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W&L has introduced the W&L Promise. It guarantees free tuition to any admitted undergraduate student who has a family income below \$75,000. In addition, those students may be eligible for loan-free assistance to cover room, board and other educational expenses, based on demonstrated need. See page 13 for the full story.



How did online registration go for first-years? According to the Registrar's Office, 94 percent of the 480 first-years registered for a first course, averaging 3.2 credits, in the first three minutes, all but one of the rest in 10 minutes. Here Andrea Abry, chemistry instructor, celebrates a successful registration with Kate Sarfert '17.

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This is the first year the University has been on the top contributors list for Teach for America. A dozen members of W&L's Class of 2013 joined the Teach For America corps, placing the University among the top 20 small schools (2,999 or fewer students) for participants. Throughout Teach For America's 23-year history, 73 W&L alumni have taught as corps members.



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The Marketplace used 140,000 disposable cups last year, creating 6,000 pounds of waste being sent to the landfill. Now, students, faculty and staff must bring their own takeaway containers and cups.



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Hurrah for the Honor System

I have been suppressing a feeling of Schadenfreude on reading of a major cheating scandal at Hahvahd recently. The 60-odd students had cheated on an exam and were caught. The result? They were suspended and couldn't re-enroll for several semesters. I thought, what a substandard school! Not tough enough to have a REAL Honor System. I remember that several of my classmates suddenly disappeared and became unpersons after violating the W&L code. They simply lost all connection with the University. It's things like this that continue to give me pride at being a graduate of such a university! Thanks to President Lee and all those who have maintained his principles: A gentleman/gentlewoman does not lie, cheat or steal.

Bill Supon '65
Cedartown, Ga.

Correction

In our Summer 2013 obituary for **Leon J. Warm's '42**, we unintentionally omitted his stellar service as a class agent for W&L. He held that post for nearly 30 years, from 1984 right up until his passing on March 3 of this year. He also served as an alumni career mentor for 16 years and helped plan his 50th reunion. We apologize for the error.



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Assistant professor of biology Natalia Toporikova (standing) with (l. to r.) Leah Burton '16, Austin Walker '16, Stephen Himmelberg '17 and Chris Myers '17.

New IQ Center Dazzles Users

Anyone who enters the new Integrative and Quantitative (IQ) Center learns quickly what Helen I'Anson, professor of biology, means when she says that the sky is the limit.

Opened this fall and supported by both private gifts and a portion of the University's Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) grant, the 4,841-square-foot center houses the very latest in technology and offers undergraduates hands-on experience with equipment that ordinarily they might not see—let alone use—until they're in graduate school.

Some of the treasures available in the center:

- A stereo 3-D lab, with portable flat screens to display to small groups, and a large central screen.
- A computer visualization lab, with eight high-performance work stations with dual monitors and dual ceiling-mounted projectors, for a seamless wall-to-wall image at the front of the room.
- A Zeiss EVO 15 scanning electron microscope.
- An Olympus IX51 laser-scanning confocal microscope.
- An Olympus BX 61 upright fluorescence microscope.
- A light microscopy suite.
- A physical/mechanical lab featuring high-speed recording capabilities, 3-D inputs from laser scanners, and ceiling video feeds.
- A ProJet 3-D printer offering rapid 3-D print in full color.

"Many universities may have one or the other of these spaces, but I am not aware of anything like this in one space that is available to undergraduates for teaching and research,"

said I'Anson. "What we're trying to do in the space is so new that our technology consultants have never actually built a space like this before, and it's been a learning experience to them."

Since the facility came online earlier this month, the buzz has not been limited to science students and faculty, said David Pfaff, the center's director.

"What's exciting for me is to see a faculty member come to look at the space and watch them begin to think of all the ways in which they might use it," said Pfaff. "They've seen something that's sparked their interest and decided to incorporate into their coursework. They knew the center was going to come online. But until they got in here and saw some of the equipment, it gave them ideas of things they are actually using in their courses today."

The center has multiple goals that support the initiatives tied to the HHMI grant, according to I'Anson. On the one hand, it provides a space where scientists and their students can learn new technologies and apply those technologies to their learning. That will help increase retention in science and math careers.

The other important goal is to increase scientific literacy in students who are not going on to any kind of scientific



3-D objects emerge from the IQ Center's 3-D printer. The hand belongs to Helen I'Anson, head of the Biology Department.

career. “On the one hand, we have the science students who are already enamored by sciences and for whom this space will be fantastic by helping them grapple with concepts they’re learning in their courses,” said I’Anson. “They’re already hooked, so this will further enhance their education.

“For those students who would prefer not to set foot in the Science Building, but are required to take some science and math courses, the gee-whiz core technology is going to draw them into science and math earlier and help them to see the utility of science and math in their lives,” she continued. “We need to create an informed citizenry when it comes to science and math.”

Among the many features of the facility that both I’Anson and Pfaff believe makes it uncommon is the ability for material to be examined in one of the microscopy suites. Then the images are streamed to the computer visualization lab down the hall, where a classroom of students can be examining the data in real time.

Then there is the stereo 3-D lab, which has space for 36 students who can work in groups of three or nine for easier collaboration. They can share data on their laptops and project their work on the large screens.

“We have had biology faculty come into the stereo 3-D lab and take

one look at what a protein structure looks like in stereographic 3-D and immediately want to teach that in a class,” said Pfaff. “When you see a complicated structure that really is three-dimensional pop at you, it’s much easier to visualize the structure.”

And if visualizing such a structure on the screens is not enough, the next step is to send that structure to the 3-D printer across the hall. Then the students can hold and examine that protein structure in their hands.

It would be one thing if the equipment in the center were hidden away behind locked doors of an individual’s lab. One of the key ideas behind the IQ Center, however, is accessibility for all the students.

“Typically, when a big piece of equipment like a confocal microscope is purchased, it goes into someone’s lab,” said Pfaff. “People don’t simply come across it. In this space, it’s in a central location where students see it, where other faculty see it. That accessibility is what is particularly exciting to me.”

In fact, students can sign up online to use the equipment, and several items in the IQ Center may be used not only by W&L students and faculty but also by colleagues from neighboring institutions, including Virginia Military Institute and Mary Baldwin College.

In addition, local schoolchildren may visit the IQ Center as part of various outreach by W&L students in the STEM areas. The student-led Women in the Sciences organization works with local middle-school girls who might lack confidence in their ability in the sciences, and W&L students will be able to show off the technology in the IQ Center as another way to maintain their interest in the subject and help build their confidence.

As the center was getting underway this fall, I’Anson knew quickly that it was going to be a hit with the science students and faculty. What has both pleased and surprised her is how much interest people outside the sciences have expressed.

“We have an English course taught in the computer visualization lab already. A classics course is being planned for the space,” said I’Anson. “Our new initiative in digital humanities fits perfectly with the concept for the center. The conversations about this facility that are starting with various departments and people across campus have been gratifying. For me, the bonuses keep coming now that the space is open.

“I think that the sky is the limit in what we can do in this space,” she continued. “We are limited only by the imagination of the folks who are having these conversations.”

A class in the stereo 3-D lab, with the requisite eyewear—3-D glasses. L. to r.: Ndèye Gueye ’14, assistant professor of biology professor Gregg Whitworth, Ryan Doherty ’14 and Anna Bowden ’14.



Larry Connolly '79 Transforms Entrepreneurship and Shepherd Programs

W&L's Entrepreneurship Program now falls under the auspices of the J. Lawrence Connolly Center for Entrepreneurship, thanks to a \$2.5 million gift from Leigh and Larry Connolly '79. "I'm excited to be part of this program," said Larry Connolly, the former CEO of Connolly Inc., a recovery audit accounting and consulting firm. "It gives an opportunity to have a real impact in a positive way on students, both short term and long term."

The Connollys also have donated \$1 million for the J. Lawrence Connolly Endowment for the Shepherd Poverty Program, to support curricular and co-curricular programming. "It's a good investment," said Connolly. "The program has come so far in such a relatively short period of time. Tom Shepherd '52's vision is becoming a reality."

"Larry Connolly's magnificent gift for the Connolly Center for Entrepreneurship is transformational," said Larry Peppers, Crawford Family Dean of the Williams School. "Building upon the great work of Johnson Professor Jeff Shay, and given the immediate student and alumni interest in entrepreneurship which has already developed, the Connolly gift will allow Professor Shay and his colleagues to be even more aggressive in setting up initiatives to support students, and in bringing alumni and students together."

Connolly serves on the Entrepreneurship Advisory Board and has judged the W&L Business Plan Competition. "I really liked what I saw—the caliber of students, the passion for these businesses," he said. "Obviously, not all of them are going to become entrepreneurs, but I bet some of them will. I think the quality of their work, the building blocks they are assembling, are going to help them regardless of where they end up." He also predicted that the fundamental understanding the students gain about how a small organization works will benefit those who land at large organizations during their careers.

His earlier involvement with the Shepherd Program paved the way for this gift. "I saw the same opportunity for the Entrepreneurship Program," Connolly said, "when you have somebody like Jeff Shay leading the charge." He especially admires the combination of a Williams School education with what he calls "the beauty of a liberal arts education. They're totally complementary. My hope is that the program



helps foster a number of successful entrepreneurs, and hopefully they too will be in a position to give back when it comes their time."

Connolly traces his interest in the Shepherd Program to his class' 20th-reunion gift to the program (thanks to trustee Robert Balentine '79). "I found it of interest," he said. "And then when we came back for the 25th reunion, we got an update. They showcased one of the students, which was a smart marketing move. And in five years, you could see how much had evolved. And then I started getting more involved."

In 2010, the Connollys established an endowment to support W&L interns working in their home, Atlanta, through the Shepherd Alliance. "The internship is having its desired effect," he said. "The students are young and passionate and ready to conquer the world and solve its problems."

This new gift, he said, "is consistent with the philosophical direction of the Connolly Family Foundation," which focuses on childhood poverty.

Howard Pickett, director of the Shepherd Program, said, "Larry has been incredibly generous over the past few years, through his tireless work as a member of our Alumni Advisory Board, through his active involvement in our internship program, and now through this remarkable gift. We can't thank him enough."

Impressed with the students in both programs, Connolly said: "It always generates a strong feeling of hope given the kinds of graduates we're producing. We're turning the future over to good hands."

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—Larry Connolly '79

Alumna Headlines Convocation

As a newly minted college graduate in the late 1980s, Alston Parker Watt '89 took her first job, with the humanitarian organization CARE, in Haiti. Between the time she boarded a plane in Miami and landed in Port au Prince to begin her assignment, a military coup had begun there.

Speaking to students at the Fall Convocation on Sept. 5, Watt related that story as an awakening to the reality of the challenges that exist for those who want to make a difference in the world. The convocation opened W&L's 264th academic year and the 164th year of the School of Law.

Watt, a member of the first



Alston Parker Watt '89 leads the processional at Convocation. Behind her are Provost Daniel Wubah (center) and Dean Larry Peppers, of the Williams School (left).

coeducational class at W&L and a former trustee, encouraged students to use their time wisely and to determine how they can make the

experience count. Her message was that students must have a deep belief in the worth of their efforts to better the world around them.

"I left Haiti nearly two years after landing there in the middle of that military coup," Watt told the gathering on the lawn in front of Lee Chapel. "My audacious idealism—that I could actually make a dent in the entrenched poverty—might have been slightly dimmed by understanding the realities of systemic political corruption; however, I know that I was personally able to make a difference in the lives of others."

You can listen to or watch Watt's speech here: go.wlu.edu/2013convocation.

THE CLASS OF 2017 HITS THE GROUND RUNNING

Washington and Lee welcomed the Class of 2017 on Aug. 31, when the 480 new students checked in and began four days of orientation (which you can read about on pp. 16-21) prior to the start of classes on Sept. 4. This is the 264th year of undergraduate instruction at W&L.

The students come from as nearby as Rockbridge County High School, which has four students in the class, and as far away as Shanghai, China, which is home to three of the entering students.

Members also hail from 40 states and the District of Columbia and 18 foreign countries. The top states are Virginia with 60 students, followed by North Carolina (38), Texas (31), New Jersey (24), Florida (24), New York (24) and Georgia (23), and California, Connecticut and Pennsylvania with 20 each. There are 383 different secondary schools represented, divided evenly between public and private.

The average SAT score is just under 1390 on critical reading and math sections, and the average ACT composite score is 31. There are 21 National Merit finalists and scholars in the class, while 31 were either valedictorians or salutatorians of their respective high school classes.

In addition, 138 served as presidents of major student organizations, 229 were varsity team captains, 321 belonged to the National Honor Society or the Cum Laude Society, and more than half reported performing 100 hours or more of community service.



President Ken Ruscio '76 chats with members of the Class of 2017 in Lee Chapel.

Almost half of the class (47 percent) has received more than \$9.1 million in grant assistance from the University; the average grant for students receiving an institutional award is \$39,950. That group includes 40 recipients of a Johnson Scholarship, the sixth class of Johnson Scholars to enroll at W&L.

Children of W&L alumni compose 7 percent of the class. More than 19 percent of the class are members of American ethnic or racial minorities, first-generation college students or recipients of Pell Grants.

Ginny and Alvin Carter

Alvin-Dennis Celebrates 50 Years of Sartorial Success

BY LAURE STEVENS-LUBIN

In 1963, when Alvin Carter and his friend Dennis Dixon opened the doors of Alvin-Dennis, their namesake menswear store at the corner of Jefferson and Washington streets, W&L still required its all-male student body (their main clientele) to wear coats and ties to classes. Five decades later, Alvin-Dennis is still going strong. Adapting to sartorial change, while remaining true to its identity as a purveyor of high-quality, traditional clothing, has provided the store with staying power—and made it a Lexington landmark.

Carter—dapper on the outside and down-home on the inside—credits the location in a college town, and close ties with both W&L and VMI, for the store's continued success. He has long hired students from both schools to work for him.

"The store was an anchor for many students in those days," said an Alvin-Dennis alumnus, Beau Dudley '74 '79L, now W&L's executive director of alumni affairs. "That red-brick corner was a hub. We rented tuxedos for Fancy Dress, and Alvin taught us how to tie a bow tie."

"All the W&L guys and the VMI guys got along well together," said local physician David Ellington (VMI '71), who worked there as a so-called barracks representative. "His close association with the student body keeps him cognizant of clothing trends." In a nod to the close-knit group of former workers, Carter still honors the 25 percent employee discount for them.

The 1970s ushered in a change of attire for W&L men. "Ties loosened up and jackets were slung over the shoulder. Then they went altogether," Carter recalled. Times, and fashions, shifted again in the mid-'80s, when W&L admitted women. He immediately added women's clothing for his new customers.

While keeping up with changing fashion, the store has weathered Dixon's 1973 departure to work in real

estate; added the expertise of Alvin's daughter, Ginny Carter, in 1989; and expanded three times. It now stocks everything from flip-flops to black tie, Barbour to Lilly Pulitzer.

While the store continues to carry traditional attire ("I bet Alvin-Dennis has sold a couple thousand blue blazers," said Dudley), Carter is always willing to update, an example being the current lines High Cotton and Southern Tide. "They are something new and something fresh, handmade in the South. But sooner or later something will come along to replace that," he explained. "Students will come in and tell me, 'You need to carry this line or that product.' I don't go by trade magazines; some of those styles wouldn't sell here. I know my clientele."

Lexingtonians know it's time for Fancy Dress when male students emerge from the door of Alvin-Dennis bearing a tux. "We have never turned anyone down for Fancy Dress," said Carter, "even those who have come in on the day of the event looking for a tuxedo. Of course, having a seamstress on site to do alterations helps a lot."

As part of the golden anniversary, which the Carters celebrated on Sept. 6 and 7, Lexington's mayor, Mimi Elrod, presented the store with a framed proclamation trumpeting the institution's 50 years—no small achievement in a town where businesses come and go. "Alvin-Dennis has provided quality clothing and service, not only to the W&L community but to the city at large," said Elrod. "The store has played an important role in Lexington's financial stability."

Fifty years of success does not come without hard work. Despite his 78 years, Carter still puts in a six-day week. "I have friends who are retired, but there is only so much golf you can play," he said. "My wife complains the store is my mistress, but we've been married 53 years, so I guess that's OK."

W&L Names Two Trustees

Washington and Lee swore in two new alumni as members of its Board of Trustees on Oct. 18 at the board's fall meeting, in Lexington.

Michael R. McAlevey, the vice president of legal operations and business development for GE Aviation, graduated from W&L magna cum laude in 1986. He earned a B.A. in English and belonged to Phi Beta Kappa academic honorary society and to Kappa Alpha fraternity. He competed in track and field for three years. He earned a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School in 1989.

McAlevey clerked for Judge Emmett R. Cox on the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Judicial Circuit in Mobile, Ala., for one year. In 1990, he moved to Atlanta, Ga., and worked with the law firm of Alston & Bird, where he was elected a partner in 1996. In 1998, he moved to Washington, D.C., to serve as the deputy director of the division of corporation finance at the United States Securities & Exchange Commission.

In 2003, he joined General Electric Co., in Fairfield, Conn., as the company's lead securities and finance lawyer. He was elected a company officer in 2007. In 2011, McAlevey moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he serves as the general counsel and business development leader for GE's \$21-billion aviation business. He has twice received the GE chairman's award for leadership. He serves as a trustee of the Securities & Exchange Commission Historical Society and Artswave Cincinnati (formerly the Cincinnati Fine Arts Fund).

He and his wife, Lynne Taylor Harwich (Hollins College '85), have two children: Isabelle Taylor, a member of W&L's Class of 2017, and James Easton, a sophomore at Cincinnati Country Day School.

B. Craig Owens, the senior vice president, chief financial officer and chief administrative officer of the Campbell Soup Co., graduated from W&L in 1976 with a B.A. in politics. He also earned an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and an M.A. from the Fletcher School



Michael R. McAlevey '86 and B. Craig Owens '76, new members of the University's Board of Trustees.

of Law and Diplomacy of Tufts University.

From 1981 to 2001, Owens held general management and senior financial positions with the Coca-Cola Co. and Coca-Cola bottlers in the U.S. and Europe. He then worked as executive vice president, CFO and head of strategy of Delhaize Group, a Belgian food retailer with more than \$28 billion in annual revenues in 11 countries. The company's U.S. division includes the well-known supermarket chains Food Lion and Hannaford.

Owens joined Campbell Soup Co. in 2008. In addition to his duties as CFO, he is responsible for the company's global supply chain and information technology and is chairman of Campbell-Swire, a joint venture in China.

Owens is a board member and chair of the audit committee of Pall Corp. Previous non-profit board memberships include the Franco-American Fulbright Commission, St. John's International School (Waterloo), the Waynflete School (Portland, Maine) and the Fletcher School board of overseers. He and his wife, Libby, have three children.

Speaker's Corner

Marc C. Conner, associate provost and professor of English, gave his inaugural lecture marking his appointment as the Jo M. and James M. Ballengee 250th Anniversary Professor, on Oct. 21. The title of his lecture was "The Identities of Ralph Ellison."

Lee Chapel and Museum presented Remembering Robert E. Lee with a speech by noted author and Civil War historian **Frank A. O'Reilly '87**, on Oct. 14. His lecture, "Adapt, Improvise, and Overcome: Robert E. Lee's Greatest Victory at Chancellorsville," discussed the battle of Chancellorsville from Lee's point of view.

Brian E. Richardson, professor of journalism and mass communications, gave his inaugural lecture, marking his appointment as the Harry E. and Mary Jane W. Redenbaugh Professor, on Sept. 24. His lecture was titled, "It Ain't What You Tell 'Em; It's What They Hear: Or, You'd Think I'd Have Learned by Now."

Amanda Bower, professor of business administration, is the inaugural holder of the Charles C. Holbrook Jr. '72 Professorship. It honors the memory of an alumnus who died in 1994 and supports "an exceptional undergraduate teacher and a distinguished scholar at Washington and Lee." The professorship was created with a gift from William H. Miller III '72, Holbrook's friend and classmate.

Julie Campbell, associate director of communications and public affairs, won two awards in the 2013 Communications Contest of the National Federation of Press Women: first place for a news story in an online publication, and third place for an editorial/opinion in a print-based newspaper.

Ethan Kipnes is the new director of public safety. He previously was associate

director of campus safety at Keene State College, in New Hampshire.

Jeffrey Kosky, head of the Department of Religion, received a 2013 Award of Excellence in the "constructive-reflective" category from the American Academy of Religion for his 2012 book, "Arts of Wonder: Enchanting Secularity—Walter De Maria, Diller + Scofidio, James Turrell, Andy Goldsworthy."

Christina Lowry '14 received the 2013 American Translators Association Student Translation Award, on her first try against student translators of all languages.

"The Town with Very Nice People: A Strident Operetta," by **Domnica Radulescu**, the Edwin A. Morris Professor of Romance Languages, was a runner-up in the

Jane Chambers Playwriting Contest of the Association for Theater in Higher Education.

The Corporation for National and Community Service awarded the **Shepherd Poverty Program** a grant to fund an AmeriCorps VISTA Project on campus and in the community. It will fund four AmeriCorps VISTA members for three years at these agencies: Campus Kitchen at W&L; W&L's Community-Academic Research Alliance; the Valley Program for Aging Services; and the United Way of Rockbridge.

Writer-in-residence **R. T. Smith**, the editor of Shenandoah, has won the 2013 Carole Weinstein Prize in Poetry. It is awarded each year to a poet with strong connections to the Commonwealth of Virginia, recognizes significant recent

contributions to the art of poetry, and weighs a range of achievement in the field.

James Warren, the S. Blount Mason Jr. Professor of English, received a \$5,000 grant from the Alaska Humanities Forum to research and write about the poetry and prose of John Haines, the first great literary writer to emerge from Alaska after World War II.

W&L received a grant from the National Science Foundation to acquire a stable isotope ratio mass spectrometer, which it will share with VML. Bill Hamilton, professor of biology, was the principal investigator, along with Larry Hurd, Herwick Professor of Biology; Robert Humston, associate professor of biology; Lisa Greer, associate professor of geology; and Major Pieter deHart, assistant professor of biology at VML.

KEEN NAMED DEAN OF THE COLLEGE

Suzanne Keen, the Thomas H. Broadus Professor of English, was named dean of the College, effective July 1. She had been serving as interim dean since July 2012.

"I'm very pleased that Professor Keen has accepted this invitation to make her deanship of the College permanent," said Provost Daniel Wubah. "After consulting with numerous members of the faculty and with senior administrators, I am certain that she is not only the best choice for this position but that her appointment will also permit us to continue the momentum that she has already created during the interim year."

Prior to being named interim dean, Keen served as head of the Department of English and also on two major faculty committees—the Advisory Committee, which reviews tenure and promotion cases, and the Courses and

Degrees Committee. As interim dean, she chaired the Courses and Degrees Committee during the 2012–13 academic year and also served on the Faculty Executive Committee. In addition, she launched a collaborative Digital Humanities Initiative, involving faculty, librarians and information technology professionals, and entered into a collaboration with Scholars' Lab at the University of Virginia, supported with a grant from the Associated Colleges of the South.

Keen has been a member of the Washington and Lee faculty since 1995. A 2008 winner of the Commonwealth of Virginia's Outstanding Faculty Award from the State Council of Higher Education in Virginia, she is a narrative theorist and an internationally recognized authority on literary empathy. She teaches the novel in English, postcolonial Anglophone literature and contemporary British fiction.



Adventures in Art for Three Students and a Professor

BY AMY C. BALFOUR '89, '93 L

Three Washington and Lee juniors—Victoria Andrews, Lindsay Burns and Sam Florescu—hopped between France, Norway and Denmark this summer with Erich Uffelman, W&L's Cincinnati Professor of Chemistry. The mystery they sought to solve? To determine why certain pigments in Edvard Munch's "The Scream" and other iconic paintings are fading, and to determine how to stop the process.

"The story with 'The Scream,' and also some Matisse paintings, is that cadmium sulfide was used," said Florescu, who is majoring in history and chemistry. "We're trying to figure out how and if the degradation can be stopped. You have a brilliant yellow turning white or brown."

The team members began this project in Grenoble, France, where they worked with Jennifer Mass, head of conservation science at the Winterthur Museum, in Delaware. "Jennifer is the leader of an international project looking at cadmium sulfide degradation," said Uffelman.

In Grenoble, the students analyzed samples taken from paintings by Henri Matisse, James Ensor and Adriaen Coorte. They worked in the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF), a ring-shaped building that can accelerate electrons almost to the speed of light, a process that produces intense X-rays.

"The quality of the X-rays that are generated [is such] that you can look at a few atoms at a time as opposed to looking at hundreds of atoms at a time," said Florescu. From these X-rays, art conservators and art conservation scientists can learn helpful details about the elements in the paint's pigment.

The team thrilled at working collaboratively inside the synchrotron. "There were so many different types of scientists working together. There were the conservation scientists. The



The art detectives in the Reeves Center this summer, l. to r.: Lindsay Burns, Sam Florescu, Victoria Andrews and Erich Uffelman.

chemists. The beamline scientists. Physicists," said Lindsay Burns, a biochemistry major. "There was just everyone collaborating together, and that's not something you see at a lab during the school year."

Their next stop was the Munch Museum in Oslo, Norway, home of the 1910 version of "The Scream." One of four versions Munch painted, it was stolen in 2004 but recovered two years later.

To analyze "The Scream," Uffelman used a handheld X-ray fluorescence spectrometer (XRF). An XRF analysis can reveal the elements present in the pigments in a painting. One of the key features of XRF analysis is that it is non-destructive and can be used without making contact with the painting.

While in Oslo, the team attended a Munch conference, which was held during the 150th anniversary celebration of Munch's birth. The team then traveled with Mass to the Statens Museum for Kunst, in Copenhagen, Denmark, where they analyzed an-

other Matisse painting.

The project then led Uffelman and his students back to the United States, where they traveled all the way to...Washington and Lee's Reeves Center.

The Reeves Center is relevant to the project because of its collection of art by Louise Herreshoff. Most of her paintings contain cadmium sulfide, said Uffelman, and he wants to know whether or not they are undergoing cadmium yellow degradation. Their condition may prove useful to research by Winterthur's Mass into pigment degradation.

"Our Herreshoff paintings, because of the history of their storage, may be in an earlier state of the degradation process than some of these other paintings," said Uffelman. "That may prove interesting in terms of exploring the degradation pathway."

Exposure to light is an issue in pigment degradation, and Uffelman noted that chloride may be part of the problem. Using information it gleaned this summer, the team hopes it can

determine the original appearance of deteriorating paintings. Uffelman also wants to be able to recommend “more specific display conditions that will minimize the future degradation of these pigments.”

The students’ research was supported by various grants. Victoria

Andrews and Lindsay Burns received funding from the Summer Scholars Program and obtained Johnson Opportunity Grants. Florescu’s research was supported by a grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI). The Erik T. Woolley Fellowship provided additional student

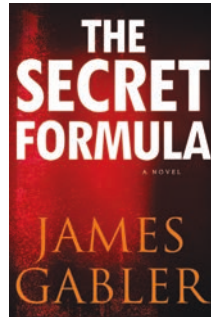
funding. Mass’ project was partially funded by the Lenfest Foundation.

“I just found it really great to be able to go behind the scenes,” said Andrews, who’s majoring in art history and biochemistry. “It was pretty breathtaking having the Matisse just sitting on the table. Or ‘The Scream.’”

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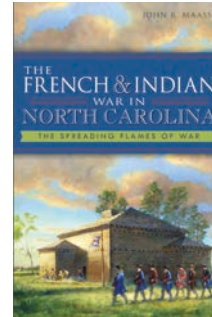
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Hilary Chaney '98, '05L, in “Through the Open Door: A Bipolar Attorney Talks Mania, Recovery, and Heaven on Earth,” recounts her personal struggle with and victory over bipolar disorder, including the challenges she faced during her studies at Washington and Lee’s School of Law.

Jim Gabler '53, '55L wrote “The Secret Formula” (Bacchus Press Limited), a novel about stealing Coca Cola’s secret formula, which leads to

murder, blackmail, vengeance, sex and intrigue.

Suzanne LaFleur '05 published her third middle-grade novel, “Listening for Lucca” (Wendy Lamb Books). The story is an enticing blend of history, mystery and family adventure for a middle-school audience.

John Maass '87 authored “The French & Indian War in North Carolina: The Spreading Flames of War” (History

Press), an overview of the French and Indian War (1754-63) in North Carolina, the colony’s struggles to participate in the conflict and North Carolina’s contributions to the war effort in other theaters.

Geoffrey A White '02, of Shawsville, Va., plays in the band Sugar Run. Their debut album is “Pounding Out a Tune.”

ADDITIONAL READING

Bertrand R. Hudnall II '59 published a book titled “Tales Out of School,” stories from his lifelong career as a teacher, headmaster, college admissions director and now independent college placement advisor. He has had readings and signings in Charleston, and others are planned in the cities where he worked: Roanoke, Lynchburg, Winston-Salem, N.C., and Rome, Ga.

Brian L. Garr '77 wrote a chapter titled “Machine Translation: The Enterprise Point of View” for “Where Humans Meet Machines: Innovative Solutions for Knotty Natural-Language Problems” (Springer).

Markham Shaw Pyle '84, '88L published “Benevolent Designs: The Countess and the General: George Washington, Selina Countess of Huntingdon, Their Correspondence, & the Evangelizing of America” (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform), an audiobook edition of “When That Great Ship Went Down: The Legal and Political Repercussions of the Loss of RMS Titanic” (Bapton Books) and finally “'37: The Year of Portent” (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform). All are available on Amazon; as a Kindle; as a Nook; and in iTunes, Diesel, Smashwords, Kobo and Blio ebook editions.



Meet the W&L Promise

As part of its continuing strategic initiative to make a Washington and Lee education affordable to all qualified students, the University has introduced the W&L Promise. It guarantees free tuition to any admitted undergraduate student who has a family income below \$75,000. In addition, those students may be eligible for loan-free assistance to cover room, board and other educational expenses, based on demonstrated need.

At the same time, the University will continue to meet the demonstrated financial need for admitted students in other income brackets entirely through grants and work-study jobs, without asking students to take out loans.

In addition, W&L is now in the sixth year of the Johnson Scholarship, which provides full-tuition, room-and-board scholarships for up to 44 of the most exceptionally qualified students regardless of their family's financial situation. That signature program has recently been expanded, with each Johnson Scholar now receiving financial support for summer opportunities such as internships, research or independent projects.

"Making the University more affordable has been a key element of our strategic plan for the past six years. To the extent that we have been successful in achieving elements of this plan, we are determined to do even more, and the W&L Promise addresses this important initiative," said President Ken Ruscio '76.

Ruscio said the W&L Promise should encourage undergraduates for whom Washington and Lee would be a good fit to consider the University regardless of their finances.

"Not only has this effort to diversify our student body in socio-economic terms been a key tenet of our strategic plan, but we have also made need-based financial aid the largest goal of our current capital campaign," said Ruscio, noting that the University set a target of \$160 million for need-based financial aid in its \$500 million campaign, Honor Our Past, Build Our Future, and as of this writing has raised \$132 million in gifts and commitments toward the financial-aid goal. "The campaign explicitly cites our commitment to recruit and support students with exceptional personal and intellectual characteristics regardless of financial circumstances," continued Ruscio. "We are expanding financial aid through a strategy of endowment rather than increased tuition for full-pay students."

Another element in the University's continuing efforts in this regard has been its successful partnership with QuestBridge, a non-profit organization that connects bright, motivated low-income students with educational and scholarship opportunities at some of the nation's best colleges and universities. Since partnering with QuestBridge in 2010, W&L has enrolled 105 students through the program.

In determining demonstrated need, W&L will continue its practice of undertaking a careful, personal assessment of each family's income and assets with the assistance of the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE from the College Board.

Beginning in the fall of 2014, the W&L Promise will be available for both currently enrolled students and for members of the Class of 2018, who will enter then.

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The Hall of Famers at the Sept. 7 football game against Franklin & Marshall. L. to r.: Former athletic director Mike Walsh, Matt Dugan '01, Eloise Priest Southard '02, Christian Batcheller '00, Erika Proko Hamilton '03 and Jan Hathorn, current athletic director.

Hall of Fame Welcomes Newest Class

On Sept. 6 and 7, Washington and Lee inducted its 26th class into the Athletic Hall of Fame. The inductees bring the total number of former athletes, teams, coaches and administrators enshrined in the hall to 122.

Christian Batcheller '00 was a three-year letter winner in both football and baseball. A quarterback, he held 13 school records, including career passing yardage and career total offense, when he graduated. He won the ODAC triple crown in baseball as a freshman when he batted .490 with nine home runs and 45 RBI.

Matt Dugan '01 was the all-time leading scorer in lacrosse when he graduated, with 290 points. He was a four-year starter and was Player of the Year in the ODAC following both his junior and senior seasons. He was named Division III Attackman of the Year in 2001.

Eloise Priest Southard '02 captained the lacrosse team in her junior and senior seasons. She was named a first team All-America player as both a junior and senior and was the Division III Defender of the Year in 2002.

Erika Proko Hamilton '03 was nationally ranked in both singles and doubles during all four seasons of her tennis career at W&L. She won three ODAC titles and made it to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA tournament all four years, finishing third in 2002 and as runner-up in 2003. She won an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship and was a finalist for NCAA Woman of the Year.

Mike Walsh served as athletic director at W&L for 17 years, from 1989 until 2006. He led the athletic program through a period of expansion and excellence. Under his leadership, W&L added three new varsity sports and upgraded or built new athletic facilities. Generals teams won 103 conference titles during his tenure and captured the ODAC Commissioner's Cup as the top program in the conference 10



Athletic stars (l. to r.): Matt Dugan '01, Erika Proko Hamilton '03, Eloise Priest Southard '02, Christian Batcheller '00 and former athletic director Mike Walsh.

times in the 12 years it was presented while he was athletic director.

For more about the inductees, including videos of their acceptance speeches, go to their individual profiles at www.generalsports.com/information/hall_of_fame/index.

Top Honors for The Law News

The Law News, the student newspaper at W&L School of Law, was honored at the ABA annual meeting in August with the Law School Newspaper Award. The Law News, which celebrated its 40th anniversary last year, was one of 10 student-run law school newspapers that competed for the award.

The ABA stated that The Law News received the prize “for its long term commitment to providing law students well-written and engaging content relevant to their studies, their future careers, and the legal profession in a thoughtfully designed newspaper.”

According to editor in chief Howard Wellons '14L, the editorial board began the 2012–2013 year with two primary goals: expanding readership and enhancing prestige. The staff found a new publisher, rewrote the organization's constitution, and advertised each release to the student body in order to maximize distribution.

“We have a really dedicated board,” said Wellons. “We have a strong student base at Washington and Lee Law, and there is lot to write about.”



The 2012–2013 Law News editorial board includes, from l. to r.: Rachele Reis '15L, executive editor; Kyle Dolinsky '14L, managing editor; Prachi Gupta '14L, assistant editor; Will Bush '14L, managing editor; Howard Wellons '14L, editor in chief; Brad Cochran '15L, assistant editor; and Diana Defino '14L, publicity editor.

The staff enhanced the paper's content with new recurring columns, including “10 Things You Didn't Know About W&L Professors,” “Alumni Spotlight,” “Community Features” and “News at Other Law Schools.” In addition, The Law News successfully

produced a special 40th-anniversary legacy edition, which featured submissions from prior editors in chief.

Listen to WLUR's interview with Wellons at



go.wlu.edu/LawNews-Honor

From Representative to Lieutenant Governor

Spencer Cox '01L was selected by Utah Gov. Gary Herbert to serve as the state's new lieutenant governor.

A Utah native who came to W&L after graduating from Utah State University, Cox was elected last year to the Utah House of Representatives. Previously, he served as mayor of Fairview, the rural Utah town where he was born and raised. He had also been a member of the Sanpete County Commission and is co-chair, with the former lieutenant governor Greg Bell, of the Governor's Rural Partnership Board.

After graduating from W&L, Cox clerked for U.S. District Judge Ted Stewart and then joined the Salt Lake City law firm of Fabian and Clendenin. He eventually returned to Fairview and is vice president of CentraCom, a rural telecommunications company.

According to various media reports, Spencer's selection came as a surprise to many. But Utah House Speaker Becky Lockhart called the choice a pleasant surprise, telling the Salt Lake City Tribune: “He's only been in the House for a little while, but he's very well respected, and he has a great mind when it comes to policy and issues.”

At a press conference to announce the nomination, Cox said: “My goal is to just serve to the best of my capacity. My sincere hope is you won't notice a difference.”



Spencer Cox '01L (right) was unanimously confirmed as Utah's lieutenant governor by the state senate and was sworn in during a special ceremony Oct. 16, 2013, at the state capitol.

BUILDING A COMMUNITY:



New students head for the First-Year Olympics, one of the events of Orientation Week.

BY AMY C. BALFOUR '89, '93 L

The summer before her sophomore year, Jackie Calicchio '14 was hiking south on the Appalachian Trail, heading toward the James River. Leading a pack of incoming first-year students on a pre-orientation trip, she walked just ahead of her group, scoping out the trail. It was then that she saw the bear cub.

Calicchio didn't freeze. She didn't scream. "I wanted it off the trail so the kids wouldn't see it, because all I could think was, 'Oh my God, where's the mom?' So I chased it with my whistle, and I got it off the trail."

It was just another day at the office for one of

the people—both students and staff members—who are responsible for Washington and Lee's pre-orientation and orientation programs. They're a big change from the days of Freshman Camp, which took place at Natural Bridge from 1931 to 1969. Coordinated by the Office of Student Affairs, these programs are collectively known as the First-Year Experience. "We're trying to introduce the new students to who we are institutionally and our big values," said Sidney Evans, vice president for student affairs and dean of students. "So civility, community, honor, integrity and the priority of the academic exercise."

Welcoming First-Year Students to W&L

Pre-Orientation

This fall, the University welcomed 480 students to the Class of 2017. More than 200 of them, about 42 percent of the class, arrived early for the Leading Edge Program. That comprises one of three pre-orientation trips: backpacking with Appalachian Adventure, leadership training with Leadership Venture, and community service with Volunteer Venture.

“There are lots of studies and research that show a small-group experience of that nature is a great way of developing friendships and bonding, and feeling a sense of community,” said Jason Rodocker, assistant dean for first-year experience. “It plays out that people that go on pre-orientation trips probably have an easier time of it the first week or two, when the crunch of classes and sports starts intensifying. It’s nice to have a little support network of people—a familiar face that you see.”

Appalachian Adventure

Blisters, bee stings, torrential downpours—the appeal of a five-day backpacking trip is not immediately apparent. Talk to one or two students, however, and you’ll quickly learn why the trips are so popular: friendships born of hardship, and the joy of breaking out of your comfort zone.

“I’m not saying that the other trips don’t [have that],” said Alex Fernandez ’13, one of 38 Appalachian Adventure trip leaders, “but there’s a different kind of bond that comes from not showering, and sleeping and cooking together, and wanting to just get angry because you have to keep walking up this hill. I definitely recommend it.”

Appalachian Adventure began in the mid-1990s as a simple backpacking trip offered by the Outing Club. By 2013, 112 first-years were hitting the trail, divided among 13 separate trips. Student Affairs placed about nine first-years in each group, based on ability and experience, along with three trip leaders. Each group followed a different route on the Appalachian Trail, with trip distances ranging from 15 to 38 miles.

This August, first-year Peyton Bryant drew the Three Ridges hike, which stretched south nearly 30 miles from Afton Mountain. “When I saw this was one of the things offered, I thought it would be a great opportunity to meet

some new people,” she said. “I didn’t want to come and not know anyone.”

Many of the student leaders have participated in the program themselves as new students. They do more than cook meals and treat bee stings; they also answer students’ questions about coursework and W&L’s social scene. The new relationships can come in handy later. “It’s nice to know somebody older,” said trip leader Matt Howell ’15. “If you have questions about classes, you can always shoot them an e-mail if they have similar majors.”

James Dick, director of student activities and outdoor education, sees another benefit: attracting and training future leaders. W&L has numerous programs dedicated to leadership development, said Dick, but working as a trip leader takes upper-class students from the theoretical to the real—think rattlesnakes and homesickness. Students are also honing skills they can use in the future.

“It’s really important to me that they’re a leader past the first week,” said Dick. “You’re going to see someone unconscious because they drank too much booze. Handle it. It’s the same in an emergency. Be a leader throughout the whole year, and a resource throughout the whole year.”

Leadership Venture

The newest program, Leadership Venture, is now in its second year. Twelve first-years—six women and six men—spent two and a half days in Lexington studying leadership and effective leaders. Toussaint Crawford ’03 met with them on campus. They finished the week with a trip to Washington to meet four more alumni: Tammi Simpson ’91, Brodie Gregory ’03, Calvin Awkward ’06, ’09L and Bennett Ross ’83.



Calvin Awkward '06, '09L, an attorney with Budow & Noble, Bethesda, Md., and other alumni met with first-years as part of Leadership Venture.

Sidney Evans and Tammy Futrell, associate dean of students, envisioned the program initially as a leadership-training opportunity for women. They eventually changed the focus. “It’s important for men and women to see each other as leaders and be thinking about each other as leaders,” said Evans. “Given some of the challenges we have with the way that the genders are separated on campus, we didn’t want to do a gender-specific trip.”

Megan Schneider, associate director of leadership and residential learning initiatives, prepared the programming. In D.C., the students talked with the participating alumni about leadership, with an emphasis on their experiences at W&L. “The students asked really insightful questions. They found out what types of things alums were involved in, what were some hard experiences they had as leaders,” said Schneider.

For trip leader Armani Smith ’16, who belonged to Leadership Venture’s inaugural class, leadership is more than holding an office. “It’s about getting involved, participating,” he said. “We’re stressing it’s not about running for EC (Executive Committee), running for SJC (Student Judicial Council), but finding a place, club or organization where you are really passionate, and you feel like you’re really going to make a difference here on campus.”

Volunteer Venture

This year, 93 first-years participated in Volunteer Venture, a service-learning experience established in 1999. Students volunteered in one of six cities in and around Virginia. W&L’s Shepherd Poverty Program coordinated the projects.

Volunteer Venture takes a three-pronged approach to preparing first-years for college. “The first goal would be to introduce students to each other, to have a peer group that they feel comfortable with coming into school,” said Jenny Davidson ’08, coordinator of student service learning. “The second is to introduce them to W&L through upper-class students. These trip leaders are representative of the student body and hand-selected to be good role models [and] help answer all of the questions.”

The third goal is to introduce first-years to the Shepherd Poverty Program, which encourages them to reflect on whether every American has an equal opportunity to succeed. “Over the course of the week they’re doing service, they’re reflecting on that, they’re listening to speakers,” said Davidson.

During a group exercise, participants found out first-hand how a family deals with a limited budget. “They have a certain amount of cash to figure out how they’re going to feed their group,” explained Davidson. When the students got to the cash register, they learned that someone in their group had gotten sick, and they needed to buy medicine instead of food. So they had to adjust their theoretical food budget.

Volunteer Venture transformed Erin Dengler ’14, who traveled to Richmond, Va., during her own pre-orientation. This year,

she coordinated service opportunities in Lexington. “When I did it, I went into it thinking it was just a trip to get to know first-years. I literally had no clue about the poverty aspect of it,” she said. “I knew it would be service, but I just felt so dumb—I wasn’t aware of the Shepherd Program and had no clue. And it’s become such a big part of my experience here. All because of that trip.”

Caroline Sanders ’17, one of 15 incoming students who volunteered this past August in Washington, D.C., related a similarly eye-opening experience. “The thing that changed me the most was talking to the homeless people and understanding their story,” said Sanders. “They’re just like us. They’ve made a couple of mistakes. Or maybe they haven’t. We learned so much.”

International Student Orientation

Forty-nine incoming students qualified as international students, a category that includes students with dual citizenship and those with U.S. permanent residency. Twenty-six international students attended the International Student Orientation. The program has a logistical component—setting up a P.O. box, buying a cell phone, picking up supplies at Walmart—as well as a social purpose.

Before 2012, International Student Orientation overlapped with the Leading Edge. W&L changed that scheduling last year so that international students could join a Leading Edge trip. The new arrangement “provides a really good foundation for the students in terms of them feeling more confident and positive about the transition that they’re making, and the adjustment to Washington and Lee,” said Amy Richwine, associate director for international education.

American students also benefit. “Sometimes international students can be intimidating for American students,” said Richwine, “and [this] helps them to understand that they are just regular old students, just like they are.”

Will Bannister ’17, from Bath, England, experienced the orientation for international students plus the Appalachian Adventure. He’s glad that the programs no longer overlapped. “All the international students have become really good, close friends. [It was] good fun,” he said. “And then you move on to meet everyone else.”



Orientation Week

Whether they are washing off the dust of the Appalachian Trail or saying goodbye to a summer job, during Orientation Week every first-year converges on campus to settle into residence halls and undergo a week of programming.

Resident Advisers

First-year resident advisers (RAs) are the primary source of information and support for incoming students. During Orientation Week, they acquaint students with the campus, shepherd them to scheduled activities, and help them feel comfortable in their new surroundings.

“On a more personal level,” said Allie Weiss ’14, head resident adviser of first-year students, “it’s the RA’s job to get to know his or her residents, to help them deal with any stress that accompanies being away from home for the first time, and to make sure that they have all the tools they need to have a positive experience at Washington and Lee.”

As soon as the new students moved in and bid farewell to their families, the first-year RAs held hall meetings to discuss academics, social life and W&L traditions. Specific touch points included communal living, student government, peer counseling, the Speaking Tradition and Greek life.

One of the first issues Weiss addressed was student safety, and she advised her residents to update their cell phones with her phone number as well as those of Public Safety and the Student

Health Center. She taught the newcomers to consider the health center a safe haven, meaning that students seeking care for themselves or others for alcohol- or drug- related problems can do so without fear of disciplinary action.



After the Academic Fair, students met their faculty advisers for lunch, as did Nadia Ayoub, assistant professor of biology, and her group of first-years. Students then moved on to a separate meeting with their adviser to discuss registration and classes. On Monday, students registered for one preferred class, and on Tuesday completed registration with their faculty adviser.

The personal items students and families unloaded on move-in day—mirrors, rugs, televisions—haven’t changed much over the years (although Keurig coffeemakers have muscled onto the scene). One student arrived with just one suitcase; another rolled up with a U-Haul. Student members of the First-Year Orientation Committee, like Natania Greenspan ’16, Grace Duncan ’16, Sarah Board ’16 and Sarah Schaffer ’16 (on opposite page), circulated through the crowds, helping to unload vehicles and locate rooms for newcomers like Will Lyon ’17 and Andrew Donchez ’17 (below).

Academic Preparation

“How do I juggle classes and the social scene?” That’s the most common question that Ashley Humbert ’15 and Victoria Blackstone ’15, two of the co-chairs of the First-Year Orientation Committee and resident advisers, heard from their first-years. Many of the newcomers said they hoped to attain a 4.0.

“I think that’s the biggest thing at W&L,” said Humbert.

“They all come in as high achievers and they expect to continue that trend. And they will—but I think [there’s] the struggle of time management.”

Preparing students for classroom success is the most important role of Orientation Week. “The academic components are front and center,” said Rodocker. “That’s why [the students] are here. Their meetings with their academic advisers, and the Academic Fair—if you had to strip everything out of orientation that was non-essential, that is what you would have left. The academic component.”

Questions ran the gamut during the lively Academic Fair, held Monday morning at Leyburn Library. Professors answered





First-years learned about campus organizations at the Activities Fair, on Canaan Green. With more than 100 clubs and organizations at W&L, an enthusiastic collection of their members touted their benefits under blue-and-white tents.



At the Academic Fair, teachers made new students aware of the full range of academic offerings. "A lot of the students who come into the Theater Department are interested in acting and being on stage," said Rob Mish '76, director of the Lenfest Center. "We will use that to get them into the department and then show them all of the other things they can do, like directing, like stagecraft, like promotions." Here, Mish lunches with advisees in his office.

questions about things like requirements for majors, and explained the workings of cross-curricular minors like Women's and Gender Studies and the Shepherd Poverty Program.

Some new students were unsure if they could take classes in non-major disciplines. "They want to know, 'What if I don't want to be a journalist, will you still have room for me?'" said Adedayo Abah, associate professor of journalism and mass communications. "So we tell them that we're a mass communications program, which is ideal for people who want to have good writing skills but don't necessarily want to be a reporter."

Students got a taste of rigorous intellectual debate during the mandatory Community Discussion. For the hour-long program, students read the essay "Only Connect ... The Goals of a Liberal Education" by William Cronon (it's worth a read; see williamcronon.net/writing/only_connect.html). Led by a faculty facilitator and upper-division mentors, small groups discussed the qualities held by liberally educated people. Topics for this annual discussion are linked to nationwide concerns and campus developments. Future topics may tie into the Mudd Center for Ethics, the Shepherd Poverty Program and the Global Learning Initiative.

Student Life

Allie Weiss introduced the Speaking Tradition to first-years during her first hall meeting. "I'm from Chicago, and my first time here I was like, 'What is going on?' It was very weird to me," she recalled. Now she is a huge proponent. "It keeps that positive way of life. It keeps that community feel," she told her hall.

During the President's Welcome, in Lee Chapel, Evans urged the students, "Take care of each other." Bystander intervention is a popular topic on campuses these days, said Evans, because it's effective in preventing sexual assault and alcohol and drug emergencies. It's also important, she said, "because it's who we are. When you talk about Washington and Lee, the next thing people talk about is community. That's an integral part of who we are."

Older students addressed hot-button social issues in student-written skits during the Voices of W&L program. Topics included drinking and driving, hooking up, sexual assault, Adderall use, eating disorders and Greek rush. An occasional touch of humor lightened the mood; as one character said in a skit about alcohol use, "Nothing good ever came from drinking out of a trash can." Small-group discussions after the show, with RAs and peer counselors, allowed first-years to ask questions and voice concerns.

The two-hour Perspectives tour, one of the newest components of orientation, took first-years to campus destinations that aren't typically on their radar: the Center for International Education, the Academic Help Centers, the Career Development Center, Campus Activities and Recreation, the Student Health Center and the University Counseling Center.

After Student Affairs introduced the tour, said Rodocker, some programs reported seeing four times as many first-years stopping by as they had the prior year. "It's important in a way that's hard for most first-years to even understand at this point," he explained. "If you've physically stepped into the place, you are immediately more comfortable going back to the space."

Another new aspect of orientation took new students on the Traveller Tour, past the Windfall houses, Kappa Hill, the pole houses and the cabins on Route 60. Traveller, W&L's safe-ride program, runs mini-buses between those popular housing destinations on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Honor System

During their first hall meeting, first-years learned that the Executive Committee (EC) deals with Honor System violations, and that the Student Judicial Council covers conduct violations.

They learned even more during the Honor System



First-years listening to President Ken Ruscio '76 in Lee Chapel.



Lenny Enkhbold '17 signs the Honor Book in Lee Chapel, while a guide talks to visitors in the background.

Orientation in Lee Chapel. Here, after making brief introductory comments, President Ken Ruscio '76 turned the meeting over to EC president Nathan Kelly '14, and then left the building. "It's a representative way of showing the fact that the responsibility for the Honor System lies in the hands of the students," said Kelly. The goal of the session, he said, was to ensure that students leave "with the understanding that the Honor System is really the foundation of the W&L community." Students later returned to Lee Chapel to sign a statement confirming their understanding that, as members of the W&L community, they are expected to abide by the Honor System.


After the program, students gathered in groups to watch and discuss a video about the Honor System. In one session, Kelly mentioned a new issue facing the EC: the non-prescribed use of the drug Adderall as a study aid. "It has not ever been considered an honor violation, but there are many people in the community who have been bringing it up over the past year and during the summer. [There are] some people who really want to see it defined, or see it as an honor violation and see it as a violation of the community's trust."

Community

Orientation isn't just about academic choices and controversial issues. Several events, from the rowdy First-Year Olympics to the lively Carnival to the low-key Campfire, spurred mingling and encouraged the first-years to build a community.

Lasting friendships are a beloved W&L tradition, and strong bonds with classmates may be the key to ultimate success. As President Ruscio said during his President's Welcome, in Lee Chapel, "The people in this room right now will become your best friends for the rest of your life."

For Rodocker, a sign of the success for an event is the low roar he likes to hear as he walks up. "You can tell there are 100 conversations taking place," he said. "You can't make out any of the words, but clearly everyone is engaged in conversation."

For the first-year students, it's only the beginning of a lifelong engagement in the community of Washington and Lee. 



For an online photo gallery featuring portraits by Kevin Remington of the students who talked to the writer for this story, as well as the Scene on Campus photo gallery by Remington and Patrick Hinely '73 that covered Orientation Week, please see go.wlu.edu/orientationweek.

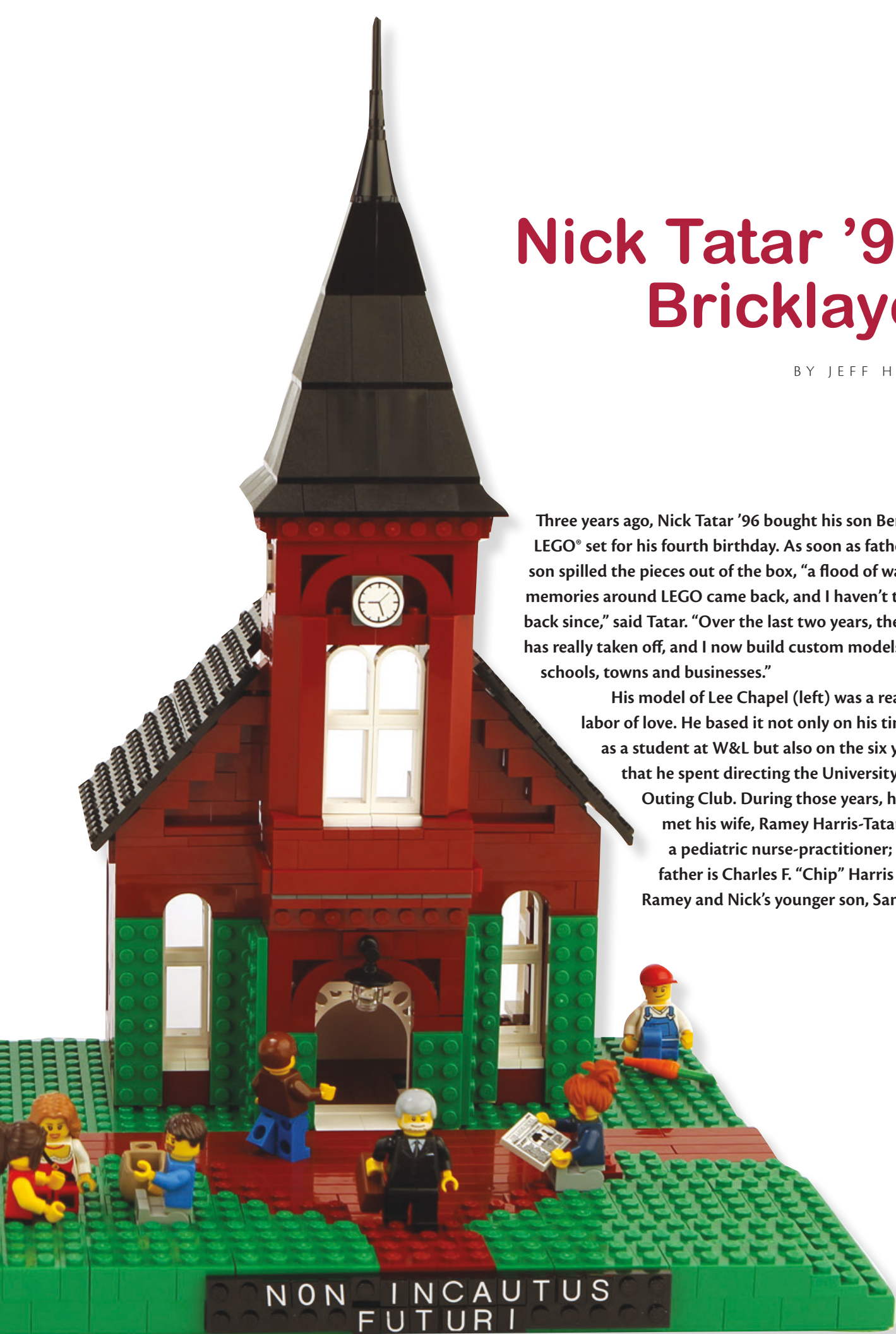
Four members of the Class of 2017—Bennet Habliston, Dan Claroni, Kate Sarfert and Alice Cannon—take their first official walk along the Colonnade on the first day of classes.

Nick Tatar '96, Bricklayer

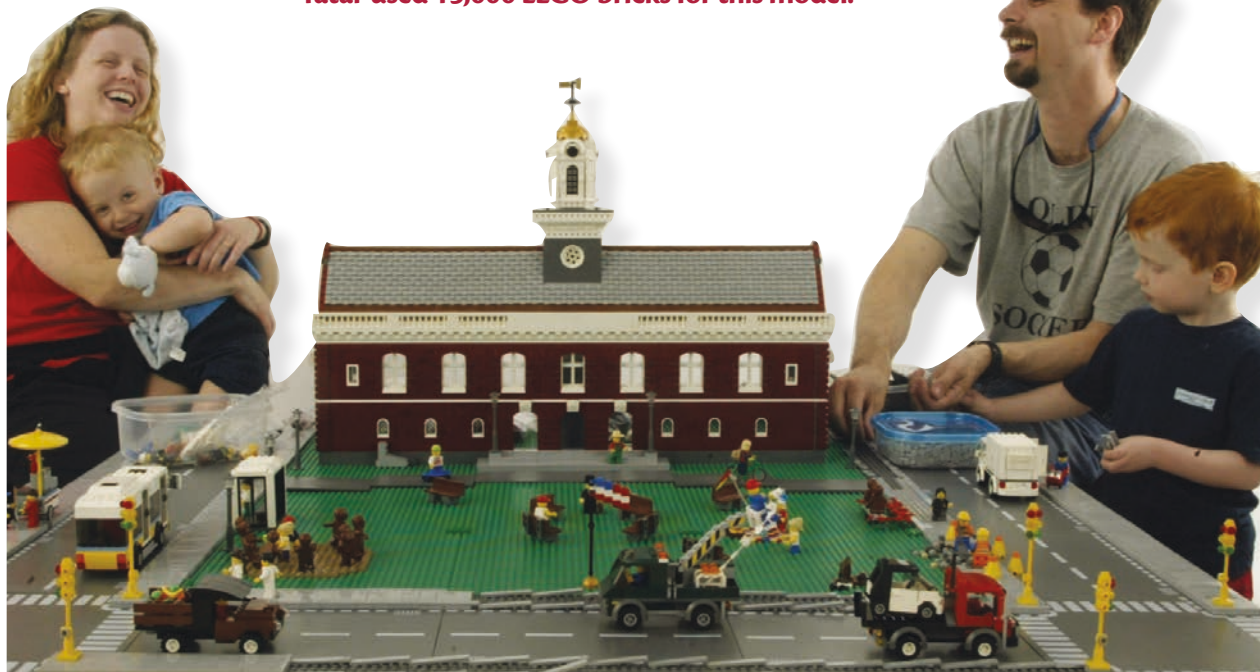
BY JEFF HANNA

Three years ago, Nick Tatar '96 bought his son Ben a LEGO® set for his fourth birthday. As soon as father and son spilled the pieces out of the box, “a flood of warm memories around LEGO came back, and I haven’t turned back since,” said Tatar. “Over the last two years, the hobby has really taken off, and I now build custom models for schools, towns and businesses.”

His model of Lee Chapel (left) was a real labor of love. He based it not only on his time as a student at W&L but also on the six years that he spent directing the University’s Outing Club. During those years, he also met his wife, Ramey Harris-Tatar '98, a pediatric nurse-practitioner; her father is Charles F. “Chip” Harris '71. Ramey and Nick’s younger son, Sam, is 4.



At work on the replica of the Needham, Mass., town hall, with Ramey and Sam on the left, Nick and Ben on the right. Tatar used 15,000 LEGO bricks for this model.



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Tatar has a B.A. in psychology from W&L and an M.Ed. from Boston College. His day job since 2004 is assistant dean of student life at Olin College, in Needham, Mass.

Tatar can't remember who first suggested that he create a LEGO Lee Chapel, but building it had its challenges. "I wanted to put in some details that brought back fun memories: hanging out on the lawn and dropping off a carrot or apple for Traveller," he said. "My father-in-law always loved Lee, so there's a Lee-like figure walking up the path to Washington Hall." Lee Chapel also was the site of his and Ramey's 1999 wedding.

He's not done with his alma mater. "I'm game to make a LEGO model of the entire Colonnade," said Tatar. "I think it would be awesome."

As you can readily see, he is hardly your average LEGO builder. As an AFOL (Adult Fan of LEGO), he has a worldwide reputation for several of his projects. Perhaps the LEGO model that gained him the biggest buzz was the Black Forest cuckoo clock (next page), which has moving parts that you can see in a short video at [flickr.com/photos/43138245@N07/8390244391/in/photostream](https://www.flickr.com/photos/43138245@N07/8390244391/in/photostream). The clock was featured on The Brothers Brick, the largest LEGO blog in the world.

"The biggest surprise was how quickly the clock went viral in the blogosphere," Tatar said. "I woke up one morning to a couple thousand e-mails in my inbox and thought my e-mail had been hacked. Then I started reading the subject lines and realized the project had taken off within the online LEGO community."

In fact, the inspiration for the clock has a W&L connection, too. He first saw that timepiece when he was hiking in the Dolomites of northern Italy with Kirk Follo '67, former W&L professor of German. After attending his first cuckoo clock workshop, he was amazed at the level of detail and craftsmanship but didn't know quite how to translate it into LEGO form, because he wanted some turning mechanisms.

"Then, one day, it all seemed to come together in my head, and I sat down in my studio to have at it," he said.

Among his many other creations, which you can view on his Flickr photo stream, Tatar helped the town of Needham celebrate its 300th birthday by crafting a LEGO version of the town hall (above). The project required 15,000 LEGO bricks and took three months to complete.

Tatar is grateful for his studio-art experiences at W&L with Kathleen Olson-Janjic, professor of art, and Agnes Carbrey, a visiting artist. They taught him to be patient

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with projects and to embrace walking away and coming back. In addition, he came to appreciate how important little details can be and realized that inspiration can come from anywhere.

“I often find an idea will develop in my mind, and then I’ll jump in with two feet and obsess over it for a couple of days or weeks until it’s done. I often don’t sleep well when something is really coming together,” he said.

Tatar’s childhood trips to the toy store were always about a new LEGO set. He can still remember his last big set, which he tackled in college: the LEGO Technic Space Shuttle. After college, he entered what he calls the “dark years” when he stopped building, and he hid his collection away in bins in the attic.

Now that he is building again, he is aware of the impact the Internet has had on the popularity of LEGO—from the development of Brick Link, an unofficial online marketplace for LEGO items, to blogs and photo sites that capture new building techniques, the challenges have multiplied.

Most of all, he said, “I have something that I really enjoy doing with my kids, and I’ve found a way to express the creative side of my personality.”

And a LEGO Lee Chapel is a way to stay in touch with his alma mater.



For more LEGO pieces by Nick Tatar, including a Trident, see go.wlu.edu/lego.

A SPECIAL PLACE

BY J. DAVID STEWART III '96

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Washington and Lee is a special place.

If you are reading this article, you are likely a graduate, married or related to one, the parent of a student, a member of our faculty or staff, or have some other meaningful connection to W&L. Perhaps, like me, you have received good-natured ribbing from someone (perhaps your spouse—hypothetically, of course)

over the palpable affection that we display for this place. “What is it with you W&L graduates?!” Or, “Why are you so obsessed with W&L?!”

It always makes me feel good to receive affirmation of what I believe to be true. Undergraduate applications are strong, and the University's top campaign priority is for financial aid so that we help the best and brightest attend. We graduate over 90 percent of our students in four years. Commencement is a ringing student and parent tribute to those very special four years. Our alumni placed W&L number one in a 2012 survey asking about their college experience, value of the degree, willingness to support alma mater and affection for it.

As you know, the Alumni Association is working hard on its long-range planning to ensure that the association serves W&L well now and over the next decade. Over 3,000 of you gave valuable time to take the survey and provide invaluable feedback. Ninety percent of you are satisfied or very satisfied with your W&L experience—a remarkable statistic.




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Our process also included a review of the Alumni Association programs of several peer institutions. While we spotted some good ideas, we have affirmed what we believe to be true about W&L. Our large and lively alumni chapter system appears to be unique for a small liberal arts college. Alumni view chapters as a key part of their connection with

W&L and value those opportunities. We receive significant support from the University, including a talented staff on campus. A number of other schools and their graduates are not as fortunate in the level of alumni loyalty or the way the school supports and engages them.

When given the opportunity, we give freely of our time, talents and resources. Alumni fill approximately 2,000 volunteer roles serving the University. Thousands more make time to attend chapter events and reunions. Even more, a record 53-plus percent of us gave to W&L in 2012–2013.

All of these facts and statistics are impressive validation. For me, though, W&L is about shared experiences that transcend generations, and affirmation comes from many different places. It may come from friends whose child is looking at college, and they tell you: “I am pushing W&L because I have never met a graduate who does not love the place.” It may be the look on your six-year-old daughter's face as she stares at Traveller's grave. Or it may be when your spouse visits W&L for the first time and simply says: “I get it.” 

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1944

Dr. Lloyd H. Smith Jr. lives in Kentfield, Calif. He is a professor of medicine and associate dean emeritus at the University of California San Francisco School of Medicine.

1950

Luther B. Wannamaker Jr. is caretaker and owner of a 165-acre Revolutionary War battle site, Fort Motte, on the scenic bluffs of the lower Congaree River in South Carolina. Light-Horse Harry Lee prevailed there. Luther and his wife, Doraine, recently attended a seminar devoted to Lee's extraordinary career. E-mail Luther at lbwseed@aol.com for more info on the archeological work done at Fort Motte.

1963

Frank M. Young III was selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2014 edition of The Best Lawyers in America, in the areas of commercial litigation and international trade and finance law. He lives in Vestavia, Ala.

1964

Frederick J. Krall, of Summit, N.J., has finally acknowledged retire-



Dr. Theodore Brelsford Martin '46, Ted B. Martin Jr. '80 and TB "Ford" Martin III '16 hold the famous W&L Hemingway Pillow on their porch at Walloon Lake, Mich. Ernest Hemingway wrote his Nick Adams stories while spending his early summers on this lake. The pillow was knit by Sonny Hemingway, sister of Ernest, as she had hoped one of her nephews would attend W&L. When that family member went elsewhere, she gave it to the Martin family, who have a summer house there.



Dan H. Flournoy '64, former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, John M. Madison Jr. '64 and John W. Flournoy '99, hunting turkeys in Texas. The alumni were planning Dan's and John's 50th reunion and John Flournoy's 15th reunion, both next May.

ment from his business-development consultancy. He's enjoying maintaining their landholdings (one third of an acre) and returning to his hobbies of model railroading and photography. He and wife Susan love spending time with their grandchildren, ages 1, 3 and 9, and relish having daughters Jen and Katie and their families living within 30 minutes for the first time.

1971

John D. Copenhagen Jr., professor of religious studies at Shenandoah University, received a Resolution of Appreciation for Advancing International Understanding from the board of trustees of Shenandoah University in November 2012. The resolution noted his leadership of the 2012 Global Citizenship Project to Mozambique, his service as religious studies professor for Semester at Sea for its Spring 2011 world voyage, and his decade of service as president of the Valley Interfaith Council.

1974

I. Langston Donkle III reports that his wife, Ellen Cabaniss Jones Donkle, died on July 16, at home in Pawley's Island, S.C., after a three-and-a-half-year battle with cancer. They married in 1980 and had three daughters, Catherine Crews Donkle, Jean McSween Donkle LaBruce and Ellen Cabaniss "Sister" Donkle. Over 30 years of teaching, coaching and counseling, he writes, she helped innumerable young people lead fuller lives through athletics and college admissions.

1977

Ferris B. Mack retired from the U.S. Navy Reserves after 20 years of service. He was attached to a Navy Cooperation and Guidance to Shipping (NCAGS) unit that worked with merchant shipping, the Coast Guard, Homeland Security and NATO. His unit made sure that merchant shipping was understood by the Navy. He traveled to Spain, Italy, Portugal, Korea, Germany and Hawaii in support of the Navy unit's objectives. He did his reserve duty while working for civilian employers and is still employed by one.

1979

Thomas A. Wiseman III was selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2014 in the practice areas of medical malpractice law defense and personal injury litigation defense. He was also named the Best Lawyers' 2014 Nashville Personal Injury Litigation Defense Lawyer of the Year. Wiseman has been recognized by Best Lawyers each year since 1999.

1982

Paul M. Black '82 was selected to be U.S. bankruptcy judge for the Western District of Virginia. He is currently co-chair of the bankruptcy and creditor's rights practice group at Spilman Thomas & Battle P.L.L.C. in Roanoke.

1982

Earle S. Greene Jr. has completed his assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Quito, Ecuador, and departed the country for good at the end of June. He spent about six weeks in the U.S. and then moved to Romania in mid-August to begin his next assignment as information technical officer at the U.S. Embassy in Bucharest. His youngest daughter, Marcie, accompanied him. Romania should be his last overseas posting, as he plans to retire from federal service in late 2016 or early 2017.

1983

Mark W. Buyck III, of Florence, S.C., was selected for inclusion in the 20th edition of The Best Lawyers in America in the practice areas of employment law management and labor law management. He practices in his hometown with Willcox, Buyck & Williams.

George E. Crady has joined the energy group at Norton Rose Fulbright in Houston, Texas. He is an experienced transactions lawyer with a global background, working on major projects in the U.S., Latin America, Africa and India.

Herbert M. Ponder III, a private wealth advisor in the private banking and investments group at Merrill Lynch, in Atlanta, was recently recognized by Barron's America's Top 1,000 Advisors: State-by-State list. Barron's has recognized him on this list every year since 2008.



Marcus E. Bromley '71, of Atlanta, was playing golf in London at the Queenwood Golf Club when he met fellow alum Frank L. "Buz" Walters '75, from Atherton, Calif. Apparently Generals are everywhere.



This past June, Howard Capito '68 loaded up two 14-man rafts with 23 classmates, friends, friends of friends, noted Colorado Plateau geologists and three members of the W&L faculty. The assembled group spent June 8-15 in the Grand Canyon. Here is W&L's best after a hike into North Canyon, the second morning of the week. L. to r.: Lisa Greer, W&L associate professor of geology; Ed Spencer '53, Ruth Parmly Professor of Geology Emeritus; Johanna E. Bond, W&L professor of law; and Capito, a self-described "adoptee of the Geology Department." For a longer account of Capito's river adventure, see go.wlu.edu/capito.

1987

Brian P. Fagan joined the Pittsburgh law firm of Metz Lewis Brodman Must & O'Keefe as a partner in the litigation and dispute resolution group.

care facility. She encouraged the Junior League to make Hospice Atlanta one of their community placements and dedicated endless time and effort to make the passionate dream of her father, Dr. Arthur S. Booth Jr., become a reality.

1989

In April 2012, **Joel E. Miller** traded in 20-plus years of suits and ties for a new career and enrolled in a viticulture and enology program in Surry County, N.C. Now he is the vineyard manager of Bog Turtle Vineyards in Devotion, N.C. Not only does he no longer shave daily, he also cuts his hair (maybe) every six months.

1993

Peter W. Laskey, of San Antonio, recently received the Bristol Meyers Squibb Sales Award for his top 10 percent sales performance in 2012. Peter was the number-one salesperson in his region and among the top five in the nation in sales of the new drug Bydureon.

1990

Frank J. DeMento Jr. joined Crowell & Moring L.L.P. in its insurance/reinsurance group in New York City.



Joseph H. Framptom '66, of Paducah, Ky., recently visited Dawes Glacier, Endicott Arm, Alaska. He proudly wears his W&L Vineyard Vines cap.

1991

Christopher B. Lunny '91, a shareholder with the Radey Law Firm, has been named to Florida Trend's 2013 Legal Elite and Florida Super Lawyers of 2013, both in the area of labor and employment law. He lives in Tallahassee.

Kimberly Booth Rimmer was instrumental in the fund-raising and planning of the Hospice Atlanta Center, the area's premier end-of-life

1994

Gregory B. Patterson was named deputy chief of staff for Delaware Gov. Jack Markell following Markell's re-election in 2012, after spending the first term as Markell's legislative liaison. This is his second tour of duty in a governor's office, having worked for prior Gov. Ruth Ann Minner as communications director. His wife, Sarah Wyatt Patterson '94, is now a certified public accountant with Mitten & Winters. They live in Dover with daughters Wyatt, 11, and Laurel, 7.

1995

Elizabeth Murphey Downey has received tenure at Mississippi State University. She teaches in library instructional services at the university libraries.

1998

Claire W. Parsons, of Houston, was promoted to of counsel in the defense litigation law office of Wilson Elser.

2002

Kathleen P. Johnson is an account supervisor with the advertising agency On Ideas in Jacksonville, Fla.

2003

Julia E. Fitzer works as an audiologist for Advanced Hearing Group in Catonsville, Md.



On July 13, Alex Philpott '79 rode the Triple Bypass—a one-day bike ride covering 120 miles and traversing three mountain passes, with 10,000 feet of climbing. "I proudly wore the W&L colors," he writes, "and didn't die."



Neil Lutins '74 and his brother, Jay Lutins '79, pose in the Hotel Roanoke with a person familiar to us all at Washington and Lee.

2008

Richard A. Friedman '08, of Fairhope, Ala., graduated from the University of South Alabama College of Medicine in June 2013.

Weddings

Thomas W. Budd '61, '64L to Judy Diane Zimmerman, on Sept. 12, in Venice, Italy. They live in Wilmington, N.C.

William S. Grant II '94 to Matthew Le Brasseur, on May 26, in Salem, Mass.

Zenobia Ginwalla '01 to Rohinton Poonawala, on Feb. 15.

Joseph E. Watson III '07 to Kristen Peters, on June 29, in Winston-Salem, N.C. They live in Birmingham, Ala., where Tripp practices law, helping entrepreneurs create and capitalize on their business ideas. Kristen practices law in the financial services litigation group at Burr Forman.

Elissa Hanson '09 to Stephen Thomas Baur on March 30, in Lexington. The ceremony was at Bethany Lutheran Church and the reception at the House Mountain Inn. Alumni in attendance included Bonnie Fay Kibbie '08, Jennifer Sanow Dowd '09, Melissa Caron Medeiros '09, Wes O'Dell '09, Natalie Bunnell O'Dell '10 and Tara Stewart '10. The couple live in Stanford, Calif., where Ellie is in law school, and Stephen is conducting genetics and sports injury research.

Alexandria M. Kierst '10 to Kevin D. Trempe '10, on May 25, in Lexington. They live in Philadelphia, where Lexi is an administrative coordinator for the University of Pennsylvania Annenberg Public Policy Center. Kevin is an associate at Debevoise & Plimpton, a New York law firm.

Births and Adoptions

Gilbert H. Lackey '88 and his wife, **Elizabeth**, a son and a daughter, Ross Alexander and Vaden Hartsfield, on March 21, 2012. They live in Nashville, Tenn.

E. Wright Ledbetter '89 and his wife, **Kelley**, twin daughters, Harper Barnes and Virginia Harbin, on Feb. 26. The family lives in Rome, Ga.

Dr. Rebecca L. Bagdonas '98 and her husband, **Vineet Sen Budhreja**, a daughter, Victoria Caroline, on May 25. They live and work in New York City.

Lauren Weedon Hopkins '99 and her husband, **James**, a son, Paul Baker, on July 15. He joins brothers Ben and Luke. They live in Jacksonville, Fla.

Jon P. Hughes '99 and his wife, **Tracy**, twin boys, Jonah Philip and Andrew (Drew) Robert, on May 29. The family lives in Milton, Vt.



Jackson R. Sharman III '83 and his son, Jackson, of Birmingham, Ala., caught up with W&L lacrosse coach Gene McCabe when Jackson attended lacrosse camp for shooters in Lexington this summer.



Charles D. Clarke '05 to Annie Garvey, on June 29, in Charlotte, N.C. The wedding party included his brother Robbie Clarke '06, '11L, the best man. Also in attendance were parents of the groom, Nan Robertson Clarke '76L and Hal Clarke '73, '76L; sister-in-law of the groom, Mary Katherine Vigness Clarke '12L; cousin of the groom, Clarke Morrison '12, and his wife, Emily Leary Morrison '12; and Pierce Mayson '05, Tom Trentman '05, Matt Kuhn '05, Matt Ogle '05, Matt Treco '05, George Singletary '05 and Ginny Helms Warlick '05. The couple live in Charlotte, where Charlie works in fixed income trading at Wells Fargo, and Annie works in commercial real estate management with Jones Lang LaSalle.



Mary Katherine Vigness '12L to **J. Robertson Clarke '06, '11L**, on Aug. 3, in Fort Worth, Texas. Members of the wedding party included Robbie's brother Charlie Clarke '05, the best man; the groom's cousin Clarke Morrison '12; and Tom Borda '06 and Peter Stanton '06. Also in attendance were the groom's parents, Nan Robertson Clarke '76L and Hal Clarke '73, '76L, and a host of W&L friends from both undergraduate and law school. The couple live in Washington, D.C., where Mary Katherine is with the concert touring and management company Classical Movements Inc., and Robbie is an associate with McGuireWoods L.L.P.



Anne Wiltshire '07 to Jonathan Henry, on July 20. Alumni in the wedding party included Amy Volkmann '07, Kelly Price '07, Huntley Rodes '07, Sarah Otey '07 and Sarah Helms '07. The couple live in Bethesda, Md.



Catherine Reed '11 to **Mark R. Allen '05**, on June 8, at Lee Chapel, in Lexington. Alumni in the wedding party included six bridesmaids and one groomsman: Jess Lund '10, Caroline Bovay '11, Alicia Budich '11, Michelle Clark '11, Emily Darling '11, Trelsie Sadler '12 and Nick Gorham '05.



Austin C.R. Fisher '03 to Michelle Millar Jubin, of Lilliesleaf, Scotland, on June 1, in Stony Creek, Conn. Among those attending the ceremony were Nolle Beckman '02, Marisa Davis Peterson '02, Jessica Warner '02, Grant Sharp '01, Will Sharp '03 and the groom's sister, Tasia Fisher '05. The couple reside in New York City, where Michelle is a doctoral candidate in art history at the Graduate Center, the City University of New York, and Austin works for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in digital media.



Daley Formby '04 to **Michael Navalkowsky '01**, on May 24, at the Post Ranch Inn in Big Sur, Calif. Only the bride, groom, officiant and photographer attended. Daley and Michael live in the Eastport neighborhood of Annapolis, Md. Daley works as a talent acquisition specialist for GP Strategies Corp., in Columbia, Md., while Michael is the business manager for Conmed Healthcare Management, in Hanover, Md.



Ashley E. Hurt '07 to **Raymond Sweeney '07**, on Nov. 3, 2012, in Winter Park, Fla. Members of the wedding party included bridesmaid Lauren Edmonson '07, best man David Miller '07 and groomsman Thomas Grattan '07. Also in attendance were alumni from the classes of '05-'09, including members of the W&L volleyball and baseball teams. They reside in Durham, N.C., where Ashley is a physician assistant at the Durham VA Medical Center, and Ray is a structural engineer for Skidmore, Owings and Merrill.



Andrew P. Lawhorne '05, to Rose Ann Rayos, on April 27, in Hilton Head, S.C. Those in attendance included Joe Harouni '05, Adam Stubblefield '05, Mike Mathison '05, Chris Weingartner '05, Matt Renwick '05, Andrew Richards '06, Ryan Valeri '05, Bobby Bitterman '05, Gavin Hart '05, Mike Baracco '05, Kris Brake '07, Matt Kauffman '05, Jack Doyle '02, Emily Haight '06, Nick O'Leary '06, Lindsay Lecky '06, Dan McMeniman '06, Dan Walker '03, Eric Bokinsky '05, Rachel Turner '06, Lindsay Kneipper '05, Erica Reisbeck Walker '03, Meredith Donegan '05 and Caroline Francht Doyle '05. The couple reside in Grapeview, Wash.



Beauregard A. Redmond '55 to Elizabeth Carroll Friedmann, on Aug. 17, in South Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. The wedding took place on the beach, with children and grandchildren. The couple live in St. Augustine and South Ponte Vedra Beach, where Beau is an artist, and Elizabeth is a writer and editor. Edward Xavier Tune '91 is Elizabeth's nephew.

Megan Hobbs Brodbeck '00 and her husband, **Kevin**, a son, James, on April 12. He joins brother Charlie. The family live in Madison, N.J.

Kelly Sewell Nagel '00 and her husband, **Kevin**, a girl, Katherine Paige, on July 27, 2012. She joins brother Colton and already sports lots of Trident gear. Upon the sale of Archstone to Equity Residential and AvalonBay Communities in February 2013, Kelly joined AvalonBay's mid-Atlantic development team, where she is responsible for designing and building high-end apartments. The family live in McLean, Va.

Evan C. Cramer '01 and his wife, **Kate**, a daughter, Norma Katharine, on Oct. 15, 2012. They live in Greenville, S.C.

Nicola Carpenter Gibson '01, a daughter, **Mackenna Andrea**, on July 10. They live in Springfield, N.J., where Nicola is an attorney for New York City Children's Services doing child protective litigation in Brooklyn Family Court. Mackenna joins brother Brody Christopher.

Courtney Nolan Pollack '01 and her husband, **Saul**, a son, Benjamin Cody, on Feb. 26. Brother Sam, 3, couldn't be happier to have Benji by his side. The family live in Silver Spring, Md.

Allison MacQueen Felder '02 and her husband, **Jonathan**, a daughter, Violet Mae, on July 16. They reside in San Mateo, Calif. Proud family alumni include grandfather Bruce R. MacQueen '70 and uncle Evan G. MacQueen '06.

Matthew J. Gallo '02 and his wife, **Michelle**, a son, Thaxton James, on May 24. They live in University Park, Texas.

Tracy Johnson McKinney '02 and her husband, **Scott**, a son, Clayton Russell, on July 23. The family live in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Justin A. Rubenstein '02 and his wife, **Marcelina**, a daughter, Gracella Lynn, on Aug. 18. She joins brother Caleb. They live in Washington, Pa.

Laura Bruno Black '03 and her husband, **Marty**, a son, William McDaniel, on Nov. 20, 2012. He joins sister Lydia. They live in Marietta, Ga.

Julia Simmons Healy '03 and **Kyle Healy '03**, a daughter, Eleanor "Swift," on Sept. 14, 2012. The family live in Atlanta.

Helen Hughes Sanders '04 and **W. Ansel Sanders '04**, a daughter, Walker Grace, on Aug. 6, in Cambridge, Mass. She joins sister Field.

Victoria Guroian Sanders '04 and her husband, **David**, a son, Richard

Harris, on June 28. He joins sister Virginia. They live in Alexandria, Va.

Avery Lovejoy Garland '07 and **J. Richard Garland Jr. '07**, a son, John Richard III, on February 25. The family live in Fort Worth, Texas.

Carrie Swinford Parker '08 and **John J. Parker Jr. '08**, a daughter, Blair Burnham, on July 31. The family live in Lawrence, Kan.

Gabrielle de Courcy '09 and her husband, **Charles Wickersham**, a daughter, Catherine Helen de Courcy, on May 5. She is the first grandchild for Felicia H. de Courcy '80L. The family live in Tazewell, Va.



Andrew E. Ward '10 graduated from Britannia Royal Naval College as a sub-lieutenant. He is serving in the Royal Navy, undergoing ship-handling and navigation training in Dartmouth, Devon U.K. He will join his first warship early next year.



Eight graduates from the class of 1998 had a mini-reunion in Key West, Fla., in June: Danielle Simonetta Maurer, Helen Kim Fitzpatrick, Rachel Allen Brown, Taryn Kiekow, Karen Watts Smith, Millie Heatwole Duplissis, Laura Seaman Whitney and Katy Gibbs Hara.



A Generals summit in Kabul, Afghanistan, took place in May. L. to r.: Col. David Shugart '87 and Col. Paul Schlimm '87 met with Rep. Joe Wilson '69, a retired colonel in the South Carolina National Guard, when Wilson led a delegation to visit troops in Afghanistan during Memorial Day week.



Charles F. Wrecks III '85, CEO of The Gramercy Institute, opened the NASDAQ OMX market to the world in New York City on June 25. Wrecks addressed world markets prior to his bell ringing, saying that "marketing has never mattered more than it does today to the success of major financial firms around the world." The ceremony was covered by major cable and news networks and was projected onto the external NASDAQ MarketSite tower in Times Square.



L. to r.: Steve Herold '80, Don Eavenson '73 and Jay Foster '80 joined forces this summer to coach the 2018 Bandits Lacrosse Club Team (U13), a select boys' travel team in the Philadelphia area. The Bandits had a successful summer season, finishing with an overall record of 20-4 and reaching the championship game in three of its four tournaments, amassing 166 "Goals For" and only 55 "Goals Against," establishing them as one of the best U13 teams in the Mid-Atlantic region.



A Canadian citizen by birth, Dr. James A. Browne '00 took the Oath of Allegiance to the United States in February in Charlottesville, Va. Officiating at the naturalization ceremony was the Hon. B. Waugh Crigler '70. Browne, an orthopedic surgeon at the University of Virginia, had performed Crigler's hip replacement a few months earlier.



Gerald W. Barousse '80 (left), of New Orleans, and Theodore B. Martin Jr. '80, of Wilmette, Ill., won the three-day Chicago Fish 'N Chip Classic. Sixty teams compete for the coveted Rhino Trophy for the lowest golf score and the biggest fish. Here they are with their winning 32-lb. lake trout. Ted reported, "Gerry caught the fish on the last day, and by then he was too weak to reel it in, so I had to land it for him." Gerry responded, "Drive for show, putt for dough, at least I can putt."



The New York Alumni Chapter held a Summer Service Event at the Ronald McDonald House in New York City. Alumni in attendance: Hanna Jamar '12L, Mary Helen Turnage '11, Eli Polanco Aquino '09, Katie Garratt '11, Carrie Lee '06, Dan Grattan '00, Kiki Moreo '09 and Catherine Reed Allen '11.



The Baton Rouge Chapter held a summer send-off party at the home of Katherine and Paul Spaht (parents of Lindsey '99 and Carlos '05) on Aug. 15. L. to r.: Carlos Spaht '05, Matthew Moore '15, Monty Warren '88, Weldon Furr '17 and Weldon's mother, Susie Furr.



David M. Butler '86 celebrated his 50th birthday in style in Gibson Island, Md. W&L friends in attendance: Jim New '87, John Poulton '87, Jim Bradner '85, Pat Burgdorf '87, Chris Burnham '80, Ted Waters '88, Dave Butler '86, Meredith Attwell Baker '90, Eddie Villamater '86 and Frank Kannapel '88.

Wyatt Heaton '09 is pursuing both a J.D. and a master's in accounting from Georgia State University, in Atlanta.

He participated in the 2013 Summer Legal Intern program at the Coca-Cola Co. Before he started, Heaton checked Colonnade Connections to determine if he could find any alumni who might be working there. His search led him to Vail Thorne '80, the senior environmental, health and safety counsel (EHS) at Coca-Cola.

During his internship, Wyatt mentioned his alma mater to another lawyer there and discovered Paul Hourigan '99. He is Coca-Cola's primary legal counsel for all professional sports sponsorship deals for North America.



L. to r.: Heaton, Hourigan, Thorne and Ghiz.

When the three of them were scheduled to get together for lunch, Thorne mentioned a fourth W&L

alum on the premises in Atlanta—Ted Ghiz '78, a senior tax counsel who has worked for Coca-Cola for almost 20 years.

So the four got together at company headquarters in Atlanta for this photo—W&L alumni representing a three-decade span at Coke.

Heaton is working this fall as an extern for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

He hopes to practice mergers and acquisitions law, tax law or securities law when he finishes at Georgia State. And he highly recommends Colonnade Connections.

Obituaries

Dr. Herbert E. Sloan Jr. '36, of Ann Arbor, Mich., died on May 17. He graduated first in his class from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1940. During the post-war occupation of Korea, he served in the medical corps. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan and served as professor of surgery, led the University of Michigan section of thoracic surgery, and held positions at the Medical Center including chief of clinical affairs, medical director of the operating rooms, and medical director of M-Care HMO. He was

known as a pioneer in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, performing the first successful open-heart surgery in Michigan in 1956. In 1960, he was also the first to perform this challenging surgery on infants. His numerous awards and honors include the Society of Thoracic Surgeons Distinguished Service Award and the Presidential Societies Service Citation. The Society of Thoracic Surgeons established a lectureship in his name, and the University of Michigan Medical School established a professorship in his name. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

Frank W. Comer Jr. '38, of Macon, Ga., died May 22. He was employed by The Bibb Co. (formerly Bibb Manufacturing Co.), where he held several positions. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta. He was the grandfather of Daniel A. Comer '02.

Charles E. Bowles Jr. '39, '41L, of Colorado Springs, Colo., died on Dec. 5, 2012. He belonged to Delta Tau Delta.

Thomas S. Tuley Jr. '41, of Louisville, Ky., died on Aug. 22. He served in the Army in World War II. He worked as a furniture manufacturing

representative for various companies. He was an avid golfer until the age of 91. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi.

Gustave A. Essig '42, of Miamisburg, Ohio, died on July 24. He served in the Army during World War II as a captain. He worked as a nuclear physicist with Monsanto/EG&G for over 34 years.

John C. Sherrard '43, of Lexington, Va., died on June 21.

Barney R. Radov '45, of Sarasota, Fla., died on Aug. 8. He served in the intelligence unit of the Army Air Force during World War II. He was president of Independent Iron and Metal Corp.

Ray H. Dovell '46, of Wilton, Conn., died on May 19. He served in the Navy during World War II and in the Naval Reserve until 1956. He worked as a chemical engineer for Mobil Oil his entire professional career until he retired in 1984. This

career took him across the country from Texas to Washington to Kansas to Connecticut to Virginia. He also spent three years in the Middle East. An avid sailor, he was also a talented photographer and interested in archaeology. He was a Kappa Sigma.

Joseph E. Blackburn '48L, of Richmond, died on May 10. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked for the law firm of Williams, Robertson, Sackett and Blackburn. He represented the city of Lynchburg in the Virginia House of Delegates, was general counsel of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. and served on the State Council of Higher Education for 11 years and as chairman for seven. He moved to the Washington D.C. office of C&P as a vice president of the four C&P companies. He retired as CEO of Bell Atlantic in Virginia. After his retirement from the telephone company, he practiced law at White, Blackburn & Conte until 2009. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

John W. McCoy '49, of Kernersville, N.C., died on May 7. He was a Army veteran of World War II. He retired as chief of computer operations with the Department of Transportation in Washington.

C. Victor Moore Jr. '49, of Moraga, Calif., died on July 30. He served in the Army during World War II. He was a retired geologist for the Standard Oil Co.

William C. Smith Jr. '49, of Greensboro, N.C., died on May 13. He was a Marine Corps veteran, having served in China near the end of World War II. He earned both his bachelor of divinity and doctorate of theology from Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky. His ministry spanned six decades of parish work and also included work in college chaplaincy, teaching and student leadership, as well as nearly a dozen interim pastorates following his retirement in 1988 as pastor emeritus of Greensboro's Congregational United

BEAU KNOWS—THE MORE THINGS CHANGE...

The joke is that some alumni think their college started going downhill only minutes after they graduated. I am asked pretty frequently how W&L has changed during my affiliation with the University. Here are a few observations.

Some days, I cross the campus and fear that the Speaking Tradition is dying or dead; the next day, it seems that 80 percent of people are saying hello, and a visiting family will tell me with big smiles that they are struck by how friendly we are. To be sure, cell phones have had a negative impact. We care about this culture, so the Alumni Association gives each first-year student a T-shirt on their second day on campus. On the front in bold letters is simply, "SPEAK." On the back is a stick figure hunched over a cell phone, with the caption "Don't be a Phoney." Further, the student alumni group Kathekon sponsors an official Speak Day each spring.

As for clothing, you'll rarely see a coat and tie or any dressy clothes on a student during a regular class day. But we require Lee Chapel attire for signature events held there, and everyone knows what that means. It starts when all first-year students attend the Honor System orientation on their third night on campus.

There is no doubt that W&L has become more diverse. This year's entering class alone represents over



41 states and 18 foreign countries. We draw from schools and cities where W&L was unknown 25 years ago. Students from California were very rare in my day; now we get over 400 applications a year from that state. Many events, clubs and service activities had not been thought of several decades ago; extracurricular life is more vibrant as a result of these additions. We also have about 20 Greek organizations. Academics are demanding, our student athletes really are just that, and our great faculty is teaching small classes. Mock Convention is thriving, so is Fancy Dress, and 162 legacy students in the undergraduate school continue an important thread in the evolving fabric of W&L.

What about honor and civility? I am lucky to have known numerous student government leaders well since I arrived in 2006. Campus conversations and articles in the Phi underscore how seriously our students take these things. They care, they discuss, they strive to get it right, and they take great pride in embracing these core virtues. Student ambassadors also visit secondary schools to promote academic integrity.

So, in my view, W&L has changed a lot—yet it hasn't changed much at all. As the saying goes, "Don't take it from me, come see for yourself." A campus visit will let you judge how we are doing these days. We'd be glad to see you here.

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

Joella Mitchell Morris, W&L Benefactor

Joella Mitchell Morris died on Sept. 12, in Houston, at the age of 91. Along with her husband, Stewart, she was responsible for the 1986 restoration of the Joella and Stewart Morris House on campus, and she received an honorary doctorate from W&L in 2006. She served as chairman of the Joella and Stewart Morris Foundation, which supports four institutions in addition to W&L: Houston's Second Baptist Church, Houston Baptist University, Memorial Hermann Healthcare and the Museum of Southern History, which is part of the Joella and Stewart Morris Cultural Arts Center at Houston Baptist University. Besides her support for W&L's Morris House, which was built in 1842 and now houses guests for the University, Morris spearheaded the restoration of the 1881 Stewart Title Building in Galveston, Texas, and the Palladian Window at Mount Vernon, George Washington's Virginia home. She is survived by her husband of 70 years; three children; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Church of Christ. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

W. Hale Barrett '50, of Augusta, Ga., died on May 24. He joined Hull Barrett P.C., the company his grandfather founded in 1916. He served as the president of the Augusta Bar Association and as the chair of the corporate and banking section of the State Bar of Georgia. He served as corporate counsel to many Augusta-area businesses, leading him to be recognized in Best Lawyers in America in the field of corporate law for 15 consecutive years. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He was father to Anderson D. Barrett '83 and great-uncle to George G. Robertson '14L.

James K. Pruitt '50, of Charlotte, N.C., died on Aug. 6. He served in the Army during World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He worked for JP Stevens. He is the brother of Richard T. Pruitt '51. He belonged to Kappa Sigma.

John E. White '50, of Beaufort, S.C., died on Nov. 29, 2011. He held degrees from Kenyon College and Johns Hopkins University.

Howard Bratches '51, '53L, of Rye, N.Y., died May 19. He worked at Shell Oil as a personnel/labor relations lawyer, General Foods as a human resources manager and Thorndike Deland Associates as

partner. He belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma.

William L. Davidson '51, of Kennesaw, Ga., died on April 19, 2012. He had a lifelong career specializing in mathematics in the aerospace industry. He was a computer analyst for the Lockheed Martin Co., in Marietta, Ga. He belonged to Delta Upsilon.

Derwood H. Rusher '51L, of Salem, Va., died on Aug. 19. He served in the Navy during World War II. He opened a law practice in Salem and practiced there for over 50 years. He taught business law at Roanoke College for a number of years.

Gustav H. Stalling III '51, of Lynchburg, Va., died on May 31. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War as a first lieutenant. He was the president and CEO of a third-generation business, Stalling Inc., dealers and processors of leaf tobacco. In 1971, he formed Tomahawk Warehousing Services L.L.C. and remained as CEO. He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

William G. White '51, of Norman, Okla., died on June 18. He served in the Army during World War II in the Philippines as a sergeant in the military police. He worked for 43 years as a district manager for Southwestern Bell and AT&T. He was former chairman of the Golden Agers and received the St. Joseph Worker of

the Year in 1993. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi and was brother to Millar B. White Jr. '50.

Richard B. Baker '52, of Arlington Heights, Ill., died on Aug. 18. During the Korean War, he served as a noncommissioned Army intelligence officer. He worked in the insurance industry in Chicago, serving as president of Myers-Baker and Co. Inc. He belonged to Sigma Alpha Epsilon and was the uncle to William S. Baker '66.

Randolph G. Whittle Jr. '52, of Johnstown, Pa., died on May 14. He entered the Navy in late 1954, was commissioned an ensign and served as a naval air intelligence officer. He had a long career serving in different local government positions in West Virginia, Maryland, Florida and Pennsylvania. He authored a two-volume history of Johnstown and a comic novel about local government, "The Mayor, the Town and the Money Tree." He belonged to Kappa Alpha.

Warren E. Dean '54, of New Martinsville, W.Va., died on May 30. He retired from PPG Industries in 1996 after a 37-year career in numerous roles, including laboratory manager, plant technical manager/superintendent and area superintendent. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Richard J. Mack '55, of North Brunswick, N.J., died on May 31. He served in the Army and the Army Reserves and attended law school. He took over the family business, which saw three generations in the food, beverage and nightclub business in the New Brunswick and Somerset, N.J. area. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

Robert B. Beale III '56, of Louisville, Ky., died on Aug. 12. He worked in sales with Anaconda Aluminum and RJR Archer and as a realtor with Kentucky Select Properties. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

G. Dewey Oxner Jr. '56, '58L, of Greenville, S.C., died July 7. He began practice with the law firm of Haynsworth, Perry, Bryant, Marion and Johnstone in Greenville (now Haynsworth, Sinkler, Boyd P.A.). He was a shareholder emeritus and

a former managing partner at the firm, where he specialized in medical malpractice and health law, products liability, and consumer litigation. He was president of the S.C. Defense Trial Attorneys Association, secretary and treasurer of the Defense Research Institute, president of the Greenville County Bar Association, president of the state chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocacy, and president of the South Carolina Bar Foundation. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

Harvey S. Howe Jr. '58, of Baltimore, Md., died on May 3. He worked for Title Guarantee Co.

for many years, after which he was self-employed as a real estate title searcher. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Norman P. Proulx '58, of St. Petersburg, Fla., died on Dec. 3, 2009.

Allen H. White '58, of Ontario, Canada, died on May 31. He belonged to Lambda Chi Alpha.

John J. Dickinson '59L, of Richmond, Va., died on July 21.

Robert A. Broh '60, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died on June 25. He belonged to Zeta Beta Tau.

Jack C. Groner '60, of Baton Rouge, La., died on July 19. He was quarterback and captain of the W&L football team and voted first team All-American. He was drafted by the New York Titans (now the New York Jets) but pursued a legal career instead. He retired from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Louisiana, where he was general counsel. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi. He was uncle to George D. Fagan '81 and Sean D. Fagan '87.

James W. Carty Jr. '62, of Williamsburg, Va., died on Aug. 24. He served a tour in Vietnam with the

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The Galápagos Islands: A Family Adventure

The W&L Traveller's latest exploration of the Galápagos Islands was our fifth trip there in 25 years, and the second that explicitly encouraged the participation of children. Family travel has become an important part of our portfolio, which holds education as its primary mission.

On Aug. 8, we dropped anchor at midnight at Buccaneer Cove on Santiago Island, so when people arrived at breakfast after the 7:00 a.m. wake-up call it was apparent that they had slept soundly—yawns and stretches all around, and that bright-eyed stare at the array of options at the buffet. Our first activity this morning was a two-hour panga ride along the coast to observe blue-footed boobies as well as a great variety of shorebirds, including pelicans and herons. We also learned about the campaign to eradicate the thousands of feral goats, who years before had begun to alter the islands' natural balance.

The basaltic and tuff cliff formations towering over the sun-flecked blue of Buccaneer Cove, and the enormous lava boulders of the surrounding shoreline, were spectacular immensities. In the grand sweep of the uplifted island fronting the sea, we could feel the dynamic power of the earth but also appreciate the arid beauty of the Galápagos, the bleached pallor of the winter-dormant incense trees scattered about the hillsides resembling the white parasol seeds of dandelions.



Our guide, Dennis, did most of the talking, sharing his great enthusiasm about the birds, island conservation and the volcanic formations—"I love this group," he had informed me earlier, "they ask so many questions!" Klaus, our dedicated expedition leader, leapt in occasionally for sustained elaboration. After poking about the shoreline for a good long while, we headed back to the ship through a freshening wind. My daughter, Grace, loved the roll of the waves and the splash of seawater off the bow of the Zodiac.

—Rob Fure, Director, Special Programs

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March 8–21: A Moroccan Odyssey: Imperial Cities, Deserts, and Kasbahs

April 12–20, May 10–18, May 17–25:
Flavors of Northern Italy

June 30–July 8: Sur la Seine:
Paris to Normandy

Navy on a hospital ship and spent a year at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. He joined a small practice of internal medicine physicians in Norfolk, Va., where he served as president for many years. He was elected to the board of Frederick Brick Works in Frederick, Md., where he served as president and chairman. He belonged to Phi Kappa Psi. He was father to Laura Carty Bowers '89.

David C. Tyrrell Jr. '62, of Sattillo, Texas, died on Aug. 11. He served in the Coast Guard Reserve, worked for an advertising agency in New York City, and relocated to Dallas. He worked as a stock broker for Lehman Bros. and Dominick and Dominick. He left the sales end of the stock market for work in oil exploration. He belonged to Beta Theta Phi.

Thomas P. McDavid '63, of Winter Haven, Fla., died on May 28. He spent two years as an Army artillery officer stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. He spent another six years in the National Guard and resigned from the military as a captain in 1971. He began his banking career at the Union Trust Co., in branch banking, progressing to the national, correspondent, corporate, international and metropolitan banking units. He held the title of senior vice president at the time he left the bank. In 1991, he became the president/CEO of Easton Bank & Trust. He later worked in real estate as an agent and mortgage lender.

Thomas M. Lybass '64, of Bradenton, Fla., died on July 23. He was a barrister for many years in London.

Douglas McDowell '64, of Gladstone, N.J., died on Oct. 24, 2012. He served in the Army Reserves, then spent 40 years as a municipal bond salesman, working for various firms in New York City and New Jersey. He belonged to Phi Gamma Delta.

Mark R. Ferdinand '67L, of Bull Valley, Ill., died on July 1. He was an attorney and an early backer of The Heartland Institute, a Chicago-based organization that promotes free-market solutions to social and economic problems. At about age 50, he left his law practice to open a store that sold

storage and steel goods as a part of his family-owned Hirsh Industries.

William S. Hummers III '67, of Greenville, S.C., died on Aug. 13. He served two tours in Vietnam with the 11th Armored Cavalry. He started his banking career at Southern Bank, where he became C.F.O. He joined Carolina First Bank as C.F.O. and became vice chairman and executive vice president of the South Financial Group Inc., retiring in 2007. He served as interim director for The Children's Museum of the Upstate in 2012. He volunteered at Christ Episcopal Church, Meals on Wheels, Goodwill Industries, United Ministries and SHARE.

The Hon. A. Alling Jones '68L, of Milledgeville, Ga., died on May 26. He was a graduate of Emory University and attended Duke University Divinity School, the University of Montpellier, France and the University of Heidelberg, Germany. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta.

William G. Botts '69, of Papillion, Neb., died on March 3, 2012. He belonged to Delta Upsilon.

Michael L. Bramley '69, of Stokesdale, N.C., died on Aug. 24. He became a partner of Greenville Pediatric Services in South Carolina and also served as an assistant clinical professor at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University. He moved to Forsyth Pediatrics in Oak Ridge and Kernersville, where he continued as a pediatrician up until this past May. He belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon and was the uncle of Robert S. Duguay '87.

C. Lanier Kinder Jr. '69L, of Roanoke, Va., died on Sept. 9, 2012.

Michael J. Spoor '70, of Houston, Texas, died on May 2. He served in active duty with the Marine Corps for 10 years. His banking career spanned almost four decades, beginning in Florida and leading him to Houston with Banc One. In 2002, he launched M.J. Spoor & Co. He was also a longtime railroad enthusiast, railroad historian and author, and nationally known model railroader. Spoor belonged to Pi Kappa Phi.

William S. Strain '71, of Baton Rouge, La., died on July 9. He was a member and former chairman of the Mineral Law Section of the Louisiana State Bar and a fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation and the Louisiana Mineral Law Institute. He also served as a captain in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He belonged to Pi Kappa Phi.

Robert A. Keatley '75, of Kansas City, Mo., died on April 5. He served on W&L's Student Executive Board for three years. He worked for UMB Bank and for his family's banks before entering into a 30-year career in commercial real estate, most recently with NAI Capital Realty. He held several leadership positions during his more than 15 years with NAI Global, including chairmanships of the board, the office council and the leadership committee. He belonged to Sigma Chi fraternity and was father to E. Benton Keatley '05, '10L.

Benjamin G. Philpott '75, '78L, of Lexington, N.C., died on June 26. He served as editor of the Washington and Lee Law Review and belonged to Phi Kappa Sigma. A retired attorney, he was the former president of the Davidson County Museum of Art. He was brother to James A. Philpott Jr. '69, '72L.

Robert A. Wilkinson Jr. '75, of Palmer, Alaska, died on Feb. 18. He paid his own way through college by surveying virtually the entire Alaska pipeline. He worked for Arco Alaska and was still employed by Conoco Phillips Alaska at Kuparuk when he died. He was a volunteer firefighter and an avid fisherman and pilot. He belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Edward W. Hellier III '78, of South Portland, Maine, died on June 17. He was a carpenter and a solar thermal installer. He spent much of his free time coaching youth sports teams.

Richard D. Thompson '80, '83L, of Shell Lake, Wis., died on June 19. He practiced law in Lynchburg, Va., for several years before moving to Wisconsin.

Timothy M. Eddy '83, of Seminole, Fla., died on June 13. He was

a professional saxophonist, and his career took him around the United States and Europe before he returned to his native Florida, where he taught music and played in the bands The Black Honkeys, Swingin' Mooks and Chicken Chasers.

Jeffrey T. Hirsch '85, of Jupiter, Fla., died on Aug. 1. He joined a multinational company and spanned the globe in assignments that included Central and South America, the Caribbean and Europe. Expatriate assignments for him and his family included residences in Guatemala, Jamaica and Hungary. He belonged to Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Frederick W. Lake III '89, of Dallas, Texas, died on May 22. He started his career consulting for McKinsey & Co. in Dallas, then joined Reliant Energy in Houston. He subsequently worked in Hartford, Conn., for United Technologies, and in Oregon for Vestas. In 2012, Fritz

returned to consulting with Accenture in Dallas, where he was part of the energy and finance groups.

Sebastian A. Cross '93, of Baltimore, Md., died on June 20. He graduated from the University of Baltimore Law School. He belonged to Beta Theta Pi and was cousin to Major Alex M. Cross '95.

Joshua L. Harmon '99L, of Las Vegas, Nev., died on Aug. 2. He began his career in Las Vegas, practicing labor and employment law until 2007, when he opened his own law office specializing in personal injury. He was brother to Jason C. Harmon '96L.

Other Deaths

Helen Sharp Anderson, the widow of Thomas Dunaway Anderson '34L, died on Oct. 16, in Houston. Her husband served as a

W&L trustee from 1973 to 1983. She served as a vice regent and regent of the Mount Vernon Ladies Association, which owns George Washington's historic home.

Betsy Brittigan, who retired in 2002 after 18 years with W&L as a library assistant, died on Aug. 26. Her survivors include her daughter, Macy Coffey, an administrative assistant in the W&L Law Library, and Macy's husband, Dan Coffey, a textbook buyer in the University Store.

Dennis Smith, a former painter in Facilities Management, died on Aug. 29. He retired from W&L in 1995 with more than 22 years of service.

Carl Camper, an electrician in Facilities Management for 23 years, died on Sept. 2. He retired from W&L in 2001. His survivors include his wife, Bessie May Camper, who is retired from W&L as a custodian.

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Five-Star Generals on the Front Lawn.

Alumni of many generations returned to campus during an especially colorful and festive fall for the Five-Star Festival, Homecoming, Young Alumni Weekend and a SABU reunion.



During the Five-Star Festival, W&L gave Distinguished Alumni Awards to three retired faculty members, legends all. L. to r.: Ed Spencer '53, Uncas McThenia '58, '63L and Lew John '58, celebrating here with President Ken Ruscio '76.



During Young Alumni Weekend, W&L bestowed Distinguished Young Alumni Awards on Jane Ledlie Batcheller '03, an Atlanta attorney, and Paul Tribble '03, co-founder and CEO of Ledbury, a menswear company in Richmond, Va.



At Young Alumni Weekend, Class of 2003 tri-chairs David Alexander, Emma Dean (with her future general) and Andy Folsom presented their reunion gift to President Ruscio.



At Young Alumni Weekend, Class of 2008 co-chairs Anthony Nardini and Lizzy Appel presented their reunion gift to President Ruscio.



During Homecoming, W&L dedicated Belfield, the former home of Dean Frank Gilliam (Class of 1917) and his wife, Louise, as a guesthouse and a venue for special events. Cutting the ribbon, l. to r.: Kemp Morton '59, '64L, Vice President for University Advancement Dennis Cross, President Ken Ruscio '76, Louise Gilliam Hopkins (the daughter of Dean and Mrs. Gilliam) and Bert Hudnall '59.



Across the generations: Kathekon member Mark Sowinski '14 chats with Fred Heina '58 at the Five-Star Festival luncheon.



As part of Young Alumni Weekend, three members of the Class of 2003 organized a Memorial Walk/Run for their friend, the late Jill Bailey Chenet '03. L. to r.: Katherine Shain Culp, Brodie Gregory and Anna Crampton Scott.



On Nov. 1–2, alumni who belonged to SABU, the Student Association for Black Unity, caught up with old friends and learned what's new on campus. L. to r.: Lawrence Crocker '78, Raynard Bolding '78, John Hargrove '76, Robert Ford '75, Thomas Penn '74, Bruce Williams '79 and Eugene Perry '75, '78L.



During the Five-Star Festival, members of the 1956 lacrosse team reunited, including their coach, Gene Corrigan. L. to r.: Nick Charles '58, Dick Whiteford '57, Tom Moore '57, current men's lacrosse coach Gene McCabe, Gene Corrigan, Dave Noble '58, Al Mead '58, Sheldon Clark '58 and Nick Nichols '58. See go.wlu.edu/lacrosse-1956 for an illustrated account by Noble about the team's 1956 adventures in the United Kingdom.



It's OK to write on these walls at the IQ Center, as Lisa Greer, assistant professor of geology, is doing.



Alumni participants in the 2013 Entrepreneurship Summit.

Three Dimensions—and More—of W&L

BY PRESIDENT KEN RUSCIO '76

Perhaps it was the 3-D glasses that brought the impact of Washington and Lee's strategic plan into greater focus for me this fall.

In early September, just as classes were getting underway, I joined members of the President's Council for a tour of the new Integrative and Quantitative (IQ) Center that now occupies the first floor of Telford Science Library.

As part of the presentation led by biology professor Helen I'Anson, who has developed the center, we all donned the 3-D glasses and watched, transfixed, as the image of a protein molecule leapt off the screen at us. With a few clicks of the keyboard, David Pfaff, the center's director, rotated the molecule in front of our eyes and then sent it to the 3-D printer in an adjoining room, where we watched it take shape and then held it in our hands.

The 3-D lab and printer are but one aspect of the IQ Center, which is supported by both a grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and gifts from alumni and friends. (Read more about it on pp. 4-5.) Among other features, the center is home to a scanning electron microscope, a confocal microscope and a computer visualization lab that can project, in real time, images collected on those microscopes. To the best of our knowledge, it is the only facility of its kind at a liberal arts college.



Max Quellhorst '15 (Johnson Opportunity Grant winner) interned at the High Desert Heart Institute.

Other occasions this fall also point to the success of the course we charted for the University in 2007.


For instance, more than 40 alumni joined 200 students in the second annual Entrepreneurship Summit, sponsored by the J. Lawrence Connolly Center for Entrepreneurship (see p. 6). According to Jeff Shay, the Johnson Professor of Entrepreneurship, the composition of the group was especially gratifying. The alumni represented 23 different majors, while the students represented 29 majors.

We inaugurated the Mudd Center for Ethics, funded by a gift of \$4 million from our distinguished

alumnus, Roger Mudd '50 (see the back cover). Angela Smith, director of the center and the first Mudd Professor of Ethics, arranged for the event to feature a lecture by Michael Ignatieff, a renowned author and former Canadian politician who holds academic appointments at both Harvard and the University of Toronto.

Finally, I had lunch with 14 juniors and seniors who had received competitive Johnson Opportunity Grants for research during the past summer. I listened as they traded stories about their experiences, which ranged from a health-care internship in Peru to independent research in Dubai to an economic internship in Greenland. Others had used their grants to study or work in Nicaragua and Taiwan, Korea and Rwanda, Ghana and South Africa, Durham, N.C., and, yes, even Buena Vista. Indeed, they had traveled to every continent except Antarctica.

Like all campaigns, Honor Our Past, Build Our Future: The Campaign for Washington and Lee has a clearly stated monetary goal—\$500 million by June 30, 2015.

But it's only when you listen to a student's excitement about her time in a Nicaraguan veterinary clinic, or eavesdrop on an alumna and a student discussing a new business, or watch a protein molecule dance in 3-D, that you realize just what the campaign is really all about. 

Artful Giving: JOE BURKART '64

During his student days in the early 1960s, Joseph R. "Joe" Burkart '64 took Marion Junkin's Fine Arts 101, held in a darkened auditorium in duPont Hall on Saturday mornings. That professor and that class instilled in Burkart a lifelong love for paintings. "One of my big thrills was going to New York City to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and actually seeing some of the work we were shown in class," he said. "My wife, Susan, and I have traveled the world, and we now have a modest collection of paintings. So one of the passions of my life came out of my experience at W&L."



Burkart has worked in health care and nonprofits for over three decades as a senior marketing and development professional. He's been a capital campaign consultant to institutions such as Dartmouth and Vassar colleges and executive vice president at Pace University. For W&L, Burkart has served as class agent for the Annual Fund and on his reunion class committees.

For its 25th reunion, his class established the Class of 1964 Fine Arts Prize and an endowment that supports touring theatrical productions. The Burkarts often visit

campus to view the performances.

As his 50th reunion approaches, Burkart is working on funding a charitable remainder trust to strengthen W&L's Fine Arts Program. "Our intent is to establish a fund that will bring in visiting art and artists or allow the University to purchase art," he said. "Burt Staniar is a classmate and friend of mine, so we would like to help fill the Staniar Gallery in Wilson Hall in some small way."

Burkart finds a planned gift attractive. "We are not particularly wealthy, but we have no children," he said. "Doing something for W&L is important to us,

and the planned gift gives us the vehicle to do that. Planned gifts of that nature often give the donor a tax advantage immediately, and can increase income yield from the donated stocks."

He concluded, "I would encourage my classmates to consider a planned gift if they are thinking about giving back to the University. Mentioning the school in your will is good, but the benefit of a planned gift like a charitable trust, which may surprise fellow graduates, is they can do something significant for W&L that will also benefit them immediately as well."

For information on planned giving, please contact Hank Humphreys at (540) 458-8997 or ahumphreys@wlu.edu.

Last Look

**ROGER MUDD
CENTER
FOR ETHICS**

W&L welcomed Roger Mudd '50 back to campus to celebrate the dedication of the Roger Mudd Center for Ethics on Oct. 30–31. Members of Mudd's family graced the festivities with their presence, as did two of his classmates, Virginia Delegate Lacey Putney '50, '57L and retired W&L president Robert E.R. Huntley '50, '57L. Michael Ignatieff, a renowned author, academic and former Canadian politician, delivered the inaugural lecture, "American Democracy, Human Rights, and the Use of Force." Ignatieff and Mudd also visited classes. L. to r.: Michael Ignatieff; Angela Smith, the Mudd Professor of Ethics and director of the Mudd Center; and Roger Mudd.



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