ’01 Privateer Capital, whose CEO and general counsel is Thomas Washmon ’93. “I was able to see several start-ups pitched. Meeting and talking with entrepreneurs was eye-opening,” said Sowinski. “From the internship, I’ve gotten experience that will be helpful on my résumé, and from within the Venture Club I’ve gotten leadership experience. I’ve had experience consulting with start-ups, and I have been able to apply what I’ve learned in class to real-world experience.”

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## THE COMPETITION

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The program marked its third successful year by sending a team to the inaugural Governor’s Business Plan Competition, on May 2. Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell, who declared 2012 the Year of the Entrepreneur in Virginia, hosted the statewide competition for the best business plans crafted by undergraduate students. Twenty-one schools were represented, including private, public and community colleges.

The W&L team won W&L’s own Business Plan Competition: Jack Apgar ’14, Clark Jernigan ’14 and Stephen Stites ’14, who presented a diabetes management program for smart phones called Watch Dog. Drew Martin ’14, who was studying abroad

**Future entrepreneurs at Huntley Hall. Front row, l. to r.: James Williams, Jack Apgar, Colleen Paxton. Back row, l. to r.: Drew Martin, Stephen Stites, Mark Sowinski.**

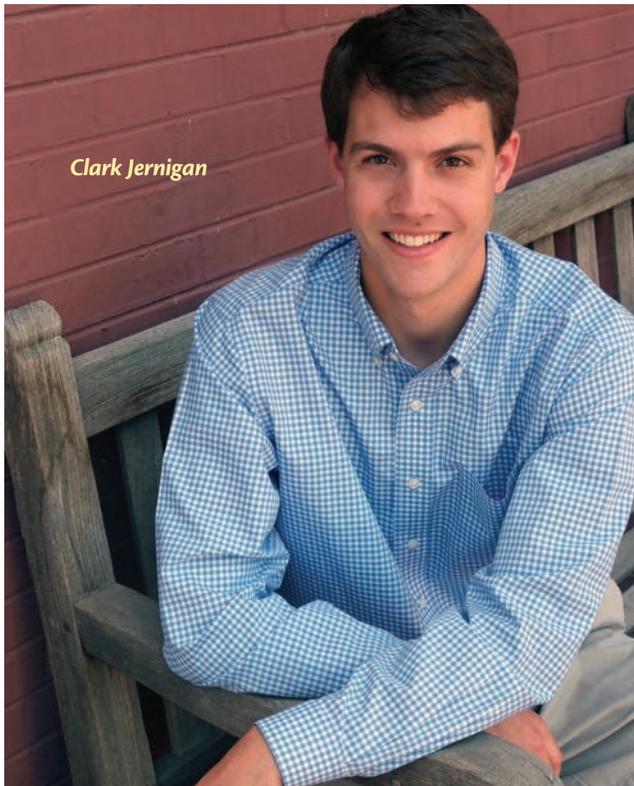


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— Clark Jernigan

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but had helped develop and present the plan during the semi-final round of the competition, said he was “there in spirit.”

Competing in the statewide competition “was a great experience,” said Jernigan. “We had five minutes to pitch to the judges, who were entrepreneurs across Virginia, and then three minutes for questions and answers. I thought our business plan was competitive, but there were a lot of good plans. I learned that there are a lot of good potential entrepreneurs out there. The amount of talent and good ideas was impressive.”

While the University of Virginia team won the overall competition (for a new solution for drawing blood), W&L did garner an honorable mention for “most significant market disruptor,” said Lang Craighill. “The W&L team gave a great presentation. This was a really good learning experience for the guys, and they did very well. We can all be proud of their work.” The team had created the business plan for their senior capstone course.

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good plan,” Jernigan explained. “I had four friends on my team. We’ve known each other all four years. We were two business majors, one accounting major and one economics major. We had four different skill sets across three majors. That’s what made us a successful team. We divvied up the work,” he continued.

“We were a good match,” agreed Martin. “All of us had skills and interests in different areas. Jack Apgar loves finance. He likes doing Excel tables. Clark was our accounting guy, and Stephen Stites was our CEO—it was his idea—he was the big idea guy. I was on the creative side doing brand aesthetics and identity and graphic design.

“I learned from entrepreneurship that I couldn’t go it alone—that teamwork is imperative,” continued Martin, who minored in creative writing. “In lower-level classes, if you have a group project and you know you are capable of getting a certain grade, you can say, ‘I’m going to take control and do the work for the rest if necessary.’ That was a mentality that all of us shared. But with a really big project like this, we realized we needed to go above and beyond what we’d learned. ‘I know what’s best’ doesn’t work in this situation; you need to seek out and respect the individual talents and capitalize on them.”

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## THE INTEGRATION

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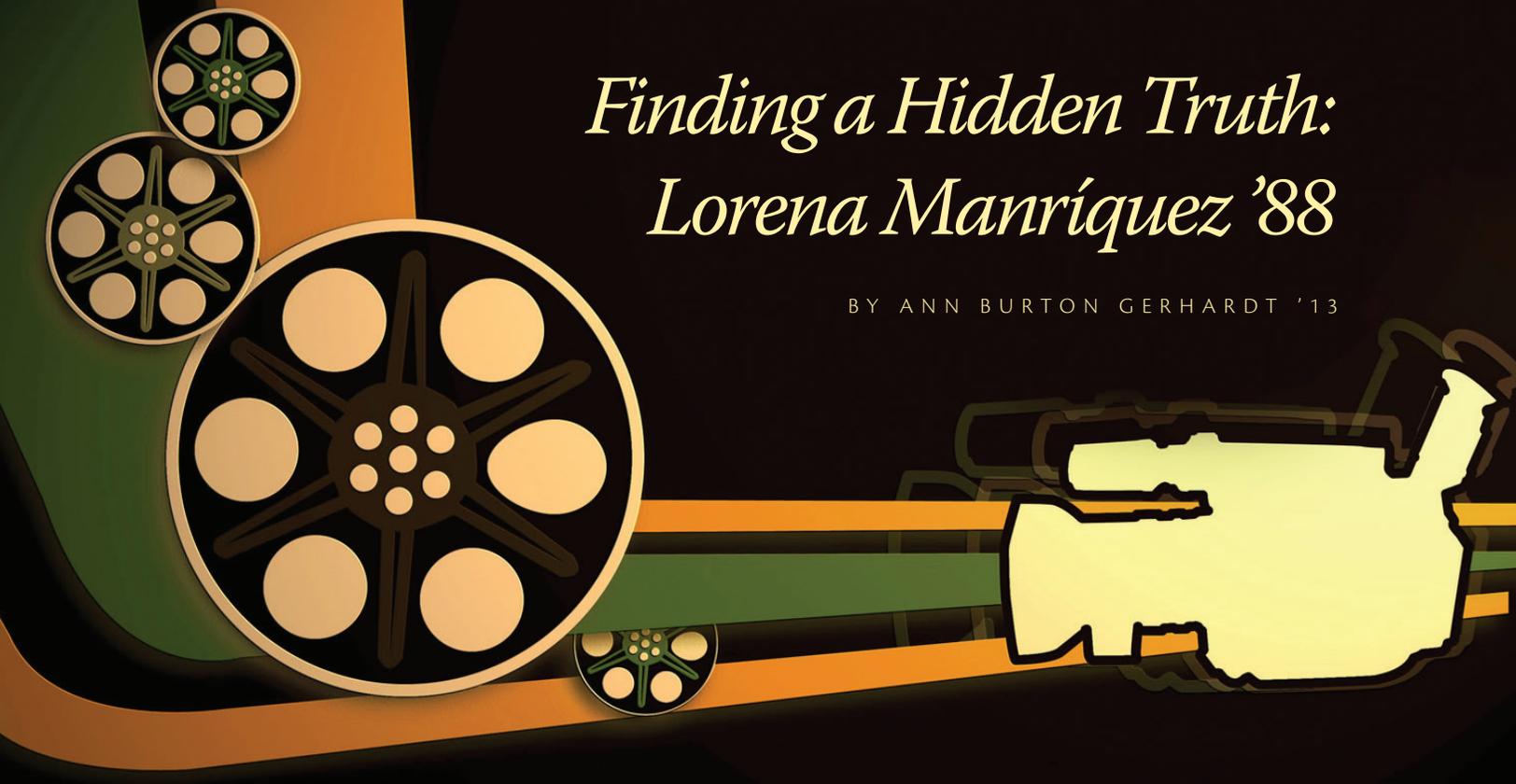
“Recruiters are not always looking for a business degree, they’re looking for a broad skill set,” remarked O’Kelley, the executive from Storage Post Self Storage. She majored in English at W&L. “The Entrepreneurship Program provides the College and the Williams School with the opportunity to cross-pollinate. Students with experience in both will be better candidates for employment.”

“Entrepreneurship gives students the ability to step out of the box and find creative solutions to problems, to shape concepts from the beginning,” Langan concurred. “The program allows C-School students to create more like artists, and allows arts and humanities students to think more like business people.”

“Entrepreneurship gives people a good skill set to succeed in this economy. It doesn’t matter if you are an art, philosophy or history major, you need to have good fundamental business precepts,” agreed Craighill. “It has surprised me to find out how many of our graduates have gone on to start their own businesses, including music producers, winery owners and retail sales.

“W&L has bright students with varied talents, who might not always want to take the traditional route into finance or large companies,” continued Craighill. “I and the other alumni can add value by lending our experiences within the framework that Jeff is teaching. He is giving them a great foundation to start from.”

“Really, the Entrepreneurship Program represents an integration across the whole campus,” explained Shay. “On the liberal arts side, you get the creative, critical thinking, and in the commerce school you get the analytical models and the applied side. Put it together, and you have the formula for a successful entrepreneurial venture. Because of their exposure to the liberal arts on campus, our students’ ideas are stronger than those at many other business schools.” 

The top of the page features a decorative graphic. On the left, there are several film reels of varying sizes, some in black and some in a light tan color. On the right, there is a stylized, light yellow map of the United States with a black outline. The background consists of horizontal stripes in shades of green, orange, and black.

# *Finding a Hidden Truth: Lorena Manríquez '88*

BY ANN BURTON GERHARDT '13

**T**o discover the truth behind the lifelong dispute between her father and her uncle, Lorena Manríquez '88 changed her life path. Switching careers from engineering to independent filmmaking, she created a documentary, "Ulises' Odyssey," that uncovers the story behind her uncle's exile during the Pinochet regime in Chile, Manríquez's home country.

Her father, a former army officer, had supported Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet. On Sept. 11, 1973, Pinochet overthrew Salvador Allende, the first democratically elected Socialist president in Latin America. Pinochet's 17-year dictatorship ended in 1990. Manríquez spent her childhood in Santiago, Chile, with her parents, Javier Manríquez and Constantina Ansó; her siblings, Erika, Patricia, Maria Eugenia and Javier Manríquez; and her aunt, Emilia Ansó. She believed that Pinochet was the savior who rebuilt her country by supplying food, building roads and making the economy soar. She took as gospel everything her father said.

"As a kid you don't question your family, you just don't," Manríquez said. "Looking back, there were things

that everyone knew about, but that no one talked about."

The ghost nobody talked about was her uncle, Ulises Manríquez. He was a labor union leader in the 1970s who had supported Allende. After the 1973 coup, Pinochet issued search warrants for Allende's supporters, including Ulises, who went into exile in Switzerland.

After Manríquez came to the United States in 1985 on a full scholarship from W&L, she began hearing horrible stories about the violence Pinochet used to maintain power in Chile. He led the torture and killing of thousands through techniques like electrocution, waterboarding and asphyxiation.

"It was difficult at first to believe that Pinochet had been doing those things, and I had been too consumed with my studies and work to question it," said Manríquez, who double-majored in geophysics and physics engineering, the first Latina at W&L to do so. She also holds an M.S. in civil engineering from Virginia Tech and worked in that field for more than 16 years.

Her interest in filmmaking grew during her involvement in the W&L film society. (That's also where she met

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**—Lorena Manríquez '88**

her husband, Gregg Kettles '88; they married in Lee Chapel in 1991.) In 2002, while living in Jackson, Miss., and working as a geotechnical engineer, Manríquez renewed her interest in films by serving as the president of the board of the Crossroads Film Society, which founded the Crossroads Film Festival.

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Manríquez realized how close her father's connection with the Pinochet regime had been. She discovered one of her father's friends had even been jailed for his involvement in the torture and murder of innocent Chileans, yet her father denied knowing anything about it.

Manríquez visited the detention center that had once held and tortured rebels. She finds one of the most personally moving moments in the film as she peels away layers of paint from the walls of the center. "Suddenly I'm looking at this big wall of paint," she said. "I think that's a symbol of the will to try to understand and get into this deep, deep understanding."

When Manríquez questioned her father about the regime, he continued to emphasize its greatness. "The misery our country suffered then, before the military, it was horrible, my dear," he told her. "It was a time of war. You must kill them before the enemy kills you."

Manríquez believes her father gave his approval to make the documentary after she asked him about his involvement. "The truth, even if severe, is a good friend," he told her. She questioned whether her father was protecting both of them by denying the reality of the violent Pinochet regime. "It's been a journey and it's been years of trying to figure it out," she said. "I think I am still trying to reconcile. I have my own point of view from what I thought as a girl. I have great respect for my father's opinion. I don't agree [with him], but I love him."

When Manríquez began her filming, Ulises had just returned to Chile for the first time in 30 years. Tensions



**Lorena Manríquez '88**, the president of Andes Media L.L.C., has landed several grants for her producing, writing and direction, as well as fellowships to the Latino Producers Academy, the CPB/PBS Producers Academy and the 2008 IFP Rough Cut Lab. She is co-producing "Latinos Beyond Reel," which focuses on Latino portrayals in the media, and is in production to direct "Siqueiros: Walls of Passion," about Mexican muralist David Alfaro Siqueiros, with co-director Miguel Picker.

The Manríquez-Kettles family lives in South Pasadena, Calif. Gregg, an attorney and former law professor, was deputy counsel to Antonio Villaraigosa, whose two terms as mayor of Los Angeles just ended. He co-founded the Open Air Market Network, a forum for conversations about street markets. Daughter Virginia, now 16, is named for the state; daughter Carolina is 13.

heightened between her uncle and father during the filming when Pinochet died in 2006, without ever going to trial for the murder and torture of more than 3,000 people. Old wounds resurfaced between her relatives and the country. "Unfortunately, not enough time has gone by and the wound is still infected, very infected," she said.

By the end of the film, the two men reconcile their differences as she enlightens her family about Chilean history. She was shocked to find out about the role the U.S. played in the coup that installed Pinochet, which reaches its 40th anniversary this year. She believes everyone has become a victim of the regime in one way or another. "I think the shadow of the dictatorship is still on Chile," she said. "He's dead, but he's still around."

Last year, Manríquez happily agreed when Jeff Barnett, head of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program at W&L, invited her to show a rough cut of the unreleased film on campus. Barnett said he and many of his students were moved by the film's honesty and sincerity. "She understands the greater picture—that the divide in familial views equates with that of the two views that divide the country," he said. "Ultimately, while one may wish to be objective, one must find the moral and ethical courage to confront even our most intimate connections with the world, even if it means losing them."

Manríquez created a 67-minute final version of "Ulises' Odyssey" with the help of Miguel Picker, her Emmy award-winning producer and co-director, and she has narrated versions in Spanish and

English. She has submitted it to international film festivals and expects it to hit the international festival circuit; she also hopes it will ultimately be broadcast on PBS on "Independent Lens," "Voces" or "Frontline."

Manríquez thinks she would have never been able to tell this story if she had not left Chile. "When you live abroad and far away, you see things differently," she said. "Having become a U.S. citizen [in 1994], I felt free enough that I could do this and talk about this situation."

While Pinochet's supporters still try to cover up the violence of the regime, Manríquez hopes her documentary will help Chileans acknowledge the truth. She struggles to reconcile her own childhood memories with the history of Chile she never knew.



# Alumni Weekend 2013

Facing a future that is increasingly complex and moving with often incomprehensible speed, today's generation of college students must be prepared both to compete and to collaborate on a global scale. That was the message that **Larry Boetsch '69**, director of international education at W&L, delivered on May 2 as the keynote

speaker of Alumni Weekend. As pictured above, he also met with alumni and students during the weekend.

After that fine start, attendees received awards, announced their class gifts, toured campus, met students, caught up with old friends, and had an all-around good time.



## 50TH REUNION GIFT

In announcing the 50th reunion gift of \$2,159,143.75, **William P. Boardman '63**, co-chair with **Daniel T. Balfour '63** of the Class of 1963 reunion committee, noted how meaningful it was for the members of the class to repay their debt to the University. The gift "will help others benefit from the superior education in an environment where honor, integrity, civility still matter. It fills us with great joy and pride to show that our classmates have left such a legacy at W&L, a place we all cherish so much." L. to r.: **R.K. Barton, John Mullin, Dan Balfour, Bill Boardman** and **President Ruscio**.

## 25TH REUNION GIFT

For its 25th reunion, the Class of 1988 gave \$2 million, the largest gift ever by a class celebrating its 25th. "We had originally set a goal of \$1,988,000, but we blew through our goal," said **James M. Rallo '88** (left), who served as co-chair with **J. Baker Gentry '88** (center). **President Ken Ruscio** is at right.



PRIZE WINNERS

COLONNADE CUP—**Class of 1973**, the class with the largest reunion gift (\$742,000) to the Annual Fund, including current gifts and future pledges.

REUNION TROPHY—**Class of 1993**, with the most members (107) registered for the weekend.

JOHN NEWTON THOMAS TROPHY—**Class of 1988**, the class with the largest percentage increase (84 percent) in Annual Fund gifts over the previous year. It also won this award at its 20th reunion.

TRIDENT TROPHY—**Class of 1968**, the class with the highest percentage of members (66 percent) participating in the Annual Fund.



Enjoying reunion festivities.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

L. to r.: **Beau Dudley '74, '79L**, executive director of Alumni Affairs, **Ashley Wiltshire '63**, **Buck Wiley '88**, **Paul Tribble '71L** and **President Ken Ruscio '76**.

Ashley T. Wiltshire Jr. '63 was executive director of the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland for more than three decades. W&L honored him for a “lifetime of distinctive and lasting achievements in legal services for the indigent, and public service impacting the greater good.”

Floyd M. “Buck” Wiley '88, the managing director in Bank of America/ Merrill Lynch’s Global Institutional Consulting Group, was honored “for life well and productively lived, his sterling reputation in financial matters and his devotion to alma mater.”

Paul S. Tribble Jr. '71L is the president of Christopher Newport University, Newport News, Va. He received the award for a “lifetime of distinctive achievements in politics, higher education and support of Washington and Lee.”

For the complete citations, see <http://magazine.wlu.edu/daa>.



## Mark Your Calendar for More Reunions

FIVE-STAR FESTIVAL: SEPT. 5-7

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME WEEKEND: SEPT. 6-7

YOUNG ALUMNI WEEKEND: OCT. 25-26



His classmates and W&L honored the late **Chris Coffland '88** by dedicating to his memory a plaque on the Memorial Gates. He was killed in Afghanistan on Nov. 13, 2009. Coffland's classmate and friend, **John Packett** (left), and his father, **David Coffland** (right), were among the speakers at the gathering.



ODK HONORARY INITIATES:  
MCALLISTER AND ABITANTE

At the opening assembly, W&L's Alpha Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa recognized two honorary initiates: **Steven G. McAllister**, W&L's treasurer and vice president for finance (left) and **Peter J. Abitante '78**, special assistant to the commissioner of the National Football League (right).

ODK also tapped these juniors into membership: **Jennifer Bulley**, **William Michael Fulwider**, **Caroline Hodges Gill**, **Nathan A. Kelly**, **Meredith Nicole Roberts**, **Angelica Tillander** and **Greta Bradford Witter**. ODK also presented the Rupert Latture Award to **Katherine H. LeMasters '15** and the James G. Leyburn Award to the **Boxerwood Education Association**.

REUNION  
TRAVELLER AWARD

**Jeff Branflick '88**, of London, who traveled the farthest for the reunion.



# THE SURVEY RESULTS ARE IN

BY BRODIE GREGORY '03, OUTGOING PRESIDENT,  
AND J. DAVID STEWART III '96, INCOMING PRESIDENT,  
W&L ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



*Brodie Gregory hands over the gavel to David Stewart during Alumni Weekend. You can reach Stewart at [dstewart@babac.com](mailto:dstewart@babac.com).*

Back in February, over 3,000 of you shared your perspectives on W&L through our all-alumni survey—thank you! We so appreciate your time and your candid input. We asked a lot of questions, and your responses are very important as we create our Alumni 2020 Strategic Plan. Many of you are willing to let us follow up as we refine our thoughts and opinions. We'll issue more detailed findings in due course; for now, we want to give you this executive summary.

The top words you use to describe W&L are consistent, clear and powerful: honor, community, tradition, education and liberal arts academics. You made clear your affection for W&L. Nearly 90 percent of our respondents had a very good experience as a student, and just as many think highly of W&L today. We also learned that the most important ways you want to engage with W&L are through appealing local chapter events, high-quality campus reunions, and University communications, especially the alumni magazine.

You want to see more from us in web-based career and networking resources. These tools can only strengthen

our powerful alumni network: a W&L graduate played a part in getting 37 percent of you a job at some point in your career.

We need to keep strengthening and increasing the variety of your local chapter events.

You'd like to know who is attending, and having a University guest is a popular component of a successful chapter event.

The Alumni Board will be busy crafting the focused strategic plan to guide the next five to seven years of the Alumni Association and the Alumni Affairs Office. We have six committees comprising Alumni Board members, W&L staff and other alumni leaders. They will tackle: 1) reunions and on-campus engagement, 2) alumni chapters, 3) careers and networking, 4) communications and social media, 5) international and multicultural affairs and 6) peer review and best practices. Each committee will recommend where we want to go and how we will get there. Our top goal is to meet your needs and interests.

Thank you again for sharing your thoughts so that, together, we can plan our collective future on behalf of Washington and Lee. 

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## 1955

**David A. Wouters '55** is serving as vice chair of the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Task Force at the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan, working with the Japanese government and the Tokyo Olympic Bid Committee.

## 1956

**William B. FitzGerald III** is proud to report that his son, Major William B. FitzGerald IV '91, last fall received the Bronze Star Medal “for exceptionally meritorious service to the United States of America as the J-2 intelligence officer, Afghan National Army Special Operations Advisory Group, Deputy Commander-Special Operations Forces” during Operation Enduring Freedom. The younger FitzGerald, an Army officer, served in that post Jan. 29–Oct. 15, 2012. According to the citation’s narrative, his “distinctive accomplishments . . . reflect great credit upon himself, NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan and Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan and the United States Army.”

## 1966

**James D. Humphries III ('69L)** was honored in the 2013 Georgia SuperLawyers magazine in the practice area of construction litigation. Humphries is based at the Stites & Harbison P.L.L.C. Atlanta office.



*A group of Zeta Beta Taus got together in March at Palm Plantation, the home of Dr. Henry Fleishman '70, in Litchfield Beach, S.C. Front row, left to right: Sheldon Miller '70, Mark Evans '70, Scot Apter '69, Kenny Murov '72, Scot Brower '70. Back row: Ron Sklar '70, Paul Sugar '70, Chuck Cahn '70, Gary Herman '70, Henry Fleishman '70, Steve Sandler '70. Also there but not pictured was Bill Greenhut '71.*

## 1973

**Gregory B. Robertson** was inducted as a fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation in January. He lives in Richmond, where he is a labor and employment partner at Hunton & Williams L.L.P.

## 1985

**Kevin J. McClatchy**, of Columbus, Ohio, is an assistant professor in the Ohio State University department of theater. In addition, he is part of the six-member team working with acclaimed British actress Kelly Hunter on her groundbreaking Shakespeare and Autism project.

**Joseph C. O'Neill**, of Haddonfield, N.J., has been named Philadelphia regional managing partner for the accounting firm ParenteBeard L.L.C.

## 1987

**Thomas W. Thagard III** was named a 2013 Alabama Super lawyer. He lives in Mountain Brook and works in the business litigation area of Maynard Cooper & Gale P.C.

**Paul A. Youngman** joined W&L as associate professor of German studies. He teaches classes in German language and cultural studies. His focus outside the classroom will be on finding summer and postgraduate fellowship opportunities, primarily through the German Academic Exchange Service and the Fulbright Program, as well as internships for undergraduates through the AmCham U.S.-German Internship Program.

## 1989

**Scott J. Mayer** was promoted to the position of legal director with SMS Holdings, a nationwide services company with 14,000 employees. He has been handling employment law issues for the company for over five years. He lives in Nashville and is raising his son, Miller, who was born in 2009.

## 1993

**Julie A. Edgar** successfully reinvented herself in 2012 as an online marketing consultant for local businesses. She launched Gemini Social Enterprises



*In a warm-up for their upcoming 50th undergraduate reunion, a few members of the Class of 1965 enjoyed a weekend of good fun, food and drinks at the ranch of Pat Robertson '65, outside of Austin, Texas. Assembled on a recently restored 1942 Ford pickup, left to right: Susan Morgan, Frank Morgan '65, Agnes Short, Carol Robertson, Bruce Jackson '65, '68L, Bill Price '65, Ellen Jackson, Lindsey Short '65, '67L, Pat Robertson '65 and Dick Livingston '65, '68L.*

as a values-based venture, where the Gemini in question brings an advocate's zeal to helping local businesses dominate their market online. Edgar also brokers clean, green, 100 percent renewable U.S. wind energy to residential customers in order to push the market in a positive direction as a complementary venture in harmony with her volunteer work as a post-fossil fuel community organizer and advocate for Pennsylvanians living without water who have suffered the devastating impacts of criminally negligent Marcellus shale gas drilling operations. She also branded and founded Safe Water Society, which will become a 501c3 nonprofit during 2013. Her daughters, Lara, 17, and Natalie, 15, study art and vocal music respectively at the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts in Bethlehem, Pa.

## 1998

**Brian J. Hooper** received the Emerging Leader of the Year Award from the the Greater Pensacola Chamber for his volunteerism and community service in Pensacola, Fla.

## 1999

**Heath H. Galloway** ('03L) is assistant general counsel at Owens & Minor. He lives in Richmond.

## 2006

**Matthew N. Null** '06 received the Michener-Copernicus Society of America Award for 2012–2013 in support of his writing.

**Tiffany Todd Updegraff** is an associate with the litigation team at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, in Denver, Colo. Her practice focuses on employment and civil litigation matters.

## Weddings

**Elizabeth Igo** '03 to **Garrett LeRose** '07 on July 14, 2012, in Lee Chapel. The couple and their two dogs live in Lexington, where Garrett is an assistant football coach for the ODAC Champion Generals, while Elizabeth is the senior woman's administrator in the VMI athletic department.



*From the Class of '75, l. to r.: Tom Lancaster P'15, Bill Smith, Olle Lundberg, Paul Gorsuch and Tim White had their about-once-a-decade reunion of the Church Group. The name comes from being room- and hall-mates freshman year, then living together in a converted old country church up U.S. 11 in the direction of Fairfield. The dog, Einstein, is owned by the Lancaster family.*

**Davis C. White** '03 to Anna Richardson on March 16 in San Francisco, where they reside. Both work for branches of Google, Anna as a communications manager in San Bruno for the company's YouTube video unit, Davis as a manager on the corporate communications team in Mountain View.



*From l. to r.: John Embree '75, David Lawson '75, Bob Wyckoff '75, Ben Bailey '75 and Matt Calvert '75, '79L celebrated their 60th birthdays in Casa de Campo, on the southern coast of the Dominican Republic. They report they stayed in a lovely home on one of the many golf courses there. The golfers played golf two mornings, the second on a tough ocean-front course aptly named the Teeth of the Dog, while Ben drove one of the golf carts and provided color commentary. When they weren't golfing or boating they wolfed down huge breakfasts in the house, jumped in and out of the pool and hot tub, listened to music from their time at W&L and played a team game of one-club, one-hole golf, which was won handily by the team of Sarah Bailey and Bob Wyckoff. Best of all, they spent hours talking and laughing and telling stories.*

**Jeremy M. Kimball** '04, '09L to Danijela Gazibara on May 11 in Playa del Carmen, Mexico. The couple lives in New York City, where he is a corporate associate in the law firm Latham & Watkins, and she is a corporate counsel for the Ketchum public relations firm.

**Kaitlin Abplanalp** '05, '11L to **Jeremy D. Brown** '11L on Sept. 1, 2012. In attendance were Kristen Zalenski '11L, Trista Kang '11L, Liz Potter '11L, Jim Lane '92L, Jessica Lane '92L, Liz Price '07, Stacy McAllister '06, Adam McAllister '06, Beth LeBlanc '05, Emily Sowell '11L and Pablo Guth '11L. The couple live in Berkley, Mich.

**John C. Bovay Jr.** '07 to Wei Zhang on Sept. 21, 2012, in Lagunitas, Calif. The wedding party included officiant Rev. Will Waller '08, best man Will Townes '07, bridesmaid Caroline Bovay '11 and father of the groom Jack Bovay '79. Robert Walker '08, Emily Waller '08, Chris Martin '09 and Thomas Meric '12 also attended. Han Qi '09 translated John's wedding vows into elegant Chinese. The couple are Ph.D. candidates in agricultural and resource economics at the University of California, Davis.

**Marguerite Nugent** '08 to Joey Griesbeck on Nov. 10, 2012, in Louisville, Ky.



**William N. Howorth '06** to Camellia Meehan on July 21, 2012, in Nashville, Tenn. Charles Anderson '06, John Baker '06, Park Carrere '06, John Howard '06, Pierce Owings '06, Jay Reynolds '06 and Zach Wall '06 were part of the wedding party. Rachel Turner Weingartner '06 served as a greeter. The couple live in Nashville, where Camellia is the director of the annual fund at Montgomery Bell Academy, and Will is a CPA working in development at HCA.



**Marie Trimble '05, '08L** to **Todd Holvick '08L**, on Oct. 6, 2012, in Santa Rosa, Calif. Alumni guests included (l. to r.) Angel Daniels '04, Lisa Jones '04, Kristin Crawford '04, the groom, the bride, Elizabeth Faulk '05, Brittany Smith '05 and Pak Phinyowattanachip '10L.



**Andrew S. Gerrish '09, '12L** to **Ashley T. Wohler '09** on Aug. 18, 2012, in Lexington. The wedding party included Bobby Ray Martin '09, '12L, Michael Welsh '09, Riley Barnes '09, Christopher Martin Jr. '09, Casidhe Horan '09, Allison Zeger '09, '13L, Sarah Conner '09 and father of the bride Todd Wohler '80.



**Micaela Coffey '09** to Sam McGlone on Jan. 12, in San Antonio, Texas. L. to r.: Blair McCartney '08, Allie Zeger '09, Alice Shih '08, the groom, the bride, Bonnie Kibbie '08, Jamie Bailey '08 and Casidhe Horan '09.



**Laura Neller '06** to Kyle Lanigan on Oct. 7, 2012, in Nassau, Bahamas. Alumni guests included Lanier Brooks '06, Jimmy Brooks '77, Bailey Hardin '06, Katie Waites '06 and Megan Ward '06.  
*Photo by Karen Hill Photography*



**Katie Garrett '07** to **Matt Arcati '07** on June 23, 2012, in Fort Worth, Texas. The groom's cake depicted Lee Chapel, complete with the walled ivy, red bricks and clock tower. Alumni in the wedding party included Oleta Garrett Thompson '00, Ashley Casrels '07, Charlie Clarke '07, McLean Donovan '07, Sarah Dozier '07, Clark Finney '06, Jeffrey Fuge '07, Peter Goodwin '07, Kaylee Hartung '07, Mary Stuart Couch Hurst '07, Charlie McCombs '07, Devon Morten '07, Brynn Chandler Noel '07, Alexis Richardson '07, Katherine Shell '07 and Eric Sivertson '07.



**J. Fielding Troutman III '07** to Kelly Golson on Jan. 19 in Atlanta.



**Laura Westerman '05** to Chris Tanner in Tierre Verde, Fla., on Oct. 13, 2012. Alumni guests included Sanford Stone '05, Matt Ogle '05, Heather McArthur '05, Molly Drake '06, Tasia Fisher '05, Bob Westerman '73L, Lisa Stinnett '06, Lee Stinnett '05 and George Singletary '05.



**Peter A. Converse '72** to Susan M. Yeloushan on April 6 at the Hay Adams Hotel, in Washington, D.C. They reside in Arlington, Va., where he is the president and CEO of Virginia Commerce Bank.



**Victoria Romeo '04** to Anthony Scinto in Honeoye Falls, N.Y. on May 27, 2012. Alumni guests included Maria Syska '04, Mandi Cornthwaite '04, Lydia Toso '04, Janet Carter '03, Latoya Sherron '03 and Catherine Camilletti '06. The couple live in New York City, where Anthony is a CPA with Ernst and Young, and Victoria works for Guggenheim Asher Associates, a private art consulting firm.



**Daniel J. Grattan '00** to Jennifer Harbour on Sept. 15, 2012, in Coconut Grove, Fla. L. to r.: Don and Eileen Grattan P'00, P'07, Brannon Cook '00, Matt Thurlow '00, Mary Hight Sawhill '00, Andrew Stewart '00, '09L, the groom, the bride, Bryson Datt '00, Sarah Hall Datt '00, Danny Cotter '00, Thomas Grattan '00, Brian Brantley '00 and Lee Bowles Cordobes '01. The couple live in New York City.



**Rebecca Grant '06** to Alex Weintz on Oct. 6, 2012, in Duck, N.C. L. to r.: Gerard Savarese '12, Ryan Grant '17, Lindsay Grant '10, Andrew Johnson '06, Erin Waskom '06, Clark Barrineau '06, Katherine Kilpatrick '06, Jay Zygmunt '05, Adam Turer '06, Colin Garner '06, Mina Azodi '06, Evan MacQueen '06, Alli Foley '06, Matt Fernandez '07, Chris Rizzo '07, the groom and bride, Erin Falzarena '06, Max Courtney '07, Caitlin Lane '06, Donny Banks '06, Travis Phillips '06, Lyndsay Polloway '06, Tiffany (Todd) Updegraff '06, John Tsoukalis '06 and Karlyn Gold '06. The couple live in Oklahoma City.

## Births

**Justin G. Adams '70, '76L** and **Meredith Winn Adams '96**, a girl, Mary Meade Gordon, on Feb. 20. She joins twin siblings who are 19 months older. They live in Kelly, Wyo.

**G. Matthew Brock '95** and his wife, **Nicki**, a daughter, Elizabeth Jane, on May 1. She joins sister Charlotte, 4, and brother George, 2. They live in Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

**Nicholas C. Polizzi '96** and his wife, **Whitney**, a daughter, Katherine Reece, on Dec. 20, 2012. She joins sister Elizabeth.

**Robin Seaton Brown '98** and **Douglas Brown '97**, a daughter, Rebecca Sybil, on April 23, 2012. Proud siblings include sister Anna and brothers Spencer and David. The Browns live in Austin, Texas.

**Bryce Bendall Harris '98** and her husband, **Monty**, a son, Steele Montgomery, on March 15. He joins brother Bode and sisters Kaki and Leila. The family live in Charlottesville.

**Brent O. Hilpert '98** and his wife, **Cathi '99**, a second daughter, Mackenzie Grace, on Oct. 7, 2012. They live in Smyrna, Ga.

**Allison Frey Shelton '98** and her husband, **Brandon**, a son, Declan Edward, on April 14, 2012. They live in Alexandria, Va.



**Don Belt '72 and Doug Harwood '74 at the Richmond celebration commemorating their induction into the Virginia Communications Hall of Fame.**

**Gavin B. Dean '00** and **Emma Thomas Dean '03**, a son, Wills, on May 10. He joins brother Miles. The family live in Columbia, S.C.

**Jill Kosch O'Donnell '00** and her husband, **Phil**, a daughter, Isabelle Grace, on Jan. 29. They live in Lincoln, Neb.

**Dr. Blair Stowe Sumrall '00** and her husband, **Brad**, a son, Charles Marion, on March 5. Charlie joins sister Kathryn. They moved from New Orleans to Macon, Ga., in July, where Brad joined the medical staff of the Central Georgia Cancer Center.

**Meredith Bryk Baines '01** and her husband, **Erik**, a daughter, Sigrid Eva, on Jan. 4. The family live in the Richmond area.



**Phi Kaps from the Class of '84 enjoyed a golf and fishing trip to Florida. From l. to r.: Christopher Lykes, Tom Sackfield, Bruce Blythe, Jay Stratton, Peter Muller, Marty Harmon, Francis Pinckney, Wade Meadows, Andy Cooney and Garic Moran.**

**Dr. Brian C. Stisser '01** and his wife, **Margaret**, a daughter, Lucy, on Jan. 21.

**Tiffany Friedel Broberg '02** and her husband, **Lance**, a son, Evan Walker, on May 1. They live in Phoenix, Ariz.

**Amanda Fischer Cormier '02** and **Timothy Cormier '01**, a daughter, Sophia Rose, on Jan. 4. Tim, Amanda, brother Jack, and Sophie live in Melrose, Mass.

**George P. Milmine II '02** and his wife, **Lauren**, triplets, daughters Sadie Ann and Bentley Rebecca and son Charles Edward II, on June 18, 2012. They live in Savannah, Ga.

**Christina Spofford Bittle '03** and **Jordan D. Bittle '03**, a son, Eli Samuel, on Nov. 27, 2012. He joins brother Noah, 3. The family live in Leesburg, Va.

**Farhan S. Mustafa '03** and his wife, **Roohi Zaidi**, a daughter, Minaal, on Dec. 7, 2012. She joins brother Mikhaal, 2. They live in Baltimore, where Farhan started the executive M.B.A. program at the University of Maryland's Smith School of Business in January.

**Meghan Hayde Bollens '04** and her husband, **Ken**, a daughter, Lucy Laine, on Feb. 7. The family live in Pittsburgh, where Meghan completed her master's in public management from the Heinz College at Carnegie Mellon University and continues to work in development for CMU.

**Corey Harmon '05** and his wife, **Miranda**, a son, Wyatt James, on Nov. 23, 2012.

**Virginia Helms Warlick '05** and her husband, **Coulter**, a daughter, Ellen Coulter, on Dec. 12, 2012. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

**Kelly Hishta Birkenhauer '07** and **Nicolas C. Birkenhauer '04**, a son, Charlie, on Dec. 3, 2012. The family live in Newport, Ky., where Kelly is a geologist for CB&I in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Nick is an attorney with DBL Law in Crestview, Ky.



**Smith Valliere P.L.L.C., a boutique litigation law firm located at Rockefeller Plaza in New York City, co-founded by Tim Valliere '84, hosted its 6th annual Spring Fling on March 9, toasting historic royal palaces. From l. to r.: Joe O'Neill '85, Jim Clark '84, Sgt. Loughlin, Tim Valliere '84 and Josh Heltzer '84. Peter Lawrence '08 also attended.**



**P. Christian Bevington '91, of Los Angeles, has enjoyed recent visits with Willard Dumas '91 in Chicago; Chris Mark '91 and Michael Patrick '92 in California; and Eleanore Robinson '91, Harrison Coleman '91 and Chris Baradel '91 in Atlanta. His insurance business continues to grow and thrive. You can find him online at christianbevington.com. He is pictured here with his wife, Tracy, and sons Connor, 3, and Aidan, 6.**



**Last fall, Rhode Island's Weekapaug Golf Club saw a lacrosse reunion with, l. to r., John Hooper '80, Mike Pressler '82, former coach Jack Emmer and Mike Lewers '83. Pressler and Hooper teamed up against Lewers and Emmer; Emmer hit a put on the 18th hole to win the tourney.**



**A trio of alumni competed in the Paris Marathon on April 7. L. to r.: Billy Webster '79, Matt Gossett '12 and Rob George '11. Webster serves on the W&L Board of Trustees; Gossett is an English teaching assistant at the French Ministry of Education; and George works for Morgan Stanley.**



**Veterans of veterinary school, l. to r.: Bonnie Fay Kibbie '08, Lillian M. Haywood '08 and Molly Potekhen Miller '07. The trio graduated from the University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine on May 13.**

Charles C. Lewis '68, '71L (pictured here), a professor of law at Campbell University, Raleigh, N.C., sent us a thoughtful essay about his father, who preceded him and his two brothers, Dr. John Lewis '66 and Dr. Tom Lewis '64, at W&L. Enjoy this excerpt, and read the full-length version online at <http://magazine.wlu.edu/lewis>.

My father, Charles Irving Lewis '30, '31 (M.A.), was a member of the Harry Lee crew that raced for many years against the Albert Sidney crew on the Maury River. . . . I still have his 1931 Calyx that shows him standing defiantly on a wooden dock with his Harry Lee teammates, each holding an upright oar that towered over their heads. . . .

From the time I was a small child, I was aware that my father had rowed in races on the Maury River. No, my father did not tell me bedtime stories of long-ago victories or defeats in those races. Instead, I could see evidence of those races in the rather dark and damp basement of our home in Petersburg, Va. For up on a wall, over my father's old, fat-tire bicycle, was a single wooden oar that he had once used at W&L as a young man when he rowed for Harry Lee.

It was probably the first family story I ever remembered. No one seems to have told me about it; I just remember always knowing it. If a crew member pulled so hard on an oar that it broke, he was allowed to take the oar home with him as a remembrance of his time on the river. The end of this oar, where the rower's hands would have gripped it, had been cleanly broken off. As a child, I imagined my father making one last mighty pull on that oar as Harry Lee raced desperately to beat Albert Sidney, only to hear the ominous crack and to have the oar fall lifelessly in his hands. But whether the race was won or not, my father had his trophy. And there it was on the wall for his three small sons, all future W&L graduates, to see and believe in their father's strength.



# Obituaries

**Alfred Kahn Jr. '36**, of Little Rock, Ark., died Feb. 17. He served three years in World War II as a physician, primarily in North Africa. He was volunteer editor of the Arkansas Medical Journal for almost 30 years, an adjunct professor at the University of Arkansas Medical School, a founding board member of the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences Foundation and a longtime member of the Little Rock Boys Club Board, serving as its president. He was uncle to James A. Moses '71.

**Robert D. Sloan '39**, of Medford, Ore., died on April 3. He received his M.D. in radiology from Johns Hopkins University. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II and in the Air Force during the Korean War. In 1955, he was appointed the first chairman and head professor of the department of radiology at the newly created University of Missis-

issippi Medical Center in Jackson. He received the Teacher of the Year several times. He was brother to Herbert E. Sloan '36. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

**Kenneth G. Smith '41**, of Dallas, died on March 6. He was a veteran of World War II. As a geological consultant, he traveled all over the world. He was a pre-doctoral instructor at the University of Michigan and taught geology at Dallas Baptist University for 14 years. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

**W. Marshall Johnson '42**, of Richmond, died on Feb. 20. He served in World War II as a navigator, flying 55 combat missions in a B-24 Liberator. He earned numerous war commendations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross and a Bronze Star, and reached the rank of captain. He worked 34 years as a reporter and editor for the Associated Press in Virginia. He spent much of his

free time and retirement researching the history of high school basketball and football in the state and was considered the foremost authority on Virginia's prep sports history. He was inducted into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame and the Virginia High School Hall of Fame. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

**Leon J. Warms '42**, of Delray Beach, Fla., died on March 3. He was a lieutenant in the Coast Guard during World War II, serving in the Pacific. In Youngstown, Ohio, he opened his first store, the Clothes Tree, following it later with the Painted Bird in Boca Raton, Fla. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau and was the brother of Robert A. Warms '47.

**Lester L. Dillard Jr. '43L**, of South Boston, Va., died on June 20, 2008. He was a World War II Navy veteran who witnessed the Japanese surrender from the decks of the U.S.S. Missouri. He worked as an attorney for more

## BEAU KNOWS—STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY

President Ruscio is generous in visiting numerous alumni chapters. Some of you have heard him describe his philosophy in seeking our continued support for W&L. He uses the phrase “disciplined ambition.” Let me salute this approach by reflecting on W&L today, including the aspirations of your Alumni Association.

On Thursday of Alumni Weekend, Director of International Education Larry Boetsch '69 gave an inspiring keynote titled “Cautus Futuri.” W&L’s plan to increase the depth of our commitment to global learning and citizenship proves that we are indeed mindful of the future our graduates will inherit. We have ambitious plans to transform duPont Hall into an exciting Center for Global Learning. We tempered this ambition by deciding that a substantial and first-class renovation of duPont will serve us just as well as a more costly, brand-new facility.

President Ruscio, the trustees and the administration are keenly aware that W&L cannot rely on older models for our financial well-being. We have seen an increase of about 400 undergraduate students since my time in the 1970s. We plan no further growth in head count. Our tuition increase of less than 3 percent is the smallest in many years. When a job vacancy occurs, we study carefully whether we should



re-fill that position. We set strict parameters for office budgets. I could go on.

Over the next four to five years, much-needed new indoor athletic venues will take shape. From a menu of carefully analyzed options, W&L rejected the tempting idea of one brand-new, comprehensive facility. Our alternative will give us a very good upgrade for about \$20 million less, because ambition intersected with fiscal discipline.

In Alumni Affairs, we sought your opinions on our long-range plan because we want to serve you, not to chase trendy or costly things that are unimportant to you. We have reduced thousands of dollars in expenses in the Alumni Affairs office. Our electronic toolkit will grow. We are doing more without growing our budget.

The press is fond of attacking higher education generally as a runaway train of high costs and declining value. From my vantage point, you can be confident that your University is plenty ambitious, but firmly grounded by sound fiscal policies, by conservative budgeting and investments, and by giving priority to students and faculty in spending our resources. Our leaders are intent on preserving the W&L value proposition for generations.

During our Commencement festivities, I spoke with many seniors and parents who expressed their strong convictions that a W&L experience is quite special and very much worth the significant investment. As a proud alumnus, I share that view.

—Beau Dudley '74, '79L,  
Executive Director of Alumni Affairs

than 50 years with Tuck, Bagwell, Dillard, Mapp & Nelson. An avid golfer and sportsman, he was inducted into the Halifax County Sports Hall of Fame. He belonged to Pi Kappa Alpha.

**Herbert H. Wolf Jr. '43**, of North Little Rock, Ark., died on Jan. 27. He served in the Army during World War II and received five Bronze Service Stars and the Good Conduct Medal. He was an employee of M.M. Cohn and Block Realty and also sold stocks and bonds. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

**Robert B. Taylor '44**, of Lynchburg, died on May 2. He served as a tailgunner on a B-17 in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He owned Taylor Bros. Inc., a local building materials and supplies dealer. He remained president there until 1992 and chairman until 2006. He was uncle to James D. Taylor Jr. '66, John E. Ramsey '75 and William T. Ramsey '79 and was father-in-law to Sam Meeks '72.

**J. William Young '44**, of Paducah, Ky., died on March 3, 2010. During World War II, he served as a lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. He worked in the insurance business for 50 years. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

**James F. Booker '48**, of Wilmington, Del., died on June 30, 2012. He served in the Army Air Force in World War II, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross with Cluster, four battle stars and the rank of captain. He served in various marketing and advertising positions in the textile fibers department of the DuPont Co. for 40 years. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

**Michael J. Evans '48**, of Portsmouth, Va., died on Feb. 14. He was a veteran of World War II and a retired editor of the Virginian-Pilot. He was also public relations manager for Tidewater Community College and a chief deputy clerk of the Norfolk County Circuit Court. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

**Louis W. Shroyer III '48**, of Bethesda, Md., died on Jan. 9. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps and received the U.S. Asiatic Campaign medal with three battle stars. He served with the Directorate of Intelligence and the Directorate of Studies and Analysis in the Air Force as a civilian. As a reservist during this time, he was a commander in the Air Force Intelligence Reserve Forces at the Pentagon. He retired in 1979 with the rank of colonel and the Air Force Commendation Medal. He was father to Louis W. Shroyer IV '72 and belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

**John R. Koerner '49**, of Littleton, Colo., died on Dec. 23, 2012.

**John S. Latimer '49**, of Waite Hill, Ohio, died on March 9. He served with the Merchant Marines during World War II and with the Army during the Korean War. He owned Lease Center Corp. He belonged to Phi

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Delta Theta and was brother to Erwin D. Latimer III '45.

**John Lee Hopkins '50L**, of Rocky Mount, Va., died on Feb. 23. During World War II, he served in the Navy as an aviation radio and radar operator on a PBM Mariner seaplane in the Caroline Islands of the South Pacific. He worked as an assistant claims attorney for Nationwide Insurance Co., and practiced law in Rocky Mount for 32 years until his retirement in 1988. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

**John B. McKee Jr. '50**, of Lynchburg, died on April 14. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II. For 19 years he taught fourth- and fifth-graders and then worked with homebound students. He also served countless hours as a volunteer at Virginia Baptist Hospital. He belonged to Sigma Nu.

**John F. Wilhelm '50**, of Henrico, Va., died on March 10. He served in the Army Air Force in World War II and in the Air Force during the Korean War. After retiring from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Virginia, he enjoyed over 20 years of volunteering at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

**Donald W. Bourne '51**, of Yarmouth, Maine, died on May 5. He had a lifelong career in finance and headed up the Yarmouth office of his own investment company, Bourne Stenstrom Lent Asset Management Inc. He volunteered as a Little League coach, served as a town councilman, belonged to the historical society and served as mayor of Glen Ridge, N.J. He belonged to Pi Kappa Sigma and was the uncle of William W. Bourne '82.

**Bethel C. Brown Jr. '51**, of Ooltewah, Tenn., died on May 10, 2012. He served in the Army during the Korean War. He was retired from Johnston Southern Co. as senior vice president and CFO. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

**William W. Shiers '51**, of Lynchburg, died Jan. 21. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War. He held a variety of public relations, marketing and management posts in New York, Arizona and Virginia during his lengthy career. He was also active

in the Central Virginia Alzheimer's Association, American Red Cross and James River Day School. He belonged to Pi Kappa Alpha.

**Dr. Thomas A. Bull III '53**, of Quincy, Mass., died on March 5. He served as a lieutenant J.G. aboard the U.S.S. Chara as the training officer of the Navy's Underwater Demolition Teams, the forerunner of the Navy SEAL teams. During his medical career, he had a private practice in psychiatry, was a clinical instructor and served as a forensic psychiatrist and staff psychiatrist for various institutions. He retired as medical director of the ACTT team for the Neuse Health Center in New Bern, N.C. He was uncle to William H. Morris '81 and belonged to Kappa Sigma.

**John R. Glenn '53L**, of Kanawha City, W.Va., died on March 14. He served in the Army. He was an attorney in private practice in Logan, W.Va., for 48 years before retiring in 2003.

**Arthur A. Hansl '53**, of Montecito, Calif., died on March 6. He served with the Marine Corps during the Korean War and completed his service in the military police at Camp Pendleton. He appeared in films with Kirk Douglas and Ursula Andress, and B action films and James Bond rip-offs that took him around Europe, behind the Iron Curtain, and to North Africa and Mexico. He concluded his acting career with a stint in the daytime TV series "General Hospital." He then switched to writing and published five novels and an autobiography. He belonged to Sigma Chi.

**Robert A. McPherrin II '54**, of Hood River, Ore., died Jan. 7. He was retired from Delco Electronics Operations and belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

**Peter Q. Nyce Jr. '56**, of Washington, died on April 27. He practiced law with the Social Security Administration and the Army Legal Services Agency, Regulatory and Patent Law Office, representing the Department of Defense in utility regulatory hearings. For about a decade, he acted as special assistant U.S. attorney for New Mexico in

Albuquerque. He also served in the Army Reserves as an armor officer in M-48 tanks and with the Judge Advocate General's Corps, retiring with the rank of major. He belonged to Sigma Chi.

**Stephen K. Henkel '57**, of Seattle, died on Nov. 25, 2012. He served as president of Simlog Instruments and the Simpak Corp. He retired as president and co-owner of the Campbell Co. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

**J. Newman McLane Jr. '57**, of Pensacola, Fla., died on April 5. He served in the Army. He was a senior accountant with Monsanto Co., working in Florida and South Carolina for 27 years. After that, he worked for the Department of Defense, finance and accounting, in Pensacola. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

**Edward L. Harlow '58**, of Bridgewater, Va., died on April 30. He served in the ROTC, leaving the Army Reserve with the rank of captain. He taught high school English for 36 years and directed the first high school musical comedies in the Shenandoah Valley. He continued his teaching career at Blue Ridge Community College for 30 years.

**James V. Kressler '58**, of Washington, died on Dec. 27, 2011. He belonged to Pi Kappa Phi.

**Robert L. Neunreiter '58**, of Kirkwood, Mo., died on Oct. 3, 2010. He served as a captain in the Marine Corps. He belonged to Sigma Nu.

**Edward B. Crabbe '59**, of Natchez, Miss., died on Oct. 7, 2012. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

**Harley B. Howcott Jr. '60**, of New Orleans, died on March 17. He practiced law in New Orleans. He served on the boards and as an officer of a large variety of non-profit organizations in New Orleans and Washington. He belonged to Delta Upsilon and was uncle to Catherine B. Werner '90.

**Robert T. Colgan Jr. '61**, of Scottsdale, Ariz., died on Jan. 29. After building a successful career in the commercial paper business, he

and his family moved to southwest Colorado. For 35 years he operated a ranch in Mancos, as well as owning and running a real estate brokerage. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi.

**T. Spencer Ladd III '61**, of Atlanta, died on Feb. 1. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

**Harry H. Fisher '62**, of Huntington, W.Va., died Oct. 13, 2012. He was a veteran of the Marine Corps. Fisher began his career as a sports writer for the Herald-Dispatch and the Huntington Advertiser. He also worked as the managing editor of the Statesboro (Ga.) Herald, then returned to the Herald-Dispatch sports department and worked as night news editor, retiring in 1996.

**Stephen D. Hancock '63**, of Eatonton, Ga., died on Sept. 28, 2012. He was a retired insurance adjuster for CNA Insurance. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

**James R. Lesley '63**, of Tiger, Ga., died on March 10. He was the president of AID Corp. and vice president and co-owner of Toccoa Wood Products. After retirement, he worked for Northeast Georgia Heating & Air in sales.

### Russ Knudson, French Professor Emeritus, Dies at 79

Russell C. Knudson, associate professor of Romance languages emeritus and a part-time member of the Admissions Office, died on April 14 at his home in Lexington. He was 79.

Knudson served on the faculty for 33 years. A year after his retirement in 1999, he joined admissions and spent the next dozen years interviewing prospective students and helping to guide them and their families through the process of applying to W&L.



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"Russ was a wonderful member of the W&L community in many ways," said President Ken Ruscio '76. "Generations of students knew him as a French teacher, but an entirely different generation got to know him during admissions interviews and information sessions. His impact on the University spans almost half a century, and we send our deepest sympathy to his family and many friends."

A native of Illinois, Knudson grew up on a farm in Minooka, Ill., just outside Joliet. He received bachelor's degrees in music and in French from Illinois State University, and an M.A. in French from the University of Illinois. He did additional graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

At W&L, Knudson taught popular French courses in conversation and literature in translation. From 1969 to 1989, he directed the University's language laboratory and helped update it, moving it from the era of reel-to-reel tapes in duPont Hall to new space in Tucker Hall, where it eventually became the vastly more modern Tucker Multimedia Center.

Knudson brought to W&L what was at the time an innovative emphasis on learning through practical application. He was the principal author of "Reprise Grammaticale," a computer-based interactive experience with French grammar principles, exercises, reviews and a complete testing program. He designed the program for individual study, thereby allowing class time for activities in which the students applied the grammar they were reviewing individually.

An accomplished musician, Knudson specialized in the cello while majoring in music at Illinois State. During a three-year stint in the U.S. Army, he played the oboe with the Fifth United States Army Band. In Lexington, he performed with the Rockbridge Symphony and was also a fan of opera.

Knudson is survived by his wife, Carolyn; son, Jeffrey Knudson (senior technology architect at W&L); daughter-in-law, Julie Knudson (director of academic technologies at W&L); daughter, Christine Knudson Wood; and four grandchildren.

**Bruce R. MacDonald '64**, of Cooperstown, N.Y., died Feb. 19. He served for two years in the Navy during the Vietnam War and was chief medical officer for Operation Deep Freeze in the Antarctic. He was a urologist at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma. He was father to Alexis U. MacDonald '02.

**Eric M. Blumberg '66**, of Gaithersburg, Md., died on March 7. He worked in the FDA's legal office, where he was deputy chief counsel for litigation. He was active in legal cases involving public health and had a leading role in enforcing FDA regulations. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

**James A. Hight Jr. '67**, of Lynchburg, died on April 26. He taught English at King William High School in King William County, Va., and then joined the faculty of Virginia Episcopal School, where he served as librarian, English teacher and archivist for over 36 years. Upon his retirement, the school named the expanded and updated library in his honor.

**Richard M. Penny Jr. '68**, of Bristol, Tenn., died on Feb. 26. He served as a major in the Army Reserves. He had a private medical practice in San Antonio for 10 years before moving to Tennessee to become a partner at Bristol Anesthesia Services. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

**Kearons J. Whalen III '68L**, of Pittsfield, Mass., died on March 2. He was founding partner of the firm Ruder and Whalen, where he practiced law for 45 years.

**Alan W. Lee '69**, of Charlotte, N.C., died Jan. 27. He taught English and

coached football at Christ School, in Arden, N.C., and at Charlotte Country Day School, where he also served as a development officer; a career he went on to pursue at Davidson College and as vice president of development at Queens University. He was most recently a founding partner of the consulting firm Capstone Advancement Partners. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. ☺

**Robert L. Daniels '77**, of Austin, Texas, died on Dec. 28, 2011. He was president and CEO of Signet Network Systems Inc. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi and was brother to Kenneth S. Daniels '74.

**Coyne D. Demaray '83L**, of Birmingham, Ala., died on Feb. 18. He practiced law in Birmingham at Haskell Slaughter, then later became a solo practitioner. He also taught classes on firearm safety and instruction.

**Leonard H. Seawell IV '91**, of Atlanta, died on March 28. He served in the Navy for nine years.

**Ryan H. Staley '09L**, of Virginia Beach, died on March 28. He practiced law with Glasser and Glasser, in Norfolk, Va.

*Other Deaths*

**Joan Althea Mays**, who worked as a cook in Dining Services from 1972 until retiring in 1991, died Feb. 21.

**Henry Jackson Gayhart**, who retired from W&L in 1989 after 20 years as a member of the grounds crew with Buildings and Grounds, died Feb. 23.

**Wayne Ester "Poncho" Bradley**, a grounds worker who had worked in Facilities Management since 1996, died May 14.

**Jeannette Jarvis**, who retired in 2007 as assistant University registrar after 42 years with W&L, died on July 24. For more than 12,000 graduates, she tracked every credit and quality point and hand-rolled every sheepskin diploma.

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A Six-Day Getaway to Rome**

**"The difference between America and Italy," a saying goes, "is that in Italy 100 miles is a long way; and in America 100 years is a long time."** Truer words have never been spoken, and travelers on W&L's trip to Rome came to appreciate their wisdom in very special ways.

Veterans and rookies alike paid special attention as the ruins of that ancient city rose like a marble gauntlet along the avenues to greet us upon our arrival. The foundations of the old Forum and the famous Colosseum, built on the backs of Jewish slaves after the Sack of Jerusalem, held our attention as thoughtful guides helped us see the legacy of Caesar through enlightened eyes. The palimpsest of San Clemente taught us how early Christian culture and the Renaissance that followed were literally built on the remnants of ancient pagan templates. The frescoes of Raphael and Michelangelo competed with the architecture of Bramante and the sculpture of Bernini in the artistic treasure trove of the Vatican Museums. And the ghosts of ancient merchants and mothers and mariners spoke to us from the dusty structures that once made the city of Pompeii a key player in the Roman Empire. No one who saw it came away unmoved.

Could there be a W&L trip to Italy with no cappuccino sipped, no pasta consumed, no wine sampled? Oh, gentle reader, cast thy simple thoughts aside! Revel instead in dreams



*The final night, with all but three of the group, in front of the church of St. Cecilia.*

of olive oil trickling over trembling lips, of gelato melting on trembling fingertips, of saltimbocca caked in flour bits. The tastes of Rome were as much a part of this trip as the sights—and the debate still rages over which made the more lasting impression.

—George Bent,  
Sidney Gause Childress Professor in the Arts  
—Lorriann T. Olan,  
Career Development

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Oct. 29–Nov. 4: *A Six-Day Getaway: Berlin*  
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## 2013: Moms, Dads and Grads

*Front, l. to r.:* Juan Estrada '06 (brother of Estefi), Carol Estrada '05 (sister of Estefi), Annie Estrada Postma '04 (sister of Estefi), Jorge Estrada '69, Bill Luster '05 (brother of JP), John Luster. *Back, l. to r.:* Javier Estrada '16 (brother of Estefi), Estefania Estrada '13, JP Luster '13.

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*Front, l. to r.:* Carter Tucker '80, Tom Sackfield '84, Ben Cummings '67, '70L, John Buckthal '77, Sam Steves '77, Buck Wiseman '70 (uncle of Collier), Upton Beall '51 (grandfather of Camie Carlock), Susan Mahoney Crook '09 (sister of Anne Byrd Mahoney), Paul Crook '09 (brother-in-law of Anne Byrd Mahoney), John Ward '68. *Back, l. to r.:* Harrison Tucker '13, Hannah Sackfield '13, Alex Cummings '13, Catherine Buckthal '13, Lida Steves '13, Collier Wiseman '13, Camie Carlock '13, Happy Carlock '15 (sister of Camie), Anne Byrd Mahoney '13, Elizabeth Ward '13, Pete Ward '98 (brother of Elizabeth), Lacey Flanigan '13, Drew Flanigan '07 (brother of Lacey), Caroline Simonson Flanigan '07 (sister-in-law of Lacey).



*Front, l. to r.:* Parke Ellis '81, Jay Altman '72, Steve Trigg '79, Eric Heinsohn '83, Alex Castelli '86, Julia Crenshaw '82L, Jeff Hamill '81, Guy Kerr '75, Nancy Morris Gallagher '85L, John Gallagher '84L. *Back, l. to r.:* Betsy Ellis '09 (sister of Meg), Meg Ellis '13, Sunny Altman '13, Katharine Trigg '13, Luke Heinsohn '13, Alex Castelli '13, Helen Crenshaw '13, Alex Hamill '13, Audrey Kerr '13, Jack Gallagher '13.



*Front, l. to r.:* Liza Morten '09 (sister of Mary Spencer), Spencer Morten '76, Devon Morten '07 (sister of Mary Spencer), Hatton Smith '73, Gerry Malmo '79, David Hansen '84L, Bill Peard '76, Channing Martin '75, '79L, Gus Fritchie '78, Bob Womble '79L. *Back, l. to r.:* Mary Spencer Morten '13, Gage Smith '13, Carter Malmo '13, Elise Hansen '13, Leslie Peard '13, Drew Martin '13, Kendall Fritchie '13, Margaret Womble '13, Robert Womble '10 (brother of Margaret).



*Front, l. to r.:* Tom Frith '59L (grandfather of Davis), Dan Frith '82L, Bo Frith '10, '15L (brother of Davis), Linda Davis Frith '82L, Clay Crumbliss '80 (uncle of Parker Chambers), Craig Chambers '85, Ted deSaussure '78 (uncle of Daniel Tomm), Charlie Tomm '68, '75L, Billy Brown '82, Bobby Schmidt '82. *Back, l. to r.:* Davis Frith '13, Parker Chambers '13, Daniel Tomm '13, Cooper Brown '13, Caroline Schmidt '13.



*Front, l. to r.:* Chris Giblin '90 (uncle of Allison), Gerrald Giblin '81, John Watlington '72, Mike Reap '83, '86L, Richard Young '83, John Crockett '70, Sharon Brewer Nault '85L, Ed Gerhardt '77 (uncle of Ann Burton), Paul Gerhardt '79, '84L. *Back, l. to r.:* Mary Clare Bruce '15 (cousin of Allison Giblin), Allison Giblin '13, Chandler Watlington '13, Michael Reap '13, Tate Young '13, Will Crockett '13, Chris Nault '13, Ann Burton Gerhardt '13, Catherine Gerhardt '09 (sister of Ann Burton).



*Front, l. to r.:* Bill Garrett '87, Patience Jones Garrett '89, Fletcher Dunn '10 (brother of Hanes), Jimmy Dunn '08 (brother of Hanes), Mike McGarry '87 (uncle of Hanes Dunn), Jed Dunn '82, Clay Kingsbery '78, Everett Martin '74, '77L, Bill Pritchard '80, Tommy Pritchard '84 (uncle of Catherine), Ned Burks '74. *Back, l. to r.:* Will Garrett '13, Virginia McGarry '14 (cousin of Hanes Dunn), Hanes Dunn '13, Caroline Kingsbery '13, Lauren Martin '13, Catherine Pritchard '13, Harris Pritchard '16 (brother of Catherine), Jack Burks '13, Ned Burks '10 (brother of Jack).

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## Adjusting to the New Normal

BY PRESIDENT KEN RUSCIO '76

The national press is saturated with stories on the challenges facing higher education. Depending on the day, you can read about the transformation in the industry, or the disruption caused by technology, or the student loan crisis, or the fear that the liberal arts are useless.

Amid the hyperbole, I worry that we are losing a sense of what a college is for. At Washington and Lee in particular, we offer a distinctive education of exceptional quality, one that develops our students' hearts as well as their minds. We occupy a small but vital corner in higher education. We do not simply train students for jobs or transfer information to them. We offer education in the classic meaning of the term.

I know I am not alone in believing that what we do here matters. Still, it was comforting to hear the generous comments that Columbia University's Andrew Delbanco made in his splendid address to the Founders Day/ODK Convocation this past January. (See <http://myw.lu/1072Y2S> for audio and video of the speech.)

Delbanco, whose recent book, "College: What it Was, Is, and Should Be" is having a major impact on the national conversation, reminded us that, in the face of this drumbeat of criticism, we should not lose sight of the mystery of higher education—that wonderful, indescribable moment when a student catches fire in a classroom.

He described W&L as "a true college based on the faith that there is an incendiary capacity in every teacher and inflammability in every student."

Such flattery should not, however, lead to complacency. We must keep the flames alive, and that will not be easy as we

confront the new normal for higher education and for Washington and Lee.

Over the past quarter century, the University experienced significant increases in both enrollment and endowment that are mostly counter-cyclical to what has happened elsewhere.

These increases—surges, actually—have resulted from decisions that are distinctive to us.

Not only did we intentionally increase enrollment to develop an academically strong, coeducational student body, but we also enjoyed an endowment surge. From 2007 to 2012, our total endowment increased by 20 percent, and our per-student endowment by 18 percent. This growth was due not to investment returns but almost entirely to gifts to our historic capital campaign.

These surges will not repeat themselves in the next decade. We do not intend to increase the size of our student body. Tuition growth has leveled off with no prospect that it will take off again. We cannot count on endowment growth to continue at the same level.

Absent a foreseeable revenue surge, we must begin adjusting to a steady-state period.

This means finding a way to shift to new priorities only when we can shed old ones. It means reallocation and reorganization rather than addition and expansion.

Here, then, is the bottom-line challenge: We must maintain and enhance one of the best liberal arts programs in this country, within the constraints of a challenging fiscal environment, but inspired by the principles of academic excellence and educating students for character and integrity. I am confident that we will meet that challenge. 

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# Thank You and Congratulations!

W&L is pleased to recognize the following graduates of the Class of 2013, whose parents made a gift to W&L's Parents Fund in their honor. Congratulations! We honor your accomplishments and wish you the best as you venture forth from Lexington.



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## Last Look

Taylor Gilfillan '13 packed up his belongings after Commencement. Notice the space—neither dorm room nor apartment nor group house. Instead, the physics major, assistant head resident adviser and John W. Elrod General of the Year kept many items (including, occasionally, his computer) on a table in the living room of Elrod Commons. And he did so during both his junior and senior years. "I have put the Honor System to the test daily. . . ." Gilfillan wrote in a web profile. "Not once in almost two years has anything ever been taken or moved without my consent."



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