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**ON THE COVER:**  
Aly Brahe ’14 enjoys the view at Alcázar de Segovia during her study abroad trip to Cádiz, Spain.  
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President Reveley continues the tradition of reading *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* at the Yule Log ceremony.
Alumni Association Welcomes New Board Members

The William & Mary Alumni Association Board of Directors welcomes four new members. They will begin their four-year terms in March 2014. The spring 2014 meeting will be held on March 22 in Washington, D.C. View bios of the new Board members at wmalumni.com/2013elect.

- Sandra Bowen ’63, Richmond, Va.
- Nicole Lewis ’03, Washington, D.C.
- Lydia Pulley ’85, Richmond, Va.
- Molly Ashby ’81, New York City

The Board represents all alumni in its capacity of general and financial policymaking for the Alumni Association. Elections are held annually by the membership of the Association.

The Board nomination form is available at wmalumni.com/awards. The deadline for submission of nominations is June 1, 2014.

Annual General Membership Meeting
Feb. 8, 2014, 9 a.m.
Tidewater Room, Sadler Center

Alumni Service Awards

Each year the William & Mary Alumni Association recognizes individuals for their exceptional service to the Alumni Association and College through their involvement in alumni chapters, clubs and constituent alumni organizations.

The Alumni Service Award and The Young Alumni Service Award are given on the basis of service, loyalty, commitment and leadership. The Young Alumni Service Award is specific to those alumni ages 25 to 35 and recognizes significant contributions in the early stages of alumni affiliation.

The selection of recipients for 2014 will be made at the spring meeting of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. The deadline for nominations is Feb. 1, 2014. You may download a nomination form at wmalumni.com/awards or contact the office of the executive vice president at 757.221.7855.

If you are mailing your nominations in, please send to:
Alumni Service Awards
William & Mary Alumni Association
P.O. Box 2100
Williamsburg, VA 23187-2100

Alumni Medallion Awards

The William & Mary Alumni Association calls for nominations of candidates to receive the 2015 Alumni Medallion.

The Alumni Medallion is the highest and most prestigious award the William & Mary Alumni Association can bestow on a graduate of the College. This award recognizes individuals who have exemplary accomplishments in their professional life, service to the community, state or nation, and loyalty and commitment to the College.

The Board will consider all three areas when they select the Medallion recipients. However, there may be an occasion when they consider an individual based on extraordinary achievement in only one or two areas. The Board will make the selection at their fall 2014 meeting.

Nominations must be submitted on the form provided. It can be downloaded at wmalumni.com/awards or it can be requested by either calling 757.221.7855 or emailing alumni.evpl@wm.edu. Include any news articles, vitae, biographical sketches, and so on that are available as supporting documents; they are important in determining selections. Up to two supporting letters may be included with the nomination form; however, additional letters will not be reviewed. Incomplete nominations will not be considered. Deadline for submission of all nominations for the 2015 award is July 1, 2014.
Many Generations

Over three days in late September, the College hosted Family Weekend. I saw many friends whom I recognized from my days on campus and it was fun to meet their children who are now following in their footsteps as students at the College. When I stepped on the dais to extend greetings from the Alumni Association, I made a confession: “None of my four children came to W&M. As a result, I’m living vicariously through all of you.”

Afterward, I realized that I had misspoke. I became part of a larger, one-of-a-kind, family the day I stepped on campus in August 1978. When I graduated, I thought that family consisted of the people I had come to know during my time here. But soon I learned that W&M is not merely for the years we spend on campus as students, W&M is for life. And one of the greatest joys of that lifelong relationship is getting to know alumni of all ages through our shared experiences here on this campus.

Your Alumni Association has a three-fold purpose: to help the College connect with alumni; to help alumni connect with the College; and to help alumni connect with alumni. The Alumni Association hosts many opportunities for you to connect with alumni of all ages, both on campus and in your communities.

Homecoming 2013 was probably our best ever — thanks in part to the weather gods and a great Tribe football win. Whether it was chatting with the alumna who hasn’t missed a Homecoming in over 45 years, or seeing Class of 2013 alumni experience their first Homecoming, it was terrific to watch members of the Tribe reconnect with each other and with the campus. I was thrilled to chat with a certain member of the Class of 1965 as we waited to take the field at halftime during the football game — Chancellor Robert M. Gates. I decided against asking the former CIA director his thoughts on the popular television drama “Homeland” (in particular, fictional acting CIA director Saul Berenson’s handling of operative Carrie Mathison). So instead I opted for safer territory and asked about the book he has just written, which will be released in January.

Away from campus, W&M hosted events this fall for alumni to get together with each other in Charlotte, N.C., and Chicago. In December, more than 20 alumni chapters held Yule Log celebrations — allowing alumni of all ages to continue one of the College’s best-loved traditions.

Many of us will make our way back to Williamsburg in February for what is fast becoming a second homecoming: Charter Day. As my HooVA husband says: “No place does pomp and ceremony better than William & Mary.” And there is no better time to experience that than when we celebrate the very creation of the College. Students, alumni, faculty members and the College community come together for a weekend of festivities that include the Charter Day ceremony, the AEF Lord Botetourt Auction, the Alumni Medallion Ceremony and the Charter Day concert. If you haven’t been back to campus in a while, collect your family and/or your friends and make a weekend of it!

The members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors represent seven decades of alumni — from the 1950s to the 2010s, proving that just as W&M is for the ages, W&M alumni come in all ages. Please let any of us know how we can make your Alumni Association work even harder for you. Go Tribe!

BARBARA COLE JOYNES ’82
President
William & Mary Alumni Association
William & Mary graduates have had a banner year. James Comey ’82, LL.D. ’08 (see p. 34) became director of the FBI, Ellen Stofan ’83 became NASA’s chief scientist, and Mary Jo White ’70 was named head of the Securities and Exchange Commission. That’s quite a run for any school, even one with Jonathan Jarvis ’75, D.P.S. ’12 already leading our national parks; Congressman Eric Cantor J.D. ’88, LL.D. ’11, the current majority leader of the House; Christina Romer ’81, D.P.S. ’10, a recent chair of President Obama’s Council of Economic Advisers and member of his Cabinet; and, of course, Bob Gates ’65, L.H.D. ’98, recent Secretary of Defense for two U.S. Presidents, former director of the CIA, and William & Mary’s sitting Chancellor. Not to mention our storied history including three U.S. presidents (four if we count George Washington — I do), two vice presidents, four members of the U.S. Supreme Court including the great Chief Justice John Marshall, four U.S. Secretaries of State, four U.S. Attorneys General, and the founders of M.I.T. and the University of Virginia — just to name a few. In a recent study, William & Mary ranked first nationally for the percentage of our graduates entering careers in public service over the last decade.

Leadership in all walks of life, not just public service, is in our DNA. In addition to the names we know, there are also countless unsung heroes among our alumni who lead in their communities, states — even world.

At the nation's oldest law school, William & Mary’s Puller Clinic is making a real difference for our nation's veterans and provides a national model for how to address the backlog of VA benefits claims. Since the clinic accepted its first clients in 2008, more than 90 law students, working under the supervision of managing attorneys, have assisted hundreds of veterans with claims for disability benefits. We can only make a dent on our own, but, as a model and catalyst, William & Mary Law School can have a huge impact.

William & Mary’s strength in the marketplace for applicants has never been greater. We enrolled a freshman class of 1,479 students from a record pool of more than 14,000 applicants. This was the ninth consecutive year of rising undergraduate applicants. One of our graduate programs had an especially strong year. William & Mary Law School was one of only 11 U.S. law schools (out of 200) with an increase in applications in 2012-13. Our 226 entering J.D. students were selected from nearly 5,900 applicants. Whether undergraduate or graduate, our students are extraordinarily able.

We continue to attract and retain outstanding faculty. This year, U.S. News & World Report ranked William & Mary first among public universities for the excellence of our undergraduate teaching and third among all universities — private and public — behind only Dartmouth and Princeton. Earlier this year, I wrote about our faculty’s impressive scholarship, including path-breaking AidData work on the world’s largest database of international aid projects since World War II. Last academic year, AidData received a $25 million, five-year award from USAID, the largest in our history.

William & Mary’s global reach and relevance are growing. In the last round of Fulbright grants, 14 recent alumni received them. This was more than any other college or university in Virginia. In terms of Fulbright recipients per undergraduate student, William & Mary ranks first among U.S. public universities and second among all universities, just behind Princeton.

Our Reves Center for International Studies celebrates its 25th anniversary this year as the coordinator of global activities across the university’s five schools (see p. 50). William & Mary ranks first among public universities in the country for the percentage of undergraduates having global experiences during college (over 45 percent for us). We have 580 international students on campus this year from 55 countries. The William & Mary joint-degree program with Scotland’s University of St Andrews, now in its third year, is in full cry. We have expanding ties in the Middle East and Asia. The William & Mary Confucius Institute, established in spring 2012 in partnership with Beijing Normal University, has significantly increased our students’ access to Chinese language and culture.

Turning from mind to body, more than 80 percent of our students play on varsity, club, or intramural teams, take part in fitness and wellness classes and programs, use the Student Recreation Center on their own, or get involved in other outdoor activities. Tribe Athletics led the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) in 2012-13 with five championships. In the 31-year history of the conference, William & Mary has won 109 championships, almost 40 more than the next CAA school. Last year, three teams made the NCAA tournament, including the women’s tennis team, the women’s cross country team (finished 21st in the nation), and the baseball team (reached the regional championship game and finished the year ranked 28th). We do athletics the right way. We consistently rank at
the top of the CAA in academic achievement. This year, 15 of 21 teams had an average GPA of 3.0 or better; and eight teams had a 100 percent graduation rate based on NCAA measures.

The Muscarelle Museum of Art continues to present exhibitions of amazing caliber. The museum celebrated its 30th anniversary with an exhibit featuring some of Michelangelo's most rare and precious drawings. The exhibition, "Michelangelo: Sacred & Profane, Masterpiece Drawings from the Casa Buonarroti," attracted almost 50,000 visitors to campus and generated a billion media impressions. Major exhibits in recent years have included Medici collections, Andrew Wyeth, five centuries of landscape paintings from the Uffizi Gallery in Florence, Italy, Tiffany glass, Andy Warhol, and Dutch landscapes from the Dulwich Picture Gallery in London. In September, the museum presented a selection of costumes from the personal collection of our alumna Glenn Close ’74, D.A. ’89 (see p. 13).

On the facilities front, at the end of last May, William & Mary acquired the Hospitality House (now One Tribe Place) for use, primarily, as a dormitory. Thus, we added 3.7 acres of prime real estate to the campus, 318 rooms, 316 parking spaces, 20,000 square feet of conference space and two restaurants. This acquisition's 330,000 square feet joined the 1.2 square million square feet built or renovated on campus in the last decade and more than 165,000 square feet in new construction and acquisitions at VIMS. Work completed last summer included the new fraternity village (11 houses and a joint activities building), greatly expanded dining facilities at the Sadler Center (now seats 700), completion of the 11-month renovation of Tucker Hall (home of the English Department), completion of the 13-month renovation of the Brafferton (home of the president’s and provost’s offices), and the conversion of the Hospitality House into a dorm (330 students now in residence with another 60 yet to come).

Crucially important, also, we made signal progress last year on a sustainable financial foundation for William & Mary, one no longer so heavily dependent on state support. A generation ago, the Commonwealth provided more than 43 percent of our operating budget. Today, it provides 13 percent, and this percentage will keep declining. Public colleges and universities are increasingly left to fend for themselves. To meet this challenge, those of us on campus and the Board of Visitors have worked closely together to construct the William & Mary Promise, a landmark road to financial sustainability for the university.

The Promise hinges on all members of the William & Mary family doing their share — faculty and staff through productivity gains on campus; students and parents through more tuition to help pay what it costs to provide a William & Mary education; alumni, parents and friends through philanthropic support of the university; and the Commonwealth through whatever funds it can provide. No group is asked to pull the load alone.

What about campus productivity? William & Mary is already quite efficient when compared to other leading universities. U.S. News & World Report ranks us 114th among all major U.S. universities in financial resources and 32nd in overall quality — (sixth among public institutions). This is by far the largest gap between quality and resources of any major university. But even leading the pack in efficiency, we can and must do better in the years to come.

Academic costs cannot continue to increase at the rate they have during the last generation. We are working hard to find creative ways to become more productive in both the academic and the business dimensions of the campus. For instance, we will shortly commission an external review by consultants experienced in the business aspects of universities as part of a multiyear effort to increase our productivity in non-academic areas.

What about tuition paid by students and their families? Last April, our Board voted to significantly raise in-state tuition phased over three years, but did so in ways that held tuition increases for in-state students already on campus to the rate of inflation for the rest of their four years at William & Mary. For in-state students not yet enrolled for whom the tuition increase would apply, their tuition is guaranteed to remain the same for each of their four undergraduate years. It also materially increased need-based financial aid for in-state students up through the middle class, reducing the net cost for these families. We held tuition increases for out-of-state students to 3 percent, the lowest percentage in more than a decade. The overall result is a meaningful increase in earned income for the university.

What about the support of alumni, parents and friends? Ties between William & Mary and its graduates are among the strongest such ties in the country. Increasingly, these ties entail financial help as well as abiding affection for alma mater. The fiscal year that ended last June 30 was the most successful year for private giving in the university's 320-year history. We raised $104.3 million in cash, pledges and estate commitments. More than 31,000 donors contributed. Among them were 18,551 undergraduate alumni, or 23.9 percent of the overall undergraduate alumni body. That percentage places us in the top handful of the 693 U.S. public colleges and universities. Only four — Alabama, Georgia Tech, Arkansas and Clemson — had a higher participation rate, much of it from donors to athletic programs. Some private schools achieve much higher participation rates, and our goal is to move among them. We have a goal of 40 percent participation by 2020, which would place us fourth behind Princeton, Dartmouth and Notre Dame.

A great institution is always under construction, always evolving to take advantage of new opportunities and to meet the realities of ever-changing times. William & Mary has been under construction for more than three centuries. It is thriving in the 21st century. I firmly believe its greatest promise lies ahead.

W. Taylor Reveley III
President, College of William & Mary
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Gates to give papers and $1.5 million to W&M

William & Mary Chancellor and former U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates ’65, L.H.D. ’98 will donate his personal papers to William & Mary. Gates and his wife, Rebecca, have also committed from their estate a gift currently estimated at $1.5 million, which would include a $1.45 million bequest to help attract and support international relations and global studies undergraduates of outstanding academic distinction by providing them scholarships. The remaining $50,000 has been designated for the cataloging and digitization of Secretary Gates’ papers.

“Bob Gates’ contributions to the welfare of our country have been of a breadth and depth rarely equaled. He has been a public servant of extraordinary experience and effectiveness,” said William & Mary President Taylor Reveley. “His alma mater is thrilled to receive his personal papers and extremely grateful for his marvelous support of our students. A commitment of this magnitude from William & Mary’s chancellor is especially compelling.”

Gates’ personal papers encompass his time at the CIA (including his term as director), his service at the National Security Council (including assistant to the president and deputy national security adviser) under four presidents, his Texas A&M University presidency, his term as secretary of defense and his current role as William & Mary’s chancellor. The papers do not include classified materials from the CIA or Department of Defense but they do include Gates’ handwritten notes through the years, photographs and various materials he accumulated over the course of a long and distinguished career in public service. Secretary Gates is using the documents as he completes his next book. The
papers will ultimately be housed in the Special Collections Research Center at the university's Earl Gregg Swem Library. “My experience as an undergraduate at William & Mary had a great influence on shaping my life, just as the College has had a great influence in shaping our country; its long history is intricately interwoven in the fabric of the nation,” said Gates. “I cannot imagine a better place for my personal papers than the university’s Special Collections Research Center.”

The center is home to William & Mary’s archives, original manuscripts, rare books and other unique resources for student and faculty research. Once they have been cataloged within Special Collections, Gates’ papers will be accessible to researchers.

“We are honored to serve as the permanent home of the papers of one of the most influential public figures of this century,” said Carrie Cooper, William & Mary’s dean of university libraries. “His papers will become an invaluable resource for our students, as well as future historians and scholars.”

In addition to donating his papers to William & Mary, Gates and his wife have made a bequest in support of the Robert M. and Rebecca W. Gates Scholarship at William & Mary. The Gates established the merit-based scholarship in 2012 for international relations and global studies undergraduates.

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After leaving the CIA, Gates — who holds a doctorate from Georgetown University, lectured at some of America’s leading universities before being named dean of the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University. In 2002 Gates was named president of Texas A&M. He held that position until 2006, when he returned to Washington as the nation’s 22nd secretary of defense.

Gates, a history major who earned several accolades as an undergraduate, was invested last year as the university’s 24th chancellor. He is the first alumnus to hold the honorary position in the 320-year-old institution’s modern era.

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Close to Home

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W&M Housing Project Gains New Ground

During Homecoming, returning alumni may have been surprised to find that their usual rooms at the Hospitality House were now occupied by current members of the Tribe. In August, students moved into One Tribe Place, new campus housing created by the purchase of the former Richmond Road hotel.

William & Mary announced the acquisition of the Hospitality House in March. The building, which sits on 3.7 acres directly across from campus, includes 318 rooms, 316 parking spaces, 20,000 square feet of conference space and two restaurants. At full capacity, the building can provide housing for up to 450 students, offering much needed space in the increasingly competitive campus housing room selection process.

The newly dubbed One Tribe Place remained open to visitors throughout the May 2013 commencement weekend, hosting its last group of visiting parents and tourists. The building was then closed for the College to begin renovations needed to transform the hotel, which was originally built in the late 1960s, into a residence hall.

Over the summer, contractors worked around the clock to get the building ready for students’ arrival in August. This included bringing the building up to current fire safety codes, improving its accessibility, integrating the building into the campus’ wireless internet grid, and installing campus security measures and student ID card readers.

Approximately 330 students moved into One Tribe Place in August. Renovation work continues in the 1984 addition of the building and, when finished, will provide space for another 120 or so students. The College is evaluating the remainder of the property, including the restaurant and conference space, to determine the best use of additional space. The parking garage has been closed during renovations.

In the residence hall areas, much of the building’s interior remained largely unchanged, including wallpaper, draperies, furniture and even some artwork from the hotel. In addition, One Tribe Place has two additional features that make it desirable: single bathrooms and full, queen and king size beds. These aspects made the residence hall Rachel Cook’s ’16 first choice during housing registration, although she was unsure what it would be low for her during the housing assignment period. She stresses the importance of the building as a comfortable place for both socializing and studying.

Although it still has the chandeliers and colonial furniture of the former Hospitality House, the space has taken on the cozy feeling of a dorm. The resident assistants have worked hard to transform the space into a home away from home for the occupants, creating floor themes and decorating the building in green and gold. Residents attend to their schoolwork in the large lounges, gather around the fireplace in the lobby, and get fresh air in the center courtyard, adopting the building as a comfortable place for both socializing and studying.

Director of Residence Life Deb Boykin ’76, M.Ed. ’82 oversaw the dorm’s introduction to the students throughout the housing assignment period. She stresses how the One Tribe Place Hall Council, made up of students, has played an essential role in the success of the project. The Hall Council has sponsored a number of events, including a haunted house at Halloween, that have fostered a sense of community in the new residence hall.

“It’s a brand-new place and it is really exciting to see a hall council that is that active in their first year,” said Boykin. “They have embraced where they live and want to establish an identity as a happening place to live.”

— Caroline Saunders ’14
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When Tom Kelly J.D. ’82 and his wife, Jude, raised their daughter Ginna Kelly J.D. ’07 to always pursue her passion, they had no idea the impact it would have on her or the endangered African black rhinoceros. Ginna’s passion from an early age was conservation. Inspired by her parents, Ginna came to William & Mary Law School to embrace Thomas Jefferson’s 1762, LL.D. 1782 philosophy of the Citizen-Lawyer. She obtained key law clerkships at the White House Council on Environmental Quality and U.S. Department of Justice – Environment and Natural Resources Division that allowed her to specialize in the environment.

In 2010, Kelly followed her heart and created Climb for Conservation (C4C), a nonprofit organization that raises money for local conservation efforts through mountain-climbing expeditions.

“I founded Climb for Conservation because I wanted to make a real difference,” said Kelly. “I wanted to create a career that was meaningful according to my personal values. I tapped into what inspired me and I found a way to use the skills I acquired at William & Mary to help make a difference. I was able to combine my two passions of climbing mountains and conservation work.”

C4C kicked off its first climb in 2012 as a group of 14 eco-conscious women, dubbed the “Green Girls,” summited Mount Kilimanjaro, the tallest freestanding mountain in the world and highest peak in Africa at 19,341 feet. The nonprofit donated nearly $30,000 to the Mkomazi Rhino Sanctuary in Tanzania, run by renowned conservationists Tony and Lucy Fitzjohn.

“Mount Kilimanjaro was my favorite climb,” said Kelly. “The money we raised will help to support an educational program for African school children, hire guards to prevent poaching and build protective fencing for the sanctuary. Our donation made a real difference and what’s most important is that we inspired our local communities to care about conservation.” A short documentary about the climb is currently being aired on Outside Television.

On the trip was 13-year-old Taylor Justice, an inspiration to the 14 Green Girls and one of the youngest American girls to have reached the summit.

“Taylor is my inspiration,” said Kelly. “She is why I am committed to making Climb for Conservation a long-term success.”

A wilderness trek to Machu Picchu in Peru was the setting for C4C in May 2013, while raising awareness and funding for the threatened jaguar species.

C4C was recently awarded a grant from the Buffett Learning by Giving Foundation. Twenty-five members of C4C, made up of the core team and volunteers, were trained in leadership and analytical skills required in philanthropy and the nonprofit sector.

“By standing on top of the world’s tallest mountains, we hope to make a statement,” said Kelly. “I want to inspire others to care for the earth and conserve the land, water and wildlife of our fragile planet. I hope to build Climb for Conservation into a long-term sustainable nonprofit organization that will continue on for future generations and foster positive change in the world.”

Finishing her master’s degree at Yale Divinity School is next on the list for Kelly. She is currently studying the ethics of conservation and theologies of sustainability.

“Environmental problems can be abstract and are often politically contested,” said Kelly. “One of our biggest challenges is apathy. I want to help people care.”

Mountains can represent one’s goals and aspirations. Climbing a mountain is about being part of something larger than you. Kelly says that somewhere along every climb she realizes what is most important in life. She is inspired and comes down from the heights a better person more ready to care for the planet than when she took her first step up.

“The issue I am most concerned about right now is species extinction,” said Kelly. “In 100 years, we will have lost 50 percent of all species on earth due to habitat destruction, pollution, poaching and climate change. Is this the kind of world we want our children and grandchildren to inherit?”

That is the reason she will keep climbing. In 2014, C4C has plans to climb Mount Elbrus in Russia, Aconcagua in Argentina and Kilimanjaro, the highest peaks in Europe, the Americas and Africa respectively. This will check off three of the “Seven Summits.” However, C4C trips aren’t limited to just mountain climbs — hiking, trekking and paddle-boarding events are also being planned.

So take Kelly’s advice: “Get outdoors! Nature is the ultimate teacher.”

Citizen Climber

Ginna Kelly J.D. ’07 stands on top of the world to make a statement

By Mitch Vander Vorst
Every October, William & Mary alumni return to campus to celebrate during Homecoming. It’s a time that is particularly special for classes celebrating reunions, which occur every five years. However, classmates are not only trekking to Williamsburg to gather with friends to reminisce about old times, they are banding together to support the College with their class gifts.

This year’s reunion classes were extremely generous both in terms of dollars raised and of the numbers of classmates giving. More than $17.2 million in cash gifts and pledges was given by classes from 1968 to 2008 that celebrated reunions during Homecoming 2013, and from the Class of 1963 that celebrated its 50th Reunion in April 2013.

“Class giving is an increasingly important avenue as we build a culture of engagement and philanthropy for William & Mary,” said Matthew T. Lambert, vice president for University Development. “We are most grateful to members of each of our reunion classes who supported the College through their class gifts. The caliber of our volunteers is only surpassed by their passion for their alma mater. We must foster their involvement every year, not only during reunion years.”

Ashley Pinney ‘08, of Durham, N.C., who served as co-chair of her 5th Reunion Gift Committee, agrees with Lambert.

“It’s important to give back annually, even if you cannot make large gifts,” she said. “The College benefits from consistent gifts.” Pinney notes that she gives monthly, which means her contributions are almost unnoticeable absences from her budget.

“Alumni of William & Mary received a great education at a wonderful value, so it’s our responsibility to pay it forward,” she said.

Kathryn Bova McQuade ’78 of Mesquite, Nev., has been giving every year since graduating. Like Pinney, McQuade believes in giving back to William & Mary because she believes her experiences and the quality of the education she received as an undergraduate helped prepare her for a fulfilling and successful career. McQuade started by making smaller gifts annually and increased her giving as her budget allowed. She made a leadership gift in 2013 during her 35th Reunion year.

Making William & Mary’s high-quality experience accessible financially is important, she said. “Higher education needs to be attainable by people from all socio-economic backgrounds.”

McQuade, who recently completed service as a trustee for The College of William & Mary Foundation Board, also emphasized the importance of upholding the university’s academic excellence by making sure top-quality faculty are attracted and retained.

Tom ’88 and Teri Dale Dungan ’88 of Great Falls, Va., also feel strongly about supporting William & Mary’s faculty, whose excellence has been recognized nationally. In September 2013, U.S. News & World Report ranked William & Mary No. 1 among public universities and third among all universities — public and private — for “having a strong commitment to undergraduate teaching.”

“For both Tom and me, the faculty members we encountered had the biggest impact on our William & Mary experiences,” says Teri. She and her husband were undergraduate business majors. The couple established the Dungan BBA Teaching Award in 2005 to support undergraduate teaching excellence.
at the Mason School of Business. For their 25th Reunion in 2013, they pledged an additional $100,000 toward the endowment.

“William & Mary is unique because top-notch professors teach almost all the classes,” said Tom. “I only had two teaching assistants as an undergraduate and they were both for labs. The professors at William & Mary really care about the students, so it was important for us to help incentivize and reward their efforts.”

The Dungans hope their award will help perpetuate the William & Mary tradition of teaching excellence, especially now that their son, Tom ’17, is a member of the Tribe. Like the Dungans, Pinney wanted to focus her giving around something she gained from William & Mary that had a significant personal impact.

“In 2006, I had a study abroad experience in Florence that changed my life,” said Pinney, who spent two years after graduation working overseas, first at a boarding school in England and next on a Fulbright grant for teaching in South Korea. She says any William & Mary student who wants to study abroad should not be dissuaded from doing so because of a lack of financial resources.

“I believe all students should have access to these potentially life-changing experiences,” says Pinney. “That’s why I have supported education abroad scholarships for the Reves Center.”

John Graham ’83 of Chapel Hill, N.C., who co-chaired his 30th Reunion Gift Committee, says it is easy to talk to classmates about supporting William & Mary because of his strong belief in the College and its positive effects on his life — personally and professionally. He married classmate Suzanne Halboth Graham ’83. Their daughter, Laura ’14, currently is studying business at William & Mary.

“The overall environment is very nurturing,” Graham said. “An important part of my life happened at William & Mary.”

Graham and about 19 others who were freshmen in Hunt Hall gathered during Homecoming 2013 to reminisce. “It was a blast” to relive old times, he said.

Overall, the Class of 1983 gave or pledged more than $5.5 million in support of their reunion gift — a record for 30th reunion classes at the College and the largest amount of all 10 reunion classes this year.

Lambert hopes alumni will find and pursue their passions at William & Mary through volunteerism and philanthropy. He also is grateful for the upward trend in the percentage of alumni who give to the College each year.

“The Class of 2003 achieved 30 percent participation for their Class Gift, which represents a record for a 10th reunion class,” said Lambert. “This is a wonderful milestone to reach as we focus on growing participation throughout the next several years.”

Overall, William & Mary’s current annual undergraduate alumni participation rate is 23.9 percent. The College wants to increase that to 40 percent by 2020.

GIFTSATWORK

Class of ’64 Prepares for 50th

In honor of its 25th Reunion in 1989, the Class of 1964 created an endowed fellowship to support outstanding faculty members at William & Mary. Now gearing up for its 50th Reunion in April 2014, the Class of 1964 is planning to make an even more substantial impact at the College by endowing a need-based scholarship for students, supporting the expansion of the Alumni House, and strengthening the faculty fellowship the class established in 1989.

“At the time of the 50th Reunion, I think alumni look back with warm memories of their time at the College and want to be sure William & Mary can continue to provide the excellent education and the close community experience they enjoyed,” said Sue Roache Warner ’64.

Warner, one of 28 volunteers on her Class Gift Committee and a member of its Event Planning Committee, is the director of volunteer management for William & Mary’s Office of University Development. She understands the lasting difference such gifts can have at the College.

“Since the 50th Reunion is the last formal, full-class effort, we want to make our mark with both dollars raised and numbers of classmates participating,” Warner said.

The class has an overall fundraising goal of $2.75 million — the most ambitious yet for the class, she said — and a participation goal of 50 percent. The class hopes $700,000 of that will be designated specifically for the Class Gift Project for the Class of 1964 Scholarship, the Class of 1964 Faculty Fellowship and the Alumni House redesign and expansion.

Increased private support for student scholarships and for faculty are among the College’s priorities, as is an expanded Alumni House to better engage alumni and foster lifelong relationships with William & Mary. The Class of 1964’s planned 50th Reunion Gift will impact all three areas.

Pamela Brown Michael ’65, William & Mary’s 50th Reunion coordinator, said these golden milestone reunions often inspire first-time or increased philanthropy among alumni.

“There is a great spirit of participation with the 50th Reunion,” Michael said. “It is most exciting to watch the anticipation build, as well as the pride and enthusiasm for making a significant difference on behalf of the College and the class.”

The Class of 1964 is not the only cohort planning to commemorate a milestone through giving. Reunion classes from 2009 through 1969, and their respective Class Gift committees, currently are collecting gifts and will celebrate 5th through 45th reunions during Homecoming 2014 on Oct. 16-19.
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2013: A RECORD YEAR
William & Mary benefited from a record-breaking fundraising year, with unprecedented total giving, outright cash gifts and number of donors.

31,140
INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS, AND FOUNDATIONS MADE GIFTS

14,368
UNDERGRADUATE ALUMNI PARTICIPATED
28.9% of undergraduate alumni contributed during fiscal year 2013, making William & Mary the top ranked "Public Ivy" university in the nation for rate of alumni giving.

$104.3 MILLION
IN NEW ACTIVITY
The previous record for new activity, which includes cash, pledges and bequests, was $86.65 million in 2005.

$70.04 MILLION
IN CASH GIFTS
This total for cash gifts, which includes realized bequests, topped the previous record set in 2009 by nearly $20 million.

BUDGET UPDATE

OPERATING REVENUES VS. OPERATING EXPENSES

OPERATING REVENUE
$357.8 MILLION (UNAUDITED)

OPERATING EXPENSES
$356.7 MILLION (UNAUDITED)

Totals include revenue and expenses for the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

$697.7 MILLION
TOTAL ENDOWMENT VALUE

By June 30, 2013, the consolidated value of endowments held by all of the various entities supporting William & Mary and its programs totaled $697.7 million, an increase of 3.3% over the June 30, 2012 value and a record high.

STATE SUPPORT

13.4%
Percentage of overall operating budget provided by the Commonwealth of Virginia. In 1980, state support was 42.8% of the operating budget.

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The weak force is, for laymen, the least known of the quartet of interactions that run the universe as we know it.

We all experience gravity and are served by electromagnetism. The strong force binds nuclei of atoms; it provides the release of energy that powers fission-based power plants.

That’s three; the fourth is known as the weak force, or the weak interaction. It drives particle decay and nuclear fusion, and plays a fundamental part in our daily life.

“If the weak force didn’t exist,” says David Armstrong, “the sun wouldn’t burn.”

Armstrong, Chancellor Professor of Physics at William & Mary and chair of the department, is a member of the Qweak Collaboration, a collection of scientists who recorded the first ever direct measurement of the weak charge of the proton at the Department of Energy’s Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab).

Their paper, “First Determination of the Weak Charge of the Proton,” was published in the journal “Physical Review Letters.”

Contributors, in addition to Armstrong himself, include Wouter Deconinck, Todd Averett, the late Michael Finn and Roger Carlini, an adjunct faculty member whose principal appointment is at JLab. A number of postdoctoral researchers, graduate students and undergrads contributed to the project as well.

“W&M is a relatively major player in the experiment,” Armstrong said. “Our students and faculty and postdocs have been involved with all parts of it, but there’s a key thing we did in terms of equipment.”

That “key thing” was the design and construction of vertical drift chambers — large detectors used for tracking scattered electrons after they bounce off the proton. Armstrong notes that the project had substantial funding from the National Science Foundation.

“It was a very large project that took a large number of years,” he said. “They were constructed and tested — using cosmic rays — right here in Small Hall. Then they were transported down to Jefferson Lab for the experiment.”

The Qweak experiment has a W&M origin story as well. About 15 years ago, Armstrong and Finn were discussing JLab experiments aimed at discovering if the strange quark has a role in the construction of the proton. (It does, but not much.)

Fueled with coffee, Armstrong and Finn figured a way of adapting the technique they were using in the strange quark studies. The execution was a matter of scale. Trying for the first direct measurement of the weak charge of the proton needed a more subtle touch than they used in the strange quark studies.

The weak force and electromagnetism
are intertwined to such a degree that physicists refer to the phenomenon as the electroweak interaction. (That “Q” in “Qweak” represents electrical charge to physicists.) The Qweak team needed a way to tease out the electrons driven by the weak interaction from the much thicker thread of electromagnetism.

“We did this,” Armstrong said, “by tickling the proton. In previous experiments at JLab, we really smacked the proton hard. But this required a softer touch.”

Wouter Deconinck, assistant professor of physics, explains that Qweak is a part of the same larger task as the discovery of the Higgs boson. It’s all about the testing — and potential expansion — of the Standard Model, the inventory of the energies and particles that make up the universe.

“The implications of our paper for the Standard Model are not that strong — yet,” Deconinck said. “The new thing about this data is that it’s the first time that we’ve measured this one quantity — the weak charge — directly.”

The search for the Higgs and the measurement of the weak charge of the proton make an interesting contrast, Armstrong said. He characterized the 17-mile-wide Large Hadron Collider as a “brute force” instrument, while the Qweak detector is “more of a finesse thing” even though it towers over the scientists in the JLab.

“The Qweak paper marks a beginning rather than a conclusion. Deconinck pointed out that there is more data from JLab to analyze. The final data set will be some 25 times greater than the one used in the paper, he said.

Armstrong also noted that their weak force measurement should be replicated for it to gain the confidence of the scientific community.

“And of course, you don’t want to do it exactly the same way or at the same lab with the same people with the same apparatus,” he said. “There could be some artifact of the apparatus that gives you a false result.”

Experimenterers always foresee some apparatus artifacts and incorporate allowances for them. For instance, Joshua Magee will write his William & Mary Ph.D. thesis on some of what he calls “ancillary measurements” of the experiment, focusing on aspects of a known artifact — the aluminum box holding protons (in the form of liquid hydrogen) that are the target of the experiment.

“You can’t just have protons hanging out in the middle of nowhere, so we have them in an aluminum box with very, very thin walls on the side,” Magee said. “When we take our electron beam and bring it to our target, we get quite a bit of scattering off the walls because aluminum is so much larger than the hydrogen inside it. My job is to compute the signal from the aluminum walls.”

Magee’s computations allow the experimenters to remove the “noise” introduced by the aluminum. Armstrong notes that Magee’s work is valuable on several levels.

“He has to understand what fraction of the electrons that we see scattered off the aluminum and what was their asymmetry. Josh’s thesis will include a measurement of the asymmetrical property of this aluminum, which has never been measured by anyone before,” he said.

Magee was only one of a number of W&M graduate students who took on important roles in the Qweak experiment. Another was Valerie Gray, a Ph.D. student in physics whom Armstrong said may have set Jefferson Lab’s record for numbers of hours of computer use.

“And it’s still growing,” Gray said. Her job was to set up a computer simulation of the experiment and compare the actual data with what was predicted.

“If everything matches up, in a perfect world we can go back and say this was our exact scattering angle, this was our exact scattering loss and so forth,” she explained.
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BALLERSCHOLAR

Junior Marcus Thornton’s work ethic takes him above the rim

By Kelley Freund

“Marcus Thornton just schooled your ass. He’s a baller and a scholar and he’s really freaking fast.” If you’re a player on the visiting team, this is not a chant you want to hear thundering through Kaplan Arena. Because it means Marcus Thornton just made you look silly ... and the student section wants to make sure you know it.

Thornton, a 6-foot-4-inch junior guard on the Tribe basketball team, has become a household name in the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) and beyond after a sensational sophomore campaign last year, posting double-digit scoring in all 30 games during the 2012-13 season. He was a second-team All-CAA selection as a sophomore and is just the third player in program history to be named to the National Basketball Coaches Association All-District first team.

Thornton has become a fan favorite at Tribe basketball games, not only for his talent, but for his flair on the court. He is also active on social media, especially Twitter. The intro on his page reads, “You’re welcome.” Cocky? Not if you know Thornton. It’s meant in the same way he plays the game — as a talented young player who has worked his butt off and is coming at you with all he has.

“Once I get the ball in my hand, it’s game time and I’m ready to go,” said Thornton. “If you’re prepared, the game just sort of comes to you. If you start thinking too much, you make mistakes.”

Thornton doesn’t make many mistakes. Last season, he made 93 three-point shots, en route to averaging 18.8 points per game, 31st nationally. Many coaches in the CAA believe Thornton is the conference’s toughest player to defend. “His repertoire is so vast that you never know what you might get next,” said senior forward Kyle Gaillard.

“There is not another player quite like Marcus,” said senior forward Tim Rusthoven. “His ability to finish at the rim and his moves are unlike anyone else in the league.”

Thornton’s success with the Tribe all started with a question Coach Tony Shaver had not heard before in all his years of coaching. “What’s the team hair policy?”

Thornton has been growing his hair out since he was in the fifth grade and started rocking the dreads his junior year of high school, something inspired by his favorite player growing up, Allen Iverson. Thornton considers his hair an extension of himself and Shaver could tell it meant a lot to him.

“When he told me I didn’t have to cut it, it was a sigh of relief,” said Thornton.

Since that meeting, Thornton has gone on to earn a slot on the preseason All-CAA first-team this year and was named one of the most under-appreciated players nationally by CBSSports.com. In Jay Bilas’ College Hoops Opus released on ESPN.com, the college basketball analyst rated Thornton among the top players outside the power conferences.

So is the hair the secret behind Thornton’s success? Or maybe it’s the carbs he eats? “Marcus loves bread,” said Rusthoven. “At times I have seen Marcus eat nothing but bread for an entire meal. Wouldn’t seem healthy for most people, but it’s working for him.”

Or is it water aerobics? On a team trip to the Dominican Republic, a women’s water aerobics class was in the pool one afternoon and Thornton jumped right into the middle of it and started participating.

“Marcus Thornton just schooled your ass. He’s a baller and a scholar and he’s really freaking fast.” If you’re a player on the visiting team, this is not a chant you want to hear thundering through Kaplan Arena. Because it means Marcus Thornton just made you look silly ... and the student section wants to make sure you know it.

“Once I get the ball in my hand, it’s game time and I’m ready to go,” said Thornton. “If you’re prepared, the game just sort of comes to you. If you start thinking too much, you make mistakes.”

Thornton doesn’t make many mistakes. Last season, he made 93 three-point shots, en route to averaging 18.8 points per game, 31st nationally. Many coaches in the CAA believe Thornton is the conference’s toughest player to defend. “His repertoire is so vast that you never know what you might get next,” said senior forward Kyle Gaillard.

“There is not another player quite like Marcus,” said senior forward Tim Rusthoven. “His ability to finish at the rim and his moves are unlike anyone else in the league.”

Thornton’s success with the Tribe all started with a question Coach Tony Shaver had not heard before in all his years of coaching. “What’s the team hair policy?”

Thornton has been growing his hair out since he was in the fifth grade and started rocking the dreads his junior year of high school, something inspired by his favorite player growing up, Allen Iverson. Thornton considers his hair an extension of himself and Shaver could tell it meant a lot to him.

“When he told me I didn’t have to cut it, it was a sigh of relief,” said Thornton.

Since that meeting, Thornton has gone on to earn a slot on the preseason All-CAA first-team this year and was named one of the most under-appreciated play-
A Comeback Season

In his 34th season at the helm of W&M's football program, head coach Jimmye Laycock '70 led the Tribe to one of its biggest turnaround seasons in school history. Improving upon last year's dismal 2-9 overall record and 1-7 record in the CAA, this year's squad finished 7-5 overall and 4-4 in the CAA while facing one of their most challenging schedules in recent years.

After kicking off their season with a near-win over a formidable West Virginia team on the Mountaineers' home turf, the Tribe faced six nationally ranked opponents and pulled off convincing wins against three of them, including a 17-7 Homecoming win over JMU. After two consecutive wins against ranked opponents, the Tribe garnered a national ranking of 23rd in the FCS polls the first week of November. W&M would improve to as high as 16th in the nation before a tough home loss to Towson in late November settled them in the 19th spot.

Given the difficulty of their schedule, the Tribe's defense proved to be the difference maker in W&M's comeback season. Ranked first in the nation in scoring defense while allowing a meager 12.5 points per game on average, the Tribe's defense held five opponents to a single touchdown or less and posted two shutouts on the year against Rhode Island and New Hampshire.

After this season's successful turnaround, Laycock has been named a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award that is presented to the top FCS coach each year. He is one of 21 finalists being considered, and the winner will be announced on Dec. 16 at the Sports Network FCS Awards Banquet and Presentation in Philadelphia.

— Ashley Chaney '14

Ten Tribe football players earned All-CAA honors, including junior Mike Reilly (left) and sophomore Luke Rhodes (right).
[GAMESTOWATCH] - WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

With a new coaching staff at the helm, led by veteran Ed Swanson, W&M women’s basketball will look to greatly improve on past seasons and kick off a successful new era for the Tribe in Kaplan Arena.

DELaware
HOME: JANUARY 9
The Tribe has not fared well against the Blue Hens the past few years, but with all-star Elena Delle Donne having moved on to the WNBA last year, the Tribe women may stand a chance against this CAA powerhouse.

CHARLESTON
AWAY: JANUARY 12
The last time these two teams faced each other was in 1998, with W&M coming out on top. The Cougars are an addition to the CAA this year and will look to prove themselves as a formidable force in their new conference.

JAMES MADISON
HOME: FEBRUARY 4
W&M is 0-5 in the most recent matches against the JMU women, but this game could prove to be an important turning point for the Tribe and indicator of new coach Ed Swanson’s success with his new team.

[SPORTS BRIEFS]

Men Runners Win 14th Straight CAA Conference Title
The men’s cross country team took home their 14th consecutive CAA Championship in a convincing win over Northeastern, 25-44. The Tribe placed seven runners on the CAA’s All-Conference team, led by second-place finisher, senior Rad Gunzenhauser, and freshman Trevor Sleight. Sleight finished third overall, the best finish for a true freshman since 2004.

Former Men’s Basketball Standout Selected in NBA D-League Draft
Former W&M men’s basketball standout Quinn McDowell ’12 was selected in the 2013 NBA Development League Draft in November as the third pick of the sixth round (88th overall) by the Springfield Armor. McDowell became the third W&M player drafted into the NBA Development League and the highest pick for a Green and Gold player. Last season, McDowell played his first year professionally for the Willetton Tigers in the State Basketball League in Australia. He ranked among the SBL leaders in a number of categories and was selected to the SBL All-Star Five as the best shooting guard in the league. He was second in the SBL in scoring at 29.4 points per game.

Men’s Soccer Competes in First Round of NCAA Tournament
After earning an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament, the William & Mary men’s soccer team dropped a hard-fought match to George Mason in the first round. After 110 minutes of play ended in a 2-2 draw, the game went to penalty kicks, where the Patriots came out on top, 4-2. The Tribe finished the season with a record of 11-5-3.

Women’s Cross Country Finishes 12th at NCAA Championships
After posting a program-record second-place finish at the Southeast Region Championships, the Tribe women’s cross country team went on to race at the NCAA Championships in November, finishing 12th and upsetting six higher-ranked teams along the way. The Tribe was led by senior Elaina Balouris, who finished 11th overall for her fourth All-American performance. William & Mary’s 12th-place finish is the second-best in program history, behind the 10th-place showing by the 1998 team.
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An entrepreneurial lawyer. The leader of a multimillion dollar research project. The head of the FBI. During Charter Day weekend in February 2014, these three individuals will each receive the Alumni Medallion, the William & Mary Alumni Association's highest honor. Not only have these alumni demonstrated unparalleled success and leadership in their professions, but with their dedication to community service, sports facilities were built, a business school was transformed and kids without a home were given one.

And their love for William & Mary? That’s a given.

By Kelley Freund
SERVICE WITH A SMILE

James Comey ’82, LL.D. ’08

You might know him as the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Or maybe as the guy that helped prosecute the Gambino crime family or led the Martha Stewart investigation. He is also the man that challenged the White House over constitutional concerns related to domestic wiretapping.

But what you might not know about James Comey ’82, LL.D. ’08 is that his public service extends beyond his accomplishments in law enforcement.

He’s also the guy that taught Sunday school each week at his local church. And someone who, along with his wife, Patrice ’84, became licensed foster parents in Connecticut, caring for infants and toddlers in their home.

And he really loves William & Mary.

“When I consider the three distinct areas of consideration by which the Alumni Association rigorously reviews nominees for the Alumni Medallion, it is as though these criteria were written with Jim Comey in mind,” said Barbara Cole Joynes ’82, president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. “While the College has many distinguished alumni, few embody outstanding professional achievement, community service, and commitment and service to our alma mater as distinctly as Jim.”

This past September Comey succeeded Robert Mueller as the director of the FBI. Previously, Comey was the U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York, serving as deputy chief of the Criminal Division. When he moved on to the Richmond U.S. Attorney’s office, Comey spearheaded a program known as Project Exile. The goal of the project was to reduce Richmond’s record-high homicide rate by reducing gun-related crime and the gun-carry rate. In five years, this innovative program, which shifted prosecutions from state court to federal court where the sentences were tougher, dropped Richmond’s homicide rate to an all-time low. The program was adopted by other cities and was recognized by the Clinton Justice Department as an innovative private-public partnership, as well as for successful cross-jurisdictional problem solving.

As United States Deputy Attorney General serving in President George W. Bush’s administration from 2003-05, Comey was the second-highest ranking official in the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) and ran the day-to-day operations of the department. He was in the national spotlight when he challenged the White House over constitutional concerns related to domestic wiretapping.

“Jim executed his duties in the most honorable way, taking on the most difficult issues, and demonstrating the courage to hold fast to his ideals in the face of great adversity to him and to the freedoms of all Americans,” said David Kelley ’81, former U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York and current vice president of the William & Mary Alumni Association.

W&M Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies Hans O. Tiefel sees Comey as a rare individual who truly serves the common good. “I am convinced that he is dedicated to the domestic values of our nation’s past that insist we be a nation of laws, not men.”

When Comey left the DOJ, he became general counsel and senior vice president of Lockheed Martin, and in 2010 he became general counsel at Bridgewater Associates. Leaving Bridgewater in early 2013, he became senior research scholar and Hertog Fellow on National Security Law at Columbia Law School.

Now confirmed as FBI director, Comey has served at the will of two presidents of two different political parties.

Comey has remained closely connected to the College, speaking in 2003 and 2009 at Opening Convocation ceremonies and at the 2008 Charter Day ceremony, where he received an honorary doctor of laws degree. He also served on the Alumni Association’s Board of Directors from 2008-12, including serving as vice president from 2009-11.

Joynes recalled that when she first joined the Alumni Association board, Comey had drafted a piece about fostering a lifelong relationship among students, alumni and the College. Thus began the College’s embrace of a new attitude towards the way W&M talks to prospective and incoming students — one that is more welcoming and reflective of the lifelong relationship model.

In 2011, the W&M Law School named Comey the Carter O. Lowance Fellow. The fellowship is one of the highest honors conferred by the law school and the College in recognition of significant public service.

“Jim demonstrates an intellectual curiosity and lifelong commitment to learning and growth that is a great example for current students and alumni alike,” said Joynes. “He’s also one of the funniest people you will ever meet. And one of the tallest.”

“His love of the College is palpable and his ambition for W&M is striking,” said William & Mary President Taylor Reveley. “He has maintained close ties to the College over the centuries.”

When Comey came back to speak at Charter Day, he spoke about that tradition of service. “It would be an awful thing to get to the end of this short life and realize you have accumulated the smoke of success, but nothing of real value,” he said. “Service offers rewards that can’t be banked but that sure make you feel rich at the end of every long day.” 🌟
STAYING IN THE GAME

Gary LeClair ’77

If William & Mary’s football team didn’t run the option in the 1970s, Gary LeClair ’77 probably wouldn’t have gone to college.

LeClair was an option quarterback who played high school ball in northern New Jersey. On the surface, a football offense might seem like a frivolous reason to choose a particular school. In fact, LeClair had never been south of New Jersey before he came to visit the College his senior year of high school. But coming from a family of very modest means, the football scholarship the College offered him was probably the only way he could further his education.

“Without that football scholarship, my parents couldn’t afford to pay for me to go,” said LeClair. “My relatives didn’t go to college. My dad didn’t go to college and my mom never finished high school. Sometimes opportunities come your way and you need to embrace them.”

Embracing that opportunity ended up being one of the best decisions LeClair made. “I made many lifelong friends. It was a terrific experience. Without W&M, I probably wouldn’t have gotten a college education; I could never repay them for that. And I met my wife, which I consider the greatest gift.”

During LeClair’s freshman year, the football team beat Virginia Tech, a huge victory. As a reward, the cheerleaders served the team a steak dinner the following Monday night. When one of the cheerleaders served LeClair, he leaned over and said to his roommate, “I’m going to marry her.”

That cheerleader was April Wells ’77 and the two were married right after graduation. But when he was 32, LeClair and his wife went through what he calls a “life evaluation. But when he was 32, LeClair and hiswife went through what he calls a “life evaluation.” Their first child, daughter Collins, had developed a tumor on her liver at the age of 2. Collins weighed 25 pounds and the tumor was 6 of those. April was pregnant with their second child, so LeClair spent a lot of time in the hospital with Collins.

“There were nights in the hospital when they would come stick my daughter, and I had to sing ‘Old MacDonald’ to get her back to sleep... There was a lot of time to reflect. I knew I wanted to do something great in life — the opportunity to make a difference. My father always wanted to start a business and never did. I decided I would rather try and fail than not try at all.”

A year later in 1988, LeClair and Dennis Ryan started LeClair Ryan, a securities and venture capital legal boutique firm to address the special needs of entrepreneurs and venture capitalists. Since its founding, LeClair Ryan has grown from two attorneys in one office in Richmond, Va., to 350 full-time attorneys (plus more than 300 contract attorneys) in 17 cities stretching from Boston to Virginia on the East Coast to San Francisco and Los Angeles on the West Coast. Although he started LeClair Ryan 25 years ago, LeClair claimed that it is still a work in progress. “It still challenges me. I’m not ready to declare a victory yet; probably not until after I retire and reflect. I take pride in the cases we’ve won and the deals we’ve closed and we do a lot of good in the community. But we still have a lot ahead of us.”

LeClair keeps busy outside the office, investing in what he said is an integral part of life: relationships. He has kept up his relationship with the College, serving on the Board of Visitors and as a chair for the William & Mary Athletic Foundation. A firm believer in community involvement, he has also established relationships in his community, serving on the board of directors and advisors of many nonprofit organizations, such as the Steward School Foundation and the Tuckahoe Sports Foundation. LeClair was instrumental in getting the baseball field, dugouts and parking lot handicap accessible for the disabilities-friendly field at the Tuckahoe Sports Park. Sports has always been a big part of LeClair’s life and he wants to make sure all kids have the opportunity to experience that.

LeClair has also served as a youth coach for soccer, basketball, baseball and football. “I look at sports as a tool in raising children and teaching life lessons,” said LeClair. “It’s extraordinarily rewarding when a kid walks up to me 10 years later and calls me coach. Being a coach has allowed me to reflect on the life lessons I learned in sports and impart that. Passing that on to my daughters, son and their friends is among the most rewarding things I’ve done in my life.”

Besides sports, LeClair’s other passion is his family. He and April have raised five children, including Collins ’07, M.Acc. ‘08.

“I told my children when they went to college, don’t accept the notion that the college years are the best. They’re good, but life gets better. It gets better each year when you take that education and build upon that. That’s the proviso: you have to keep learning. Learn a new language, learn about art and classical music. Read, read, read. Invest in wellness. Invest in your relationships. Invest in continuing to develop.”

Whether it’s through his job, community involvement, life challenges, sports or relationships, LeClair has continued his personal development and has no plans on stopping anytime soon.

“My mom worked as a florist in a grocery store until she was 73. My goal is to exceed her record. I will be 74 before I retire. It’s about staying in the game and continuing to learn. I can’t imagine getting out of the game.”
SUSTAINING LEADERSHIP
Joyce House Shields ’64

When Joyce House Shields ’64 was growing up in Newport News, Va., she and her identical twin sister, Gay House Manning ’64, were a common sight around town. People would tell their mother, “We’d love to see the twins when they aren’t collecting for something.”

Whether it was collecting for the Red Cross or selling Girl Scout cookies, the House twins were always helping out. “It’s just the way we were brought up,” said Shields. This was the beginning of her passion for philanthropy and her commitment to the College and her community.

Growing up close to Williamsburg, Shields and her family would take drives on Sundays to visit the town and the College. “We said, ‘We definitely don’t want to go here! It’s too close to home,’” Shields said. “But then we looked at other colleges and changed our minds. We loved William & Mary then and we do now! Our closest friends then are our closest friends to this day — although it got off to a rocky start as they laughed at us our whole freshman year for dressing alike.”

The twins lived in Jefferson, the same dorm where their father, Rufus House Jr. ’29, had lived. As a basketball player for the school, Shields has “wonderful memories of great fun” playing in the basement of Jefferson and confusing competitors as she and her twin roamed the court. She became a member of Pi Beta Phi fraternity for women and worked as a research assistant in the Psychology Department running experiments and coauthoring articles.

After graduating from William & Mary with a degree in psychology, Shields attended grad school at Delaware and went on to work for the U.S. Army. Earning a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland along the way, she became director of manpower and personnel research for the Army and one of the few women to become a member of the Senior Executive Service. “Working for the Army as the ‘All Volunteer Force’ was just beginning provided a rich source of opportunities for psychologists to contribute,” she said. Shields’ research spanned the introduction of self-paced training to the design of recruiting strategies for the “Be All You Can Be” Army. She is proudest of her role in the initiation and management of a multi-year, multimillion dollar research program to modernize the Army’s selection and classification of enlisted personnel. In recognition of her contributions, she received the Arthur S. Fleming Award for administrative excellence in the federal government and the Medal for Exceptional Civilian Service.

Following her 19-year career with the Army she went on to work 23 years for Hay Group, a worldwide management consulting firm. As a senior leader and owner, she shifted her focus from research to meeting the needs of Fortune 500 companies and governments in organizational change, executive development and human resource planning. In this role she received awards as a Distinguished Psychologist in Management and for Excellence in Consulting Psychology.

With a successful career, Shields did not forget the school that started it. She became involved with the College’s Lord Botetourt Auction, served as a trustee on the William & Mary Foundation Board, co-chaired her 45th Class Reunion and is currently co-chairing her 50th Class Reunion. But it was Jim Ukrop ’60, L.H.D. ’99 who told Shields she really should be on the board of the Mason School of Business. Now Shields has served for over 10 years.

Shields has been very involved with Mason’s Leadership Development program from its launch in 2004. Most recently, Shields co-led a major research effort to redefine the critical leadership competencies for the College’s M.B.A. students. “We confirmed that employers want employees who have the interpersonal skills to work with and influence others as well as the ability to think creatively, embrace ambiguity and solve complex problems — not just technical skills,” Shields said.

“I have never asked Joyce to do something on behalf of the Mason School of Business, our faculty or our students that she has not willingly agreed to do and that she has not accomplished beyond my ever-accelerating expectations of her,” said Lawrence Pulley ’74, dean of the business school. “She is a pleasure to work with and her contributions have been, literally, transformational.”

Shields has been active outside the College as well. She serves as a trustee of her church in Alexandria, Va., and on the Homeless and Outreach committees and still finds time to visit older members of the church not able to attend services. As a board member of the American Red Cross in the National Capital Area, she heads the Philanthropy Committee and received the top award for superior volunteer service. She is also a member of the board of trustees for the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation.

Shields has been successful in many areas of her life, but she gives the credit to those she has met along the way, many of whom she met at William & Mary. “Take advantage of every opportunity provided – not just the intellectual part of the College. My friends from William & Mary have become my ‘chosen family.’ The most important gift from W&M are these lifelong friends. Faith, family and friends are the most important things in my life. You can be successful in many different ways, but without those it is not meaningful.”
THERE IS NO LIMIT TO WHERE YOUR TALENT CAN TAKE YOU IF YOU HAVE LIMITED TALENT
When confronted with a near-crippling lack of musical talent, most people take up a more realistic hobby and leave their dreams of rock stardom behind. The other three guys decided to start Skum.

Formed in 1984 by “renegade” members of the William & Mary soccer team, Skum became known for catchy songs, a rotating cast of band members, a few debaucherous years in Miami and eventually a tragic implosion. Their exploits and the ensuing wake of destruction are chronicled in “Skum Rocks!,” an upcoming documentary on the band’s rise and fall. It’s the stuff rock dreams are made of, made all the more impressive by how they got their start: They did not know how to play their instruments. They were awful.

In 2008, director Clay Westervelt was coming off a string of successful documentaries and television shows when he got a cold call from someone looking for help with a film project. Westervelt was perfect for this project, the man said, because his most recent documentary, “Popatopolis,” profiled another director who found success in spite of the odds. “He sent over a bunch of footage and it was very difficult to watch,” said Westervelt, “but some of it was so intriguing.” The man had sent old home videos of a bombastic rock band, along with on-the-spot comments about that band from an array of celebrities. Westervelt was suspicious, but elected to take the project on anyway.

“I was very nervous about this movie from the beginning because it became clear fairly early on that I wasn’t necessarily going to be able to trust the information I was being given,” said Westervelt. “But that’s what these guys are masters at: making something out of nothing and making it go when it shouldn’t.”

The man was Hart Baur ’86, and his band, Skum, was back. Which is impressive, considering they probably shouldn’t have existed in the first place.

One night at the Green Leafe in early 1984, Baur and a couple of his soccer teammates thought it’d be fun if they had a band. “We were always on the edge anyway,” Baur said. “I found a couple guys on the team who were willing to venture further out on the edge with me.”

That night at the Leafe, Skum was born. Todd Middlebrook ’85 became the bass player, just because he owned a bass. Scott Bell ’87 was dubbed the drummer, soon to sit behind a set of Mickey Mouse drums — which he didn’t know how to play. Baur would front the band with a $60 guitar he bought later in Newport News, Va. Skum would play the finest cover songs 1984 had to offer, from bands like Van Halen, the...
Clash and KISS. The mission — “meet girls and have more fun,” said Middlebrook — was clear.

A week later, the first band practice was held in the basement of Middlebrook’s dorm at James Blair Terrace.

“We made as much noise as you could possibly make with two amps and drums,” said Baur. “Apparently it vibrated the building all the way up to the attic. Within minutes, we had made enemies of the entire dorm.”

Skum barely played for half an hour before an RA came down and forced them to stop. But the guys were hooked, even if understaffed. Enter Jon Tarrant ’87, who — believe it or not — had studied at London’s Royal Academy of Music. His background was in piano, but he was recruited as a second guitarist to help out Baur, who “didn’t even know what tuning was.”

“I auditioned,” said Tarrant. “Which is kind of funny, given that they sucked.” Tarrant made the cut and joined the band, now practicing near the heart of Old Campus on South Boundary Street.

“We were terrible,” said Bell. “We were laughing the whole time we were playing because it was so bad, but we were enjoying it. At first we started to try to play real songs — like other people’s songs — and realized quickly that we didn’t have the chops to play any real songs. We started making up our own.”

Almost-classic tunes like “We Are Skum” and “Hanging Out With Fred” emerged from late-night dormitory song-writing sessions. Fred, incidentally, was the soccer team’s laundry man, while “Bad Checks” was a story of a former teammate who fled the country after having an insufficient account balance. In large part, the early songs were about the goings-on around the Tribe soccer team, so the first gig was a natural choice: surprising a teammate with 300 people crammed into his house.

“It was a great party,” said Baur. “People went crazy cheering and it sounded god-awful, but it was a great moment with 300 of your closest friends.”

Soon Skum was scheduled to play Trinkle Hall, but rather than be outed as the terrible band they were, Skum passed out beer and called the cops on themselves. The police broke the show up before they finished the first song. The audience saw a rock band fighting the law; the band saw their legend — and their ranks — grow even further. Herb George ’89 later joined the band as “lead bassist,” a move they claimed was unprecedented in rock history. Now Middlebrook, like Baur, could focus on their trademark energetic stage show, while George and Tarrant handled the music. Bell, for his part, had his role locked down.

“My right foot is just constantly going 100 miles an hour,” he remembered. “That’s my bass drum in every song. In no way, shape or form am I a drummer.”

Skum soon entered a Battle of the Bands, where they played for 90 seconds before protesting the supposed poor sound quality and storming off the stage — impressing yet another guitarist, Jerry Mann, in the process. Later shows featured the band members each dressed in a different fast-food uniform, a July show dubbed Pumpkindest, and assorted other shenanigans. The local press ate it up, but Commencement was looming.

Middlebrook graduated first, and the band carried on with George as the only bass player. By his own graduation, Baur had caught the rock band bug, and wanted to keep Skum going in his hometown of Miami. They bid Bell, George and Tarrant goodbye and headed south. All the original members remain friends, but “Skum Rocks!” half-mockingly suggests that the split was not entirely harmonious; George is featured in a phone tirade against his replacement at lead bass. Tarrant suggests Skum failed at piecing his life back together.

“They went on to their lives at that time and we went on to our lives,” said Middlebrook. “Throughout, I cannot tell you the fondness that we have for each other.”

Bell remembered it slightly differently. “The part [in “Skum Rocks!”] about me getting fired because I was too handsome and got all the chicks — some of that is absolutely the truth.”

“Skum Rocks!” tackles the Miami years with even more ferocity than Skum’s time at William & Mary. They added bassist Pat Burke, a high school guitar prodigy named John Eaton, and a litany of itinerant drummers. Armed with Baur’s and Middlebrook’s charisma and bonafide musicians in Burke and Eaton, Skum set about terrorizing the East Coast with increasingly legitimate rock & roll.
It started to work — barely. By day, Baur was teaching high school. By night, he was opening a concert at West Dade Prison with “I Fought The Law,” featuring a random Skum fan replacing their usual drummer, who was too young to get into his own show. The band raised tens of thousands of dollars to record their first album, “Lost at the Circus,” independently, which they burned on more parties, groupies and paying damages for the havoc they caused. The album that eventually came out of their sessions was hyped as “the next White Album,” but it all came crashing down when “Lost at the Circus” was itself mysteriously lost. The band was devastated. Skum split and left the rock lifestyle behind for good. Probably.

“[Skum represented] some of the most enjoyable years of our lives,” said Middlebrook from his home in London. “On the other hand, we had gone on to our adult lives. So when we heard the tapes were found, it was, ‘OK, what do we do now?’”

After nearly two decades, “Lost at the Circus” had been found stashed in an old associate’s bathtub. Baur, ever the showman, immediately started going to work. Before long, he had re-assembled the early ’90s lineup (with yet another drummer), began restoring the “Lost at the Circus” tapes and booked Westervelt to shoot the documentary. Alice Cooper narrates “Skum Rocks!,” which debuted in September at the Raindance film festival in London. It’s a twisted tale that careens from Old Campus to South Beach to Memphis and then London, featuring dozens of cameos from rock legends and Hollywood stars. One notable alumnus even riffs on Skum from the set of the “Daily Show.”

In the end, the parties and girls didn’t turn out to matter as much as the brotherhood and inspiration. The film is dedicated to the memory of former guitarist Jerry Mann, who passed away of diabetes complications in 2011. Tarrant and Bell flew to the London premiere to support their old bandmates and friends.

“I never believed that the band could carry on and still live in 2013,” said Bell. “But that’s what they have really accomplished here: they’ve gone to Abbey Road Studios in London and cut tracks there. They did amazing things that I would never believe they could do.”

“Skum Rocks!” may begin as light-hearted, unbelievable insanity, but it’s shot through with a classic message of inspiration. After all, not every middle-aged ex-rocker has the chance to get the old band back together.

“As you get more stuff and have more bills, the tendency is to be a little too conservative. The film reminds me to live a little — to take a chance,” said Tarrant, who certainly hadn’t planned on joining a rock band all those years ago. “I was a math major.”

“There is that nostalgia for sure,” Middlebrook said, “but I love being 50. I am so much less afraid. You know what you want and you go for those things.”

“This is about going for your dreams no matter how old you are,” said Baur. “We’re just using rock and roll as a platform for that.”

And you can catch Skum live — 23 years later — in Melbourne, Fla., on Jan. 17.

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Yet again, Thomas Jefferson 1762, LL.D. 1782 was ahead of his time.

In his “Notes on the State of Virginia,” the architect of the Declaration of Independence advocated for the enlargement of the College of William & Mary so that all the commonwealth’s smartest students could attend.

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ment had reached 1,980 — more students than the 1,682 enrolled at the Williamsburg campus.

Perhaps noticing the overlap in goals with the College’s Richmond extension, Chandler was contacted by Dr. Henry H. Hibbs Jr., director of the Richmond School of Social Work and Public Health, a small private institution that trained social workers and public health nurses. In 1920, the school and the College reached an arrangement: William & Mary would teach pre-professional courses such as government and economics at the Richmond school, and students pursuing a degree in social work from the College could spend their final year in Richmond. Courses taken at the Richmond school could count toward a bachelor’s degree at the College.

By 1925, installing Hibbs as director, the College officially took the reins of the school. But the Richmond institution became the source of significant stress for the College. Because the school received no state funding, the quality of resources and programs at Richmond was not always high. By the mid-1930s, some had begun to question if the school was worth the risk to the institution.

The new divisions helped Chandler gain political clout, but they quickly began to weigh on the institution as a whole. The College received a warning from the Association of American Universities (AAU) in 1937, stating that the school needed to make improvements to the divisions. The College wrote back the following year, stating that they had provided the Norfolk Division with more money for books, increased salaries for faculty and capped transferable credits.

But the Norfolk Division’s biggest problem was its director, William T. Hodges 1902. In addition to allowing students to take a third year at the two-year institution, Hodges falsified student records. When confronted about changing the transcripts of students, Hodges said it was a standard practice at many universities. Though President John Stewart Bryan LL.D. ’42 asked Hodges for his resignation, Hodges had other ideas.

Having helmed the Norfolk Division for more than a decade, Hodges had gained considerable influence with the Norfolk community, and the people rallied to his defense. Instead of addressing the grade scandal, the Board of Visitors contemplated severing all of the College’s ties to the Norfolk Division. But a month later, the board decided to strengthen the division instead of dismissing it, adding courses in liberal arts and national defense.

The decision to continue the relationship with the Norfolk Division would soon come back to bite the College. In 1941, William & Mary was informed that its AAU accreditation had been suspended. The grade-changing scandal, inadequate support for the Norfolk Division and a need for greater administrative supervision were all listed as reasons for the suspension.

The following year, Hodges retired and Bryan resigned. New W&M President John E. Pomfret made restoration of the accreditation his first order of business, achieving this goal in December 1942. With their financial and administrative problems, Pomfret had no love for the divisions, and proposed that the Board of Visitors grant both schools independence from the College. The board approved making the then-named Richmond Professional Institute (RPI) independent but took no action regarding the Norfolk Division. Furthermore, beyond passage of the proposal, no immediate concrete action was taken to sever RPI from the College.

In 1951, Vice Adm. Alvin Duke Chandler LL.D. ’63, who attended William & Mary before graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1923, was named the College’s 21st president. Son of previous College president Julian A. C. Chandler, the younger Chandler wished to create a multi-campus “Greater College of William and Mary.” In 1960, he was granted his wish by the General Assembly, which
passed a bill establishing the “Colleges of William and Mary.” Two new two-year colleges were established: Christopher Newport College (CNC) in Newport News and Richard Bland College outside of Petersburg, Va. Suddenly a school that had once had trouble securing state funds was now in charge of a five-campus system.

Newport News initially provided an old school building as temporary quarters for CNC and eventually donated 75 acres to the fledgling institution to create a campus, placing the school on the fast track for growth. CNC began a cooperative program with nearby Riverside Hospital's School of Nursing and offered noncredit courses for NASA personnel. With the community behind it, CNC set its sights on becoming a four-year institution. In 1971, just 10 years after its founding, the school received four-year accreditation and awarded its first degrees.

Richard Bland College focused more on teaching vocational skills than CNC. Like its sister institution in Newport News, the community supported turning Richard Bland College into a four-year, degree-granting institution. The move was approved by the Board of Visitors in 1970, but immediately faced a lawsuit filed by students and faculty of nearby Virginia State College. As Virginia State College catered to almost entirely African-American students and Richard Bland's student body was almost entirely white, a federal court ruled that expanding Richard Bland College to a four-year institution would further perpetuate segregation. Richard Bland College has remained a two-year school under William & Mary ever since.

While the younger Chandler realized his dream of building an academic empire, this success was short-lived. In 1962, just two years after the five-campus system had been established, Richmond Professional Institute and the Norfolk Division were split off from William & Mary by the General Assembly. A key factor in the split was Chandler himself. When the five-campus system was established, Chandler was named administrative chancellor of all schools, and his micromanaging style chaffed the divisions.

The Norfolk Division had recently gained accreditation as a four-year institution, and after independence, it renamed itself Old Dominion University in 1969. The university is now one of the largest institutions in Virginia and has experienced extensive growth recently.

Richmond Professional Institute merged with the Medical College of Virginia in 1968 to form Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU), currently boasting the second largest enrollment in the state (excluding online students). Under former President Eugene P. Trani, VCU underwent a period of significant growth. The school also gained national recognition when the men’s basketball team made the NCAA Final Four in 2011.

CNC was granted its request for independence from William & Mary in 1977 by the Board of Visitors. The school became Christopher Newport University in 1992, and has undergone a period of expeditious growth under current President Paul S. Trible Jr.

The impact of W&M’s proactive engagement of students had an immeasurable effect on these communities. People who would have otherwise been unable to seek higher learning were given an opportunity to better themselves and their station in life. While Richard Bland College is the only extension that remains of the five-campus system, Virginia’s educational landscape would be markedly poorer if it weren’t for the College’s efforts to expand to new environments.

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THE TIES THAT BIND

BY GEORGANNE HASSELL
Published shortly after nuclear weapons were launched against Hiroshima and Nagasaki, during a time when untold millions had died due to the Holocaust and World War II, *The Anatomy of Peace* encouraged readers to understand global perspectives. The cover of the book had “An Open Letter to the American People,” which began, “The first atomic bomb destroyed more than the city of Hiroshima. The bomb also exploded our inherited, outdated political ideas.” The *Anatomy of Peace* was published in 25 languages in more than 30 countries. *Reader’s Digest* printed a condensed version over three issues and it was adopted as a textbook at Harvard, Yale and Columbia universities.

**ALBERT EINSTEIN CALLED IT THE POLITICAL ANSWER TO THE ATOMIC BOMB.**

The Reves Center celebrates 25 years of global engagement.
Its author, Emery Reves, was born in Hungary to Jewish parents. He went on to become a writer, publisher and literary agent, known as an advocate of world peace. In 1937 Reves and Winston Churchill began a lasting friendship, with Reves serving as his literary agent.

Reves passed away in 1981 and in 1989 Reves’s wife, Wendy, established an endowment at W&M to memorialize her husband, providing the foundation for the Wendy and Emery Reves Center for International Studies. The Reves center draws its inspiration from the ideas expressed in The Anatomy of Peace. It strives to promote the internationalization of learning, teaching, research and community involvement at William & Mary through education abroad, hosting international students and scholars, and promoting global engagement across the university. The Reves Center celebrates its silver anniversary in 2014 with new partnerships on campus and abroad, and recalls the vision and support that allowed the center to become a reality.

An enduring priority for the Reves Center is facilitating a study abroad program through the Global Education Office (GEO). During the past 25 years, students have discovered life beyond William & Mary’s historic grounds in equally impressive places like the University of St Andrews in Scotland, Tsinghua University in Beijing, and many other locations. Today, the GEO helps 45 percent of the undergraduate population study abroad and has strengthened ties with other world-renowned academic institutions around the globe.

Thanks to the continued generous support of friends and alumni, the Reves Center has been able to facilitate these global experiences by offering significant scholarships. William & Mary Chancellor, alumnus and former U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates ’65, L.H.D. ’98 established a merit-based scholarship for international relations and global studies undergraduates in 2012. The Robert M. and Rebecca W. Gates Scholarship opens doors for recipients to study abroad in ways that promote future careers in public service with a distinct worldview.

The GEO makes cross-cultural understanding a priority for students who study abroad and, in the spirit of The Anatomy of Peace, encourages students to understand diverse global perspectives not only throughout their academic careers, but also in their future careers beyond the campus.

Tyler Bembenek ’15 received a Gates Scholarship and was able to study medieval history at St. Peter’s College, Oxford during the summer of 2013.

“Going abroad is a vital step toward gaining a better appreciation of global society,” said Bembenek. “As globalization progresses, significantly affecting all of our lives, understanding the greater world community is increasingly useful.”

The Reves Center has also become the home for the Office of International Students, Scholars and Programs (ISSP), which brings cultures from around the world to William & Mary. More than 650 international students, scholars and their families become a part of the College’s community through the Reves Center each year. Support goes beyond assisting with academic and visa concerns; the Reves Center also works to create an inviting environment for international students and scholars as they study and conduct research on William & Mary’s campus. ISSP offers a variety of programs such as Global Friends, which matches international students with members of the local community in an effort to foster cross-cultural friendships and understanding. Additionally, the center offers housing in Reves Hall for international and domestic students with an interest in international affairs, which provides a home for students to pursue global scholarship, engage in intellectual debate and develop cross-cultural competence.

Marilyn Bowen ’15 lived in Reves Hall for the 2012-13 school year. “I’ve lived in a few places around the world and I really wanted to transition those experiences to my daily life at William & Mary,” said Bowen. “Reves Hall seemed like the perfect balance of on-campus life with a bit of global flair. It was refreshing to live and learn alongside such internationally-minded students.”

Helping W&M students go abroad and bringing international students to Williamsburg aren’t the only ways the Reves Center creates a worldwide perspective. More than two decades of global engagement has brought a number of annual endowed lectures of world-class scholars, analysts, artists, public figures and other distinguished guests to campus. The Reves Center fosters a dialogue between these guests and the William & Mary community in order to explore other countries and cultures.

As a resident of Reves Hall, Bowen had the opportunity to be a part of a group discussion with Ambassador Elin Suleymanov of Azerbaijan. “We met for an hour-long discussion about everything from Azerbaijan’s relationship with Russia to their hosting of the Eurovision Song Contest,” said Bowen. “It was fantastic to have the opportunity to have a small group discussion and learn a bit more about Azerbaijan.”

The Reves Center also supports the Reves Faculty Fellows program, promoting international opportunities that involve students through research or community-based teaching and learning. The program nearly always includes an overseas research component.

Assistant Professor of Kinesiology and Health Sciences Scott Ickes ’04 was awarded a fellowship last March. He used it to continue developing the East and Southern African Nutrition Initiative (ESANI), a partnership among William & Mary, the AidData Center for Development Policy and two universities in...
Africa. ESANI conducts research and is developing an education program in the area of child nutrition and global health.

“When I found out about the Reves Faculty Fellows, I couldn’t pass up an opportunity to establish what I came back here to do — to work closely with undergraduates to create meaningful research experiences that can affect real world change,” Ickes said.

While in Uganda, Ickes teamed up with students to map and classify nutrition projects. They traveled to meet with officials at places like the World Food Programme, the Ugandan National Planning Department and the World Health Organization. They also studied the social and cultural influences of child feeding.

“For a university our size, we have a tremendous international footprint,” said Ickes. “My goal for ESANI is to increasingly fuel collaborations that will address nutrition-related problems. I ultimately want to create a formal academic program that can co-enroll William & Mary students and students from African universities that would allow students to have a classroom and field research experience.”

Creating greater ties within the William & Mary community has also fostered a global impact. Strategic partnerships with various organizations like the W&M Institute for the Theory and Practice of International Relations has given the Reves Center the opportunity to further its mission of internationalization and work with new ventures, such as AidData, which uses cutting-edge research to map and track foreign aid.

Another partner in encouraging cultural understanding is the William & Mary Confucius Institute, which had its grand opening in 2012, and promotes Chinese language and culture at the College.

“In today’s world it’s incredibly easy to interact with people from around the world, yet it’s surprisingly equally easy to stay secluded in our own communities,” said Bowen. “The Reves Center allows students at William & Mary to engage in international affairs and educates us in order to become global citizens.

Between their study abroad programs and the events that they host on campus each semester, the Reves Center ensures that even if you have to stay in our corner of Virginia for these four years, you can leave with a sense of belonging to the greater, global community.”
I love celebrating campus traditions and have gone back to my college almost every year in the fall for Homecoming since I graduated. Even after all these years, I must admit that I have never experienced such an amazing weekend and made such fabulous memories like I did at William & Mary Homecoming 2013! Greeting alumni at registration, directing parade floats down Richmond Road, shivering through the Friday Night Block Party, toasting alumni at tailgates and reunion mixers, cheering the Tribe on to victory, and grooving to Russell Taylor ’96 at the Hulon Willis Soiree — I cannot wait to “Hark Again” at Homecoming next year, Oct. 16-19, 2014!

As you will read below, this fall and into winter, the Alumni Association and W&M constituent groups and chapters continued to connect alumni through College traditions by hosting chapter activities, Homecoming game watches and Yule Log celebrations across the world. In spring 2014, we are excited to offer more personal, professional and intellectual ways to engage alumni with the College and with each other. These will include wishing a Happy Birthday to the College at Charter Day birthday parties, and rolling out professional enrichment services from the Alumni Association.
for poor and homeless women in Boston. Chapter members were able to serve lunch to 150 women and children. The W&M Boston Alumni Chapter wrapped up 2013 by celebrating their second annual Yule Log at the Vault, where Director of Alumni Events Carol Dyke joined them for the festivities.

CENTRAL FLORIDA

Alumni in Central Florida enjoyed a busy fall by bringing the Homecoming celebration to the Sunshine State at Doc’s Streetside Grille to view a live stream of the Tribe Homecoming football game! In December, local alumni met for a Yule Log celebration at the home of David ’66 and Cindy Anderson.

CHARLESTON, S.C.

Members of the W&M Charleston-Lowcountry Alumni Chapter joined together in mid-October for a BBQ & Blues Sunset Cruise. The group enjoyed a variety of blues and jazz, while cruising off the coast of beautiful Charleston, S.C. In December, Mitch Vander Vorst, director of alumni communications, joined alumni at the home of Karen ’72 and Lou ’73 Burnett to enjoy holiday cheer and Tribe Pride at their Yule Log celebration.

CHARLOTTE, N.C.

In early November, the College and the Alumni Association welcomed nearly 100 Charlotte-area alumni to the Foundation For The Carolinas, to spend time with President Taylor Reveley and hear an update on the College. In December, alumni came together at the home of David ’97 and Rebecca ’99 Klepser with Kelsey Wheeler, assistant director of alumni engagement, to reminisce about 2013 and celebrate the much-loved College tradition of Yule Log.

CHICAGO

The W&M Chicago Alumni Chapter had a fall full of Tribe Pride and activities! In early November they welcomed President Taylor Reveley for a reception sponsored by H. Thomas Watkins ’74, and hosted by the College and the Alumni Association. Nearly 150 alumni gathered at the Museum of Contemporary Art to network and hear an update on the College from the president. Later in the month, members of the chapter dressed in green and gold to cheer on our Tribe football team as they fought hard against the University of Richmond Spiders. Also in November, local alumni participated in a Give Back Day, sponsored by the Big Shoulders Fund and their Auxiliary Board, at St. Margaret of Scotland School to help with cleaning painting and organizing.

HOUSTON

The W&M Houston Alumni Chapter kicked off the fall with a night of fun, friends and Tribe Pride at the bowling lanes in October. In December, local alumni gathered at the home of Bill ’70 and Barbara Benham to celebrate Yule Log.

LONDON, ENGLAND

In early September, William & Mary and the Alumni Association welcomed local alumni in the Lower Peninsula area to the Virginia Living Museum for a Yule Log celebration in early December. Alumni had the opportunity to toss sprigs of holly from campus “into the fire” for good luck and hear an update on the College from Provost Michael Halleran and Spencer Niles, dean for the School of Education.

In October, the William & Mary Lower Northern Neck Alumni Chapter started the fall with their annual oyster roast, where alumni enjoyed a great time and delicious food on the veranda of the Indian Creek Yacht & Country Club! In December, chapter members got into the holiday spirit with Cindy Gillman, director of business operations, at their annual holiday party held at Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury.

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OWJ scholarship recipients attend a reception during Homecoming 2013.
ALUMNI SPIRIT

NEW YORK CITY

The W&M New York City Alumni Chapter joined alumni across the world in celebrating the Tribe’s Homecoming victory over the JMU Dukes. The excitement of over 60 W&M alumni at Lunasu was sent directly back to the College when portions of their game watch were aired on the video scoreboard during the Homecoming game! In December, members of the chapter came together to celebrate Yule Log with Glenn Crafford ’77 and David Kelley ’81, members of the William & Mary Alumni Association’s Board of Directors, who brought holiday cheer and holly from the College.

NORTH FLORIDA

In October, the William & Mary North Florida Alumni Chapter joined the alumni of other Virginia schools for their annual Taste of Virginia event. In December, members of the chapter gathered at the home of Phillip ’84 and Gloria Bühler and greeted John Kane, associate vice president and director of alumni records, for their annual Yule Log celebration.

PITTSBURGH

The newly revived W&M Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter enjoyed an exciting and active fall! In October, local alumni came together to show their Tribe Pride and cheer on men’s soccer vs. Pitt and football during the Homecoming football game. In December, the group met again, this time at the home of new chapter president Samantha Quinn ’07, to hold their Yule Log celebration.

RICHMOND, VA

This fall, members of the chapter came together for food, fun and camaraderie at their monthly First Tables. In November, they dined at 525 at the Berry-Burk, a restaurant co-owned by W&M alumnus Thomas Haas ’09. In December, the W&M Richmond Alumni Chapter hosted their annual Yule Log celebration at the Jefferson Hotel, sponsored by the Mason School of Business and the Alumni Association. Barbara Cole Joyeys ’82, president of the William & Mary Alumni Association Board of Directors, brought holiday cheer.

ROANOKE, VA

The Roanoke chapter toasted the Tribe together in October at the Shenandoah Club and enjoyed dining and reminiscing with fellow W&M alumni. Their annual Yule Log celebration was held at the home of Lucas ’73 and Judie Snipes M.B.A. ’88 and attended by Susan Bowe ’85, executive assistant and travel program manager.

SAN FRANCISCO

Distance from the College was no excuse for San Francisco-area alumni as they brought Tribe Pride to the West Coast during the Homecoming football game. They shared their excitement when portions of their celebration were recorded and played back on the video scoreboard during the Homecoming game. In December, local alumni huddled together at the Ocean Beach Bonfire Pits to celebrate another longstanding College tradition, Yule Log! Alumni threw campus holly into the fire and enjoyed hot cider and sugar cookies.

TRIANGLE, N.C.

Triangle-area alumni were treated to a special tour of “The Tsar’s Cabinet” at the North Carolina Museum of History by collector and curator Kathleen Durdin ’77. In December, alumni drew together again for a Yule Log celebration at Café Caturra in Cary.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Throughout the fall, the Greater Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Chapter hosted many great events, including two of their signature events. In early October, GMWDC hosted their annual reception at the Embassy of Italy. The group was joined by Dr. Aaron De Groft ’88, director of the Muscarelle Museum of Art, who discussed the Museum’s recent successful exhibits “Michelangelo: Sacred and Profane” and “A Brush with Passion: Mattia Preti.” In December, the chapter joined President Taylor Reveley at the Waterview Conference Center to celebrate the time-honored College tradition, Yule Log.

WILLIAMSBURG

On top of many successful monthly Tribe Thursdays, the W&M Williamsburg Alumni Chapter hosted two signature events during fall 2013. First, in October, the chapter hosted their ever-popular annual Beer & Barbeque, where they were joined by Tribe Men’s Basketball Coach Tony Shaver and several of his players for this special evening. In December, the chapter gathered at the Alumni House to host their annual Yule Log celebration and throw holly into the fire.

HOMECOMING GAME WATCHES

W&M alumni also held Homecoming game watches in Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Memphis and Seattle to see the Tribe defeat the JMU Dukes. The Alumni Association provided the Tribe gear and W&M alumni brought their spirit. GO TRIBE!

YULE LOG CELEBRATIONS

W&M alumni also met to celebrate the much-loved College tradition of Yule Log in Charlottesville and St. Louis, while the W&M South Hampton Roads chapter gathered on campus at the Wren Building before the Grand Illumination. Elaine Campbell, director of business management, brought cheer and holly from campus to the Botetourt and Southwest Florida chapters’ Yule Log celebrations.
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Spencer Niles
Dean of the School of Education

**Education:**
B.A., Bloomsburg University
M.A., Lehigh University
Ed.D., Penn State University

**Tell us about your family.**
The vast majority of my family members are educators. My daughter is a school counselor and my son has a degree in education and policy studies. My son-in-law is a fifth-grade teacher. My mother was a high school Spanish teacher and my father was initially a teacher and school administrator but went back into the military after WWII. My sisters are teachers. My aunts and uncles are teachers. And my grandmother was a teacher in a one-room schoolhouse in Mehoopany, Pa.

**What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?**
We have incredibly talented and dedicated faculty members and what we do really matters. Having opportunities to facilitate faculty, staff and student success, and seeing the difference that the School of Education makes in the local community and across the world is very rewarding.

**What do you do in your spare time?**
The last time I mentioned to someone that I played a little guitar, I ended up getting a gift of a 4-inch guitar. Now, I just say that I don’t have much free time. W&M is such a special place and I absolutely love staying up with my research and doing everything I get to do in my role as dean.

**Of what are you most proud?**
I feel very thrilled to be serving as dean of the W&M School of Education. I am also proud of being named a Distinguished Professor at Penn State, an honor bestowed on less than 10 percent of faculty members.

**What are you excited about for 2014?**
Getting my feet on the ground and getting to know the people and traditions better, and getting involved in the e-learning initiative at the College.
“Naming William and Mary beneficiary of my IRA was an easy way to accomplish my plans. The Gift Planning staff helped me every step of the way.”
— Michael S. Smith ’73

From the moment Mike Smith first stepped on campus for summer band camp as a high school student, he knew he was destined to make music at William & Mary. Naturally, Mike continued with band throughout college, assisting legendary Band Director Charles Varner with the summer band camps where he earned the nickname “Captain Clarinet”. He’s maintained a lifelong connection through the Alumni Band, joining his former bandmates and others to perform at Homecoming halftime shows.

When Mike began to consider his estate plans, he wanted to commemorate the wonderful experience he had in the William & Mary Band and to help preserve and strengthen this experience for those who will follow. So Mike contacted the Gift Planning Office for proper language for his IRA beneficiary form. His bequest will establish a permanent endowment to help ensure that for future generations of William & Mary students, alumni, friends, and fans, the band will indeed play on.

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