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COMMENCEMENT IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

Commencement, one of William & Mary's most beloved traditions, will still take place in person this year if possible. It has been postponed to Oct. 9-11, in the hope that students will be able to celebrate on campus together and participate in traditions including ringing the Wren Bell and crossing the Crim Dell bridge. A virtual ceremony for the conferring of degrees was held on May 16.



ALUMNI FOCUS

A House For All Time Coming

BY TODD NORRIS '86, P '18, P '19, P '22

William & Mary Alumni Association Board Member

Though the William & Mary campus has been closed for the last few months as we work to keep everyone healthy, I have been following the progress of the Alumni House expansion project closely and am looking forward to when we can all gather there safely once again.

The William & Mary Alumni House has always been a special and welcoming place when visiting campus. I have vivid memories of stopping there at Homecoming, getting my class button and writing down on the board where I was staying — this was pre-internet! In 1995 it got a nice expansion and Clarke Plaza was paved with hundreds of engraved bricks commemorating special times, friends and family.

Rising along Richmond Road stands our newest monument to our William & Mary alumni nation. The expanded Alumni House, many years in the making, is getting its finishing touches and preparing for its grand debut. With a huge thanks to lead donor Hunter J. Smith '51, L.H.D '18 and many more committed alumni and friends, we have a stunning new addition to campus and a welcoming home for our more than 100,000 living alumni.

The new addition will add 33,000 new square feet to the house, bringing us to 53,000 in total. With true masonry construction, exterior walls that are 18 inches thick and 164,000 bricks on the new building, we are truly planning for the next 327 years of alumni. Add 34,000 pavers for the patio, another

9,500 for the Family Courtyard, and a new entrance drive and fresh landscaping, and you have the gorgeous exterior you can see all the way from Zable Stadium and the Sadler Center.

Inside will be a beautiful ballroom with space for up to 400 at tables and approximately 700 theater style. There is new reception space, a business office and lounge for visiting alumni, a Juliet balcony in front (perfect for blushing brides), and meeting and conference space. It will truly be a jewel for the entire W&M community.

In addition, with an unfinished third floor for expansion, the design is prepared for the future needs of our alumni. And in the competition for W&M's best-looking cupolas, the Alumni House is now right up there with the Wren Building and Miller Hall as spectacular architecture gracing our historic campus.

We look forward to the dedication at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend on Oct. 16, 2020, and celebrating there for many years to come.

See photos from the Alumni House expansion project at magazine.wm.edu/house-focus.

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Whether you are attending an alumni event in the elegant Hunter Hall, celebrating a special occasion of your own in the historic Bright House or just stopping by to catch up with friends in the Alumni Lounge, the Alumni House is your home away from home on campus.

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FROM THE BRAFFERTON

Authentically W&M

BY KATHERINE A. ROWE

William & Mary President

In a Community Conversation this spring, Associate Dean of Admission Tish Canady stated: “There’s nothing else to put out there but what’s authentically you.” She was speaking about William & Mary’s approach to recruiting new students in a time of pandemic. Reflecting on her words in the weeks that followed, I realize that she was speaking to a larger truth.

When confronted with overwhelming challenges, our only option is to respond with our authentic selves. We have witnessed healthcare providers, including many William & Mary alumni, courageously combatting COVID-19 on the frontlines. Essential workers continued showing up, knowing that their work makes it possible for others to stay in. And so many chose to stay home to protect the safety of others.

As we navigate this pandemic, the Alma Mater of the Nation is learning once more what it means to serve with compassion. At the time of this writing, we are in the final week of the spring semester. Our community’s creative adaptation and profound commitment to belonging carried us through the past months. Those same qualities will carry our nation through the next uncertain phase of what it means to “reopen.”

We should all take great pride in how William & Mary has responded. We have shown who we are as a 327-year-old institution, grounded in tradition and committed to changing the world for the better.

NAVIGATING A “WICKED ENVIRONMENT” COVID-19 exemplifies what sociologists call a wicked environment: an unfamiliar and adverse environment that changes rapidly. Decisions must be made with far too little information for

comfort. As we navigate this territory, our mission is our compass.

At William & Mary, we know who we are as a learning community. We convene great minds and hearts to meet the most pressing needs of our world. From that mission, we set out four goals to guide us through the pandemic. We would:

- *Safeguard the health of our community*
- *Sustain W&M’s vibrant learning mission*
- *Maintain the university’s research and operations*
- *Join the national effort to flatten the curve of COVID-19*

INNOVATING TO ADVANCE WHAT WE VALUE MOST

For the sake of these goals, we reimagined every aspect of living, working and learning at William & Mary. A student yoga instructor summed up the challenge in an online wellness video posted in the early days of quarantine. She observed that community exists even when we cannot see each other.

Our students and their families, faculty, staff, alumni and friends approached the task of creating community under quarantine with energy and dedication.

- *Learning together from afar.* In just 10 days, our faculty moved 2,000-plus courses online. Students took active roles as collaborators in learning and the Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation supported pedagogical innovation. Intergenerational partnerships, in which we learn side-by-side, may prove one of the most valuable lessons we take with us from this difficult season.

- *Taking a both/and approach to Commencement.* For a community that cherishes close connections, some traditions must be held in person. So we deferred our in-person Commencement ceremony to a long weekend in the fall. We want to give our students and their families as much time to reconnect and celebrate as possible. And, by the time you read this, we will have conferred degrees virtually on May 16: paying homage to past traditions that some alumni may remember, while we inaugurate new traditions of gratitude.

- *Connecting personally with the Class of 2024.* Our Admission team partnered with William & Mary’s entrepreneurship fellows to find new ways to introduce ourselves to the Class of 2024. Admission staff and students reported that this year’s process was more fulfilling than ever because they had more opportunities to meet one-on-one with prospective students.

Alumni reached out to students and shared their #whyWM on social media. And we brought our most cherished traditions online through a virtual tour and a new Digital Days program.

- *Finding new ways to engage one another.* Our Alumni Association stood up new programming, recognizing the increased desire for connection that so many of us have felt during this season of quarantine. New professional development programs and networking opportunities offered support to William & Mary's entire community in this difficult economy.

EMBRACING DUTY As our community comes together to combat the impacts of COVID-19, we do so with a profound sense of duty to each other that befits William & Mary's long tradition of service. The challenges brought on by the pandemic have illuminated the intense vulnerability of so many in our university community and beyond. Immediately after we announced that learning would be moved to remote platforms, alumni, parents, friends, students, faculty and staff wrote to me directly to ask: how can I help?

- Our extended community stepped up through our *For the Bold* campaign to support William

& Mary's emergency funds, including especially the Fund for William & Mary, which supports the university as a whole;

- Students supported their classmates by giving to the HEART Fund; many students donated their housing and food rebates; and the Student Assembly committed additional funding;
- Neighbors in Williamsburg offered to open their homes to students unable to activate their emergency evacuation plans;
- Researchers donated thousands of items of personal protective equipment to area hospitals.

So many in our William & Mary community have reached out, with compassion, care and wisdom. Many have observed that while these seismic shifts feel unprecedented, William & Mary has been here before. This university has navigated war, fire, epidemic and economic recession. And we have flourished by holding close our educational mission to learn and to serve in all times coming.

In this time of pandemic — to borrow our thoughtful colleague's words — the Alma Mater of the Nation is putting out there what's authentically us.



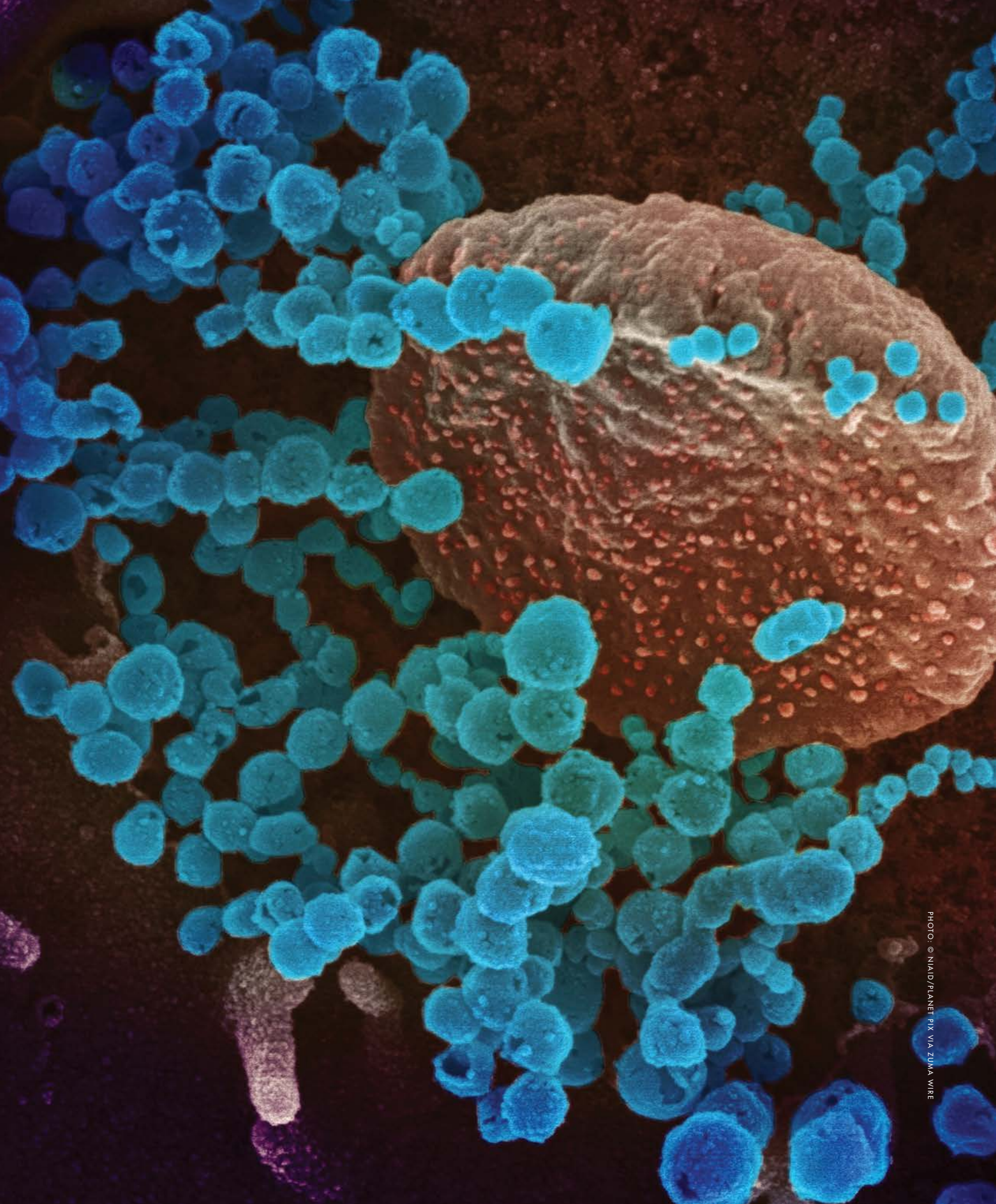
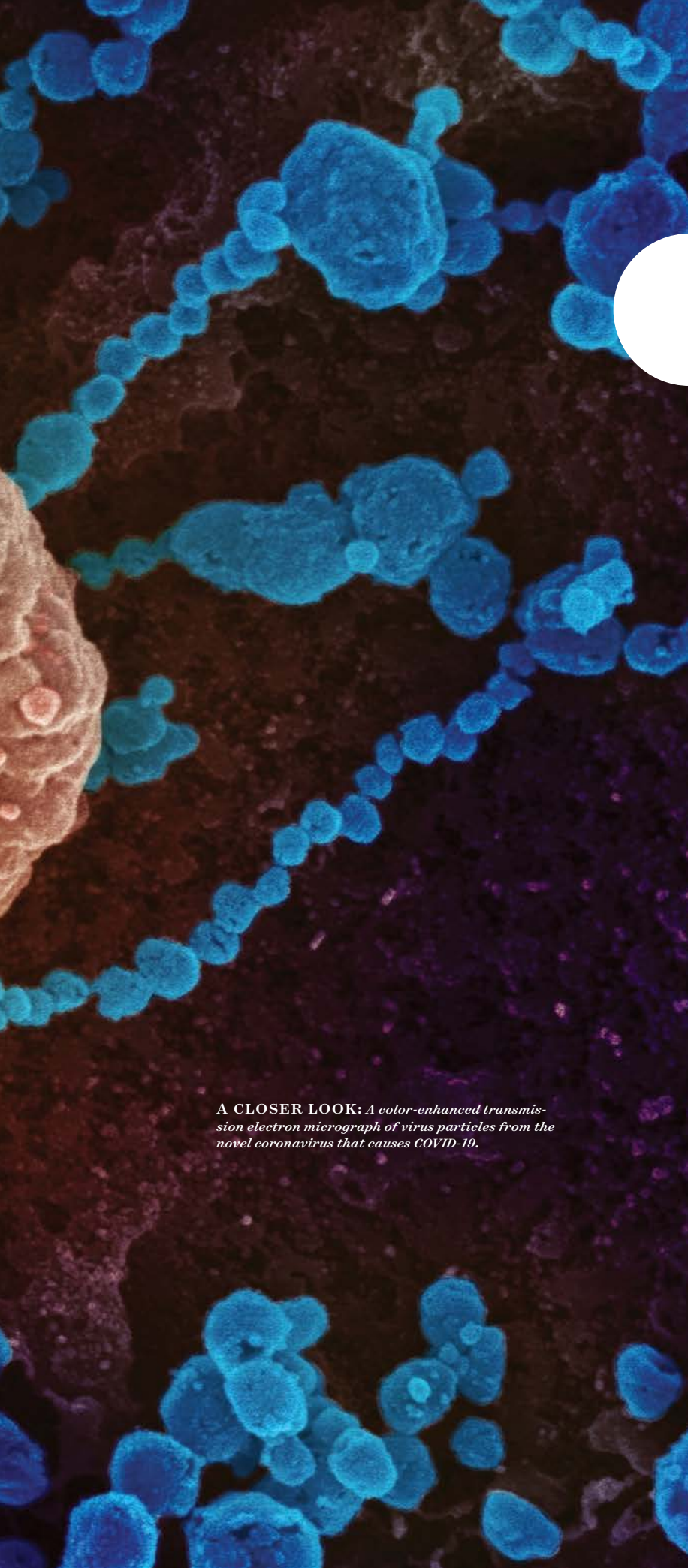


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A CLOSER LOOK: A color-enhanced transmission electron micrograph of virus particles from the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19.

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TOGETHER IN CRISIS

Unity and Resilience

W&M perseveres as COVID-19 forces a shift to distance learning, remote gatherings

BY TINA ESHLEMAN

LIFE HAS CHANGED DRAMATICALLY FOR ALL OF US IN the William & Mary community — and throughout the world — over the past few months.

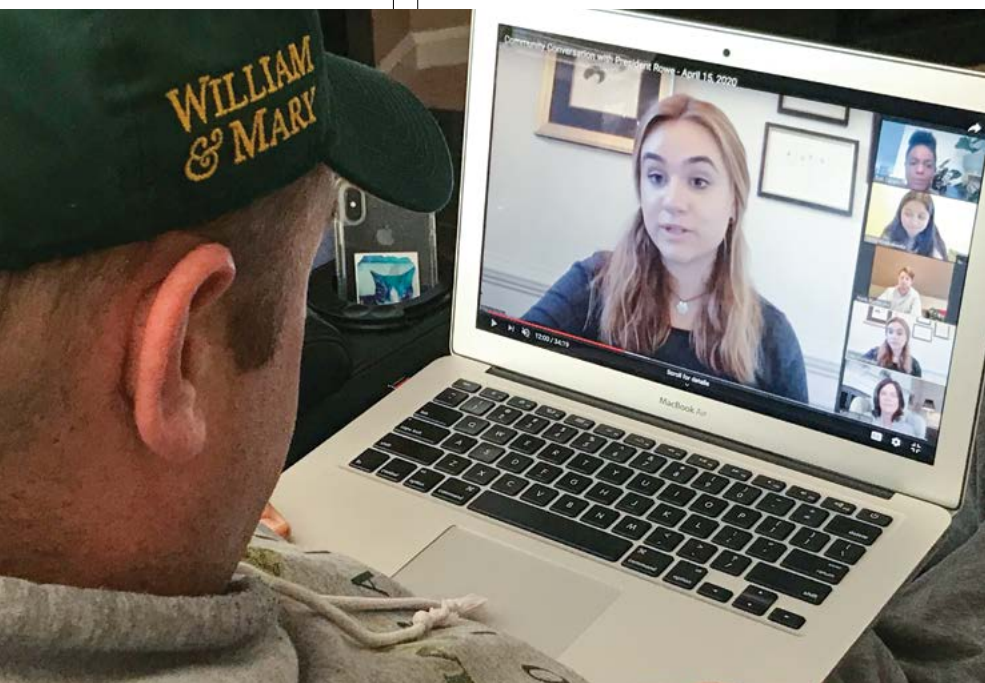
At the beginning of the semester in January, there was little hint that the outbreak of a new virus in Wuhan, China, would become a public health crisis that would inflict so much loss and economic hardship. We didn't know then COVID-19 would become a pandemic that would stop in-person classes for the rest of the academic year, upend Commencement plans and force a physical separation of the Tribe.

While navigating the uncertainty caused by the coronavirus pandemic, the W&M family rallied to support our more vulnerable members and answer the call to wider service. Students, faculty and staff adjusted to a new reality of learning and working remotely. Alumni, parents and friends of the university found different ways to communicate and connect with each other. Through it all, a spirit of resilience and unity emerged.

"So many people in this community are thinking about each other," W&M President Katherine Rowe said while reflecting on a quiet campus this spring. "It's an amazing thing to be part of that and get to see it day after day, even when what we're doing is unprecedented and involves a lot of sacrifice."

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A STRONG COMMUNITY: *Top: It is a W&M tradition for students to decorate the Thomas Jefferson statue beside the Sunken Garden, and this spring was no exception. Bottom: Ellie Kurlander '24, who will start at William & Mary this fall, discussed how the pandemic has changed her mindset.*



A SUPPORT SYSTEM

One student couldn't get a flight back to Italy. Another who was traveling to China got stuck in South Korea for several days before she could get a flight home. Still others lost part-time restaurant jobs, leaving them short on money for food and rent.

Those were some of the unexpected circumstances William & Mary students encountered when residence halls closed and businesses shut down or reduced their hours in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

From March 23 to May 6, the Dean of Students Office assisted 226 students — many of them international — with emergency housing, food, lodging, transportation and technology needs. Using a combination of expedited housing rebates and donor-supported funds, the university distributed more than \$230,000 to the students — sometimes within hours of when the request was made.

Private support through the *For the Bold* campaign was essential in providing resources for students. The Health, Emergencies, And Resources for the Tribe (HEART) Fund, the Edith Rohlfs Marsh Endowment, the Student Affairs Emergency Fund (non-loan) and the Janet, John and Elizabeth Osborn Emergency Fund Endowment are just a few examples of funds that were tapped to help students facing hardships during the COVID-19 crisis.

New donations of all sizes have been coming in as well. William & Mary's Student Assembly allocated up to \$20,000 for Student Affairs emergency support funds (with another \$15,000 promised if needed) and 433 donors contributed more than \$252,000 to the HEART Fund, the International Student Scholarship Fund and the Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation (STLI) between March 12 and May 4.

An additional \$200,000 was given to the HEART endowment by three donors during that time.

More than 50 students opted to donate their housing and dining rebates and parking refunds back to William & Mary to provide emergency relief for students in need, contributing a total of more than \$30,000.

CULTIVATING CONNECTIONS

In a series of weekly Community Conversations on Wednesdays during the spring, President Rowe invited guests for timely discussions and addressed questions about the university's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Faculty members, students, staff and alumni shared their perspectives on how their lives and work have been affected by the sudden changes.

Kelly Crace, William & Mary's associate vice president for health & wellness, told viewers it's OK to be in protective mode while in the midst of a crisis, but having a sense of community is also important as people strive for wellness.

"We're all in this, but we're all in it differently," Crace says in the session. "By connecting with each other, we can share in the meaningful and inspiring experiences of this and also can share in our varying levels of the pain and varying levels of struggle."

Peter Atwater '83, founder of Financial Insights and adjunct professor of economics, touched on the multiple roles students, faculty and staff have taken on with their many responsibilities at home.

"I've described it as we're all learning to ride a bicycle in a hurricane," he says.

Atwater says it's important to remember that the current crisis won't last forever. For those who are troubled by the sense that they've lost control, he suggests that helping another person is one way to regain some of it while making sure someone else knows they're not struggling alone.

"It's counterintuitive, but helping is all about displaying certainty and control," he says.

Personal connection also was a theme emphasized by student speakers who talked about gathering online for dinners and lunches using online chats and the videoconferencing tool Zoom. Junior Class President Aria Austin '21 says her a cappella singing group met that way.

"Students are really trying to say, this is rough but we're going to do this together," Austin says. "That just shows that when we say One Tribe, One Family, we mean that, even though we're not on campus."

DISTANCE LEARNING

When all in-person classes were suspended midway through the semester, William & Mary faculty and students shifted quickly to online learning. The STLI, W&M Libraries and Information Technology worked in concert to help ease the transition for faculty and students.

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The STLI offered an assortment of resources to help faculty members, such as daily webinars, drop-in sessions and new tutorials. Faculty members were able to ask questions in real time, and STLI team members and library representatives were available for individual support.

Dean of University Libraries Carrie L. Cooper says many textbook publishers have made their entire catalogs of online books available free on a trial basis. The libraries also have signed up for trial subscriptions to 10 new databases, such as the Harvard Business Review's Press Collection and Academic Video Online, which has more than 60,000 titles of videos in all disciplines.

"The best part of this transition is seeing our faculty and staff work together in support of this new reality," Cooper says.

Students, faculty and staff have also been working together to help the community. For example, department of Applied Science instructor and MakerSpace Director Jonathan Frey assigned students to design a face shield to help protect local first responders and medical professionals from the COVID-19 virus.

Frey then incorporated students' work into a design that he manufactured on 3D printers at the Swem makerspace. The visors were distributed to W&M police and local medical professionals.

With campus buildings closed, graduate students working in the New Horizons Family Counseling Center and New Leaf Clinic have continued offering telehealth services to Williamsburg-area residents and students. In addition, an online peer support group for William & Mary's international students formed through a partnership between New Leaf and the Reves Center for International Studies.

In an effort to assist families of school-age children when schools closed because of COVID-19, School of Education faculty organized several webinars for parents, including one in Spanish, and set up an at-home learning hub with resources and tips.

"We want to do what William & Mary does well, which is be of service to our local community," says



Kristin Conradi Smith, associate professor of reading education, who organized the initial webinar and at-home learning hub setup.

Recognizing the difficulties that William & Mary's graduating seniors face during this time of uncertainty as they enter the job market and pursue advanced degrees, the Cohen Career Center moved all of its offerings to a virtual format, added evening advising hours and contacted graduating seniors who indicated in a survey that they did not have a job yet, as well as those who were still pursuing graduate school or who didn't respond to the survey.

"The outreach we're doing now is more intensive than we've ever done before," says Kathleen Powell, associate vice president for career development. "It's the right thing to do."

The William & Mary Alumni Association also expanded its career and networking offerings for the W&M community to include additional online networking hours, professional development webinars and more. Alumni can also post job and internship opportunities on the W&M Switchboard. See more on page 62.

ALL IN THIS TOGETHER: *Top: A research assistant holds coronavirus test samples in her hand. Bottom: President Rowe hosted weekly Community Conversations this spring to discuss current issues with special guests.*

Q ONLINE: Watch the virtual "Our Alma Mater" video performed by W&M choral students and alumni at magazine.wm.edu/virtual-alma-mater.

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MAKERS: After the CDC began recommending cloth masks, many in the W&M community sprang into action to make masks, including fashion designer Kiya Tomlin '96.

FALL AND WINTER ISSUE UPDATE

This winter, we will release a special double issue of the W&M Alumni Magazine commemorating the closing of our groundbreaking *For the Bold* campaign. Along with our regular magazine content, this extended issue will include personal stories from students, faculty and alumni whose lives have been touched by this campaign and will celebrate all we've been able to accomplish together.

To focus on creating this double issue, we will not be publishing a print edition of the fall issue for this year only. We will still publish Class Notes, In Memoriam and Board Notes online in September, and will continue to publish new stories throughout the year at magazine.wm.edu.



IN THE TRENCHES

Many William & Mary alumni have been deeply engaged in battling the coronavirus as medical professionals, including Dr. Jennifer Primeggia '02, an infectious diseases physician caring for COVID-19 patients in Northern Virginia; Dr. A. Scott Morris '10, a radiologist who served on USNS Comfort in New York City; and Dr. Lisa A. Jackson '84, who is leading the study of a possible vaccine at the Kaiser Permanente Washington Research Institute in Seattle. Dr. Jonathan Doris '90, a cardiologist who was the inspiration for John "J.D." Dorian on the TV show "Scrubs" (created by his college friend Bill Lawrence '90), tweeted in March that he was working at a COVID-19 command center in Los Angeles.

Several former W&M gymnasts are also on the front lines: Dr. Lance Hoffman '94, an emergency medicine physician in Fremont, Nebraska; Stephanie Bevan '10, a registered nurse in New York City taking care of infants who may have been exposed to the coronavirus; Dr. Stacia Ruse '15, an orthopedic surgery resident volunteering on a COVID team in Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Dr. Christopher Lynch '10, a hospitalist in Los Angeles who collaborates with a variety of specialists to treat infected patients. Like the others, Lynch says he draws on his gymnastics experiences by embracing teamwork while persevering through challenging circumstances.

Alumni outside the health professions have also provided key services.

David Culver '09 has been covering the outbreak as an international correspondent for CNN reporting from Shanghai on the Asia-Pacific region. He was in Wuhan when the first cases were reported. CBS News White House Correspondent Weijia Jiang '05 joined Culver in a Q&A with President

Rowe on April 30 to discuss what it's like to cover this outbreak as it unfolds.

Kiya Tomlin '96, a fashion designer and wife of Pittsburgh Steelers coach Mike Tomlin '95, L.H.D. '08, suspended work on her spring collection and, along with other team members, began making hundreds of cloth masks per week for hospital workers, according to an ESPN report.

LOOKING FORWARD

During a Moment of Silence and Reflection on April 16, President Rowe acknowledged the losses and hardships resulting from the pandemic, while honoring the sacrifices of health care workers, essential workers and service providers.

She described the ringing of the Wren bell as a symbol of William & Mary's resilience. "It will call us together again in due time. And when it does, what we will remember and cherish from this moment, together with our grief, is the strength that we are finding in one another," she says.

While the campus remained closed for the spring semester, plans proceed for the annual giving event One Tribe One Day — rescheduled from April 21 to June 23 — Commencement Weekend on Oct. 9-11, and Homecoming & Reunion Weekend on Oct. 15-18.

Announcing the schedule for Commencement activities, Rowe says they will include all of the university's treasured traditions associated with that rite.

She promises, "It will be glorious."

Dave Johnson of W&M Athletics; Joseph McClain, Nathan Wartens, Cortney Will, Jennifer L. Williams and Erin Zagursky of University Communications; and Claire De Lisle of University Advancement contributed to this story.

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WEDDING BELLS

A GIFT THAT GIVES

When Megan Dorward '07 and Richard Brahan married in October 2019, the two set up their registry to help others. Instead of gifts, their guests were asked to donate to a scholarship fund to help a student realize their dream of attending William & Mary. As a founding member of the Society of 1918, a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and a former member of the Annual Giving Board, Dorward has made giving back to William & Mary an important part of her life. "While ability does not discriminate, opportunity does," says Dorward. "We wanted to incorporate philanthropy in our wedding because we felt grateful for the opportunities that had come our way in our lives and fortunate that we were able to take advantage of them." The scholarship is reserved for first-generation college students with financial need and will cover a full semester of tuition.

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Changing the World

W&M launches Institute for Integrative Conservation

BY ROB ROSE AND JOHN SWADDLE



COMBINING FORCES: *The ICC team is working with conservation experts worldwide from NGOs, government and private industry.*

WHEN WE WERE FIRST ASKED TO WRITE A proposal that detailed what William & Mary could do for global conservation, we did not realize the significance of this life-changing endeavor. Like seeing an okapi in the wild, an opportunity like this doesn't come along very often.

In November 2019, a William & Mary alumna made a \$19.3 million gift funding our plan, which enabled the university to create an Institute for Integrative Conservation (IIC). The new institute will be the nation's premier cross-disciplinary institute in this critical field, taking a truly innovative approach that combines forces with public, private and nonprofit sectors to advance solutions to the world's most pressing conservation and sustainability challenges.

It will focus on two overarching goals: conducting research that leads to improved global conservation outcomes and training the next generation of diverse conservation leaders. As part of William & Mary's commitment to sustainability, it will also advance William & Mary's goal of carbon neutrality by 2030.

In January our team began conversations with external conservation experts across multiple sectors, including NGOs, government and private industry. These conversations started in New York where the team met with representatives from the Wildlife Conservation Society, the Cary Institute and the Moxie Foundation. We then went to Washington, D.C., to meet with National Geographic, Conservation International, World Wildlife Fund, NatureServe, Smithsonian, NASA and a host of interested William & Mary alumni.

Our team has also held many virtual meetings with conservationists and alumni around the globe, from Mumbai to the Arctic Circle. The goal of these continuing efforts is to build a conservation network that the IIC can draw upon for conservation research collaborations, curriculum design advice, internships for current students and career opportunities for graduating students.

Along with the external conservation network, we have been actively promoting the IIC and building an internal research and collaboration network across

PHOTO: TIM TIEDMANN

all five schools of William & Mary. A key component of this is the IIC Steering Committee, which has drawn together faculty and staff representing a diverse array of disciplines and conservation expertise. This advisory committee has met multiple times since the beginning of the year and is now focused on crafting the IIC mission and core values statements. The committee is also forming working groups on research and curriculum development.

We are also focusing significant attention on building student research opportunities. Students are working on a number of conservation projects, for example testing several types of technologies to reduce bird collisions with structures as small as a window and as large as a communication tower or a wind turbine. Millions of birds die each year while colliding with such structures at sites around the globe, which is endangering some populations.

Students have also started to establish a network of wildlife camera traps that will monitor biodiversity in the College Woods and at the edge of campus and are also investigating methods to mitigate human-wildlife conflict around the Kavango-Zambezi (KAZA) Transfrontier Conservation Area in Botswana. In addition, the IIC, in partnership with the Charles Center, is funding four summer conservation internships where students will be matched up with external conservation partners to conduct geospatial research in support of an ongoing conservation

project. The IIC will also begin working with a summer student intern and Environmental Science and Policy Senior Lecturer Dorothy Ibes to launch a podcast that features indigenous voices in conservation.

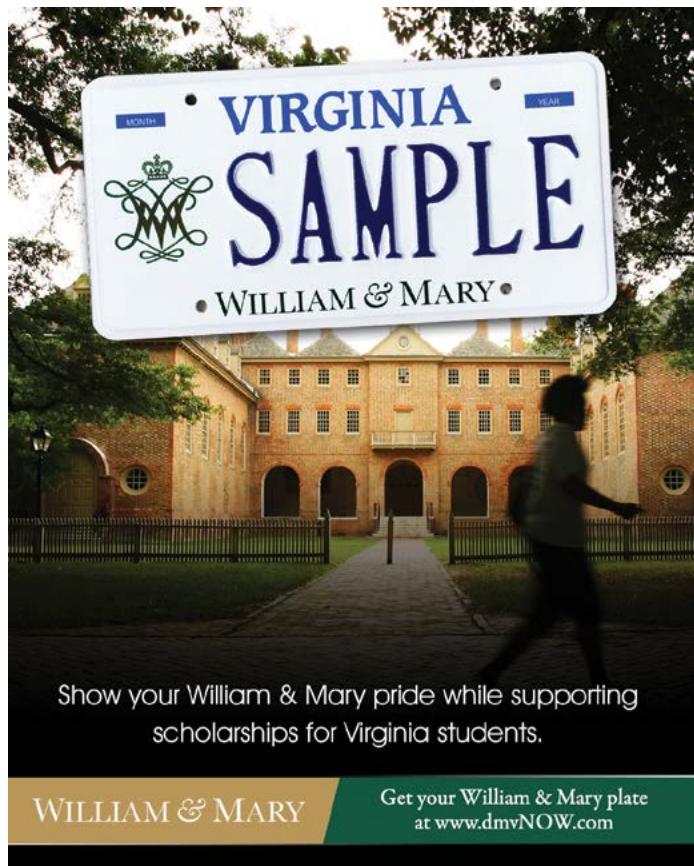
Some of our work has been impacted by COVID-19 and the Virginia stay-at-home orders. We had hoped to move into the new IIC space on North Henry Street and host an opening event during Earth Week in April, but that has been pushed back to the fall. On-campus events, including a “hack-for-Earth” student competition and a conservation lecture series, have also been postponed until the next academic year, but the team will continue to build support and enthusiasm for the new Institute through upcoming social media campaigns and virtual events and presentations.

We are particularly keen to connect with W&M alumni in conservation areas to keep developing the network and expanding opportunities for students. Please feel free to reach out at iic@wm.edu.

We are proud the IIC will put William & Mary at the cutting edge of global conservation, and we are excited for what the future holds as we tackle some of the greatest conservation issues facing our world.

Rob Rose currently serves as executive director of IIC and leads the W&M Center for Geospatial Analysis and John Swaddle serves as faculty director of IIC and Class of 1938 Professor of Biology.

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2020 PLUMERI AWARDS

Ten outstanding faculty and athletics staff members honored

BY TINA ESHLEMAN

A NEUROSCIENTIST INVESTIGATES HOW BRAIN circuits initiate movements. A soccer coach leads the Tribe to success on the national stage. An English education professor examines the way that digital technologies are changing how people learn.

Their accomplishments have earned each of them a place among the 10 recipients of this year's Plumeri Awards, which recognize faculty and athletic leadership excellence at William & Mary.

Joseph J. Plumeri '66, D.P.S. '11 established the award in 2009 to help outstanding professors take their teaching and scholarship to the next level.

"These William & Mary professors inspire their students every day with their passion, creativity and integrity," Plumeri says. "They are fearless in challenging assumptions, and they bring the thrill of discovery to their classrooms and research. Because of this, our next generation of business, professional and community leaders can see that with imagination and vision, anything is possible."

Beginning in 2019, the number of recipients changed from 20 to 10, the award amount increased from \$10,000 to \$20,000, and a designation was

added for an outstanding coach or staff member of W&M Athletics. More than 200 faculty members have benefited from Plumeri's generosity during the past 12 years.

Recipients of this prestigious award undergo a highly competitive formal selection process and are chosen based on their contributions and accomplishments in the areas of discovery, scholarship, teaching and athletics. Here are the 2020 honorees:

- Julie Agnew '91, Richard C. Kraemer Term Professor of Business
- David Armstrong, Chancellor Professor of Physics
- Brendan Bourdage, Men's Soccer Associate Head Coach
- Randolph Chambers, Professor of Biology and Director of the Keck Environmental Field Lab
- Christopher Del Negro, Professor of Applied Science
- Eric Hilton, Professor of Fisheries Science
- Shantá Hinton, Associate Professor of Biology
- Lindy Johnson, Assistant Professor of English Education
- Daniel Parker, Assistant Professor of English and Linguistics
- Patricia Vahle, Professor of Physics

HEARING ALL VOICES

CREATING INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES

Last fall, the Alumni Association and the Office of University Advancement embarked on a year of listening and learning to hear from alumni in underrepresented communities. Alongside virtual forums, they also invited 25 alumni from each of three existing identity groups — the Hulon Willis Association, LatinX and LGBTQ Alumni of William & Mary — for focused, action-oriented discussions on how to better serve alumni in these communities. • "These sessions are about looking back and looking forward, recognizing that not everyone had positive experiences at the university as students or as alumni," says Val Cushman, senior director of alumni engagement and inclusion initiatives. "We seek to acknowledge these wrongs and take positive action to improve the inclusiveness of our community." • If you wish to participate in a virtual listening session or share your experience, contact ideas@wm.edu. — CLAIRE DE LISLE



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William & Mary was always my dream school. Being here has been challenging, enriching and rewarding — and it's all possible through your support. My scholarship enables me to pursue my academic interests, opens up the world for me and gives me a campus community that feels like a family. Thank you!”

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Lessons in Diplomacy

W&M alumnae are creating exhibits for a new national museum

BY TINA ESHLEMAN



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HISTORY IN

CONTEXT: Right: The museum's entrance pavilion; Above: Edward R. Dudley (right), the first African American to be named a U.S. ambassador, talks with Liberian President William Tubman (left), circa 1949.

THE GREEN WOOL SUIT WITH BLACK BUTTONS and collar was appropriately elegant for U.S. Ambassador Prudence Bushnell's meeting with Kenya's commerce minister on the morning of Aug. 7, 1998.

Now part of the U.S. Department of State's collection, the suit is among more than 9,000 artifacts that Jane Carpenter-Rock '92 and Sarah Chacon '13 are combing through as they build content and design exhibitions for the new National Museum of American Diplomacy.

Like many of the artifacts, this suit has a story to tell. On close inspection, blood is still visible — the blood of Bushnell and others who were injured when windows shattered from the blast of a bomb targeting the American embassy in Nairobi, just across a parking lot from the building where her meeting took place. That attack and another by al-Qaida the same day at the U.S. embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, killed 224 people and injured more than 4,500.

"It shows that diplomacy can often put you in harm's way," says Carpenter-Rock, the museum's deputy director. "We don't go in with guns and armor. We're just there in normal clothes, trying to forge relationships."

Through artifacts and personal stories, the museum will explain what diplomacy is, how it's conducted and why it matters.

"In America's embassies overseas, we do a good job of explaining our foreign policy and culture to international audiences, but we don't do as well at explaining American diplomacy to domestic audiences," Carpenter-Rock says. "The point is to help to build American security and prosperity."

The museum's completed first phase comprises a \$50-million, 20,000-square-foot entrance pavilion containing a preview exhibition, "Diplomacy Is Our Mission." Until it temporarily closed in March in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic, the free exhibition was open to the public for two hours every Friday afternoon.

A \$35-million fundraising campaign is under way through the State Department's nonprofit partner, the Diplomacy Center Foundation, to cover the remaining costs of construction and exhibition design, building and installation. The museum is scheduled for completion in 2022.

"We think the best way to talk about diplomacy is through the eyes and through the words of the diplomats," Carpenter-Rock says.

As part of a core group of five people, she and Chacon, a museum associate and project manager, are drawing on objects, photographs and oral histories to develop content.

"There's a lot of historical research involved," Chacon says.

The preview exhibition includes a display on how a public affairs officer at the U.S. embassy in Guinea, West Africa, worked with local artists and radio journalists on a health education campaign several years ago to avoid spreading the Ebola virus — just as embassy officials in 2020 have been engaged in efforts to combat the coronavirus.

Along with the preview exhibition, museum visitors can see a 13-foot-high, 3-ton section of the Berlin Wall, taken down in 1989 after almost three decades as a symbol of the Cold War. The section of wall is signed by 27 world leaders who played a part in German reunification.

When the museum is completed, it will feature a timeline tracing diplomacy back to the nation's origins, when Benjamin Franklin formed an alliance with France as America sought independence from Great Britain. The fact that Thomas Jefferson, the first secretary of state, was a William & Mary graduate is a point of pride for alumni at the State Department.

After graduating from William & Mary with a bachelor's degree in English, Carpenter-Rock earned a master's degree and a doctorate in art history, criticism and conservation. She joined the State Department in 2002, and served as a foreign service officer in South Africa and Colombia. When she heard about development of the new museum, she saw a chance to explain the value of diplomacy to American and foreign visitors — and to return to the type of work for which she had prepared.

The daughter of a foreign service officer, Chacon was born in Chile and lived with her family in Ecuador, Peru, Guatemala, Italy and Spain. Her father, Ambassador Arnold Chacon, frequently visited William & Mary in 2017 and 2018, while serving as a Diplomat in Residence at Duke University, to talk to students about working for the State Department.

After graduating from William & Mary with a degree in English and Hispanic Studies, Sarah Chacon moved to Guatemala for an internship with an indigenous clothing museum. That experience led her to enroll in a master's program in arts management at George Mason University. She joined the State Department five years ago.

Carpenter-Rock and Chacon say they hope that more William & Mary graduates will find their way to foreign service work. In January, a group from the Cohen Career Center visited the State Department, heard from a panel of alumni and toured the preview exhibition.

"A lot of these students are already thinking globally," Carpenter-Rock says. "William & Mary students are quite in tune with how our government was formulated and how government is carried out today."

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CURATING THE COLLECTION: *From lower left: Jane Carpenter-Rock '92, the museum's deputy director; the preview exhibition; Ambassador Prudence Bushnell's suit.*



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GAME CHANGER

New William & Mary Athletics Complex

BY WILLIAM & MARY ATHLETICS

NEW HOME: *The complex encompasses Kaplan Arena, a new Sports Performance Center adjacent to the arena, the Millie West Tennis Facility, Busch Field and the Tribe Field Hockey Center.*



JUST MONTHS AFTER WILLIAM & MARY Athletics released its new strategic plan, a bold future is already underway that will transform the game-day experience for the entire William & Mary community.

On Feb. 1, the university announced plans for a \$57-million reimagined William & Mary Athletics Complex that will enable student-athletes in all 23 varsity sports to raise their athletics experiences to the caliber and prominence of their academic experiences.

Largely funded through private support, approximately \$41 million has been committed to date through philanthropy and other sources. The majority of funds have been provided by leadership gifts from Katie Garrett Boehly '95 and Todd Boehly '96, as well as Jennifer Tepper Mackesy '91 and D. Scott Mackesy '91.

"Katie, Todd, Jen and Scott helped us take the long view in this exciting initiative. We are grateful for their generosity and vision," says President Katherine Rowe. "The complex will stand as a symbol of excellence. It highlights the university's commitment to athletics as an integral part of the learning experience."

"The Boehlys and Mackesys fully understand the value of investing in the whole student experience. Kaplan Arena is a crossroads for campus and community. This renovation will help grow the sense of community in and around our campus and strengthens our national reputation," Rowe adds.

The complex encompasses Kaplan Arena, a new state-of-the-art Sports Performance Center adjacent to the arena, the Millie West Tennis Facility, Busch Field and the Tribe Field Hockey Center. The project will include approximately 167,000 square feet of renovated and new spaces. Construction is expected to begin this winter and conclude in fall 2022.

"We have so much to be proud of as part of the William & Mary community," says Katie Boehly. "Once complete, the complex will underscore the university's commitment to being recognized for its academics and athletics."

"Athletics is an integral part of the educational experience at William & Mary," says Todd Boehly, alumnus and former member of the Tribe's wrestling team. "Transforming this space for students, coaches and fans reflects the university's commitment to advancing student-athlete opportunities and winning together as a community."

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ONLINE: For more information and to support the project, visit tribeathletics.com/wmcomplex.

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A BOLD MOMENT:
Celebrating the future of W&M Athletics, left to right: Director of Athletics Samantha K. Hoge, D. Scott Mackesy '91, Jennifer Tepper Mackesy '91, Todd Boehly '96, Katie Garrett Boehly '95, President Katherine Rowe, Jane Thompson Kaplan '56 and Jim Kaplan '57.

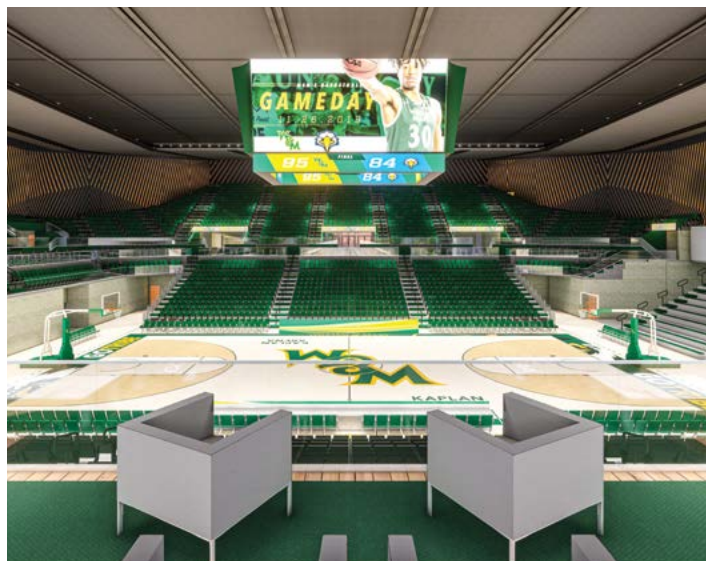


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POINT OF PRIDE:

Below and previous page: The overhaul will include a new entrance and lobby, an enhanced student section with a lounge, upgraded spectator seating, premium hospitality areas, court-side and concourse club seating as well as a new academic center.

Kaplan Arena first opened its doors in 1971 and has since been the home to William & Mary Athletics. The men's and women's basketball, volleyball and gymnastics teams have competed in the arena for decades. All of William & Mary's nearly 500 student-athletes utilize the locker rooms, strength and conditioning and sports medicine facilities.

The overhaul will include a new entrance and lobby, an enhanced student section with a lounge that all students can use throughout the year, upgraded spectator seating, as well as a new academic center. The project also includes a state-of-the-art scoreboard and ribbon boards featuring video replay capabilities and new sound system, and improvements to concession stands, bathrooms and locker rooms, among other priority areas.

The 36,000-square-foot, multi-use Sports Performance Center will feature a strength and conditioning area, including two hydrotherapy pools, and a sports medicine space with ample room to evaluate and treat sports injuries. The center will also provide the basketball and volleyball teams with a new practice area housing a full-sized court.

"A central tenet of our philanthropy is to support the pursuit of excellence and this project underscores our enthusiasm for the future of William & Mary Athletics," says Scott Mackesy.

Scott and Jen Mackesy were both student-athletes at William & Mary. A two-time CAA Player of the Year, Scott was named to the tennis league's Silver Anniversary squad as one of the all-time top 25 players in league history. Jen made four appearances in the NCAA Championships in her time with the wom-

en's soccer program from 1987 to 1990.

As stated in the Athletics strategic plan, the infrastructure of the Millie West Tennis Facility courts needs to be enhanced to improve the player experience. Additional funds will be allocated to the resurfacing and stabilization of current courts, the addition of new courts and installation of upgraded fan seating.

The Dillard Practice Facility — currently utilized by the soccer and lacrosse teams — will also be enhanced and expanded from funds committed by the Mackesys. The facility will see a new turf practice field and improvements to the grass field.

"We have incredible student-athletes, coaches and fans at William & Mary. We recognize the important role that private support plays in our teams' ability to compete at the highest level," says Jen Mackesy. "We hope this gift will energize our amazing fans by enhancing their experience, further contributing to the success of William & Mary Athletics."

"The Athletics Complex will serve as a beacon for those who want to come to William & Mary to achieve their full potential as a competitor and will be a point of pride for the broader university community," says Director of Athletics Samantha K. Hoge. "We are boldly moving forward with the priorities set forth in our strategic plan and helping all of our student athletes flourish. We are all very thankful to the Boehlys and Mackesys for bringing entrepreneurial thinking to this effort and for lending their vision to Athletics."

For more information about the complex and to support the project, visit www.tribeathletics.com/wmcomplex.



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Board Notes

Report from the winter meeting of the WMAA Board of Directors

BY JOHN S. KANE

**NOMINATIONS
FOR WMAA
BOARD**

To nominate a deserving individual to the Alumni Association Board of Directors, please visit <https://wmalumni.com/about-us/board-of-directors>. Nominations are accepted all year but must be received by **July 1** to be considered for the next election year.

THE WILLIAM & MARY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Board of Directors held its winter meeting Feb. 6-7, 2020, on campus in conjunction with the university's Charter Day celebrations.

The board convened in Miller Hall on Thursday, Feb. 6, and began with a welcome for members and introduction of new ex-officio member Jordan Strong '22, representing Students for University Advancement. The president called for approval of consent agenda items and provided a report on university initiatives and issues. The executive director reviewed FY19 events and activities, addressed upcoming significant events and gave an update on the Alumni House expansion project. Other significant topics discussed included a policy review and approval of honorary alumni and Homecoming Grand Marshal. The Finance and Investment committee led the review and approval of the audited financial statements and IRS tax forms for submission, review of the second-quarter income and expense report and discussion around the coverage level of the current directors and officers insurance policy for board members. Other significant presentations consisted of updates on governance and nomination processes led by the Board Development committee and an update of progress in planning and fundraising for W&M Weekend in San Francisco.

The board adjourned at 2:15 p.m. to join members of the Board of Visitors, the W&M Foundation Board, the Annual Giving Board and the Campaign Steering Committee for a Joint Boards Meeting in the Sadler Center. More in-depth information was shared and discussed about university strategic planning and the closing months of the *For the Bold* campaign.

On Friday, Feb. 7, the board reconvened in Miller Hall. Following a review of prior strategic planning discussions and updates, committees broke out to develop strategic priorities for their committee areas. These will be used to guide

board and staff activities for the coming years. The Communications Committee also presented revised mission, vision and values statements for the WMAA, which the board approved. The board adjourned at 3 p.m. so members could attend and participate in the 2020 Charter Day ceremony and celebration.

Significant discussion and decisions took place on the following actions:

- Approved conferring Associate Alumni membership to 11 retiring faculty and staff members.
- Approved the FY19 Audited Financial Statements and IRS Forms 990 and 990T.
- Approved the adoption of restated mission, vision and values statements for the Alumni Association.
- Approved an increase in the coverage amount for directors and officers insurance.
- Conferred Honorary Alumni status on Patricia J. Dywer.
- Approved Hunter Jones Smith '52, L.H.D. '18 as Homecoming Grand Marshal for 2020.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for June 18-19, 2020, online.

The Annual Meeting of the general membership of the Alumni Association was held Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. in the Sadler Center. Standing in for the president, WMAA board Vice President Gerald "Jeb" Jeutter '82 called the meeting to order and together with Treasurer George Cruser '84 and members of the Association staff presented the "Year in Review" for the Alumni Association, highlighting alumni engagement programming, priorities, funding, and the Alumni House Expansion project. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. with members invited to attend the Alumni Medallion ceremony and reception.

ALUMNI MEDALLION

The Alumni Medallion is the highest and most prestigious award given by the Alumni Association and recognizes outstanding alumni for exemplary accomplishments in their professional life, demonstrated leadership in service to their communities, state or nation, and commitment, dedication and assistance to William & Mary. The award reflects the honor that recipients bring to the university and its alumni through their actions and contributions.

The submission form can be downloaded from the Alumni Association's website at <http://wmalumni.com/medallion> or it can be requested by emailing alumni.ed@wm.edu. Three supporting letters are required. Include up to three news articles, vitae, biographical sketches, etc. as supporting documentation. Materials may be mailed to Alumni Medallion, c/o Executive Director, WMAA, P.O. Box 2100, Williamsburg, VA 23187-2100. **The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2021.**

HONORARY ALUMNI

The William & Mary Alumni Association grants the status of Honorary Alumni to non-alumni with a distinguished record of service, support, advocacy and commitment on behalf of William & Mary and its schools, departments, units, organizations and boards. To nominate someone, please submit a letter describing his or her visible and consistent involvement, loyalty, and affection for W&M, through active participation, leadership, generosity, assistance, advocacy and counsel. All letters must be signed.

Nominations may be submitted online at <http://wmalumni.com/honorary-alumni>. Mail your letter to Honorary Alumni Award, c/o Executive Director, WMAA, P.O. Box 2100, Williamsburg, VA 23187-2100. **The deadline for nominations is Jan. 15, 2021.**

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARDS

The Douglas N. Morton '62 Alumni Service and Young Alumni Service Awards are given annually to individuals in recognition of exceptional service, loyalty, commitment and leadership on behalf of alumni chapters, regional engagement, constituent organizations, and in special instances, William & Mary and its schools. The Young Alumni Award is specific to individuals age 25 to 35.

You may download a nomination form at <http://wmalumni.com/service-awards>. **The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2021.** The Board of Directors will select honorees at its spring 2021 meeting.

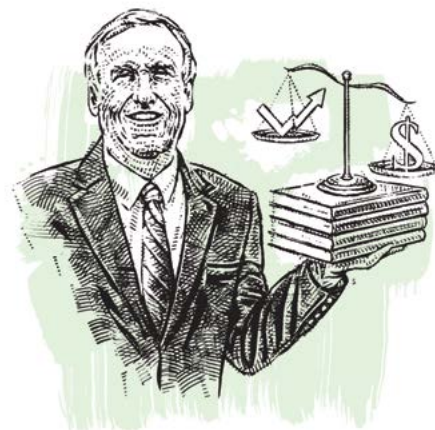
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KEEPING UP WITH THE JONES

SAM JONES RETIRING

Sam Jones '75, M.B.A. '80, senior vice president for finance and administration, will step down from his current role at the end of June after 34 years at W&M. • In his current role, Jones is responsible for all of the university's financial and administrative operations, including capital projects and budgeting. He is a member of President Katherine A. Rowe's Executive Leadership Team and Cabinet, and he chairs the university's emergency and risk management teams. • When Jones departs, Amy Sebring M.P.P. '95, W&M's vice president for finance and technology, will take on a new role as the university's chief operating officer. • "Sam Jones has been a staunch and inspiring partner to five William & Mary presidents, including me," said President Rowe. "From overseeing major construction to securing our budget priorities in Richmond to leading emergency management and many business operations and initiatives, Sam has played a critical role in advancing the prosperity of this university and community."

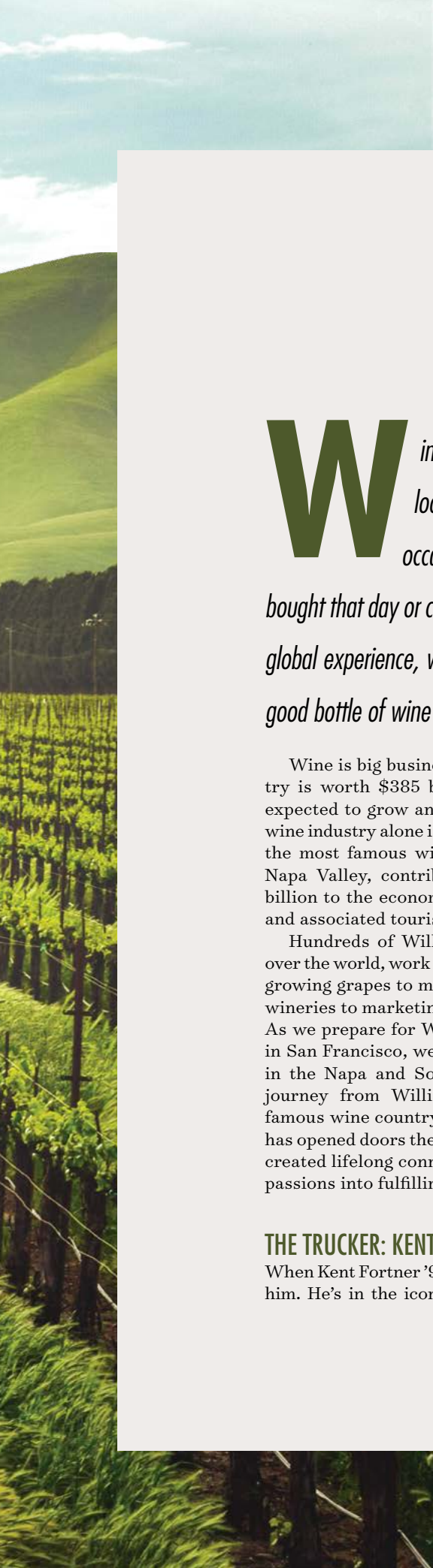
— BRIAN WHITSON



IN VINO VERITAS

William & Mary alumni pursue diverse careers in the wine industry

PHOTO: ADELE PARMAN



By Claire De Lisle

with reporting by Tiffany Broadbent Beker M.S. '06

Wine can elevate a meal from ordinary to exceptional. It is something to look forward to after a long work day and a thoughtful gift for almost any occasion. It can help commemorate a special event, whether it's a bottle you bought that day or cellared for years, waiting for exactly the right moment to share it. A truly global experience, wine can take you to some of the most beautiful places in the world. A good bottle of wine brings people together.

Wine is big business, too. The wine industry is worth \$385 billion worldwide and is expected to grow annually by 3.7%. The U.S. wine industry alone is worth \$51.4 billion. And the most famous wine region in the nation, Napa Valley, contributed an estimated \$34 billion to the economy through this industry and associated tourism last year.

Hundreds of William & Mary alumni, all over the world, work in the wine industry, from growing grapes to making wines to managing wineries to marketing, sales and distribution. As we prepare for William & Mary Weekend in San Francisco, we spoke to several alumni in the Napa and Sonoma areas about their journey from Williamsburg to California's famous wine country. For these alumni, wine has opened doors they never thought possible, created lifelong connections and turned their passions into fulfilling careers.

THE TRUCKER: KENT FORTNER '92

When Kent Fortner '92 drives up, you know it's him. He's in the iconic 1966 light-green Ford

F150 pickup truck from his wine labels, with a vintage William & Mary bumper sticker across the back window.

The truck was his grandparents', and if you have a minute he'll tell you how this truck played an important role in their love story. You see, Fortner is a storyteller, and his wines (and his beers — he also owns a brewery in Vallejo, California) all have stories behind them.

"You can tell I was an English major," he jokes. "And a people person."

Fortner didn't set out to make his own wines — or, for that matter, to be an English major. He is a self-described "farm boy from a Kansas teetotaling family," who ended up at William & Mary after falling in love with its history as a child visiting Colonial Williamsburg. It also helped that it was affordable for an out-of-state student like himself and someone else from his high school was attending there.

After starting as a physics major, he switched to English but ended up taking classes all over the university.

"I just love that I was able to take geology, accounting, philosophy, physics and English, all



in the same day, and nobody thought that was a weird thing, it was totally common,” he says.

One summer, he was caddying in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and he ended up sharing beers with the head of a major cable company over the ninth hole.

“The guy turns to me and he says, ‘Whatever you do, study some accounting, because even if you hate it, if you ever want to open a business, it will be useful.’ So I took an accounting course, and I’ll never forget it. The professor was one of the driest people I’ve ever met, but today I serve as CFO of my own company, not because I’m a great financial person but because of Accounting 101 and 102 I’m able to understand this stuff,” he says.

After graduation, Fortner returned to Jackson Hole and started managing a restaurant, where he became fascinated with wine lists. He soon received an offer to help open a wine shop and bar in Boise, Idaho, called The Grape Escape.

After a year and a half, that partnership “went sideways,” and Fortner found himself wondering what to do next.

“Whatever you do, study some accounting, because even if you hate it, if you ever want to open a business, it will be useful.”

“I thought I was going to be a reporter at one point because I’m interested in all this different stuff, but that’s wine! You’ve got science, history, all these foreign languages, chemistry, biology, geology, you name it,” he says.

So, he called his favorite winery at the time, Chalone Vineyard, in Monterey County, California.

“I called and said, ‘I just really love your stuff, may I please come work a harvest?’ and they said, ‘Wait, you’re the Grape Escape guy? We’ve always wondered how we were able to sell so

many bottles in Boise, Idaho! Come on down.’ So I did.”

His experience fixing tractors on the family farm was perfect for fixing the bottling line, and his ease with people and fluency in Spanish made him valuable on the people side of things, too. Soon the winemaker was teaching Fortner his craft and asking him to host dinners with venture capitalists in his stead.

“I had no money, but I had an expense account, and it was a trip hanging out with all these venture capitalists. And they’re like, you went

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TRAVELING MAN: *The grapes for the pinot noir made by Kent Fortner '92 come from three different vineyards with different soils and weather patterns, allowing him to craft a wine showcasing the dynamic range of flavors and characteristics of the grape.*



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to W&M? There's a weight to that in their world. So I got to spend all day wearing dirty boots, speaking Spanish and fixing tractors, and then by night I could hang out in all these fancy restaurants. And I was making wine. It was the life!"

He moved on to more than a dozen other wineries and vineyards, eventually attending UC Davis for a master's degree in viticulture. And in 2000, he decided to make two barrels of pinot noir, his favorite wine. Road 31 Wine Co. was born.

At first, as he spent his life savings on these wines and waiting for them to mature in their barrels to be sold, it seemed a little crazy. Then the movie "Sideways" came out, and suddenly, pinot noir was popular. Very much so. Now, Fortner makes 500 cases each year, available only to subscribers, who he calls his "Truckers" after that iconic green truck on the label.

He only makes pinot noir, and only one type, every year. The wine is complex in flavor, full bodied and blended from grapes from small vineyards in three very different locations, giving Fortner a variety of characteristics of grape to work with. He has his own

supplier of French and Hungarian oak barrels and says he learns from each and every vintage he makes.

"After 26 harvests, I still get giddy about harvest time. I'm not so stressed and apprehensive anymore about what the weather may throw at me, although climate change is making this more challenging," he says. "I feel like an athlete, lacing up my cleats, looking at the field, ready to take on whatever comes."

THE TRAVELER: DANIEL ORRISON '09

One day in 2008, Fortner received an email from a junior at William & Mary asking for life advice. Daniel Orrison '09 received his words of encouragement and they set him on a path that would take him around the world and into winemaking success.

Back then, Orrison had just transferred to William & Mary from West Point and needed a job to help pay for school. He began working part time at the Williamsburg Winery. He knew a little about wine already — his uncle had owned a restaurant with a large wine cellar, and Orrison was drawn to the style and aesthetic of wines.

A business major with a literary and cultural studies minor, he didn't know what he wanted to do after graduation, but he knew he wanted to see the world. He'd done an exchange program with Oxford while at William & Mary and used the opportunity to explore Europe, catching the travel bug.

"I wanted to travel, I wanted to meet people and I was curious. Wine was this vessel that allowed for that, as well as learning a really wonderful skill set and forming a career," he says.

Matthew Meyers, the winemaker at Williamsburg Winery, told him there are two main paths into the wine industry: going to school for it or working your way up at wineries. With encouragement from Kent Fortner, he chose the latter.

Orrison applied for a variety of jobs in Napa Valley, eventually landing at the famous Chateau Montelena, "a dream come true," he says, to work the harvest. From there, he "got addicted to the wine lifestyle" and moved to New Zealand, then France, then back to Napa.

"When I got to Napa Valley — one of the most beautiful places that makes wine — it reinforced that my life could be like that, living and working in these beautiful areas with really wonderful people. If I've figured out how to survive there, I'll have made it. I'd be happy," he says.

He became the marketing and business director for Bespoke Collection brands and Ma(i)sonry, an art- and design-focused wine tasting gallery in Yountville, California. After Ma(i)sonry was sold to Restoration Hardware, Orrison became their director of hospitality.

And that's when he decided to start his own winery.

With his wife Pipa, who is trained as a food engineer and has worked at vineyards all over the world, Orrison started Orison Wines in his wife's native Portugal.

"William & Mary encouraged you to think, take chances, work hard, and that if you're focused on working for the right reasons you can be successful," he says. "There were a million reasons for us to wait until we were more prepared to start the brand, but if we had done that, it would have never materialized. The wine business is hard. Business in general is hard. William & Mary was hard! But William & Mary taught me that doing hard things can turn out well, if you keep trying."

And it did turn out well. They now make over 3,000 cases of wine in Portugal each year, which are sold in three countries and 12 major U.S. markets. They also make between 100 and 300 cases of wine in Napa, traveling between Portugal, Napa and their home in Denver throughout the year.

"It's a good industry, and I think more than anything I'm so thankful for all the mentors I had along the way," he says. "It's one of these industries where you want to help your neighbor, which I think is really special."

THE MANAGER: BRIAN BALL '08

When Orrison was working at Ma(i)sonry, he found himself in need of someone to manage their wine business. Enter Brian Ball '08, a fellow alumnus with a passion for wine.

Ball worked his first job in the wine industry while a student, as a server at local restaurant A. Carrolls. Once graduation rolled around, though, he used his math degree to snag a finance position on Wall Street — and quickly discovered that he was more interested in New York City's restaurants than the stress of Wall Street in the recession.

In 2010, Ball quit his job and moved to California. He took an internship at a custom crush facility that made wines for many different winemakers. From there, he followed the seasons, going to the Southern Hemisphere to work the harvest in New Zealand, returning to Napa for their season, then bouncing back to Australia.

Then, like Kent Fortner before him, Ball got into UC Davis' viticulture and vinology program. To pay for school, he needed a job. That's when he was hired by fellow alumnus Daniel Orrison '09 to be the wine manager at Ma(i)sonry.

"It was a nice intersection for me between my sales background, winemaking experience and my finance background," he says.

After running the wine business and programming for Ma(i)sonry for three years, Ball got the opportunity of a



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FRUITS OF THEIR LABOR: Like other winemakers in the region, Brian Ball '08 learned the art and science of wine both through his degree in viticulture and by working in vineyards and at wineries around the world.

There's a great deal of rebuilding ahead, but Ball sees this as an opportunity to make the winery totally self-sustaining. He's working on a hydroelectric and solar electricity system to bring Skipstone off the grid. This spring, they will be building a new facility to make all their wines on-site.

"It's very much what we should be doing, and it's not frankly that hard to do, especially nowadays," Ball says. "It's self-preservation, too. We'll be able to do what we couldn't when the fires came through. Our power was shut off and we couldn't pump water to put out the fires. We'll have our own power and our own makeshift firetruck on the property — these fires are going to continue to happen, unfortunately, but we'll be prepared."

THE BRAND GURU: SARAH MORRA QUALTERS '08

In 2018, almost 81% of U.S. wine was produced in California, but only 4% of California's wine grapes were grown in Napa Valley. There are many national brands that are either grown, made or sold out of the Golden State.

Sarah Morra Qualters '08 is helping bring these wines and many more to your shopping cart. She's a director of marketing for The Wine Group, headquartered in Livermore, California, and she came into wine from an entirely different route altogether — Clorox.

"I've always been interested in brand marketing as a function, no matter what the category," says Qualters. "I worked in the cleaning division of Clorox, and I discovered I personally do not love to clean. Now, a good brand marketer can work in any category, but I knew for me personally, I wanted a category that I was more passionate about. Most people do not come home from work and think, 'Yay, I get to clean!' They do think, 'Yay, I get to open a bottle of wine!'"

Now, at The Wine Group, she oversees marketing and strategy decisions for a portfolio of the more than 45 brands across every national and regional retailer throughout the country. Prior to this role, she was the senior brand manager for Cupcake Vineyards. The Wine Group owns hundreds of brands, ranging from Franzia — the No. 1 selling wine in the world — to Sonoma-based brands Benziger and Imagery.

"What I love about brand management is that every day is different and unique: I'm with my designers thinking creatively about a package design, and then I'm with my finance team thinking about the numbers, and with the sales team thinking about my presentation skills and how we're going to negotiate with a retailer," says Qualters.

She considers herself a "jack of all trades," and that's a big reason why she attended William & Mary in the first place — to get a liberal arts education that would enable her to do anything she decided to pursue.

A psychology major, she took a decision-making class that was cross-listed with the business school. In that

lifetime — to become the general manager of Skipstone winery, the position he holds today.

As general manager, Ball makes the vision of the winery owner and the winemaker into reality, overseeing the operations of the property and its business strategy.

"There's not just one way, from a career perspective, there's not one path that leads to success. One thing I love about a liberal arts education is that it gives you a toolbox to work on whatever it is that you want to do — working in finance or working with wine, you still incorporate everything you learn from your entire experience," he says.

Skipstone makes about 2,000 cases a year of super-premium wines, mostly Bordeaux and viognier, which they sell via subscription and on their property.

They also make and sell extra virgin olive oil, from which 100% of the profits go to charity. For the past few years, that charity has been the local volunteer fire department, because fire is a big part of Skipstone's story.

This past October, Ball was on the East Coast on a sales trip when a major wildfire swept through the Skipstone vineyards, destroying several buildings on the property as well as the irrigation system. Nobody was hurt, but the property was devastated.

"We are extremely quality conscious, and even in great years we only bottle about 60% of what we make," he says. "So even though grapevines generally don't burn, if there's smoke damage or we can't access the property to harvest in time, we can lose our harvest."

Skipstone's vineyards are on very steep mountain slopes, so Ball also worries about erosion from rain, now that the fires have removed much of the groundcover and dried everything out. Weather that makes California ideal for growing grapes is getting harsher over time as climate change brings more fires, floods and droughts.

"It's been a challenging couple of years, but in the wine business you roll with the punches," he says.



ROLLING HILLSIDES: *Napa Valley's Mediterranean climate makes it ideal for growing many types of wine grapes. The most common red wine varietal produced in the region is cabernet sauvignon and the most common white produced is chardonnay.*



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class, she realized there were strong connections between psychology and marketing and found she had a passion for brand management. After W&M, she worked for Booz Allen Hamilton as a management consultant in Washington, D.C. Then she went on to get her MBA from Berkeley and started at Clorox in brand management before shifting over into wine.

“As a brand manager I don’t consider myself a specialist in anything but I know a little bit of everything, which is what my job, and the liberal arts, is all about,” she says. “I am comfortable with lots of different ways of thinking and communicating with diverse people from different backgrounds. It’s my job to bring it all together and lead by knowing enough about everything to be competent, but also going to the specialists to have a conversation about what’s right for the business.”

Even though wine is considered a consumer packaged good, just like cereal or cleaning wipes or paper towels, it’s also an industry with some unique opportunities and challenges. For example, the wine industry is extremely fragmented — a big grocery chain like Food Lion or Giant might carry hundreds of different brands, each with multiple varieties. Customers often aren’t loyal to any particular brand, so marketing is particularly important and competition is fierce.

This can be an advantage, too, especially with trends like canned and boxed wines. Ten years ago they were considered less desirable options, but now they are experiencing a surge in popularity.

“The millennial consumer is open to exploration in the category, so a lot of that stigma is gone,” says Qualters. “Bagged and boxed wine is actually the most environmentally friendly option — the wine lasts longer, it’s less heavy to ship, it has a lower carbon footprint than making and transporting glass, and one 5-liter box saves 6.5 glass bottles. Our Franzia customer might be looking at the advantages from a price perspective, but many also love the convenience, ease and sustainability.”

Another trend: wine (and all alcohol) is a relatively inelastic good, meaning people buy it in good times and in bad. When the economy is doing well, people tend to buy more expensive brands. During recessions, people still buy wine; they just tend to adjust their buying habits to options that are less expensive or may last longer.

Qualters loves the challenges of this industry, but she also loves being able to talk to

people about wine and bring them products that will make them happy.

“Ultimately, wine provides joy to people’s lives on a regular basis,” she says. “I love that having wine can elevate any experience and make it much more memorable. There’s a real passion there.” ☺



MAKING THE SALE: Many wineries are vertically integrated, meaning they control every step of the process from growing the grapes to selling the wine to the customer. Others make wine sold by companies like The Wine Group, where Sarah Qualters '08 is a brand manager.

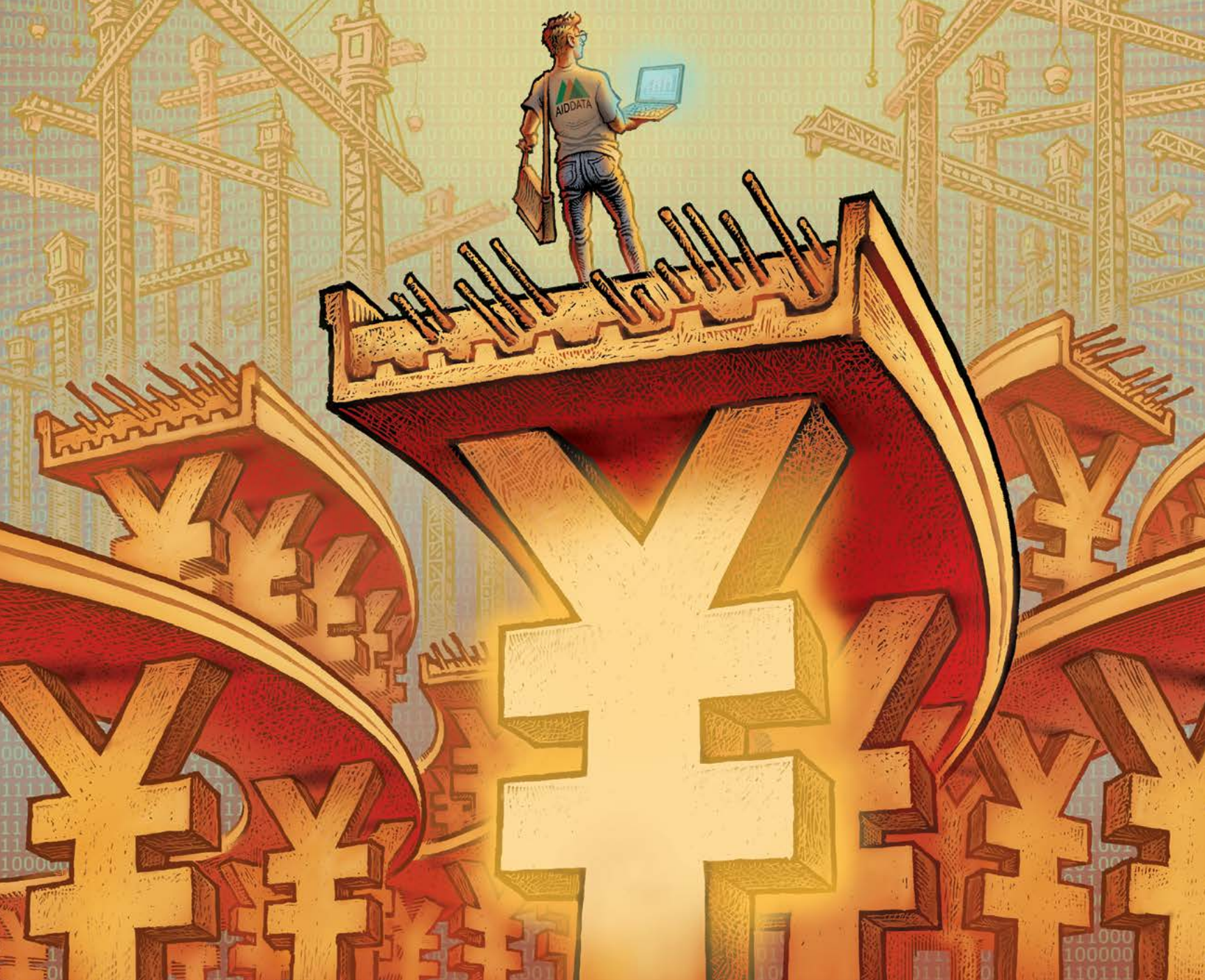


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CHINA

~ T R A C K I N G ~

AIDDATA SHEDS LIGHT ON CHINESE FOREIGN AID



~ CHINA HAS ESTABLISHED ITSELF AS AN ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SUPERPOWER. HOWEVER, WITH RELATIVELY FEW FORMAL ALLIANCES, IT FACES SOME MAJOR HURDLES TO INTERNATIONAL INFLUENCE — HURDLES THAT IT IS NOW QUIETLY WORKING TO OVERCOME. • AidData, a research lab based at William & Mary's Global Research Institute (GRI), will soon release a new dataset that sheds light on China's vast portfolio of grant- and loan-financed projects around the globe. The numbers are staggering.

~ When Beijing first initiated its “going out” policy to promote Chinese investments abroad in 1999, it was primarily focused on encouraging Chinese enterprises to conduct business and make investments overseas.

However, President Xi Jinping has recently refocused this policy toward high-profile projects that might help China gain a reputational advantage vis-a-vis other great powers. Now, as the international community struggles to understand the true scale and scope of China's checkbook diplomacy program, AidData is providing vital data and analysis.

In 2013, China launched the “Belt and Road Initiative” (BRI), which arguably represents the most ambitious foreign infrastructure investment program in modern history. Many of its overland routes parallel those of the ancient Silk Road trading routes to the Middle East and Europe. BRI also involves a far-reaching set of investments in deep-water ports along the perimeter of the Indian Ocean.

In order to fuel the initiative, Beijing has dramatically increased its overseas expenditure. This spending spree has not only created an opportunity to address unmet infrastructure needs in the developing world, but also to win the hearts and minds of citizens of foreign countries.

“Whether you like it or not, the era of great power competition is back. When the U.S. viewed itself as the only major superpower, it was less concerned about its ability to shape decisions in other countries,” says Samantha Custer, director of AidData's Policy Analysis. “Now, China is jockeying for influence in many different theaters, and there is substantially greater interest in understanding what it is doing, where and why.”

China's overseas spending now rivals that of the U.S., but very little was known about how and where this money was spent until AidData launched its research project eight years ago. Beijing considers the details of its overseas grant and loan program to be a state secret, which raises some critical questions: Is BRI a reputational asset or a liability? Does China's spending make U.S. foreign policy more or less effective? What does China's expanding financial footprint mean for the future balance of global power?

To address any of these issues, one first needs to be able to answer a more fundamental question: where and how is China spending its international development dollars?





SPENDING SHROUDED IN **SECRECY**

~ In 2011, when Austin Strange '12 asked this same question, he had no idea the eventual impact it would have on the world. As an undergraduate studying economics and Chinese language at William & Mary, Strange worked as a research assistant at AidData. Since 2004, AidData has facilitated innovative research projects that bring students and faculty together to solve global problems using rigorous methods and cutting-edge tools.

AidData's Executive Director Brad Parks '03 and Co-Director of the Global Research Institute Michael Tierney '87 were interested in the same question, and they proposed that Strange pursue an independent study project. The result was the development of an open-source methodology to track international spending by opaque donors and lenders. The Tracking Underreported Financial Flows (TUFF) methodology provides a systematic way of tracking aid and debt from emerging powers such as China.

"Our team combs through millions of records in nearly a dozen languages to identify and investigate overseas projects funded by government ministries, state-owned banks and enterprises and subnational localities in China," says Parks. "Our goal is to triangulate information on each project that the Chinese government is bankrolling with as many reliable sources as possible. We track down the grant and loan agreements published in the official gazettes and legislative repositories. We scrape all of the project-specific information that is posted on Chinese embassy websites. We review aid and debt information management systems of finance and planning ministries in host countries. We correspond directly with government officials, investigative journalists and contractors on the ground with firsthand knowledge about these projects. Then, after standardizing and synthesizing all of this information we're able to see the big picture — the known universe of Chinese government-financed projects."

Beijing's spending ranges from donations of trash cans and streetlights in Africa to billion-dollar loans to build power plants in Pakistan and Indonesia. All of this information is maintained in a centralized database that AidData manages and makes accessible to journalists, watchdog groups, government officials and anyone else who may want to use it. Initially funded through seed capital from William & Mary, this data collection and research program has attracted substantial funding from USAID, Humanity United, the MacArthur Foundation, Singapore's Ministry of Education and others.

Since Austin completed his initial pilot project, AidData has built a team of more than 90 students, faculty and staff who use similar methods to study grants and loans from countries in the Persian Gulf, overseas investments by Russia and Beijing's public diplomacy efforts around the globe.

While many countries report detailed information about overseas expenditures to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD)

Development Assistance Committee (DAC) in Paris, others, like China and Russia, do not follow the international reporting standards established by DAC.

"This lack of transparency raises questions about how the money is actually spent," says Parks. "William & Mary has become a go-to source of data and analysis about where these donors and lenders are channeling their resources and how the projects that they fund affect socioeconomic, environmental and governance outcomes."

NEW DATA, NEW INSIGHTS

~ AidData began its research program by documenting China's financial footprint in Africa. Then, in 2017, it released an updated dataset, capturing more than \$350 billion in grants and loans that supported approximately 4,300 projects across 138 countries and territories. Several years in the making, the dataset received global media coverage as the most comprehensive source of information on China's global development footprint ever assembled.

"The benefit of AidData is that it fills the gap between what is announced, what is promised and what gets delivered. I think it is very well recognized by both researchers and practitioners as being a reliable source of information," says former U.S. Secretary of Defense and W&M Chancellor Robert M. Gates '65, L.H.D. '98, who cites AidData's research in his newest book, "Exercise of Power," which will be released this June and identifies weaknesses in the way that the U.S. government uses non-military instruments of power. "Having a holistic approach to assistance, particularly when it comes to the Chinese, I think is really important."

At the end of this year, AidData will release an updated global dataset that captures spending in 180-plus countries and territories through the end of 2018.

"Data collection is only part of the process. What we do with the data is far more important," says Custer. "Much of the policy debate about China is guided by rhetoric and conjecture, not real numbers and facts."

Custer believes that it's not AidData's role to provide opinions, but to provide data-driven analysis that allows others to make informed decisions.

"In the past, China's lack of transparency has forced policymakers in other countries to make decisions based on assumptions and anecdotes. But AidData is now able to fact-check these assumptions against hard evidence," says Custer. "The expertise of AidData faculty, staff and students at William & Mary has drawn high-level officials from governments and international organizations around the world to Williamsburg to learn more about the underlying motivations for and impacts of China's global development spending spree."

REVEALING INFORMATION

~ More than 150 studies have now used data generated at William & Mary to evaluate the effects of Chinese development projects on literacy, infant mortality, economic growth and inequality, environmental

degradation, corruption, debt sustainability and public opinion, among other things. Media organizations like The New York Times, NPR and The Economist regularly cite AidData's work. AidData's faculty and staff are frequently called upon to provide private briefings and expert analysis to decision-makers in Washington, D.C., London and Brussels.

But some of the other beneficiaries of AidData's work may be surprising.

"You would think that if anyone knows what China is doing around the world, it would be the Chinese government itself, but Beijing is tight-fisted with information," says Custer. "And we know that even government agencies, think tanks and university researchers inside China trust and use our data."

With China shielding its project portfolio from public scrutiny, it can also be difficult for international aid agencies outside China to pinpoint areas of unmet need and avoid duplicating efforts. AidData seeks to bridge this informational gap and help governments and international organizations ensure that their resources are effectively and efficiently used.

"My view is that our own approach to developmental assistance needs to be dramatically revamped. But if we are going to do that, it needs to be based on real data in terms of what works, what doesn't work, what amounts are out there — and what almost nobody does

is connect what one or another group may be doing on the same problem in the same country," says Gates.

Congressman Ander Crenshaw and Congressman Adam Smith, who previously served as the cochairs of the Congressional Caucus on Effective Foreign Assistance, have said that "AidData's work to pinpoint the locations of aid projects, identify gaps in service delivery, and prevent duplication across donors is the type of foundational work that will make U.S. foreign assistance more efficient and effective in the long-term."

Former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has echoed this point, noting that "when you look at AidData's spatial maps, you can better tell where aid was needed and change your targeting strategy, instead of funding activities in the same parts of the country, time and time again. The data provides a valuable guide for decision-makers to see where all the work is concentrated so they know where they can have the most impact."

AidData's work also assists leaders in low-income and middle-income countries, such as Nepal and the Maldives. China's assistance programs are often highly fragmented across multiple agencies and layers of the government. The data gives those receiving assistance from China more transparent information about the projects it funds.



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BUILDING INDEBTEDNESS

~ While many people assume that China's foreign aid program is new, that is not the case. Dating back to the 1950s, China provided assistance via grants and low- or no-interest loans for smaller projects. But China's overseas development program has now changed

“What you can see in our data is that China has pivoted toward less concessional and more commercially oriented lending,” says Custer. “It used to mostly offer grants and interest-free loans. But now we are seeing more of an emphasis on lending at market or close-to-market rates.”

However, while working with China may cost more in financial terms, leaders in low- and middle-income countries still find Beijing to be an attractive partner in two respects. First, China does not demand involvement in the borrowing country's government with regard to the economy, fighting corruption, increasing transparency or protecting human rights. Second, China is one of the few foreign powers that is willing to bankroll large-scale infrastructure projects, which many countries view as critical to spurring the growth of their economies.



Yet this growing enthusiasm to borrow from China has also triggered intense debate about the potential downsides for recipient countries down the road. What happens if a country can't repay a Chinese government-backed loan? Sri Lanka's experience in 2017 serves as a cautionary tale. When Sri Lanka had difficulty servicing its debts for the Hambantota Port Development Project, China eventually took over the port and 15,000 acres around it, an arrangement that will be in place for 99 years.

“Sri Lanka’s inability to repay its debts was not solely because of China, but the Hambantota Port story underscores the importance of why leaders and citizens alike need more information about the terms of these deals,” says Custer. “How many of these loans are backed up by collateral, and if a borrowing country defaults, what happens next? Will China seize strategically important assets?”

The public backlash around the Hambantota port deal was also a powerful lesson for Chinese leaders that their high-profile infrastructure projects are a double-edged sword. On the one hand, says Custer, “these financing deals can give China implicit leverage with foreign leaders when it comes to an important vote in the United Nations or a trade agreement with preferential terms for Chinese companies.” On the other hand, local perceptions of China can change dramatically over time if the promised benefits from a project are not delivered or the costs begin to outweigh the benefits.

With the data that AidData produces, researchers are beginning to answer key questions.

A NEW COLONIAL POWER?

~ What is motivating China’s growing presence in the development finance market, and what does it get out of it?

“Some politicians, journalists and scholars argue that China is a neo-colonial power using its economic clout to buy influence with other countries,” says Custer. “Regardless of whether you buy this argument, it does raise an important question about what China hopes to achieve by backing major development projects in other countries.”

Through AidData’s new dataset, researchers can answer this question by investigating the profiles of countries that seem to get more grants and loans from China.

“It is not necessarily the case that the poorest countries and subnational localities get the most financial support or the most favorable deals,” says Custer. AidData has shown that China finances an unusually high number of projects in the hometowns of presidents and prime ministers. It has also demonstrated that when countries vote with Beijing in the United Nations General Assembly, they get extra cash from China.

Beyond its pursuit of commercial advantages and foreign policy concessions, China is clearly interested in winning hearts and minds. It often bankrolls high-profile projects with substantial media fanfare in inrecipient countries. These projects have garnered Beijing publicity and praise from citizens and leaders in low- and middle-income countries that view partnership with China as a gateway to economic development. At the same time, a growing number of media articles highlighting waste, fraud and abuse associated with Chinese-government backed development projects have put Beijing on the defense and forced it to justify how its investments benefit local communities.

INVESTMENT:

Opposite page left: Marshall Islands-based Mt. Melody bunkering ship arriving at Hambantota International Port, Sri Lanka. Opposite page right: The Lotus Tower, built under the Belt and Road Initiative, in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Below: A railway executive from Ghana watches a model of a Fuxing bullet train at a training base for high-speed railway staff in Wuhan, in central China's Hubei Province.



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U.S. IMPLICATIONS

~ China is now a major player in the international development finance market, but its profile is quite different from that of the United States. The U.S. primarily gives grants to tackle challenges related to public health, disaster response and democratic governance, while China mostly provides loans for big-ticket infrastructure projects.

According to Custer, “If you look at aid in the strict sense of the term, the U.S. gave four times as much as China to other countries between 2000 and 2014. But when you consider all types of government financing, China and the U.S. look like spending rivals.”

China provided \$354 billion during this period, and the U.S. gave \$370 billion.

“When we update our figures through 2018 at the end of this year, we may see that China is actually outspending the U.S.,” says Custer.

This new reality raises critical questions for U.S. leaders when they think about the future of development assistance as part of America’s broader foreign policy toolkit. Are there constructive ways in which the U.S. can engage with China to ensure that its lending maximizes the benefits and minimizes the risks to recipient countries? Or should the U.S. seek to counter or compete with China’s growing influence in low- and middle-income countries as a threat to American interests?

Regardless of the answer, China’s prominence as a player in the development finance market is not something that the U.S. can or should ignore. At a minimum, it needs to learn from what China is doing, but it may also need to rethink its existing strategies.

COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE

~ “We are not in a unipolar world anymore,” says Custer. “China has clearly demonstrated that it has the means and motivation to deploy the power of its purse to advance its interests in ways that may or may not be aligned with the U.S. and its allies. In practice, this means that U.S. leaders will need to determine how best to engage with China as a financier of development in ways that safeguard U.S. interests and those of developing countries.”

One potential way forward is to explore avenues for closer cooperation with China, such as through co-financing of development projects in areas of common interest, as a way of nudging Beijing to play by established global standards, rules and accountability systems.

“If we don’t create space for an emerging China to be at the table as an equal player, then they will continue to work around prevailing international rules with limited transparency,” says Custer.

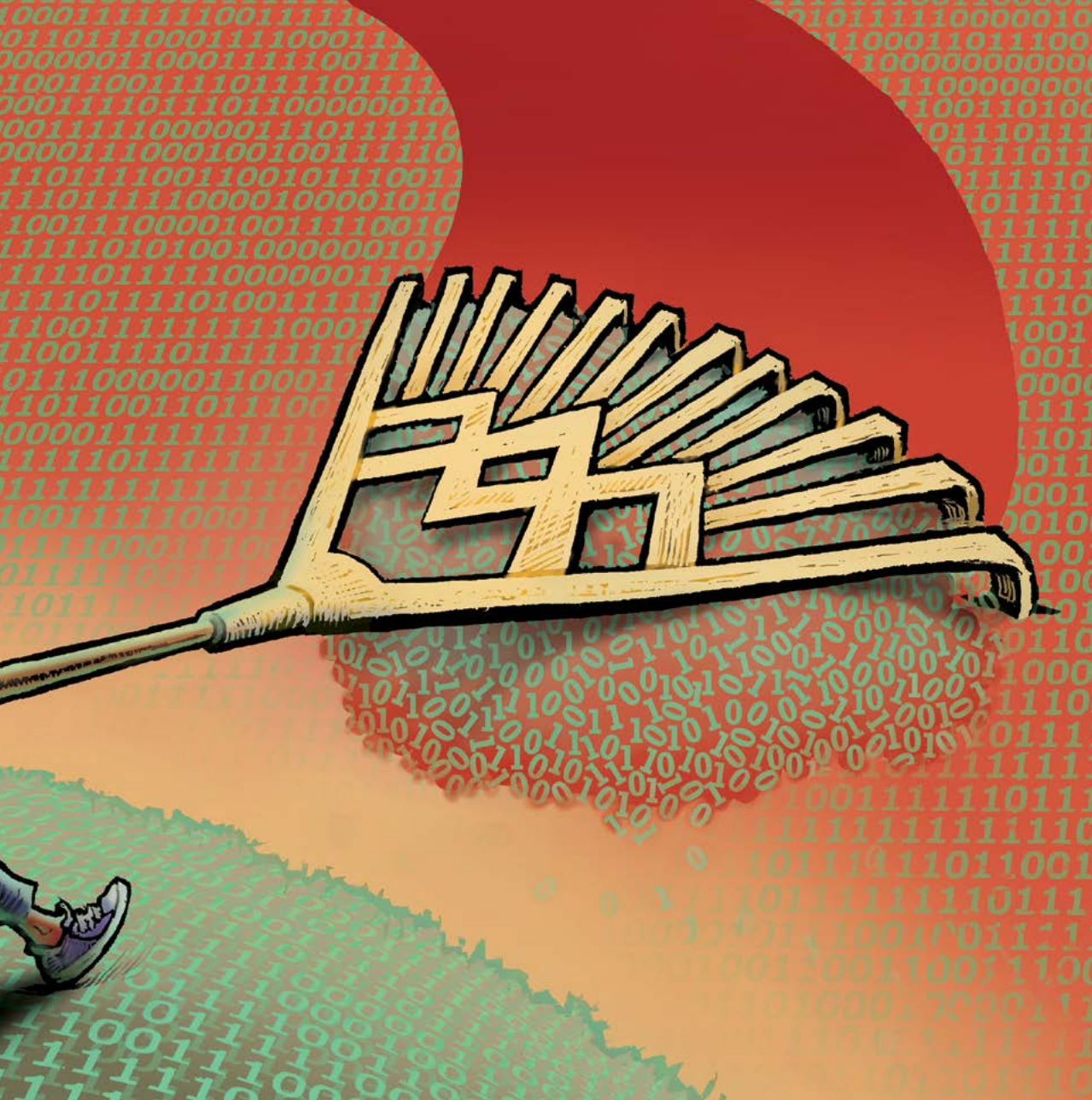
However, if the U.S. wants to preserve its own influence, it also needs to consider why countries are so keen to work with China. By undertaking



surveys of decision-makers in more than 125 countries around the globe, AidData has uncovered evidence that aid donors are more influential when they align their assistance with the priorities of recipient countries. In this respect, the U.S. would do well to be more responsive to the interests of low- and middle-income countries in developing robust infrastructure.

At the same time, Custer acknowledges, “I don’t know that the U.S. is in a position to outcompete China in terms of infrastructure investment, but what it can do is make sure that recipient countries are not opening themselves up to undue influence as a result of runaway debt or projects that inadvertently worsen social and environmental standards. That’s not only bad for those countries, but also for U.S. interests.”

To that end, the U.S. could potentially play a constructive role in helping countries on the receiving end of China’s largesse to strengthen



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“The reality is that in a time of political polarization and extreme partisanship, people say things that just aren’t so. To have some reliable source of information that’s nonpartisan, that’s based on real data, based on serious research, that people who are interested in making serious policy can rely on, has the potential to make a real difference as we look ahead.”

*~ Robert M. Gates ’65,
L.H.D. ’98*

their accountability systems to more effectively manage public debt, negotiate deals with more favorable terms and conditions and ensure that infrastructure projects are implemented in careful and sustainable ways. The U.S. could also consider investing in things like a recipient country’s independent media that can engage in investigative journalism to open up space for debate and discussion about these agreements and projects.

PATH FORWARD

~ Some U.S. politicians emphasize investments in defense at the expense of diplomacy and development, but others argue that this approach is wrong-headed because it will undermine U.S. leadership on the global stage.

“If we’re going to be successful in this long-term rivalry with China . . . we’re going to have to redevelop, and in new ways, reimagine these non-military instruments of power in order to compete with

things like China’s ‘One Belt One Road’ plan,” says Gates. “I think that the biggest concern I have is that even though we now have a bipartisan understanding that China is a challenge for us, we have no strategy. Where do we want this relationship to be in five or 10 or 15 years and, more broadly, how do we counter the Chinese in all the different areas where competition is going to take place?”

“One thing is clear,” says Custer. “The size of China’s overseas development program can’t be ignored. If it continues to provide large-scale financing behind closed doors, there are real risks that the U.S. will get displaced and China will have undue influence. It is already beginning to happen and nobody’s watching.”

Until now. The upcoming release of AidData’s newest global dataset will shine a bright light on the true scale and scope China’s overseas spending and reinforce William & Mary’s position as a leader in global development research. ☺

BY NOAH ROBERTSON '19

BACK TO SCHOOL

ZACK FETTERS' PATH FROM THE GRIDIRON TO GRADE SCHOOL

IT'S MORNING, AND ZACHARY FETTERS '16, M.A.ED. '18 IS DRESSING IN UNIFORM: A PAIR OF SLACKS AND A POLO SHIRT, SHORT ENOUGH TO SHOW OFF HIS LEFT ARM'S FULL-SLEEVE TATTOO. AFTER GRABBING A PACKED LUNCH, HE TAKES THE SHORT DRIVE TO THE INDOOR-OUTDOOR CAMPUS OF LAUREL LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA. FETTERS, WHO ONCE CHARGED WILDLY THROUGH STADIUM TUNNELS, WALKS QUIETLY TO THE CLASSROOM.

A FULL DAY WITH STUDENTS AWAITS. THE GAME IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.

A former Tribe football player of five years and college-level coach, Feters is now a special education teacher, working just miles away from his two-time alma mater. At 6'3" and 230 pounds, he still fits the mold of the sport he's played since childhood. But at school, this bearded Paul Bunyan in chinos has found a home for which he's prepared almost his entire life, though he didn't always know it.

Few Division 1 linebackers who major in philosophy end up becoming special education teachers. Though seemingly tailor-made for the field, Feters has come to learn he was born for the classroom — helping to fill a critical teacher shortage in the state. His journey to Laurel Lane, as surprising as it was at first unintended, comes from a lifetime of relationships with family, coaches, professors and colleagues. It involved changed plans and hard questions — most of all imagining a life without football.

But while he may no longer play his lifelong sport, Feters applies the lessons it taught him in his career. The exuberance, discipline and dogged will to win still remain; it's just a different game. He's now on a team of teachers. Winning is all about helping students achieve better outcomes. The end goals are much more long term.

Feters has traded in his spandex for slacks, his pads for polos, and his helmet for an unconcealable smile at work. He's found a new competition, and while he may be new to the game, he's ready to play on.

For almost as long as he can remember, Feters' life was about football. Having played since the age of 7, he sampled every position on the field except for center. He finished high school as



quarterback for his hometown team in Gaithersburg, Maryland, recording 40 touchdowns his senior year.

This exceptional play on the field led Fetters to William & Mary. Visiting campus, he remembers the university feeling completely different than any other school he'd seen — and learning, for the first time, that both his parents were alumni. When former coach Jimmie Laycock '70 offered him the chance to come and play at whatever position worked, Fetters joined the Tribe.

That decision kickstarted a five-year football career that spanned both sides of the ball, taking him from receiver to tight end to linebacker. In his time on the team, Fetters recorded tackles, interceptions, fumble recoveries, kick returns and touchdowns — versatility that would come to help him later on.

"The transitions led me to really embrace the whole picture of the game and discover how each step could help me with the next step," he says. "It was just learning. I love learning. I'm definitely a nerd."

Football, in Fetters' opinion, is not a contact sport. It's a collision sport. Playing it for so long took a certain level of craziness, he says, but it also taught him to focus his energy, which he calls having a "cool head and a hot heart." To balance those two, he maintained at every game a sense of childlike joy. Yes, the sport was about winning, but it was only a game, and games should be fun.

After graduating, Fetters went to Stevenson University near Baltimore for what he thought would be the start of a long career in coaching. His first year there was almost perfect, he says. Still a young program, the team won their conference championship and advanced to the playoffs. He was even working with players at his old position of linebacker — a rarity for graduate assistants so young. But at the end of the season, something felt off.

"I kind of looked at it and thought this could not have been a better first year of coaching. And it still feels like something's just missing," Fetters says. "I had thought my whole life that it was going to be football one way or another, whether it was playing, coaching or commentating. I just remember sitting in the locker room and thinking, 'What would I have pursued had I never played football?'"

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Then, he thought of John and Sam — his half-brothers. At the age of 10, Fetters became an older brother when his stepmother delivered twins. His life suddenly changed forever.

Two of the most caring people he knows, the twins complement each other. John, the elder, is full of energy and loves to be around people, even

if he usually stays quiet. Sam, on the other hand, is more voluble, loves to run and is a natural leader. John hacks iPads; Sam competes in the National Spelling Bee. Both have participated in research conducted by National Geographic, and both served as the best man at Fetters' wedding — Sam gave a short, powerful toast that left the room in tears.

Both John and Sam also have autism, and throughout their lives have made great strides in their social and communication skills. It was this that came to mind during Fetters' search for life beyond football. He began to see his family in a completely new way. No matter the start of his journey, John and Sam were now the destination. Zach's future lay in helping students like his brothers.

This realization led him back to his other home in Williamsburg and has kept him there since. Through scholarships enabled by the *For the Bold* campaign, Fetters returned to William & Mary for his master's degree in special education to begin a new career in teaching.

After a year at the high-school level — for which he won the Williamsburg-James City County school district's Rookie Teacher of the Year Award — Fetters transitioned to elementary school and Laurel Lane, where he could put the childlike joy he practiced on the field to use every day.

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Unlike other elementary schools in the area, Laurel Lane is a campus, with round buildings connected by covered outdoor walkways. The school, says Principal Karen Swann '02, M.A.Ed. '06, is made special by the students, who love to work and play hard.

Swann, who smiles when talking about her school, uses sports metaphors to describe their work. The staff is like a team, and winning involves bringing the best out of each other and their classes. The faculty's motto is "all in for all our students" — or "penguins," given their mascot.

Working in special education, she says, requires a particularly robust commitment, one she sees so often from Fetters, whether he's tutoring students one-on-one or playing with large groups at recess outside. Being "all in" when serving students with learning disabilities requires patience and empathy. It takes a focus on slow, long-term successes, some of which a teacher may not see for years.

"He believes that every child can learn, and when you have that at the forefront of your mission, the opportunity to learn increases," she says. "Kids will let down their guard. Kids will take risks. Kids will engage because they know someone believes in them."



A NEW PERSPECTIVE: As an undergraduate at William & Mary, Fetters was a linebacker and philosophy major who envisioned a career in coaching. However, inspired by his brothers, he returned to William & Mary for his master's degree and became a special education teacher.

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When it comes to special education, says William & Mary Professor of Education Debbie Ramer, that belief in every student is even more important. The nature of the job is intervening on behalf of students when school is not always a happy or successful experience, she says. Students and teachers can put in a lot of effort, but effort doesn't always turn into results.

In addition, there are a number of pervasive and dangerous misconceptions about special education itself, says Ramer, who taught Fetters while he earned his mas-

ter's degree. Most problematically, the public often assumes that special education teachers only work with students who have significant behavioral disabilities, an assumption that contributes to a widespread fear of the field, she says.

Put together, she says, those reasons contribute to an exceptionally high burnout rate among new special education teachers: 90% within the first five years. There's already a nationwide shortage of educators, especially among men, who make up only about 11 percent of the total number of the coun-

try's elementary school teachers, according to the National Center of Education Statistics. Those two together make committed, fully licensed teachers in the field — such as Fetters — not only rare but also an extremely hot commodity, says Ramer.

Many of the students Fetters works with, she says, may not have a strong male role model in their lives. Having a gentle giant like Fetters, with a “teddy bear heart,” says Professor Ramer, is invaluable when so few are available in the classroom.



"Zach's a rock," she says. "He's a rock for those kids. He's a rock for his colleagues. He is so positive and has such a loving heart. And that is something that will take him far and will allow his students to be very successful."

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Fetters has a somewhat unorthodox response to the challenges involved in his job: one day he too no longer wants to be a special education teacher, but for a different reason than most. His goal is to do his job so well that his line of work is no longer necessary.

"The goal is to put ourselves out of a job, meaning that our whole job is to get students not to need us," he says.

That goal is often hard, Fetters says. You develop a relationship with students only to see them less and less, as they become more and more independent. He's seen students who once needed him every half hour learn to become comfortable working alone.

But teaching, Fetters says, was never about him. Every small step his students make is, in his eyes, a huge victory, as they learn to become successful on their own. It's his greatest proof that he's doing his job well, even if it means he sees them less often. That, for him, is winning the game.

As a natural competitor, Fetters wants the best outcomes possible for each of his students all the time. In his two years as a teacher, though, he's come to learn there are times when you just don't win. Accepting that has been one of the most difficult things about his young career so far, but also one of the most liberating. He loved pressure situations on the field, but in education, the stakes are much higher. It's no longer about tackles or touchdowns. It's about students' lives.

"In education, there's a lot of pressure," he says. "And when you just free yourself from that pressure and say you're going to give everything you can today for these students, you can walk out with your spirit in a good place and shake off some of the challenges just a little bit easier."

"... AND EACH DAY I GET TO ASK HOW I CAN TEACH THEM TO LET THAT SHINE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES SO THAT THEY CAN MAKE THEIR OWN POSITIVE IMPACTS."

Fetters' personal motto when it comes to his line of work is "walk in freedom," which he believes serves as a reminder to "take each day at work as a gift that you get to spend with some awesome little humans." That approach, he says, helps him find peace even when work is challenging or stressful, a kind of peace he learned from his years of practice at home.

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At family get-togethers in the Fetters household, the first thing they reach for is the Nintendo Switch. Someone (usually Sam) brings players out into the living room and organizes tournaments of Super Smash Brothers or Mario Kart. Thus the games begin.

"It's just a great picture of connection, where we can all just get together and do the same thing in the same little world," he says of their family tournaments.

Zach says he usually wins, but Sam took home gold in their last Mario Kart Grand Prix. As a full-time teacher and new parent, Zach doesn't get as much time to practice. Meanwhile, his brothers are getting better, and older, as they turn 16 this year — something Zach can barely believe.

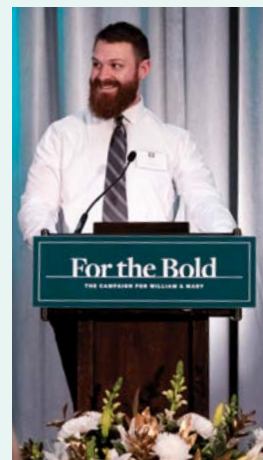
Now living in different states, Zach and his brothers don't get to see each other as often as they would like. But that doesn't make them any less influential on Zach's life. They

prepared him for his career now. Every day at work, because of them, he's able to better empathize with his students and value patient, consistent growth. Watching his students grow older and more self-sufficient is like watching his brothers do the same, even if it means losing more often at Mario Kart.

Life after graduation hasn't gone according to plan for Fetters, but one thing that's held steady is the value he places on relationships. Family, professors, coaches and friends prepared him for where he is now, so he can do the same for his own family, with his own students, just as he was taught. For him, it's all about giving to others the same things he was given.

One of Fetters' favorite things to do with his students in the classroom is to play games designed to develop skills that will help their social interactions, memory and planning. When playing, he says, he thinks about their different gifts and how they can individually grow through them. The one thing he consistently recognizes in all of them is kindness. Helping bring out that innate joy in them is, for Fetters, winning the game.

"My students are some of the most tenderhearted, sweetest kids to work with," he says. "And each day I get to ask how I can teach them to let that shine in their communities so that they can make their own positive impacts. I think that in itself is just the biggest gift of all." ☺







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MOMENT OF SILENCE

On April 16, William & Mary held a moment of silence in recognition of the hardships caused by the coronavirus pandemic and in honor of the health care providers and essential workers on the front lines. After a few words from President Rowe and a time of quiet reflection, the Wren Bell rang and members of the William & Mary Choir sang "Shenandoah." The bell has rung at many crucial times in our history as a symbol of the university's resilience.

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“HOW YOU MAKE SOMETHING IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS WHAT YOU MAKE.”

Building a Sustainable World

FRED KUKELHAUS '05 FURNISHES
INNOVATIVE SPACES

ALUMNI PROFILE When designing a new space on campus, there are numerous elements to consider — what is the purpose of the space? Who will use it? How big should it be? What kind of furniture should it have?

When designing the new Entrepreneurship Hub at Tribe Square, William & Mary staff turned to Fred Kukelhaus '05, the co-founder of Hugo & Hoby, to answer that last question. An extension of the Alan B. Miller Entrepreneurship Center, the hub will support students from all disciplines interested in developing startups and their business acumen. The space needed original, well-made furniture, particularly for the student workspace.

Hugo & Hoby is a furniture company focused on craftsmanship and sustainability. It is a design and fabrication resource for architects and interior designers in the commercial realm that have a need for unique, well-made furniture.

Kukelhaus' company not only provided furniture for the Hub, it will also provide furnishings for the new Institute for Integrative Conservation, a cross-disciplinary institute focused on global conservation and sustainability challenges. Its facility is set to open in 2020.

CREATING THE VISION Originally, Kukelhaus envisioned his company as a competitor to the likes of Ikea and Wayfair; it would provide affordable, flat-packed furniture built with an eye towards sustainability and local manufacturing.

“We thought all these customers were going to come knocking down our door because we’re not only beautiful, but sustainably and locally made,” he says.

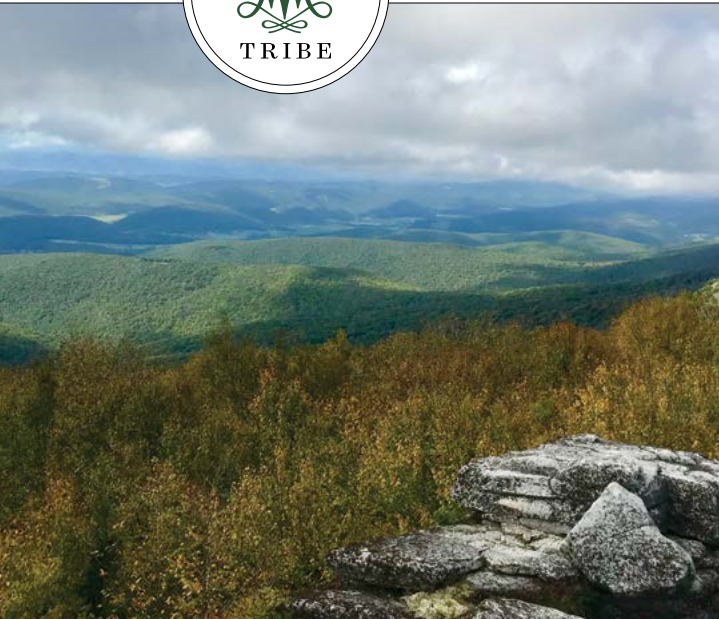
He quickly realized his vision wouldn’t work. “To do that correctly is possible,” Kukelhaus says, “but for many reasons it’s just not our market, it’s not what we’re set up to do.”

Almost by accident he found a new role for Hugo & Hoby. While networking in Northern Virginia, Kukelhaus realized Hugo & Hoby could build things for businesses and developers. Its first client in this industry was Common, a shared living condominium company.

“By the beginning of 2017, we had discovered a need in the commercial world for unique, beautifully done furniture,” he says. “Over



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GREEN TEAM: Above: Fred Kukulhaus '05 worked with The Nature Conservancy to plant trees; Left: Kukulhaus and the Tribe Desk team.

the last three years, we have positioned ourselves as the response to that need.”

LOOKING BEYOND THE BOTTOM LINE One of the hallmarks of Hugo & Hoby is its reliance on local manufacturers to produce their custom designs.

“A big part of what we do is work within our network to build things as locally as possible to where the project is happening,” Kukulhaus says. “It’s really gratifying to work with small-scale, local partners because, in a lot of cases, our collaboration allows them to grow.”

Kukulhaus has also incorporated his passion for the environment into Hugo & Hoby.

Since its inception, Hugo & Hoby has been a member of 1% for the Planet, businesses committed to donating 1% of their revenues to environmental causes. Hugo & Hoby donates its 1% to plant trees, which is an important cause in a business that uses a lot of wood.

So far, Hugo & Hoby has helped plant more than 35,000 trees and hopes to plant another 10,000 in 2020.

The company also tries to save material from the waste stream by using reclaimed or salvaged wood. Recently, they salvaged 200-year-old beams from a church in Boston scheduled for destruction and used them in a Patagonia store.

“We have a little tagline that really captures the core idea behind Hugo & Hoby: how you make something is just as important as what you make,” says Kukulhaus.

FINDING HIS WAY Although he has turned Hugo & Hoby into a thriving company, as an international relations major at William & Mary, Kukulhaus

did not have the same interest in business or entrepreneurship that he does now. William & Mary prepared Kukulhaus for his future business endeavors, however, by giving him opportunities to explore his interests and develop the values that guide his life.

“The thing that W&M really taught me,” he says, “is the importance of a strong community and surrounding yourself with people who are not only smarter and better than you at certain things, but also philosophically aligned with you in terms of values.”

After graduating from William & Mary, Kukulhaus’ entrepreneurial spirit began to appear. While working as a consultant in D.C., Kukulhaus developed a plan to start his own business.

“I didn’t know what the business would be, but I knew I wanted to learn how to build a business that was about more than just profits,” he says. “I wanted it to help people in local communities while also being good for the environment.”

Kukulhaus wanted a better understanding of how sustainability worked, so he got a master’s degree in environmental engineering from Johns Hopkins University.

Then, wanting to know more about the business side of things, he got his MBA from the Yale School of Management, where he met his business partner, Ben Young.

“I’m probably the only person in the world to get an engineering and business degree to become a carpenter,” he says.

A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION While at Yale, Kukulhaus lived in a large Victorian house and struggled to come up with adequate furnishings. He was bothered by

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the sustainability issues of furnishing his home with cheap, poorly made store-bought furniture.

“It bugged me because I knew when I left in two years, it would just end up on the curb,” he says.

So, Kukelhaus decided to make his own desk.

“For the first few weeks of school,” he says, “I would race back home in between classes and put in a few minutes of work on the desk.”

Later, Kukelhaus and his roommates decided to build furniture for the whole house. When visitors would come to Kukelhaus’ house, they would comment on the furniture and express interest in purchasing similar pieces.

“That was the first time I really had any idea about what kind of business I wanted to start,” he says.

He credits two things that helped guide him through his life: persistence and leading with his values.

“I think William & Mary is one of those great institutions that reinforces those two things over and over again through its programs,” he says. “I am very grateful for that.”

THE TRIBE DESK For William & Mary’s new Entrepreneurship Hub, Hugo & Hoby built the “Tribe Desk.”

“Architects and designers have a tendency to focus on the building itself, but often don’t pay much attention to the furniture inside it,” Kukelhaus says. “But as student, if you use that desk every single day, the design behind it starts to matter.”

Hugo & Hoby’s idea behind the Tribe Desk was to build a next-generation cubicle.

“We wanted to build something that encouraged entrepreneurs to talk and interact with one another,” says Kukelhaus, “but also allowed people to have their own time and really buckle down when they wanted to.”

Kukelhaus also sought to encompass William & Mary’s values in the design.

“I really like the name Tribe Desk,” he says, “because it can stand alone, but it looks much stronger together, like the W&M community.”

— JACK EHLENBERGER ’20

Honorary Alumna

PATTI DWYER JOINS THE W&M ALUMNI FAMILY

WELCOME TO THE TRIBE The William & Mary family has grown by one more: Patricia “Patti” Jarboe Dwyer has been nominated by her peers and selected by the W&M Alumni Association Board of Directors to be inducted as an honorary alumna. This recognition honors non-graduates of William & Mary who have a distinguished record of service, support, advocacy and commitment on behalf of the Alma Mater of the Nation.

For more than 30 years, Dwyer has consistently and visibly helped rally support for W&M initiatives and lent her time and talents to their success. When her husband, Robert “Bobby” Dwyer M.Ed. ’94, joined the fundraising staff for William & Mary Athletics in 1987, Patti Dwyer became an active and engaged member of the William & Mary community and an essential partner to the athletics program. She served on the committee for the Lord Botetourt Affair, W&M Athletics’ largest fundraising event, and chaired the event five times — often donating items she personally created for the cause.

Dwyer has been a mentor and a friend to W&M students, often hosting dinners for student-athletes who are not able to return home over school breaks because of their competition schedule. She keeps in touch with many of them, and in turn she has helped those graduates remain connected to W&M.

An active member of the community, Dwyer was instrumental in forming the Williamsburg Arts District and is the founder of the Art House, which supports local artists. A talented artist herself, her art has been recognized across campus. She also worked for many years as a kindergarten teacher, all while staying engaged with William & Mary.

“We are honored to officially bring Patti into our alumni family, even though she has been part of our W&M family all along,” said Marilyn Ward Midyette ’75, executive director of the W&M Alumni Association. “She has consistently gone above and beyond for her adopted alma mater, and we are inspired by her commitment and grateful for her service.”

— CLAIRE DE LISLE





Real TOPGUN

REAR ADMIRAL BILL SIZEMORE M.B.A. '89 FLEW WITH AND TRAINED THE BEST



HIGH FLIER: *Bill Sizemore M.B.A. '89 attended the Navy Fighter Weapons School, known as TOPGUN, and then returned as its commanding officer.*

ALUMNI PROFILE A few minutes into the 1986 “Top Gun” movie, Tom Cruise’s character, Maverick, intercepts Soviet fighter planes off of an aircraft carrier in a nerve-racking, high-stakes aerial dogfight. In real life, Rear Admiral Bill Sizemore USN (Ret.) M.B.A. '89 did much the same thing when deployed to the Mediterranean and North Atlantic in the 1980s as an F-14 Tomcat fighter pilot.

“Intercepting Soviet aircraft wasn’t nearly as intense as depicted in the movie — it was more routine, something we did all the time when deployed,” he says. “But you definitely needed to rendezvous with them expeditiously and make sure they were never left unattended.”

When the new “Top Gun” movie is released this December, starring Tom Cruise once again, the enemies may be different but the aviation promises to be just as action-packed. The idea of TOPGUN remains fresh in the American psyche even now.

Back in 1975, Sizemore joined the Navy out of high school and attended the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. He was inspired to become a pilot

because of his father, who was a Navy pilot, and his uncle, an Air Force pilot, who was shot down and killed in the Vietnam War.

“Growing up I saw firsthand the dedication, professionalism, talent and adventures of those who flew aircraft in service to their nation,” he says. “I wanted to be like them.”

Upon graduating from the Naval Academy in 1980, Sizemore went directly to flight school, specializing in strike, or attack, aircraft. After completing flight school, he stayed on as an instructor in the strike training pipeline, as there was an instructor shortage.

Sizemore was then assigned to Fighter Squadron 41 (“The Black Aces”) for a three-year tour, flying the F-14 Tomcat. During his tour, he made two extended deployments to the Mediterranean and one to the North Atlantic. It was during these deployments that Sizemore and others would intercept Soviet patrol and bomber aircraft trying to find American ships.

“It was the Cold War and it was demanding flying. We would fly anytime the Soviet Union sent

PHOTOS COURTESY OF BILL SIZEMORE M.B.A. '89

airplanes to try to find us, and it didn't matter what the time, weather, or sea state was," Sizemore says.

Halfway through his tour with the Black Aces, Sizemore was selected to attend what was then called the Navy Fighter Weapons School, known as TOPGUN, at Naval Air Station Miramar in San Diego.

There, he participated in classroom sessions learning the detailed inner workings of aircraft and weapons systems and the aircraft they might face in combat. There were two to three flights a day, including intense low-altitude flying, like in the movie. Sizemore was not only expected to master all the skills, but also be able to successfully pass on what he learned when he returned to his squadron at the end of the course.

"We had all done this sort of flying before, but it was at a much higher level at TOPGUN," he says.

The movie "Top Gun" was able to capture the intensity of the aerial training at the real-life school, according to Sizemore, but it completely failed to depict the attitude and professionalism of everyone there.

"There were no 'Maverick' types or reckless, rule-breaking flying that you saw in the movie," says Sizemore. "That would not have been tolerated when I was at TOPGUN, and it would not be tolerated there today."

Sizemore had three more flying tours in the F-14, including participating in Operation Desert Storm. He returned to TOPGUN in 1999 as the commanding officer. By that time TOPGUN had moved to Naval Air Station Fallon, in the Nevada desert, and had undergone several major changes.

TOPGUN was now a department at the Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center, which oversaw and standardized all post-graduate level aviation training in the Navy. Training was longer, and instructors would fly alongside students and also as adversaries. Students learned to contend not only with the air-to-air threat, but also surface-to-air missiles, while firing simulated electronic weapons in real time.

"It was just like the real deal, except there weren't actual missiles coming at you," Sizemore says. "They were the absolute hardest scenarios anyone could expect to face in actual combat, and it was, and still is, world class training."

In between his stints at TOPGUN, Sizemore attended William & Mary, earning his MBA. He had just completed his initial service obligation and many of his friends were leaving the Navy to join airlines.

"I didn't want to be an airline pilot, but I did want to explore what was 'out there,' and the thought of getting into business was intriguing to me," Sizemore says.

Although he went into the MBA program thinking he might end up leaving the Navy, he stayed in the Navy another 24 years before joining the business world.

"A lot of my decision to stay in the Navy was because of my experiences with the incredibly talented people I met at William & Mary. I also had the very good fortune of being married to someone who supported whatever I thought was best for our family. I realized that I could always get into business at a later time, but for the time being, staying in the Navy and flying fighters was the absolute right thing for me."

— JACK EHLENBERGER '20



TEAM PLAYERS: *Top: Sizemore and his wife, Diane; Left: According to Sizemore, the movie "Top Gun" accurately captured the intensity of training but not the attitude and professionalism of the real TOPGUN pilots.*



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Wilderness Leader

TERRI WATSON '85 RELIES ON SMALL TEAMS TO ACHIEVE BIG GOALS

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ABOVE IT ALL: A NOLS instructor teaches rappelling during a wilderness expedition in the Rocky Mountains.



ALUMNI PROFILE Terri Watson '85 isn't certain what role gender plays in determining a person's leadership style. But as a keen observer of how men and women in positions of authority conduct themselves, she believes each person has a different way of leading.

"I work very consciously on my leadership style and trying to figure out how to be a better leader," she says.

As the first woman to become president of NOLS — founded in a Wyoming cabin in 1965 as the National Outdoor Leadership School — Watson brings nearly three decades of experience in corporate and nonprofit roles to an organization that enrolls more than 25,000 students annually in programs around the world. NOLS offers small-group expeditions to places such as the Rocky Mountains, Chile, East Africa and New Zealand, as well as

classroom instruction on skills relevant to a wilderness setting.

After double-majoring in geology and physical education at William & Mary, Watson flew tactical surveillance aircraft in Europe and South Korea as an Army intelligence officer. Although she studied leadership and team building in the Army, it was during an instructors' course at NOLS in 1990 that she found a model that resonated with her.

"When you're in a wilderness setting for an extended period, the pressures of daily life go away and you're really just working with the reality of who you are and who are the people you're with, what are you trying to do and how do you make that happen," she says. "And I just found that really fascinating."

Watson became an instructor and later worked in administration and management at NOLS.

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“IF YOU DON’T HAVE INTEGRITY, NOTHING ELSE MATTERS.
AND IF YOU DO, YOU CAN PULL ANYTHING OFF.”

She also embarked on a parallel career path in professional aviation, forming her own company and doing medical transport flights for many years. She served as chief executive officer at LightHawk, a Colorado-based nonprofit that relies on volunteer pilots to support its conservation projects, before returning to NOLS as president on Jan. 1, 2020.

She describes her kind of leadership as different than a traditional, hierarchical approach.

“I very much believe in working in collegial teams and small focus groups to achieve things, versus having one person who’s the expert and decrees how something will be done,” she says. “So, facilitating effective small teams to achieve big goals is a style that I have moved to that I think really works well for me.”

One of the examples she looks to for leadership inspiration is retired Gen. Colin Powell, the father of her William & Mary classmate Michael K. Powell ’85, D.P.S. ’02. Both Watson and the younger Powell were in the ROTC program at W&M, and Gen. Powell spoke to the cadets at their commissioning ceremony in May 1985, among other occasions.

“He talked a lot about the importance of integrity within leadership,” Watson says. “I recall a conversation we had early on where he said, ‘If you

don’t have integrity, nothing else matters. And if you do, you can pull anything off.’”

As president of NOLS, Watson wants to strengthen relationships with East Coast colleges and universities. She also sees partnership potential with William & Mary’s recently announced Institute for Integrative Conservation.

“I envision us becoming more well-known and growing our opportunities and our programs for a larger population,” she says. “I would love to find a way for William & Mary students to know of the opportunities for attending a NOLS training such as back country exploration or wilderness medicine. That’s an area that we are trying to work on now.”

Watson says that she was thrilled when Katherine Rowe was named William & Mary’s first woman president and when Samantha K. Huge became the university’s first female athletics director.

“I’m so interested in their perspective and the leadership style they’re bringing,” she says. “While the ‘first woman’ role is not one I see myself playing, it’s important to me that they are there. Realizing that, I remember there are probably folks who think it’s important that I’m here.”

— TINA ESHLEMAN



FLYING HIGH: Terri Watson '85 holds multiple aviation ratings and has flown over 11,000 hours. Below, from left: A NOLS group crosses Alaskan terrain; a student paddles a kayak in Scandinavia.



BOTTOM LEFT PHOTO: JAKE WARD/NOLS; BOTTOM RIGHT PHOTO: FREDRIK NORRSSELL/NOLS; TOP PHOTO COURTESY OF NOLS



Exemplary Alumni

DOUGLAS N. MORTON '62 ALUMNI SERVICE AWARDS

SERVICE AWARDS Named after alumnus Doug Morton for his distinguished volunteer leadership at the university, these awards are given annually to recognize individuals for their exceptional service to the Alumni Association and the university through their efforts to connect and engage alumni. The Staff Service Award recognizes a staff or faculty member who represents the university with distinction and demonstrates outstanding service and support to the Alumni Association.

In this issue, we profile two of the five Alumni Service Award winners and the Staff Service Award recipient. To read the profiles of previously featured winners, visit magazine.wm.edu/issue/2020-winter.

JESSICA F. CHILIN-HERNÁNDEZ '12 YOUNG ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

When Chilin-Hernández graduated from William & Mary in 2012, she had a vision for engaging LatinX alumni and students with each other and with William & Mary on campus and worldwide. That vision has become a reality through her leadership of the LatinX affinity group, which hosts events and provides opportunities for alumni who identify as LatinX, Latino, Latina, Hispanic, Chicano, Latin-

American and Afro-LatinX to strengthen their community at William & Mary. She has established partnerships with student organizations and supports student and alumni initiatives with her time, talent and treasure, serving as a mentor, a donor and an advocate for scholarships. She was a class reporter for the W&M Alumni Magazine for several years and serves as a class ambassador and a member of the Admission Volunteer Network, using the power of peer-to-peer outreach to connect alumni and prospective students to the university she loves. Through all her efforts, she ensures all feel included and that their voices are heard.

"Diversity is excellence, and in order to nurture and support diversity, we need to have strong networks that go beyond the on-campus community — to ensure that our students, the moment they become alumni, not only excel but thrive wherever they take their William & Mary degree," says Chilin-Hernández.

BENJAMIN M. DEMARIA '05 ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

As immediate past president of the D.C. Metro alumni chapter, DeMaria's enthusiasm, creativity and



dedication shone through in the breadth of events he spearheaded. From the annual Evening at the Embassy, to William & Mary Night at Nationals Park, to book clubs in local restaurants, to a Harry Potter-themed tour of an historic apothecary, DeMaria made sure all alumni could find a way to be engaged. In his 14 years since graduation, he's attended more than 110 Alumni Association events, going out of his way to make others feel included and welcome. He also serves as a class ambassador and a *For the Bold* campaign committee member, providing support for future generations of students and alumni and encouraging others to do the same. He put in the hard work to make the chapter run smoothly and created strong bonds with alumni that will last a lifetime.

"I love seeing how much our volunteer work helps all our alumni professionally and personally. I get a real sense of gratification from people who say 'I got my job because of one of your events,' 'I reconnected with someone from my freshman hall' or even 'I met my partner at a W&M event.' The Alumni Association has a huge positive impact on people's lives, and I am proud to help make that happen," says DeMaria.

SARA BON-HARPER STAFF SERVICE AWARD

Bon-Harper is the executive director of James Monroe's Highland in Albemarle County, Virginia. Highland was the home of James Monroe, the fifth president of the United States, and is now part of William & Mary.

Bon-Harper's scholarship and vision are opening doors to research opportunities and fulfilling the possibilities presented by this significant historic site. As an archaeologist, Bon-Harper's research was instrumental in uncovering the original site of Monroe's house, broadening awareness of this important William & Mary alumnus and increasing the understanding of Highland. She is dedicated to furthering relationships with the descendants of Highland's enslaved men and women. Under her leadership, this fall W&M received a \$1 million grant from the Mellon Foundation for community-led research into the legacies of slavery.

Bon-Harper has been an enthusiastic partner to the Charlottesville-Highlands alumni chapter, helping host their signature Yule Log event each year. She also worked with members of the chapter to restore and maintain eight miles of walking trails at Highland, which are now open to the public. In September 2019, she helped to assemble an alumni weekend in Charlottesville around the W&M-UVA football game, including a behind-the-scenes tour of Highland.

"My work at Highland gives me the opportunity to explore the past while looking toward the future," says Bon-Harper. "We are embarking on work that's embedded in William & Mary's core mission — integrating research, teaching, and learning. The Mellon grant also speaks to the integration of academic and public components as we engage the community."

— CLAIRE DE LISLE



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Virtual Reality

ENGAGING ONLINE IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT How do we stay connected in this time of quarantine, social distancing, stay-at-home and shelter-in-place?

In March, the Alumni Association launched a new collection of online options for alumni, parents, family and friends to gather virtually and stay connected to each other and William & Mary.

“In this time when we are so isolated, it’s particularly important we are able to call on our William & Mary family — whether that’s to reach out to your Tribe network for career opportunities and advice, to learn from the expertise of fellow alumni or just see friends,” says Marilyn Ward Midyette ’75, executive director of the Alumni Association.

Events ranged from online networking hours to virtual happy hours to webinars with topics like “Coronavirus Impact to US Economy & Capital Markets” and “Conquering Chaos during Social Separation: A Personal(ity) Approach.”

The Alumni Association also worked with faculty and staff across the university to share programming, including webinars on supporting your K-12 students at home from the School of Education, weekly videos from the Muscarelle Museum, business leadership podcasts produced by the Raymond A. Mason School of Business and more.

As many people face employment uncertainty and new graduates enter the workforce, career and networking resources from One Tribe One Network can assist. On April 25, in partnership with Mission Collaborative, the Alumni Association launched the Alumni Career Change Fellowship, a 30-day program designed to help participants find fulfilling careers that fit their needs and strengths. An additional fellowship is planned for Oct. 24-Nov. 22, 2020.

Another resource, the W&M Switchboard, is a private online platform for alumni to connect with each other, learn about job opportunities and internships and share advice on everything from careers to parenting to staying safe during the outbreak.

Other offerings available year-round include an online LinkedIn course, chat-based networking and a library of recorded professional development webinars delivered by members of the W&M community.

Online events and resources will continue to be available after in-person events resume. All virtual engagement offerings can be found at wmalumni.com/events/virtual-opportunities. You can also submit any ideas or recommendations for topics and speakers on the website or by emailing engagement@wm.edu. — CLAIRE DE LISLE

ONE TRIBE. ONE NETWORK.

In this challenging time, it is more important than ever that we stay connected as a W&M community and look out for each other.

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W&M WEBINARS

Watch professional development webinars delivered by members of the W&M community.



ONLINE NETWORKING HOURS

Speed network online via text chats with members of the William & Mary community and expand your connections on LinkedIn.



HIRE THE TRIBE

Support W&M alumni and students and enhance your organization by recruiting and hiring the Tribe. Whether you are looking to fill in-person or virtual internships, full-time or part-time positions, we can help build relationships between your organization and W&M.



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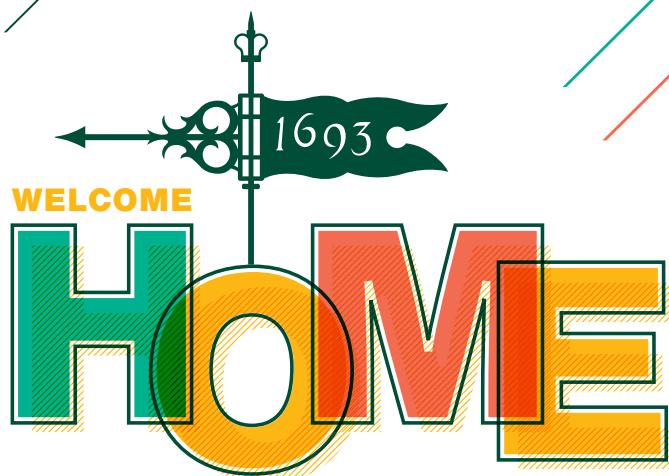
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— CALIFORNIA —

“I LEFT MY HEART IN SAN FRANCISCO”

From the first moment to the last, William & Mary Weekend will combine the best of W&M with the best of San Francisco to inspire and delight. Enjoy a beautiful evening Gala & Auction in the very room Tony Bennett sang his famous song of love and longing for this beautiful city! Tour some of San Francisco's most iconic neighborhoods and hear from Silicon Valley insiders. Explore the famed Alcatraz Island and meet the city's sea lions.

Then, finish off the weekend in Napa Valley with tastings of the finest wines.

**Our plans continue to evolve in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.
For the latest updates, please visit weekend.wm.edu.**



OCTOBER 15-18, 2020

We've missed you! After months of social distancing, we can't wait to gather once again as a community to celebrate Homecoming & Reunion Weekend!

Whether or not you are in a reunion year, you won't want to miss this year's special events, including the Alumni House Dedication and a special celebration recognizing the end of the *For the Bold* campaign. All weekend long, catch up with friends and classmates and enjoy events throughout campus, including signature favorites:

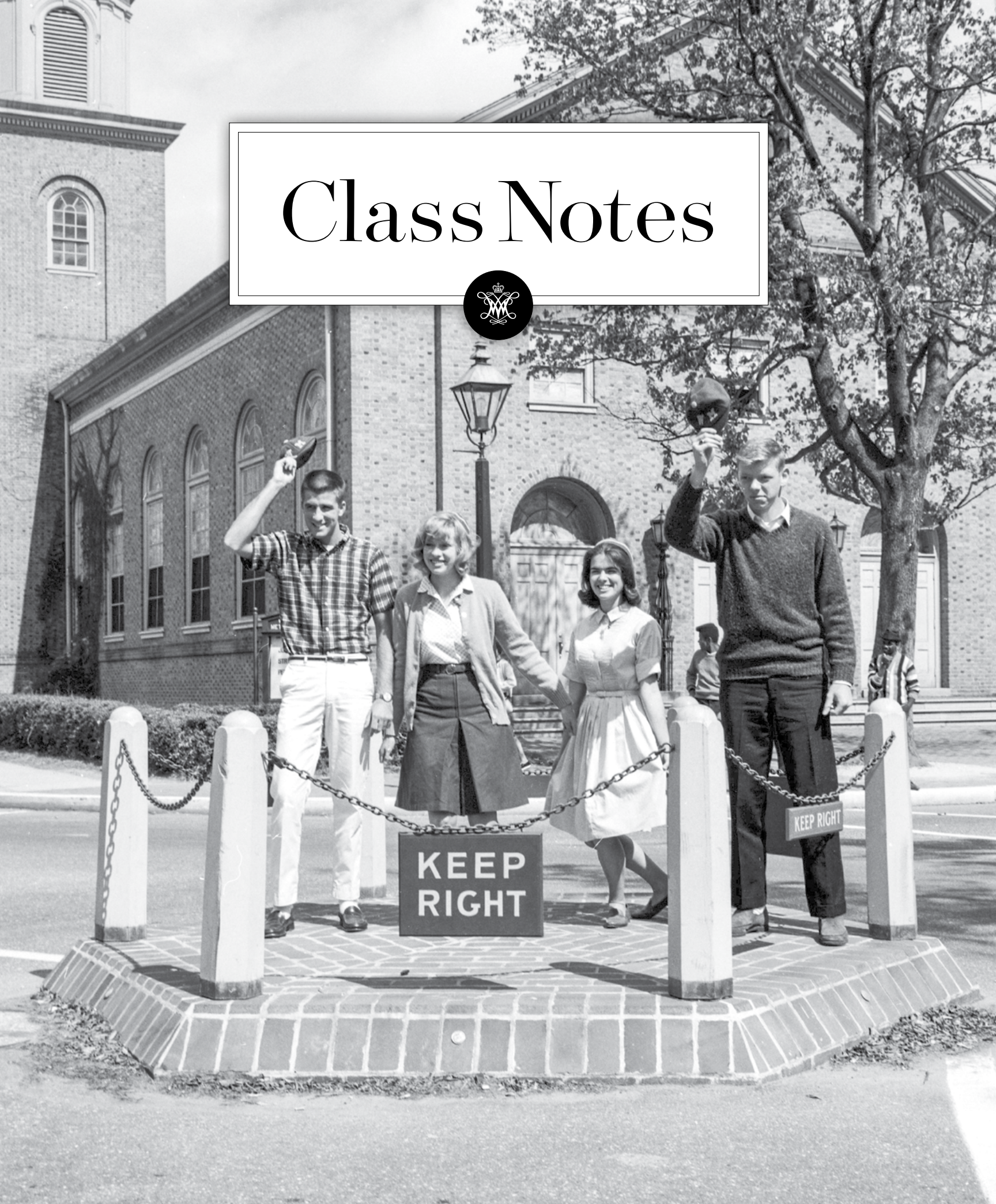
- Homecoming Parade
- Reunion Receptions
- Homecoming Tailgate
- Saturday Night Bash

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Class Notes



WHAT'S THE STORY?

IN THE MIDST OF IT ALL

Students in duc caps wave from College Corner, now Confusion Corner, circa 1964.

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DIGITAL-ONLY FALL ISSUE

As we prepare for the special double issue in print this winter, the fall 2020 issue of the W&M Alumni Magazine will be published only online. Class Notes will be available in September at magazine.wm.edu/class-notes.

Class Notes has been a William & Mary tradition for decades, made possible by the efforts of our dedicated volunteer class reporters. While we make every effort to collect columns and check facts, each column is the responsibility of the class reporter.

1951

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Congratulations to **Sallie Ross Rich** of Sanibel, Florida, who last December won the 5th Annual Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation Brush of Excellence Environmental Art Award. We've met Sallie on these pages before citing her post-college involvement and success with photography. Sallie notes, "I enjoy taking all my pictures, being outside and living here, so thank you to the SCCF for the work they do to preserve it for families and posterity." Sanibel Island is known for its beautiful beaches and more than half the island is made up of wildlife habitats. "We all love it and every single time our family comes back, they don't want anything to change." She voiced her praises to the SCCF for keeping it much the same and natural. This award is a tribute to J.N. "Ding" Darling, the Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonist, artist and conservation champi-

on who had a winter home on Captiva.

Her capture of the natural beauty of the islands has been a longstanding contribution to the public and conservationists. Her entry was from a series titled "The Courtship of Great Blue Herons." She has also inspired a generation of conservationists through her speaking engagements and photographs.

Sallie began as a self-taught photographer taking pictures in 1937 with her father's box camera that she still owns. Before moving to Captiva in 1988, she and her husband raised three children in Baltimore while seeking photographic opportunities there near the Chesapeake. Later, the family did the same in the Azores and Madeira Island. They then spent time hiking in Europe and Scandinavia and camping in America's West.

She gives the practice of yoga for 61 years a good bit of credit for her long, active life along with inspirations from nature. "Living within minutes of the wildlife refuge has been the gift of a lifetime. My wish is that everyone will be able to follow their passion to find joy as I have through the camera lens," she said. She also urges her readers

to resolve to protect and increase what nature has provided.

There were other classmates who developed careers and interests in the fine arts. Sallie's life is a classic, but who could forget **Hugh Haynie '50** (1927-1999), famous political cartoonist at the Louisville Courier, though he began his career nearby in Greensboro, North Carolina. I looked up hundreds of his cartoons on the internet. Another who has an international reputation was **Donald Judd '52** (1928-1994), originally of Excelsior Springs, Missouri. Later in life he made Marfa, Texas, famous with his work. He was a prolific sculptor and artist, and was considered the leading exponent of Minimalism. The dry Texas deserts suited his style, which he studied and cultivated at

Columbia University and other institutions after he moved on from William & Mary after his freshman year. I remember him in one of my classes. There are monumental works of his in many museums. He found beauty in, of all things, Plexiglas, galvanized iron, stainless steel and concrete. I personally am proud of my 20 or more years as a docent and interpreter at the Reynolda House Museum of American Art, which features both a state-of-the-art gallery and the family mansion built in 1910 by Richard Joshua Reynolds of Camel cigarettes fame. He was born a Virginian but found business success right here in North Carolina! I admire all of you who have stayed true to your principles and shared your accomplishments with me and my readers. I am flattered. It has been a joy to review your letters. Don't stop now. We've got years left!

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1954

Class Reporter
RENE A. HENRY

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are looking for a reporter for the Class of 1954. If interested, please contact the magazine staff at alumni.magazine@wm.edu or at (757) 221-1167.

We recently celebrated the 65th reunion of our class. A highlight for me was the Celebration of Life Service for **Gordon Cheesman Vliet** who died in January

2019. Dr. **Elizabeth "Lee" Wadkins Vliet '68, M.Ed. '71** planned the event in Wren Chapel where they were married 51 years earlier. Seats were reserved and all were taken. Classmates returning included **Marshall Ries, Marg Huff Brown** and me. **Jack Brown '81, Denys Grant '58, Stephen J. Huebner '76**, Dr. Vliet and I were speakers and told how Gordon, with his diverse creativity, gave so much to our alma mater in the 16 years he served the Society of the Alumni (now the William & Mary Alumni Association) as executive vice president.

We all told of the multitude of Gordon's contributions, including the vision to not only buy what's now the Alumni House today, but create the university's first organized fundraising campaign to purchase and renovate the building. He created the Olde Guard, reunions and many of the traditions celebrated during Homecoming and throughout the year. He also designed many articles of memorabilia which can be purchased today through the Alumni Association. And somehow, he still found time to do cartoons for the football program and football media guide covers.

Huebner, a retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel who was commander of the Queens' Guard in 1975-76, told how Gordon saved the Queens' Guard by finding new sources of revenue when it had been slashed from the president's 1975-76 budget. The Queens' Guard presented the Colors, led the Pledge of Allegiance and read

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND OBITUARIES are compiled by Jackie Foley and reflect submissions prior to Jan. 15, 2020. Please send all information to Alumni Records, W&M Alumni Association, P.O. Box 8795, Williamsburg, VA 23187, (757) 221-1163, fax to (757) 221-1186 or email alumni.records@wm.edu.

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the 1981 citation honoring Gordon as an honorary colonel.

Following the event, Dr. Vliet hosted a reception in the Great Hall. More people told how Gordon had touched their lives and all that he gave to William & Mary.

At the Olde Guard luncheon, I sat with **Luther Kiger** and **William J. "Bill" Strum '52**. I also saw Dr. **John Marsh '55**, whose late wife **Carol Butters Marsh** had been our longtime class reporter. Unfortunately, age is taking a toll on our class and today, not many are able to return to campus for any event. Age also is taking a toll on the lifestyle of many of our classmates.

One of the oldest alums returning was **Richard G. "Snake" Drake '49, M.Ed. '53**, who was invited by Pete Clawson, senior associate director of athletics. Drake was the volunteer official scorer and statistician for every W&M home football game for 54 consecutive years. Clawson arranged a photograph of Drake with him, **Pete Kalison '57** and me. The three of us were sports information directors for W&M who were assisted by Drake. Drake also was a graduate assistant track coach in 1952-53 and went on to be one of the nation's greatest coaches of hurdlers, many of whom were Olympians and record holders. Now in his 90s, he still coaches the hurdlers at Virginia Wesleyan.

Our class needs a new reporter and I hope one of you out there'll be willing to take on this assignment to keep us all in the news.

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1955

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We arrived in Williamsburg for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend on Thursday and had dinner at Chowning's Tavern. From then, through our trip to Yorktown when the Sunday rain stopped, we had a nice, relaxing time.

On Friday, the alumni brunch featured a slideshow on the new McCleod Tyler Wellness Center. It's located where the fraternity lodges used to be. We sat at the same table as **Laura "Lee" Everitt Kostel** and **John Marsh**. Many of you will remember that Lee hosted a reception for members of our class on the weekend of our 50th reunion, giving us an opportunity to visit in an informal setting. Lee is a retired family therapist. She volunteers at Latisha's House, helping trafficked women.

John is a retired medical oncologist. In April 2019, he visited his son John and daughter-in-law Kate in Decatur, Georgia. While there, he attended the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research and was recognized for 50 years of membership. In June, he visited his son Dave and daughter-in-law Linda in New Haven, Connecticut, and attended his 60th medical school reunion at Yale.

Floie DeHart Burns is involved with the publication of her autobiography. She suffered a compression fracture of her back vertebrae, which sidelined her with pain. But she has resumed tutoring students in French. **Mary Lou Curry Hawkins '53**, who lives nearby, has been helpful. Floie's William & Mary roommate, **Barbara Huber Pankey**, lives in Maine. She assists her daughter, who is a master chocolatier. She dips and decorates chocolates at her store.

For those of you who haven't written in a while, your letters, emails, calls, etc. are always welcome.

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1956

Class Reporters
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Back in 1956, did any of us consider the year 2020? Well it's here and many of our classmates have passed on. Cheers and congratulations to all who survive. What brought this to mind was an email from **Tom Rardin**. He said he and wife Sandra are happily living in Laramie, Wyoming, at the Regency Retirement Center. They have four grandsons and enjoy following the happenings in their lives (I have their contact information). However, I didn't remember Tom and Sandra, so out came the William & Mary yearbooks. Their photos appear in freshman and sophomore years, but I saw nothing in 1955 or 1956. Did they transfer, get married, then...? Their names weren't in graduation program (yes, I have one in a falling apart scrapbook). So great to hear from you — keep in touch. Sandra's maiden name was Scott and Tom came to the College from Laramie! Tom ended his note with "Go Pokes," (since Ed always says "Go Indians.") Now to research Pokes!!

Two people wrote that **Stu Sell** has moved to Williamsburg. He's living with his daughter in Port Anne.

Dolores "Dodie" Diggs Fauber reports that she and Fred have moved from the house they lived in for 51 years to a senior living community in Lynchburg. They're enjoying being pampered! Fred suffered a stroke last June and he is still recovering from that. Let us hope for improvement by the time you read this.

Les Sykes Waldron and Jim took their Christmas trek to Eastern

Pennsylvania (the trip gets longer each time she says) to see family. They brunched with Jim's relatives from New Jersey and Les' relatives got sick, as did she, with bronchitis, which lingered. "There's no place like home..." She was happy to be back in Williamsburg.

I can relate somewhat having lip synced my way through Christmas Eve service at church with no voice. However, I felt fine, just no voice. My family was probably enjoying that! So far, our efforts to downsize have included getting rid of a couple hundred 33-rpm records and sorting through the many CDs.

Will Molineux says he is sorting through books. That's something I haven't been able to do — yes, a few to the local library for their annual yard sale, but like Thomas Jefferson "I cannot live without books."

Jane Thompson Kaplan wanted us to know (in case we don't read it some other place) that the new head of Colonial Williamsburg is **Cliff Fleet '91, M.A. '93, J.D. '95, M.B.A. '95**. He has four degrees from W&M! She also says "he's a nice guy." She knows him from the Jamestown Yorktown Foundation Board. Jane also reports "family" news. Their youngest grandson, Tomson, from South Carolina, has been admitted to W&M for the fall semester. And, let's hope it lasts — the W&M basketball team was/is doing very well.

Please keep in touch through the W&M Alumni Magazine. We're always glad to hear from you.

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1957

Class Reporter
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While it may be spring when you read this, it's

being written in early January to meet a mid-January deadline, so it's a good time to hope all members of the Great Class of 1957 had a wonderful holiday.

The holiday season kept many from replying to our requests for info, resulting in this shorter-than-usual note.

I had a long note from **Faye Jones Burke**. She and Tom had an eventful 2019, with short trips to Marco Island, Florida and Scottsdale, Arizona, topped off with an extended family journey to Alaska. They enjoy living at the Bishop Gadsden Retirement Community in Charleston, South Carolina, and celebrated the new year there at a Shag and Swing music and dinner gala.

I had a chance at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend to sit down and chat with our football captain of yore, **Jack Yohe '58**, and, remarkably, Jack looks like he might have stepped on the field and played! Jack spent many years coaching high school football in Pennsylvania and has been elected and inducted into the Pennsylvania Scholastic Athletics Hall of Fame.

Lillie Kocher remains very active with frequent visits to her four daughters and five grandchildren in New York, California and Maui, Hawaii. Lillie remains in good shape with California Alpine trips and hikes through Death Valley (wow, way to go!) She also remains in contact with our classmate **Mary "Mickie" Curro**.

Speaking of the aforementioned Mickey, she attended her granddaughter Sarah's wedding where she sang at the event. She continues to take classes in Sumi-e, a form of Japanese brush painting.

I also received a nice email from **Wayne Adams**. He and Janet (and, he points out, their two dogs Mandy and Daisy) continue to live in South Boston, Virginia. Wayne remains active in dentistry by assisting the local Virginia prisons. He does note

however that it's cutting into his golf game. They spent Christmas with their children and grandchildren.

Jan Charbonnet Crocker returned to Williamsburg last fall to receive her 60-year Kappa pin along with **Shirley Richardson Fitzgerald, Alice Matthews Erickson** and **Barbara Harding Hager**. All had a great time exchanging long-ago stories of their W&M days.

Barbara Higbee Slaughter '55 and **Terry Slaughter** met up with **Jane Thompson Kaplan '56** and **Jim Kaplan** for a weekend in Charleston, South Carolina, last fall and report a great reunion and much fun. Marsha and I meet the Kaplans for dinner often, where we spend too much time commenting and analyzing the fortunes of our Tribe football and basketball teams.

I had a nice phone talk with **Bill Ouseley**, our former, great basketball guard who lives in Kansas City. You might remember "Fumbo" for his game-winning shot at Blow Gym against Richmond that won the state Big Six Championship. Bill spent a memorable, honored career with the FBI that included a decade bringing down organized crime in Kansas City.

Please don't forget, you can always phone me at (757) 345-6878 with your news and if you're in the 'Burg, we can get together. This is our column and your classmates want to hear about you.

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1958

Class Reporter
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Joyce "BJ" Nunn McKnight reports, "John and I still live near the

William & Mary campus and our son Drew and daughter-in-law Nev were here with us for all of Christmas week, a delightful interval. They both teach at University of Alabama at Birmingham. All we have planned for the coming spring is LOTS of home improvement. The Michigan cabin we've visited, with pleasure, for many years has been turned over to Drew and Nev. They're the fourth generation of John's family to enjoy that very special place in northern Michigan. Best wishes to all 1958ers."

Kay Herring sent the following sad news, "**Jack Herring** passed away Jan. 2 after a massive heart attack. He loved W&M and was active with the Olde Guard. His presence will be missed by all who knew him." I knew him best as a happy cheerleader and friend to all. Indeed, I miss him as I write. He made W&M proud.

Tom Lightner penned, "Not much news from the Class Maverick! I have relinquished my veterans wood turning program to a younger gent (even though he is Navy), so I'm now in my next stage of retirement — doing what I have put off doing for the last umpteen years! Hope to write up a few memories of some of my exploits for my young'uns to enjoy — over a martini or two! Looking forward to our next event in the 'Burg so **Bill Mitchell**, stay alive!!"

Barbara Churchman Haupt wrote "reporting in from our home woods in mid coast Maine. For those of us who are still upright, we all have experienced the highs and lows of life. For me the lows were the loss of my husband of 30 years in 1989, then the loss of my son in 2009. My highs have been good health, a phenomenal daughter, plus four grandchildren and one great granddaughter all living here in

New England. My present husband of 26 years and I still take to the field with our hunting spaniels. After 35 years as an educator, I turned to freelance writing — primarily about our foray in the field." Pretty impressive, I think.

Kent Watkins shared, "I hosted the Shenzhen (China) Health Commission in January, as we discussed the various medical systems in China, U.S., U.K. and Canada. I brought along for the discussion Chinese members of the U.S. Biopharmaceutical Association and all medical doctors in Western-style medicine. Last December, I hosted a group of high-level emergency managers from Beijing and had them meet with various interest groups involved in the disaster recovery efforts through FEMA and HUD." Keep up this important work — so impressive.

I also had a small-world incident involving an old friend, Mike Peabody, now 91, who just published his memoir. I didn't realize that he'd been the one who saved Scheele's Market in Georgetown from being torn down. How about that, **Carolyn Scheele Fakadej**?! Speaking of Carolyn, she called me just after these notes were submitted, so I quickly added this to the notes. She's still living in Morgantown, West Virginia, in her longtime home.

I'm sad to report that another class member passed. On Jan. 8, **Barbara Anne Saunders Shively**, widow of **Dick Shively '57** who passed in 2016, died of Parkinson's disease and related complications. Both were active at W&M and their community in Southern California. I knew Dick in high school where he lettered in track. I learned from his son Steve that a grandson wears Dick's W-L High School letterman's jacket for luck in track. Pretty cool.

Don Snyder sent out

an email about Jack and Barbara, which I have managed to lose in cyberspace, but he said he and Jack had emailed back and forth pretty regularly, even up to the holidays. He also claims credit for having set up Barbara and Dick Shively way back in their W&M college days. How cool is that! Good on you, Don.

Since last class notes, I've heard from the following classmates: **Julie Vakos Nordstrom** and **Clyde Nordstrom**, **Alan Miller**, **Ginny Wachob Shine**, **Joe Watson**, **Ed Walton**, **Carter Cowles** and **Polly "Flo" Johnson Rowlett**, who has moved back to Williamsburg and exclaimed she's "so happy to be home!"

Bob Bradley had a business trip to California in January, just in time to avoid the winter weather in Boston. While on the Best Coast he took time to enjoy lunch with W&M classmates Tom and Carol Lightner and me (**Pat Sell**).

Even though it's spring when you receive this edition of Class Notes, it's January when it's written, so Happy New Year and new decade to all. God bless and Go Tribe!

"Just down the hall,"
Pat (for Pete)

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1959

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There's quite a lot of excitement around our basketball team and our new coach, Dane Fisher. William & Mary leads the nation in wins on the road. **Nathan Knight '20**, a 6'10" senior, leads the nation in double doubles (10 rebounds and 10 points per game). **Andy Van Vliet '20**, at 7', is

a huge asset to the team this year. Exciting!

Homecoming & Reunion Weekend was very successful for our class. We had a wonderful dinner and night of being together at WindsorMade's clubhouse, located not too far from campus. There were about 34 attendees and we had a lovely hospitality hour (or longer!) and a delicious buffet-style dinner with people standing, sitting or visiting all around. I'll try to recall all those who attended: **Trudi Havola Arnold '60**, **Anne August Blunt**, **Jim Brinkley** and **Dana Brenner Brinkley '60**, **June Roberts Clarke**, **Robert Antonelli**, **Cynthia Hearne Darling**, **Jean and Dave Edmunds**, **Garry Etgen** and **Charlotte Tolley Etgen**, **Connie Hill Granger** and **Gil Granger '57**, **Alan Hilliker '80**, **Carolyn and Barry Martin**, **Rand and Chip Mason '59, L.H.D. '98**, **Jim Brinkley** and **Dana Brenner Brinkley '60**, **Kay and Pat Milmoe**, **Joy and David Rice**, **Jay Morgan Rutherford**, **Fran Gilliam Slocumb**, **Ann Hansbarger Snead '59, M.A.Ed. '88** and **Rice Trolan** (who so graciously secured the room for us), **Merv and Alice Whitney Warner**, **Jerry Welborn** and **Carole Waller Welborn '60**, **Madeline and Nat Withers '59, M.A. '63**, **Jay Lawler** and I.

It was a beautiful Williamsburg weekend with activities in the Sunken Garden, class pictures being taken and a luncheon all on Saturday before the Homecoming game against JMU. Shall I just say we came in second!

In December, I heard from **Dick Shirey**. He and his wife **Sandi Berg Shirey '58** had a busy fall attending the wedding of their oldest granddaughter **Katherine Tierney Roberts '09** and they also took their youngest granddaughter to England as a college graduation present.

This wraps up my news so please keep in touch! As I've said, my column is only as interesting as YOU make it!

Happy 2020 to all — and GO TRIBE!

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Diana T. Alexander '61 threw a wonderful surprise 80th birthday party for her husband **Joe Alexander M.A. '62** at a resort in Oro Valley, Arizona. I looked up the word "threw" and can't find any definition that fits this situation but people say it anyway.

The news line has been particularly silent. We have a good response from those planning to attend our 60th Reunion at Homecoming. This will be the last Homecoming & Reunion Weekend for our class. Please make a supreme effort to attend. Even if you can't attend, please join us in donating \$60 during One Tribe One Day on June 23. Make the Class of '60 the largest contributing class in the history of William & Mary.

I think we have passed a threshold moment in our class history. Class Notes follow a certain inevitable pattern over the years. The final report is the passing of one of our members at the end of 2019. Col. **Ben Dulas-ki**, states attorney and professor, passed away. He was distinguished in his profession. I reported this information to the W&M Alumni Magazine and hope that you'll take the time to read the full obituary at magazine.wm.edu/in-memoriam.

I hope to be able to continue writing the

Class Note. I would welcome anyone who would like to join me. See you at Homecoming.

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Wow!! After sending out a plea for news I received 18 messages! Thanks to all who wrote. You can find the full text of these updates at magazine.wm.edu/class-notes/1961.

Dave Bottoms from the fall: "Most of my time is spent in North Palm Beach close to my company's headquarters (Money Managers). I am in Auburn, Alabama, where I was born and raised, for the football games in the fall and in New York City for family and music events. I continue to play the piano. I give an annual recital every Sept. 11 at Bargemusic, a floating music hall moored just under the Brooklyn Bridge. I note with pleasure our upcoming reunion in 2021. I look forward to seeing everyone and recalling those halcyon days of yore at W&M."

Patsie Spencer Libby: "Life is good. I have good health and three children (one got his master's at W&M) and eight grandchildren close by. I spend my time tap dancing, doing church work at Fairfax Presbyterian Church, reading, knitting and in the kitchen cooking for everyone. We go to a lot of basketball games since three grandchildren play and one is working with the George Mason girls."

Pat Beasley Vipperman: "Living at Smith Mountain Lake in Virginia. Traveled a great deal in retirement, 50-plus countries, seven continents."

Johnnie Strohecker Collings: "Andy Collings and I are retired, healthy

and doing well! I miss being near Virginia, but Ohio has treated us well and we are near our two sons and their families. Our eldest grandson graduated from the University of Toledo two years ago and is working in California."

Mike McCall: "Joyce and I were in Hawaii in November and had lunch with Nery and **Dave Heenan**. Our annual Homecoming dinner included **Jim Porach**, **Dave Fiscella**, Ira Levenson, **Bob Stoy '61**, **M.Ed. '65**, **Al Owens '61**, **B.C.L. '63**, **Aubrey Goldberg '63**, **B.C.L. '66** and **Barry Grantier '63**. The group keeps getting smaller. In years past we had 30 to 40 attending."

Debbie and Jerry File reside at Goodwin House Retirement Community in Alexandria with several other W&M alumni, including classmate **Paula Lauritzen Delo**. Jerry is a member of the Advisory Committee to select members for Alexandria's High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Their daughter Jocelyn is an executive with the International Association of Nuclear Cardiologists. His son Jay, a senior managing director with Chick-fil-A in Atlanta, is responsible for the Northeast region. Two grandchildren are graduates of the University of Alabama and a third is a junior there.

Dan Link '61, M.Ed. '62: "I just returned from my annual Christmas/New Year's trip to Melbourne, Australia, to visit my son **David Link '89** his wife Miriam and our grandsons John Paul and Gabriel. I was accompanied this year by my daughter **Kristin Link Dillon '00**, her husband Chris and my granddaughter Audrey. We spent time in Melbourne going to the beach and one evening watching the penguins making an evening return to their nests on Philips Island. We also made a two-day drive north to Mt. Coolool in Queensland north of Brisbane on the Sunshine Coast. We spent our time enjoying the sun, sand and ocean waves."

Holly Ruffner Clark: "Teddy Johnson Taylor, Sue Yarnold Dilloway and I gathered last October in Natchez, Mississippi, just to talk and have fun. We stayed in Pleasant Hill, an 1832 Greek Revival house. The host and hostess of Pleasant Hill treated us as if we were personal friends. We toured Natchez with a personal guide and learned some interesting bits of history. We took a cooking class at Regina's Kitchen Cooking School and learned to make Southern biscuits."

Paul Verkuil '61, D.P.S. '17: "In addition to working with our public policy program I have been doing an oral history project with the Swem Library on my years as president, which the Class of 1961 should remember well. This year we took our kids, spouses and grandkids to the Galapagos for our 25th anniversary. What a wonderful experience for all. Highly recommended for family bonding."

Kay Barchey Ogline: "We are heading to the College in May. Our granddaughter will be graduating. Our oldest grandson graduated from W&M in 2014 and all three of our children and two of their spouses are also graduates. In 2002 we moved from Virginia to my grandparents' farm. After 29 years in the Marine Corps, mostly spent in North Carolina, and 15 years in Virginia, we decided to move north. Now that winter has arrived ... again ... we are questioning the wisdom of living in Southwestern Pennsylvania! Snow does not fill us with wonder and excitement as it once did."

Abbie Falvey Albright: "Spent Christmas in Aspen, Colorado, with my daughter Jennifer, her husband and 9-year-old grandson. I have been a very active board member with the American Museum of Magic in Marshall, Michigan. I have spent hours sharing this small but well-known museum with many school groups. I have been retired from

teaching for 12 years now and I still substitute teach. My son Jeffreys is an orthopedic surgeon in Portland, Oregon, and is an avid windsurfer. He and his wife Molly are raising three daughters. My oldest granddaughter Quinn, 16, is doing some serious ski racing. Thus far, I have taken granddaughters No. 1 and No. 2 separately to Williamsburg to give them a taste of history as we were so privileged to experience."

Don Weissmann: "I practiced law for 53 years, most with my own office. Retired in '16. Been doing pro bono legal work in Atlanta and will shortly start substitute primary and secondary school teaching. Make fruit jams and jellies for friends, family, etc., artisan breads, pies, etc., and enjoy the kitchen. Four grandchildren. Traveled, bareboat sailed the Caribbean several times and stayed active in a sailing club for years, collect outsider art (glass, pottery, wood, etc.), hike, garden. Came to W&M several years ago for a reunion. Oh, married thrice (took three times to get it right). We have been together since 1989 and married in 2003."

Dave Heenan: "I just concluded my third (and final) session teaching W&M MBAs. Happy to report all is well at our alma mater. While there, enjoyed the friendship of another departing professor, **Ron Monark**, and his lovely wife Deb. Nery and I will be diverting our travels to Asia for the next few months. Hawaii remains home base. In September, we plan to attend the W&M game at Stanford where I previously spent a dozen years teaching executive programs at the B School."

Gerry Goldsholle: "After W&M I graduated from Columbia Law School in 1964. After completing my Army ROTC service obligation I became a trial lawyer at the Securities and Exchange Commission in New York, spent several years at an NYC law firm,

and joined MetLife where I held several positions before becoming chief brokerage executive and president and CEO of MetLife Marketing. Tragically my first wife died, and seeing how short life can be, I decided to retire at age 50. I moved to the San Francisco Bay Area, where I promptly flunked retirement. In 1995 I created the first consumer focused online legal website, FreeAdvice.com in Sausalito. I remarried, received a master's at Stanford and continue to travel extensively both to the ordinary (e.g. Europe, China and Japan) and extraordinary (e.g. Iran, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan). This April we will spend a month in Florence at a Stanford language immersion program. Also, to mark a new decade, just yesterday we completed the sale of FreeAdvice.com, although the firm I head still operates numerous other websites, and I also am a partner in a mass torts law firm."

Ken Lounsbury and Dorcas Miller Lounsbury '62: "We just returned from a few days in Williamsburg celebrating New Year's and my BIG birthday. We enjoyed sites old and new, and touring the campus with our daughter Anne and her family. It is possible that the young adult grandsons were a little tired when sentences frequently began with, "I remember ..." and tales of long long ago! We enjoyed Duke of Gloucester Street, the HUGE campus, local wineries and several lovely dining spots."

Robert Wilkinson's wife, Louise: "Happy 2020! Hope all is well. CA needs rain."

Charlie White '61, B.C.L. '63 and Tricia Lee White '63 are in Alexandria, Virginia, but still working and traveling. "We are enjoying our five grand 'young adults.' Our oldest granddaughter is a practicing attorney in D.C. and getting married in May. The other four

are out of college and have careers of their own. In years past we four 1961 Lambda Chi fraternity brothers (**Dick Coyle, Shore Robertson, John Cooter** and **Charlie White**) and our spouses have met in Virginia or South Carolina. We are always good at telling tales about things that did or did not happen at W&M. Our older minds seem to make up stuff. However, it doesn't matter as none of the guys can hear anyway. Tricia and I took cruises to Russia and the Baltic states; Rhone River; Cuba and, in January, head to Australia and New Zealand. October takes us on the Rhine River again."

J. Hunter Todd: "It has been a remarkable year for Team Todd and the 53rd World-Fest-Houston International Film Festival. We have emerged as the oldest, longest running independent film festival in the whole wide world! And natch, that seems to mean that I am the longest running film festival director in the world — 53 years at the helm!"

"It was a 'bucket list' year also — and we did make it home to Virginia for the holidays! Lima, Peru and two visits to Machu Picchu in May! Our annual sea cruise in our dear S/V Valkyrie down Mexico way in June. We did manage to enjoy a wonderful Viking River Cruise from Amsterdam to Geneva in December! Nothing but old people on the boat! We did our traditional wine country visit to California in October and left the week before the fires started!"

"Managed to celebrate my big 81st in St. Thomas USVI. Also in December flew into Seoul, South Korea, for a special conference for FNS Fandom Network Service organized by RnDeep. Last fall we were guests of the amazing Shanghai International Film Festival, and they sent us on the bullet trains to ten

cities in China, including the Great Wall!"

"And finally, after a decade with the American Heart Association, we are delighted to say that our daughter, Katy Lea Todd (Mary Baldwin '07) has joined us as a VP of development!"

"Now hard at work on No. 53 — this April! Comp VIP passes for all W&M alumni!"

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News from California that all is well with **Jane Noble Lundy** and Rich. Their Christmas card was a photo of all the family in California, a good-looking group.

Beth Poole Radford and Wade are also doing well in Maryland. Their son does a lot of traveling for his job. His wife is teaching preschool. They have two teens. Andrew is 15 and into swimming. Madison is 17 and into cross country running. Her school team won county, regional and state meets. Madison is now getting ready for college next year. A photo was enclosed of the family at the beach, another good-looking family.

With a large family of seven children, seven in-laws, and 10 grands, **Barbara Ann Aubry Walsh** and Bill had a lot of news in their letter. All 26 were together in Michigan last summer for a great vacation in New Buffalo. They're planning another big family reunion when Barbara's birthday rolls around in 2020. Their children are all over the states including Florida, Virginia, Michigan, Washington, Illinois and New York. Barbara and Bill are planning to move

from their house where they've lived for 43 years to the house Barbara grew up in, located in Alexandria, Virginia, this year. Their Christmas photo card showed all of them in a big, good-looking family picture.

Jackie Fleming emailed me and mentioned that she's still in Leesburg, Virginia, and it sounds like she is still counseling five clients a day. She saw **Linda Lester Hagen** when she and her traveling friends ended their Canadian vacation. Linda gave them the grand tour of the area. They had had a great trip to Calgary Stampede, Banff, Lake Louise and the Victoria and Buchart Garden. Their trip concluded with the group visiting Seattle, Washington after touring Canada.

Also, an email arrived from **Linda Lester Hagen** that she has got lots of support from family and friends since Jim died. This was her first Christmas season without him. She has plans to sell the house and downsize to a 55-plus apartment complex in Covington, Washington, with lots of amenities. Two of her grands will be off to college next year, one to Boston University and the other to Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

Sandra Hancock Martin and David Martin M.A. '63 wrote that they're doing OK in New Jersey. Sandra is still teaching Spanish and two first-year seminars on the Bible as art and literature. In May, Sandra had a wonderful trip to Israel for two weeks. She and David were in Spain in 2019. In 2020, they'll vacation for 15 days in Colombia. Both still are docents at the Hermitage Colonial Home. David also does Meals on Wheels. Their grands are at Virginia Tech, Rutgers and Emerson.

Both Jim and I are doing well. We had a big Thanksgiving here in Williamsburg with all the family here. Our Christmas was quiet. The weath-

er so far in Williamsburg has been warm. Have a happy spring!

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It seems our class travels a lot and enjoys grandchildren. Definitely two pluses for us.

Rosemary Brewer Phillips '63 and her husband Charlie spent Christmas in Williamsburg ending their day with a cozy fire at the Williamsburg Inn. She also said she enjoys her two grandchildren who lived close by.

Dale Harris Cohen and Dick Cohen '61, B.C.L. '63 were proud of their grandchildren graduating from middle school, high school and college with plans for what comes next. Dick and Dale made several visits to Hilton Head, South Carolina, then traveled to Beaver Creek, Colorado, with a friend and spent two weeks traveling around Michigan with college friends. Dick is contemplating when they might go crossing the "pond."

Betsy Holland Lunger and George Lunger choose to drive wherever they go. Travel has been mostly on the East Coast from their home in Louisville, Kentucky. It's always a pleasure to have breakfast with them when they come to Philadelphia to see their son and his family. Both grandsons have graduated college and both granddaughters are in college now.

Vi Sadlier Huse and Ron had a grand time in Disney World with 11 members of their family. They also spent time in Georgia and Sanibel, Florida, where they had dinner with **Sally Siegenthaler Lichtenstein**.

Sherry Parrish Swan and Al split their time between Florida and Colorado and enjoy showing the places they love to visitors. Sherry went to New York City and toured with her granddaughter and saw "The Phantom of the Opera" on Broadway. Sherry and Al still sail their boat and fly their plane. Snowstorms kept them on the ground for a few days before they could fly from Colorado to Florida.

Marie Lynn Hunk enjoyed a visit with former roommate **Bonnie Higgins Barnes** in her lovely North Carolina retreat. Always fun to catch up with dear friends from college days.

My grandsons are quite into sports, especially soccer and basketball. I went to a few of their games to see them play. My oldest granddaughter is teaching a graphic arts class online through Penn State University. December found my daughter and I in Germany and Iceland. Iceland was ridiculously cold but we were really lucky to see the Northern Lights. What an amazing experience. The traditions of each country were interesting to experience as well as the Christmas markets.

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As I mentioned, Al and I spent the holidays in Chicago with our whole family at our daughter's home in Hyde Park. We arrived with a suitcase full of warm clothes to face the cold Chicago winter. Well, it was 58 degrees on Christmas, the second warmest in recorded history! But the warmth continued when we got home and I found my stocking

full of holiday notes from you. Thank you for sharing your lives and your news.

Dan Root grew up in Crown Point, Indiana, and still lives there, just 45 minutes from downtown Chicago. Dan met his wife, Carol, at the Sandburg Ski Club when he was living and working in Chicago out of grad school and after 3.5 years in the Navy. Dan sent me a long list of places to go to. I've now been to Chicago twice and already love this city. Dan, we visited many of the places you suggested and will have more each time we return. Thanks for the list.

Susan Johns Murphy and Jim live in Green Valley, Arizona, but spent many days of 2019 traveling to Costa Rica, Panama, Mexico, Japan, Denver, Rapa Nui (Easter Island), Chile and Argentina.

Melissa Hall Griffin and Don live in San Diego and curtailed most of their travel this year for work on their house. Although they did their annual trip to Hawaii, trips to visit children and grandchildren in Massachusetts and Las Cruces, New Mexico, and ski trips in California and Colorado.

Phil Tutschek lives in St. Augustine, Florida, and reports that life is good there. His daughter and family came for Thanksgiving and reported another grandchild on the way.

Bobbie Mulcahey Frazier was elated, as were all of us Washingtonians, when the Nationals won the World Series! Bobbie had trips all over Ohio to homes of five presidents, the History of Flight Museum and National Veterans Memorial Museum. She raved about the Cincinnati chili! She also traveled to Denver, Cheyenne and Jackson, Wyoming, the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, Cody (Heart Mountain site of a Japanese internment camp in World War II), and Billings, Montana. But her highlight of the year was being mentioned in the acknowledgment section of a book written by a former student about growing up

in Vienna.

Susan Trice Fieglein and Mike traveled to eastern Canada last fall, but the highlight of their year came with a Trice reunion at Thanksgiving with more than 50 family members. It started with Sue, her siblings and first cousin **Bob Trice '68**, who grew up together in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Barbara Drucker Smith attended the National Association of Transpersonal Hypnotherapists conference and learned that hypnosis helps women who haven't been able to conceive to do so without drugs or any invasive remedy. Barbara is working on the final draft of a new book, "A Brush with the Famous."

Vikki Williams Gerlaud, writer and editor, lives in Los Angeles in the San Fernando Valley. It's quiet, beautiful and close to shops and freeways. Vikki says, "We aren't on the path of fires, but Los Angeles has demanded that apartment buildings with garages on the ground floor be retrofitted to withstand future earthquakes. So, I bought a professional set of earmuffs to lessen the noises from drilling. It's been about six months and it's not done yet. Then there's the beep I've been hearing every minute after my neighbor left ... her smoke alarm needs fixing! If you don't have patience and a sense of humor in life, you're in for it!" So much for quiet and beauty. But her daughter turned 50 and her granddaughter turned 3 last year with family celebrations on the beach in Malibu. That made up for all the noisy earthquake retrofit!

Let me conclude with Olde Guard events, Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2019 and our 55th Reunion. **Carol Evans** graciously shared a list of Homecoming 2019 attendees: **Maynard Williams Randolph** (just returned from Morocco), **Dick Goodwin** (he and Susan off to Japan to visit family), **Joyce House Shields** (with fractured

knee cap and leg brace), **Bill Corley** (whose passionate projects include helping the underserved in a variety of health aspects), **Claudy Tucker Barnes** (attended the reception at the Theta House), **Pete Stout**, **Sue Roache Warner** and **Ray Warner '63**, **Sam Sadler '64**, **M.Ed. '71** and **Mary Liz Sadler '65**, **Bob Joynt**, **Ethelyn Abbott Owen**, **Pud Quaintance Maeyer**, **Cathy Carr**, Kay Merrill (Steve Merrill's widow), **Sharon Christie Jacum-in**, **Mary Jane Mitchell Stewart**, **Edie Pruss Trump** and **Bob Lent**. **Don Beck** and **Susie McMullen Beck HON '01** offered a seafood buffet at their house for our class celebration. Thank you again Don and Susie for this special hospitality.

Now, here's the heavy-hearted, sad news which is always tough for a reporter to share. Susie Beck was hospitalized over the holidays and died on Jan. 1 after an initial bout of pneumonia. Don and Susie were married more than 54 years. Susie and Don have two sons, six grandsons and a huge family of siblings, cousins, nieces and nephews. They've opened their home to our class for many reunions and events. We all considered Susie to be our classmate, honorary or not. She was a steadfast supporter of the Class of 1964 and of William and Mary. She was our gracious hostess, thoughtful and kind always, doing her best to make us feel at home. She was a special and precious person. We will miss her dearly. We are all the better for having known her.

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Happy spring! Well, it will be when you read this. At the time I'm writing this, there's snow on the ground in the Valley and the temps are in the 20s. And we're using news from holiday letters. Go figure.

Jodi Russell Horton and Kit sold their home of 27 years and moved to Oro Valley, just north of Tucson. They're in the process of fixing up the house and garden. Jodi continues to do some consultation with her PR clients, largely in the area of crisis/reputation management and workforce development. Kit is busy creating his line of jewelry and is looking forward to returning to pottery-making.

Glenne Hines Harding and Dave had many wonderful trips throughout last year: Williamsburg, London, cruises to the Norwegian Fjords, northern Spain, western France and the Isle of Guernsey, and their annual two weeks in Hawaii. Glenne continues to be involved with W&M on the Annual Giving Board. Thanks, Glenne, for all of the things that you've taken on at W&M. Glenne sent a hysterical story about "escaping" sheep. I wish we had space to include the full story; here's a summary. Each early summer, they employ sheep to "mow" their 29-acre site to help prevent wildfires. The 700+ sheep escaped and to get a sense of the escapade, go to <https://youtu.be/hxVZWxMPpgQ> (Varena Great Sheep Escape). These are happy sheep!

The never-sheepish **Jim Korman** and **Babs Lewis Korman '66** took their family on a safari to Tanzania last June/July. The safari included seeing wildlife by the hundreds and a hot air balloon ride over the Serengeti. Of the trip, Jim says, "In many

ways Tanzania is different from Williamsburg.” Hmm ... Deep.

Fredrica Dudley Rice '64 and her husband started the year with an Atlantic Ocean crossing via ship to visit Barcelona, then took another ship up the Rhone to Paris. She ended the year by welcoming a new grandson (eighth grandchild), and having heart surgery! She enjoyed the trips and the grandson more than the surgery, but says it went well and she's making a steady recovery. In the middle of the year, they spent July and August at their cabin in Meyers Chuck, Alaska, which they built out of a log cabin kit 11 years ago. It can only be reached by boat or float-plane. Fredrica teaches philosophy at a senior learning center for eight weeks every fall. Hope your recovery is speedy and complete, Fredrica!

It was a sad year for **Diane Rassiga Clark** with the loss of her husband, Chuck Corjay, in March. In his memory, she set up a donor fund that'll fund STEM scholarships at W&M. “For a change of scenery,” she wrote, she went on two cruises: one to the Caribbean and another to Maine, the Hudson River, Charleston and Savannah. Her 2020 plans include a trip to Egypt in February, a William & Mary trip to Taos and Santa Fe in June with **Libby Gebhart Cottingham**, and W&M Weekend in San Francisco in September. Diane designs jewelry which is carried in several boutiques in Arlington. She also donates her jewelry to raise funds for her favorite charities. Our expression of sympathy goes to Diane and her family. Diane was bolstered through this difficult year with many lunches with her good friend and sorority sister **Becky Ruffin Collins**.

We sadly heard from **Martha Wessels Steger '66** that **Tom Steger '65, J.D. '69** lost his 11-year battle with Parkinson's disease in November. A celebration of his life took

place at Manakin Episcopal Church in Midlothian, Virginia. Tom and Martha met at W&M and were married in July 1966. They have a daughter in Vermont and a son and family in New York. Martha is a travel writer and says that Tom was “the world's best, and best-informed, travel companion.” He enjoyed gardening, carpentry and cooking when at home. Martha has been a faithful contributor to this column and has kept us up-to-date on Tom's activities including his many artwork exhibits. We hope that you'll stay in touch, Martha, and we share your grief of Tom's passing.

Ginny Blount Fluet went on a fabulous art and cathedrals trip in September with her cousin. They did a driving tour of France including Reims, Rouen, the northern coast of France, Giverny and Chartres, ending in Paris. Then she went on a “Totally Trains” trip from Chicago to Oakland, Portland and back to Chicago. “Let's just say there are better things to do than spend eight days on a breaking-down Amtrak train with bad weather inhibiting the scenic vistas.” Joe was pleased that he stayed home.

Barbara Wampler Melby has no news of any import. Please send us news of import, or not, for our next column. Thanks for the news this time!

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When our grandson started kindergarten in 2007, he proudly announced, “I'm in the Class of 2020!” Wow, that was fast.

In September, **Judy Hein Harrell, Carol Boysen, Mary Ellen Downing Gordon-Scud-**

der, Alice Annon Miri, Sandy Odum Glennie and Susan Embrey Coleman headed to Canada for their annual Chi Omegas on Tour trip. The home base was in Beloeil, Quebec, and from there, they toured Montreal and Quebec. Mary Ellen even tried the local staple, poutine, or gravy over cheese and fries. Their new motto is “Life is short, start with dessert!” But, it doesn't replace “Friends bring laughter and meaning to life!”

Thanks for the Christmas notes, I have news to share. **Susan Bunch Blanchard's** family is spread out, so those not on-hand over the holidays were FaceTimed. Susan was hoping to catch up with **Betsy Reed Godsmann** who lives nearby. Maureen and **Vic Bary** are off on an Egyptian vacation that will feature a Nile cruise plus dinner in a pharaoh's tomb and time in Cairo, Alexandria and Petra.

Judy Poarch Nance '69 and **Pete Nance** spent holiday time in New York City hitting concerts and seeing William & Mary friends **Terry Thompson '67, Chip Kirby '67** and **Jeff Lund '69**. In February, Pete was awarded the Alumni Medallion at Charter Day, a well-deserved honor. Right after that, they were off to Israel and Jordan.

From Marilyn and **Dan Nase**, a cute story about camping in Florida as tropical storm Olga crossed their path. With only a non-waterproofed tent for shelter, they spent next day in the laundromat followed by a return home and making a giant donation of their camping gear to charity. In July, Dan was honored for his service at a banquet for the Military Order of the Purple Heart at the American Legion Hall in Tallahassee, Florida.

In between all of his volunteer commitments, **Carlton Hardy** traveled closer to home, visiting Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and historic areas of Win-

chester and Fredericksburg, Virginia. He's also working with the Silver Rainbow LGBTQ Group in Hampton Roads which addresses issues faced by the aging of the group's members.

Bob Wandrei J.D. '68 and **Ellen Allison Wandrei** took a W&M cruise from New York City up the coast to the Maritime Provinces in Canada and then down the St. Lawrence River to Quebec. Their son **Steven Wandrei '96** practices law in Bedford, Virginia, and another son is in Lexington, South Carolina. Each son also has given Ellen a grandson.

Ginger Graef Smith '69, M.Ed. '74 and **Jake Smith '66, J.D. '74** had several family reunions. This year, Ginger “found” her paternal family via 23andMe and many are planning a gathering in Georgia with a Texas group. They also spent time in Charleston, South Carolina, and the Chesapeake Bay with their sailing group.

Boyd and **Pat Adams Clark** weathered the terrible fires near them in Colorado last year. Now, they have snow and clear skies. Their daughter married in June and a mini family reunion resulted. Their family and friends go from coast to coast, so they did lots of travel and always included bird watching on their trips. The family was also together after Christmas for a trip to Hawaii. The best part of Pat's note was the pictures of her family!

Woody Caine was selected the Patriots Point Distinguished Volunteer of the Year in Charleston, South Carolina, where he is very active in all aspects of the memorial. The Charleston Alumni Chapter had its Yule Log gathering and as the Olde Guard member of the chapter board, he read his own version of “Twas the Night After Finals.”

Ann Marie and **Ken Williams '67** spend their time at their grandchildren's various sporting

events and they love it. They've been in Margate, New Jersey, since they married and with Ken teaching and coaching at the local high school, they know everyone in the area, though they both feel a special connection to Williamsburg, too.

Sandy and **Keith Dauer** are “frequent cruisers” for sure. Their latest trip was to Terceira in the Azores Islands (look it up). They are self-proclaimed trivia nuts, so I'm sure they're repeat winners in the trivia contests on their cruises. Other cruises that they went on last year included one to Bermuda and another to Ecuador.

Barbara and **Ron Chambers** are volunteers in the AARP Income Tax Preparation program in Apex, North Carolina, and when that “job” ends, they're off to Sicily in May.

Mary Kay and **Walt Wenk** are enjoying Sarasota, Florida, and being close to the grandkids. Along with the Walshes and Kormans, they have tickets to the CAA basketball tournament in D.C. in early March and have very high hopes for our team. On this theme, **Dick Kern '64** and I are big “Jeopardy!” fans and in December during a basketball category, the question was, “**Bill Chambers '53** holds the record for rebounds of 51 in 1952 from what college in Colonial Virginia?” We got that one right! Bill was the basketball coach when we were students.

Ben Pomeroy's '67 card showed all of his family standing in the Tennis Court Gazebo at Midlothian High School in Midlothian, Virginia, dedicated in memory of **Debbie Pomeroy '66, M.Ed. '69**.

We had a surprise visit from **Butch Plageman '64** before Christmas. Butch doesn't live far away, but we hadn't seen him in ages. He and Dick roomed together in old Taliaferro and the stories started to flow.

We had family time with **Sandy McNeill Kern '68** and **Dave Kern '66**,

M.Ed. '68 over the holidays. Their four grandchildren and two sons were with us and it was the perfect holiday bedlam.

And, as a follow-up to my story about finding and then meeting my half-sister last year, now even more about my beginnings have been uncovered. It's amazing what a little spit in a tube will reveal when there's absolutely no paper trail out there. Thanks to 23andMe, Ancestry and Facebook, my paternal side has been uncovered — it really is amazing. And the best part for me is I had the best parents ever and never felt this crazy desire to find my roots. Then these new options came along and questions I didn't know I had are now answered!

Dick and I had a whirlwind trip to Williamsburg for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend and enjoyed special time with our college "life friends." I loved watching the next generation continuing the things I hold dear like reunions, tailgating and watching a football game at Cary Field, all with College friends and young families in tow. Betty Bishop, **Gene Griffin's** daughter **Beth Griffin Wallig '95** and her husband **Greg Wallig '94** were celebrating Greg's 25th and it was like a walk back in time. The College has a definite hold on all of us and that's what makes being an Olde Guard member from W&M truly magical.

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Richard Holmquist continues to enjoy living in Paris, France. His activities include perfecting his game of tennis, reading and doing some writing when inspiration comes. He hopes

to get back on the road in 2020, as he's an avid world traveler. Japan and Bolivia are the next two countries on Richard's bucket list. In the meantime, he just consoles himself by reading Paul Theroux's latest road adventure travel books "Deep South" and "The Plane of Snakes" (about Mexico). In 2019, Richard got together in Paris with **Mike Tierney '87, M.A. '88** of the William & Mary Global Research Institute and had a great conversation. Mike was visiting Paris in connection with his work at the Institute.

Sam Smart was honored as the library trustee of the year this fall for his service on the board of the Central Rappahannock Regional Library for 16 years. He and Laura now have 10 grandchildren, four boys and six girls. Life is good.

Axel Leichum turned 80 on Jan. 14 and decided it was high time for his long-contemplated and wished-for visit to the land of his birth, Germany, before further aging might make it more difficult, if not impossible, to trek through Germany by various means of transportation. In September 2019, Elyse and Alex set out on a two-week, self-guided tour of some of his favorite destinations in Germany and Austria. As things would have it, while flying into Frankfurt Airport on American Airlines, they had to deal with two crying babies on board for the duration of the flight. Once on the ground, things started to look up when Alex's only living sister, Marion, met them at their hotel in Sachsenhausen, across the river from Frankfurt/Main. After spending several days in and around Frankfurt, including a Rhine River castle and wine tasting cruise, they headed for Munich, his all-time favorite city, by train. From Munich, they took a side trip by rental car to Rothenburg ob der Tauber, the famous medieval town on the so-called "Romantic Road" in Bavaria. Traveling back to Starnberg, a small city on

a lake near Munich, they checked into a lakeside hotel for the duration of their stay. From Starnberg, they undertook several day trips, including the famous castle tours of Neuchwanstein and Linderhof; a memorable tour of Dachau (concentration camp); the opening-day parade to the Oktoberfest site; various landmarks in the downtown area, including the old Rathaus with Glockenspiel, the Viktualien Market (farmers market), the Hofbrauhaus for lunch, and of course, some important shopping for mementos. Lastly, they traveled by train to Baden Baden, best known for its Kurhaus and Spielbank (Baths and Casino) and scenic location in the fabled Schwarzwald (Black Forest). Their hotel, Der Kleine Prinz, was an absolute delight. From Baden Baden it was back to Frankfurt Airport for the return flight to Florida. In spite of some initial trepidations over a very ambitious itinerary, they survived the journey with just sore feet and backs from all the walking and climbing, but in good spirits and with lots of memories, and of course, a huge gallery of digital photos and videos to share with friends.

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Chris Christensen wrote, "My wife Addie and I continue to enjoy retirement in the South Carolina low country. We live in a golf community near Hilton Head and I play or practice on all days ending in Y, weather permitting (some obsessions never abate). We recently went to Charleston for a Yule Log ceremony at the home

of **Bob Kelly '69** and his wife Barbara. That was good fun and there was a surprisingly (to me) large turnout (60-70), although none from our class. I stay in close touch with our classmate, **John Medlin**, who still practices law in Columbia, South Carolina. I'm in even more frequent contact with my ex-golf teammate **Mike Eberhardt '69** who also doesn't know when to stop working. From time to time, we see/talk to **H. Withers** and also **Ron Panneton**, both of whom live(d) nearby. **Bob Stephenson** lives in Manhattan Beach, California and occasionally makes an appearance as well — sometimes having been invited. Visitors who enjoy golf, beach, low country dining, etc. are always welcome."

Sandra McNeill Kern emailed, "I'm alive and well and still serving two small Presbyterian churches in North Carolina. My husband **Dave Kern '66, M.Ed. '68**, a Vietnam veteran, is dealing with Parkinson's disease due to exposure to Agent Orange. He has 100% disability from the Veterans Administration, thank goodness. We have a wonderful VA hospital here in Salisbury, so we are staying put. Thankfully, we have family close by: Dave's brother **Dick Kern '64** and his wife **Sharon Cosminsky Kern '66** live nearby, as does our son **David Lee Kern '99**. I'm so grateful to have their support."

Class members of Kappa Alpha Theta continued their annual tradition of celebrating the New Year at **Jenny Kerns-Wind-sor's** home in Virginia Beach. Jenny, **Pat Vakos**, **Linell Broecker**, **Bari Hodge Bienia** and **Dee Joyce-Hayes** attended the gathering. Dee said, "Four days of fun were topped off by going to see 'Hamilton' at the Chrysler Theater in Norfolk. Fabulous show, but thank goodness we had all studied the score before going or we would've

been lost in the fast-paced lyrics!"

Bob Mason and his wife **Melanie Leonard Mason '69** celebrated 50 years together June 14. Melanie noted, "Bob is retired from vascular surgery and is a full-time farmer, farming 450 acres with our daughter and son-in-law. Our Angus herd is about 120 with 35 calves coming this spring. Add in some dogs, cats, pigs, chickens and two Pasture Ornament Belgian horses, and life is very full. We enjoy doing agility with our Labrador retrievers, but mostly like just walking the fields and enjoying the beauty that is Upstate New York."

David Rutledge and **Dorothy Correll Rutledge** are moving to Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to be closer to family, especially their newest grandson. They look forward to discovering William & Mary friends in the area.

Thank you to all who answered my plea for news. Please keep sending your updates. In my request for news, I forgot to mention to send your news directly to me rather than by return mail to the W&M Alumni Magazine. This saves someone from the Alumni Office from reading through all the emails they receive and then forwarding them to the proper class reporter.

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Dear Friends:

Hope this finds all of you enjoying the summer — and with better weather than the last couple of years. News is scarce, but I did hear a few things from the Alumni Association.

Bob McCarroll spoke last fall to the Italian Cultural Center of Western Massachusetts on "The Influence of the Italian Peninsula on American Architecture." Bob is retired from the Springfield, Massachusetts, Planning Department, where he worked on historic preservation and is now on the Springfield Historical Commission and the board of the Preservation Trust. After William & Mary, he earned a master's in city and regional planning from Rutgers.

Sadly, the rest of my news is bad news of deaths among our classmates in the past year. At the Sunset Ceremony I learned that **Margaret MacDonald Dougherty** died in March 2019 in Pittsburgh. She's survived by her husband, James, and a son. Also, **Marilyn Lois Hill** died in November 2017 in New Jersey where she'd retired. She had previously lived in Radford where she was an admissions specialist for St. Albans. And **Kathy Young Ketchum** died in September in Kansas City where she had been a science teacher. I have no further information on her family.

Linda Kalen Trice died in early November of complications following heart surgery. Her funeral looked like a mini-reunion with **Janet Ackroyd Ellis** and her husband, **Carolyn Lawhorne Ethridge** and her husband, **Susu Williams Villarosa** and myself in attendance, along with **John Garrett '67** and **Rose Gammon Garrett '68**, **Bob Bly '68** and **Don Schafer**. Linda had taught math in Goochland County after graduation and then spent years working with her church and teaching Bible studies. She's survived by **Joe Trice '68** and two daughters, including **Shannon Trice Black '93** and **Jennifer Trice Haynes '96**.

Flora Stith Lowe died in early December

in Clinton, Iowa, where she'd been the longtime librarian at Mt. St. Clare College/Ashford University. When she retired, they named the library in her honor. She's survived by **Curt Lowe** and a daughter.

Condolences to the families and friends of all these classmates and friends.

The last time I checked the Class of 1969 Scholarship Fund was slightly over \$900,000. If you make a gift to William & Mary in 2020 and haven't already earmarked it for something that's special to you, please consider adding to the scholarship fund, so we can reach \$1 million this year and be able to fully support one student every year.

Milton and I are still busy as he studies harp and I take art classes — mostly drawing, but I'm branching out to watercolor these days — at least those days when it's too hot or rainy to work in the garden. Hope to see you at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend Oct. 15-18! And, if you're visiting Richmond, please stop by and say hello.

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On July 3, 2019, the University of Alabama-Birmingham (UAB) College of Arts and Sciences announced, "Dr. **Gregory Pence** wins 2019 Ireland Prize for Scholarly Distinction!"

The Ireland Prize is UAB's highest academic award. Congratulations to my friend Greg for the award recognizing his remarkable career as UAB philosophy/bioethics professor since 1976, department head from

2012-2018, UAB Ethics College Bowl-winning team coach, recipient of both Ingalls and President's Teaching Awards, director of Early Medical School Acceptance Program and more. He's known for his bestselling "Medical Ethics" textbook (now in 8th edition) to enumerate just a part of his exemplary career. See www.uab.edu/cas/news/faculty/item/7205.

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Winter will be over and we will be well into Spring 2020 when you read this report.

As a follow up to our report last year, the "Virginia is for Lovers" marketing slogan celebrated its 50th anniversary. Eight members of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity had been recruited to pose for the first "Virginia is for Lovers" ad that appeared in Bride's Magazine in 1969. This past fall, four of the eight (**John Hempel**, **Jim Baldwin '70**, **Allen Grant**, and **Jeryl Mumpower**) were invited to the Virginia Tourism Corporation's Forum in Arlington and were brought up on stage to be recognized. **Kathy Plasmati Baldwin** was asked if they were the Oak Ridge Boys! (see photo in digital edition).

Mark Shriver wrote with this update. "It was ... a summer of travel. First was a road trip to Louisville for the centennial celebration of Optimist International. The Muhammed Ali Center/Museum was fascinating — what a story/life he had. Later in July we were off to the Black Hills of South Dakota for my wife's family reunion. Mount Rushmore in person is

most impressive! However, the real highlight was a trip in May to 'Explore Our Royal Roots' with President Rowe and 25 other W&M alumni. We visited, with exclusive access, four royal palaces, Westminster Abbey, the Globe Theatre and more. Our president is, indeed, a Shakespearean scholar and an impressive woman."

With a little prying, Mark added that he served as president of Optimist International in 2009-2010.

Kathryn Powell Keough '72 informed the alumni office that her husband, "**Rick (John Richard) Albert** passed away on Dec. 19, 2018. He did not graduate from W&M but was in the class for a couple of years and had many friends there. He graduated from George Mason University and had two daughters, Katherine and Jessica Albert. He married Kathryn Powell Keough on Feb. 18, 2001. He retired from Patuxent River Naval Base in October 2014, after 31 years in civil service as a budget analyst. While he was at W&M he sang with the choir and continued his interest in music throughout his life, singing with church and community choirs and in local community theatre productions."

We spent a beautiful fall day with **Donna Schumaker Mercer '73** in NYC. Donna was in town for her art museum marathon and took a break to visit with us. As a retired southern California art teacher, Donna stays involved as a docent at The Getty Museum. On a different topic that is close to home for us, Donna co-wrote Kaiser's caregiver handbook for bone marrow transplant patients. Her husband, Robert, was a transplant patient so she contributed firsthand knowledge to the project. Bethematchclinical.org/care maintains the registry.

Through Donna we connected with another classmate, **Cathy Schumaker Tyler**. She was in

California (from her home in Richmond) for 10 days visiting her younger daughter and grandchildren. Cathy retired from the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, and finds increasing success with her new creative pursuit, watercolors. Her husband **Tim Tyler** is continuing to provide live sound for local bands. Cathy and her sister **Donna Mercer '73** traveled to Ireland for a fabulous trip in September 2018.

Updates from us: Once again we spent a lovely Thanksgiving with **Rich Guardino '72** and his family. All is well with Rich. The winter solstice also brings news of **Streams Paramananda** (Jack Peterka). All remains good with Streams at the Bamboo Mountain Sanctuary on the North Shore of Maui.

The deadline for the next issue is late June 2020, for an online-only edition at magazine.wm.edu. Please write! Where in the world are **Mike Cavey**, **Teresa Wedding Kloster '71, M.A.Ed. '76**, **Stu Myerson**, **Kim Howland**, **Steve Dew**, **Jim O'Brien**, **Trish Howard** and **Betsy Vail South-erland**?

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It will be spring when you read these notes — a wonderful season in Virginia. I hope you enjoy the warmer weather and think about sending news of your activities and classmates that you stay in touch with.

To say that **Ida Hall** has a passion for the preservation of the Chesapeake Bay and its watershed is an understatement. Christmas came early for her as,

accompanied by her brothers, Snowden and James, she was presented the 2019 Northumberland Distinguished Citizen Award in October! The award is given by the Northumberland Association for Progressive Stewardship to honor an individual, team, organization or business in the county that advances its environmental and educational goals. Ida has been a career waterwoman for 45 years in the same area where she grew up and she's widely recognized as a strong advocate of preserving the area's natural resources, cultural heritage and way of life, as well as educating present and future generations. She has numerous accomplishments to her credit. Congratulations Ida on the recognition of your efforts that benefit us all.

Brooke Coleman Taylor is a woman of her word. In the summer of 2019, she fulfilled her promise made a decade ago to take her twin granddaughters anywhere in the world they wanted to go before their high school graduation. So, in June, her first destination was France where she and one of her granddaughters spent their time in Paris with several side trips. Then, in August, her second destination with the other twin granddaughter was South Africa with time spent in Cape Town and on a safari. What special memories and wonderful experiences you and the girls have, Brooke!

Bruce Lider is in Massachusetts, enjoying retirement from his legal practice. His son Brett took Bruce and his wife Jean to New Zealand by way of Tahiti and Moorea. Moorea is a "beautiful island" a few miles off the coast of Tahiti. He commented on the friendliness of the New Zealanders, but there's danger ahead if you cross the street at the wrong spot! As an aside, he coached a very competitive girls soccer team for 12 years, beginning when his daughter was 6. Many of the girls remain

Facebook friends with him so that tells us Bruce was a special coach during an important time in their lives. Bruce remains close friends with **Bruce Gumbert** who's healthy, married and works part time. They see each other during football season.

Michael Swanwick's most recent book, "The Iron Dragon's Mother," was published in June by Tor Books. This completes a fantasy trilogy that was 25 years in the making. He received high praise from *The Wall Street Journal*, saying he was the "finest world-builder since Tolkien!" He also co-authored a novel, "The City Under the Stars," that was published last August. Michael's short story, "Ghost Ships," was published in *The Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction*. It's about the one time he attended a William & Mary reunion and what had become of his college friends since graduation! He also continues to be a guest at science fiction conferences, several of which were in China last year.

That's it for now. Have a happy summer and stay in touch.

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Happy new decade! As you read this update, the Tribe's Roundball fortunes could be on the upswing — 6-1 in the CAA so far and the curse of the four programs that have never made the NCAA round of 64-68 may have been broken. Army, St. Joseph's College Brooklyn and The Citadel, along with William & Mary, haven't been to the Dance for March Madness.

Our nation's capital is

again awash in dysfunction and partisan sniping with the third and fourth impeachments (two in our lifetime) playing out daily while the real business of governing and the useless 116th Congress flounders.

Speaking of the District of Columbia, **Tamara Lucas Copland** and **Renee Fleming Mills** graced the MLK statue this past weekend with friends as part of the celebration of one of the great Americans in our nation's storied history.

Ami Cuervo '74, M.Ed. '77 recently retired after her latest stint in the federal government.

Martie Davis and her husband Chris are in Alexandria and enjoying life as new grandparents to their daughter Lauren's baby boy. Also in NOVA, **Jim Bigger '72**, the retired Fairfax County Public Schools teacher, is now in Fredericksburg keeping a wary eye on the shenanigans up 95 in D.C.

Randy Hawthorne '67, J.D. '70 and **Shelby Hawthorne '67, M.A.Ed. '75** made a couple of trips across the pond from their base in the 'Burg. Randy is still lawyering and running while Shelby is volunteering in the community and schools, but she had a knee replacement earlier this month after a slip and fall, while **Julie Christian Michael** had a hip replacement the same week and has been recouping at home in the 'Burg under the watchful eye of her husband, **Howell "Howie" Michael '71**.

Patrizia Giovanna Benner Smith of Gloucester, Virginia, a 25-year elementary school teacher, is now a noteworthy acrylic paint-flow artist and teacher of the same.

Back in the 'Burg, **Margaret Ann Dahlman Martin** and her husband **Ron Martin '74** are enjoying their Bernese Mountain Dogs and visits with their kids and grandkids.

Over on the Left Coast, **Andy Mosney**, after 45 years of self-described "corporate life," is retiring in early 2020 to no doubt take up life as a California wine connoisseur while traversing the PCH in a '60s Mustang convertible. Also, **Adam Burlock** is still in Corvallis, Oregon, and retired after 30 years as a technical writer for the likes of HP. The Hampton, Virginia, native and his wife Julie traveled back East with their vintage trailer for his 50th high school reunion and crossed paths with **John Gearhart** who lives in Houston, Texas. The music major and retired teacher plays the organ in a couple of churches and is an adjunct professor in the Lone Star College system. Adam has the goal of writing the Great American book about philosophy on his bucket list, looking to join the likes of Plato, Aristotle, Socrates, Descartes, Sagan and Berkeley on the shelves of college libraries everywhere.

Now, a final note and moment of inspiration, **Brian Mount '83, M.Ed. '93**, a fellow W&M runner and State College, Pennsylvania, native has made a remarkable recovery from a major stroke in February 2019. Brian is again coaching distance running and cross country at Gettysburg High School in the Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, area (since 2013) as well as being a running adviser to other thinclads in the Appalachian Running Co. store in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Perseverance, fortitude, a loving family and great medical care are part of what got Brian through his personal ordeal. Check out his video news report via his Facebook page. We should all be so lucky.

Be well, be safe, hug your loved ones and get me more updates on your recent "Baby Boomer" goings on! Peace, love dove and Bobby Sherman.

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Our 45th Reunion at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend brought out a good crowd of classmates. Beautiful weather and several well-planned social events (thank you, Alumni Association staff) made the occasion a huge success. I always intend to walk around with pencil and notepad in hand but never quite manage to do it, so I apologize that I didn't write down a lot of details. The best I can do is list every name I can remember having seen that Saturday: **Denise Love Alexander, Linda Ross Sexton, Laurie Smith Dowdeswell, Charlie Bish, Reed Bohne, Maud Anne Sharp Wilson, Barry Blackwell, Billy Gardner** (looking a picture of health after his recent brush with death!), **Paul Dayer** and **Anne Totty Dayer, Jane Pulliam Riddle, Susan King McGrail, Barbie Blake Williams, Pam Jamarick, Hal Carter, Elise Walker Carter, Joe Montgomery, Rich Hodsdon, Jim Firebaugh '74, C.A.S. '83, Carol Owen Outten and Mick Outten, and Karen Schorschinsky Stapleton**.

Karen wins the prize for the most unusual new career — after retiring from the working world some years back, she became a nun with the Poor Clares, a contemplative order in the Catholic Church (the second branch of the Franciscan Order), at a monastery in Chesterfield, New Jersey. She's on Facebook if you want to contact her.

Laurie Smith Dowdeswell has come full circle, living in Brooklyn where

she was born. She works in New York City at the talent management company that she owns. Laurie comes back to Virginia once a month or so, visiting her other house in Richmond's Fan District.

Back in 2012 when he was the graduate director of nonprofit studies at Bay Path University in Longmeadow, Massachusetts, **Jeff Greim** started an unusual company, Jeff's Granola. "I had recently written a paper on the consumer brand Newman's Own which was established by actor Paul Newman and donates 100% of profits to charity. I was inspired by their business model and impressed by their success. This idea works! But I wanted to take it a step further. Why should the company donate your profits? Jeff's Granola lets *you* donate the profits from your purchase to your favorite charity. Check it out at jeffsgranola.com." Jeff majored in government at W&M, then went on to earn an M.S. in education from Bank Street College and another master's in public policy sciences from Duke University.

Cornell Christian-son wants us all to know that his 1940s film noir musical "Wicked City Blues" has been extended to eight months off-Broadway. Anyone visiting New York this year may want to check it out.

Lisa Liberati Heuvel's '74, M.A. '05, Ph.D. '11 family is definitely a W&M family. Her husband Jan Heuvel took one course there, their son **Sean Heuvel '02, M.Ed. '05, Ph.D. '15** has three W&M degrees and Sean's wife **Katey Cunningham Heuvel '02** is also a graduate. Lisa and her son co-authored a book, "The College of William and Mary in the Civil War," in 2013. Today her life revolves around family, writing, working in the museum field and teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels. She retired three years ago from her position as director of

Colonial Williamsburg's Teacher Institute but stays busy working with the Center for 17th-Century Studies at Plimoth and editing another book, "Interpretation and Storytelling in the Classroom," co-authored with a number of colleagues in teaching and public history.

2020 is bringing a flood of sons' weddings, much to their parents' delight. **John Hostetler** and **Lynn Adams Hostetler's** son Brian is being married at a resort in Mexico and Julius and **Marian Sayre-Oreska's** son **Julian Oreska '09** is being married in Tokyo, where he has lived and worked since graduation. **Mike Hudson** and **Sarah Beeler Hudson** won't have to travel so far. Their son Matt is marrying his sweetheart in Virginia in October. Grandparenthood can't be far off.

Let us hear from you. Retiring soon? Already retired? Kids? Grandkids? Pets? Hobbies? When thinking about future travel, keep in mind that our last official class reunion, the 50th, will be in the spring at Traditions Weekend (not in the fall at Homecoming) of 2024. I hear it's quite a bash.

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It's with great sadness that I start this issue with somber news, which I'm sure so many of you knew, that dear friend and classmate, **John Gerdelman**, passed away Jan. 4. For those who didn't know John, he was an extraordinary man, a loving husband to **Sue Hanna Gerdelman '76**, a father to **Emily Gerdelman Ridjaneck '07** and **Mark Gerdelman**

M.B.A. '13, M.Acc. '13 and grandfather to Ryland, Cooper and Ben. He was a loyal friend to countless people, business associates and former Navy colleagues. Our alma mater meant everything to John. He was a dedicated and long-serving champion of all things William & Mary. The Green & Gold were clearly his favorite colors. He lived life with passion, integrity honor and joy. He'll be sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

Will Vehrs has retired, downsized, built an in-law apartment and is doing full-time childcare with his wife. Wasn't sure if that's in a professional business capacity or as really great grandparents, but either way, he says working at the office was easier! He also has appeared in two plays and a short film.

Connie Desaulniers and **Kathy Yankovich Hornsby '79** are having a collaborative art show in Williamsburg from Sept. 12 to Nov. 21, 2020, at the Stryker Building at 412 N. Boundary St. in Williamsburg. "Colors: Hornsby and Desaulniers" will feature Connie's lyrical, color saturated paintings and Kathy's emotive, colorful photography (such as the kaleidoscopic effect of flowers shot underwater). They'll also have additional merchandise available (scarves, cards, possibly clothing and other accessories) on the show's final weekend before Thanksgiving. For more information, contact connie@moonshadow.design. More details will be featured on the show's website.

And besides the news I shared in the last issue that I was moving (a bit of advice here — *never* move during the holidays!), I have some more wonderful news to share. We welcomed our first grandchild in October. Addison Rose Kurland joined the family, courtesy of son **Lee Kurland '05** and his wife, Erin. Christmas was especially joyful this year for our family.

This spring's column

is embarrassingly short! With the holidays and the new baby and the move (more advice — not only should you not move during the holidays, I think we're getting too old to move! This one was rough!), I neglected to get out a reminder, so please send me your news, even now. Class Notes also appear in the online version of the W&M Alumni Magazine at magazine.wm.edu. I can edit that at any time, so I can update this copy with your news long before the next issue. As always, send your news to leannekurland@gmail.com and do visit the Alumni Association website. If you go to magazine.wm.edu/class-notes that'll take you right to the magazine. Of course, wm.edu works as well. Once there, you just have to select "Alumni" from the menu. In both cases, scroll down to the bottom for Class Notes. GO TRIBE!

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Greetings classmates! It's early January as I am writing, but hopefully winter is a distant memory at the time you're reading the column. I believe the news this time is from two first-time contributors, so thank you both very much. Hopefully it won't be as long until we hear from you the next time. So, let's get to it, shall we?

According to a lengthy feature article in the fall 2019 edition of Boca Raton Magazine, Florida native and Boca resident **Susan Gillis** is the curator of the Boca Raton Historical Society and Museum. Susan has a master's degree in anthropology (emphasis

on museum management) from the University of Denver and she previously held positions in historical preservation in Deerfield Beach and in Fort Lauderdale. In addition to serving as curator, Susan is helping a great deal with the society's capital campaign, the goal of which is to expand the museum's exhibit space.

The second person heard from was a fellow freshman year resident of Yates 3rd North, **Kent Thompson**. In his own words, "Kent is a theatre director, producer, educator and writer. He has led two major regional theatres in the U.S., the Denver Center Theatre Company from 2005 to 2017 and the Alabama Shakespeare Festival from 1989 to 2005. He began his career as artistic director of the Virginia Shakespeare Festival. Thompson is an accomplished director of Shakespeare and classics as well as new plays. Widely known as an advocate, supporter, developer and producer of new plays and musicals, Thompson created two new play festivals: the Colorado New Play Summit and the Southern Writers' Project. In Denver, he also created Off Center to create immersive, innovative programming for millennials, as well as The Women's Voices Fund to commission new plays by women. Thompson has commissioned more than 65 new plays and produced 48 world premieres. He served as board president of Theatre Communications Group (the national organization for the American theatre), and has served on numerous peer panels, including Doris Duke Foundation, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Pew Charitable Trust, National Endowment for the Arts Theatre Panel (also as chair), and Fulbright Scholars Panel. He is currently a member of the Playwright Award Advisory Committee of the Harold and Mimi Steinberg Charitable Trust. His first book, 'Directing Profes-

sionally; was recently published by Bloomsbury/Methuen and is available on Amazon."

I think Kent must be one of the best examples of putting into practice as a career just what he studied at William & Mary. Congrats Kent on a stellar career and thanks for sharing.

Well, it seems to me that we should be retiring in droves by now and you have plenty of time to knock off items on your bucket list. So, how about sharing some of your adventures with the rest of us so we can travel with you vicariously. We are an equal opportunity publication; no piece of news is too trivial.

Thanks for reading.

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Happy New Year for 2020 as I submit this report in mid-January for distribution in June. To celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary in June, Marinda and I are heading for a three-week trip to Spain, Portugal and Morocco beginning Feb. 14. Our daughter Katie and son-in-law Steven are celebrating their 10-year wedding anniversary in the Azores while we're in Portugal; we hope to connect with them while there. I wish all our classmates a happy anniversary for your weddings this year.

Congratulations to **Lee Piatt** who received the eighth annual Pennsylvania Bar Association W. Edward Sell Business Lawyer Award at the 2019 Business Law Institute in Philadelphia last November. Presented by the PBA Business Law Section, this award honors the contributions to the practice of business law at the highest

level, either through the practice of law or through teaching.

Last November, **Bob Latham** was awarded U.S. Patent 2019/0339247-A1 for a method for "Determining the Age of a Tunnel." It's the invention of a scientific method that establishes when a tunnel was made in the ground. He invented this method to support the Department of Homeland Security at the U.S. southern border. DHS needed a way to determine who the property owner was at the time a drug or human trafficking tunnel was created after later discovering the tunnel under the border line. Bob created this invention where he works as lead engineer in the Emerging Technologies Department of MITRE Corporation, a nonprofit organization that supports the technological needs of the federal government. Congratulations, Bob.

William Geroux wrote for the Richmond Times-Dispatch for 25 years. His work has appeared in The New York Times, Associated Press and regional magazines. He lives in Virginia Beach and has written a new book, "The Ghost Ships of Archangel," which involves the Arctic voyage that defied the Nazis. In this historical account, William shares the story of multinational convoy PQ-17, which sailed through treacherous, ice-filled waters to deliver tanks, explosives and supplies to support the Soviet World War II effort. His previous book is "The Mathews Men."

Margaret Schott is the new editor of The Chemical Bulletin of the American Chemical Society, a Chicago-based regional monthly publication which has been around since 1914. It reaches about 4,000 society members, including students, educators, government and industry researchers.

H. Edward "Chip" Mann has been working with the Petersburg Preservation Task Force (PPTF) in Virginia to preserve important buildings

in the city's history. A Petersburg native, with seven generations of his family having lived there, Chip mustered forces to create the tax-exempt organization to take over the management and operation of the city's three museums that closed in 2016 amidst a severe financial challenge. He serves as its executive director. With 40 years of experience in politics and strategic planning, Chip has promoted the spirit of promise amidst the many challenges of Petersburg — poverty, extreme economic stagnation, low-performing schools, crime and racial issues. He shared that he has worked in 17 countries and in 46 states; William & Mary imparted in him an intellectually curious, global perspective. Even with that perspective, it took a while for him to recognize the magnitude of the challenge of his efforts to preserve his hometown of Petersburg, Virginia. His goal is simple — he wants Petersburg to recover its sense of pride and self-respect. He reports his work has shown progress. His original meeting with three individuals has since evolved into a positive and consistent force of over 150 activists. Their efforts have led to visitation at the sites growing by over 76% for two years running. The Petersburg Preservation Task Force has raised over half a million dollars and recently received a \$700,000 grant for the rehabilitation of the 1842 Greek Revival Exchange Building, one of the museums managed by PPTF.

Classmates, please send updates and know that we, the Class of '77, care.

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Hamner Hill '78, J.D. '81 sent a fascinating update. He and his wife **Peggy Porter Hill '76** celebrated their 38th anniversary while spending a week at the Drepung Loseling Buddhist Monastery in Mungod, India, where Hamner was teaching logic and philosophy of science to Tibetan Buddhist monks in exile. Hamner was a part of a faculty team for the Emory-Tibet Science Initiative, a project supported by the Dalai Lama to try to bring Tibetan Buddhism into the 21st century by educating monks in western physics, biology and neuroscience. Before introducing western science, however, the project introduces logic, critical thinking and the philosophy of science. In addition to the monastery at Drepung, the Hills visited historic Buddhist, Hindu and Jain sacred caves in Ajanta and Ellora. Hamner reports, "Everyone we met was exceptionally kind and compassionate and the experience of spending a week in a monastic setting reminds one of why we get into education. The life of the mind is alive and well there."

Congratulations to **Susan Forbes Dewey '78, M.B.A. '80** who was recognized by The Richmond Times as one of its 2019 Person of the Year Honorees. Susie recently marked her 20th year as executive director of the Virginia Housing Development Authority, which is considered one of the top state housing finance agencies in the country. Established in 1972, the VHDA is an independent, self-supporting agency with a mission of providing affordable housing to Virginians. According to Laura Lafayette, CEO of the Richmond Association of Realtors and board member of the nonprofit Partnership for Housing Affordability, "Susan Dewey is a humble, gracious servant. She has played a pivotal role in the transformation of Richmond — financing the development of thousands of units of

affordable housing and revitalization of many city neighborhoods." Kit Hale, a longtime member of the VHDA Board of Commissioners, says, "Within and beyond the housing industry, Dewey has earned the respect of leaders in Virginia and elsewhere. Susan has grown the organization to one of the most influential, mission-driven housing finance agencies in the country." Among other roles, Susie led the National Council of State Housing Agencies board and has worked with the federal government to help housing agencies promote affordability. In an interview, Susie was asked to "describe a moment in your life that has had a lasting impact on you." I think you will enjoy her response: "Growing up, I hadn't been exposed to colleges because my parents didn't go. So even though I was valedictorian in high school, I wasn't focused on college (though I knew I wanted to go). One of my teachers had gone to William & Mary and talked to me about it. I got a chance to go for a weekend my senior year to visit a friend and I really liked it. But, I didn't take any action. My brother was a student at Randolph-Macon College at the time. On his way home to Chesapeake one weekend, he stopped at W&M and he walked around campus until he found an application. When he got home, he made me fill it out! He has always been a mentor for me, but that act was critical to my future. After getting my undergraduate degree, I stayed and got my MBA. I also am blessed to have many friends from W&M who have been part of my life for decades. We all go back for Homecoming — I haven't missed one since my freshman year more than 40 years ago!"

Steve Culp's latest project is a leading role in "Red Ink," a play by Steven Leigh Morris set to open in Los Angeles in early 2020. According to Broadway.com, it's a "funny, often biting, satiric play about

the corrosive pressures of click-bait journalism.”

Storm Simenson hails from Vienna, Virginia, where he continues to thrive in retirement and “often wonders how he previously found time for a full-time job.” Last year brought Storm and his wife Ricarda “enjoyment from foreign travel, the myriad offerings of the National Capital region as well as quality time with family and friends.” Although officially retired from the State Department, Storm still does some domestic new hire training and added some enjoyable foreign training last year. This meant he was back in his Finnish stomping grounds as well as visiting North Macedonia for the first time. Storm says, “Under the family motto of a rolling stone gathers no moss, we were better about seizing opportunities for vacation travel including a Viking river cruise on the Danube over Christmas, enjoying the various markets and scenery between Nuremberg and Budapest.”

Since **Rick Smith’s** retirement from KPMG, we have been spending more time in the Adirondacks, getting involved with our local Lake Association and exploring new ways to experience the outdoors like fly fishing (catch and release). We’re headed to Patagonia in early 2020 where we plan to do a fair amount of trekking and bicycling. Most exciting for us is that we became grandparents last summer and now understand firsthand the special joy and fun we’ve been hearing about from all of you who preceded us in this new status — it truly is “grand.” By the way, I highly recommend the book “Nanaville: Adventures in Grandparenting” by Anna Quindlen for any of you budding grandparents out there. It’s a humorous and heartfelt treasury of good advice, sage warnings and astute observations like, “There are really only two commandments of Nanaville: love the grandchildren and hold your tongue” and

“Some people measure their success by the profession their children have chosen, by the purchase of a house, by how often they visit or call. But the only measurement, truly, is something that’s quite subjective: have you raised good people?”
Carpe Diem.

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What a pleasure to see so many of you at our 40th Reunion. Our class had a great turnout and I hope all of you had as much fun as I did! Here are a few highlights.

Congratulations to newly elected member of the Virginia House of Delegates, **Nancy Dahlman Guy**! After a hard-fought campaign, Nancy now proudly represents the people of the 83rd District in “the oldest elected legislative body in North America.” Nancy graduated Phi Beta Kappa from William & Mary and earned her J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School. She practiced law for 10 years in Charlotte, North Carolina, then began her political career serving on the Virginia Beach School Board. She and husband Richard have two adult children and two grandchildren. Thank you, Nancy, for your willingness to serve at a time when the Virginia state-house has become national news. I know you’ll make your constituents and your classmates proud.

Kathy Yankovich Hornsby and **Connie Desaulniers ’75** are mounting a joint art exhibition at the Stryker Building in Williamsburg this fall. The show “Colors” will feature Kathy’s colorful fine art photography of distorted florals in pools and

Connie’s color-saturated and energetic paintings. The show runs from Sept. 12 to Nov. 22, so if you’re in town for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2020, stop by! For details, email Kathy at khornsbyimages@gmail.com.

Last September, Kathy and **Joan Fabrizio Berlin** hiked England’s “Coast to Coast” route from the Black Sea to the Irish Sea. According to Kathy, Joan walked every day for two weeks, while Kathy chose to support the Northern England taxi drivers on many a rainy, cold, blustery day.

I caught up with some other friends Homecoming weekend, including **Anne Stephan Henkel** (she and I took a trip to Barcelona and Madrid together over Thanksgiving), **Muffy Oakley O’Connell**, **Liz Rothberg-Smith** (living, working and Zumba dancing with her husband Ron in northern California), **Anna Barron Billingsley** and **Rob Billingsley ’76**, **Mary-Paula Bailey Allegaert** (still taking the New York advertising world by storm) and her husband Chris, **Amy Moll Newman** (retired from the EPA but not from squash and tennis) and her husband Bill Marshall, **Kitty Wetterer Eason ’79**, **J.D. ’82** and **Carl Eason J.D. ’79**, **Sherri McCandless Schalk** and **Mark Schalk ’80**, **Chris Smith Eure** and **Brad Eure** (Chris runs a historic theater and Brad runs a family business in Charlottesville), **Carol Arnold Hollenbeck** and her husband Grant (still working, living and gardening in Mechanicsville), **Kevin Ellis** (retired and living in North Carolina with his wife Laura), **Lu Bowen DesRosiers** and **Fay Eure**.

I was especially happy to reconnect with classmates I hadn’t seen in years — maybe even decades — including **Birdie Johnson** (my law school classmate from UVA, currently living and working in Washington, D.C.), **Jon Horovitz** (watch for

his new book coming out soon), **Joe Judge** (recently retired after 30 years as curator and deputy director of the Hampton Roads Naval Museum) and his wife **Marianne Springer Judge** (practicing pediatrician in Virginia Beach), **Mike Ryan** (associate judge for the District of Columbia Superior Court), **Robin Hunter Pruett** (retired elementary school principal), **Nancy Read**, **Susan Martielli**, **Nancy Trbovich Alexander**, **Bill Mims** (Virginia Supreme Court Justice), and **Andy Morse** (my former colleague at Riggs Bank, now president of the Virginia Law Foundation and development director for the Society of the Cincinnati). I had forgotten just how much I enjoy the company of these witty, intelligent, accomplished people! I also enjoyed a long-overdue visit with my childhood friend, **Meredith Bean McMath** and her husband **Chuck McMath**. Chuck does computer work for a high-tech company in Leesburg, Virginia, and Meredith writes, directs and produces plays while managing her production company, Run Rabbit Run Productions, Inc.

What an amazing class we have. Hope to hear from everyone not mentioned here so I can share your news in the next issue!

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This month, the guest editor is **George Stukenbroeker**. With our 40th Reunion just months away, George wanted to provide another 10-year checkup on his six senior-year roommates from Lodge 14. The once highly coveted residence

was razed a few years ago to make way for the new health center. Rest in peace, Lodge 14. Now, on to George’s report. Find more at magazine.
wm.edu/class-notes/1980.

Dr. **Dave Brown** is an in-house medicolegal consultant for a Pittsburgh law firm. He and his wife **Elizabeth Tufts Brown** live in nearby Aspinwall, where Dave has been city councilman since 2017. Elizabeth is an associate registrar at the Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh’s principal art museum. They have three daughters: Christina, Stephanie and Anne, and are enjoying their first grandchild, Nicholas. Dave retains his passion for history and culture and over the years has shared it with the many foreign exchange students he and Liz have hosted.

Bryan Coughlan has played the trombone for three decades in multiple bands, including the Murder City Players and Guerilla Theory. The latter group recently released a second album, “Spirit Animal.” Bryan notes that he’s complemented by a musical wife, Eileen, who has played oboe in orchestras backing The Who and Weird Al. On the side, Bryan works as a software engineer for Save A Lot, a discount grocery chain based in St. Louis.

David Couture is once again enjoying life in Florida, where he has retired. After 10 years in San Francisco, he returned to his hometown outside Tampa. David has had many career changes since college — five years with the Navy as a logistics manager, 18 years as a flight attendant with Northwest Airlines and the remaining years as a massage therapist running his own business. He’s now developing several creative projects when he’s not enjoying the sun.

In Palm Coast, Florida, **Mark Dennett** has enjoyed more than a decade of official retirement with his wife, Lisa. Mark spent 26 years as an attorney

with the Postal Service, but maintains a contract with the agency which still keeps him busy. He and Lisa relish frequent visits with their nieces and nephews in nearby St. Augustine. Mark's daughter Rachel attended Old Dominion and his son Michael went to Longwood.

Dr. **Paul Hershey** is a principal engineering fellow with Raytheon. He sings with his church choir and the Master Singers of Virginia, a premier a capella group. He and his wife, Cheryl, live in Ashburn and have three sons: lawyer **Peter Hershey '08, J.D. '11**, architect Stephen, who attended that other school in Charlottesville, and **Jeff Hershey '15**, who is in his last year at George Mason's law school. Paul recently bought a second home on the Magothy River in Maryland, which is close to Peter and his wife **Rachel Ganong Hershey J.D. '12** and their children Anna and Christian.

After years in North Carolina, **Dan McEachran** and his wife Rev. **Debbie Meek McEachran '81** moved to Baltimore. Dan is program director for Court Appointed Special Advocates, an organization that protects and supports children in foster care. Debbie serves Hunting Ridge Presbyterian Church as pastor. Their three married sons are Chris (in Raleigh), Tim (in Chicago) and Andrew (in San Jose). There are two grandchildren, Abigail and Pierce, with another on the way. Dan and Debbie recently opened their home to three African immigrants seeking legal asylum in the United States.

As for George, he retired in 2018 after 27 years as an FBI special agent and nearly four more as a consultant. He and his wife **Susan Maag Stukenbroeker '81** now divide time between their homes in Fairfax and Asheville, North Carolina. While there's far less

traffic in the Blue Ridge Mountains than in busy Fairfax, there are also far larger "neighbors." Black bears drop by to loot their fruit trees. George and Susan have two sons, **Tyler Stukenbroeker '10**, whose postdoctoral work in Paris recently led him to his wife, and **Wesley Stukenbroeker '13**, who'll wed **Sarah Martin '13** this June in Italy, where the pair shared a W&M summer abroad. Sarah's parents are **George Martin '79, J.D. '84** and **Margaret Martin '79, J.D. '84**.

One other classmate, **Don Pfanz**, shared some happy news — he got married! A history major, Don served 32 years as a historian at federal Civil War parks in Fredericksburg, Petersburg and Fort Sumter for the National Park Service. He retired in 2013, but remains active in battlefield preservation and has written books related to the war, his latest chronicling the Civil War experiences of Clara Barton. Don sadly lost his first wife, Betty, to cancer in 2011. He later met Zandra Reynolds, a real estate agent and native of Ecuador. The couple wed in November and reside in Fredericksburg.

Thank you again, George. Remember our 40th Reunion! Take care and be well.

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Hello All!

Mike Fitz here — got a great update from our classmate — **Lisa Henning Thomas '81, C.A.S. '86** — who was lucky enough to stick around the 'Burg.

Lisa retired last June after 30 years as the deputy director of Child Development Resources

in Williamsburg. CDR is a nonprofit early childhood organization serving families of young children, prenatal to age 3, in a variety of support programs to address developmental and parenting concerns. It also offers a fatherhood program to support the important roles of dads in their children's lives and training to early childhood professionals. The executive director is **Paul Scott '88** and several other William & Mary alumni and student interns work there.

Since retiring, she has become involved with a new nonprofit, Hope Family Village, to support families with loved ones facing mental health challenges. The organization received a set-aside of 25 acres of state-owned surplus property in Williamsburg, close to Eastern State Hospital, to build a community of acceptance and support. It'll be the first of its kind in Virginia. They couldn't be doing their work without the energy of a few W&M alumni including **Corey Trench '76**, **Van Black '75**, **George Duke '76**, **Barb Ramsey '75**, **David Mims '64** and **Marcia Anderson Partch '65** and **Bart Partch '62** to name a few. As part of this effort, they've launched a Fairweather Lodge in Williamsburg that houses up to four individuals in mental health recovery living as roommates and supporting each other. Again, the first of its kind in Virginia. It's exciting stuff and Lisa is happy to be taking an innovative approach to mental health support that doesn't rely on state dollars and services.

Finally, she and her husband are part of a longstanding dinner group (mostly non-W&M participants) that supports W&M football including tailgates before W&M games.

Lisa — thanks for the update and good luck with the important work.

Please let me know what you are up to. I look

forward to hearing from you all soon.

Go Tribe!
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Happy 2020!! It is early January as I write this, and we are visiting Charlottesville this weekend because our youngest is heading to UVA! I know, not quite the Green & Gold, but it'll be fun to make it back to Virginia from time to time. Can't believe we'll be empty nesters this fall!! I have a feeling a lot of you are experiencing the same thing. Let me know how it's going!

I heard from a euphoric **Kevin Doyle**, who enjoyed the Washington Nationals' run to the World Series and ultimate victory. Kevin went to several games this past year with **Tom Brooke '82, J.D. '90** and connected with several other alumni at the William & Mary Night at Nats Park over the summer, including **Jim Riley '81**, **Rich Choate** and **Cindy Vick Choate**, **Mike Shuler '83**, **Jon Huddleston '82, J.D. '86** and **Steve Tuttle '83**. Professionally, Kevin is still teaching in the counselor education master's program at Longwood University in Farmville, while Jacquie continues as a professor at UVA's Darden School. The DoYLES live in Charlottesville. Some folks for us to visit!!

Kevin Handerson was in the news for authoring an article on event security for Sports Destination Management Magazine. Kevin has extensive security industry experience, including leadership roles at both security equipment manufacturers and security system integrators,

among other technology-driven businesses. Kevin also holds a Master of Science in mechanical engineering from Columbia University and an MBA from Columbia Business School.

Brad Pollack was in the news as he ran for Shenandoah County Board of Supervisors, of which he is now a member. Brad is an attorney and has other political experience. We wish him good luck with all his endeavors!

That's all the news! Please let me hear from you! No news is too trivial! Let me know how YOUR adventures in empty nesting are going! And that's the news! Remember, the door is always open for YOU in Dallas!

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Dear Classmates,

It's with a heavy heart that I write to tell you of the passing of our classmate **Bee McLeod '83, M.B.A. '91**. Bee died unexpectedly in her sleep on Dec. 21, 2019. Bee and her husband **Goody Tyler HON '11** have had a huge presence on the William & Mary campus as major donors to many fundraising efforts for our class as well as funding the McLeod Tyler Wellness Center, the Wellness Studios at the Campus Recreation Center and sponsoring the Bee & Goody 5K fun run. President Katherine Rowe says that the students recognize them when they're on campus. As a student, Bee was on the cross country team, an award-winning highland dancer and a member of Chi Omega. She majored in business. Bee never stopped running. She participated in over 60 marathons, Ironmans

and duathlons around the country and around the world. She qualified for the U.S. Olympic Trials Marathon in 1988 and most recently participated in the Bee & Goody 5K fun run on Nov. 24, 2019. The next one is already on the calendar for Nov. 22, 2020! Bee was also on several boards at W&M. To read more about Bee's amazing life, go to magazine.wm.edu/in-memoriam.

Bee's celebration of life was on Jan. 25 at the Norfolk Botanical Garden, another of Bee's favorite places. Read more about her celebration of life in the online version: magazine.wm.edu/class-notes/1983.

There is other news: **Karen Wood**, CFO of the Environmental Education Finance Collaborative (a group of five nonprofits focused on environmental issues) in Pittsburgh, is the 2019 CFO of the Year Winner according to the Pittsburgh Business Times. Before Karen moved to Pittsburgh in 2000, she lived in Oregon and worked as an accountant, consultant and businessowner. Previously, she worked for the CPA and consulting firm Ruzomberka Holland Renk Smith Inc.

First Montana Bank is opening a new bank in western Montana, says Market President **Kenny Martin**, who joined First Montana Bank in 2018. Kenny has lived in Montana for 20 years and has served as president of Montana Independent Bankers.

Peggy Carrell Harris wants you to know that she was thrilled to get one of her children to attend W&M. She credits the '83 Class Notes! That's where she read about the Alumni Admissions Weekend for rising juniors and seniors in high school. She and her son, **Stephen Vizcarra '18**, attended when he was in high school and voila! He's a proud W&M alumnus. Yay MOM!

The last issue men-

tioned **Brian Mount** recovering from a stroke. Here's a follow-up from the Evening Sun digital newspaper in Hanover, Pennsylvania, from September:

On Feb. 13, 2019, Brian was ramping up training for a half marathon. He has been a runner most of his life and attended W&M on an athletic scholarship. He has coached the Gettysburg High School boy's cross country team since 2013. That night after training, Brian and friends were at dinner when things suddenly went wrong. His voice got raspy, he couldn't swallow, he was hot and sweaty, he lost coordination and tried to get up and almost fell over. He spent eight days in the hospital, required a feeding tube and couldn't even open his eyes because they were so jumpy and unable to focus. He was diagnosed with Wallenberg Syndrome, a rare type of stroke that there's no way to predict. Once stabilized he went to rehab, where he relearned how to walk, talk and eat. He went back to work part time and started trying to run again last spring. His doctors and nurses say he bounced back well because he was in such good shape. He's already back running races making more slow and steady progress. This past fall, Brian was back coaching the high school boys and running races with only a few noticeable lingering effects other than a raspy voice and a variety of specialists that watch over him. Brian mentions that he is grateful for all the support from friends, family and coaches he received during his recovery.

NPR's Baltimore station WYPR 88.1 featured the "Tell Tale Heart" show produced by "Poe Theatre on the Air," an initiative sponsored by The National Edgar Allan Poe Theatre. "Poe Theatre of the Air" is based on the 'theatre of the mind' approach to radio drama,

using actors, music and sound effects to conjure up vivid stories in the listeners' imaginations," says **Alex Zavistovich**, founder and artistic director of the National Edgar Allan Poe Theatre. After moving to Baltimore, Alex learned that there was no national theater dedicated to Edgar Allan Poe's work, so he set out to create one. So far "Poe Theatre on Air" has produced five podcasts which are tied together by the concept that the listener is visiting an insane asylum in which each room visited contains a character from the tale about to be told. WYPR says there are 6,000 downloads for the first three shows. Check it out on NPR.org.

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Spring greetings! It was great to see so many of you at our 35th Reunion celebration at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend last fall! Time spent in Williamsburg and on campus is always cherished for the memories it brings back and the new ones it creates! For those who wish to plan ahead, Homecoming this year will be on Oct. 15-18, 2020. Hope to see you there!

I was sorry to miss hearing The Broke Royals, the band founded by **Kord Basnight '85** and **Linda Reynard Basnight's** son **Philip Basnight '13** and **Colin Cross '14**, play at Virginia Beer Company. We hope this will become an annual Homecoming event. You can catch the band at many events in Virginia, Washington, D.C., and surrounding areas.

One special memory from Homecoming for me

was a reunion with my Tri-Delta sisters. **Sandie Baker Thompson** and her husband Steve hosted everyone for cocktails before a dinner in nearby New Town. In attendance were **Lucy Blevins Jordan** and her husband Tim, **Susie Chamlee Holmes '84, M.Ed. '85** and her husband **Jack Holmes J.D. '87**, **Kimberly Albertson Lapkin** and her husband **Glenn Lapkin '82**, **Kari Guillén Traver '85**, and newlyweds **Natalie Wyatt Dalton** and her husband **Keith Dalton '82** (a.k.a., Kiki, "The Towel Man"). **JP Ottaway** and **Liz Somers Ottaway** joined us before dinner, and Kari's husband **Tony Traver '85** and **Stan Yagiello '85** stopped by the restaurant. **Susan French Owens** and her husband Mike were missed, as they were unable to attend while awaiting the birth of their first grandchild! Their possible future Tribe member, Emory Vaughn, was born to Susan's daughter **Erin Bartlett M.Acc. '15** and her husband Jacob Vaughn on Nov. 1.

Courtney Reid was ordained a priest on Feb. 15, 2020, at All Saints in Chicago. Courtney studied divinity at Yale University and currently serves as the director of operations at the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago. Courtney and her wife Pam Palmentera have three daughters, Sarah, 16, Martha, 14, and Susan, 14.

Nancy Cote Kane was profiled in San Diego Magazine for her exceptional dedication as a volunteer for Feeding San Diego. Nancy began volunteering for the organization in 2012 and has since logged over 750 service hours. As a team leader volunteer and ambassador, Nancy has completed formal team leader training and, in addition to many other volunteer roles, serves as a trainer of other team leaders of all ages. Nancy's son **Christopher Kane '21** is a junior at W&M this year. Nancy and her family live in San Diego.

Debra Young Mulé

won election to her second term as a county legislator in Nassau County, New York. Debra was previously elected to the Freeport Board of Education and Board of Trustees. She has been an active community leader and volunteer, serving as choir director, parish council, liturgy committee member and in the soup kitchen of Holy Redeemer Church and as a volunteer for the Girl Scouts. She was honored as a "Woman of Distinction" by New York State Assemblyman Brian Curran, and she has been recognized for her many years of service with the New York State PTA Honorary Life Membership Award and Distinguished Award. Debra holds a master's degree in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University. She and her husband have two daughters, Victoria and Elizabeth, and reside in Freeport, New York.

Jane Evans DelBianco has been named design and sale consultant for the Quarry View Building Group based in East Lampeter Township in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Jane has 16 years of experience and previously worked for Colonial Williamsburg. She is also owner of The JED Group, an organization that represents western sports athletes.

Michael Ard worked for most of his career in the U.S. government and later transitioned to working in the oil and gas industry. He now teaches in the United Arab Emirates and in the master's program in global affairs at Rice University. He and his wife, Jean, live with three of their five children in Katy, Texas.

It was great fun celebrating the wedding of **Joanna Ashworth's** son Colin Walls to his wife Katerina Maylock in October. The wedding was held last July at a lovely chateau in Vallery, France, and a celebratory brunch for friends on this side of the pond was held by Joanna and her husband David

Walls at the beautiful Duke Mansion in Charlotte, North Carolina. **Anne St. Clair Woron, Kim Staples Hundley, Amy Marcos Drake, Sarah Williamson, Alison Hawley Ewing, Laurie Raymond Benson** and her husband Chris, **David Brand** and **Anne Golwen Brand '83, Tom Hearn '82** and **Dana Disque Hearn '82**, my brother-in-law and sister **Kent Francois '91** and **Jennifer Horrocks Francois '91**, my husband **Greg Miller** attended. Joanna and David live in Charlotte and in Big Sky, Montana, and the newlyweds currently live in New York City.

It is always great to hear from you, so please let me know if you have an update you'd like me to share in the next issue of the alumni magazine. You can reach me via email, text, phone, Facebook message or mail.

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A new decade has begun and the year 2020 will usher in the 35th anniversary of our graduation. This Christmas, my family and I were walking along DoG Street admiring the decorations and doing a little shopping when I heard the familiar sound of the Wren Bell. As I approached Confusion Corner, I saw that the students were taking turns ringing the bell to signal the end of their semester classes. Glad to see (and hear) that traditions like this still continue for a new generation of graduates!

Dr. James E. Chappell was mentioned in "What's Up? Annapolis" in an article on leading healthcare professionals. He's a board-certified plastic surgeon who provides facial plastic surgery, body

contouring and reconstructive procedures at Annapolis Plastic Surgery. After graduating from William & Mary, he received a master's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University and a medical degree from Eastern Virginia Medical School. He did his general surgery residency training at the University of Vermont and completed his plastic surgery residency at Temple University Hospital. He serves as the president of the Maryland Society of Plastic Surgeons.

Rodney Willett '85, J.D. '90 successfully ran for the first time as a Democratic candidate for the 73rd House District of Henrico County in Virginia's General Assembly in November's elections. He also works as a technology consultant at Impact Makers, serving as its vice president in charge of community impact. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in government and economics, he went on to receive his law degree from William & Mary Law School. He and his wife **Lydia Pulley Willett** have three children.

The Buffalo News profiled in its Business People column **Elizabeth Heilman** for her appointment to chair of education at Daemen College. After graduating from W&M with a bachelor's degree in English and a minor in government, she continued her education at Indiana University earning both a master's degree in social foundations and a doctorate in curriculum studies and social foundations.

I've been relying on news releases mentioning our class members for updates to this column. In addition, I'd love to hear from you, the readers of the W&M Alumni Magazine, at my email address any time. Please feel free to send me an email or find me on Facebook. I'd love to include your news here. Valette, omnes!

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Hello classmates,
David Johnston, playwright and librettist, serves as the executive director of Exploring the Metropolis, a New York City art nonprofit. This year, he'll have two productions of his children's opera, "Monkey and Francine in the City of Tigers." His play "Busted Jesus Comix" just closed in Prague, where it had been running since May 2016. His husband, Danny, enjoys his work as a designated school official at New York Language Center.

Ginna Groseclose Atkinson of Midlothian, Virginia, has worked for Afton Chemical for 27 years, currently in the Environment, Health, Security, Stewardship & Safety group. She's dating a friend from high school; they enjoy visiting wineries in the Charlottesville and Harrisonburg, Virginia, areas. Her son, Dalton, is a high school junior and new driver.

Jack Miller and his husband, Harlen, live in Brentwood, Tennessee. A real estate broker specializing in luxury properties and corporate relocation, Jack had the pleasure of working with friends **Patty Hanson Puskar '87** and **Chip Puskar '87** when they moved to the area a few years ago. Jack's newest project, along with Harlen, is a vacation "tiny home" community. Jack and Harlen have four children and two granddaughters. Their most exciting news is their 13-year-old son Joe's undefeated wrestling season.

Christine Meily Foreman married Jeff Sipe last June. They live in Palm Harbor, Florida, where Christine enjoys kayaking and biking. She works as a

product manager for physical health with Optum. Her son, Adam, 23, is a marine mechanic. Her daughter, Amanda, 18, is a freshman at the University of Florida, studying animal science. Christine keeps in touch with **Andria Silver Wojtunik** of New Jersey who owns a business with her husband and **Jenny Thompson** of Arlington, Virginia, who works for Booz Allen Hamilton.

Ann Brown-Hailey of Williamsburg, director of administration for Electric Utility Fleet Managers Conference, was featured in a video for One Tribe One Day 2019. Her husband, **Chris Hailey '84**, teaches at Hampton Roads Academy. Together with their son, **Will Hailey M.Ed. '19** and their daughter, **Blair Hailey '13**, they call themselves "Hailey, Party of Tribe."

Hugh Marthinsen summarized his life since college, which included a stint in Washington, D.C., law school in Vermont, work as a law clerk and environmental lawyer in Phoenix, Arizona, and a move to Florida. Along the way, he married, raised a couple of dogs, and has settled into over-50 life and semi-retirement.

Ken Halla runs the online high school in Fairfax County, Virginia. His wife, Debbie, is the deputy director for a human services nonprofit. Their daughter Zazi will be a scholarship athlete at the University of Richmond in the fall, while her twin sister, Madison, plans to pursue musical theater. Their son, Grant, is a high school sophomore.

Last year, **Ken Downer** and his wife, Marcelyn, moved to Minneapolis. Ken continues to write about leadership on his blog at RapidStartLeadership.com. When not scribbling at his desk, he pursues endurance sports. Marcelyn is a hospice social worker. Their son, Nathan, is a writer and producer in the music business in Nashville, Tennessee. Their daughter, Laura, is a senior at the University of Wis-

consin and was selected for Phi Beta Kappa.

Amy Campbell Parsons and her family moved from North Carolina to Hutchinson, Minnesota, in 2018. She teaches English at a small rural school, while her husband is the general manager and director of golf at a club. Their son Cal works in film and television production in Los Angeles. Their daughter, Abby, plays golf for Boston University's women's team and will work after graduation at Whistling Straits Golf Course in Wisconsin. Their son Sam is a communications major at Boston College and dreams of a job in sports radio.

David Nygaard, father of six children, operates a custom jewelry business and has begun a career in residential and commercial retail real estate in Virginia Beach.

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Happy 2020! It's early January as I write this. Matt and I are getting ready to pack and head down to Williamsburg to cheer on the Tribe for a few home basketball games (Townson and JMU) and to visit friends and family. Both our sons are living on the West Coast right now — one in the Bay Area, and one in Los Angeles. I want to give a thankful shout out to my Tribe in California for helping us figure out the area and get our youngest son settled in the right spot! I definitely won't mind a few trips out there this winter to escape the cold! Speaking of California girls, as Matt and I were hopping in a car for the airport leaving a conference in Austin this fall, we bumped right into **Beth Stanford Fuchs!**

Turns out we had been at the same hotel all week and never even knew it. I was so happy to see her but sorry the timing was off for us to really be able to catch up.

Matt Seu '86, M.B.A. '89 is doing well, enjoying his work and had a great 2019. His company, Actualize Consulting, was named one of the Washington Post's Top Workplaces this fall. I am retired from teaching and we have been enjoying the opportunity to travel more often.

Cindy Matthews Mendelsohn is living in California with her husband, Seth, and daughter, Madeline, and is working for Bank of America. Seth left his work at Disney Studios a few years ago and is now working on an exciting project for Princess Cruises that has taken him far and wide, from the Panama Canal to Liverpool. Cindy has been missing Williamsburg and has not been back in more than 10 years. She hopes to make it back soon because she has a goddaughter nearing graduation and her nephew is finishing his Ph.D. at W&M. In a small world twist, it turns out that Professor Scholnick (from William & Mary's English and American Studies department) officiated Cindy's and Seth's wedding back in 2003, and is still teaching at W&M in the same department where her nephew is finalizing his Ph.D.

Chris Fincher was the focus of a business community article in The Greenville News this fall. Chris is currently the TD Bank regional vice president in Greenville, South Carolina. The story highlights his career path after he graduated from W&M with a degree in government and economics, and thought he would work for a while, and then maybe apply to law school. Plans changed when he began working in banking at Wachovia Bank in North Carolina. Chris spent 32 years with Wachovia and

Wells Fargo and began working in Greenville in 2008. In addition to his current work, Chris is also involved with the community and serves on the board of the Metropolitan Arts Council and the United Way of Greenville County. He and his wife, Kathy, are members of the Parents Advisory Council at the University of South Carolina where their two sons attend the Darla Moore School of Business.

Ross Spicer was featured in The Winchester Star in November regarding his recent and unopposed campaign for Frederick County Commonwealth's Attorney. After graduation, Ross earned his J.D. with distinction at George Mason University of Law. He's lived in the Winchester area for more than 17 years and has been a prosecutor for 20 years, including the last seven as the Frederick County Commonwealth's Attorney.

Peter Trippi co-curated an exhibition that will be presented in Milton, Massachusetts, at the Eustis Estate from May 2020 until March 2021 called "Artful Stories: Paintings from Historic New England." He is still living in New York City but has really enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about New England's amazing history and culture.

As some of you know, I grew up in Norfolk. You may not know that I grew up alongside a famous Norfolk celebrity — **Thad Doumar**. Now those of you who know Thad know that he's an affable, humble, intelligent, overall great guy. But did you know that he has also been featured on the Travel Channel and Food Network, and has hosted Guy Fieri a couple of times? Thad and I both went to Norfolk Academy and then both made the great decision of going on to W&M. After Thad graduated with his accounting degree, he went on to run the family business with his dad,

Albert. I had grown up visiting Doumar's in Norfolk often, because if you lived there, that's what you did. The restaurant has been there since 1934 and is a Norfolk landmark. It's known around Virginia for its North Carolina barbecue, its ice cream and shakes, its curbside service (at one time via roller skates), the Doumar family members, and, of course, its waffle cones. On Aug. 19, Inside Business of Hampton Roads included a feature on Thad and his legacy carrying on the family business. You should look it up to read the details, and then stop by to see Thad when you get down to Norfolk. Thad's great uncle, Abe Doumar, invented the ice cream cone in 1904 and the machine he invented is still in use today! Even the vice presidential motorcade couldn't resist stopping by Doumar's for a visit this past spring. Congratulations to Thad on Doumar's continued success!

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Shawn Barrett retired last year after a 25-year career in anesthesiology. He spent this past summer escaping the Austin heat, visiting 25 states plus two Canadian provinces. Shawn and his wife, Carrie, both completed the Ironman in Mont Tremblant, Quebec (his fifth, her seventh).

When W&M roommates meet and marry W&M roommates, the term "extended family" takes on a new meaning. Despite moving a combined 14 times and never having lived in the same town over the last 30 years, **Mike Studeman**,

Lynne Draper Stude-man '89, Amy Reid Dassler, and Chris Dassler '89, M.A. '91 (and their kids, when available) have celebrated nearly every New Year's Eve together. While most of the celebrations have taken place in Virginia, they've also managed to get together in Florida, California, and most recently, Hawaii. Mike and Lynne currently live in Pearl Harbor, where Mike is the director of intelligence (J2) for Indo-Pacific Command in Honolulu. As new empty nesters, they're taking full advantage of their time on the island. Mike has taken up surfing and Lynne has enjoyed connecting with an outrigger canoe paddling group. Chris and Amy have been back in Williamsburg since opening Bay Area Veterinary Surgery in Yorktown 15 years ago. In his free time, Chris is an avid cyclist and Amy keeps busy with her art projects and local volunteer organizations.

Brooks Sandeman Clark spent the fall in New York City with his spouse Kate and daughters Annie and Grace. Annie is in the seventh grade and Grace is in the 11th grade. He can't believe they're starting to tour colleges. Brooks spends his days practicing law in the area of commercial real estate and structured finance at Polsinelli. He went down to Middleburg, Virginia, for the races in October and lo and behold ran into **Bill Stokes '86 and Cathy Puskas '89**.

Kelly Thompson Boyle, Tim Boyle, Ryan Boyle, Nancy Lindblad Brosnahan, John Brosnahan, JT Brosnahan '15, and Sam Brosnahan spent another fun all-inclusive vacation at the Iberostar Grand Hotel Paraiso in Riviera Maya, Mexico. They celebrated the New Year and Nancy's birthday.

Geoff Goodale '88, M.A. '92 has joined Duane Morris LLP as

a partner in the firm's Corporate Practice Group in the Washington, D.C., office.

Keith C. Reagan, Sr. is approaching his 30th year as an investment consultant. Retired from Merrill Lynch, Keith owns reaganholloway.com where Keith was just recognized in The Wall Street Journal as a Five Star Wealth Manager for the fifth year in a row. Keith started reaganstudios.com as a hobby, and his son, Collins, has taken over the business full time. Reagan Studios specializes in music videos, commercial videography and wedding cinematography, where they have been recognized in both theknot.com and weddingwire.com as among the best wedding studios in America.

Jim McCreedy has been an attorney at Wiley Malehorn in Morristown, New Jersey, for about 30 years. He recently celebrated his 25th wedding anniversary with his wife, Maureen. Jim has a set of boy/girl twins — Ian, a junior at University of Maryland (business) and Katie, a junior at Northeastern (pre-med) — as well as a son Conor who's a senior in high school looking to major in engineering in college. His twins got into W&M, which gave him a good excuse to make a couple of visits to campus in recent years and see all the changes, but they elected to go elsewhere. For fun, Jim plays full court basketball as much as he can in various gyms with guys of all ages and seek to avoid (more) injury.

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Wow — what a great reunion we had in October! More than 200 of us gathered to celebrate 30 years at our class party and I ran into even more of you throughout the weekend.

We not only came back to William & Mary in a big way; we also gave back to W&M in a big way. Together, the Class of '89 raised more than \$2.7 million dollars, and 36.8% of our class — more than any reunion class ever — donated to W&M. THANK YOU to all who came back to our alma mater, to **Kim McDonald Grinnell** for the photos, to the Class Ambassadors — **Stella Crane Alexander, Dan Berry, Rebecca Bilely, Martha McGlothlin Bowman '89, J.D. '95, Doug Casey, Sean Connolly, Kiki Dunton, Gene Foley, Marnie Mitchell Keogh, Jeanne Foster Kuyper, Anne Ferrell Leggett, Jennifer Sage Lian, Steve McCleaf, Sallie Wellons McOwen '89, M.A.Ed. '93, David Nowland, Maisie O'Flanagan, Becky Samuels Paquet, Delta Helmer Pelgrim, Grant Phelan, John Powers, JoAnn Adrales Ruh, Catherine Nelson Schlawn, Dee Dee Vantree-Keller, Andrew Warker, Shannon Watson, Doug Williams and John Windt**, who reached out and asked for your support — and to all who donated.

Freshmen-year friends from Fauquier and Spotswood had a great time reconnecting at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend, their first time together since 1989. **Sean Power** came out from Arizona and worked in a visit with his oldest son, who's a first year at UVA. Sean, his wife, **Karen Berger Power '90**, and their five children live in Scottsdale, where he works for Mass Mutual and Karen is a physical therapist. Sean's Fauquier roommate, **Matt Shiffler**, and his wife attended from Winchester. Matt is a physical therapist who dabbles in triathlons when he's not relaxing in a treestand. **Mary Beth**

Luckam Blend, Tricia Stevenson, Frances Demmerle, and Beth Moison Hughes represented Spotswood. Mary Beth and her husband live in Richmond, where she's a physical therapist and a devoted runner and cyclist. Tricia made the drive from Charlotte, where she's an active volunteer for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and a finance business operations specialist for Spectrum Reach. Frances is a doctor of osteopathy with a private practice in neuromusculoskeletal medicine in Charlottesville and Arlington. She and her husband **Sam Bryan '88** live in Charlottesville with their two girls. Beth manages the office of a construction consulting practice in Reston and homeschools her youngest child. She lives with her husband and three children in Purcellville. The group had such fun reuniting that they've promised to do it again at the 35th in 2024!

Four of the five '89 Delta Phi brothers — **Dave MacDonald, Greg Johnston, Joe Chirico, and J.D. Bowers (Mike Kilgore** was unable to make it from California) — marked our 30th by gathering at places both old (The Cheese Shop, of course!) and new (Precarious), as well as joining other alums at the Delta Phi Wine & Cheese and tailgate, as well as cheering on the Tribe (despite a tough loss). It was great to meet up, especially as they all have early-college and late-high-school-aged children, and to catch up on all that has passed.

With all the kids out of the house, **Carol Jackson Miller** downsized and moved to Denver from the foothills of Golden, Colorado. Her kids, ages 24, 21 and 18, have graduated or are still attending the University of Colorado where Ralphie the Buffalo is No. 6 on the best mascot in college football ranking by Sports Illustrated. She frankly thinks that beats the Griffin. Carol works

at University of Denver in development at a legal reform institute and cheer on the Pioneers. Visitors are always welcome. She loved every minute of the W&M reunion in October and getting back in touch with her "Tribe."

Scott Rhodes and Glen Troiano were also at our reunion festivities. Scott is a department chair at Wake Forest School of Medicine and recently published a book, "New and Emerging Issues in Latinx Health."

Erin McFall Dunkel took a new role at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society as the vice president of marketing and communications, which is based in downtown Philadelphia. Besides having a mission-based focus on creating green spaces, planting trees, getting people who have been in prison back to work through horticulture, offering education for teachers and students alike, running more than 100 programs in and around Philadelphia and maintaining public gardens, PHS also runs the Philadelphia Flower Show each spring, where more than 250,000 flower-focused people visit every year. **Tom Dunkel M.B.A. '95**

continues to find success with his alternative investments firm, providing investment opportunities through commercial and residential real estate properties, both performing and distressed. Their son Andrew is a high school senior and currently looking at schools with strong STEM majors. Their daughter Kelsey is a high school freshman who's a varsity cheerleader and happy to be out of middle school. They'll return to the 'Burg in May, when Tom's MBA class celebrates its 25th anniversary at the Mason School of Business.

Help W&M close out our *For the Bold* campaign with a bang! Please give when we call, email, or text you on June 23 for One Tribe One Day!

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Let's jump right in! **Rebecca Fitzgerald Lipscomb** joined the University of Alabama at Birmingham's Department of Nutrition Sciences as a grant writer/editor. Her 19-year-old son, Alex, spent a gap year playing music and touring (bass guitarist) and just started school also at UAB to study music.

Greg Schueman bought a Cape Cod-style house in Brunswick, Maine, that's getting a total makeover. His 14-year-old identical twin daughters, Alina and Chloe, continue to excel at competitive Nordic skiing and they're doing more Alpine skiing together. Greg has been consulting in IT control systems in metal fabrication predominantly in supply chain, distribution and manufacturing. He lost his father, Gerry Schueman, in July from an aggressive cancer only 14 days post diagnosis. Gerry contributed to many Scandinavian organizations in the Washington, D.C. area for many years and will be sorely missed.

Jack Cummings III currently lives on the Upper West Side in New York City with his wife, Barbara Walsh, who is an actress, and their rescue dog, Gracie. After graduating from the University of Virginia with his MFA in directing in 1993, Jack moved to NYC and co-founded an off-Broadway theatre company, Transport Group, where he serves as artistic director. Its work focuses on the American experience through new plays and musicals, as well as revivals. Next year, the company will celebrate its 20th anniversary. Recently, Jack directed **Jennifer Piech Pashjerg '89** in

repertory productions of "Picnic" and "Come Back, Little Sheba." William & Mary theatre professor **Patricia Wesp '76** and a group of current students came for a show and a post-show discussion with Jack and Jen. He also keeps in touch with **Sarah Dillard Pope, Larry Burnett '91** and **Darin Bloomquist '91**. Jack also freelance directs, currently working on a commercial production of a musical version of the 1993 film "Benny & Joon," and competes in several USTA League teams when not in rehearsals.

Matt Overton is working as a biologist for Dominion Energy in Richmond, Virginia. He officiates college football at the D-I FCS level, recently officiating two playoff games (second round at Sacramento State and a national quarterfinal at North Dakota State, the eventual FCS national champion).

Stephanie Suppa Hirschy wrote that Tri Delta sisters, including Monroe Third West freshman hallmates, gathered in Greenville, South Carolina, for their annual girls' weekend in January. Stephanie met up with **Megan Heaslip Blake '90, M.A. '95, Liz Rucker Griffith, Sarah Coleman Jarvis, Julee Wallace Kaplan '90, M.Ed. '94** and **Kristy Oswald Shea**. They try their best to get together each year, and greatly missed this time were **Meredith Mangan, Jenny Ruhlen Bavisotto, Julie Elliott Wilmarth '90, J.D. '95** and **Sheri Henry Rohaley '89**. Although it's truly hard to believe that this much time has passed since the special days in the 'Burg, they look forward to our 30th reunion this fall!

This September, **Nancy Saltsman Sheed**, along with other early '90s NYC alumni (**Mike Scheu, Dickson Benesh** and **Jack Mahoney**) will host a #90sinNYC party to celebrate that wonder-

ful decade of city living and working. Remember social life before cell phones? Anyone who was around at that time — if even for a New Years' Eve party or a bar crawl — is invited. Contact nancy@nancysheed.com for more information.

James Kraman wrapped his 17th Seahawks season at CenturyLink Field in Seattle, celebrated the Seattle Sounders second league championship in November and hosted a Rolling Stones stadium concert. In unexpected news, James and family welcomed a newborn foster baby, a half-brother to their 5-year-old adopted daughter. He's testing the very limits of the notion that kids keep us young. Good luck, James!

Lynne Birdsall Kemp lives in Savannah, Georgia, where she tutors adults who are learning to read and co-facilitates an Exploring Spirit workshop series. Lynne is also applying to grad schools now that she's an empty nester.

James Lowry and his wife completed renovations to their home in Shelby, North Carolina, where they live on Moss Lake. Starting this spring, he's in full guest acceptance mode. Any traveling W&M alumni who need shelter from the storm, a cocktail, a hot tub soak or a boat ride are welcome to stop by ... just call ahead.

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Mike Graves and **Trish Davis Graves** spent New Year's in California at the Rose Parade to see their son Connor's last float before he graduates from

college. He was one of the operators inside the float. Trish said they'll be empty nesters when their son Brendan goes to college in the fall.

Several classmates chimed in to mention how helpful the admission weekend William & Mary puts on is in guiding their children through the admissions process. **Noelle Chalifoux Dunlap** and **Anne Marie Dodd Kegley '92** went this past year with their daughters, who are school friends.

Kim Dietrich Westrich provided a good reminder to take care of yourself and get all your not-fun-but-needed medical tests, like a skin check. She had successful surgery to remove a basal cell carcinoma.

Beth West had a Day of the Dead party in her home city of London to celebrate turning 50. **Susanne Staggs Cooper**, **Vanessa Smith Mores** and **Kate Wilson** all attended. It sounds like everyone had a terrific time. Beth has a new job as managing director for the south region of Balfour Beatty UK Construction Services, adding construction to her array of different jobs in the infrastructure and property sectors. Beth also got to see **Steve Harwitz** in December when Steve and his family visited London.

Cliff Fleet '91, M.A. '93, M.B.A. '95, J.D. '95 is the new president and CEO of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. He worked at Philip Morris beginning in 1995, including serving as CEO and president from 2013 to 2017. Most recently, he served as president and CEO of 22nd Century Group Inc., a publicly-traded biotechnology company. He's currently vice chairman of ChamberVA. Cliff has four degrees from W&M, a distinction shared with only 14 other alumni since the founding of William & Mary!

Adolf Brown III gave the keynote address

at the King and Queen County Public School's annual convocation last August. He's an internationally known educator and advocate.

Dave Meyrowitz sent me lots of news. He said several Theta Deltas met up in November in Nags Head, North Carolina, for fishing and bourbon. He said the sea was angry but the fish were not hungry, so there was no eating their catch. The group included **Dave Bjarnason**, **Andrew Suger**, **man '92**, **Matt Kirshner '92**, **Bob Prince '93**, **Doug Bream** and **Tom Beahn**. A group also got together at **Dave Bjarnason's** and **Amy Cummings Bjarnason's** new house in Georgetown late last year. Also there were Bob's wife **Cary Morton Prince**, **Jefferson Smith '92** and **John Siner**. Dave Meyrowitz, his wife, Serena, and their kids moved to Montclair, New Jersey, in September 2018. He said there are a few W&M alumni in his town including **Chris Fritz '90**. He has also seen **Heather Rotter Guas '91, M.Ed. '92** and her wife Jackie a few times as well. Dave's daughter is in the Class of 2022 at W&M.

As for me, I spent a weekend last November with **Victoria Chase-Walters**, **Amy Yeny**, **Noelle**, **Carol Bowman Kennedy**, **Susanne**, and **Rachel Hiebert Warren**. I honestly don't think I have laughed that hard, ever. Keep those updates coming!

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Hopefully 2020 has been good to you so far. At the end of 2019, several alums from the Class of 1993 showed up in the news, and I continue to hear from people reaching out to share news.

To begin with those in the news, **Michele Joyce** ran for District 64 in the 2019 election. Michele, a computer scientist at Jefferson Lab, ran as a Democrat. Although she lost to an incumbent who outspent her more than 3 to 1, Joyce garnered almost 40% of the vote.

Previously business director at VersAbility Resources, **Whitney Lester** took a new job as senior director of talent development for Hampton Roads Workforce Council. **Katie Larsen**, too, has been doing well in her work life. As a managing director at her firm, The Larsen Group, she was named for the third time to a "Top Wealth Advisor Moms" list, as well as the 2019 Forbes List of "America's Top Women Wealth Advisors." Nice work, you two!

Lastly, I saw that another alumna, **Mei Li Garcia-Beane**, has been adding musical richness to the Northern Neck, where my parents happen to live. Mei Li is a violinist with training from a conservatory in Seville, Spain, as well as from Rutgers and William & Mary. Besides the Northern Neck Orchestra, she has played with several orchestras and chamber music ensembles, and also assists some churches with their music. She also works with Strings Crewe, an organization that provides instruction in violin, viola and cello for students in the Northern Neck.

Luke Haynes reports that he made it to Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2019 and saw fellow PiKA alums **Keita**

Cannon '94, **Dave Cho '94**, **Wayne Gibson '94**, **Denzel Hankinson '94**, **Phil Hatfield '94**, **Chris Lick '94** and **Brett Reinke '95**. Luke brought his 14-year-old son along,

who is interested in William & Mary rugby, and they also saw Luke's former grad school housemate, **Andrew Zawacki '94**. Luke lives in Montclair, New Jersey, and runs the charitable David Rockefeller Fund in New York City. In 2014, Luke lost his daughter, Ana Lucia, 4, but he channeled his grief and philanthropic experience into Lulu's Fund, a need-based financial aid fund for preschool families (Google Lulu's Fund, Montclair for more information).

I myself made a trip to Williamsburg in October, just a week before Homecoming. The weather was fabulous and I enjoyed seeing some of the new improvements in the interpretation of James-town, too.

Also in October, together with **Daniel Mourad**, **Kurtis Alexander '94**, **Scot Carr '92**, **Brian McConnell** and **Aaron Wehner '94**, I hiked into the John Muir Wilderness to honor and remember **Steve Lynch '91**, who passed in March 2019. To read more about this trip and a poem in honor of Steve, please visit magazine.wm.edu/class-notes/1993.

As always, I appreciate hearing from both those of you I know, but also fellow classmates that I may not know. If you send me something or I see something written about you, I will try to include it, be they work promotions, weddings, birth announcements, or other life events.

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1994

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My first Homecoming & Reunion Weekend in over 25 years and I'm still feeling the Homecoming Effect: weekly reading of my notes and fondly, patiently, awaiting the next five years. As promised, I mingled (and likely annoyed) all weekend long with notebook in hand. Overall, I invaded the reverie of more than 30 classmates; I have names, details, stories, histories, and yet no blackmail — everyone can sleep comfortably. I'll post more details online at magazine. wm.edu/class-notes/1994.

Thank you to everyone who spoke with me: **Maria Pantina DiConza, Matt Fine, Will Vance, Michael Paci, Kate Long, Alice Givens, Li Ping, Janet West Reid, Beth Hraster Revor, Ryan Roberge, Jennifer Chaney, Anne Ferrand O'Neill, Cary Zimmerman Cucinelli, Rebecca Hays Nelson, Andrew Delios Reyes, Francesca DeMarco, Laura Eubank Harman, Catherine Clifford Baker, Michelle Milich Behnke, Matt Behnke '94, M.B.A. '18, Matt Abbruzzese, Dave Vick, Charlie Neely, Blake Howard, Beatrix Slomiany, Ed Bronson, Rob Peace, and Joanne Teasdale Harvey.**

Here's a shout-out to my freshman hallmates who welcomed me with laughter and memories: **Craig Anzalone, Brian Anderson, Ryan O'Quinn, and Kirke Weaver!** Thanks dudes, see y'all in five years — at the latest!

In Dallas news, **Sejal Pietrzak**, president and CEO of DealerSocket, was listed in "The Dallas 500" by D CEO as one of the 500 best CEOs in the Dallas-Fort Worth area in 2020.

In 'Burg news, **Bobby Jankovic '94, M.Ed. '95** recently became the 2020 president of the Williamsburg Multiple Listing Service. Bobby lives in Williamsburg with his wife and four kids and owns RE/MAX Capital.

Monica Sigmon was

announced as one of Sony's 2020 Alpha Female Creators in Residence. Sigmon opened her Williamsburg studio in 2000 and has earned the prestigious craftsman and master's degrees from the Professional Photographers of America.

In New York news, in the November issue of *Wealth Management* magazine, **Meghan McCartan** made the "Top 10 to Watch in 2020" list; wow! Meghan is the executive director of marketing at HighTower and leads the firm's outsourced chief marketing officer initiative.

That's it folks! So much to share and tell over the coming years. I don't have enough to cover till the next big-five Homecoming. Email me your news and let's share with everyone.



Patricia Elaine Houston to Robert Turner, 6/22/19.

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1995 ²⁵

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Hello All,

Not much to report as we're getting ready for our 25th Reunion this year. Think about pledging something to the school this year to show our participation. Any amount counts and it all goes to a good cause of keeping the school moving along and proving support for students in need.

Christopher H. Smith was recently recognized as one of six Hunter-Maclean attorneys named as 2019 Legal Elite by Georgia Trend, a statewide business publication.

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1996

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Kate Burnham-Hull is teaching technical theatre at Radford University while pursuing a second master's degree, this time in special education. In her spare time, Kate is a first alto singing with the Blacksburg Master Chorale.

Ruth Miller and her husband, Stephen Clermont, **Allison McHenry '95** and her husband, David Hunter, **John Encarnacion** and **Liz Shiflett Encarnacion**, **Ethan Chapman '95** and **Holly Collins Chapman**, and **John Waston '97** and **Beth Keller Watson**, and their kids, continued their annual tradition of traveling together for a week in the summer. This year, on their 17th trip, they stayed in the southern Netherlands, from which they also visited Germany and Belgium. In fact, they stood in all three countries at the same time at the Drielandpunt!

Valerie Horna Nelson is living in Brownwood, Texas. By day, Valerie works as an analyst for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. By night, Valerie enjoys acting in local community theater productions. Some of her credits at the Brownwood Lyric Theater include *Ginger* in "Gilligan's Island: The Musical," *Violet Bick* in "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play," and *Lt. Cmd. Galloway* in "A Few Good Men."

In an extraordinary act of generosity, **Bridgette Trella** donated a kidney to a former coworker's wife. "It has been a challenging, yet rewarding experience," Bridgette said. "I plan to become a donor advocate and volunteer for Washington Regional Transplant Community to help educate people about organ donation." Bridgette is in her 22nd year work-

ing with the FBI, where she is a supervisory special agent managing international nuclear and radiological initiatives.

Meghan Davis was recently promoted to associate professor of environmental health and engineering at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

In other health profession news, **Carrie Karhnak-Glasby** is living in Philadelphia, studying to become a family nurse practitioner. "Thanks to W&M," Carrie noted, "I am not intimidated by the APA writing my program expects!"

Jenny Ozawa reported news from her Monroe freshman hallmates. Jenny is a senior economist for innovation and economic development at RTI International, living with her two kids and dog in Arlington, Virginia.

Jack Medinger lives in Zurich, Switzerland, and works an audit manager for Glencore. His husband, Reggie, who works for the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, recently relocated to Stuttgart, Germany, so Jack and Reggie are happy to be only a few hours apart now.

Marietta Krebs and **Tom Hubschman '97** are living in Munich, Germany, with their two kids. Marietta works in clinical operations for the biotech company MorphoSys, and Tom is an engineering and product leader for MAN Truck & Bus AG.

Rachel MacCleery and her family live in Washington, D.C., where Rachel is a senior vice president at the Urban Land Institute.

Hester Shipp Mathes looks forward to attending Homecoming & Reunion Weekend with her family this year as her daughter Neeley explores W&M as a potential third generation Tribe member. Hester continues her work as an Episcopal priest, focusing on outreach and interfaith initiatives in Memphis, Tennessee. She and her family live on 11 acres just outside the city, in a

log cabin that originally belonged to Hannah Boone, sister of Daniel Boone.

Dylan Rhoads began his 13th year with Nintendo in his new position as bilingual technical program manager in the Office of the CEO, where he will be using technical, business and Japanese language skills to drive special projects and strategic initiatives for global Nintendo.

Last spring **Ann Maushammer Lovejoy** volunteered in Guatemala as a nurse and interpreter. "We traveled to remote villages, where indigenous Mayan languages predominate over Spanish," she explained. "We used two interpreters: one translated from Pokomchi, the Mayan language, to Spanish, and one translated Spanish to English. This area of Guatemala has one doctor per 10,000 people, and a health care facility is a several-hour walk through the mountains. Our medical team treated 1,200 patients in four days, and the dental team treated 700 patients."

Thank you so much to everyone for sharing their exciting news! I love hearing about the variety of paths our classmates have taken since leaving Williamsburg.

Please keep in touch!
Betsy

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Happy spring! Hope your 2020 is off to a great start.

I heard from **Dan Gaff** that the Class of '98 was well-represented at the William & Mary vs. Stanford basketball game in November, even though the Tribe lost 81-50. **Ian Hart, Aaron Rashba, Chris Edmunds, Daniela Wotke**, and Dan joined a spirited group of other Bay Area alums to cheer on the Green & Gold. Dan says they'll be back next September during W&M Weekend when the Tribe visits Stanford again for football, with what he fears could probably be a similar outcome.

Mark DiBella was profiled last November in the Houston Business Journal for his work as CEO of Yes Prep helping to provide a quality education for kids in underserved communities. The Yes Prep Public Schools are preparing to open their first elementary schools this fall. The Houston-based charter school system is expected to see its student enrollment double.

If you have news of your own that you'd like to share, please send it my way. We'd love to hear from you.



To **Young Ju Rhee** and Young J. Lee a daughter, Gemma Yoonseol, 11/06/19.

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1999

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Hello, Class of '99!

I didn't hear from any classmates this round, so I'll share some news from another source:

William & Mary's Law School writes that, "The American Academy of

Appellate Lawyers presented the Eisenberg Prize for scholarship in the field of appellate practice and procedure to Professor Allison Orr Larsen and Professor Neal Devins for their article, 'The Amicus Machine,' during the academy's fall meeting in Chicago on Oct. 25. The article appeared in the Virginia Law Review in 2016. This was the second year in a row that AAAL has recognized Larsen's scholarship. She previously was awarded the Eisenberg Prize for her 2014 Virginia Law Review article, 'The Trouble with Amicus Facts.'" Congrats to **Alli Orr Larsen** for her continued amazing work!

Please take a moment and send me a note about where you are, what you're doing these days, and who you've seen from our class! It's a great way to reconnect in between Homecoming & Reunion Weekends! Tribe Pride!
~Meredith



Heather Louise Leggett to Drew G. Hoover, 5/18/19.

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Megan Dowdell Nabb joined Aetna as a senior actuarial consultant in September, working on the Medicare Part D pricing team. Her group is headquartered in Connecticut, but she lives in Wisconsin so she's working from home. Megan writes, "I've really enjoyed returning to actuarial work — and not having to commute in the snow! Keith and the girls are doing well."

Emily Lowry Millhiser '00 is the director of development operations for CARITAS, a homelessness and ad-

diction recovery services provider in Richmond, Virginia. Emily serves on the board of the nonprofit Project Yoga Richmond, and traveled to Bali for a yoga retreat in fall 2019. She and her husband Neil live in the Museum District with their two dogs.

Conor Sipe '00, M.A. '03, assistant professor of biology at Shepherd University in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, led a discussion following a screening of the film "Concussion."



Gregory Ryan Hildebrand to Ashley Kathryn Puscas, 10/05/19.

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Greetings Class of '03. I hope you're doing well, as many of us are enjoying these last days before turning 40! A few quick updates.

Suzanne Berman and her husband Ken Quinto welcomed their daughter Tessa in May 2018. She joins big brother Jonah, now 3. They're enjoying

toddler chaos and a carpet full of Cheerios just outside of D.C. in Takoma Park, Maryland.

Allyson Harrell Webb writes, "Crosby Sager Webb was born May 31 in Preston, Maryland. Older sister Hazel adores him and we're excited to have not one, but two Future Tribers (is that a thing? Should we make it a thing?)."

A few of my children attend Matthew Whaley School, the public elementary school in Williamsburg, where you might remember playing on the playground late at night in college, or was that just me? It's been fun to PTA it with a number of William & Mary graduates, including **Sarah Irwin Menefee, Matt Menefee, Sarah Lehman Walrath, Adam Otstot '04, M.Ed. '07, Jeff Kader '05, Elizabeth Gaylard Honenberger '06** and **Stuart Honenberger '06**. Here's a very special honorable mention to **Ben Boone '07, M.Ed. '09** who provides Spanish translation to our PTA out of his kind heart!

As always, let me provide a Williamsburg update to those of you who managed to move off campus. The latest addition to DoG St.? Illy Caffè (Be sure to include both f's, when saying it and when logging in for internet access there, hard-earned wisdom).

Illy (pronounced EELY, NOT as in rhymes with silly, again, I do this work for you) is a sweet new spot to gather and enjoy your authentic Italian caffè, croissants and atmosphere that's distinctly ... distinct. A great highlight is their new outdoor seating area with twinkle lights and heaters. This is not a sponsored post, but stop in and mention the Class of '03, maybe they'll give you something because they're nice — then call me immediately if they do and I'll run over to get mine!

Enjoy this next season, party like you're 39. The best is yet to come.

Go Tribe.



Dipti Ramnarain to Vishwa Nadig, 9/02/18.

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2004

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Okay, so even though springtime is here and everything is in bloom and growing, our class column is still stuck in the dormant/hibernation mode during the dead of winter. I didn't receive any recent updates during this period. Now, I'll probably get some responses once the alumni magazine drops in your mailboxes; however, the article deadlines usually occur right before, so it usually takes six months before I can actually publish your wonderful news in the magazine. For this time, instead of hearing about your fellow classmates, I'll give you a recap of what has been happening with me, your class reporter.

In the previous column, I mentioned I traveled to Boston. I had been to Boston twice in 2000. Therefore, for this trip, I wasn't going to do the Freedom Trail and other touristy things. One of the first things I did was head to the North End for some good pastries and food. As I was eating a pastry, I walked past the Paul Revere house. I had to go inside (I hadn't done that during my trip 20 years ago). I paid my \$5 and breezed through the house in about five minutes. It looked like I had fallen into the tourist trap, therefore, I immediately high-tailed it out of the North End without seeing Old North Church. My next stop was to see the JFK Presidential Museum. For these past few years, I've been attempting to visit all of the presidential

museums. The museum was OK. I love museums and I'm a former history major; however, over the years, I really enjoy a quick walk-through, see a few things and I'm satisfied. I got my obligatory magnet, and headed back downtown. The next day, I rented a car and drove through New Hampshire and Vermont (I'd never been to those states before). The rental car company gave me a Subaru, which was very apropos driving to Vermont. I stopped at a Vermont Country Store (a more touristy version of Cracker Barrel, but without the nice restrooms and good comfort food). On my way back to Boston, I stopped at the Yankee Candle factory store in South Deerfield. I'm not a big candle person, but it was fun seeing (and smelling) all that was offered at this flagship store. The next time I'm in Williamsburg, I'll need to see how the company's "second" flagship store compares. Still having the rental car, I then drove up to Salem to see the infamous town that spawned the 17th-century witch trials. As I was waiting in turn for the animatronics show (there were tons of loud Massachusetts high school students), I stopped next door for some pastries and fresh, cold milk. The weather outside perfectly fit the Halloween-themed mood — cold blowing rain on a cloudy October afternoon. Once back in Boston, I toured the Christian Science plaza area, stopped inside Coppley Place and ate at Legal Sea Foods.

I also made a quick business trip to Denver (before all the snow). Besides business, I was able to take a walk along the river park near downtown and got my 50% discount at Capital One Cafe for some Peet's coffee.

That's all that has been happening with me. If you want more variety for this column, please, please drop me a note of what's been going on in your life. I'd especially like to hear from those of you I've not

heard from in these past 16 to 20 years.

Take care,
-Owen



Katrina Rene'e Snow
to Brandon Barr, 5/31/19.

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Thank you for your many contributions thus far to the Class Notes and for reminding me on a regular basis about life's many wins. I am grateful for the honor of getting to receive your hurrahs.

Be sure to check out the online version of this edition of Class Notes at magazine.wm.edu. It includes many photographs submitted by the folks listed below, and is about twice as long. It's where we put all the shenanigans.

This past November, **Amal Aboulhosen Giknis** and **Francis Parrish Giknis** welcomed their baby Desmond into the world.

Dan Simon and **Anna Coleman Prewitt** **Simon** just moved into a house they've been renovating the past two years. The house was built in 1820.

Jody Spraker Pozen has decided to take a pause from her career of non-profit advocacy to develop new ice cream flavors with a gourmet ice cream company called Scoop in Richmond, Virginia. She and her husband, Jonah, and daughter, Wren, welcomed baby Eva in May of last year.

Ginny Sutton Turner has returned to her hometown of Richmond, Virginia, with her husband and two young boys. Last spring, she stepped down from her position as field hockey coach at Davidson College after 14 years. Ginny has enjoyed reuniting with Tribe classmates.

In April of last year,

Laura Nixon married Eliot Kriviski, a graduate of Virginia Tech, at a small Williamsburg ceremony. Laura recently started a new job with the U.S. Census Bureau.

Robert Dean Willey III proposed to his fiancée, Lindsay Kersh, on the Crim Dell bridge last February. Robby and Lindsay, who happens to be a Williamsburg native, are getting married this May at Miller Hall in the Raymond A. Mason School of Business. Robby has been enjoying entrepreneurial success with **Chris Smith '07** as business partners of the Virginia Beer Company, which just had its four-year anniversary and has been involved in trade missions to the UK and Japan.

Max O'Keefe, a member of the Philadelphia chapter alumni board, recently has been named partner of Lamb McErlane PC, where he handles an extensive variety of municipal, land use, property tax, administrative and environmental law matters.

Kasey Pittman works in the Williamsburg office of PB Mares, LLP handling tax planning and compliance and recently was promoted to senior tax manager. She's a licensed certified public accountant who pursued her graduate studies at the University of Notre Dame.

Patrick Herrel, director of the Office of Enrollment Options for Indianapolis Public Schools, recently was announced as a recipient of the Indiana State University Woodrow Wilson MBA Fellowship in Educational Leadership. This prestigious award finds its way to just a handful of upcoming educational leaders with the knowledge and skills to improve Indiana's schools.

Andy Lau is a pediatric audiologist at the Nemours/Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Delaware. Andy is the lead audiologist of the Pediatric Balance Program and an adjunct faculty member at Salus University. He's also board certified through

the American Board of Audiology.

Cecily Cutshall is living in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with her husband and three kiddos, Henning, Soren and Blaise. Cecily works as a senior business analyst in commercial business treasury management. Earlier in life, Cecily taught French in New Jersey, be-bopped and worked her way through Europe and earned a graduate degree in conflict resolution in Washington, D.C.

And just one more thing. I, **Patience Burke**, class reporter, finally went to Paris! As a celebration of our 15th wedding anniversary, my husband, Preston, and I, along with our daughter, Carolina, visited France over the Thanksgiving holiday.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The Class of 2006 notes are posted online only for this issue. We sincerely apologize for their omission from the print edition. Read them at *magazine*.
wm.edu/class-notes/2006.



Jillian Grace Gordon
to David S. Miller, 6/13/19.

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2007

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Hello to you all. I hope 2020 has started off well for you. For me, 2019 was a year of change and challenge and so far, 2020 is continuing that trend. Growing older is intense.

The world around us is intense. Our years at William & Mary seem so far away. Yet, I get so much joy out of seeing people's updates on Facebook or receiving emails about all the events in people's lives. Please consider sending in your first alumni update of the decade!

Cosmo Fujiyama Ghaznavi was featured in a November 2019 article from the Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star. She recently gave the keynote speech at the 26th Annual Women's Leadership Colloquium held at the University of Mary Washington. The article discussed Students Helping Honduras, the organization that she and her brother founded when she was still at W&M. They have built more than 50 schools to provide education for students who might not otherwise have access. The article also detailed some of the positions Cosmo has held, such as managing director at the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Social Impact Strategy. She currently owns a consulting business. The article describes how she "help[s] leaders take a step back from their job, reflect on their purpose and plan a path ahead that gives them joy."

Lizbee Barth Hannah and her husband, Trevor, joyfully welcomed their son, Rees Jeremy Hannah, into the world on Dec. 20, 2019. They're in love with the best early Christmas present ever.

Krysta Hardiman Herring was interviewed in a recent edition of the Baltimore Business Journal's "Table of Experts." She provided insight on the current state of commercial real estate in Greater Baltimore. She's the director of asset management and leasing at Corporate Office Properties Trust. She also serves on the board of directors of the Cybersecurity Association of Maryland, Inc.

Keisha Pierce married Omari Saunders on Sept. 1, 2019, in Virginia. Bridesmaids included **Taryn**

Adkins, Lydia Bailey and Stacey Garrett. Other alumni in attendance were **Shaunda Fennell Cobb '06** and **Maame Boakye '07**. Keisha and Omari welcomed their son Zayden the previous year in April.

Rachel Previs Ball '07, M.Ed. '11, Ed.D. '17 is now the school director of Chesapeake Bay Governor's School. She's the school's first alumnae director. She graduated from CBGS in 2004 and obtained her undergraduate, master's and doctoral degrees from W&M. She's an administrator for King William County Public Schools as well as an educational consultant for Stronge and Associates Educational Consulting. She has received many accolades for her work, including being the first recipient of the School University Research Network's Virginia L. McLaughlin Award. She lives in Essex County with her husband, Carter, and her twins, Mary Elizabeth and Warner.

Heather Ortega Richards '07, M.Acc. '08 and her husband, Charles, are new parents as well! Wyn Alexander Richards was born on Aug. 7, 2019.

Jennifer K. Roy was elected to partnership at Latham & Watkins at the beginning of this year. She's a member of the Environment, Land & Resources Department and according to the firm, she handles a variety of energy and infrastructure matters related to power generation and transmission, renewable energy development, water supply projects, land use entitlements and environmental diligence.

Two years ago, I included an update from **Colin Verbesey Verbicar** and mentioned that someday soon he and his husband, Hark, hoped to be parents. Now, I can share the wonderful news that on Sept. 23, 2019, their son Brody Paul Gerry Verbicar was born.

Ryan Moore and Jessica Moore welcomed their son, Henry Joseph Moore, on June 1, 2019. His big sister, Alice (4) and big brothers, Frank (2 1/2) and George (15 months), are excited to play with their healthy new brother!

Thank you so much to those who sent in news and allowed me to include their updates. Congratulations on all on the accomplishments and joys they've experienced! I hope that 2020 treats everyone well, and I look forward to hearing more wonderful news from all of you.



To **Lizbee Barth Hannah** and Trevor Hannah, a son, Rees Jeremy Hannah, 12/20/19.

To **Keisha Pierce** and Omari Saunders, a son, Zayden, 4/18.

To **Heather Ortega Richards '07, M.Acc. '08** and Charles Richards, a son, Wyn Alexander Richards, 8/7/19.

To **Colin Verbesey Verbicar** and Hark Verbicar, a son, Brody Paul Gerry Verbicar, 9/23/19.

To **Ryan Moore and Jessica Moore**, a son, Henry Joseph Moore, on 6/1/19.



Katherine Marie Cunningham to Mark Anthony Rutledge, 10/05/19.

Keisha Pierce to Omari Saunders, 9/1/19.

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2008

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Greetings, 2008! I hope 2020 has been great for you so far and that you've been enjoying the spring

weather. I have a few updates to report.

Sarah Klotz has joined the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, as an assistant professor in the English department, a tenure-track position.

Louis Malick has been named a "Rising Star" by the 2020 legal ranking guide Maryland Super Lawyers. Louis received the ranking for his work in the area of business litigation. Louis is practicing in the commercial litigation group at the law firm Kramon & Graham in Baltimore.

Dan Piepenbring co-wrote Prince's memoir "The Beautiful Ones," which was released in the fall. Dan met Prince in 2016 before he passed and agreed to help him write his memoir. Check out the story at magazine.wm.edu/online-exclusives.

Thank you to everyone who sent in an update. Feel free to email me your update at any time ajpinn08@gmail.com. It's always great knowing what the class is up to.



Lauren Angela Katkisch to Daniel Shaw, 11/16/19.

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2009

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Hello Class of 2009!

My name is **Andy Foiles** and I am thrilled to be serving as your new class reporter, taking up the helm from the amazing job that **Christina Bianchi** did to keep us tied together and celebrate each of you who have written in to share your life updates since we left campus. A big congrats to her on her Alumni Service award!

My time on campus was spent practicing and

performing in Ewell and PBK, enjoying the weather and the music at Fridays at 5 with UCAB/AMP, and collecting Leafie mugs. Like many of you, those relationships stayed with me long after graduation, and are still areas that I support today as an alumnus and as a Class Ambassador. I currently reside in the Blacksburg, Virginia, area with my wife **Kate Tidaback Foiles '11** and golden retriever Lincoln, where I work in advancement for Virginia Tech.

I encourage each of you to get involved as you are able with your alma mater, starting with sharing your life updates, photos, and any other celebrations or news so the rest of your class can read along and celebrate with you. If you are interested in getting more involved as a Class Ambassador, with your local alumni chapter, or with One Tribe One Day, I strongly suggest you do that too! Feel free to send any and all updates to afoiles@gmail.com.

Updates:
Jackie Woods Alexander and her wife, Siobhan Alexander, welcomed their daughter Zoe Bernadette Alexander on Jan. 28, 2020.



To and **Jason Andrew Goodwin** and **Melissa Montagna Goodwin '11**, a son, Jude Alexander, 11/5/19.



Michael Albert Blaakman to Angharad Rebholz, 11/10/19.

Sean Ian Clark to **Melissa Faye McReynolds**, 10/13/19.

Lindsay Adams Dawson to Grayson T. Nexsen, 6/15/19.

Jacqueline S. Stabnow to Robert Garrison, 6/15/19.

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Greetings 2010ers,

Congrats on surviving the first half of the first year of the new decade. And, double congrats on making reservations to return to Williamsburg for our 10-year reunion at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend from Oct. 15-18 (which you should do if you haven't already)! Midway through the year, here's what's news.

Adam Rosen and his wife Michelle Rosen are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Isla Wren Rosen, on Dec. 10, 2019, in Alexandria, Virginia.

Lydia Blackmore and husband Jackson Kimbrell welcomed their son William Howard "Bud" Kimbrell to the world on Oct. 2, 2019.

Emily Wilson Holloway and her husband Matthew Holloway welcomed a beautiful baby boy. Alfred "Freddy" Sterling Holloway was born on Oct. 4, 2019, at Baystate Hospital in Springfield, Massachusetts. Everyone is happy and healthy and doing well. Mom is thankful for a generous maternity leave and lots of support from dad and his family!

In October 2019, **Casey Scully** and **Kelly Bodie** welcomed their first child, Fiona Ellen Scully. Many William & Mary friends met her over the 2019 holidays.

Daniel Pulley got engaged to girlfriend Lauren Smith over Thanksgiving 2019 and the two plan to get married May 16 in Moultrie, Georgia.

John M. Harras became engaged to Alexandra Giordano and was named partner at the law firm of Virginia & Ambinder LLP.

Kristen M. Verge will wed **Joseph S. O'Brien-Applegate '11** on May 2 in the Hudson Valley

in New York. Kristen and Joe never crossed paths while at W&M, but met in New York City after both graduated. Kristen received her master's in social work at NYU and is a mental health therapist. Joseph recently completed his master's in environmental policy at Bard College and is an environmental policy consultant for Pace Law School.

Emily Fuhrman recently transitioned to a new role as product manager at Two Sigma and she's also a part-time lecturer at the Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation (GSAPP).

Ashley Barrineau graduated from UCLA's endodontics residency program in June 2019 and was awarded the Robert H. Ahlstrom New Investigator Award for Dental Informatics Research. The award is given to a dental resident or student whose published research best highlights the crucial role dental informatics standards play in improving the quality of patient care and health. She also presented her work at the annual ADA (American Dental Association) meeting in San Francisco.

In December 2019, **Jonna Knappenberger Yarrington '10** unanimously passed her dissertation defense to receive a Ph.D. in anthropology at the University of Arizona. Her dissertation is the culmination of a long-term ethnographic and archival field project on Tangier Island, Virginia, where she lived and worked from 2016-2018.



To **Casey John Scully** and **Kelly Bodie**, a daughter, Fiona Ellen, 10/18/19.

To **Adam Rosen** and **Michelle Rosen**, a daughter, Isla Wren Rosen, 12/10/19.

To **Lydia Blackmore** and **Jackson Kimbrell**, a son, William Howard "Bud" Kimbrell, 10/02/19.

To **Emily Wilson Holloway** and **Matthew Holloway**, a son, Alfred "Freddy" Sterling Holloway, 10/4/19.

To **Jonathan Fallen '10, M.A.Ed. '11** and **Maegan Crews Fallen '12**, a daughter, Eleanor Ardis Fallen, 12/12/19.

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2011

Class Reporter
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The Class of 2011 isn't holding anything back! Marriages, births and gubernatorial appointments grace this quarter's column.

Benton Stewart Harvey married Michal Jillian Harvey on Oct. 26, 2019. Their bridal party included **John Pothén** and **Edward Baumann '08** while **Evette Becker** assisted in the celebration by greeting.

And finally, **Alex Guzmán** was appointed by Governor Northam to the Virginia Latino Advisory Board and named to Richmond's Top 40 under 40 by Style Weekly!

As always, please email any exciting news and revelry to cefinchum@gmail.com.



To **Zachary Koon** and **Ashleigh Johnson Koon**, a daughter, Ivy Ruth, 9/24/19.

To **Melissa Montagna Goodwin** and **Jason Andrew Goodwin '09**, a son, Jude Alexander, 11/5/19.



Austin Christopher Bayer to **Elizabeth Caroline Russ '14**, 6/22/19.

Kathryn Lindsey Bradt to **Thomas F. DellaFera Jr.**, 12/07/19.

Brian Joseph Focarino '11, J.D. '15 to **Brian Jeremiah Shea J.D. '15**, 10/25/19.

Benton Stewart Harvey to **Michal Jillian Harvey**, 10/26/19.

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2012

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Hello Class of 2012!

Hope you're doing well and looking forward to warmer weather as we cruise into spring!

Things are busy here on the Monterey Peninsula as Jay and I get ready to move to Jerusalem for two years this summer. In addition to learning Hebrew (well, mostly Jay is doing the learning and I'm starting to pick up anything he repeats around the house), we're filling out massive amounts of paperwork, processing new passports, coordinating with the embassy and more. It's almost a part-time job in itself, so in addition to work, life has been non-stop.

All the busyness has me harkening back to simpler times. I've been nostalgic for the early '90s when cell phones were rare, people still had house phones with cords, the internet was dial-up and I ate Gushers and Little Debbie zebra cakes for lunch (anyone remember those?).

Sometimes I feel like all the time I spend on social media has zapped me of any imagination and creativity I once had. I would probably spend less time scrolling Instagram if it wasn't for work but unfortunately, it's one of the main things I do for my job. I think that's why I love the Netflix show "Stranger Things" so much. In between getting chased by super sci-fi monsters, the kids in the show are biking around the neighborhood,

doing homework using actual textbooks, and making forts or playing in the woods. There's a certain charm to that.

With this new chapter in a new country, I'm actually looking forward to re-prioritizing, minimizing the static and getting back in touch with my imagination — which I lost somewhere between consuming hours and hours of online media and day-to-day adult responsibilities. I guess you could say it's one of my resolutions!

It's hard to believe that at this time last year we were in Maryland looking to buy our first house and now we're across the country living in California preparing to move overseas. It might be a typical military story (nothing is ever set in stone) but it's also proof that change is inevitable and oftentimes good and you just have to go with the flow. Like author Terry Pratchett said, "Why do you go away? So that you can come back. So that you can see the place you came from with new eyes and extra colors. And the people there see you differently, too. Coming back to where you started is not the same as never leaving."

In Tribe we Trust,
— Maddie

Here's what's new with our classmates:

Joe Brady accepted an offer to become the new offensive coordinator for the Carolina Panthers. He played an important role in helping LSU win the championship title as their passing game coordinator this past season.

Becky Barat Anderson married James Anderson in the Wren Chapel on Oct. 26. The two met on the Washington Metro when James was visiting D.C., and spent over two years in Honolulu, Hawaii, while James, a Navy veteran, was stationed at Pearl Harbor. Members of the bridal party included **Catherine DeTeresa**, **Kaitlin Verdone** and **Emily Feldmann**.

Morgan Faulkner has been elected to Tribal Council for the Upper Mat-

aponi Indian Tribe located in King William, Virginia.

Maegan Crews Fallen and **Jonathan Fallen '10, M.A.Ed. '11** welcomed a daughter, Eleanor Ardis Fallen, into the world on Dec. 12, 2019.

Jessica Dolezal Petchenick and **Brett Petchenick** welcomed a baby girl, Emily Wren, on Oct. 16, 2019. They hope to make it down to Williamsburg to show her the beautiful Wren Building soon!



To **Maegan Crews Fallen** and **Jonathan Fallen '10, M.A.Ed. '11**, a daughter, Eleanor Ardis Fallen, 12/12/19.

To **Jessica Dolezal Petchenick** and **Brett Petchenick**, a daughter, Emily Wren, 10/16/19.



Rebecca Lynn Barat to **James Anderson**, 10/26/19.

Jerome Jamar Carter to **Ashley Iman Pettway '13**, 9/21/19.

Noelle Paige Fitts to **Jonathan Robert Bess**, 10/12/19.

Karen Rogers Harshfield to **Daniel Castro**, 9/28/19.

Christina Amanda Hecker to **Shaun Zhang**, 8/31/19.

Amanda Caldwell Mouring to **Soren J. Olson**, 10/25/19.

Matthew D. Muller to **Melanie Belle Levine '13**, 12/21/18.

Lauren Snowden White to **Ryan Cantrell Thompson M.Ed. '17**, 12/28/19.

2013

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Thank you to everyone who shared updates with me! Enjoy learning the latest on the Class of 2013 below and send me news you want to share in our next issue by emailing me at lkbrond@email.wm.edu. Wishing you all a great summer!

Christina Horton graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry in 2017 and went on to complete a two-year general practice residency at the Ohio State University. She now lives and works in Charlottesville, Virginia, as a general dentist at Charlottesville Dental Associates.

Sarah McHenry graduated from American University Washington College of Law in 2018. She then clerked for the Honorable Cynthia H. Jones of the Baltimore City Circuit Court for the 2018-19 term. Sarah is now a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society-Juvenile Rights Practice in Brooklyn, New York.

After teaching English in France for a year, **Alexis Higgins** has returned to the world of academia and is currently pursuing a Master of Science in project management at the University of Limerick in Ireland.

2019 was a big year for **Nelson A. Morgan!** After graduating from Washington and Lee School of Law in May, Nelson married Arielle Sperrazza on June 15, purchased a home in Manassas, Virginia, passed the bar exam in July and was hired as a law clerk by the Reston, Virginia, office of Grenedier, Duffet, Levi, Winkler & Rubin, P.C. in August. Nelson's title is now associate attorney.

Matthew Reese completed his doctorate in musicology this past fall at the University of Oxford. He's now in his second year of teaching at the Johns Hopkins University and the Peabody Institute in Baltimore.

H. James Johnson III '13, M.B.A. '18 has been working as a senior investment consultant with

the Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo Advisors, based in Williamsburg and Richmond, Virginia. James currently serves as a board member on one of W&M's alumni affinity groups, the Hulon Willis Association, and recently visited Dubai and Cape Town, South Africa, for a fellow alumnus' wedding.

Speaking of weddings, a warm congratulations to the following:

Meagen Monahan is engaged to marry Sarah Chase. Meagen and Sarah met in Boston where they both went to law school. Meagen recently accepted a new position as assistant district attorney for Norfolk County and works in the appellate division.

Bizu Solomon married Wade Ridenhour on Oct. 6, 2019, in Lorton, Virginia. **Megan Zimpelman Gibson '13, M.A.Ed. '14** and **Taylor Nelson** were in the bridal party and a number of close alumni friends were in attendance.

James Koch married Hayley Morse Koch on June 15, 2019. They currently live in Boston.

Katie Wyrick married Zack Plunkert on Dec. 15, 2018, in Leesburg, Virginia.

Huan Song married Quentin Rizzardi in April 2018. They met while Huan was studying abroad in Austria during her junior year, and now they live in Champaign, Illinois, with their cat Nevis.

To **Ryan Thomas Burbey** and **Amanda Burns Burbey '14** a daughter, Dahlia Rae, 7/22/19.

Christopher Earl Beaucham to Sophia Taskova, 1/15/18.

Erika Renee Bradshaw to Craig Boegner, 7/21/18.

Kaitlin Elizabeth Buena '13, M.A.Ed. '17 to Max Martz, 7/21/18.

Danbi Choi '13, M.Acc. '14 to Donghwan Jun, 8/18/18.

Katharine Olga Jane Forward to David H. Meister, 6/22/19.

Reid Martin Francis to **Jessica Louise Smith '14**, 9/07/19.

Amber J. Huang to Philip Kang, 9/01/19.

Jessica Jones to Gunwoo Ko, 1/03/16.

James Edward Koch to Hayley Morse Koch, 6/15/19.

Melanie Belle Levine to **Matthew D. Muller '12**, 12/21/18.

John Phillips Lovette to **Nancy Ellen Lauer**, 5/26/19.

Gavin WeiYuan Mak to **Renee Pai Chu '14**, 8/03/19.

Heather McCormic to Barak Frederickson, 3/30/20.

Nelson A. Morgan to Arielle Sperrazza, 6/15/19.

Ha Eun Park to Jaebum Byun, 3/27/19.

Ashley Iman Pettway to **Jerome Jamar Carter '12**, 9/21/19.

Bizu Kifle Solomon to Wade Ridenhour, 10/06/19.

Huan Song to Quentin Rizzardi, 2018.

Hubert DeYu Wang to Jessie Wang, 10/20/19.

Katherine Anne Wyrick to Zack Plunkert, 12/15/18.

Min Kyung Yoo to Billy Collins, 5/19/19.

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2014

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How are you, '14??

It's January as I write this column, but I'm having no trouble imagining the spring season you all will read it in; thermometers reached 73 degrees this past weekend! In its sunshine, my wife, dog and I visited Redoubt Park, a first-time experience for us. It's a quiet little park, though not without some surprising elevation for Williamsburg, that preserves two redoubts (earthwork forts) from the Civil War. Check it out next time you're in town!

We had two weddings in the Wren this past fall: **Alex Rendon '15** and **Quinn Novak** married in the Wren Chapel on Oct. 26, 2019. **Alex Berry** and **Katie Durst** married on May 4, 2019 in the Wren Building. See other weddings below. Congratulations all!



To **Ryan Thomas Burbey '13** and **Amanda Burns Burbey** a daughter, Dahlia Rae, 7/22/19.



Alex Berry to **Katie Durst**, 5/4/19.

Renee Pai Chu to **Gavin WeiYuan Mak '13**, 8/03/19.

Alicia Renee Moore to Phillip Blackburn, 9/07/19.

Quinn Novak to **Alex Rendon '15**, 10/26/19.

Elizabeth Caroline Russ to **Austin Christopher Bayer '11**, 6/22/19.

Jessica Louise Smith to **Reid Martin Francis '13**, 9/07/19.

Margo Elizabeth Thronson to **Stuart James Bost '13**, 9/7/19.

Kathleen Hope Swift '14, M.A.Ed. '15 to **Christopher David Papas '15**, 7/05/19.

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2015

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Greetings, 2015ers!

Emily Parrish started studying for her master's in data analytics (computer science) at George Washington University, expecting to graduate in spring 2022.

Eleanor Berlyn and **Scott O'Neil** got married on campus in June 2019. They had a beautiful ceremony at the Wren Chapel followed by a wonderful reception at the Williamsburg Community Building. They loved celebrating their special day with plenty of fellow Nicholsonians from their freshman hall!

Finally, **Maggie Strolle** sends her first Class Notes entry since graduating. In May 2018, she received a master's in history and a certificate in nonprofit management from Villanova University and presented on women's fashion in early Washington, D.C., at the 75th annual Omohundro Conference that June. A prolonged job hunt in the D.C./NOVA area was revitalized by attending William & Mary's event last spring featuring an interview of **James Comey '82, L.L.D. '08** and hosted by her former history classmate, **Aine Cain '16**. She renewed her efforts to secure a D.C. area job and persistence paid off when she was hired in September 2019 as a production assistant for C-SPAN's American History TV. Congratulations!



Eleanor Berlyn to **Scott O'Neil**, 6/19.

Christian Eric Brumbaugh to **Amanda Barrett Johnson**, 5/25/19.

Christopher Michael Connolly to **Katherine Diane Shepherd '15, J.D. '18**, 3/23/19.

Christopher David Papas to Kathleen Hope Swift '14, M.A.Ed. '15, 7/05/19.

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Moncure Matthiessen Chatfield-Taylor to Alexandra Chatfield-Taylor '17, 10/06/19.

Matthew David Groves to Sarah Frances Mad-dox, 9/15/18.

Stephanie Blake Lauterbach '16, J.D. '19 to Jason Diaz, 9/21/19.

Jonathan Dylan Rigby to Augusta Grace Martien, 8/24/19.

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2017

Class Reporter

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are looking for a new reporter. If interested, please contact the magazine staff at alumni.magazine@wm.edu.



Wei Chang to Jason Xi, 9/19.

Alexandra Espigh to Moncure Matthiessen Chatfield-Taylor '16, 10/06/19.

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2018

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Before William & Mary, I tackled each task, one after

another, with impressive commitment and wouldn't rest until I had completed a laundry list of homework and chores. Post-graduation, I struggle severely if I'm not sound asleep by 10 p.m., and I leave clean clothes unfolded in the basket simply to enable my bedtime. If you leave college and don't head straight into a graduate program, you can expect your habits and energy levels to age a decade in the span of a year.

Despite the inability to return to those years of boundless adventure, many of us relived them for just a weekend during Homecoming & Reunion Weekend this past fall.

On a crisp Friday in October, I flew out of the marble Longworth House Office Building and down its granite steps to pile into a car with **Sarah Anderson '17, Luke Hogg '19, and Miguel Petrosky '17** for a whirlwind of a week-end in Williamsburg.

Marina Schlosser '20 was kind enough to host both myself and **Emily Lichtenstadter '19** in her cute second-story apartment just behind the Rec Center. After an outfit change and a glass of wine, Marina, Sarah and I decided to brave the seemingly unending line to College Delly for the cheese fries that always wait within its walls. As we waited for red bands to be slapped on our wrists, **Connor Glendinning '19** picked me up and spun me around when he spotted me and I met my one of my great-great grand littles in Phi Mu by complete chance.

When Emily and I headed back to Marina's apartment, I was convinced that I'd wake up for a 6 a.m. run down Duke of Gloucester Street, but that proved to be overambitious scheduling. I rescheduled a trip to the Raleigh Tavern with **Erin Schwartz M.A. '15** and slept as long as I could before meeting professors Jim Whittenburg and Carol Sheriff for coffee Saturday morning. I can't seem to find the words to extol their virtues enough,

but I'm truly grateful for W&M's history department and the enthusiasm its professors have for their students, past and present.

That afternoon, I met **Donna Kinney '17**, whom I haven't seen since Homecoming 2017, and her fiancé (yes, she is engaged!) for appletinis at Culture Café. She likes hers sweet, I like mine sour and it's a Homecoming tradition. This kicked off the evening festivities, which I spent largely with my sorority friends in their final year at W&M who make me feel young again. I also ran into **Skip Estes '17, M.P.P '18 and Phoebe Bain '19, Irene Gavrila's Kappa Delta** little, who has joined me and the swarm of W&M alumni who have migrated to our nation's swamp. Irene, we decided you were with us in spirit.

On Sunday, I couldn't remember a more exhausting 48 hours. My body is clearly still not equipped for the college lifestyle, despite my talent in hiding the single rogue grey hair that has appeared among my dark russet strands. Nothing, however, stops me from brunch and as I sat around the table with my sorority family — some of whom I'd never before met and all of whom are still in college — I reflected upon how much W&M has changed institutionally in my short absence, but how it retains its quirky, unassuming spirit.

To end the weekend, I encountered **Mona Sharaf '19** while we were both coincidentally shopping for our parents' Christmas presents in Merchants Square. We both interned for the W&M Alumni Magazine while we were in college and I thoroughly enjoyed hearing about her adventures in Chicago.

Once you attend W&M, however, it follows you forever. Since Homecoming, I've hosted Sarah, Connor, Luke, **Elizabeth Pokol '20 and Luke Maclay '17** at the Christmas party one of my roommates and I threw in our tiny row house. **Aili Espigh**

'17 sent me a Christmas card, which doubled as an announcement: she and her fiancé (now husband) eloped, opting for a small ceremony in the Wren Chapel and you'll have to update your contact information for her to **Aili Chatfield-Taylor**. One of my co-workers has started dating a W&M alumna — but I'll omit their names to protect the innocent. Class Notes amounts to something of a gossip column, and I'll leave you with that bit of intrigue.

The weekend after new year, Sarah, **Ryan Harriss, Dillon Hayes, Lauren Hoak, Hunter "Mac" McConville, Matt Phillips '17, Anna Wilson '17** and I convened at a cabin in Wintergreen. Although we're spread out over the East Coast now, we try to snag whatever weekends we can to reconnect. I wouldn't have wanted to start the year off any other way. I wish all of you joy, adventure and fulfillment in this new decade. Please let me know what you're doing, whom you've encountered, and when you've returned to the brick sidewalks of our alma mater.



Channing Elizabeth Everidge to Logan Hambric, 6/02/19.

Tanner John Holland to Madison Elizabeth Free '19, 6/15/19.

Scott Gray Russell '18, M.A.Ed. '19 to Ashley Nicole Anderson '18, M.A.Ed. '19, 6/01/19.

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2019

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Madison Elizabeth Free to Tanner John Holland '18, 6/15/19.

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Joan R. Gundersen M.A. '69 (history) was awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters by the Virginia Theological Seminary. She's the immediate past president of the Episcopal Women's History Project, the past president and treasurer of Progressive Episcopalians of Pittsburgh and a founding member of Via Media USA.

Catherine Kerrison M.A. '94, Ph.D. '99 (history), professor of history at Villanova University, won the 2019 Library of Virginia's Literary Prize for Non-Fiction for "Jefferson's Daughters: Three Sisters, White and Black, in a Young America." Her book was also one of seven finalists for the 2019 George Washington Book Prize.

David Corlett M.A. '00, Ph.D. '11 (history), an administrator and instructor with the Faculty of Leadership and Integrative Studies at Arizona State University, was elected to the L. Alan Cruikshank River of Time Museum Board of Directors.

Leah Wilson M.S. '11 (biology) is an assistant professor of neuroscience at Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania.

Scott Philyaw M.A. '90 (history) presented a program titled "Forgetting the Civil War: History, Memory, and Making Sense of the Past" to the Western North Carolina Civil War Round Table back in October.

Anthony F. Vittoria M.A. '93 (psychology) was

appointed to the Baltimore City Circuit Court as an associate judge.

William J. "Joe" Ward M.P.P. '05 was the invited speaker for the American Legion Post 40th annual Veterans Day celebration, which also coincided with the 100th birthday of American Legion Post 40. Lt. Col. Ward recently concluded his 34 years of service, which culminated as the director of emergency services and provost marshal at U.S. Army Garrison Fort Lee in Virginia.

Nancy Webster M.A. '74 (history) presented a program entitled "Songs of the Underground Railroad" at the Swarthmore Public Library in Pennsylvania back in September.

Conor Sipe '00, M.A. '03 (biology), assistant professor of biology at Shepherd University, led a discussion following a screening of the 2015 Golden Globe-nominated film "Concussion" as part of Shepherd University's Common Reading program.

Brendan Burke M.A. '06 (anthropology), associate director of archaeology at the St. Augustine Lighthouse and Maritime Museum, gave a lecture entitled "Wonderful Wooden Wrecks and the Mysteries Within" at the University of Florida's Whitney Laboratory for Marine Bioscience back in September.



Mark A. Tyndall M.P.P. '02 to Joshua Javid Ghaffari, 10/19/19

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Mason School of Business

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Cristina Feden M.B.A. '03 has been named senior vice president and regional president with Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. in Norwich, Connecticut. She brings a great deal of experience to the role from her years as a commercial relationship manager with Berkshire and a predecessor bank, Savings Institute Bank and Trust. Prior to the MBA, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Richmond in Richmond, Virginia.

Peter Roberts M.B.A. '72 provides business consulting to attorneys from his office in Seattle, Washington. He has published a book with the American Bar Association titled "The Lawyer's Guide to Increasing Revenue." In addition to his MBA, Peter earned a Bachelor of Science in economics from Mount Saint Mary College and a certificate in small business, webmaster from the University of Washington.

Lindsay McDowell M.B.A. '00 ran for re-election to the Cranbury Township (New Jersey) Board of Education. He's the chair of the board's finance committee and a member of the facilities committee. The board is well-served by his previous work, as well as his finance and managerial experience with Bristol-Meyers Squibb. In addition to earning his MBA, Lindsey holds both a bachelor's and a master's degree in engineering from Vanderbilt University and Cornell University, respectively.

A.K. Schultz M.B.A. '06 is the CEO and co-founder of SVT Robotics in Norfolk, Virginia. The software company was formed with his partner in 2018 in order to provide services to businesses to more quickly set up warehouse robot systems. He started the business after gaining experience while working for Forte Industries which contracted with companies such as Walmart and Tesla for their industrial robotic systems. Before earning his MBA from William

& Mary, A.K. graduated from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy with a Bachelor of Science in marine engineering and served in the United States Army.

Jonathan Paul Ewing M.B.A. '12 has been promoted to lieutenant colonel in the United States Army. After serving his country as a Blackhawk pilot in Afghanistan and the Sinai Desert and completing assignments on several U.S. bases, he's currently stationed at Fort Eustis in Newport News, Virginia. In addition to his MBA, Jonathan earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy from Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina.



David Roberts Burris M.B.A. '89 to Michele Lee Burris, 7/17/19.

Danbi Choi '13, M.Acc. '14 to Donghwan Jun, 8/18/18.

Candie Lynn Cowden M.Acc. '15 to Justin D. Blake, 8/10/19.

Trevor Sean Daubenspeck M.B.A. '13 to Heather Ballentine, 10/12/19.

Neal Thomas Eike M.B.A. '15 to Sarah Castleberry Eike, 3/31/18.

Andrew Nash Lawson M.Acc. '12 to Kaitlin Ann Dillon '11, M.Acc. '12, 3/18/17.

Deborah Thompson McNeil M.Acc. '04 to Douglas Kevin McNeil, 5/04/19.

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Juvenal Abrego-Menes Ed.D. '19 serves as the principal at E.S.H. Greene Elementary School in Richmond, Virginia.

Rachel Previs Ball '07, M.Ed. '11, Ed.D. '17 is the first alumnae director of the Chesapeake Bay Governors School. She completed her undergraduate, master's and doctorate degrees at William & Mary.

W&M recently opened the office of Student Veterans Engagement in the Sadler Center to help military veterans integrate into college life. W&M has over 250 veterans enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. The director of this office, **Charlie Foster M.Ed. '17**, is a Marine Corps veteran. **Earl Granger III '92, M.Ed. '98** was honored by the Greater Williamsburg Business Council in its first ever "15 under 50" event. Earl currently serves as the associate vice president of development at W&M.

Ruth Coles Harris C.A.S. '77, Ed.D. '77 was honored for her pioneering efforts in the field of accounting. She has served for more than 48 years on the faculty of Virginia Union University and The Ruth Cole Harris Advancing Diversity & Inclusion Award was created to honor her achievements.

Emily Honeycutt '13, M.A.Ed. '14 was the runner-up at the 2019 Colonial Road Runners Grand Prix Race, coming in under 20 minutes for a 5k. She won this race in 2017.

Kaitlyn Marsh M.A.Ed. '18 is a social studies teacher and field hockey coach at St. Mary's High School in Annapolis. She was honored as a Teacher of the Year by the Archdiocese of Baltimore in 2019.

Preston McKellar M.Ed. '13 serves as the principal at Central High School in King and Queen County, Virginia.

Brian Mount '83, M.Ed. '93 is back to

running and coaching just six months after suffering a stroke. He was profiled recently in the Hanover Evening Sun for his achievements as a coach and educational leader. See the Class of 1983 column for more.



Lauren Snowden White '12 to **Ryan Cantrell Thompson M.Ed. '17**, 12/28/19.

Kaitlin Elizabeth Buenaga '13, M.A.Ed. '17 to Max Martz, 7/21/18.

Kathleen Hope Swift '14, M.A.Ed. '15 to **Christopher David Papas '15**, 7/05/19.

Scott Gray Russell '18, M.A.Ed. '19 to **Ashley Nicole Anderson '18, M.A.Ed. '19**, 6/01/19.

Casey VanVeen Stone M.Ed. '15 to Lucas Stone, 9/07/19.

Laura Ann Pullin M.Ed. '16 to Burke Frederick Kearney, 6/08/19.

Kelly Dakota Organski M.Ed. '19 to Tyler Graham, 10/05/19.

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Hello from Alaska, where the temperatures as I write this keep dipping into the negatives. While much of Alaska has the cold temperatures in winter you would expect, Anchorage usually averages in the teens.

I moved to Alaska after law school and haven't left. After five years in the bush (a topic for another Class Note), I moved to Anchorage doing pub-

lic defender work. I've since transitioned back to private practice and am an associate at Birch Horton Bittner & Cherot. Remember that the more news I get from you, the less room I have for my own. Keep those updates coming so everyone wins.

Now on to the more important stuff.

Thomas Norment J.D. '73 has been reelected to the Virginia Senate, representing the 3rd Senate District. He also serves as the Minority Leader of the Virginia Senate.

Monica Lea Parry J.D. '83 married Luis Ernesto Aparicio on Oct. 21, 2017, in Tucson, Arizona. She is of counsel at Morgan Lewis.

The Hon. **Junius P. Fulton III J.D. '85** received the Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Award in February from the Criminal Law Section of the Virginia State Bar. Judge Fulton has served on the Norfolk Circuit Court for more than 20 years.

Ann B. Brogan J.D. '85 has been elected president of the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Stage Company.

D. Lee Roberts Jr. J.D. '86 has been inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Lee is a partner at Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial.

Steven P. Kramer J.D. '86 is currently serving as chair of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the Arizona State Bar and as chair of the Arizona State Bar Civil Jury Instructions Committee.

Lawrence "Larry" Henry Gennari J.D. '89 has been appointed as chair of the Board of Directors for American Student Assistance.

Rodney Willett '85, J.D. '90 has been elected to the Virginia House of Delegates, representing the 73rd House District.

Kevin L. Antoine J.D. '91 has accepted a position with Bucks County Community College as

their first chief diversity, equity, and inclusion officer.

Steffi Garrett J.D. '91 is now general counsel for the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services.

Belinda A. Bacon J.D. '93 has joined Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Berman as of counsel in the firm's Coral Gable office.

The Hon. **Clifton L. Corker J.D. '93** has been sworn in as a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Amy Seneshen J.D. '97 has been named to "Who's Who in Energy" by the Denver Business Journal. She is the managing partner at Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley.

Gurbir Grewal J.D. '99 is the 61st attorney general of New Jersey, and he is the first Sikh-American to hold the position of state Attorney General in U.S. history.

Laura Rugless '90, J.D. '00 has been named Cornell's new associate vice president for the Office of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator.

Daniel J. Fortune J.D. '02 has joined the Birmingham office of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP as a partner in the firm's Government Enforcement and Investigations practice group, as well as the Cybersecurity and Privacy Team.

Jason Miyares J.D. '05 has been reelected to the Virginia House of Delegate, representing the 82nd House District.

Annie Lahren J.D. '06 has been included in the 2019 class of Leaders in the Law selected by Virginia Lawyers Media. She focuses on labor and employment, family law and immigration at Pender & Coward.

Svetlana Ivy J.D. '07 has been named as an honoree in the Rochester Business Journal's Forty under 40. She is a member at Harris Beach.

Chara O'Neale J.D. '07 is the director of talent management and diversity & inclusion at Parker Poe.

Alison Wickizer Toepp J.D. '07 was recently named one of this year's Legal Elite for Civil Litigation by Virginia Business. Alison is an associate at Reed Smith LLP in Richmond.

Diana Clarkson J.D. '08 has been named as an honoree in the Rochester Business Journal's Forty under 40. She has also been elected as a partner at Harter Secrest & Emery.

Brad Ridlehoover J.D. '08 made partner at McGuire Woods. He works in the firm's Tax & Employee Benefits office in Richmond.

Reneta L. Green-Streest '03, J.D. '09 was promoted to partner at Morris James in Delaware. She represents clients at trial in personal injury, premises liability and property damage claims.

Kristen D. O'Connor J.D. '10 became a partner at Troutman Sanders in Virginia Beach.

Alicia Raines Barrs J.D. '14 has been named to the National Black Lawyers 2019 Top 40 Under 40 list for Texas. Alicia is an antitrust compliance counseling and litigation/complex commercial litigation attorney at Barner & Thornburg LLP.

Mohammed Alkuwaity LL.M. '17 was featured in "The National Jurist": "Who's Who of Foreign Attorneys." Mohammed is a Saudi legal counsel working in management consulting. He is currently the chief legal officer of SEA Ventures Co.

Mary V. Pickard J.D. '18 has joined the Business and Corporate Group at Howard & Howard.

Krystal Gurnell J.D. '19 graduated from the Air Force JAG School's Judge Advocate Staff Officer Course in December.



Brian Joseph Focarino '11, J.D. '15 to **Brian Jeremiah Shea J.D. '15**, 10/25/19.

Katherine Diane Shepherd '15, J.D. '18 to **Christopher Michael Connolly '15**, 3/23/19.

Stephanie Blake Lauterbach '16, J.D. '19 to Jason Diaz, 9/21/19.

Jonathan Warren Gonzalez J.D. '17 to **Kaitlin Melissa Zimmer J.D. '19**, 5/26/19.

Dorothy Katherine Beck J.D. '19 to Thomas M. Johnson Jr., 5/31/19.

Owen D. Morris J.D. '16 to Morgan Fancher Morris, 9/21/19.

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Congratulations to **Jane DiCosimo M.A. '86**, who retired as fisheries science branch chief of the Assessment and Monitoring Division in the NMFS Office of Science & Technology. She previously worked for the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, and Virginia Marine Resources Commission. She is now working as an independent consultant on fisheries science and management issues, with a particular interest in observer programs and electronic monitoring. She is starting a new chapter of 500 Women Scientists in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Laurie Sorabella M.S. '02 joined the faculty

of Norfolk Academy in fall 2018 as a science teacher in the Lower School after spending 23 years as a practicing marine scientist and scientific curriculum developer. After graduation from VIMS, Laurie launched Oyster Reef Keepers of Virginia, a nonprofit organization that engages schools as integral partners in reef restoration. Her program has reached 160,000 students and assisted them in contributing over 9 million oysters to sanctuary reefs in Virginia waterways. Laurie was also Lynnhaven River NOW's Oyster Scientist for 15 years, where she built sanctuary reef habitat and shoreline oyster castles, and studied the river's oyster population dynamics. She joins her husband **Bob Carroll M.S. '01**, who began teaching fourth and fifth grade science at Norfolk Academy in September 2015, and **John Galler '97, M.S. '99**, who is the academy's engineering, design and innovation coordinator.

Anyhoo, since we didn't receive many updates this winter we are happy to use the extra column space for a Janet and Beth update. We are really looking forward to year three of our collaborative Great Lakes benthic assessment, which kicks off in March 2020 at a workshop at Buffalo State College's Great Lakes Center. We will reunite with **Richard Kraus M.S. '98** in 2020 for another SPI survey in Lake Erie. We can't wait for more ship time on the USGS R/V Muskie with Richard and his fabulous crew. Spending time on ships together again getting muddy is like being back at VIMS during our glory days in the Bob Diaz and **Linda Schaffner M.A. '81, Ph.D. '87** benthic labs! Its doesn't get much better than that.

Readers, call in more "Quips" to share with fellow alumni — y'all know who you are!

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In Memoriam

READ FULL OBITUARIES ONLINE

Below, you can read the names of members of the William & Mary community whose passing was reported between Sept. 18, 2019 and Jan. 15, 2020. **To read extended obituaries written by Sara Thomas Hunt '74, please go online to our magazine website at magazine.wm.edu/in-memoriam.**

UNDERGRADUATE ALUMNI

Elizabeth Callcote Johnson Mathers '35 of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, died Nov. 29, 2019.

Anna "Lucille" Eldridge Harkless '39 of Winchester, Virginia, died Sept. 14, 2019.

Florence Signaigo Wagner '40 of Ann Arbor, Michigan, died Oct. 21, 2019.

Ernest "Ernie" Linwood Baker Jr. '41 of Roanoke, Virginia, died Oct. 20, 2019.

Nancy Ryan Benoit '42 of Yarmouth, Maine, died Oct. 16, 2019.

Jane Fergusson Perkins '42 of Pueblo, Colorado, died Dec. 9, 2019.

Barbara "Barb" Cooper Cameron Edwards '43 of Marietta, Georgia, died Dec. 8, 2019.

Ruth "Ellie" Eleanor Dumper Singer '44 of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, formerly of Garden City, New York, died Sept. 27, 2019.

Maria Croxton Walther Haff '45 of Lamoine, Maine, and Oakton, Virginia, died Oct. 20, 2019.

Elizabeth Lawson Sal-lada '46 of Jamison, Pennsylvania, died Aug. 29, 2019.

Agnes "Nultie" Penultima Johns Wiseman '46 of Danville, Virginia, died Sept. 7, 2019.

Henry Evan Davis III '47 of Dallas, Texas, died Nov. 6, 2019.

Richard "Dick" Grayson Quynn '47 of Hingham, Massachusetts, died Sept. 21, 2019.

Robert S. Seeherman '47 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Oct. 25, 2019.

Gerard H. Davis '48 of Greenwich, Connecticut, died Sept. 29, 2019.

Evelyn Rapee Murphy Schmitt '48 of Peterborough, New Hampshire, died Oct. 2, 2019.

George M. Bacon Jr. '49 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Dec. 3, 2019.

Lewis Archie Jett Jr. '49 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Dec. 13, 2019.

Mary "Jeanne" Payne Lewis '50 of Waimanalo, Hawaii, formerly of Columbia,

Missouri, died Nov. 22, 2019.

John Marshall Long '50 of Rochester, Minnesota, died Oct. 26, 2019.

Gordon Oehser '50 of Oakland, California, died Oct. 10, 2019.

Anson "Hutch" Hutchinson Stage '50 of Washington, North Carolina, died Dec. 16, 2019.

Dennis L. Withrow '50 of Hockessin, Delaware, died Sept. 22, 2019.

Victor Frederic Carbaugh '51 of Woodstock, Virginia, died Nov. 7, 2019.

Mary Elizabeth Null Clontz '51 of San Antonio, Texas, died Sept. 29, 2019.

Aubrey W. Hancock '51 of Charleston, South Carolina, died Oct. 9, 2019.

Frederick "Fred" T. Kraus '51 of St. Louis, Missouri, died Aug. 29, 2019.

Edward E. Lupton '51 of Beaufort, North Carolina, died Sept. 7, 2019.

Paul Rock Mayo '51 of Richmond, Virginia, died Nov. 3, 2019.

William "Bill" Carleton Bigelow '52 of Youngstown, Ohio, died Oct. 31, 2019.

Joan Virginia Barritt McDougall '52 of Tallahassee, Florida, died Sept. 3, 2019.

Neville A. Pearson Sr. '53, M.A.Ed. '75 of Newport News, Virginia, died Dec. 24, 2019.

Ernestine Huston Thompson '53 of Augusta, Georgia, died Sept. 23, 2019.

Calvin L. Belkov '54 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Nov. 19, 2019.

Michael "Mike" J. Cestone Jr. '54 of Waverly Township, Pennsylvania, and Bal Harbour, Florida, died Dec. 7, 2019.

Madge Cushing Francis Evans '54 of Louisville, Kentucky, died Sept. 23, 2019.

Thomas "Tom" Nelson Guthrie '54 of Charlottesville, Virginia, died Oct. 3, 2019.

Barbara Dix Henry '54 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Dec. 20, 2019.

Joseph "Joe" G. Kinder '54 of Bristol, Rhode Island, died Sept. 17, 2019.

Robert "Bob" H. Wilkinson Jr. '54 of Durham, North Carolina, died Nov. 28, 2019.

Judith Peters Allen '55 of Warrenton, Virginia, died Sept. 3, 2019.

Jules "Joe" Michael Bacal '55 of New York City died Oct. 1, 2019.

Mary Jane Compe Foard '55 of Pasadena, Maryland, died Dec. 11, 2019.

Robert "Bob" Edwin Lee '55 of LaFollette, Tennessee, died Nov. 13, 2019.

Eileen Segal Lorber '55 of Chevy Chase, Maryland, died Nov. 26, 2019.

Sarah Deibert Painter '55 of Spencer, Indiana, died Dec. 8, 2019.

Charles Edison Clark '56 of Williamsburg died Sept. 8, 2019.

Harry Burton Gibson '56 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Sept. 7, 2019.

Wilson Frederick Sweeney '56 of Branford, Connecticut, died Dec. 16, 2019.

Alice Lucas Walsh '56 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Jan. 5, 2020.

Michael Christopher Savvides '57 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Nov. 6, 2019.

Herbert G. Hannemann '58 of Cinnaminson, New Jersey, died Oct. 21, 2019.

John "Jack" Thomas Herring Jr. '58 of Denver, North Carolina, died Jan. 3, 2020.

Bert Ross Hindmarsh '58, M.Ed. '59 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Dec. 31, 2019.

Barbara Anne Saunders Shively '58 of Northridge, California, died Jan. 8, 2020.

Carole "Cai" Rebman Von Eschen '58 of Lomita, California, formerly of Stony Brook, New York, died July 21, 2018.

Philip Noble Arnold '59 of Williamsburg died Sept. 11, 2019.

Albert "Al" Lee Crow '59, M.Ed. '63 of Manassas, Virginia, died Sept. 12, 2019.

Daniel “Dan” Stratton Dechert Sr. ’59 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Nov. 10, 2019.

Richard “Dick” Crawford Grizzard Sr. ’59, B.C.L. ’65 of Boykins, Virginia, died Jan. 3, 2020.

Virginia “Ginny” Smith Young ’59, M.Ed. ’73 of Yorktown, Virginia, died Nov. 14, 2019.

Mary Elizabeth Welsh Doyle ’60 of Seneca, South Carolina, died Nov. 4, 2019.

Benedict “Ben” J. Dulaski II ’60 of Avon, Indiana, died Nov. 28, 2019.

Marsha Schwartz Jones ’60 of Staunton, Virginia, died June 15, 2019.

Hester Chattin Motley ’60, M.Ed. ’63 of Henrico, Virginia, died Jan. 5, 2020.

William Lewis Piotrowski ’60 of Charlottesville, Virginia, died Nov. 27, 2019.

Kathleen McCurdy Sterner ’60 of West Hartford, Connecticut, died Oct. 15, 2019.

Janet “Jan” Moore Blackwell ’61 of Cape Coral, Florida, died Nov. 18, 2017.

William “Bill” M. Dick Jr. ’61 of Yorktown, Virginia, died Nov. 27, 2019.

Willard Andrew Bauserman Jr. ’62 of Newport News, Virginia, died Dec. 3, 2019.

John Parker Heald ’62 of Peachtree Corners, Georgia, died Aug. 1, 2019.

Carroll Wallace Owens Jr. ’62 of Alexandria, Virginia, died Oct. 12, 2019.

Elizabeth “Betty” Burwell Dillard Wood ’62 of Essex County, Virginia, died Sept. 14, 2019.

Charles “Chuck” D. Henderson ’63 of Woodbine, New Jersey, died Dec. 20, 2019.

George Schettler Webb ’63 of Easton, Maryland, died Oct. 21, 2019.

Francis “Frank” Whitton Govern Jr. ’64 of Newport Beach, California, died Dec. 1, 2019.

John Randolph Adams II ’65 of Manchester, Massachusetts, died Oct. 3, 2019.

Henry Harman George ’65 of Williamsburg died Dec. 5, 2019.

Elsie “Judene” Branch Hartless ’65 of Suffolk, Virginia, died Nov. 11, 2019.

John “Tom” Thomas Steger ’65, J.D. ’69 of Midlothian, Virginia, died Nov. 24, 2019.

Marvin “Ray” Barnes ’66 of Fishersville, Virginia, died Nov. 27, 2019.

Camilla “Carroll” Gardner Levien ’68 of San Diego, California, died Sept. 4, 2019.

James M. Lawrence Jr. ’69 of Portsmouth, Virginia, died Dec. 2, 2019.

Flora Stith Lowe ’69 of Clinton, Iowa, died Dec. 7, 2019.

Laura “Missie” Marie Wheeler ’70 of Hampton, Virginia, died April 2, 2018.

John “Rick” Richard Albert ’71 of Hughesville, Maryland, died Dec. 19, 2018.

John Nunnally Laycock ’71 of Leesburg, Virginia, died Oct. 26, 2019.

John “Jack” Howard Mitchell ’72 of Silver Spring, Maryland, died Dec. 5, 2019.

Earl “Boyd” Schinlever ’72 of Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, died June 21, 2019.

Robert “Bob” Milton Stivender ’72 of Williamsburg died Oct. 21, 2019.

David “Zeke” L. Lahr ’73 of Allentown, Pennsylvania, died Nov. 2, 2019.

Michael “Mike” Paul Richardson ’73 of Chester, Virginia, died Dec. 15, 2019.

Lewis “Mac” McCauley Chenault ’74 of Hanover, Virginia, died Sept. 6, 2019.

Alan E. Finder ’74 of Wakefield, Massachusetts, formerly of Winchester, Massachusetts, died Oct. 19, 2019.

John William Gerdeman ’75, L.H.D. ’19 of Williamsburg died Jan. 4, 2020.

Karen Joyce Lang ’76 of Groton, Massachusetts, formerly of Trumbull, Connecticut, died Feb. 3, 2019.

William “Bill” V. Purcell III ’76 of Powhatan, Virginia, died Dec. 5, 2019.

Kevin J. McManus ’77 of Croton on Hudson, New York, died Oct. 8, 2018.

Sally Jean Wagner ’78 of Williamsburg died Dec. 23, 2019.

Julie Elizabeth Williams ’79 of Durham, New Hampshire, died Sept. 25, 2019.

Helen “Bee” Elizabeth McLeod ’83, M.B.A. ’91 of Norfolk, Virginia, died Dec. 21, 2019.

M. Ford Cochran ’84 of Fairfax Station, Virginia, died July 27, 2019.

Todd Alexander Lee ’90 of Washington, D.C., died Jan. 1, 2020.

Sherri Holmes Nixon ’90 of Disputanta, Virginia, died Dec. 27, 2019.

Paul W. Jones ’91 of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, died Dec. 17, 2019.

Rebecca “Becky” French Mikel ’02 of Leesburg, Virginia, died Oct. 1, 2019.

Ryan C. Schuchardt ’03 of Elgin, Nebraska, died Oct. 7, 2019.

Kelly Barker Chapman ’05 of Alexandria, Virginia, died Oct. 28, 2019.

Benjamin “Ben” Oakes Massam ’11 of Long Branch, New Jersey, formerly of Chatham, New Jersey, died Nov. 1, 2019.

Ralph Clifford Catalano ’15 of Huntington Station, New York, died Dec. 14, 2019.

GRADUATE ALUMNI

Horace “Larry” Wise Jr. B.C.L. ’61 of Chesapeake, Virginia, died Dec. 10, 2019.

James “Jimmy” W. Starboard Jr. M.Ed. ’62 of Newport News, Virginia, died Nov. 8, 2019.

Anna “Nancy” Foulk Hoffman M.Ed. ’65 of Phoenix, Maryland, died Sept. 30, 2019.

Robert Claro Johnston J.D. ’65 of Charlottesville, Virginia, died June 25, 2019.

Nancy Herr Fallen M.Ed. ’66 of Richmond, Virginia, died Oct. 18, 2019.

Lacy Lee Scoggin Jr. B.C.L. ’66 of Hampton, Virginia, died Nov. 3, 2019.

William “Wayne” Scott M.A. ’66 of Johnson City, Tennessee, died Sept. 30, 2019.

Virginia Durham Kletke M.A.Ed. ’67 of Aurora, Colorado, died Oct. 13, 2019.

Sam Tall Beale III J.D. ’68, M.L.T. ’86 of Richmond, Virginia, died Dec. 2, 2019.

Donald “Don” Peter Witty J.D. ’68 of Woodstock, Illinois, died Dec. 14, 2019.

Constance Joan Ware Payne-Stewart M.Ed. ’69 of Winchester, Virginia, died Nov. 12, 2019.

Donald “Don” I. Steppe M.B.A. ’69 of Yorktown, Virginia, died Dec. 1, 2019.

Verlyn Turner White M.A.Ed. ’69 of Gloucester, Virginia, died Oct. 9, 2019.

Danny J. Beakey M.B.A. ’70 of Raleigh, North Carolina, died Sept. 5, 2019.

Saul Ralph Pearlman J.D. ’70, M.L.T. ’71 of Charlottesville, Virginia, died Nov. 1, 2019.

Claude “Dean” Tate M.Ed. ’70 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Oct. 7, 2019.

Wilma Bowman Egas C.A.S.E. ’72 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Dec. 26, 2019.

Jack H. Thompson M.Ed. ’72 of Yorktown, Virginia, died Oct. 14, 2019.

Martin “Marty” Johnston Saunders J.D. ’73 of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, died Nov. 2, 2019.

Edward "Ed" L. Chambers Jr. J.D. '74 of Williamsburg died Dec. 25, 2019.

Dinah Walsh Eitelman J.D. '74 of Hampton, Virginia, died Oct. 29, 2019.

Donald "Don" Waite Hanford M.L.T. '75 of Seattle, Washington, died April 2, 2018

Mark Miller M.B.A. '76 of University Park, Florida, died Dec. 1, 2019.

Vasti DeLoatch C.A.S.E. '78, **Ed.D.** '81 of Richmond, Virginia, died Dec. 7, 2019.

Robert Francis Kanan M.B.A. '78 of Franklin, Virginia, died Dec. 24, 2019.

Becky "Baka" Forbes Crossett M.A.Ed. '80 of Seaford, Virginia, died Sept. 24, 2019.

Patricia Sugrue Ketchum J.D. '80 of Cambridge, Massachusetts, died Nov. 22, 2019.

Robert "Bob" Wise Oldfield Sr. M.B.A. '81 of Glen Allen, Virginia, died Oct. 16, 2019.

Michael "Kenneth" Burnett M.B.A. '84 of Lynchburg, Virginia, died Oct. 20, 2019.

Bruce C. Gottwald Jr. M.B.A. '84 of Richmond, Virginia, died Oct. 20, 2019.

Lee S. Bender J.D. '88 of Ardmore, Pennsylvania, died Sept. 10, 2019.

John Wallis Raymond J.D. '88, **LL.M.** '89 of Toano, Virginia, died Oct. 5, 2019.

Raymond Camp Fenn Ed.S. '92, **Ed.D.** '95 of Yorktown, Virginia, died June 28, 2019.

Robert "Bob" Henry Veno II M.B.A. '97 of Wayland, Massachusetts, formerly of Ashland, Massachusetts, died Nov. 9, 2019.

Leanne Doran McGruder Marilley M.B.A. '03 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Dec. 17, 2019.

Jessica "Jess" Ann Bonney Reveley J.D. '10 of Richmond, Virginia, died Nov. 25, 2019.

FORMER FACULTY

Robert "Bob" Earl Lee Black of Williamsburg died Dec. 11, 2019.

Margaret W. Freeman of Brunswick, Maine, died Dec. 24, 2019.

William Kurt Holstein of Williamsburg died Oct. 22, 2019.

FRIENDS OF W&M

Gerald "Jerry" L. Baliles LL.D. '87 of Charlottesville, Virginia, died Oct. 29, 2019.

Alan Arnold Diamonstein LL.D. '97 of Newport News, Virginia, died Oct. 17, 2019.

Susan "Susie" McMullen Beck HON '01 of Williamsburg died Jan. 1, 2020.

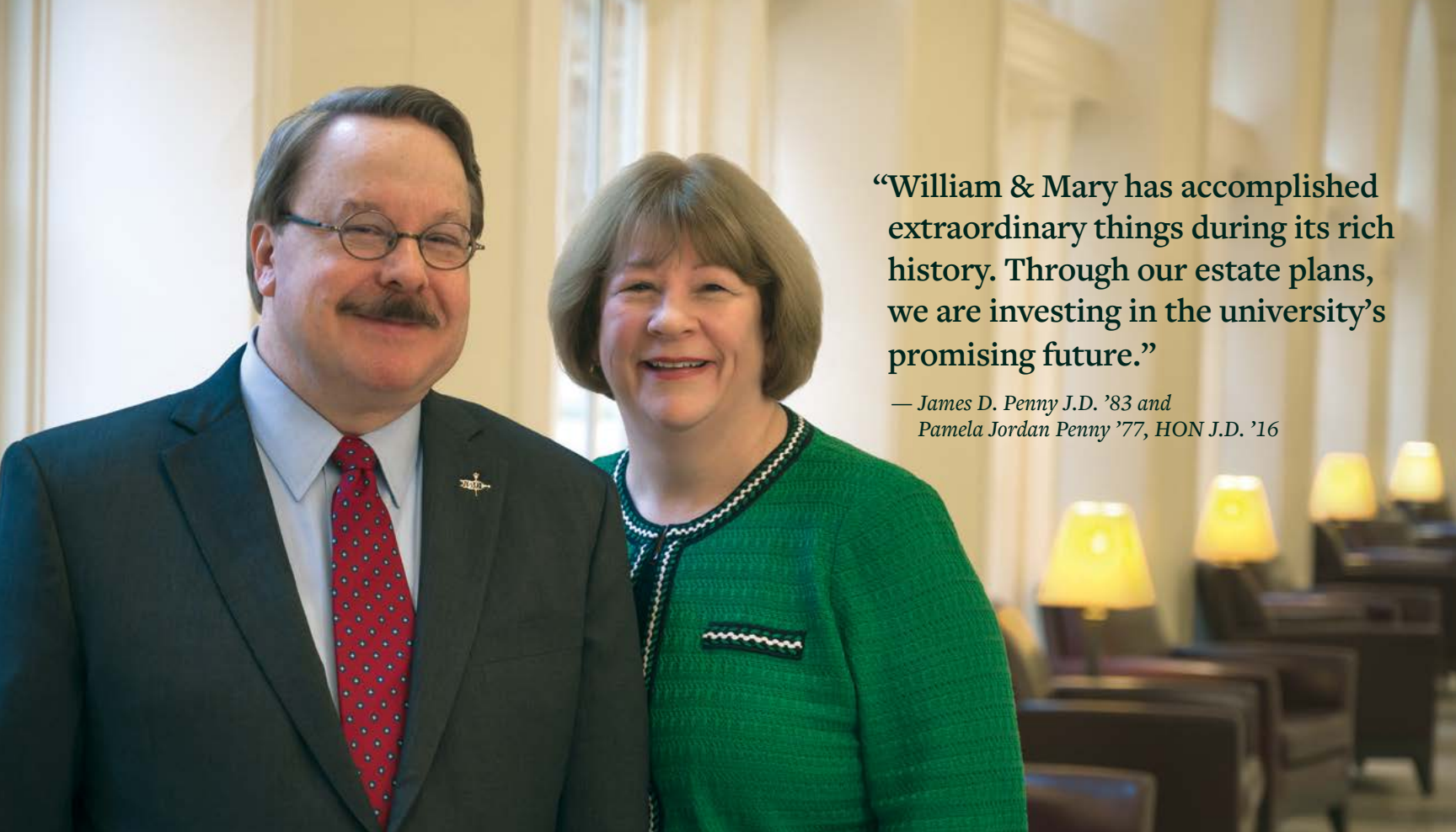


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