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Compiled by Claire De Lisle and Jennifer Page Wall

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By Claire De Lisle

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The 2020 fall semester was compressed so that students did not need to travel back to campus after the Thanksgiving holiday, reducing the risk of spreading COVID-19 as the winter season began. Through frequent testing and the community’s Healthy Together Commitment, in-person instruction continued safely throughout the fall semester. Students also had the option to complete the semester remotely.
Harking Upon a Virtual Gale

BY ALICE GIVENS ’94
Chair, I-CARE Committee, WMAA Board of Directors

In recent years, through the efforts of our volunteer leaders and staff, the WMAA has dramatically increased the opportunities for alumni and friends of William & Mary to connect with each other and with W&M. Alumni participation in engagement offerings tripled during the For the Bold campaign.

Since the pandemic began, we have quickly pivoted to provide engagement opportunities of all kinds virtually. While certainly a challenge, this was also an opportunity for creativity and collaboration. We’ve worked with faculty, staff, alumni, parents, students and outside experts to generate new content. The virtual format has also allowed for new audiences to participate. Now, all alumni can “attend” all programs from literally anywhere in the world.

The I-CARE Committee of your Alumni Association oversees inclusion, career, affinity and regional engagement. Our mission is to bring to life for our alumni W&M values such as belonging, excellence and curiosity. I love hearing from alumni for whom our programming makes a difference. For example, Clarissa Delgado ’09, COO and co-founder of Teach for the Philippines, shared that now our programming is online, she has been able to participate and reconnect with classmates and her alma mater — all the way from the Philippines. I also enjoyed participating this summer in an online event with the leaders of our regional networks and chapters as they met each other and shared best practices for keeping their local alumni engaged virtually. Overall, we’ve seen a 26% increase in registrations for events, and those registrants have been more ethnically, geographically and generationally diverse.

And, of course, virtual Homecoming was a highlight of the fall, with more than 55 events over two weeks, including Zoom-unions, departmental events, a career and networking hour, a Q&A with Chancellor Robert Gates ’65, L.H.D. ’98 and more.

While we miss seeing each other in person at Homecoming, Yule Log and Charter Day, I am so proud of our alma mater and alumni for staying engaged, finding ways to continue their lifelong friendships and to reimagine these events in a virtual world. We welcome your suggestions for future programming at https://wmalumni.com/events/virtual-opportunities/.

The W&M Alumni Association takes great pride in our community of alumni who are inquisitive lifelong learners. After this pandemic finally ends, we will continue to offer virtual engagement as part of our mix of programming and resources. See you in person or online soon!
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FROM THE BRAFFERTON

Lessons for a Post-COVID World

BY KATHERINE A. ROWE
William & Mary President

As I write this column, William & Mary is wrapping up a remarkable fall semester. Our nation is eight months into pandemic and navigating a recession. The timeline for recovery remains unclear. We have yet to discover how we will be transformed.

William & Mary successfully crossed the finish line of our For the Bold campaign, and there is much cause for hope. As you’ll read in this issue, philanthropy from generous donors spurred creativity and new human connections. In 2020, so many gave generously to the Fund for William & Mary and other emergency funds. Your support helped us safeguard our community and sustain our mission.

We enter 2021 knowing the spring will be different too and we are ready to adapt further — in the planful ways that have brought us success so far. In spite of the challenges the university faces, this is a moment to return to strategic thinking and reflect on how higher education will transform in the future. We know there will be no snapback to 2019. The lessons we are learning now about living, learning and working differently have great value. Here are three lessons from the fall that are front of mind.

FLEXIBILITY IS ESSENTIAL

Under pandemic, everyone has new responsibilities and cares. Students must invent safe ways to socialize while completing their coursework in new modes. Faculty must change their classrooms, so that students can choose the best learning scenario for themselves. Staff must embrace new roles, adapting campus to safeguard health. Everyone must establish shared norms of mask-wearing and distancing. With all this change, so many must care for loved ones as they work and learn.

Universities are not known for flexibility. Yet flexible paths, policies and approaches have been a key to our success this fall. William & Mary offered students both in-person and remote learning this fall, seeking to ensure that they stay on track to their degrees. Employees adapted to remote work, teaching and research, to meet our mission. As an organization and as individuals, such flexibility will be essential going forward.

INNOVATE IN SUPPORT OF OUR GRADUATES

Historically, students who graduate into recession face daunting headwinds. They are at risk for underemployment and diminished professional options. Multiple studies have shown such effects may last a decade or more. Unsurprisingly, the risks are higher for those already facing challenges entering the job market, such as first-generation students, low-income students and student-veterans.

Universities have a responsibility to combat the impacts of recession by expanding opportunity. Scholarships were the top priority in For the Bold. This campaign created most of W&M’s existing scholarships, raising $303 million for scholarships. Under pandemic, we must redouble these efforts to open doors for students to receive an extraordinary education and help them thrive as future citizens and professionals.

William & Mary has also launched innovative programs to create opportunities for incoming students and graduates. A $10-million gift from an anonymous alumna established the W&M VET program, which aims to accelerate the transition of military and veteran students into leadership roles in civilian jobs. This year, W&M is first in the nation to launch a new partnership with the Posse Foundation — to award scholarships to talented underrepresented and low-income students recruited from across a single state. Building on the lessons learned under pandemic, these Posse cohorts will convene virtually, from multiple cities.

KINDNESS AND HUMILITY SUSTAIN US THROUGH UNCERTAINTY

The pandemic has shown us how deeply we rely on one another. Mutual care and respect were constant themes of the fall. Students, faculty and staff upheld our Healthy Together guidelines with dedication. Thanks to shared effort and mutual respect, we have thus far avoided the closures and large-scale quarantines witnessed at universities around the nation.

We are incredibly grateful to our neighbors for joining us. Williamsburg City Council voted to adopt William & Mary’s Healthy Together Commitment. As a result, we have seen COVID-19 positivity rates drop significantly in our locality, from the August high through the fall semester.

We approach spring semester planning with humility. Around the nation, the public health forecast is worsening as I write. We must constantly assess new data, rely on collaboration and feedback and hold to our core principles. Our true north remains: to safeguard health with every tool available so as to deliver on our mission.

As William & Mary reflects on lessons learned, we welcome your insights. The Alma Mater of the Nation has rallied to support one another in remarkable ways over the past year. We are up to the challenges ahead.

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As a first-generation student, I’m honored to be a part of a community that constantly challenges me to be a better student and person. I love attending W&M and helping others through the Best Buddies program. I’m so thankful for this scholarship and all the experiences I will remember for the rest of my life.”
We asked several undergraduates to share their experience attending W&M in person or remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic this fall. Here are perspectives from a freshman living in a residence hall, a sophomore attending remotely from England and a senior living off-campus in Williamsburg.

KAMI VIGILANT ’24

Going from a boarding school where everybody knows each other to a whole new environment was nerve-wracking. I didn’t expect I would know anyone here, but I felt welcomed from the moment I stepped on campus.

A student from my high school is a junior here now and one of my teachers from that school is a graduate student at the School of Education, so I hang out with them. I’m in a sorority as well, Delta Gamma. I went to an all-girls high school, and the whole sisterhood thing is something I was looking for here and I wasn’t sure I would find it at a coed school.

My roommate, Kendal Sanders ’24, is my best friend. We live in Griffin B. I met her over the summer through William & Mary’s new student
BY&LARGE

SAFETY FIRST:

Kami Vigilant '24
entered William & Mary
during the pandemic
while Noah Freye '21 is
in his senior year. Both say
they found ways to gather
with friends while taking precautions.

Two of my classes are in person, one is a hybrid and the rest are online. I was prepared for the workload, but some classes are harder than I expected. There were a few days where I was thinking, “I got in, but can I succeed here?” I feel more confident now. Luckily, there are people around who are either taking similar classes or have taken the classes before.

Every Saturday, I try to go to the Black Lives Matter protests at the top of Confusion Corner. Even though we’re worrying about the next midterm or essay, after the deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor and others in police encounters, we’re also worried about when we’re going to have to say someone else’s name. It’s not my first time at a predominantly white institution. What’s important to me is that while I stand out, I can still find a place to fit in.

I expected to feel a lot more isolated. My roommate and I have a routine of going to dinner every day at 6:30 p.m. We text our friends and meet up at Sadler, Marketplace or the Caf. We’ve both gotten involved with the Conduct and Honor Advisor Program (CHAP). Late in the semester, we both wound up going home to quarantine after one of our friends tested positive for COVID-19, but none of her contacts tested positive, and we returned to campus for finals week. This spring and summer, I’m looking forward to being part of the D.C. Summer Institutes. I truly do like being here. I think this environment is such a great place to learn.

NOAH FREYE ’21

I was an orientation area director (OAD) this fall, and the pandemic definitely affected our work. OADs spend all year organizing and planning orientation and overseeing orientation aides. Because of the pandemic, we had to shift any large events to being online. We ended up meeting via Zoom once a week during the summer to get ready. I was an orientation aide the previous two years. It’s my favorite thing I’ve done on campus.

I live with three friends in a house on Lafayette Street. I’m immunocompromised, so I stay away from campus, except for COVID-19 testing. I’m majoring in psychology, with a minor in public health. All of my classes are online. Living with friends has helped this semester feel more normal, so that part is good.

We built a fire pit in our backyard, and bonfires have been a big thing this fall. It’s also nice that we can have two or three other people over and sit outside. I have ulcerative colitis, so I go to a hospital every six weeks to get infusions and they’re an immunosuppressant. With the pandemic, I just have to be more careful about going out places.

I used to spend a lot of time on the Terrace and other common areas between classes. I miss being able to run into people. It’s convenient to roll out of bed and turn on my laptop, but I do miss going to classes in person.

The condensed semester has felt more stressful. For the spring, I would like to take in-person classes to have some normalcy back. Spending time with friends and making the most of my senior year is the goal right now. Beyond that, I’m looking forward to graduating. I’m applying right
now to master of social work programs. My end goal is a career in counseling and therapy.

CAMERON LYNCH ’23

I’m from Richmond, Virginia, but my family moved to London for my dad’s job after my first two years of high school. I’ve been in England since March. I was in New York City visiting my sister for spring break when colleges started canceling in-person classes because of the pandemic. I got on one of the last flights to London that I could find. I never moved out of my dorm room. I’m living off of what I didn’t bring to college and the clothes I had for spring break.

I had the full intention of going back to campus in the fall. But during the summer, I started to realize it wouldn’t be safe to live in a dorm and eat in dining halls because I’m immunocompromised — I have Type 1 diabetes, a form of muscular dystrophy and celiac disease. I applied for the W&M Washington Center program, which allowed me to attend fully online.

I wrote a letter in June and posted it on my Instagram and Twitter accounts, saying I felt like my peers weren’t taking COVID-19 seriously. I counted 40 responses from people I hadn’t met before who were in the same situation. We formed a support group called Chronic and Iconic, and we now have 70 members from the U.S., Canada and Europe. I also have one for William & Mary students with about 30 people. With a friend in Richmond, I wrote to other Virginia universities and said they have to provide options online. It was an opportunity to get the issue in the public’s awareness and engage in a bigger conversation about disability issues.

I’m a government major, and it’s definitely hard work taking remote classes, especially with the time difference. I really enjoy the Washington Center; everyone’s been amazing. I also take a modern dance technique class via Zoom and I’m in a performance ensemble class. Besides my classes, I’m doing a 35-hour-per-week internship with Disability Rights UK, which has been a wonderful opportunity and I get to write actual policy.

I think as challenging as it’s been, it’s amazing to be able to speak out for a group of people that doesn’t always have their voices heard. My life plan has developed through this experience. I want to start a conference and a nationwide organization of groups.

I feel like W&M has done a good job of making sure students are safe. I think I miss Swem Library the most, which is very William & Mary of me to say, but I’ve been struggling studying for exams at home and not having separate study spaces. I miss my friends. My mom said, “Where would you go in the world if it wasn’t for COVID?” I said Williamsburg. I love William & Mary and I’m excited to go back in the spring!
A PATH FORWARD
William & Mary Athletics focuses on its future

BY DAVE JOHNSON

For the first time since World War II, there were no sporting events in the fall at William & Mary. There was, however, and continues to be, much discussion regarding the future of W&M Athletics.

On Nov. 5, President Katherine A. Rowe announced the university would pursue a phased approach to decision-making that will involve a gender equity review, the development of a long-term fundraising plan to ensure financial stability and a discussion around excellence. W&M also reinstated through the 2021-22 season seven varsity sports that had been scheduled for elimination.

Rowe’s decision came following a recommendation from Interim Athletics Director Jeremy P. Martin Ph.D. ’12, M.B.A. ’17, whom she had asked to review the Sept. 3 decision to discontinue men’s and women’s gymnastics, men’s and women’s swimming, men’s indoor and outdoor track, and volleyball.

Martin’s recommendations include completing a department-wide gender equity review before deciding which programs W&M can realistically support; setting fundraising goals for each team; engaging the W&M community in conversation about excellence; and establishing a sustainable program that will achieve gender equity for the 2022-23 academic year.

“The issues facing William & Mary Athletics, to me, continue to be in three defined frames,” Martin says. “The first is equity, and we know we will demonstrate Title IX compliance in 2022-23. The second is budget stability, and the third is excellence. How we act in those first two frames in many ways is going to determine the level of excellence we’re going to be able to achieve.

“We need to take the fullness of a gender equity review to determine how best for William & Mary to demonstrate compliance. In regards to budget stability, it became clear how many people felt they had more to give and more to do in terms of contributing.”

Martin emphasizes that William & Mary Athletics needs to raise $4 million for fiscal year 2021, $2.8 million of which needs to be in hand by March 1. Otherwise, he says, W&M Athletics will need to make “some of the painful decisions that can come from not having a stable budget that we need to move forward.”

Martin has asked each team to set fundraising goals with emphasis on scholarships and excellence funding, which includes operational expenses.

“’We know we need to have a broader university conversation on excellence,’” Martin says. “’I really give President Rowe credit. It’s one thing to make recommendations. I think she showed real courage as a leader to say we are going to get this right. We’re going to recognize the magnitude of this challenge. And we’re going to do it in the most informed manner possible.’”

On Nov. 28, W&M had its first athletic event of the 2020-21 season when the men’s basketball team played at Old Dominion University. Two days later, the team paused all activities for 14 days because of a positive test within Tier 1 personnel, defined as players, coaches, trainers and managers.

As of press time, games would not be able to resume until Dec. 14. At least five games must be rescheduled or canceled. Colonial Athletic Association games were scheduled to begin the first weekend of January.

“We will continue to work closely with university leadership and our medical personnel to ensure we are maintaining the safest possible environment for all involved,” Martin says.

The conference schedule has been altered to limit travel. Instead of the usual home-and-home round-robin format, teams will play the same opponent on Saturday and Sunday at the same site. The exception is travel partners — W&M’s is Elon — who will play home-and-home with a day off between games.

As for attendance, Gov. Ralph Northam’s updated executive order limits sports venues to 30 percent capacity or 250 people, whichever is fewer. W&M’s plan is to allow a limited number of student-athletes’ family members to attend within strict public health protocols.

“’How we can compete as safely as possible is paramount,’” Martin says. “’Our student-athletes’ commitment to the Healthy Together practices beyond the time they’re engaged in athletic activities is going to be one of the critical variables. We’ve appreciated their commitment to this point, and we’re going to need it this spring.’”

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—ADRIENNE BERARD

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LEADING THE WAY

NEW FACES

Meet William & Mary’s new deans

BY TINA ESHLEMAN

This fall, as new students began classes at William & Mary for the first time and returning students adjusted to a semester unlike any other, they were joined by three new faces — William & Mary’s new deans of Arts & Sciences, W&M Law School and the School of Education. A nationwide search also commenced this fall to fill the position of dean for the Virginia Institute of Marine Science after Dean John T. Wells’ retirement at the end of the academic year.

MARIE DONOGHUE VELLECA is an accomplished scholar and award-winning educator who served as senior associate dean for faculty affairs and strategic planning at Georgetown University’s College of Arts & Sciences. A specialist in brain development, she began at William & Mary after Kate Conley stepped down from the role of dean at the end of June. Conley, who served eight years, returned to the classroom this fall to teach French and Francophone studies.

The dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences leads the largest of William & Mary’s five schools. In that capacity, the dean oversees approximately 650 faculty — in 11 graduate programs and dozens of undergraduate majors and minors — as well as research centers and administrative offices that support the university’s teaching and research missions.

BEN SPENCER, a nationally renowned civil procedure and federal courts expert and former professor of law at the University of Virginia, began at William & Mary Law School on July 1. Spencer is William & Mary’s first Black dean of any school at the university, including the law school. Davison “Dave” M. Douglas has returned to the faculty after serving as dean for more than 10 years.

Spencer’s teaching and scholarship focus on civil procedure, federal civil litigation and military law. Spencer, who will also serve as the Chancellor Professor of Law at W&M, has earned numerous awards, including a Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award, which is the highest honor for faculty working at the state’s colleges and universities.

ROB KNOEPPEL, a longtime educator and noted scholar on educational finance innovation, joined William & Mary’s School of Education on July 15, after serving as dean of the University of South Florida’s College of Education. After seven years as dean, Spencer “Skip” Niles continues as a professor in the counselor education program at the school, which includes 48 full-time faculty members and about 600 undergraduate and graduate students.

As dean, Knoeppel serves as the school’s chief academic and administrative leader responsible for overseeing strategic planning and implementation, operations, budgeting, fundraising and faculty research. He also will work to further develop programmatic offerings and expand the school’s reach by growing its undergraduate student body and online graduate programs.

ONLINE: Watch a Community Conversation with the new deans at wm.edu/conversation.

WMAA BOARD NOTES AND AWARD NOMINATIONS

Visit wm.edu/board-notes for a summary of the June 18 and Oct. 15, 2020, meetings of the W&M Alumni Association Board of Directors and to submit your nominations for the Alumni Medallion, Honorary Alumni and Alumni Service Awards.
REMEMBRANCE:
The memorial, titled “Hearth,” will be located on the Historic Campus in the Ewell Circle area. It will form a new entry point to campus from the Office of Undergraduate Admission on Jamestown Road.

TO RECONCILE OUR PAST AND CREATE A SHARED vision for a more just future, William & Mary will erect a Memorial to the Enslaved on the south side of the Wren Building as a landmark of inclusion and a local hub for community building.

The memorial is a key priority of The Lemon Project: A Journey of Reconciliation, which was established by the Board of Visitors in 2009 in response to a call from students and faculty to create a commission to research and publicly report the university’s role in slavery.

The memorial’s design is based on a concept by William Sendor ’11 as part of an international competition the university hosted in 2018 to solicit ideas. Created by architectural firm Baskervill and titled “Hearth,” the design will resemble a brick fireplace and include the names of people known to have been enslaved by the university.

“The memorial will be a wonderful addition to our campus landscape as we remember, reflect and honor those whose names we know as well as those names we do not know. Indeed, this grand and beautiful addition to the campus will be a constant reminder of their lives and their contribution to this community,” says Chon Glover M.Ed. ’99, Ed.D. ’06, chief diversity officer.

Fundraising for the memorial launched with contributions from every former and current W&M rector. It expanded during this year’s One Tribe One Day on June 23 with a lead gift from Goody Tyler HON ’11 along with gifts from 363 other donors. Significant gifts from Elaine and Todd Stottlemyer ’85; Cliff Fleet ’91, M.A. ’93, J.D. ’95, M.B.A. ’95 and Fran Zemmel; and Rob Estes ’74 and Jean Estes ’75 enabled the university to reach its goal of $1 million in private funds. In total, about 90% of the private funds raised for the memorial were secured between One Tribe One Day and mid-August.

The Board of Visitors will match the private funds raised for the memorial, covering the total cost of the project at $2 million. Kjellstrom & Lee will lead construction of the memorial, with work expected to begin in early 2021.
NEW NAME, SAME PURPOSE

The Alumni Leadership Fund is now the W&M Alumni Association Fund

BY CLAIRE DE LISLE

The Alumni Leadership Fund has a new name: the William & Mary Alumni Association Fund. However, the purpose of the fund remains the same — to strengthen alumni’s lifelong ties to each other and William & Mary by supporting the events, resources and services that connect the W&M community.

The W&M Alumni Association Fund makes possible the breadth and depth of the W&M Alumni Association’s (WMAA) offerings, including signature events, online engagement opportunities and career and networking resources. For example, Homecoming & Reunion Weekend, Traditions Weekend and William & Mary Weekend bring alumni, parents, family and friends together from all over the world for shared experiences; virtual opportunities like museum tours and Q&As with alumni experts on topics from the economy to fashion to foreign policy keep the community connected even when we are apart; and resources like W&M Switchboard and online networking hours help alumni advance their careers or start new ones.

Gifts during the For the Bold campaign led to triple the opportunities for alumni to engage with each other and alma mater and a 2,300% growth in career and networking opportunities. All upcoming events can be found at events.wm.edu/alumni.

Unlike other universities’ alumni associations, the WMAA does not charge dues, so that all alumni can take advantage of the enriching opportunities the WMAA provides for a lifetime.

“Private giving remains critical as we strive to create a welcoming and supportive community that brings together all of our more than 100,000 alumni worldwide through exceptional programming,” says Marilyn W. Midyette ’75, CEO of the WMAA. “The new name better reflects the purpose of this fund and will help our alumni and friends find it more easily.”

To give to the W&M Alumni Association Fund, visit impact.wm.edu/WMAAF.

TOWARD AN INCLUSIVE CAMPUS

NAMING, RENAMING SPACES

In September, William & Mary’s Board of Visitors adopted a set of principles and imperatives for the naming and renaming of structures and spaces on campus. The principles were developed by a working group of students, faculty, staff and alumni established this summer by President Katherine A. Rowe in response to a charge from Rector John E. Littel P’22. •

In accordance with the principles, the board approved the renaming of two spaces. Trinkle Hall, within the Campus Center on W&M’s campus, became Unity Hall, and Maury Hall at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science became York River Hall. • Trinkle was named for former Virginia Gov. Elbert Lee Trinkle, who “signed some of the most pernicious Jim Crow laws in Virginia’s history,” according to the board action. Maury Hall was named for Matthew Fontaine Maury, an oceanographer and Confederate military officer. Neither Trinkle nor Maury had a special relationship with W&M.

—ERIN ZAGURSKY AND BRIAN WHITSON

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the members of the W&M Alumni Association will be held online on Feb. 13, 2021, at 11 a.m. Visit events.wm.edu/alumni for more information.

CAST YOUR VOTE

Please go online now to wmalumni.com/vote to read about the current slate of nominees for the W&M Alumni Association Board of Directors and cast your vote. Voting closes March 11, 2021, at midnight. All alumni are eligible to vote in board elections.
While belonging is one of William & Mary’s core values, for some in our community, it is one that still feels aspirational. Despite the oft-quoted mantra from the 1949 student handbook, those who come here have not always felt that they belong here. Our Black students and alumni, in particular, have had very different experiences on campus than their classmates. What can we learn from their stories?

Last summer, a movement erupted from a series of tragic events that magnified the importance of learning from the past and confronting the racial disparities and injustices that have shaped our nation. As William & Mary grapples with its own racial history, there is also opportunity to work together to create a future where everyone feels like they do belong.

Healing begins with a willingness to listen. Six alumni recently gathered via Zoom from around the country to tell personal stories about their experiences as Black students at the university. Their stories reveal some hard truths that may seem foreign to some and all too familiar to others. Despite the challenges they faced as students, these alumni have remained engaged with alma mater and committed to improving William & Mary for those who follow in their footsteps. They are giving voice to a story that has not often been told, but is one that is important for us to hear — perhaps now more than ever.

Viola Osborne Baskerville ’73, Matt Brandon ’92, Dave Scott ’93, Hilary Grant Dixon ’00, Danielle “Danny” Greene ’12 and Johnny “Mick” Mickens ’14 are charting their own separate paths forward, but on one particular day this past October, their paths converged and an important conversation commenced.

Scott led the discussion and asked everyone to share their experiences, difficult moments and memorable relationships — and the hope they have for the future of their alma mater, for all of the students today and for those yet to come.

As their connections with William & Mary have grown over time, they are lifting others as they climb. Their stories will always remain powerful threads of the university’s storied past and as they are told from one generation to the next, they will serve as reminders that our community is stronger when we learn and understand together.
DAVE SCOTT: WHY DID YOU CHOOSE WILLIAM & MARY?

Matt Brandon: I went to boarding school and my roommate was set on going to William & Mary. He and I had a pretty competitive relationship. And I said, “Well, if that’s where you want to go, I’m going to look at it, too.”

Once I saw it, I knew immediately it was where I belonged, and I never regretted it for a single day. I felt W&M was a place of gravitas, important to the country, academically superior and small enough for me to thrive.

My dad came and visited with me, and he met Dean Carroll Hardy HON ’12. When we got back in the car to come home, he said, “This is where you’re going. Before I told you it was going to be a Virginia school. Now I’m telling you, it’s going to be William & Mary.” Fortunately, I happened to agree.

An admission counselor actually called my high school guidance counselor to tell her, even before I heard the news, that I had gotten in and that they wanted me to come.

I grew up in the inner city of Richmond and my dad would put William & Mary stickers on the back of his car. I remember coming home on the weekends and people asking, “Who goes to William & Mary?” and my dad would say “My son.” They couldn’t imagine a kid from that area going to this university. My dad was proud and I took a lot of pride in it, too.

Viola Baskerville: William & Mary was not on my list at all. I left Richmond at 13 to attend a girls’ college preparatory school in Massachusetts. My counselor in my dorm was from the same town as Virginia’s former governor Linwood Holton, who was very serious about searching far and wide for African American students. W&M was one of the state institutions that had been mandated to desegregate. My counselor convinced me to apply.

When I got there, for the first month, I was thinking of every way I could transfer. The president of W&M at the time was Davis Paschall ’32 and he was going by the letter of the mandate to desegregate, but not the spirit, so things were very tense on campus. The class I came in with only had six African American students, although there were a few Black upperclassmen and graduate students too.

Johnny Mickens: Danny and I went to a majority Black high school, and I was kind of worried about the population of Black students at William & Mary. But I went to Escape weekend for admitted minority students, and just meeting the community there helped a lot of those fears, as did Danny going two years ahead of me.

Hilary Dixon: The summer of 1993, I spent two weeks down at William & Mary at the “Exploring Medical Careers Camp” that was sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs and Dr. Carroll Hardy [then associate vice president for student affairs]. The first week was the most miserable
week of my life. I’d never been away from home before. I went to an all-girls Catholic high school that was predominantly white, and this was the largest concentration of Black students I’d ever been exposed to. The cultural adjustment and the fact that I’d never been away from home before made my experience just miserable at first. But it turned out to be the best two weeks I ever had, so I decided to apply based on that experience and the impact Dean Hardy had on me.

Scott: I, like Hilary, came from a Catholic high school where there were no Black people. So when I came to W&M, I thought it was extremely diverse, because every single class had at least one or two other Black people in it. My friends in California were at schools where that wasn’t the case.

SCOTT: TELL US ABOUT EXPERIENCES AT WILLIAM & MARY THAT STAND OUT FOR YOU, BOTH POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE.

Danielle Greene: When I got to William & Mary, a friend that I had gone to middle and high school with was across the hall from me, and I had a distant cousin three doors down. I think there were three or four Black women in Barrett.

One of my very first interactions was with one of my neighbors. She also came from the Richmond area, but she went to a pretty expensive private school. I said, “Oh, you know, I’m from Richmond, too,” trying to make a connection. And she asked, “What high school did you go to?” And I said, “Henrico,” And she was like, “Oh, that’s terrible.”

At that moment, I was very, very frustrated. I remember saying, “You know that’s funny, because we both live on the same hall now, so your parents paid a whole lot of money and yet somehow we made it to the same place.”

I didn’t really feel like W&M was home until I met some key people. I met Chon Glover [chief diversity officer] and Vernon Hurte [director of the Center for Student Diversity]. I found the CSD, and I started spending almost every day there. It was my safe haven. I felt really supported in that space.

In my classes, I very rarely was the only Black student. There were also really welcoming off-campus spaces that were created specifically by Black students, like people’s apartments or the unofficial AKA house. Some of the most magical moments were in those spaces.

Professor Jody Allen [director of the Lemon Project and history professor] is really important to me. Even though she had things to do, she would let me come into her office and just talk to her about anything, even though I hadn’t been in her class in two semesters. Her door was always open.

Baskerville: When we started the Black Student Organization, there was a sense of empowerment. We were a resource to each other. If you go back and read some of the early articles in the Flat Hat, you’ll see some of the things that the Black Student Organization accomplished. We held sit-ins, and we started to get a very sympathetic ear from the next president, Thomas Graves HON ’02, L.H.D. ’15. He understood our concerns about the lack of Black faculty and diversity in classes. William & Mary started to do collaborative lectures with professors at Hampton and Norfolk State, and some things started to be addressed.
There were still remnants of that old Southern culture, though. They still had Confederate balls with guys in gray uniforms and women in antebellum dresses, and there were windows where students had Confederate flags hanging out. And so that was a reminder maybe you didn’t belong, that everyone was all mixed up about it.

**Scott:** The first year that I was in school, I became a dorm representative on the student council. In the first meeting, I said something like, “Yeah, what about issues facing African Americans,” and then the next thing I knew I was appointed to VP of cultural diversity.

A few months later, I was embroiled in a situation where we had a professor who was teaching a class on the War of Northern Aggression, which is what he called the Civil War, and we organized to get him removed from that class and never teach it again. And eventually he left. That was a highlight for me, being on the cover of the Flat Hat every day during that time.

Then, in my senior year, I was student body vice president. We had a situation where the Flat Hat did a series of racist cartoons. We raised it up to the administration and they defended the cartoons. And I realized just how little power I had, no matter how much goodwill I had created.

**Dixon:** I ran for student body president my freshman year. I had gone off campus with a friend for my birthday, and when I got back to my dorm, I was informed that some of my flyers had been defaced and somebody had spray painted KKK in shaving cream in front of my dorm.

My friends rallied around me and helped me keep campaigning. The administration was really supportive and understanding and asked me what I wanted to do. I just wanted to put it behind me. I lost the election. I don’t feel any one way about that. It’s just part of my story at W&M, but that was the opening chapter, so to speak.

**Brandon:** Some of the best moments of my life are connected to W&M. I ended up earning my varsity letter jacket for wrestling. I was a charter member of the Xi Theta chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, which is still on campus. Dave [Scott] actually got me involved in the student assembly budget process so we had some representation — a room I never expected to be in. And the most lasting relationships in my life were created at William & Mary. My best friend, since my first day as a freshman, is my W&M roommate Earl Granger ’92, M.Ed. ’98.

**Dixon:** Many of us are Greeks, and I think that was definitely one of the best experiences I had that W&M.

**Greene:** I wasn’t Greek, but I definitely made a lot of lifelong friends. Being Commencement speaker in 2012 stands out as a highlight for me. My senior year was also the first year of the Donning of the Kente. That was a super special ceremony to me, that we could have a graduation that specifically acknowledged Black students. I was so happy to be able to plan that.

Seeing the administration’s response to the living wage campaign was a lowlight. It wasn’t an overtly racist response, but when the vast majority of the people who are working in the service industries on campus are Black people and they are deprioritized and dismissed — that, to me, was a constant reminder of how this degree may be the only thing separating me from being treated in a similar way.

And I remember Trayvon Martin. His murder happened during my senior year. The Black community came together, but we got a lot of pushback from people who say mean things on the internet but aren’t necessarily going to say it to you. I remember feeling like a throwaway part of the community, like “You’re welcome here, so long as you are a benefit or you’re not creating too much noise.”

**Scott:** I was in school when the Rodney King beating happened. I was having those conversations with my white roommate and other people who were trying to wrap their heads around it, but just could never understand the same way.

**Baskerville:** I think we’ve all had those social justice flashpoints that occurred while we were on campus. I started to think way back to the day the students were murdered at Kent State. You felt almost powerless, but then you got together with other students to express concern, solidarity, understanding, frustration, fear, all of those kinds of things. We had protests at W&M then, too.

I do have some really great things that I miss. One was the way the Black staff at W&M just wrapped its arms around the Black students. And I don’t mean faculty, because we didn’t have Black faculty. I mean the people that served in the cafeterias, that were responsible for driving the buses. There were lots of times, especially toward the end of the week, when
kids who weren’t on the meal program may not have enough money left and they just waved us through. In a sense, they were very proud that we were there because we were doing things that were breaking the color line, that they probably never dreamed would happen in their lifetimes. They treated us like extended family.

Dixon: In my time, we had Miss Ernestine in the Caf. Her face would just light up when she saw you and getting a hug from her would just kind of make your whole day.

For me, Dean Hardy, Miss Ernestine, Chon Glover, the Office Multicultural Affairs, that whole network was the backbone of my experience. I have other people that I’ve talked to from my class, but it’s nothing like the connection that I have with my Black W&M classmates.

SCOTT: HOW ARE YOU STAYING IN TOUCH AS ALUMNI?

Brandon: One of the most disappointing moments I had as a W&M alumnus happened four years ago. Both my daughters were accepted to W&M, but at the admission event, a student told them “Please don’t come here.” It took me the entire drive home to process that, because I thought we had moved forward. For a student to say that to a prospective student broke my heart. And so I lost the opportunity to sell my daughter on the school that I love.

I think it’s important to be willing to be an ambassador for the school as an alumnus. It is something that I take pretty seriously. I don’t have to tell someone that it is a perfect experience — what I can tell them is that it was right for me and share the benefits. I’ve worked at the University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, William & Mary, Ohio University; the same challenges existed at every one of them. You don’t end up at W&M by accident. So hopefully you come with an opportunistic mind to say, “I’m going to make it my lifelong work to make sure W&M is the best place for people like me,” which is why I stay involved.

Baskerville: What got me interested in William & Mary again was three years ago, when they did the 50th commemoration of the first African American women in the dorms. And I’ve been really impressed with the work that the Lemon Project has been doing.

Dixon: I went to the first Homecoming after I graduated because relationship maintenance is very important to me. I’m on the board for the Hulon Willis Association because somebody asked me to join. So, when my classmates come back and say, “This sounds like something you’d be interested in,” or “This sounds like something we could use your help with,” I’m doing it for them first, and then by extension for the university.

Brandon: I graduated in 1992, the year the Hulon Willis Association was created, and it has been my touchpoint with W&M ever since. My roommate Earl and Dean Hardy worked really hard with alumni, including Alice Willis HON ’04, the widow of Hulon Willis Sr. M.Ed. ’56, as well as their two children, Hulon Willis Jr. ’77 and Kimberley Willis Miles ’80, to start that organization. And so, as I see this blossom and I see the work that’s being done now by Val Cushman [senior director of engagement and inclusion initiatives] and her team, and I’m just so gratified and happy I stuck with it.

Greene: I try to do what I can to make sure the students that are there now feel supported, and if that takes financial commitment, then that’s what I do.
I’ve never donated to my class since my senior year. I just don’t feel that connection in the same way. I donate when I can designate it to CSD or HWA or to the Lemon Project, and I know others do as well.

SCOTT: THERE’S BEEN A LOT OF DIALOGUE ON CAMPUS ABOUT RENAMING BUILDINGS AND REMOVING STATUES. HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT YOUR ROLE AS ALUMNI WHILE W&M IS CONSIDERING SUCH SIGNIFICANT THINGS AS RACE AND THE HISTORY OF AFRICAN AMERICANS ON THE CAMPUS?

Dixon: Just because you’re removing a name doesn’t change the history. I think so long as the university continues to move forward with things like the Lemon Project and recognizing the history that was borne on the backs of Black people, that’s the most important thing. We need to move forward and focus on what we can do to be better.

Greene: For me, what we memorialize is what we celebrate, what we honor. There are ways to stop celebrating certain people without removing their names. But how are we contextualizing? Are we just going to put a plaque at the feet of Thomas Jefferson about his slaves, when he has this whole statue? I’m more a fan of putting the statue in a museum — maybe it doesn’t deserve a prominent space on our campus.

I’m not ready to give W&M a pat on the back just yet. Our numbers are still lower than the percentage of Black people in the state of Virginia or in the nation. That’s not to say that other places are doing better, but I want to make sure that we don’t just get caught up in symbolism when there are actions that W&M could and should be taking.

Brandon: William & Mary has more of a history to contend with than just slavery. W&M was created to “educate” the Indians, and those Indians were treated like prisoners. We can’t apologize for American history in 1693, but what we can do is make sure we honor the future by committing to more things like the Lemon Project. There is going to be a memorial to enslaved people on historic campus soon. I think that we have to be complete in our telling of our history and own all of it, not just the parts that are politically expedient right now.

SCOTT: WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE OTHER BLACK ALUMNI ABOUT GETTING INVOLVED AT WILLIAM & MARY?

Brandon: Your time, talent and treasure are the solutions to our full access, full acceptance, full participation. Everybody has their own strategy, their own philosophy and their own history, but we all have the same alma mater. It’s important for us to be seen, to be present, to be participants in the full life of the university so that we have a right to ask the university to be full participants in our lives.

Baskerville: I would have to tell students that it’s only a short portion of your life, but it could mean so much, and not to pass up any opportunity that speaks to your passions and interests. Get outside your comfort level. Be bold. Do things that scare you, because sometimes they bring the best rewards.

Greene: As alumni, we can keep our foot on the gas about the things that we want to change and wield the power we have as a collective to ensure that changes are made. We can try to make it better for the people who are there now than maybe it was for you.

Mickens: I definitely feel a sense of responsibility to stay involved, because who better to tell the stories that are underrepresented than us? If we’re not doing it, then is it going to be told and is it going to be told correctly?

Dixon: You know, I really like that message of time, talent and treasure, because it gives you the flexibility to choose where your gifts would be best received. It doesn’t have to be about opening your wallet. It can be about the relationships that we have developed and fostered. Think about some of those good experiences that you had during your time. Reach out to the people in those memories. So, start small, but just start somewhere. &
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Bee McLeod was a warm, spirited and generous presence in the William & Mary community. She and her husband, Goody Tyler HON ’11, have made a transformational impact for students through their philanthropy and service. Though she passed away in December 2019, her memory shines brightly at the university she loved.

“She left us way too soon, yet her indomitable spirit will live on through her gifts and her legacy.”

McLeod enrolled at William & Mary at just 16 years old. After graduating as a marketing major in 1983, she began a flourishing career in the media and publishing industries, and she returned to her alma mater to graduate with her MBA in 1991. She retired in 2008 as director of network operations for Cox Communications.

Her first major gift to William & Mary was to create the business library in the new Miller Hall in honor of her parents. Though she never sought recognition for herself, her philanthropy grew to encompass all aspects of the W&M experience, including scholarships, W&M Libraries, Athletics, the Raymond A. Mason School of Business, the Alumni Association, the Alumnae Initiatives Fund and the Fund for William & Mary.

Most notably, she and Goody championed holistic wellness at William & Mary through the McLeod Tyler Wellness Center and countless other initiatives.

“Her enthusiastic and thoughtful service to William & Mary and her community encouraged others to contribute as well. She was secretary for the W&M Foundation Board, chaired the W&M Libraries Board of Directors for four years and was on the steering committees of the For the Bold campaign and the Society of 1918. In her community, she served on the boards of the Norfolk Botanical Garden, YMCA South Hampton Roads and her high school, and she combined her strong business sense and passion for running on the boards of the American Association of Running Clubs and as president of the Road Runners Club of America.

“Bee has inspired us,” says Atwater ‘83, P ’17, P ’20. “It isn’t just what she has done, but what she has encouraged and fostered in others. To have known Bee is to have tried to keep up with her. While we must now run without her, we do so faster, stronger and more passionately, thanks to her example.”
Bob Trice provides decades of public policy experience in private industry and government in his service to William & Mary.

After graduating from W&M with a degree in government in 1968, Trice received his master's and Ph.D. in political science from the University of Wisconsin. He taught at The Ohio State University and then joined the Department of Defense, becoming senior defense, trade and foreign policy advisor to U.S. Sen. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas. After many years in the private sector, he retired in 2011 as senior vice president of corporate strategy and business development at Lockheed Martin. Trice is also the author of numerous works on American foreign policy and defense industrial issues.

He and his wife, Susan Saulmon Trice '68, are tireless advocates for and generous supporters of W&M’s public policy program and the Global Research Institute (GRI). They are passionate about enhancing the university's profile abroad and expanding cross-disciplinary opportunities for students.

“He brings tremendous wisdom and political savvy to the table,” says former W&M President Paul Verkuil '61, D.P.S. ’18. “This is someone who is truly selfless when it comes to W&M.”

Trice uses his vast network of contacts in the D.C. policy community to connect W&M faculty with research partners and students with career development opportunities. He also takes time to mentor students and advise the directors of the public policy program and GRI. Trice served as chair of the Public Policy Advisory Board from 2009 to 2018 and is known for asking insightful questions to get to the heart of the matter.

He is active as a volunteer leader and serves on the Board of Visitors of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Political Science and as vice chair of the board of The Nature Conservancy in Virginia. He also served as past treasurer for American Near East Refugee Aid (now Anera) and on the Council on Foreign Relations, among other councils and boards.

The Trices are strong advocates for the liberal arts at William & Mary and the COLL curriculum, and they were representatives for Arts & Sciences during the For the Bold campaign. They also served on the D.C. Regional Campaign Committee and co-chaired their 50th Reunion Committee, contributing to their class gift in support of William & Mary's Monroe Scholars.

Their philanthropy has been transformational for the public policy program and GRI, as the Trices are those programs’ largest individual donors. From internships, scholarships and stipends to the Trice Fellows, the Trices also have supported experiential learning opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students in the public policy program and GRI, including GRI’s Summer Fellows program, and they sponsor the Shark Tank student research pitch competition.

“We are beneficiaries of Bob’s combination of knowledge of the institution, curiosity about the world and desire to catalyze innovation,” says Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences Maria Donoghue Velleca. “His valuable perspectives and insights make a tremendous difference to us in Arts & Sciences, and collectively we are grateful to both Bob and Susan for their remarkable support of William & Mary. It is our responsibility to ensure that their trust in our work is upheld.”
Sue Warner has brought the alumni community together with her warmth, dedication and enthusiastic Tribe Pride for almost 60 years.

“Sue is the very embodiment of the William & Mary graduate whose lifelong relationship with her alma mater has strengthened the university,” says Theresa Thompson ’67, who received the Alumni Medallion in 2007.

Warner’s passion for service shone as a student, earning her the honor of the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award at graduation for her “influence for good.” Two days later, she married E. Ray Warner ’63 in the Wren Chapel. Together, they are some of the Tribe’s biggest fans, attending as many home and away games as possible and supporting the Tribe Club.

Warner worked as a teacher and then principal in local elementary schools before becoming co-founder and partner at LEAD Alliance, a consulting firm. She joined the D.C. Metro Alumni Chapter and served as its chair for two years, hosting a wide variety of events to bring local alumni together. She also chaired the Annual Fund Board (now the Annual Giving Board) for three years and served on every reunion gift committee since her 25th Reunion in 1989.

Her talent for building relationships between alumni and W&M made an impression. In 2006, Warner was hired to be a major gift officer for the Washington, D.C., area. In this role, she raised more than $21 million for William & Mary. A generous giver herself, she and Ray contribute to the university as members of the Green & Gold Society and founding members of the Robert Boyle Legacy Society.

From 2014 until she retired in January 2019, Warner used her extensive experience as a volunteer leader in a new role as director of volunteer management for the Office of University Advancement, providing support and guidance to key volunteer leadership boards, identifying and stewarding volunteer candidates, and aligning volunteers with appropriate engagement opportunities.

Warner has “deep pride and satisfaction in being a member of the Tribe ... abiding concern for the welfare of other members of the William & Mary family and delight in their company,” says President Emeritus W. Taylor Reveley, III LL.D. ’18, HON ’18. “I have watched her in action for many years and seen, in living color, her dedication to William & Mary and her tireless efforts for the good of her alma mater.”

Service in the Williamsburg community is also a big part of her life. She is a board member and parishioner at Bruton Parish Church and a volunteer for Community of Faith Mission. She also continues to be active in the W&M community, leading the W&M Pi Beta Phi Sorority Chapter House Corp. as chair and overseeing the house’s renovation. She is a charter member of the Society of 1918 and was instrumental in the society’s creation. As a member of Canterbury, the Episcopal church at W&M, she mentors students and connects them with career opportunities.

“Sue has developed lifelong friendships and deep relationships with countless William & Mary students. They have truly become members of Sue’s family,” says Donnan Chancellor Wintermute ’69. “She is loved and respected by all.”
Haron Philpott is an accomplished leader who values the importance of international experiences and an ability to navigate diverse cultures. Caring and service-oriented, she gives of her time, talent and treasure to open the doors to the world to W&M students, particularly through the Hispanic studies program.

“Sharon is an understated achiever who modestly helps others and promotes good in this world,” says Barbara Pate Glace ’70, P ’98, P ’02, who received the Alumni Medallion in 2001.

After graduating from William & Mary with an accounting degree in 1985, Philpott embarked on a successful accounting career that led her to become the first female expat partner in EY’s Buenos Aires office. There, she worked with large clients like Walmart, AOL, Verizon and Telecom Argentina, while also volunteering with at-risk and underprivileged children through the local charitable organization La Casa de Elena, teaching English and organizing field trips. She now serves as chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee on the Board of Directors for REI, Inc.

In 2010, Philpott established the Philpott and Marta Perez Faculty-Student Research Endowment, named after an Argentinian friend and Spanish teacher. This endowment has enabled students and faculty to travel to the Dominican Republic, Spain, Nicaragua and Cuba, as well as to archives in the United States, to conduct field research on a range of topics. It was the Hispanic studies program’s first endowment and was soon joined by additional generous gifts from Philpott and her husband, Stephen G. Finn, to support scholarships and visiting professors.

“Faculty colleagues join us in asserting that no single individual has, in the past decade, done more to transform our program and enhance the learning of our students than Sharon Philpott,” says Silvia R. Tandeciarz, director and professor of Hispanic studies, and Ann Marie Stock, vice provost and professor of Hispanic studies and film & media studies, in a joint statement. “She was a pioneer in recognizing the program’s potential for bold innovation in interdisciplinary study, internationalization and faculty-student inquiry — three pillars of William & Mary’s mission.”

Additionally, Philpott supports scholarships for students from Southwest Virginia through the Patricia P. Philpott Scholarship Fund, which she established in memory of her mother. She also supports alumnae initiatives as a Charter member of the Society of 1918.

Despite the demands of her career, she finds time to mentor students from a variety of majors through LinkedIn and the Cohen Career Center. She is also a member of the Advisory Board for the Reves Center for International Studies and now serves as its chair. Though she lives on the West Coast, she has never missed a meeting.

“Sharon is simply a joy to work with — an insightful contributor to our discussions, a team player who is always willing to pitch in with extra work when needed, and a warm presence who makes everyone on the board feel comfortable and respected,” says Steve Hanson, vice provost for international affairs and director of the Reves Center. “She is a brilliant and highly accomplished professional, a wonderfully generous supporter of her alma mater, and an inspirational leader.”
William & Mary completed its boldest fundraising campaign yet, with $1.04 billion raised, ties among alumni and alma mater strengthened and its status as the No. 1 public university for alumni participation cemented several years in a row. For nearly a decade, the For the Bold campaign infused revolutionary ideas and bold initiatives into our 327-year-old institution of higher learning. The campaign led to wide-ranging transformations across the university and new opportunities and experiences for generations of students, faculty, alumni and staff.

Since For the Bold’s inception nearly a decade ago, gifts from donors have funded more than $303 million in scholarships for students. Scholarships topped the list of priorities, with more than a third of all scholarships at the university created during the campaign — which has been particularly important as millions of families in the U.S. face financial hardships during COVID-19. The Scholarships Impact Fund, which provides immediate support for students, also saw a four-fold increase in annual donors since the beginning of the campaign.
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ONE BILLION
“For the Bold has been a campaign about people and it will continue to shape the stories and change the lives of so many at William & Mary for the better,” says former Campaign Chair Sue Hanna Gerdelman ’76, P ’07, P ’13. “Through times of triumph and tribulations, the campaign has provided a stream of resources that have enabled the great minds who come to William & Mary to innovate, seize new opportunities and pursue their passions.”

Gerdelman adds, “Our For the Bold campaign has been a constant during so much uncertainty, often being the impetus to greater community action to advance what we value most.”

TRANSFORMATIONAL INITIATIVES

Campaign gifts fueled professorships and fellowships for graduate students researching pressing global issues, including marine plastics pollution and international foreign aid spending, and enabled the university to purchase state-of-the-art science equipment. The generosity of donors led to the establishment of new spaces and initiatives designed to help students flourish, including the McLeod Tyler Wellness Center, the Shenkman Jewish Center, the Institute for Integrative Conservation (IIC), Camp Launch, the Flanagan Counselor Education Clinic and the Center for Online Learning, just to name a few.

The campaign also brought to life the cutting-edge W&M VET program for student-veterans, the Entrepreneurship Hub, the Hixon Center for Experiential Learning and Leadership, the Boehly Center for Excellence in Finance, the Alumni House expansion and The Martha Wren Briggs Center for the Visual Arts, which will include the expanded Muscarelle Museum of Art.

It is also fueling the Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation, advancing music and arts programs, expanding international initiatives and revitalizing the W&M Athletics Complex, as well as providing financial support for internships for both undergraduate and graduate students.

Importantly, the campaign provided robust funding to advance diversity and inclusion initiatives at William & Mary. Gifts supported the Center for Student Diversity, curriculum and faculty support, the Memorial to the Enslaved and the Lemon Project, which promotes greater understanding of the African American experience at William & Mary, among other efforts. In addition, new programs — such as the IIC and the Women’s Stock Pitch — bolster opportunities for women, people of color and indigenous populations to engage more fully in W&M’s educational experience.

This captures only a sliver of the impact of For the Bold.

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES DURING UNPRECEDENTED TIMES

Many in our community have asked how the campaign — now and in the years ahead — will help our students to thrive and the university as a whole to overcome the challenges facing our world. They have asked how For the Bold will advance William & Mary’s mission to convene great minds and hearts to meet the most
pressing needs of our time. All of the examples mentioned and more answer these questions, Gerdelman says.

“The compassion, kindness and shared sense of purpose in our community are vividly clear at this moment. We are seeing a new level of generosity at William & Mary, a clear focus on how to sustain resilience, and we are so grateful to everyone who is part of that groundswell,” says President Katherine A. Rowe.

Rowe adds, “Our generous donors to the For the Bold campaign have invested in efforts that push us beyond the status quo and into bold new ventures to increase equity, inclusion, grit and creativity.”

Indeed, William & Mary reimagined One Tribe One Day (OTOD) last June — the university’s giving day that celebrates engagement and philanthropy — as a day to focus on community and invest in positive change. In doing so, 7,136 donors contributed a collective $2.5 million. This was the highest dollar total raised with the largest average gift size in the annual event’s seven-year history. To date, donors gave more than 64,000 gifts on OTOD, helping the university raise a total of $13.3 million.

Last spring the university pivoted and focused the campaign almost exclusively on ways to help students, faculty and staff — and William & Mary as a whole — combat challenges posed by COVID-19. For example, emergency funds established by donors were tapped to help international students facing financial difficulties and private resources supported the newly established Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation — enabling the university to go completely virtual in the spring and then embark on hybrid instruction in the fall semester.

“We talk a lot about this campaign being an investment in people, and
what we’ve been able to do is invest in people who are tackling some of the greatest challenges we will ever face in our lifetime. We’ve invested in people who are taking risks during a time of incredible change and transformation and in people who have the passion and courage to lead during moments of great difficulty and uncertainty,” says Matthew T. Lambert ’99, vice president for university advancement.

“What we’ve seen is something bigger and bolder than we ever imagined — our For the Bold campaign will always be remembered as one of our most ambitious undertakings because it pushed William & Mary to expand our focus beyond Virginia to complex issues in our rapidly evolving world. This campaign has also brought our entire community together to build a durable culture of engagement and philanthropy,” Lambert says.

COMMUNITYWIDE SUPPORT AND ENGAGEMENT

A total of 106,644 donors contributed to For the Bold since its inception, collectively raising $1.04 billion. More than 43,000 alumni, 15,062 students, 1,086 faculty and staff, 19,068 parents, 30,866 friends, and 2,318 organizations, corporations and foundations supported the campaign. Since the start of the campaign, gifts of less than $100 have totaled approximately $14.7 million, reinforcing the fact that gifts of all sizes make a big difference. The campaign was only the fourth comprehensive fundraising effort in the university’s modern history.

Through For the Bold, William & Mary’s partnerships with private, nonprofit and public sectors grew and strengthened, a key factor to advancing innovative solutions to some of the world’s greatest threats. The collaborations were integral components of the gift to establish the IIC, as well as initiatives at the Global Research Institute, William & Mary Law School’s Lewis B. Puller Veterans Benefits Clinic and W&M’s Virginia Institute of Marine Science. They will continue to be an area the university aims to grow in the years ahead.
As we look to the future of knowledge and work, it is increasingly important to create opportunities for students to interact with organizations and businesses known for innovation and entrepreneurial thinking. Partnerships with industries and corporations will invigorate our educational core and prepare our graduates to thrive professionally in a rapidly changing world.

During the campaign, William & Mary had one of the highest donor retention rates in the U.S., with a large percentage of its undergraduate alumni renewing their investment in alma mater year after year. During the first year of the campaign, the university had a 23.6% alumni participation rate. Today, according to U.S. News & World Report, it is 30%, which places William & Mary first among all public universities in the U.S. and 17th among all privates. This can be attributed in many ways to several new and innovative programs and initiatives that were created over the course of the campaign, including OTOD, the Class Ambassadors Program, Tag Day and Impact Week.

Strengthening alumni engagement was also a key priority of the campaign. The W&M Alumni Association created W&M Weekend — which provides a variety of professional, cultural, social and intellectual opportunities for alumni — Professionals Week, W&M Women’s Weekend, the Society of 1918, a reimagined Homecoming & Reunion Weekend, Traditions Weekend — which brings together the 50th Reunion Class, Olde Guarde and Robert Boyle Legacy Society — new virtual programming featuring alumni experts in their fields, and so much more. Additional resources like the W&M Switchboard, an exclusive online platform for alumni to share job opportunities, seek advice and connect with others in their field or city, helped alumni worldwide stay connected with each other and alma mater.

These new and creative offerings are considered by many to be a reason why the university saw alumni participating in expanded activities triple since the start of the campaign — including in new career and networking opportunities, which increased 2,300%.

Additionally, William & Mary expanded its alumni engagement staff to support underrepresented communities. In November 2019 and March 2020, more than 75 alumni representing Black/African American, Latino/a and LGBT+ communities met in person on campus for two
retreat-style gatherings. The outcomes included establishing five goals for each community that are focused on growing the engagement, leadership and philanthropy of these underrepresented alumni communities. Each of the identity groups will continue to connect regularly.

Shortly after its public launch in the Sunken Garden in fall 2015, *For the Bold* went on the road. From Washington, D.C., to New York City, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Atlanta, Richmond, Chicago, Hampton Roads and London, and many more locations, alumni, parents and friends attended the campaign celebrations to support William & Mary and its vision for the future.

At the events, students spoke about the power of scholarships, professors highlighted their research and cutting-edge programs, and donors reinforced the importance of giving back to the university that supported their success both personally and professionally. A new lighting tradition was also created — several major U.S. landmarks were illuminated in green and gold in honor of the campaign, including the iconic Empire State Building.

“William & Mary has achieved what no other public university of our size has been able to achieve, strengthening in yet another way the university’s historic preeminence,” says W&M President Emeritus W. Taylor Reveley, III LL.D ’18, HON ’18. The campaign was imagined, launched and raised $800 million during Reveley’s presidency. During his tenure, private support for William & Mary surpassed public support from the commonwealth, creating a gap between private and public resources that has continued to grow.

“We were doggedly ambitious for the Alma Mater of the Nation. The campaign reached glorious new heights. William & Mary is and always will be a university for the bold,” Reveley adds.

While *For the Bold* has concluded, William & Mary continues to strengthen its culture of engagement and philanthropy. In the current financial landscape, private support is essential for the university to advance its margin of excellence and to provide robust scholarship support for exceptional William & Mary students.
W&M surpassed its $1-billion goal, making For the Bold the university’s most successful fundraising campaign ever.

- **$1.04 BILLION RAISED**
- **$703.2 MILLION** in gifts of $1 million or more collectively added up to
- **$4.2 MILLION** for the Alumnae Initiatives Endowment to support W&M women
- **$14.7 MILLION** in gifts under $100 totaled

BY THE NUMBERS
$303 million raised for scholarships

$105 million raised in support of faculty

#1 public university for alumni participation

3X more opportunities for alumni to engage with each other and alma mater since the campaign began

2,300% increase in the number of career and networking opportunities for alumni

Alumni Giving Rates in 2020
U.S. News and World Report

W&M
30%

Avg. Public University
20%

10%
It started with William & Mary’s Wren Building and ended with Kensington Palace in London. Fitting, considering the university’s royal roots. The university illuminated some of the world’s most iconic landmarks in green and gold — starting a popular tradition that lasted through the course of the For the Bold campaign. Shining brightly across the night’s skies in honor of William & Mary’s close-knit community, the dazzling lightings provided uplifting moments for students, faculty, alumni, parents, staff and friends to gather together with Tribe Pride as they celebrated the university’s most ambitious campaign yet. These are just a few of the illuminations our community witnessed.

1. SANTA MONICA
On March 28, 2017, in celebration of One Tribe One Day, the famous Ferris wheel on the Santa Monica Pier was lit in honor of William & Mary’s boldest day of giving.

2. NEW YORK CITY
On Sept. 29, 2016, the Empire State Building shone “gloriously in green and gold to honor nearly 13,000 William & Mary alumni, students, parents and friends in greater Gotham,” as President Emeritus Taylor Reveley described it. More than 45,000 people across the globe logged on to the William & Mary Alumni Association Facebook page to watch the lighting happen live.

3. ATLANTA
On Oct. 5, 2017, the King and Queen Towers and the SkyView Atlanta Ferris wheel in Centennial Park glowed green and gold in honor of more than 23,630 alumni, parents and friends in the Southeast region.

4. RICHMOND
On March 26, 2018, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the Main Street Station were illuminated.
5. WASHINGTON, D.C.

William & Mary’s most loyal supporters gathered together on April 27, 2017, at the National Portrait Gallery and Smithsonian American Art Museum. During the event, several prominent landmarks stretching from Virginia to D.C. and Maryland were illuminated in W&M colors.
The most competitive of William & Mary scholarships, the 1693 Scholarship is merit-based, given to both in-state and out-of-state students, and provides significant financial support for tuition, fees, room and board.

It also provides grants to support scholars’ independent projects, which may involve travel, research or service-oriented work. Scholarship recipients develop relationships with distinguished faculty mentors and plan their own course of study.

The program, which began a decade ago, was made possible through a leadership gift by Jim Murray J.D. ’74, LL.D. ’00 and his wife, Bruce, and has expanded since then with support from the Stamps Scholars Strive Foundation and the Watkins, Gore, Estes, Girton and Bright families. There are currently 32 students in the 1693 Scholars Program; all ranked in the top 1% of their graduating class. For many, the program was the deciding factor in choosing William & Mary.

At the Murray House, 1693 Scholars can study, cook meals and hold meetings and events.
SUPPORTING THOSE WHO SERVED

Veterans possess the talent and drive to succeed in the business world, but they often need support systems to make a healthy transition to civilian life after military service. Thanks to a $10-million gift from an anonymous alumna, William & Mary has developed a cutting-edge Veteran-to-Executive Transition program (W&M VET) that prepares veterans to excel in civilian leadership roles.

The vision behind W&M VET is comprehensive career transition support across disciplines, with an emphasis on cultivating initiative and creativity, fostering cultural adjustment and holistic wellness, as well as developing key management skills.

The gift provides for a new special assistant for military and veterans affairs, who stepped into that leadership role in November. It also includes resources to sustain the Office of Student Veteran Engagement — launched in 2019 as a two-year pilot program through the generous support of the Jessie Ball duPont Fund — and to implement new programs while expanding current efforts.

PLUS Helps New Students Thrive

William & Mary is committed to equity and to creating a university community where all students can excel. The Preparing for Life as a University Student (PLUS) program ensures that incoming first-year students have the skills and resources needed to flourish at the university.

Each summer, the Center for Student Diversity brings between 35 and 40 first-year students to campus to participate in the PLUS program. The students are introduced to campus resources, participate in mock classes and learn from current students and professors. The program also allows students to meet each other and begin to build their network of peers. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the program took place online last summer.

The impact of this program, funded in part by the Parents Fund for William & Mary, continues throughout a student’s time at William & Mary and the friendships and relationships forged can last a lifetime.

“I came into my freshman year with friends and upperclassmen who were willing to mentor and guide me — none of which would have been possible without the foundation built at PLUS.”

— EKUA BINEY ’22
LEAD GENERATION
Entrepreneurial Thinking Expanded at William & Mary

The Entrepreneurship Hub offers co-working space, makerspace access and networking opportunities.
When Nick Dantzlerward ’22 arrived at William & Mary his freshman year, he looked for a place on campus to explore his passion for entrepreneurship. He was happy to discover the Alan B. Miller Entrepreneurship Center and a whole new way of thinking.

“At first, I was under the impression that entrepreneurship was all luck based,” says Dantzlerward, who is a government major. “I’ve discovered that there is a process for developing entrepreneurial thinking to work through all kinds of challenging ideas.”

Efforts to support entrepreneurship at William & Mary were brought to life in 2009 through a generous investment by Alan Miller ’58, D.P.S. ’14 to create the Miller Center in the Raymond A. Mason School of Business. The center also continued to benefit from the private support of many donors throughout the For the Bold campaign.

In 2019, President Katherine Rowe accelerated and amplified William & Mary’s entrepreneurial movement by allocating resources from the President’s Strategic Investment Fund, which was created through an anonymous alumna’s $1.5 million gift to enable President Rowe to invest in key priorities. The unrestricted resources were used to expand to a second location and create the 7,000-square-foot Entrepreneurship Hub in Tribe Square on Richmond Road.
“We’ve created an incredible community. This is the center of gravity for entrepreneurial thinking on campus and in the region.”

Powered by programming from the Miller Center’s team, the hub has become a regional center for entrepreneurial thinking. It offers co-working space, makerspace access, networking opportunities and mentorship. It also manages the area’s business incubator, Launchpad, which brings entrepreneurs and students together for collaboration and creative thinking.

“We’ve created an incredible community. This is the center of gravity for entrepreneurial thinking on campus and in the region, mixing many different audiences in one space,” says the center’s executive director, Graham Henshaw.

Unlike many university-based entrepreneurial centers that focus primarily on launching startup businesses, William & Mary teaches students a highly versatile set of skills and a mindset that will help them solve complicated problems in any setting.

As part of the center’s vision, Henshaw devised eight pillars of entrepreneurial thinking to help guide the process. The pillars include opportunity discovery, failing wisely, improvisation, collaboration, openness to risk, tolerance for ambiguity, grit and self-direction.

“Our students are our secret sauce. They are at the core of all our operations,” says Henshaw of the 20 student workers who help execute the center’s more than 100 annual events.

One of the hub’s most popular programs is the weekly Rocket Pitch competition, which gives students 90 seconds to pose a problem, the addressable market, current solutions and their own solution. The Rocket Pitch is what first brought Dantzlerward to the Miller Center.

“I lost many Rocket Pitches until I started to build my technical understanding of the empathy and customer focus that goes into entrepreneurial thinking,” says Dantzlerward. He now serves as the chief coordinator for the Ferguson Innovation Challenge, a program that allows five student teams to develop real, entrepreneurial solutions for the largest U.S. distributor of plumbing supplies.

“What makes William & Mary so exceptional is that it gives students access to such a broad range of experiences that a lot of other schools don’t offer,” says Dantzlerward, who plans to start Marine Corps Officer Candidates School next summer. “The university provides a more comprehensive education that helps students develop their future vision.”

The university’s focus on entrepreneurial thinking remains one of President Rowe’s strategic initiatives and the skills gained have the potential to extend far beyond what is learned during a student’s years on campus.

“As the impact from the pandemic continues to unfold, there is little doubt that we will encounter a new normal in many aspects of our lives,” says Henshaw. “Now more than ever, diverse skills and mindsets are needed to navigate new challenges and changes in almost every field. The students see this movement afoot and they want to be part of it.”
STEM Program Shapes Students’ Futures

Camp Launch has been sparking curiosity in the science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields since 2012. The original grant from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation allowed 70 academically promising but economically challenged middle-school students in the region to attend a two-week residential summer STEM education camp at no cost.

Support provided by Nancy Briggs Petters ’81 and Mike Petters M.B.A. ’93 through the Petters Family Foundation kept Camp Launch going after the initial grant ended in 2015, and an additional $1 million commitment from them in 2016 expanded the program. Thanks to a new $4.55 million gift from the couple, the camp will be able to increase the number of students who attend to 300 by 2022, while also deepening their academic and personal development by inviting them to participate for four years, beginning as rising seventh-graders.

MELLON GRANTS HELP PROBE W&M’S PAST

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation contributed almost $8 million during the For the Bold campaign through nine grants and an endowment, thereby bolstering the arts, humanities and social sciences at William & Mary.

The Mellon Foundation and William & Mary share a commitment to advancing diversity and inclusion, which is reflected in the projects the foundation supported during the campaign. In 2017, Mellon made an $800,000 award to William & Mary Scholars Undergraduate Research Experience (WMSURE). This grant has engaged undergraduates from first-generation, lower-income and historically underrepresented backgrounds in faculty-mentored research and other high-impact practices that are hallmarks of a William & Mary education.

William & Mary’s latest — and largest — competitive grant from the Mellon Foundation supports ongoing efforts to reckon with the university’s slaveholding past. This $1 million grant engages descendants in teaching, research and the presentation of history through the Lemon Project: A Journey of Reconciliation and at James Monroe’s Highland.

“By sharing authority to re-interpret the past with descendants of those who lived and were enslaved at Highland, we are taking a new approach to how we tell that history.”

— President Katherine A. Rowe
1. MCLEOD TYLER WELLNESS CENTER

Working with the university’s leadership team, benefactors H. Elizabeth “Bee” McLeod ’83, M.B.A. ’91 and J. Goodenow “Goody” Tyler III HON ’11 brought the McLeod Tyler Wellness Center to life in 2018. The center promotes holistic, integrative wellness and emphasizes the importance of accessible, comprehensive health care for the W&M community.

2. ALUMNI HOUSE

The expansion and renovation of the Alumni House, completed in summer 2020, reflects the important role alumni play in the life of the university. The expansion added 33,000 square feet of new space. Hunter J. Smith ’51, L.H.D. ’18 provided the lead gift for the project and the grand ballroom is named Hunter Hall in her honor.

3. INSTITUTE FOR INTEGRATIVE CONSERVATION

The landmark Institute for Integrative Conservation (IIC) was launched in 2020 with support from an alumna who wishes to remain anonymous. Its goal is to position William & Mary as a global leader in research to protect ecosystems and safeguard world populations from environmental threats. The IIC cultivates leaders prepared to drive policy and inspire action at the local, national and international levels.

4. SHENKMAN JEWISH CENTER

Opened in fall 2018, the Shenkman Jewish Center is the first dedicated facility at the university for Jewish students to practice their faith. Made possible by a gift from Mark R. Shenkman HON ’15, P ’03 and Rosalind Shenkman P ’03, the center includes a kosher kitchen, study lounge, meeting spaces and a sukkah.
As technology changes the world at ever-increasing rates, some of the university’s most innovative transitions are happening at William & Mary Libraries. Cherished for decades as foundational to our thriving university community, the libraries continue to link people with ideas in dynamic, forward-looking ways.

“The future of the library is about building a community around digital work to give people comfortable and productive places to grow and learn together,” says Carrie Cooper, dean of university libraries.

During the For the Bold campaign, more than $22 million in support for William & Mary Libraries helped facilitate many different spaces for technology and other innovative ways to approach learning. Those include a forthcoming high-tech Digital Scholarship Center, the collaborative Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation, an expanded Swem Maker-space, a renovated Charles W. Reeder Media Center and a future open-air outdoor patio.
DIVERSITY INITIATIVES BRING POSITIVE CHANGE

Amid protests of racial injustice around the country and a global pandemic, the William & Mary community strengthened its resolve to take action through initiatives that transform teaching and learning and accelerate positive change. During the For the Bold campaign, thousands of donors contributed to diversity and inclusion efforts that support our values of belonging, respect and service.

Among the key successes was finalizing the design and funding for the Memorial to the Enslaved, which builds on more than a decade of effort to research and rectify William & Mary’s slaveholding past through the Lemon Project: A Journey of Reconciliation, another fundraising priority. Other initiatives supported by the campaign, such as the Center for Student Diversity and the Diversity & Inclusion Fund, are helping to create a more welcoming and inclusive campus.

PARTNERSHIP WITH EY SUPPORTS INCLUSION

With help from a five-year, $1 million gift from EY, William & Mary’s Raymond A. Mason School of Business is advancing diversity and inclusion efforts.

This support announced in 2016 is aimed at four areas: expanding current course offerings, faculty workshops, new curriculum development and an annual campuswide diversity and inclusiveness symposium. A combined commitment from EY and William & Mary alumni who work at the company, the gift connects with the university’s focus on increasing diversity among its students, staff and faculty. Formerly known as Ernst & Young LLP, the firm is a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction and advisory services.

FUSE Bolsters Internship Experiences

Each summer, many William & Mary students make the difficult choice between taking an unpaid internship that might help them in their future career or finding a paid summer job outside of their career path in order to help make ends meet.

With the help of generous donors, the Cohen Career Center and partner offices across campus help students navigate this dilemma through Funding for Unpaid Summer Experiences, or FUSE. Some sectors, such as nonprofit, government, education and nongovernmental organizations, traditionally lack the financial resources to pay interns. FUSE supports students in their pursuit of these opportunities.

FUSE exists because of gifts from parents, alumni and other donors. In 2019, nearly $71,000 was awarded in FUSE funding, with an average award amount of $2,500. Since 2016, 88 students have received FUSE funding.

“The dollars for our students create experiences that support career goals, skill acquisition and professional practice that will carry students into the professional world.”
— KATHLEEN POWELL
ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT

“After landing the opportunity to work abroad, I knew that the FUSE funding would be pivotal in facilitating my ability to afford to do so.”
— MALIK OBEIDALLAH ’21
JOSEPH J. PLUMERI ’66, D.P.S. ’11 established the Plumeri Awards for Faculty Excellence in 2009 with the goal of enabling outstanding William & Mary professors to take their collaborative and dynamic research to the next level. Twelve years later, the Plumeri Awards have benefited over 200 members of the university’s faculty and athletics staff.

Recipients’ research has varied from climate change to criminal justice reform to the biological foundations of Alzheimer’s disease, but all awardees exemplify passion, vision and leadership, as indicated by the medals that accompany the awards. A recent shift decreased the number of recipients each year from 20 to 10, while doubling the stipend for each recipient to $20,000, allowing more comprehensive research opportunities.

“These William & Mary professors inspire their students every day with their passion, creativity and integrity. Because of this, our next generation of business, professional and community leaders can see that with imagination and vision, anything is possible.”

— JOSEPH J. PLUMERI ’66, D.P.S. ’11
BROADENS HORIZONS

William & Mary undergraduate students share the College Curriculum experience, a set of specially designed courses that connect and integrate knowledge across the academic disciplines. The COLL 300 curriculum, which debuted in 2015 and became a requirement for all students in 2017, addresses cross-cultural, global issues and encourages students in their third year at W&M to actively engage with the world around them.

COLL 300 classes are built around lectures by W&M faculty and visiting scholars, artists and public figures, and are supported in part by the Arts & Sciences Annual Fund. Speakers offer readings, performances or lectures to broaden students’ worldviews. One recent speaker was Setsuko Thurlow, a survivor of the 1945 Hiroshima bombing, who has dedicated her life to advocating for peace and disarmament. Through COLL 300, students also study abroad or experience different cultures away from campus.

ENDOWMENT EXPANDS COUNSELING SERVICES

A $2 million gift establishing the Flanagan Counselor Education Clinic at William & Mary’s School of Education will increase financial support for graduate students who provide counseling to students and community members, making more services available at a time when many people are experiencing increased stress related to the coronavirus pandemic.

This 2020 gift from S. Stuart Flanagan, a mathematics education professor emeritus, will provide more funds for scholarships, assistantships and stipends to master’s level and doctoral students working in the education school’s two clinics. Those are the New Horizons Family Counseling Center, which assists families of students in Williamsburg and surrounding area public schools, and the New Leaf Clinic, which provides counseling to William & Mary students and other community members struggling with substance abuse. Flanagan’s endowment also brings both clinics under the umbrella of the Flanagan Counselor Education Clinic.
The coronavirus pandemic has given William & Mary’s Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation (STLI) an urgent purpose: Help faculty and students adapt to remote and hybrid classes and thrive in this altered environment.

The studio opened in August 2019 as a hub to encourage faculty collaboration across traditional boundaries and leverage new technologies that support diverse modes of teaching. These services have been particularly vital as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

Partnering with W&M Libraries and Information Technology, STLI offers video tutorials, training seminars and workshops on digital tools, resources and strategies. Its website also includes examples of how faculty members are using technology in their courses, under headings such as Data Visualization, In-class Presentation and Oral Storytelling.

Philanthropic support through the For the Bold campaign has bolstered STLI’s work across William & Mary’s schools and departments. Since the onset of the pandemic, donors have contributed more than $146,000 to the STLI Fund.

“During this time of unprecedented challenges, private funds have been critical in supporting faculty in pivoting to new modalities and retooling assignments so that students continue to have meaningful learning experiences,” says Ann Marie Stock, vice provost for academic and faculty affairs, who led a team in crafting a vision for STLI.

Foundation and individual gifts have enabled STLI to acquire equipment such as microphones and webcams needed by faculty. These funds also have covered the cost of graduate assistants to support instruction and helped pay expenses for software programs and online exhibitions, among other needs.

To prepare for the fall semester, STLI offered “Convert Your Course” and “Blended Learning @ W&M” programs for faculty members last summer. The studio also worked with University Registrar and Associate Provost Sara Marchello and other campus partners to categorize course delivery methods that students could search online and to create an inventory of outdoor spaces available to use for instruction. STLI tutorials have received over 31,000 YouTube views and its digital resources have been accessed more than 22,900 times.

“We continue to hear from faculty about how they are experiencing success in trying new techniques and strategies,” says Mark Hofer, STLI director.

Looking to spring 2021 and beyond, the goal is to learn from the shift to remote and blended learning to find practices, strategies...
STLI Director Mark Hofer (center) and his team are focused on ensuring that William & Mary emerges from the pandemic equipped to meet the needs of faculty and students in 2021 and beyond.
and mindsets that ensure William & Mary emerges from the pandemic equipped to meet evolving needs of students and faculty.

One recent addition is STLI’s teaching innovation fellows. Supported by funds from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, these nine faculty members from a range of disciplines lead book groups, plan workshops and training, and offer insight on outreach initiatives.

STLI also has hired 25 student learning partners who assist faculty in facilitating Zoom sessions, prepare course materials, provide tips on media creation and offer workshops to help their peers create websites and other multimedia projects.

Limitations imposed by the pandemic prompted brainstorming about how to collaborate creatively and serve more people. One result was a webinar series, “Leading with Compassion: Reflections and Tools for Leaders Focused on Service & Community,” spearheaded by STLI advisory team member Roxane Adler Hickey M.Ed. ’02, interim director of the W&M Washington Center. About 400 students, faculty, staff, alumni and others attended each of the three sessions, which paired faculty experts and prominent alumni in addressing aspects of leadership.

“We understood that not only employees, but alumni and the rest of the world, were looking for professional development during this time of physical distancing,” Adler Hickey says. “Each session had a lesson you could take home and use.”

Response to the series was so enthusiastic that a follow-up course is planned for the spring semester,” Hofer and STLI staff members will assist with designing the tuition-based course, which will advance William & Mary’s exploration of a continuing studies model.

During the last two semesters, additional needs have emerged. Among them: an endowed director position and more funds to hire student learning partners and support faculty. There’s also a desire for a more permanent, expanded physical space.

“We have learned a great deal from this crisis,” Stock says. “The William & Mary community is resilient, hard-working and above all, committed. We do what it takes to succeed in the moment and to plan for the future. I think I can speak for most of us — if not all — when I say we are exhausted, but we are also energized by all that we are managing during this difficult time and exhilarated about the possibilities around the corner.”

*The Studio for Teaching & Learning Innovation helped create an inventory of outdoor classroom spaces for fall 2020.*
PROFESSORSHIPS GIVE FACULTY AN EDGE

Faculty are at the heart of William & Mary’s mission of teaching, learning and research. Endowed professorships are crucial for securing and retaining the highest-quality faculty, who embody and promote the university’s mission, and who inspire others to be bold and innovative.

At the Raymond A. Mason School of Business, private support for professorships and faculty impact funds — used for research, travel, attending conferences and purchasing data sets — keeps the school on the forefront of business education and extends its reach and reputation through promoting academic research and innovation. More than 20 business school faculty impact funds and endowed professorships were created or greatly increased during the campaign.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPORTS GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH

While CEO of what is now Page/SST Planners, Cory English became intimately familiar with the William & Mary campus when the specialized laboratory consulting and design firm worked on the first two phases of the Integrated Science Center (ISC). During that time, his first wife, Katchen Stonehouse, was battling cancer.

After she died in 2010, English established the English-Stonehouse Fellowship as a tribute to her memory. The fellowship supports cutting-edge research by enabling faculty from biology, chemistry, computer science, geology, mathematics, physics and biological fields in kinesiology and psychology to apply for a two-year stipend. Each faculty fellow hires two students to conduct research, and the faculty-student team also receives funds to use for research-related expenses.

Several of the students have contributed to research publications and have gone on to top graduate schools to conduct research. Because of the program’s success, English has decided to include funds in his estate for it to continue.

“I developed a deep admiration for the faculty who freely gave their time by making selfless contributions to the ISC project.”

— CORY ENGLISH
1. ZABLE STADIUM

The $27-million renovation of Walter J. Zable Stadium in 2016 was supported by gifts from Hunter J. Smith ’51, L.H.D. ’18 and James W. McGlothlin ’62, J.D. ’64, L.L.D. ’00 and Frances G. McGlothlin ’66, L.H.D. ’18. The estate of Walter J. Zable ’37, L.L.D. ’78 also contributed to the project, and John L. Dawkins ’51 and June Lochenour Dawkins ’48 provided the lead gift for a new press box.

2. WILLIAM & MARY ATHLETICS COMPLEX

The university announced plans in 2020 for a W&M Athletics Complex with leadership gifts from Katie Garrett Boehly ’95 and Todd Boehly ’96, and Jennifer Tepper Mackesy ’91 and D. Scott Mackesy ’91. The complex will include a revitalized Kaplan Arena, which has long been considered the heartbeat of athletics and central to every student’s W&M experience.

3. REVELEY GARDEN

Named for President Emeritus W. Taylor Reveley, III LL.D. ’18, HON ’18, whose leadership was pivotal in launching the For the Bold campaign, the Reveley Garden received support from the Lettie Pate Evans Foundation, the Mary Morton Parsons Foundation, a partnership with the Garden Club of Virginia, and other donors.
Online learning continues to grow in importance, and William & Mary’s Raymond A. Mason School of Business launched its new Center for Online Learning in 2018 to bring an engaging learning environment directly to students’ computers.

Made possible by a $10-million gift from philanthropist Jane P. Batten L.H.D. ’19, HON ’17, the center represents a major development in the school’s portfolio of online graduate business degree programs since it first offered an online MBA program six years ago. The school also expanded its online offerings with a new Master of Science in Business Analytics program in summer 2018 and recently launched a Master of Science in Marketing degree.

By increasing its online presence, the business school is better positioned to offer professionals greater access to a high-caliber business education.

“Through the new Center for Online Learning, we are ensuring that a William & Mary business degree is within reach of so many more professionals, no matter where they live or work in the world.”

—JANE P. BATTEN L.H.D. ’19, HON ’17

In 2015, The Robert G. Cabell III and Maude Morgan Cabell Foundation issued a unique challenge to the William & Mary community as part of the For the Bold campaign: raise $1 million to purchase and update equipment for use in the newest wing of the Integrated Science Center (ISC), and the foundation will match it with a $500,000 grant. Our community responded, and the resulting infusion of $1.5 million is already at work, enhancing research and teaching in the sciences.

The Cabell Challenge funds have allowed William & Mary to purchase state-of-the-art science and computational equipment to support a variety of projects — one of which is the groundbreaking effort to conserve the endangered monarch butterfly. The project involves genetic research on the declining milkweed plant, the monarch’s primary host species. A small army of undergraduate and graduate researchers is driving this work, sampling milkweed in the field, mapping the milkweed genome and identifying critical variations in milkweed chemistry.
STUDENTS EXPLORE SOLUTIONS THROUGH SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY

Aided by private support and cross-campus collaboration, William & Mary’s iGEM team competes each year in the International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) competition, which highlights the best in synthetic biology through student research.

For the 2020 competition, held virtually Nov. 14-22, 2020, William & Mary’s interdisciplinary team used mathematical models to engineer a potential therapeutic for COVID-19. Each year, the winner of the competition takes home what’s been called the “World Cup of Science.” A William & Mary team won the iGEM Grand Prize in 2015, and was first runner-up in 2017.

The Arts & Sciences Annual Fund provides stipends for the students’ research, supply needs and conference travel. During the For the Bold campaign, $1.2 million was raised for the Annual Fund, which helps students and faculty throughout Arts & Sciences push the boundaries of their innovative teaching and research.

“We are working to solve a problem that has forced its way to the front of everyone’s mind for most of the past year. For this reason, it is obvious that our work can have an important impact, and the stakes are much higher.”

—MATT DENNEN ’22

In 2020, the W&M iGEM team competed among 256 teams and won a gold medal and recognition for Best Therapeutics and Best Math Model.

Nance Professorship Enhances Teaching

Judy Poarch Nance ’69 and Peter Nance ’66 wanted to commemorate their daughter’s legacy by honoring her academic passions. The Nances established the Sara E. Nance Professorship of English, first awarded in 2017, in memory of their daughter, who died from cystic fibrosis in 1998 at age 26.

Sara studied English and French at Vanderbilt University and wanted to pursue a career as a writer. The Nances’ support of exceptional English professors at William & Mary enables innovative research and inspiring teaching.

Professor Deborah Denenholz Morse, the current recipient, specializes in Victorian studies and the English novel. She says funding has allowed her to do research in London and visit sites that help her bring literature to life in her classes, lectures and writing.

“This endowment ... not only leverages the skills of a particular well-qualified teacher; the impact is multiplied through their students and to the outside world as they express themselves going forward.”

— PETER NANCE ’66

“This endowment has had a tremendous effect upon my teaching as well as my scholarship.”

— DEBORAH DENENHOLZ MORSE
SARA E. NANCE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH
The Branch Out Alternative Breaks program, run through the Office of Community Engagement, has been giving students the opportunity to attend service trips during fall, winter and spring breaks for the past 18 years. The For The Bold campaign and private donors have expanded the accessibility of the program and have made additional scholarships available. During the pandemic, all breaks are remote and there is no cost to participate.

One of the scholarships that benefits Branch Out students was created by the family of Patrick Flaherty ’92. He died in 2017, leaving a legacy of global health service, including HIV research and response to the Ebola crisis. During and after his time at William & Mary, Flaherty was involved with a service trip organization similar to Branch Out that helped introduce him to the field of public health. His sister, Erin Flaherty ’93, established scholarships in his memory to help Branch Out students, as well as public health minors.
Led by Director Mike Tierney ’87, M.A. ’88, William & Mary’s Global Research Institute (GRI) facilitates interdisciplinary collaboration among students, faculty and field experts to generate research with real-world policy implications. This work is supported by funds raised through For the Bold for scholarships, fellowships, research and internships.

In one example, Phil Roessler, an associate professor of government and co-director of the Institute’s Center for African Development, spearheaded a field-based project that measures the impact of mobile phones on Tanzanian women’s lives and offers a deeper understanding of the complexities of using mobile technology as a tool for social development.

Henry Crossman ’19 then created a project with fellow students to identify barriers to Kenyan farmers acquiring mobile micro-insurance and find a way to improve farmers’ ability to recover from economic shocks.

“Governments are changing their behavior because of the research that starts at William & Mary.”

— HENRY CROSSMAN ’19

Boehly Center Prepares Leaders of Finance

The Boehly Center for Excellence in Finance was established in 2014 by a generous multiyear gift from Todd Boehly ’96 and Katie Garrett Boehly ’95.

Part of the Raymond A. Mason School of Business, the Boehly Center offers students an enriched experience as they prepare for careers in finance. The center provides opportunities for advanced financial training, career exploration, networking and experiential learning through financial firm-sponsored competitions as well as through industry-leader and dedicated faculty-taught courses.

“The Boehly Center is at the cutting edge of where I think management education is headed, which is bringing companies, industry leaders, alumni and faculty together to think about what it really takes to make our students truly career ready and to connect them to world-class opportunities,” says Dean Larry Pulley ’74.

“What finance has done for me has been nothing short of spectacular and I love sharing the opportunity, the education and knowledge base with current students.”

— TODD BOEHLY ’96
In November 2019, a William & Mary alumna made a $19.3-million gift to establish the landmark Institute for Integrative Conservation (IIC). The institute focuses on two overarching goals: conducting research that leads to improved global conservation outcomes and training the next generation of diverse conservation leaders.

The IIC, located at 221 N. Boundary St., is the first university program located directly under the Office of Provost instead of within a school or unit. Its vision is to be the nation’s premier cross-disciplinary institute in the critical field of conservation.

To that end, the IIC team, led by Executive Director Robert Rose and Faculty Director John Swaddle, is building a critical network of conservation partners. Throughout the year, they have been meeting with W&M alumni, other universities, federal and state agencies and conservation organizations including National Geographic, Smithsonian Institution, World Wildlife Fund and The Nature Conservancy.

“Conservation requires collaborative partnerships that transcend traditional boundaries and redefine the status quo. Time is of the essence and I believe that the institute is just what we need to bring significant change to our world,” says the alumna whose generous For the Bold gift made the IIC possible.

The institute is already working with conservation organizations including the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) and Conservation International on a set of environmental challenges that will be tackled by student-faculty teams over the next year.

“One challenge focuses on the identification of priority restoration areas in the Mesoamerican forest complex,” Rose explains. “Working with WCS, students integrated relevant data and expert opinions into a model of priority restoration areas that will drive conservation actions in this region.”

“We came to William & Mary with a real conservation problem,” says Jeremy Radachowsky from WCS in reference to this collaborative project. “The tools that Kat Baganski ’21 (the student lead) brought to this project, in joint conservation thinking and mapping, are really useful and Kat’s results will be implemented as part of our conservation work.”

Among the issues the IIC tackles are environmental justice and empowerment of Indigenous people, development of new conservation technologies and providing sustainable livelihoods for people who live in high biodiversity areas. To identify conservation strategies and ensure maximum impact, the IIC is establishing a network of conservation leaders.
Robert Rose, executive director of the new Institute for Integrative Conservation, confers with a student.
professionals from a broad range of sectors to drive real-world conservation agendas, generating actionable policy-relevant data.

“We are taking a more integrative approach to conservation,” says Swaddle. “Along with the sciences, we are building in business processes, strategic leadership and the voices and knowledge of Indigenous peoples, as many conservation challenges stem from economic development opportunities in developing nations.”

This summer, in partnership with the Roy R. Charles Center at W&M and four conservation-oriented nongovernmental organizations, the IIC launched its IIC Research Lab for virtual conservation research internships. The students’ projects, described on the IIC website, include collaborations with four external conservation partners, among them the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. One of the projects will help launch the IIC podcast “Conservation Stories,” with an initial focus on Indigenous peoples’ voices. They hope to increase the size of their summer research cohort each year.

“We are expanding the skillset and pipeline of future conservation practitioners — leaders who can help prevent the degradation of our environment. Human society is utterly dependent on the vitality of the living world and we are at a tipping point where we must act to preserve biodiversity and ourselves,” says Swaddle.

The IIC also created a series of community events, starting with a two-part “Trailblazing Women in Conservation” presentation and discussion in fall 2020. In spring 2021, they hope to hold a Hack for Earth student competition, a conservation lecture series, open houses to build student interest and involvement, and a grand opening event during Earth Week.

Swaddle, Rose and their team expect the IIC to have its own undergraduate curriculum, Integrative Conservation, in three years. Swaddle is already talking about adding a graduate certificate. They are also pursuing an emerging opportunity to create virtual and in-person professional development and leadership growth opportunities for conservation practitioners around the globe.

“William & Mary is uniquely positioned to be at the forefront of global conservation efforts because of its strength and expertise in the humanities, public policy, sciences and data analytics. The university’s diverse student body combined with its size, focus on entrepreneurial thinking and proximity to the nation’s capital, where many of the top conservation organizations are located, are all assets that will be crucial to advancing the institute’s mission,” says the alumna about her groundbreaking gift. “This is an investment in our future, in our environment and in the people at William & Mary and beyond who will undoubtedly help change the course of history.”
As an avid advocate of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, Peg Freeman became increasingly aware of the problems that plastics cause to our environment.

When presented with the idea of funding a student who could study and find a solution to marine plastic pollution, Freeman’s family was pleased to help ensure that William & Mary’s Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) could attract the best and brightest talent. The family’s $250,000 gift to VIMS fully funds doctoral student Meredith Evans Seeley in her research into plastics pollution. The partnership between VIMS and the family’s foundation creates a bridge between academic research, public interest and effective action on plastics pollution to have a wider impact on the community.

“This research is really for future generations,” Freeman says, thinking of her grandchildren and great-grandchild. “The rivers and bay are extremely important, and this research will be very significant in taking care of them.”

Matt Wester ’06, M.A.Ed. ’10 is challenging the odds. As a physics and biology teacher at Franklin Military School in Richmond, Virginia, he has devoted more than a decade to a profession that nearly half of new teachers nationally leave within five years.

The need for highly qualified teachers is especially critical in urban school districts such as Richmond’s, where over half of the students are economically disadvantaged. But Wester says he likely would not be where he is without the Ukrop Richmond City Public School Teacher Scholarship, which assists students at the William & Mary School of Education who commit to teaching in Richmond schools for at least one year. Jim Ukrop ’60, L.H.D. ’99 and Barbara Berkeley Ukrop ’61 established the scholarship in 2003, and Wester is one of 17 recipients to date.

“If we are to create equal opportunities for all our citizens, we need to have great teachers who are committed to their profession,” says Jim Ukrop.
1. THE MARTHA WREN BRIGGS AMPHITHEATRE

In 2016, the Lake Matoaka Amphitheatre was renamed in honor of Martha Wren Briggs ’55 to recognize her gifts to restore the venue and make it accessible to all visitors. Briggs, who passed away in 2017, was a longtime supporter of the arts at William & Mary.

2. TRIBE FIELD HOCKEY CENTER

The Tribe Field Hockey Center, located at Busch Field, honors 100 years of coeducation and women’s athletics. Lead donors include Cathy Bessant P ’18, John Clay P ’18, Kelly Donahue P ’18, P ’21 and Chris Donahue P ’18, P ’21, Maryellen Farmer Feeley ’85, Ed Feeley M.B.A ’85, Tracy Leinbach ’81 and Millie West HON ’91, L.H.D. ’17.

3. HIXON CENTER

Providing free service to clients, the clinics at William & Mary Law School allow students in their second and third years of study to gain practical experience while serving their communities. The James A. and Robin L. Hixon Center for Experiential Learning and Leadership was completed in 2017 and houses all 10 clinics.

4. ARTS EXPANSION

Thanks to private donations and state funds, a new music building and renovated Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall will provide updated spaces for William & Mary’s theater, speech, dance and music programs in 2022. The adjacent The Martha Wren Briggs Center for the Visual Arts will house an expanded Muscarelle Museum of Art by 2023.
By attending the Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing, William & Mary students are creating a brighter future for women in STEM.

Named in honor of a pioneer in the field, the annual celebration is a job fair and lecture series. Its mission is to encourage women to pursue careers in computing, expand opportunities in the field and break gender divides. As the largest gathering of women technologists in the world, the event connects 700 employers with 13,000 women in business over three days.

W&M students have been attending since 2010, and alumni donations to the computer science department through the For the Bold campaign have helped make the experience possible. Funds from the Belinda Carmines Blankenship Computer Science Innovation Endowment, established in 2018 by Belinda Blankenship ’88 and her husband, Chip, also have helped remove financial barriers to student participation.

“Inspiration-wise it’s a dream, because you get to hear from other women who were in the same exact place as you at one point in time, and their advice is invaluable.”

—Rachel Coughlin ’19

Law Clinics Offer Experience and Service

While William & Mary Law School was the first in the nation, it is also at the forefront of law education. The goal of preparing students to become citizen lawyers who serve their communities with distinction has not changed, but the opportunities for students to learn while serving others have increased tremendously in recent years.

Through the school’s 10 legal clinics, second- and third-year students represent people confronting immigration, elder and disability issues, domestic violence and family law issues. They help veterans and students with disabilities to get the services and support they need. They also assist low-income taxpayers and investigate and research inmates’ claims of innocence. And they conduct legal and policy research to help coastal communities face the threats posed by sea-level rise and climate change.

Recognizing the important role of the clinics in helping students gain experience and in serving the community, James A. Hixon J.D. ’79, M.L.T. ’80 provided the lead gift for the James A. and Robin L. Hixon Center for Experiential Learning and Leadership.
William & Mary is a leader in global education. For seven of the last 10 years, the university has had the highest percentage of undergraduates participating in study abroad programs of any public university in the country. Consistently, well over 50% of undergraduate students study abroad during any given year, typically in more than 45 countries. During the pandemic, these programs are continuing on a limited basis.

“Study abroad has become an integral part of a W&M liberal arts education by providing opportunities for students to challenge themselves in unfamiliar contexts, engage with ideas and knowledge new to them and self-reflectively consider their place in the world,” says Sylvia Mitterndorfer, director of global education for the Reves Center for International Studies.

Scholarships make a critical difference in enabling students to pursue such opportunities. Roughly a third of those who study abroad are able to do so through scholarships provided by private support.

Bob Trice ’68 and Susan Saulmon Trice ’68 believe in the power of international experiences for students. In 2017, the Northern Virginia couple gave a seven-figure gift to fund endowments and need-based fellowships and internships, among other priorities, in William & Mary’s Global Research Institute and public policy program. The endowments support international experiential learning and research through initiatives such as GRI’s Summer Fellows Program and Shark Tank competition and the public policy program’s international internship.

“We think the interdisciplinary approach is key to teaching students how to adapt to a changing environment,” Bob Trice says. “When you bring together government, economics and international relations, you give them skills which very few other American students have. Then you add the international environment to that — it’s definitely a positive discriminator in the marketplace for William & Mary students.”

“Time and time again, you hear young people say a trip abroad is a life-changing experience, but many students at William & Mary couldn’t do this without financial support.”

— SUSAN SAULMON TRICE ’68
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William & Mary’s legacy of military service spans three centuries, and Dennis Kim M.B.A. ’19 follows in that tradition. Before attending W&M, he served as an Army Medical Corps Service Officer in Afghanistan — "Twenty-two years old and thrown into the fire to lead," he says. He managed five aid stations and forged bonds with fellow service members, civilians and allies.

Scholarships allowed him to join the many active duty service members enrolled at the Raymond A. Mason School of Business, where he studied leadership, organizational behavior, business analysis and more.

“My courses reinforced the idea that the study of leadership never ends. As I transition from the tactical to the strategic side of the military, I will keep that mantra in mind. I am grateful for the opportunity to attend William & Mary, partially sponsored by both the military and by private scholarship support. Thank you for investing in America’s future.”
Merci Best ’17 first discovered her love of science as a middle school student in Richmond, Virginia. Now, she’s passionate about helping future generations of students — especially women and people of color — develop a love of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, the arts and math).

Starting the summer after eighth grade, she worked in John Warrick’s research lab at the University of Richmond, where she used fruit flies to study the human brain. She is now a doctoral student at the University of Virginia studying Alzheimer’s disease.

A neuroscience major and community studies minor at William & Mary, she started her own business, STEAMTRIX, to introduce students to STEAM careers. She also volunteered in local schools as a Sharpe Community Scholar — a program that advances community-based research and teaching — and conducted research through the W&M Scholars Undergraduate Research Experience program into the reasons women are underrepresented in STEAM fields.

“I felt like I was a better scientist because I took the time to take upper-level education courses on how to do research while engaging the community and how to teach students from different backgrounds,” she says. “People who look like me are underrepresented in science. So how do I pursue my dreams and aspirations, but still provide a pathway for other students who may not know this is available to them?’”

She chose to attend William & Mary not only because of its strong academics, but also because of the scholarships she received, including the Spirit Scholarship. Established by Nancy Burgess Gofus ’75 and Joe Gofus HON ’18, it provides need-based scholarship assistance to a student who exemplifies the William & Mary spirit: leadership, community and international service.

A highlight of her W&M experience was studying abroad in South Africa through the Reves Summer Scholarship, something she didn’t think she’d be able to do as a science major always in the lab.

“It is vital to know what scholarships exist, and the Center for Student Diversity showed me what was available and how to apply,” she says. “That’s why, even though I’m still getting into my career, I give back to the Center for Student Diversity.”
“I felt like I was a better scientist because I took the time to take upper-level education courses on how to do research.”
SAGE STANISH ’22

Sage Stanish ’22 grew up in the tiny 300-person town of Seldovia, Alaska, where the only way in or out is a six-seater bush plane or small boat. By age 16, he was captain of a commercial fishing rig, but fishing was never his dream. Scholarships made it possible for Stanish to come to William & Mary, pursue a double major in physics and math and meet people from all over the world. He hopes to go on to graduate school for his doctorate.

“It is because of scholarships to attend W&M that I find myself well prepared for a career in the sciences. Grants have not only made it possible for me to attend college, but to pursue my own funded research in mathematics, an experience that I love more than any other pursuit I have tried thus far.”

1. KHALIL RUSSELL ’21
Major: Biology

Khalil is a 1693 Scholar as well as chair of Students for University Advancement and its philanthropy chair. He has conducted extensive research with VIMS on topics ranging from water body surveys to the ocean quahog, a species of edible clam.

“My scholarship has made it possible for me to see new parts of the world, learn new ways to think, and develop parts of myself I didn’t know were there. Most importantly, though, it put me in the perfect place to meet my Tribe, the second family I’ll have for the rest of my life.”

2. TIMOTHY BECK ’17
Major: Kinesiology and Health Sciences

Before attending William & Mary, Tim served two combat tours in Afghanistan as a U.S. Army Ranger. He is now a medical student at the Duke University School of Medicine and is also conducting a clinical trial.

“My scholarship made it possible for me to afford my education, which allowed me to reach beyond the goals that I thought were possible for my life. But more importantly, it made it possible for me to meet the friends and mentors who helped shape what my life is today. Helping others get those opportunities inspires me to give back.”

3. RACHEL M. BECKER ’19
Major: Government

Rachel turned her challenging childhood into a passion for helping support child and family rights. She is now a policy advisor to Virginia’s secretary of health and human resources.

“Because of the Parent & Family Scholarship, I was able to live and work in Washington, D.C., for a summer. That internship was a pivotal moment in my life, where I learned my passion for child and family advocacy. I now work on policy and legislation to support Virginia’s families. It means so much to me that it was W&M’s parents and families that made it possible for me to pursue my career. Providing opportunities like this shows we truly are One Tribe, One Family.”
Thank you for giving a young, humble and resilient kid from Richmond, who has an interior fire and passion brewing deep inside him for bringing about change, the opportunity to live out his dreams and aspirations.

— ALTON COSTON ’23
For the Bold was a campaign about people. Thank you for the transformational impact you’ve made for everyone in the William & Mary community.

“I will be forever grateful for the opportunity to attend such a prestigious institution, and I am confident that William & Mary has prepared me for the next phase of my life.”
— LEAH MORGAN ’21

“From the moment I first stepped onto campus, William & Mary felt like home. I truly believe that everything I do inside and outside of the classroom is imbued with purpose, and I have always been spurred on by my peers, professors, and the administration here.”
— ALEXIS HAWBAKER ’22
KINESIOLOGY AND HEALTH SCIENCES MAJOR

“William & Mary continues to thrive thanks to alumni support, and I want to personally thank you for helping to make our learning community such an enriching and vibrant one.”
— PROFESSOR BETSY KONEFAL
FELLOW, CENTER FOR THE LIBERAL ARTS

“The generosity and vision of dedicated W&M alumni shaped my college experience and the trajectory of my life ... [and] lit a fire within me that endures today and equipped me with the skills to contribute to the public good.”
— YOHANCE WHITAKER ’16
GOVERNMENT MAJOR
“Since I first stepped foot on campus about four years ago, I knew this was my dream school and attending William & Mary is truly an honor and privilege that would be impossible without you!”

— HUNTER DIGIACOMO-BARNES '22

“I am so humbled to be a member of the William & Mary community. When I applied for an honors fellowship, I did not realize the extent to which the program was dependent upon crowd-sourced funding from alumni, family and friends. THANK YOU.”

— CASEY LARDNER '15
BIOLOGY MAJOR, MATHEMATICS MINOR

“Neither of my parents graduated from college so I’m extremely thankful to be given this opportunity to not only gain a world-class education, but also to grow as a person.”

— ERIN LIPKIN '23
DATA SCIENCE MAJOR AND SOCIOLOGY AND COMPUTER SCIENCE MINORS

“Much of my teaching is tied closely to the research success of my lab and so gifts like yours that help to support faculty research success are critical to the training of undergraduates as well.”

— DR. JONATHAN D. ALLEN
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY
CO-DIRECTOR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM IN MARINE SCIENCE

“Your kindness and generosity have given me a chance to thrive and pursue the possibilities of the future.”

— CHUCK LIN '23
BIOLOGY MAJOR

“I expected that going to a school with such high-achieving individuals would mean that I had to fend for myself and figure things out on my own. I now have realized that at W&M, it is the complete opposite. My professors have gone out of their way to help me understand and succeed, my peers keep me motivated, and the community as a whole has encouraged me to try new things.”

— FATIMA JEREZ-MUNGUIA '22
MARKETING MAJOR
Students enjoy a yoga class in The Martha Wren Briggs Amphitheatre at Lake Matoaka. Classes and activities of all kinds have moved outside to allow for social distancing, to reduce the risk of transmission and to take advantage of good weather and fresh air.
ALUMNI PROFILE  

For generations, William & Mary students, faculty, staff and alumni have explored the streets of Colonial Williamsburg and immersed themselves in its history. Now, an alumnus is leading the one-of-a-kind living history museum. On Jan. 1, 2020, Clifford Bridges “Cliff” Fleet III ’91, M.A. ’93, J.D. ’95, M.B.A. ’95 became the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation’s ninth president and CEO.

He is just one of 32 alumni in William & Mary’s history with four or more degrees from the university. Throughout his academic life and career, he has combined his interest in history and business.

After an extensive career at Philip Morris USA in Richmond, Virginia, in which he rose from intern to retire as CEO in 2017, Fleet returned to William & Mary to teach in the Raymond A. Mason School of Business. He also served as president of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation until he was tapped for the top job at CW.

“The opportunity to work with Colonial Williamsburg, to lead what is both a business and a historical institution, one that is tied so closely to two institutions I love deeply and dearly — William & Mary and the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation — it was just an opportunity that I couldn’t pass up,” Fleet says.

He aims to keep the living history museum relevant, at the forefront of the national discussion about our history, and to attract audiences that are more diverse in all dimensions. To do this, he has three goals: “We want to broaden our impact on America by teaching the story of our founding, think deeper about digital explorations, and tell a more complete story of the people who made this nation possible,” he says.

Colonial Williamsburg is expanding the stories it tells to include more voices of women and Black and Native American people in Williamsburg. For example, CW is working in partnership with the First Baptist Church in Williamsburg, which was founded in 1776 and is one of the oldest American churches founded by Blacks. One of its early ministers, Gowan Pamphlet, was the first Black person ordained as a minister in the United States. CW is conducting archaeology on the original site of the church.

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“WE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO SEE WE ARE STILL A VITAL AND BEAUTIFUL DESTINATION TO VISIT.”

LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE: One of Cliff Fleet’s goals for Colonial Williamsburg is to expand the stories it tells about Black and Native American people. Stephen Seals, pictured here, plays James Armistead Lafayette, who was an enslaved spy during the American Revolution.
in the hope of reconstructing the building. They’ve received national press coverage for the initiative.

He’s looking ahead to 2026, when Colonial Williamsburg will celebrate its 100th anniversary as well as the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

Fleet is also focused on restoring CW’s fiscal performance in a sustainable way — one of Colonial Williamsburg’s biggest challenges. Fleet took on an institution struggling to find firm financial footing. Then, soon after he began his tenure, the COVID-19 pandemic swept through the nation and world. CW closed its properties to the public from March 16 to June 14, necessitating difficult staffing and budgeting decisions.

“Based on input from leaders across our organization, our regional partners and the health care community, we are convinced this is the most responsible course of action,” said Fleet in a press release on March 25. “Our priorities are safeguarding the health of our staff, guests and the community, and helping the community and our employees through this very challenging time, while also protecting Colonial Williamsburg as a cultural institution.”

The closure was an opportunity for CW to expand its digital offerings and find new ways of delivering educational content online, through blogs, videos, virtual tours and more — crucial to attracting the next generation of CW visitors and maintaining interest in the historic site even while it was closed. Since the streets were quiet and exhibition buildings were closed, CW also conducted necessary maintenance and landscaping.

“We thought that it was really important for people to see we are still a vital and beautiful destination to visit,” Fleet says. “Our donors have responded and it’s heartwarming to see what they have made possible. Their support has enabled us to sustain our operations during this time period.”

CW reopened with new safety protocols, including mask-wearing and social distancing. Visitors are returning, archaeology continues and historical interpreters are once again telling the stories of the nation’s founding, with renewed focus on Fleet’s goals of impactful and diverse portrayals.

Outside of his role at CW, Fleet was one of the contributors to the Memorial to African Americans Enslaved by William & Mary.

“It is very important that we recognize all of the people that shaped the country that we live in and the nation we have today,” he says. “For too long we haven’t fully recognized the heritage and history of all. This is one way.”

Fleet is also vice chair of the William & Mary Foundation Board and a longtime donor to his alma mater. He is a firm believer in the power of scholarships. He worked his way through William & Mary in Residence Life, by cooking at Second St. and the Polo Club and by coaching track at a local private school.

“I didn’t have a lot of money when I was going through school,” he says. “It’s important to me to help ensure students can financially afford to get through college and reach their potential.”

He sees his giving and board service as a way to give back to an institution that helped him reach success. He also helps support the next generation of William & Mary students through teaching a “Business Foundations” class he designed in the business school that introduces students to the major business disciplines, business ethics and the role of business in society.
“I had a wonderful history, business and law education. But in addition to that, I got a very strong alumni network that helped me and supported me as I worked through my career. I’ve hired alumni, and I’ve called on alumni for advice on how to solve problems,” he says.

Fleet looks back fondly at the many runs he took up and down Duke of Gloucester Street as a student and the hours he spent learning about early America in CW’s Historic Area. He sees Colonial Williamsburg’s and William & Mary’s missions as complementary and ripe for collaboration as both institutions work to educate about and conduct research on early American history.

He says his new role at Colonial Williamsburg is a way to give back to the community.

“I have been blessed in my life and if I can make an impact and help others in our community, it’s something that brings me great joy,” he says. “William & Mary, Colonial Williamsburg and the broader region have shaped me as a person. I’ve long had an interest in history, and so being a part of this is a real privilege and an honor.”

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Rising STEM Star
Candice Hatcher-Solis ’07 leads Air Force research team

ALUMNI PROFILE The daughter of a retired Air Force colonel and granddaughter of a Korean War veteran, Candice Hatcher-Solis ’07 feels a personal connection to research that could improve military service members’ ability to carry out their missions.

As a scientist in the Air Force Research Laboratory’s 711th Human Performance Wing on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio, she directs experiments on how noninvasive brain stimulation can improve learning, alertness and memory and counter the effects of stress, fatigue, fear and pain.

“I’m passionate about doing whatever I can to help our airmen that are defending our country,” says Hatcher-Solis, who was born at Robins Air Force Base in Georgia. She grew up living on military bases and has two uncles who served in the Navy.

“We are interested in optimizing cognitive performance,” she says. “We want to determine if these technologies are effective in enhancing their ability to gather intelligence and conduct surveillance and aerial reconnaissance. The end goal is to transition this out to the field in an operational environment.”

Hatcher-Solis leads the Air Force Research Laboratory’s Neurobiology of Cognitive Performance team, which is investigating the effects of transcranial direct current stimulation through electrodes that target specific areas of the brain.

Her work “stands to have far-reaching implications for the warfighter,” according to an Air Force announcement in June of her recognition with the 2020 Women of Color STEM Technical Innovation in Government award. Presented by Women of Color Magazine, the award recognizes Hatcher-Solis’ accomplishments in the area of science, technology, engineering and math, as well as her spirit of innovation and commitment to mentoring other young scientists.

“Growing up, I didn’t see a lot of women of color in STEM fields that I had access to, and I believe that representation is important,” she says. “It’s important for students to see someone who is similar to themselves to understand that this is something they can achieve.”

The Air Force announcement describes Hatcher-Solis as an up-and-coming scientist who was named the Air Force Research Laboratory Scientist of the Quarter in June. She is the vice chair for Air Force Women in Science and Engineering, and she supports the Leadership Experience Growing Apprenticeships Committed to Youth program, an outreach initiative to encourage students who are underrepresented in STEM fields.

None of that surprises her father, A.G. Hatcher Jr., who says she was always smart, inquisitive, resilient, hard-working and goal-oriented — not just in her schoolwork, but also as a cheerleader and softball and volleyball player.

Candice’s father and her late mother, Dorothy, were both born in Alabama and attended college in their home state. The first in their families to pursue higher education, they emphasized the importance of a college degree to Candice and her younger sister, Lela.

“It wasn’t so much that we were pressuring her to excel,” he says. “She pushed herself.”
He recalls a time when he was driving Candice to Bishop O’Connell High School in Arlington County, Virginia, during exam week, and she called her teacher to check on the schedule.

“The teacher said, ‘You don’t have to take the exam at all. You have a B-plus,’” he says. “I’m thinking I can go back home and have an easy day. I don’t have to drive to Arlington.” But Candice wasn’t deterred. “She said, ‘Dad, I want to take the exam. I want to make an A in the class.’” He reminded her that her grade could also fall as a result of the exam.

“I said, ‘Are you sure?’ She said, ‘Yes.’ And she got an A in that class. That’s how driven she is.”

Sometimes the family’s frequent moves for her father’s military career worked against Candice, who attended three different high schools in four years. When the Hatchers moved to Las Vegas for her senior year, she had been in the top 10% of her class at Bishop O’Connell, a prestigious private school, and at Grafton High School in York County, Virginia, but her grade point average dropped because not all of her credits transferred. Still, Candice received a merit scholarship to attend William & Mary, based on her academic performance.

“In addition to talking to me about lecture material, he took me to his lab and he was really the first to do that,” she says. “That opened my mind to some of the research that goes behind the concepts I was learning in class.”

Hatcher-Solis joined William & Mary’s Nu Chi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, where she began her mentoring efforts as part of her community service work. A sorority sister, Dr. Kiila Tollerson Johnson ’05, became a mentor and guided her toward a post-baccalaureate program at Virginia Commonwealth University.

It was there that Hatcher-Solis earned her doctorate in physiology and biophysics. She also met her husband, Ernesto Solis Jr., when the advisor for his doctoral program in neuroscience moved from Vanderbilt University to VCU. After completing her doctorate in 2016, Hatcher-Solis spent a year as a fellow at the National Institutes of Health’s National Institute on Drug Abuse in Baltimore before starting her position at the Air Force Research Laboratory.

Now that her father has retired, she’s carrying on a part of the family’s government and military legacy.

“She gets to research how airmen deal with stress, pain and anxiety,” A.G. Hatcher says. “She is so excited about her work because it’s going to help our Air Force equip airmen with the kinds of things they need when they go into battle — and not just airmen, it could also help soldiers, sailors and Marines. And some of these things can end up saving lives.”

— TINA ESHLEMAN
History in the Making
Marcia Anderson ’83 directs White House Historical Association publications

ALUMNI PROFILE It was a love of American history that led Marcia Anderson ’83 to William & Mary and then on to a remarkable career leading the publications program for the White House Historical Association.

Growing up near George Washington’s Mount Vernon and close to Washington, D.C., Anderson developed a deep passion for history. During a middle school vacation to Williamsburg, she set her sights on the university.

“It was a chance to combine everything that I had studied and interested me over the years — my love of history with my love of books,” says Anderson.

The nonprofit, nonpartisan educational association was founded in 1961 by former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy as part of her vision to make the White House a living museum.

Throughout the 19th century, there would actually be auctions of unwanted contents on the White House lawn when a new first family would move in,” says Anderson. “Mrs. Kennedy envisioned the historic residence to be a showcase of American history in which everything had a reason to be there.”
Kennedy needed a private partner in her pursuit, and thus the White House Historical Association was created with the goal to disseminate knowledge of White House history and create a permanent collection of American fine and decorative arts.

“The new association needed a source of funding. In 1962, Mrs. Kennedy gave her famous televised tour of the White House and announced, ‘We are going to do a book.’ This promise became ‘The White House: An Historic Guide,’ the association’s first project,” says Anderson. “The first-ever published guide to the house, it sold for a dollar, was enthusiastically received by the public, and immediately sold out many times, thus providing the revenue needed to support the renovation projects.”

When tours were curtailed for the decade following 9/11, Anderson modernized the guide to make it a resource for those who could only view the White House from outside the fence. Now in its 24th edition, the guide has sold nearly 5 million copies.

In October, the association’s newest publication, “Wine and the White House: A History,” was released. The 450-page book traces the wines served at every State Dinner dating back to President Dwight D. Eisenhower’s administration and how important and influential wine selection decisions are as part of diplomatic and international relations.

“It is fascinating how the story of America can be seen as it played out at the White House,” says Anderson. “It is hard to imagine how one building could have so many interesting stories to tell.”

Looking back on her career path, Anderson credits her time at William & Mary for contributing to her success.

“I’m grateful for the high expectations and heavy workloads at William & Mary, which helped prepare me for the challenges I still face today,” she says. “Two lessons learned at W&M stick with me on a daily basis: ‘When you think you are finished, start over,’ and, as Dr. Seuss put it, ‘Nobody said it would be easy, they just promised it would be worth it.’ Both help with the perfection you need to publish a book.”

Over the years, Anderson’s love of Williamsburg has never wavered. She visits often and owns a house in town. And she is always on the hunt for interesting stories to tell.

“The White House Historical Association also publishes the White House History Quarterly, a magazine now in its 59th issue, which focuses on scholarly, yet approachable, history,” she says. “I would love to hear from any of my fellow W&M alumni who have fun or engaging White House stories to share.”

— LESLIE MCCULLOUGH M.B.A. ’17

Olde Guarde Distinguished Service Award

Pamela Brown Michael ’65 is the Olde Guarde’s 2020 honoree

PAM MICHAEL has ably served her alma mater both as a volunteer and a staff member. After many years enthusiastically shepherding class reunions for W&M, she came out of retirement to lead the Class of 1965’s record-breaking 50th Reunion gift committee. She served on the W&M Alumni Association board from 2016-2020 and previously volunteered on the board of the Williamsburg-Peninsula Alumni Chapter.

Michael is a loyal Tribe fan and provided key support to the Lord Botetourt Auction as a committee member and by contributing unique auction items. Her generosity extends throughout campus and she is also a member of the Honorable Robert Boyle Legacy Society.

“Her enthusiasm as a loyal Tribe fan and member of the Olde Guarde is contagious, and she is a positive influence on all alumni and friends of William & Mary with whom she comes in contact,” says Howard Busbee ’65, J.D. ’67, M.L.T. ’68, P ’90, P ’04.

The Olde Guarde Distinguished Service Award recognizes an individual whose class graduated a minimum of 50 years prior to the year the award is presented. It is awarded to an alumnus who does not currently serve on the Olde Guarde Council who shows exemplary dedication, involvement and continued service to the university as well as lifetime achievement.

— CLAIRE DE LISLE
Call of Alma Mater
Alumni Opt to Live Near William & Mary

COMING HOME

James D. Penny J.D. ’83 and Pamela Jordan Penny ’77, HON J.D. ’16 may not have known it at the time, but by purchasing a house close to William & Mary’s campus for their retirement over a decade ago, they were helping to establish a pattern.

The idea seems to be gaining momentum among alumni for many of the same reasons it appealed to the Pennys: the opportunity to return to a familiar setting full of treasured memories from the dawning of adulthood, to enjoy the cultural, recreational and intellectual benefits of living close to a university and to strengthen bonds with others in the W&M community.

“These close-in neighborhoods are fantastic for people who love William & Mary and want to enjoy Williamsburg,” Jim Penny says. “To me it’s a win-win situation for alumni and for the university.”

— TINA ESHLEMAN

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Class Notes
What’s the Story?

SNOW ON THE SUNKEN GARDEN

According to the Virginia Gazette, Williamsburg experiences an average annual snowfall of 5 inches.

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Class Reporter

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What memories will be the most vivid when we recall the tragic days of 2020 — the scary COVID-19 virus, uncontrollable fires in our West, massive unemployment, interrupted education schedules or the discomfort of wearing masks in public? Americans tried to cope with these all at once, sometimes succeeding, sometimes not. There were some unhappy, but more often inspirational, efforts by our citizens to come to terms with the virus. Winston-Salem, NC 27106

North Carolina featured a famous local landscape architect and gardener who had just restored the historic grounds at the Mount Airy, North Carolina, home of John D. Adams ’79. On one of the pages, John is lounging in a big hammock on the bank of a lovely landscaped wooded area at his newly restored treasure. I introduced John to our class in this column a few years ago.

This past summer, I received an e-mail from Martin Rosencrans and his wife, Sandra, from Laguna Woods, California, who are hopefully not in harm’s way, and another from Sallie Ross Rich after my report appeared about her Sanibel Captiva Conservation Association Award of Excellence for Environmental Photography. Sallie was en route to her yearly Captiva, Florida, vacation among the dolphins. On a nostalgic note, she took the opportunity to remind us of the importance of the words to “Our Alma Mater,” which our college choir (Sallie included) sang on the balcony of the Wren Building on Wednesday evenings.

“The noble college, dear us now! Thy children cry. All hail to thee.”

I’ll say amen to that! Here’s to a much happier year than the last one.

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1954

Class Reporter

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KEY: ♦ OLDE GUARDE
By the time you read this, it will be 2021. Hopefully, by then the pandemic will be over. When I was growing up, my mother told me about her experiences during the 1918 pandemic. She was 11 years old at the time. I see a lot of comparisons.

I received a welcome letter from Ann Calihan Greene. She and her husband, Dutch, live at Atlantic Shores Senior Living Community in North Carolina, Virginia Beach. She says, “We love it here — so much to do. I do a lot of art.” Her work has been displayed in the halls. She’s in several exercise classes and she swims and goes for walks. She says, “I’ve met four other people who went to William & Mary, but none at the same time.” Her first husband and the father of her four children was Quinby Hines. He passed away at age 62. You may remember that he did the extra point kicking for the football team. Dutch went to Eastern State College in Kentucky. He and Ann have traveled all over the world on tours and on their own with other people and have met “a number of people from all over.” She says, “I remember the good times at William & Mary.”

Floie DeHart Burns has been marketing her book titled “French Kaleidoscope: Viewed From the 3rd Age.” She says, “It is about my life as it unfolded from the choice of French as my major in college.” It can be ordered by e-mailing her at: burnsnj@aol.com. Floie and I had a phone conversation recently and traded stories about the difficulty of staying in almost all of the time. If you have some extra time, please write me about your experiences, and let’s hope for a happy, healthier 2021.

That is exactly what Les Sykes Waldron commented on — “no fighting.” Sounds like she understands the tensions of the downsize. Les says she and Jim have been staring at the walls and because of her Christmas “hack,” Jim has been doing the grocery shopping. He has stayed well. The only outings are doctor appointments.

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Most of us are keeping homebound due to the terrible pandemic affecting our nation, resulting in few contacts with information for our newsletter. Our hope is that all of you stay healthy and strong during this unprecedented time.

I did receive an email from Don Harris, who tells that he and Ruth have been grounded at home and unable to take their trips to Spain in support of their Spanish products business. They do report that their eldest grandson has started his freshman year at Whitman College in Washington state.

Elaine Abbott resides in Williamsburg and writes that she has taken the opportunity to do lots of walking around our beautiful campus, noting that, until this month, she pretty much had the entire campus to herself.

I speak often with John Kaplan and Jane Thompson Kaplan ’56. Jim had shoulder surgery over the summer and has recovered nicely. This means, however, that Jim’s basketball dunking days may be over. They recently sold their lovely home on the James River, and planned to move into a Williamsburg adult community in October. Marsha and I had a big change in our daily lives. We have been raising a granddaughter for the past seven years and she is off to college this fall at the University of Michigan. Quiet has returned to the Kalison home.

I am very sad to report that our class has lost some members over the past 10 months or so and they will be terribly missed. There were obituaries in the September W&M Alumni Magazine email edition, but I believe we need to list them here too, in case you missed them.

Those who passed include Elizabeth Shell Allen, Alex Fakadej, Arthur King Fisher, Shirley Bazzle Robinson and Tom Sydnor.

I pray that our next newsletter in spring 2021 finds our country...
free of this pandemic and the trying times we live in and that our Great Class will have dozens of happy news items to report. You can always phone me at 757-345-6875 or email at: pkali-
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Greetings ‘58 Classmates,
Be sure to look for mail from several people listed below, as well as photos, at magazine.wm.edu/class-notes/1958.

Kent Watkins: I just finished all my annual physicals from head to toe, and my family phy-sician summarized them as my having the body of a 40-year-old. I don’t know about that, but I do feel like it. Still working 16 hours a day on various things, with breaks for tennis, of course, and waking up the next day ready to tackle the next set of tasks. Lots of sil-ver linings to the partial lockdown, at least one does not get infected. Every day is a gift and a goodbye forever to that day, so awareness of living every moment is so important. Here is a sample of what is going on in my life currently:
1. Connecting with Bill Mitchell, Mary Ann Breese Brendel, BJ Nunn McKnight, Car-o lyn Scheele Pakadej, and Merrill Irley in the past months or so. 2. Working on seven Senate races through a local activist group. 3. Working with party platform and transition committees with regard to urban and housing agendas
4. Organizing 40 pod-casts so far for our Academy Fellows (American Academy of Housing and Communities). Here’s the link for those who would like to listen: https://trailblazersimpact.com/community-trailblazers/. 5. Provided two podcasts for a pandemic net-work, one on the history of pandemics and one on the future strategies for combating pandemics. Same link, just different series.
6. Travel has been very limited, with an occa-sional trip to New York City, most recently to see the Jacob Lawrence exhibit at the Metropol-i tan Museum of Art. But, Maryland is one of 35 states currently restrict-ed from visiting the New York/New Jersey area.
7. No tennis tourna-ments regionally or na-tionally, so just practice — boring! But it keeps me in good shape, plus the biking and weights.
8. Working on finish-ing the two-volume book on Mary Tillinghast for e-publishing.
10. Protesting in the Black Lives Matter gatherings; went to the March on Washing-ton rally recently and wore my 1963 March on Washington badge! At the Lee-Jackson window at the National Cathedral, I did a photo essay about it, and have since been working on the removal of other Confederate and Lost namings around the country.
11. Signed up for a course on life memoir writing at the University of Cambridge in England for the next few weeks.
12. Also will start an online course at Mas-sachusetts Institute of Technology on block-chain technologies in finance and other areas. That will be a little tougher, I think, but I think that a cashless society is coming quickly. China already has exper-iments in four cities for that purpose.
13. Starting to work with the 2022 Winter Olympics committee in Beijing; had previously worked with them in the 2008 Summer Olympics.
14. Involved in Zoom meetings several times a week with regard to the Disaster Recovery Consortium, involving nearly 700 nonprofits, which some of us started a couple of years ago. Work with Capitol Hill on increasing the funding and viability of processing for low-income res-idents impacted by the hurricanes, earthquakes, wildfires, etc., in Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico, Iowa, Puerto Rico, California, etc.
15. Just finished a monograph for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development involving the history of the Federal Housing Administration commissioners.
16. Continue to scan my 350 boxes of office files, love to find things I had forgotten about, as I write a memoir of each year. I have all my canceled checks since 1953, for example, and it’s amazingly helpful in placing times and places, plus looking at what I bought and for how much. The papers will be thrown away, by and large. This is part of my plan to give away to various institutions, who are more than de-lighted to receive them in that way. Over 100,000 photographs, also — I have scanned about half of them so far.
17. Slowly liquidating my 9,000 books in my library, but the pandemic makes it difficult to give them to libraries or other places. I take photos of each cover or inside title page, so that I can feel that I have not lost them forever! Read them all, though, so guess it’s time to part.
18. Still sitting on the PowerPoint I did for the 60th Reunion, trying to figure out the best way to distribute, but will get back to that soon. Has anyone else died in the meantime?
19. Glad to see the siting of the new Lemon Project gateway/memori-al to the enslaved.
20. Family all doing well — daughter, two grandchildren now 13 and 14. Play tennis and basketball with the 13-year-old Hayden; cook, bike and try to understand the new math with my grand-daughter. This year my daughter, Heather, will not be able to play in the national father-daughter tournaments or go to the U.S. Open, but we are watching the final week on TV and texting each other after certain points. I’m for Osaka and Heather is for Vika. Both are more detailed achievement.

Alan Miller: Our great basketball star and devoted W&M philan-thropist will have just retired as CEO of Uni-versal Health Services when you read this. Alan founded and presided over the company since its inception in 1979 with six employees. The company announced in September that he will step down as chief executive officer and transition leadership to Marc D. Miller, who currently serves as presi-dent, effective January 2021. Alan will continue to seed money, so please take a link to the full news release and a great picture of Alan in ‘58 Class Notes online. Congratulations, Al.

Three dear classmates lost spouses this past year:

Diane Montague Belford: “William & Mary and especially our class lost one of its most ad-mirers this past July when my husband, Bob, passed away! He loved William & Mary, and even the alumni office thought he was the one who went there!! So glad we were at our big Homecoming last year and made nine wonder-ful trips with the W&M Alumni Association. Bob and I always had such a good time at all our activities with W&M. He really felt it was his university, too!!”

Alice Osborn Lukac: “I lost my dear husband, George, due to respira-tory failure. Almost 64 years together.” Sad to hear.

BJ Nunn McKnight: “All of Williamsburg is waiting the return of W&M students this week.
and, more recently, to help to develop new vaccine platforms for the COVID-19 epidemic. I am now the co-founder and chief scientific officer of a company that was established to facilitate our achievement of these goals: Adaptive Phage Therapeutics. The company’s website is at: www.aphage.com. Although I have pursued a rather circuitous route, I have also managed to solve the question that Dr. Williams Drive raised on graduation day in 1958: ‘How do we exist?’ Now, I just have to publish it.

Tom Lightner: ‘Carol and I are still confined to our cave, like most folks! I venture out on occasion for food, booze and meds with that tiring excursion. Very stressful and tiring excursions, but one does what one must do in these crazy times. Speaking of crazy, even my old dorms may get new names! Really?! BTW, I have written off 2020 as a total loss, so calendar is already in the trash!’ Written in September, remember.

Bob Bradley: ‘I am now retired and living in a barn apartment built in 1853 ... the challenge for the architect is to keep it upright for as long as I live and then some more years for my daughter, who lives in the house nearby.”  

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mon and Bevo in Arlington. We’ve had fun with those old memories. Hope the rest of our classmates are coping OK. Don Snyder’s humorous emails certainly help.” Speaking of Don Snyder, he truly keeps us snickering. Do yourself a favor and get on board with his email. Talked with Polly Johnson Rowlett on the phone in September. She is confined to her senior living facility in Williamsburg. Her son John and his wife were coming for a through-the-window 45-minute visit the next weekend. She sounded great and is a great-grandmother. How about that? Heard also from Jeanne Polizos Ross. She is confined to a senior living facility in Norfolk. Sounded upbeat as usual, just waiting for excursions to start again.

Sue Davis Addington: “The Class of ’58 is truly a group of OLD friends! I feel fortunate to be a member — old or not. We live in beautiful Savannah, where we have enjoyed many W&M visitors. The virus has kept us home — no travel plans. As you battle the fires and smoke in California, we are preparing for hurricane season here (written in September) on our barrier island, Skidaway. Wash your hands and be well!” You too, Sue.

Jane Holland: “Jim and I are safe and well at this moment. This is the fourth fire season for us here in Santa Rosa. Finally this year, we are going East to be with family in Baltimore. Yes, we are flying during the pandemic. In all of this, we are so fortunate to have our home, health and family!! I had a long conversation with Ruth Peterson Barton. She is well in her Marin County home, with much loving care from her son and his family. We had a wonderful phone conversation.”

Polly Stadel Wrinkle: “Davis and I had a September 2019 trip to Norway along with Hurricane Dorian, which followed us from Virginia. Had an awesome fjord experience because of it. Very glad we went last year. Have weathered COVID-19 so far, staying put in Richmond and Virginia Beach. As Bevo Wilson has written, Zooming with suitmates after 62 years has been an incredible experience. It is amazing how we just pick up after all these years. It’s true. Old friends are the best. Thank you for keeping us all in touch. Pat”

Julie Vakos Nordstrom and Clyde Nordstrom and I had a wonderful phone conversation. We chatted about family, friends and old times. When I asked her where she lived, Julie said, “Oh, you have Class Notes, she said, “Just tell them we’re alive and kicking.”

Refreshing to hear from Bev Burgess Burchette and Bob Burgess. They have been dealing with severe health issues, but are hanging in there. Bev sounded super. They celebrated 61 years of marriage, which took place in the Wren Chapel, followed by a reception in the Williamsburg Inn. The Burchettes live in Atlantic Shores in Virginia Beach. Guess who else lived there? Jim Rosenbaum. Bev has blown your cover, Jim. We have caught up with you at last. Glad you are “alive and kicking.”

Had some good laughs with Bill Mitchell, who is doing well, still in Raleigh. We shared anecdotes about a few favorite professors, namely Drs. Guy, Fowler and Clark. Bill noted how fortunate our class has been over the years compared to many and those in school now. As we were lamenting our generation being labeled the “Silent Generation,” he happily proved the point. When asked what he would like to share with classmates, Bill claimed he had “noth-
to spend a weekend with family. Thank goodness Virginia does have many lovely places to visit!

**Barbara Brant Knight** writes that she is on the Board of Directors for Mount Vernon Home at Home, a village-to-village organization for which she is also chair of the Member Caring Committee. Occasionally, she gives talks to groups about Supreme Court/constitutional law and American political thought — so she definitely keeps up with her George Mason University teaching subjects. Her most exciting news is the birth of her great-granddaughter, now 8 months old. Barbara's family is scattered, but she has been able to enjoy Zooming with them.

**Jim Dillard** continues his work with the Virginia Commission on Civic Education. They are hosting six webinars for civics teachers to replace the annual conference. He hopes to sail the Chesapeake soon, which sounds wonderful to me!

**Diana Jacobs Kalman** is into the Zooming thing as well. She lives in Darien, Connecticut, and goes to her apartment in New York City once a week. She is taking “Misinformation and Its Threat to Democracy,” which is offered online through the New York University’s Center for Applied Liberal Arts. That sounds like something to keep your mind involved during this COVID-19 period!

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in order to make some sort of progress heading west. One night, while in Yellowstone National Park, all the motels were booked, so my new bride — she's a real trouper — and I slept in the car.

Yup, I really impressed her with that move!! We zigzagged across the U.S. and ended up putting 13,200 miles on the car!! Vietnam was a hot item, so I figured I would do my patriotic duty and volunteered ... guess what, got turned down ... not to be done, I wrote a letter to President Lyndon Johnson and complained about it ... never in a million years dreamed he / anyone would ever get read the letter ... two weeks later, I get this call from some general in the Pentagon saying that yes, President Johnson got the letter ... one month later, I am in the Army. Send the next two years protecting YOU. Get out, practice for some 50 years, have three kids along the way ... two was my limit, but didn't know that until the third one arrived ... LOL. Travel all over the place, about 40 different countries ... here's the best part ... NEVER have a reservation. Book the flight, rent a car, drive out of the airport and say to my wife ... “left or right” ... and off we go ... stay off the major highways, try to take back roads only to major cities ... and off we go ... stay off the major highways, try to take back roads only to major cities ... and off we go ... stay off the major highways, try to take back roads only to major cities...

Liz Rader O’Neill writes: I am fine: neither sick, stressed out nor bored. I have found so many things to do that I have been meaning to do for ages. My biggest activity is walking the dogs three times a day and meeting all the other dog walkers. Our chats make the walks enjoyable ... and long. I am practicing the piano in hopes that one day I can actually play. Usually would be working on a lot of music now, but none of the groups can meet. The good news is that the concerts are now being presented online and are broadcast and recorded. Our daughter in Texas and my daughter-in-law in Dallas have set up a Zoom concert series with a variety of local artists. It is a real treat to see some of the great artists we used to see live.

Joan Costabell Austin: Certainly life in 2020 has been unlike anything I’ve ever experienced! We moved to Florida in February to avoid the cold and are now in Miami for the winter. We are so sorry the big rock and roll concert that was going to be held in the Miami Beach Convention Center was cancelled. In other key events in my life is the license plate on his vintage Rolls had a W&M frame around it. Funny how members of the Tribe turn up. We will be back in NYC for a while to see son Alex and then on to Miami Beach for the winter.

Ron Monark wrote that he spends time prepping for a two not-for-profit strategic planning facilitations — Greater Williamsburg Outreach Mission, which deals with homeless issues, and Virginia Association for Infant Mental Health — and Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra board meetings. He also started Movement Day’s effort to access the need for entrepreneurial funding for the African American community here in the ’Burg. The other key item in his life is reactivating the Entrepreneurial Thinking for Not-for-Profits course and following up with the nine organizations that have completed the course on their entrepreneurial pursuits. Hopefully, the course that started in March with another five organizations (obviously, it was interrupted by COVID-19) will be completed in October or November.

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venturing out to see what is going on. If you are like me, you want to see people masked and not crowded together. That does leave a few things to enjoy outside of the home. What have you found interesting to do?

Troilen Gainey Seward ’63, M.Ed. ’80, C.A.S.E. ’81 recently received national acclaim when she was named Woman of the Month by the Professional Organization of Women of Excellence Recognized. Troilen has received many awards and has served on many boards. She is especially proud of the 2016 Outstanding Advocate Award from the National Association of School Psychologists with this inscription on the plaque: “In recognition of your dedication to the rights, welfare, education and mental health of children and youth.” She has taught in both elementary and high school, served as a guidance counselor, a school administrator, a school psychologist, a special education director and superintendent of public schools in Dinwid-die County, Virginia. She has had support from her husband, Bill Seward ’63, C.A.S.E. ’80 and her two children. A remarkable career that she can’t figure out how to retire from, maybe when she is 80.

In the “let’s see how much clutter can be tossed, organized, or given away” mode, I went through two William & Mary scrapbooks. It was nostalgic to reminisce about times with Don Snook ’61 and all our friends.”

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no crowds. Yes, dining selections were limited, but we did just fine with ice cream and snacks. Spending a couple of days at the Grand Canyon revealed the Canyon in all kinds of light. I would go back in a heartbeat and do more hiking. Dick Goodwin has spent a couple of Christmases at Phantom Ranch — probably lots of other classmates have done that, too. And Don Beck has hiked the Grand Canyon several times as well as done some white-water rafting there. He’s got more energy than the Energizer bunny. When I got home, I self-quarantined for about 10 days: I had been in an airport 10 different times and on eight different aircraft. I was a likely candidate to be carbuncle. Last year’s trip was a hoot — my two grandsons and I spent a weekend in Boston. They also were 14 years old at the time, first cousins living in different states. The Red Sox weren’t at home that weekend, but that didn’t keep us from going to Fenway Park. And of course, my smarty grandson from Virginia wore his Stanley Cup T-shirt — he got royally teased, but he held his own.”

Dick Goodwin: “I was honored to be asked by Carol Evans to serve as our class rep on the Olde Guarde. I instantly accepted and looked forward to serving you and William & Mary.”

Carol Evans: “Long ago, I promised to take each of my grandchildren on a trip. It’s been lots of fun, interesting and challenging. This year, Rose (14 years old) and I chose to visit the Grand Canyon. Even though the days were very hot, we couldn’t have picked a better time to go. There was hardly anyone there! All but one of the parking lots were empty, and the one with vehicles wasn’t full. There were	
Barbara Drucker Smith: “On Labor Day, Sept. 7, 2020, I and 14 others are participating in a reading via Zoom as part of the Poetry Society of Virginia’s Eastern Region; it will be televised at some point. Luisa Igloria, the newly selected Poet Laureate of Virginia, is one of the readers. My latest book, “A Brush With the Famous,” is available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble. It features my interaction with around 50 people, such as Mick Jagger, Barclay Sheaks, Charles Thomas Cayce, Deepak Chopra, Bruce Hornsby, Maya Angelou, Arthur Schlesinger, etc.”

Barry Walsh ’64, M.A. ’65: “I can’t re-member when or what I wrote you last time. We have stayed quar-tantined this year, so the trei does not apply. I’ll just recap. I’ve lived in Reston, Virginia, for over 50 years and retired from the Postal Service over 10 years ago. We have five children, all with at least a bachelor’s degree, but none from W&M, despite my urging. They are all prosperous and married with children of their own — the most recent born this January, making 11 in all. Three have been discharged from the hospital, with children of their own — the most recent was diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment almost 12 years ago, we’ve met the challenge with creative and spiritual practices, along with the help of the VA and a son. Last year, he took the steps to reduce his horrid disease’s progression. He is in good health and has been open and recep-tive to talking about his concerns, his dreams and trying new possibili-ties. Our sense of humor and joy with each other have grown. It helps that we’ve both had a lot of help over the years to express anger and either release it or use its energy for change. I invite people to join those who deal with memory issues, starting with those pesky ‘senior moments.’ Over the past 30 years, I’ve become a resource addict and am happy to share what I’ve found.”

Suzanne Martinez Duval: I recently became active in Reimagining Dementia: A Creative Coalition for Justice, an international group of dementia activists and al-lies — health profession-als, artists, people like my husband living with dementia, caregivers like me and many others. We share a diverse and humanizing vision of care and support that pro-motes inclusion, relation-ality, creativity, joy and the possibility of growth for everyone living with, and impacted by, de-mentia. Since John first was diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment almost 12 years ago, we’ve met the challenge with creative and spiritual practices, along with the help of the VA and a son. Last year, he took the steps to reduce his horrid disease’s progression, as he was only recently diagnosed with early stage demen-tia. After Alzheimers week. Through it all, John’s been open and recep-tive to talking about his concerns, his dreams and trying new possibili-ties. Our sense of humor and joy with each other have grown. It helps that we’ve both had a lot of help over the years to express anger and either release it or use its energy for change. I invite people to join those who deal with memory issues, starting with those pesky ‘senior moments.’ Over the past 30 years, I’ve become a resource addict and am happy to share what I’ve found.”

Lloyd Becker: “It’s been a memorably bad year thus far, with the COVID-19 lockdown, statues desecrated and violence in our cities. On top of that was the ‘Naming and Renaming’ initiative and the cancel-lation of the men’s track and field program. By the time the ‘social justice’ warriors are finished, we will not recognize our beloved alma mater. Very sad. Like most of us, I’ve wrestled with the problems and issues that have arisen. I see that we have pushed through this with the support of everyone who believes in us and our university.”

Scott is almost 3 months old and doing well. I plan on making the drive up there at Christmas with lots of house stuff and spend some time with the family and my little granddaughter! Beth and I are staying local, but we do enjoy the island atmosphere.”

Lucy Hummer Richards: “I was looking forward to another year of travel, but everything was canceled. And even a cruise to begin late Match 2021 was canceled. I’m waiting to see whether other travel I have booked for 2021 will go ahead, but also trying to book travel for 2022! I am now almost two years in advance, finding myself waitlisted! I guess there is a lot of pent-up demand for travel.”
... and I am now 29th on the waitlist for an Oceania cruise that doesn’t depart until August 2022 — almost two years from now. That’s crazy! In the meantime: One lifeline has been logging into courses offered via Zoom by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) associated with George Mason University. Gee whiz, I can sit in my house dressed in T-shirt and gym shorts, sipping coffee, and be transported back in time to the Old West or elsewhere. And carrying on with a book club and a Great Decisions discussion group via Zoom. At least these things keep my brain working. Well, this might be more interesting: Promoted by an OLLI Zoom course on genealogy, I decided to resurrect some research I had started years ago. I found I am descended from an English settler who arrived at Jamestown in 1635, settled in Charles City County north of Williamsburg, but was stunned to find he became a slave owner. Another ancestor settled in southern Maryland in 1638 and married the daughter of the local Piscataway Indian chief, so I have Native American ancestry. The Piscataway are recognized as a tribe by the state of Maryland. But the icing on the cake: I also have in my tree earls and countesses of Sussex, dukes of Buckingham, dukes of Norfolk and medieval kings of England. Who knew?!”

Mary Grafton

London Yagel: It was reported in the Rappahannock Record of Kilmarnock, Virginia (Aug. 13, 2020), that Mary Grafton Yagel was the judge for the Windows in the World art exhibition at the Rappahannock Art League (RAL). “Art Center artists were put to the test of creating artwork during COVID-19. They were challenged to interpret, in their own way, the images they saw through their own windows and their thoughts. Mary Grafton taught art in several elementary schools as well as junior high in Richmond. After marrying and moving to White Stone, she continued to teach art at Lancaster County primary and middle schools.”

Randi Spencer: “I’ve followed the Class Notes all along, but this longer format is so much better. I retired from the practice of medicine several years ago and turned my attention to writing and publishing poems and short stories, so it meant a lot to me to see two class mates, Betsy Goin and Barbara Drucker Smith, talk about writing poetry and their published books. My own book, ‘The Color After Green,’ came out last year and is a collection of poems focused on the dangers of a natural environment brought on largely by the greed and carelessness of our own species. It was featured in the PBS series “By the River.” I live with my wife on a large lake in South Carolina where we are trying to isolate as much as possible, made a little easier by being able to take the kayak out for a truly socially distanced activity. I keep writing and I would share one brief poem published last month that gets to the heart of how the pandemic plays with my mind and the minds of many others.”

Note: Please find Randy’s timely poem in our Class Notes online. You know I love to hear from you, so please continue to keep me in the loop of your life and activities … anything you’d like to share. Let’s hope that 2021 is kinder to us all.

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COVID-19 Around the World:
We start in New Zealand, where Ted Fecteau is making the best of the lockdown. He has lovely scenery to gaze upon, and the shortages were not devastating. He was able to take a three-week motorhome tour of the South Island. The mild winter, a dearth of tourists and new adventures made for a great trip. Ted keeps in touch with Dick Woodhouse of Cooperstown, New York, and Terumi Toki ‘67 in New York City.

In Richmond, Virginia, Pam Dunlap continues her teaching career online from Brandermill Woods retirement community, where she lives with her husband, Steve. They have three children and four grandchildren. Patricia taught for many years at Northern Virginia Community College, Marymount University and St. Mary’s College in Southern Maryland. In the last 12 years, she taught history online to college students worldwide for the University of Maryland Global Campus. She has published a book, “Riding Against the Scent of Tobacco in Women’s History.” Upon arriving in Richmond, she discovered that her roommate, Betsy Myatt Kellum, and her husband Joe, lived nearby. She is also in touch with suitemate Virginia Moyer Giannotta in Pittsburgh.

Libby Gebhart Cottingham is settled in her new condo in Atlanta. She misses Naples, Florida, but is now close to her son and family. While she sold her condo in Naples, she will rent it back for three months every winter. She looks forward to exploring the city life when this is all behind us.

As we sadly reported this spring, Tom Steger ‘65, J.D. ’69 passed away in November 2019. Martha Wessells Steger ‘66 shares the bittersweet story that Tom was well enough to be inducted into William & Mary Law School’s Olde Guarde in April 2019. Martha is getting along “OK” with the support of her church, friends and family.

Margie Hodges Furr says her year has been rather slow and quiet, but healthy.” She has two sons, one of whom had a mild case of COVID-19 at the same time his baby girl was born. He had to quarantine for 14 days before he could bounce her on his knee! All are well now.

Richard LeRoy has sold his house and garden on ancestral acres in Scottville, N. Y., and now lives in Rochester, New York. He has made contact with classmate John Sheppard, with whom he reminisces about W&M days. Pam Bruston Michael and Bob are living the quiet life in Williamsburg. Pam manages the Bruton Parish Shop (“best shop in Williamsburg”), which has reopened after being closed for 2 1/2 months. The shop is staffed by volunteers, many of whom are William & Mary grads. Pam and Bob have had several visits with Ann-Mead Baskervil Simpson. Bob Simpson ‘63, J.D. ’68 in Virginia Beach.

Great place to self-isolate with the salmon, shrimp, crab and lovely wilderness. This fall, Fredrica plans to help her school-age grandchildren negotiate online school. She had another episode of atrial flutter in August, but is recovering well by walking and reading philosophy.

After graduation, Alfred (Skip) Baman earned a second B.A. in medieval history from Cambridge University in England. He retained an interest in publications from his Flat Hat days, earned a master’s degree in library science from Columbia and worked for Time magazine for a number of years. He joined the Army, graduated from the John F. Kennedy Special Forces Training and School, completed jungle operations training in Panama, served in Vietnam as a first lieutenant and was awarded the Bronze Star. (Thanks for your sacrifice, Skip.) In semi-retirement, he works at the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory on New York’s Long Island.

Maury Enright ‘65, M.Ed. ’69 continues to serve as pastor of three small United Methodist churches in Accomack County. Although shut down, they were able to hold Zoom services. Maury retired from teaching English at Strasburg High School and still substitutes there.

Fredrica Dudley Green has the jazziest COVID-19 activity. She’s taking keyboard lessons at School of Rock. She’s learning to play the blues. How appropriate is that?!

Bonnie Cheshire Greenwalt and Frank moved to Martinsville after living in Stuart, Virginia, for 34 years. Bonnie is a Realtor, but is considering retiring next year. They do spinning, yoga and walking for exercise and bunco and book club for fun. They have one son.

Glenda Hudgens Anthony and Jay Anthony
She currently manages a community library, participates in a high school mentoring program and drives grandchildren to school.

Bonnie Edwards Gordon and Roger live in Stuart, Florida. They recently retired from their photography business. They have one son and four grandchildren. Bonnie homeschools her high school granddaughter and teaches Bible study to the younger ones. Bonnie enjoys flowers and birds.

Val Janz Forster and “the Ohio State Buckeye who lured her away from W&M” live in Panama City, Florida. They have two daughters and five grandchildren. They and their community continue to recover from Hurricane Michael.

Melinda Baskervill Simpson and Bob ’63, J.D. ’68 live in Virginia Beach. They have four children and eight grandchildren. Ann-Meade is still active in real estate, and may retire someday! She and Bob have been very active at W&M over the years and they keep up with many pals from school.

Melinda Duke Ball and Stuart live in New Orleans near family. They have two children and five grandchildren. Melinda keeps busy with tennis, book club, knitting, church committees and traveling.

Jeanne English Bedell and Dave live in Atlanta. They have both retired from their joint private therapy practice, which enabled them to do some fun traveling. Jeanne belongs to a Procreative Writing group, which is writing to music. Meditative and relaxing, she says. Jeanne has one daughter, and Dave has two children and one grandchild.

Ginny Blount Fluet and Joe recently moved to an independent living apartment at Westminster Canterbury in Winchester, Virginia. They love it! Ginny plays pickleball and duplicate bridge, and leads the

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“Woody has used his military passion to design and build armored vehicle dioramas focusing on World War II and Korea.”

I’m hoping everyone checked out the online W&M Alumni Magazine, because our class had lots of news and pictures and an unlimited word count! Now we have a special increased word count again and actually not a lot of news. My sister-in-law summed up these strange times by telling me she calls her girlfriend and the conversation goes like this: “Hi, what are you doing?” “Nothing.” “Goodbye.” We can all relate to that, and without our usual travels and family reunions, most of us have gotten a tad whiny and that isn’t good for us.

Mary Blandford McGehee had good news on her 7-year-old grandson, whose serious heart condition is now stable. He won’t have to go to the specialist in Houston now, but will see a doctor closer to home in Tennessee.

Marty Boyd Gresham lives in Henrico, Virginia. They have two children and seven grandchildren. They traveled extensively until … well, thanks to Zoom, so she feels that she’s still contributing—while-eating; she hasn’t seen her three daughters and four granddaughters in ages, so she’s a little testy; she’s two games ahead of Tom in Scrabble; and exercise has become an afterthought.

Thanks to all of you for the wonderful response this time. Your lives are still interesting even though altered. Quote from Ted Fecteau: “I don’t expect the post-COVID-19 lifestyle to ever return, but changes seem to mostly be for the better, when you think them through.” Let’s think on that. Stay safe and well.

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where she lived with her husband, Frederick Grill ’66, J.D. ’69. She joined Exxon’s law department for 18 years, and her career included work on the Valdez oil spill in Alaska and working on the merger of Exxon and Mobil. She then joined Lloyd’s Register Americas, Inc., which surveys ships all over the world. Donna became general counsel of the American subsidiary handling all things in the Western Hemisphere. Then, after 17 years, she retired to travel and has gone on many trips with the W&M travel group — with five 2020 trips canceled. Others are still on her docket for 2021. Donna has two daughters, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and now lives in the Houston area. She and Frederick divorced in 1984, but reconnected as friends later before his death in 2016. This has been heavily edited — Donna’s career has been expansive for sure.

Jack Drew ’66, M.B.A. ’67 and his wife, Chris, have traveled from Georgia to the West Coast to get their children settled in Los Angeles and Park City, Utah. Jack is an adjunct professor at University of Georgia’s College of Public Health, where at the time of his note there were 1,050 positive COVID-19 cases to study.

Art Walsh ’66, J.D. ’73 is not as active in his law firm, but is far from retired. His firm has grown from five lawyers to over 40 in four offices with many W&M law graduates. Both of Art’s daughters and their husbands are law graduates from William & Mary too: Ada-Marie Walsh Aman ’99, J.D. ’02 and her husband, Matthew Aman ’99, J.D. ’02 and Sarah-Nell Hoffmann Walsh J.D. ’04 and her husband, Albert Guthrie ’05.

Carol Boysen recently reconnected with Win Whitehurst ’69, M.Ed. ’72 and Jean Kemp Hammond ’67. Jean and her husband, Don, retired to Pinetown, North Carolina, where they enjoyed living in the country and on the water. Sadly, Don died unexpectedly in August. Jean is hoping to meet in Williamsburg with Carol and other Chi Os for the centennial anniversary of their founding at William & Mary — the first sorority on campus. Unfortunately — another victim of the times — the Chi Os on Tour (the COOTS) have rescheduled and finally canceled their annual adventure — which is always good fodder for my column. Carol has now been in Richmond for nine years;

Judy Hein Harrell and Alan Hugh ’67 split time between Richmond and Lake Hickory, North Carolina; Susan Embrey Coleman and Bennie are in Venice, Florida; Alice Annon Miri and Sayeed are in Palm Springs; Sandy Odum Glennie and Larry are in Bull- head City, Arizona; and Mary Ellen Downing Gordon-Scudder is in Lynchburg, Virginia.

Gigi (Grace) Guinn Cramer ’66, M.F.A. ’67 is still awaiting the publication of her book I mentioned in the last column. Her son, Camer- on, works in the neonatal intensive care unit in La Jolla, California, and is working with COVID-19 mothers to make sure the newborns are safe.

Vic Barry and Maureen aren’t traveling, but he does edit the Cranford Historical Society’s newsletter and shared comparison of the area with the 1918 flu pandemic and our current crisis. Cranford, New Jersey, has had almost 100 COVID-19 deaths (85% in senior living facilities) versus six deaths in 1918, all among service members serving elsewhere.

From Richard New- lon, a long update: He lives in Reston, Virginia, with an architectural practice started in 1975. He has been married twice and has three daughters and is currently single. He was the architect for the Hennage House in Williamsburg, across from the Lodge and overlooking the 18th hole of the golf course. As his practice expanded to nearby states, Richard worked in North Caro- lina at the Outer Banks building beach houses, restaurants and a hotel. His daughters also are in the arts, with degrees from Pepperdine Uni- versity, Corcoran School of Art, Academy of Art in San Francisco and the Royal Academy of Music in London. Richard received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from the University of Arizona.

I checked his work out on Facebook — very nice. I recommend you do the same.

Nino Allen Shipp had graduation plans at W&M with her daughter and granddaughter canceled, but did get a great gift from Judy Hein Harrell while staying safe. Judy’s a filmmaker. She spent a week at Sandbridge in Virginia Beach, Virginia, with three out of four of their daughters and their families the first week of July. The California family did not come. The week was very beautiful. He did a tour of Afghanistan and received a Bronze Star and several air com- mendations with valor. This life experience he now uses in his writing. He went to the University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts. You can see an example of his work on Amazon Prime Video in the third season of Discover Indie Film, where his short film, “Delivery,” can be seen in Episode 6.

Dick Kern ’64 has finished his new novel about the conditions that keep him safe, while maintaining those many necessary connections they cherish. All so different. But because of age and health, these new routines have been easy to adopt. The alternatives have been too dangerous. Russian roulette has nev- er been Larry’s kind of lifetime game. Life is too enjoyable, too precious. Visiting the old campus in sparked new ideas. Well, again, here’s to better days, to the next reunion, to seeing you and yours again when this is over.

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Axel Leichum writes that he and Elyse are doing well in the time and an online experience? Who knew our political conventions would be virtual reality events? Who knew that this virus would threaten so much, so many, so fast?” He has missed visiting Wil- liamsburg and W&M this past spring and summer. Walking around the old campus, enjoying a meal in old Williamsburg and taking in the beauty of the campus are all missed, and missed deeply. These pilgrimages to William & Mary were always enjoyed and looked forward to. But at this moment, as he writes, he doesn’t know about football games, Homecoming & Reunion Weekend events, and many other things that he’s always taken for granted. Nevertheless, being at home has given him time to catch up. Reading, small home projects, emails, phone calls and new ways to communicate have given him new routines that keep him safe, while maintaining those many necessary connections they cherish. All so different. But because of age and health, these new routines have been easy to adopt. The alternatives have been too dangerous. Russian roulette has nev- er been Larry’s kind of lifetime game. Life is too enjoyable, too precious. Visiting the old campus in sparked new ideas. Well, again, here’s to better days, to the next reunion, to seeing you and yours again when this is over.

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of COVID-19. Doing the right thing. Heeding the recommendations of the medical experts by avoiding crowds, wearing masks, staying clean, etc. Yet, still living an active and rewarding life. Celebrating his 80th birthday on Jan. 14. Meeting trusted friends for various social activities. Pursuing their ballroom dance passion even under COVID-19 guidelines by organizing public ballroom dances for all, including many seniors. Avoiding travel for now. Missing cruising and visiting W&M and Colonial Williamsburg, as they have done so many times in the past. Looking forward to more normal times again. Grateful for America, his adopted home for life. Reportedly so are so many Americans, he, too, is an immigrant and proud of it.

Alice Boone Riecks writes that she and her husband, Chuck Riecks ’65, M.Ed. ’70, are doing well. They’ve had a quiet summer at home. They like to shop at farmers markets and enjoy using video chat apps to stay in touch with family members. In addition to routine visits, they’ve watched virtual school celebrations and a dance recital. Alice comments that since graduation, the lives of our classmates probably have never been as similar to one another as they have in 2020.

David Gapp ’67, M.S. ’70 will be relocating to Bar Harbor, Maine, sometime this fall (late September or in October) after 40-plus years in Clinton, New York. He’s now completely retired from the Hamilton College Biology Department and looking forward to living on the coast and having easy access to Acadia National Park. His address will be 6 Cromwell Harbor Road, Bar Harbor, Maine, 04609.

Frederick (Ricki) Groner Shoraka celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary at their mountain home in Helen, Georgia — escaping the Florida heat and virus. She is retired from the University of North Florida in Jacksonville.

Shirley Harkess reports: “Having retired from the University of Kansas in 2005 and lived in Raleigh, North Carolina, for 13 years, I moved to South Portland, Maine, in 2019 to be near my daughter, Meredith Harkess Mayo (married in 2017 to Luke Eaton), and their twin boys born last September. Settled for good, right? No! After both parents got positions with better commutes (a private orthopedic practice and the University of Colorado Hospital), we are all moving to Boulder, Colorado, next month! Very exciting, though — I’ll be a return to friends and family in that part of the country. As an only child with an only child, I am very happy to be a part of their family. Never a dull minute, that’s for sure. I am really enjoying our Pi Phi monthly Zoom organized by our ‘Prez’ Sherri Carpini West.”

Ginny Goolsby James ’67, M.A.Ed. ’84 writes in the column for the very first time. In 1968, her sister, Becky Goolsby McCallum ’68, and she both married. Then, without planning it quite this way, their first children, Lee James Tanner ’94 and Becky’s Cory McCallum, were born a month apart in ’72. Second children also were born close together less than two years later. John James and Christopher McCallum M.B.A. ’18 remain best buddies in Norfolk. Becky’s Catherine McCallum ’00, M.A.Ed. ’01 joined the alumni ranks, in addition to Lee’s husband, Neil Tanner ’93. Ginny taught for 33-plus years and loved teaching Advanced Placement comparative government and politics, sponsoring the yearbook, Model U.N., etc., along with guest speakers, field trips, lots of letters of recommendation for seniors — all of it. She and Becky live five minutes apart in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and each of them enjoyed serving on their respective 50th reunion committees. They are both retired and doing things like the Tidewater Antiques and Arts Association. Ginny served on three boards (longest for the World Affairs Council). Both sisters traveled a lot, but have been stymied by THE VIRUS from 2020 trips to Europe. By comparison to some, Ginny’s life might appear provincial; that is, she’s been married for over 52 years, lived in the same house for over 50, taught 27 of those 33 years at Cox High School, and have five like children, ages 11-19. With the current state of affairs, she is glad she’s no longer teaching government. It’d be hard to “inspire” in this environment. They plan to have their family of 10 to New York City for Christmas week this year.

Me? I’m still in Malibu, California, with my husband, Neel, and our last surviving dog, Portnoy. During lockdown, I wrote two books, now on Amazon. One is an illustrated handbook, “The Unforgettable Woman, Owner’s Manual.” The other is an illustrated, rhyming children’s book about Tinseltown: “Aubergine the Glitter Queen.” Our son, Michael, is an insanely creative designer and metal fabricator in Ventura, California, with his own business. We miss being able to visit our fisherman’s house in Antibes, France, due to COVID-19. On a final note, I will retire from this post soon. I encourage one of you to step up. All of the people writing in have genuine concern for classmates during this unusual period. Stay safe. Time is precious now.

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I hope you read and enjoyed the September 2020 “Class of 1968 Update” from Kathy Burge Callaway and Bruce Oliver, our representatives to the Olde Guard Council. We are so fortunate to have such dedicated classmates to inform us of what is going on today as well as to remind us of our years at William & Mary. We’ve probably all said, “Oh, yes, I remember that!” while looking at their pictures. If you have topics for them to cover or pictures to share, I’m sure they would welcome your ideas and photos. In the September issue, a plea was made for news of what you have been doing in the time of COVID-19. Kathy, Bruce and Carol Figg Hopkins answered.

Kathy Burge Callaway writes: “A Christmas gift tradition I share with my son, Chris, is that I give him tickets to showcase NBA rivalries and he goes me flights to his home in Los Angeles.” On March 8, 2020, just as the pandemic was beginning, we saw a thrilling Lakers-Clippers competition in the Staples Center, not knowing it would be, possibly, the last major game of the regular NBA season! I am now enjoying the resumption of the NBA playoff games, still watching the Lakers, Clippers, Raptors and Celtics, and eagerly awaiting the beginning of Duke basketball! Life is good. For our 45th W&M reunion in 2013, 12 members of the Class of 1968 Tri Deltas met for lunch at the Williamsburg Inn. Since then, under the organizational leadership of Marsha King Carter and Penny..."
Coiner Fletcher, we have met annually at Marsha’s beach home in Duck Island, with the exception of one hurricane year, which necessitated a detour to the home of Rose Gammon Garrett. Nothing stops the Deltas, except maybe a pandemic, but the “Deltas at Duck” plan to be back full strength, face to face, in 2021!”

From Bruce Oliver: “Like many of you, my wife, Nancy Hulse Oliver ’69, and I have spent many weeks in isolation. Gradually, we began having limited safe contact with friends, including driveway dinners (lots of wine and conversation) and back porch get-togethers (martial and social distancing). My typical day includes two brisk walks, trying to avoid the fridge and pantry, enjoying the return of baseball, getting better at Zooming and FaceTiming with friends and family, and battling with invasive species, replacing anything that has been removed. I had begun identifying them, and sharing my observations with Kathy Burge Callaway on Olde Guarder business. Oh yeah, and lots of naps. I’m really looking forward to my next chance to return to Williamsburg.”

“Why not send news to your classmates? That’s what I’ve been doing, how you are coping in the time of COVID-19? I, like Bruce, long to return to events in Williamsburg, or to be honest, anywhere other than my house or a doctor’s office. Let’s hope that we can safely meet for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2021!”

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Dear Friends:

Hope this find all of us closer to an end to THE VIRUS. As I write this, it’s only September, so a vaccine is still far away on the horizon and the numbers are still rising. I hope none of us (and no one we know) is among the victims. As you might guess, news is shockingly sparse since no one has been doing anything all summer!

Milton and I did have lunch with Les Smith ’65, J.D. ’71 and Anne Bradstreet Smith this week (on the porch at Williamsburg Winery, so outside with distance and masks). It was our first outing together since last fall, so a welcome change. Both were looking good and in a good place, but missing their normally busy life of spending lots of time with children and grandchildren. They did manage a week away in August for Grands’ Camp with almost everyone in attendance. Anne said that activities at camp have changed drastically since the youngest is now in middle school, with the eldest getting ready to graduate high school. It was a great visit.

Carolyn Peyronnet Timberlake wrote that their summer has been similar to Anne’s. They normally split the year between Florda and Blacksburg, Virginia, with many trips back and forth. This summer has been pretty much hung out in Blacksburg and let the family come to them for outdoor activities — lots of rafting! Last spring, she was in the process of organizing a mini-reunion for some of the Ludwell 304 girls and their orientation sponsor (Chris Hall Shields, Toni Biordi ’69, M.Ed. ’72 and Mary Lou Miller Wagstaff ’68) who all were in Florida at the same time, but the virus put the skids on that activity. Years ago someone told me that she knew we were getting old because our Class Notes were no longer as deep as usual. We do what we can. All the best; please stay safe!

Go Tribe!

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Thank you to Mirinda J. Kossoff, Dave Hibbert, and Reid Williamson for email updates! August 2020 news from Mirinda J. Kossoff: Her book “The Rope of Life: A Memoir” has been published. It is available on Amazon (print and e-book versions) as well as at bookstores. Her author website is www.mirindakossoff.com. Mirinda lives in Fearrington Village, half way between Chapel Hill and Pittsboro, North Carolina, with her second husband of 14 years.
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Architect Dave Hibbert (dhf Architects, Pacific Palisades and Monterey, California) and his wife, Pam, have enjoyed a second home in Monterey, California, for the past seven years and he now has an office there, as well as in Santa Monica, California. They still maintain their Pacific Palisades home, where they raised their two sons.

Retired since 2008, avid traveler (president of the Extra Miler Club), Reid Williamson’s lifelong project to visit every one of the 3,143 U.S. counties is near completion … pandemic travel restrictions postponed travel plans to the last two Alaska counties until late 2020, and he is saving the last North Carolina counties so his family members can be there for the celebration! His retirement allowed him to begin another project, the photographing of about 500 which he has done 365 Colonial churches and he looks forward to a 2021 publication “of the coffee table variety” of the same. Reid’s move from Annandale to Richmond, Virginia, seven years ago has facilitated visits with his nearby sister and family and also quick trips to Williamsburg! His last big trip was 2019 to the Balkans (North Macedonia, Kosovo, Albania, Montenegro), visits to Croatia, Dubrovnik and Istanbul … several days later two earthquakes in Tirana and Istanbul!! Reid mentioned he is one of our Class Representatives to the Olde Guard, along with Connie Scott Shepard.

“In your own words” … Every column now I will be paraphrasing/quoting our classmates’ updates submitted to our 1970 50th Reunion Colonial Re-Echo: Connie Scott Shepard wrote, “Fifty years after graduation, my biggest surprise is that I live in Williamsburg — and we have for 28 years. Dave and I met on a blind date when we were both seniors — he a midshipman at USNA (two Gamma Phis were responsible, and I’m forever grateful!). We married in 1972, and for 27 years we had a wonderful life as a Navy family. I loved it — the moves and new places, the people we met and the friends we made, the cultures to which we were introduced. Dave was in the Civil Engineer Corps, and upon retiring he took a job here at William & Mary. He was able to do what he had done in the Navy, eventually assuming the lead of facilities management … so we never left. We enjoy the small-town atmosphere with the bonus of W&M and Colonial Williamsburg, the good weather, the great people. Success for me through the years and moves had been in finding positions in education, and I found it again here with the school (district as a high school math teacher and then a math specialist.” Dave and Connie enjoy traveling, visiting their son, Scott, his wife and three children in Richmond and seeing W&M friends in town.

Lynd Johnson Moseley wrote from Graham, North Carolina: “Being a biology major at William & Mary set the stage for the rest of my life. Taking ornithology with Dr. Byrd was the best part of my education.” After W&M, Lynn earned a Ph.D. in zoology at UNC-Chapel Hill, studying the behavioral ecology of terns on the North Carolina Outer Banks, which meant research every spring and summer on the beach! Hired as an assistant professor four months after earning her Ph.D., Lynn had a 37-year career at Guilford College in Greensboro, North Carolina. While at UNC, she met her husband, Phil, a law student. They have two married daughters: Lauren is a widely published poet and Dana has a Ph.D. in the behavioral ecology of birds. Dana and her husband have a son who is 2. Lynn wrote, “My career enabled me to travel widely, teaching courses on animal behavior and ornithology for college students and alumni in places such as the Galapagos, East Africa and all over the southwestern U.S. and Central Rockies. I’m grateful for my wonderful roommates at William & Mary, and for the inspiration for the rest of my life.”

From Huntington, New York, Gene Wiggins attended New York Law School, married, has a daughter, Stephanie, and a son, Alexander, and acted as trial counsel for Con Edison and State Farm, all the while enjoying boating in Lloyd Harbor and on Long Island Sound.

In Huntsville, Alabama, Richard “Rich” Powell ’70, J.D. ’73 fondly remembers coming to W&M as a student but leaving as an instructor (business law) in the School of Business. “As a result, while at W&M, I taught students from kindergarten to graduate students. I spent 29 years in the Army and 20 more supporting the Dept. of Defense around the world. It was then time to retire and play golf with my wife across America and enjoy our five grandchildren.”

And from the news clippings … See the June 25, 2020, Richmond Times Dispatch, “Enshrine Laycock; Ex-W&M coach deserves exception to College Football Hall rules” opinion article by David Teel! Excellent overview of Jimmy Laycock’s outstanding career and the coaches and players he influenced with argument for him being inducted to the College Football Hall of Fame!

Watch for information from the Olde Guard re: our joining the Class of ‘71 for our 50th Reunion gathering, now set for April 2021! Stay healthy and keep the class notes updates coming!!! My next deadline is Jan. 20, 2021, for the May 2021 issue!!!

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Class Reporters
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Our last report was written in June 2020 and published in September. At the time we all had hopes that COVID-19 would be in the rearview mirror by publication day. No such luck as we write this column. Maybe the next three months will be better. Hopefully, as we usher in 2021, we will put 2020 and all its problems to rest. It is our sincerest hope that you all stayed safe and have persevered during this terrible time. News is a bit scanty, but we have been in contact with a number of classmates. We stay in touch with Tom Cooney, George “Reggie” Lewis, Sally Covell Lewis ’73, Scott McEvoy, Cary Kennedy, Kathleen Hawks Walker, Bob Ramsey ’72, Jim Runyon ’69, M.B.A. ’71, and Kathy Plasmati Baldwin, among others. All are doing well. Stu Meyerson emailed a concise history of his last 49 years: “I’ll try to be brief: Shortly after graduation, I took a road trip to Aspen, Colorado, with Steve Sardell ’68 and Cary Kennedy. Steve had offered to teach me how to ski and once there, my love affair with living in the mountains started. Steve and Cary stayed a few weeks and I stayed for three years. It was in Aspen that I started my career in the hospitality business: waiting tables, bartending and working in a ski lodge. It evolved into a 40+ year career managing hotels: nine states, the U.S. Virgin Islands.
and 15 cities, mostly for Hyatt and Starwood. I’m divorced now but have a beautiful 26-year-old daughter who lives and works in Manhattan and is planning her wedding for next August. I retired three years ago and have settled in Wintergreen, Virginia, a four-season resort in the Blue Ridge Mountains. I have stayed in touch with many Sig Eps … for the last 22 years, between eight and 14 of us have gotten together annually for a weeklong golf reunion … It’s been great seeing everyone, sharing stories, telling lies and enjoying each other’s company. I still play fairly regularly with Phil Franklin ’68, M.Ed. ’71, Bill Monday ’72 and Drew Bright ’70 and stayed in touch with Bill Matson, whom I’ve known since we were in junior high school.

Bill Sizemore gave us an update on Uncle George. “At a moment when our nation is going through a painful reckoning with its long history of systemic racism, the timing could not be better for my friend Frederick Murphy’s new documentary film, “The Other Side of the Coin: Race, Generations & Reconciliation” presents a multiethnic, multi-generational chorus of voices grappling with the complex realities of race in America. Among those voices are George Sizemore and me. Uncle George, as he is known to his large extended family, is a descendant of the people enslaved by my great-great-grandfather on his tobacco farm near Clarksville, Virginia. He is now 100 years young. I told the story of our two families’ intertwined history in my book “Uncle George and Me.” Frederick, a North Carolina-based filmmaker, came to Clarksville to hear about our shared odyssey of discovery. He also interviewed other white allies in the ongoing quest for racial reconciliation — several of them members of Coming to the Table, a national nonprofit that brings together descendants of enslavers and the enslaved for deep conversation and biracial activism. In this coronavirus era, a theater premiere isn’t in the cards — at least not yet. But Frederick’s film is now available online. You can view the trailer and buy or rent the movie at www.historybeforeus.com.”

Our older son and his family have moved to San Diego, which will give us an opportunity to visit with Alice Scantlebury Keener and her family. Both of her children, Brett Keener ’99 and Bethany Keener ’01, and their families have stayed in touch for 53 years. We are sure many of you have similar stories, and we would love to share them with our classmates.

Mark Walling and I touched base in September after we both watched the fanless U.S. Open. Years ago, Mark and I would meet at the Open for a day of watching tennis and reminiscing. Mark is still living and practicing dentistry in the New York area. At the time of this writing (September 2020), the 50th Reunion at Traditions Weekend and the Olde Guarde Induction are still scheduled for April 23-25, 2021. As expected, the plans for the events are evolving and subject to change. We are not privy to any decision deadlines, but please try to keep your schedule open for that weekend. The College will provide updates as soon as they are available.

Follow Stu Meyerson’s lead (see above) and send us an email. Let’s hear from Dave Farkash, Steve Dew, Marci Morgan, Richard (Rix) Reisser and Nancy Terrill.

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Hello to everyone! Fall is on the way as I write but I know we will be in the midst of winter as you read these notes. Certainly, the year 2020 is like no other we’ve experienced and will be recorded as such in the history books. As we ride out the COVID-19 storm, I hope you are all faring well. I am hopeful there will be less “virtual” everything in the near future.

New from Hyatt Keller Baeska: she retired in November 2019 after a 26-year stint as a contractor on a Department of State’s Consular Systems IT project. She eased into full retirement by working three-day weeks for 18 months while training her replacement. Now she has time to catch up on her backlog of reading, decorative painting, getting together with her Phi Mu friends and sleep. In the future, she plans to take advantage of local volunteer opportunities and to visit some of the 10 states she has not yet seen. Kathy commented how much she enjoys reading about what our classmates have been doing … that’s a hint to you out there. Communicate with us.

More retirement news from Judith Ruff Stocks, but first a summary of her life after college. After marrying a naval officer, she spent almost 20 years living in six states and Spain. They raised two daughters and a son, none of whom attended William & Mary despite gentle encouragement in that direction. They divorced in 1991, and she and her children settled in Northern Virginia. She considers herself fortunate to have worked for MCI and then spent 20 years in education and human resources with Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) and the Fairfax County government. Judith retired in July 2020. Previously, she earned a master’s degree from Marymount University and thoughts of a Ph.D. are brewing so we will stay tuned for future accomplishments. Travel plans are on hold until the world opens safely again, but she looks forward to visiting grandchildren in Rhode Island and Texas and also Europe and Greece. She hopes to continue building with Habitat for Humanity, singing in her church choir and volunteering in an FCPS Grandparents program. She has enjoyed keeping in touch with college friends and John Constance, Michelle Pugh Harvey ’72, M.Ed. ’73 and other Gamma Phi Beta friends.

I do hope positive things are happening for you as we “shelter in place.” I’ve enjoyed staying in touch with friends. I haven’t enjoyed getting so acquainted with my computer and all that involves because of my job. It’s a work in progress but that’s OK.

Stay well, Peggy

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Greetings and Salutations: By the time this special edition comes out in January 2021, the 2020...
presidential election will have occurred and the repercussions from same will likely be playing out. The COVID-19 pandemic will still also be a part of our daily discourse and will still also be a part of what we will likely be playing out.

The repercussions from same things plus the excising of the College — all these fall sports, put them on William & Mary's athletic calendar — aka their own time. Alleged fiscal/austerity solutions. (For Bruce and his wife, Grania.

The turmoil created by the aforementioned cutting of Men's Track & Field, women's soccer, will provide a few quick catch-ups with fellow '73ers like Steve Snyder, Andy Mosney, Deb Prilla-

man '73, J.D. '76, Howie Michael '71 and Julie Michael, Roger Etelman '72, Bill Louv '74, Charlie Duckworth '74, Allan Sharrett '74, Linda Sings Gilmart '74, and Steve Hueber '76 and Diane Arnold Huebner '76. The Zoom calls are approaching 200 stakeholders just for the T&F crew with Steve Noll, Paul Pavlich, Reed Bohne and Angie Mason Bohne, Jim Disciullo '75, and Tom Monday '74, M.Ed. '79 also joining the fray. Bruce Wachtner and Joanie Spiegel Wachtner gave clarity on some of my musings in the online report earlier this fall; they spent a combined 85 years as teachers/administrators/innovators at Saint Edward's School in Florida. Both their daughters attended the school and were involved in concerts, sports and other programs. For Bruce and Joanie, it was a privilege to teach two generations of students at the school, where they still volunteer and act as consultants when not visiting the two daughters and grandkids on their retiree schedules — aka their own time. 

Congratulations!

Finally, Professor Bernard L. Herman, another King Dorm survivor and life-long and Norfolk native, has been Distinguished Professor of Southern Studies and Folklore at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill since 2009. His recent book, “A South You Never Ate: Savoring Flavors and Stories from the Eastern Shore of Virginia,” has received high praise for his focus on the people, places and foods of his part-time “residence.” He not only writes about the Eastern Shore culture but has also become quite the oyster bed expert and a noted bootleggers are way more fun than the Intolerable Acts or the Committees of Correspondence. The first in my new series, “The Mystic’s Accomplice,” is scheduled for publication in May 2021. For fiction, I use my maiden name, Miley, to distinguish from my nonfiction books and articles. Obviously, the pandemic has dealt a lethal blow to live theater. Cornell Christianson’s musical, “Wicked City Blues,” was shut down on March 12. It ran nine months Off Broadway and will continue its run as soon as theaters reopen. Cornell’s first musical, “It Came From Beyond,” will be returning in the near future, too. His latest, “Marilyn Exposed,” was set to open when the virus struck, but will get its chance — hopefully by the time you read these Class Notes. Cornell writes, “I am told Off Broadway will not reopen until after Broadway opens, which is now announced as January 2021 at the earliest. And if we have to social distance seating every other seat, how can we make money? More importantly, will W&M or the NFL return to New York theatre? Half our audiences were tourists, so will foreigners come to New York City? Either way, I think the future of musical theatre will be streaming to global audiences. I will have these three musicals plus four more I have written that I believe will have a bright future.”

Eve Earley wrote about how much she enjoyed last year’s Homecoming events, especially the Saturday gathering at the Wren Building. On Friday night, she met for pizza with some Sig Eps: Paul Dayer and Anne Totty Dayer, Mark Robertson (recently retired from 20 years as head of The Nature Conservancy in South Carolina) and his wife, Debbie, Mark Halsig, Bruce Spiegelman, Mark Sarosdy, Charlie Bish, Scott Yance, Chris Hoenenberg, and J.D. '77 (who made sure they tipped their waiter, a W&M student, very well), and Billy Lug. “By the end of the evening the stories were getting quite juicy!” Eve said, “Besides seeing my suitemate Anne T. Dayer, I was happy to reunite with my roommate from DuPont, Vicky Holt Abramson, and I also got together with Ami Cuervo '74, M.Ed. ’77 on Sunday for a nice brunch, a little shopping and a private tour of Colonial Williamsburg. It was raining and no one knew how we drove wherever we wished.” Eve and Michael, her partner of 18 years, are healthy and happy in Indiana. She semi-retired in 2018 from her practice as a doctor of chiropractic, DC, CST, RYT. I had to check on all those letters after her name: they stand for CranioSacral therapist and registered yoga teacher.

Kevin Rogers, whose football coaching career stretches from high schools and colleges (Naval Academy, Syracuse, Notre Dame, Virginia Tech, Wake Forest, Temple and William & Mary — twice) to the NFL, reluctantly retired from W&M in 2017 due to
Judith Baroody published her first work of fiction, "Casablanca Blue: Tales of Revenge, Romance and Riches," available on Amazon. The 10 short stories are set in locations around the world, including Paris, Casablanca, Santiago, Hollywood, Dewey Beach and, although never named, a college campus that strongly resembles William & Mary! She previously published a textbook, "Media Access and the Military," and contributed a chapter to "Quills to Tweets: How America Communicates about War and Revolution." Judith retired after 33 years with the Foreign Service and lives in Northern Virginia with husband, Richard Krueger, and two canine companions.

Cindy Holbrook Gubb has formed a partnership with a former colleague to form Gubb & Bongartz Nonprofit Consulting, LLC. Cindy and her partner use their extensive experience in nonprofit management, governance, community relations, marketing and fundraising to help Vermont’s nonprofit organizations reach their full potential. Even with the challenges posed by pandemic, they are busy and actively involved with three clients, with one project involving development of a $15 million community facility. As a personal friend and sorority sister of Cindy’s, it is no surprise that her relatively recent retirement from a long and successful career in advancement was not a really a done deal. Congratulations, Cindy, on this next adventure. She and her husband, Larry, continue to stay healthy and busy with their love of biking, hiking, kayaking, skiing, camping and travel, the latter having been curtailed of late, of course, but she remains hopeful about future travels. She is keeping her fingers crossed that there is some kind of ski season this winter … or she fears for her sanity! Don’t we all. Cindy also continues in her loving and devoted caregiver role for her mom, still doing fairly well at 98!

Jeff Doyle continues his teaching and research career at Cornell’s School of Integrative Plant Science as a professor in both the plant biology section and the plant breeding and genetics section. Last month, he received the American Society of Plant Taxonomists’ highest award, the Asa Gray Award. Classmate Doug Soltis received this award 14 years earlier. Jeff plans to continue his teaching and research for another five years before retiring. He and his wife, Jane, were in Williamsburg in March 2019, where they were invited by Professor Joshua Puzey to give a research seminar in the biology department. He got to reconnect with several of his professors from our college years. Jeff retired from his position at Wingate University this past summer and moved from Charlotte to the St. James community in Southport, North Carolina. Now he is able to indulge his passion, coaching lacrosse. John was introduced to lacrosse during his years at William & Mary by Al Albert’s ‘64 M.Ed. ’71 and ended up becoming the founding lacrosse coach at Wingate University. Now that he is retired, he works with the Shamrocks Lacrosse Club out of Wilmington. He is looking forward to more frequent visits back to campus and to more Tribe football. As I said earlier … aren’t we all!

Jan Wampler Booker sent wonderful news that her son, David, returned from his fourth deployment in Afghanistan, reunited with his wife, Caroline, and two small children, Henry (3 1/2) and Olivia (1 1/2) and, very happily, got to visit with mom and dad (Buz). David, with his family this time, is head-
proud. There’s much more Barb can tell you. Feel free to email her at ramseybl@aol.com.

I hope this finds all of you well during these challenging times, and I especially look forward to sharing lots of good news for the spring issue. GO TRIBE!

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Hello classmates! Hope everyone is doing well and that you are taking care of yourselves and your families. The election, the virus, the unrest — lots of crazy stuff going on out there. But through it all, you can rely on this column for accurate information about your friends and classmates — if you will provide grist for the mill. So, send me your raw materials and I will transform them into a finished product for your consumption.

I received a couple of news articles this time around, one of which, from Chemical & Engineering News this June, had Susan Kidwell and her research as its subject matter. Susan, who is a professor of geophysical sciences at the University of Chicago, is a marine geologist and sedimentologist. She learns about seafloor ecosystems of the past and what led to their demise and compares that to current-day conditions. Currently she is studying conditions in the Arctic and how systems survive in the chemically and physically aggressive conditions there. Susan holds master’s and doctoral degrees from Yale. And to think it all started with a trip to Zook’s Pit in Geology 101! The other articles sang the praises of Sue Hanna Gerdelman, chair of William & Mary’s recently concluded For the Bold fundraising campaign. The campaign raised an incredible total of $1.04 billion (yes, billion) to fund, among other things, scholarships, faculty positions and capital projects. In the final year of the campaign, just shy of $150 million was raised, which is the largest, raising amount received in a single year in W&M history. Thank you, Sue, for your exceptional leadership, and thanks as well to all of you who contributed, and hopefully will continue to contribute.

Paul Powell wrote in with a succinct summary of his life after DoG Street. He lived in the Washington, D.C., area in his early career and worked on Capitol Hill, serving for 16 years as a district representative to Sen. John Warner and helping to manage his state office in Richmond, Virginia. For the next 16 years, he was with the law firm of Patton Boggs, LLP, as a senior consultant in marketing and business development. For the past 16 years, Paul has been director, corporate partnerships and business development for the Jaycee Foundation of Richmond on Monument Avenue in Richmond. Regrettably, Paul was also the bearer of sad news, reporting on the death of his good friend Bill Purcell from pancreatic cancer. Bill grew up on a dairy farm in the Drakes Branch community of Charlotte County, Virginia, was valedictorian of his high school graduating class, and came to William & Mary with his trumpet to march in the W&M band and with his ham radio. He was a biology major on the trumpet track and finished his medical degree at MCV (now VCU Health) and subsequently completed a residency in family practice. He served in several practices in Powhatan, Virginia, where he lived, and ended his career teaching residents in family practice at Bon Secours Health System in Richmond, while also working at the free clinic at St. Joseph’s Hospital. He served part time as a physician in the state prison system for many years and was an accomplished technology and electronics guru. More details can be found at magazine.wm.edu/in-memoriam.

Well, mates, I really hope you all are doing well during the pandemic. Boy, when you stop to reflect, we really have lived through quite an assortment of historic events. Born just 10 years after D-Day, we’ve seen men land on the moon, devastating race riots, King and Kennedy assassinations, Vietnam, 9/11, boom and bust economic times, the Tercentenary, now a pandemic, and on and on. Please be safe, take care of your families, and remember that you are a member of one of the best classes ever of the Alma Mater of the Nation. Oh, and send me some news, will ya?

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May we join our thoughts with all who have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. For those who are sick, let us extend our heartfelt wish that they fully recover. For health care workers, let us give thanks. For those who are reaching out to our local communities where we live and work, let us express gratitude. For everyone who has suffered loss of family and employment, may we extend encouragement and support. Thank you for caring.

I feel blessed our classmates are supporting their families and working in ventures offering needed goods and services. Longtime friends and dedicated alumni, you have exemplified the best fruits of our alma mater. I invite you, our esteemed and silent classmates, to share your updates to inform us of your whereabouts and encourage us some 44 years after our graduation.

Peter Gray died on March 18, 11 months after a diagnosis of sarcomatoid carcinoma, a rare and aggressive cancer. Deepest condolences to his wife, Joanna Collins Gray; stepdaughters Alexandra (Nathan) Scheiderer and Abigail Lewis; grandchildren Elizabeth, Cooper and Charlotte; his mother Joyce Gray Ritchie; siblings David (Becky) Gray, Eri (Ginny) Gray, and Bruce (Pam) Perkinson; nieces, nephews and extended family. Originally from Bartlesville, Oklahoma, Peter moved to Austin, Texas, after graduation. He worked in retail management for several years before moving to Columbus, Ohio, where he trained as an ultrasound technician. Peter specialized in cardiac sonography. In 2008, he moved to St. Louis, Missouri, and became lead cardiac sonographer at St. Luke’s Hospital. He and Joanna met in 2011 and married in June 2018. Peter loved to travel and visited over 30 countries on six continents. Two months before he died, he traveled to the Bahamas. He shared a photo of him on Australia in 2017. He enjoyed music, Belgian beer, history and college football. A lifelong Cubs fan, Peter was ecstatic when his team finally won the World Series! A thoughtful and kind man, Peter was loved by all who knew him. His patients often remarked that his gentle manner put them at ease during a stressful time. His stepdaughters and grandchildren were extremely close to him, and little Cooper especially misses playing trains with Grandpa Peter. Peter’s favorite place in the world was the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, where his family has a cabin on the shores of Lake Superior. He went there almost every summer of his life, and he hoped to retire there. His family and friends gathered in Marquette in August to bury his remains and say farewell. We wish him eternal peace.

Michael Gornicki wrote that our class can now say that we have seen it all! He shared a great update about Matt Lambert who clearly chose a unique way to experience the COVID quarantine. He celebrated his retirement by hiking the entire 2,193 miles of the Appalachian Trail, mostly solo, in 158 days from March to August 2020. It was a great adventure, and he is considering tackling other long-distance trails throughout the USA. He shared a photo of Matt at the summit of Mount Katahdin in Maine near the end of his journey. Thanks, Michael, who also added he has delayed retiring in order to continue his tenure as director of internal audit at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, on a part-time basis, through May 2022. It promises to be one of the more exciting years of what will be a 45-year career!

Lee Piatt wrote he feels blessed during challenging times. He and his wife, Meryth, are very proud of their three adult children: Caleb Piatt ’09 and his wife, Angela, Alyson Piatt, who just received her master’s in special education and her permanent certification, and her husband, Aaron, and Specialist Tim Piatt, who is now going
through basic training in the U.S. Army. He enjoys his law practice and morning run (slowly) with his son’s dog, Blue. By press time, he should have earned his M.A. in theological studies at Liberty University. He praised the Lord!

Thomas L. R. Smith shared that he and Kathy Bennett Smith celebrated their 45th anniversary in January in Norway riding dog-sledded and seeing the Northern Lights on a Viking Ocean Cruise. It was one of the last successful ocean cruises of 2020. They had planned another cruise in September to celebrate their 65th and their daughter’s 45th birthdays. Unfortunately, it was canceled. Instead Thomas and Kathy spent their days playing guitar.

Cindy Satterwhite Jarboe wrote that W&M Kappas from the Class of ’77 have been meeting via Zoom during the pandemic. After having to cancel their 65th birthday celebration at Sea Island, they made contributions to the Kappa Foundation in honor of both the 150th anniversary of Kappa and their 65th birthdays. They wonder if other Greek groups would follow in contributing to their fraternity or sorority foundation. Cindy is chief financial officer for the EAF’s Financial Assistance Fund (EAF), a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public nonprofit organization designed to administer inclusive employee disaster relief and hardship funds. EAF has awarded over $85 million in grants internationally to 145,000 individuals impacted by the pandemic. Cindy is a speaker, webinar leader and author about nonprofits. Her latest book is titled “A Guide to Nonprofit Board Success: Answering the Call of Leadership.”

Karen Tilden is working on the pandemic in Gilbert, Arizona, with record-breaking heat. Her two daughters, a boyfriend and a friend have quarantined with her. They found new fun by turning the dining room into a craft/game room with shelves for supplies and a big conference table, and that has worked wonders creating a new usable space. Her nephew and family live close by and they opened their “bubble” to see them. Karen’s son works at a startup in San Francisco. She Zooms to “see” him and her brother and his family in Sydney, Australia. With some of their friends becoming sick, they are being careful to avoid COVID-19.

Thanks to all who share news. Please keep sending updates and know that we, the Class of ’77, care.

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Congratulations! Since you are reading this, you have evidently navigated the strangest year in our lifetime. I’m not sure “strangest” is the most appropriate adjective among these other synonyms in Webster’s better matches your assessment: bizarre, weird, unexpected, extraordinary, remarkable, uncommon, unnatural, surreal. Take your pick. From the potential lethality of COVID-19 itself to the unfathomable societal impact the virus has had on our lives, it has been challenging. Circumstances vary. For many of us, the pandemic made it almost impossible to get together with family and friends. For others, family members were sometimes too close by (think college students doing remote learning at the dining room table). Many of us even became full-time day care providers for our grandchildren for a while so that their parents could work from home, sometimes our home! The empty nest is suddenly bursting with life. International trips were canceled or morphed into shorter domestic journeys. We lived, somewhat vicariously and virtually, through others. I was treated to several awe-inspiring photos of our nation’s iconic byways from Twin Falls, Idaho and Dinosaur National Monument, Colorado (John Friedery and Melissa Dozier Friedery), to Hot Springs, Virginia (Chip Perkins and his wife Margaret), to coastal Maine (Allison White Matsik and her husband George). Rick Smith has been filling up his Facebook feed with compelling household projects. He credits the extra sleep.

“Better food: Sara is a great cook and I have never eaten better in my life… We’ve had homemade huitlacoche (which I regularly make chocolate chip cookies. Big cookies.

“Family time: I’ve had more conversations with my children in the last few months than in the last few years. This weekend, my siblings and I had a Zoom reunion with some cousins — and we realized that some of us had not seen one another in decades. We joked that it was going to be a great reuni- on as a family event that was NOT a funeral.

“October 2020. Nearly seven months of working from home, leaving the house only twice a day to walk the dogs with the trips to any store or business so unusual they really feel like other-worldly adventures. In July, I wrote about some of the things that I will miss when this pandemic is finally over. The first thing on that list was not having to commute into and out of the city… the extra three hours a day I felt like a gift with more time to do things. Sadly, the glitter from this gift of time has faded as pandemic life became normal life.

“It’s now routine to have a few extra hours in the morning. Work has bled into that time and filling in those extra hours doesn’t feel as special when they’re there every day. It’s not surprising that the excitement and sense of adventure for the new things of the pandemic have melded into the everyday of this new existence. Gone is that burst of energy for baking chocolate chip cookies, organizing reunions on Zoom and even chronicling the amazing things that happen every day as I have attempted to do in this stay-at-home pandemic quiz. The fever pitch of awareness is not sustainable and has faded as the weeks of isolation have turned into months of coronavirus life. The unrelenting pace of the news doesn’t help. It’s worn me down and made me numb to the passage of time.” The only way out is through.

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(Kind of scary, as it is often like we are watch- ing it for the first time!) The 20th anniversary of “Remember the Titans” compelled us to watch that gem again. A few years ago, Allen Goode told us that “Remember the Titans” was a pretty good description of what he and Rolf Carawan ’78, M. Ed. ’82 experienced when playing high school football together in Chesapeake, Virginia. That really brought it home for us… a reminder of how good it can have come, yet how far to go. “The only way out is through.”

Our hearts go out to those of you who have
experienced loss this past year. Best wishes to you and your loved ones for a happy, intrepid and healthy 2021. May it be filled with tiny unexpected pleasures. Please share them. Carpe diem!

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I am sure many of you were disappointed when the special online issue of the W&M Alumni Magazine appeared in your inbox, and you discovered a blank page where the Class Notes for the Class of 1979 were supposed to be. Did you forget we are in the midst of a pandemic? No one is doing anything! By the time you read this column, I hope the worst of COVID-19 will be behind us. It would be lovely to report that people are going about their lives again. But until then, I’m afraid the news is pretty sparse.

One of the best things to come out of this pandemic (besides no traffic on the LA freeways!) has been connecting regularly with lots of friends. In order to preserve my W&M friendships, I will only share news I have been authorized to print, and as I said before, not much is happening. Here’s the general take on things from Anna Barron Billingsley: “We’ve been at home, venturing out very little, and always wearing masks when we do. We’ve either grown closer to our family members or grown sick of them, and we yearn for a time when we can visit with friends in closer proximity than 6 feet.” Chris Smith Eure added: “We’ve also been drinking lots of quaran-

tinis as we struggle to keep businesses open and staff employed!” I think that about sums it up.

A few milestones have occurred, pandemic or no pandemic: Kitty Wetterer Eason ’79, J.D. ’82’s son tied the knot last summer in an intimate backyard gathering (they are called “micro-weddings,” so I’m told) officiated by Kitty’s husband, Ward Easton, who is conveniently a judge. Anne Stephan Henkel’s son Campbell was married in October with a larger gathering at Wintergreen, Virginia. A new grandbaby was welcomed into the world by Deborah Hodge last summer, and Muffy Oakley O’Connell will hopefully have welcomed a new little grandbaby in January.

Another major milestone: Carol Arnold Hollenbeck announced that after nearly 40 years working in IT, she is finally retiring as of February 2021. She says she is “SOOOOO looking forward to no more morning alarm, and more time to spend with family and friends (virtually or otherwise).” I plan to spend lots of time working in my yard and exploring outdoors, and I’m thinking about maybe trying agility training with Olivia.” (Olivia is her dog, in case you were wondering.) “She’s so smart and agile, I think she would love it. I am hoping that by the summer we’ll be able to start traveling again.” We are all hoping the same thing, Carol! Charlotte Sharp Lucas spent a month “stateside” in October, venturing out from her relatively COVID-free home in France to drop her son Danny off at Coast Guard training bootcamp for his new job on a NOAA research vessel, then enjoying a long visit with her sister and mother and extended family in North Carolina. That’s about it for this column. If you want to read more next time,

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“... send me your news! If we’ve learned nothing else from COVID-19, we’ve learned it’s important to keep in touch. Until then, stay safe and wear your mask!”

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It is October as I write this. I think I said, “What a year!” in my last column — and that was BEFORE the fires, the hurricanes, protests and riots ... and don’t get me started on the looming election! I hope you are doing well and finding ways to cope. We just got back from Virginia, where we sprung our daughter out of quarantine for COVID-19 ... who knew that was even a thing?! We took her to a friend’s lake house in North Carolina. It was awful for her, of course, but we got to have 10 days with her all to ourselves! Silver linings indeed.

I heard from Greg Moore, who writes, “My husband and I have been in Lauderdale by the Sea for 20 years now, and our daughter is graduating from high school this year. She has her sights set on a Canadian university, which we are both fine with. Allan is Canadian and has tons of family up there. Pre-COVID, we visited 3-4 times a year, so we will have even more reason to go visit! Once we get to a safe, new normal, anyone taking a cruise via Fort Lauderdale, let me know!”

We have had the pleasure of seeing Rob Kravitz and his friend, Martha, from time to time. I think I mentioned that Rob has settled in the Dallas area. Rob and Martha have made me jealous with their (seemingly) neverending hikes to various national parks. They, like me (and maybe some of you) have also spent their days in quarantine doing jigsaw puzzles. I’ve lost count ... When we dropped Olivia off at the University of Virginia, we were lucky enough to see Barbara Cole Jones and her husband, Stan, for dinner. As you can imagine, running a vineyard has its challenges right now. Fortunately, the membership for their Valley Roads Vineyard is healthy and people ARE drinking wine right now (which I can attest to personally) and outdoor venues are very popular for weddings and gatherings. It was delightful to catch up with them. We also got to visit with Beth Alford Wolfe and her husband, Tommy, in Fairfax Station. Beth and Tommy are both retired now and enjoying traveling, golf and spending time with family. Hoping we get to continue to catch up with old friends as we make our way to C’Ville every now and then.

That’s all the news I have! Please write/email/text and let me know how you are doing and what is keeping you busy and sane! Miss everyone!

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Winter greetings!
What a year it has been! And what a difference from a year ago, when we were looking forward to celebrating our 35th Reunion! I didn’t receive anything officially from our Class Notes, but I did save an article by Tom Alvarez in On the Aisle profiling Suzanne Sweeney and her leadership role navigating the challenging waters of the global pandemic for the Indiana Repertory Theatre. Suzanne is a 21-year veteran of the IRT and currently serves as managing director and CEO of the organization. Keeping Indiana’s premier professional theater going during this crisis has likely been challenging, but her leadership during the crisis was commended. After the state went into lockdown, the theater was forced to temporarily cease operations and cancel performances that amounted to one-third of the season. They are now looking ahead to how the theater will safely reopen to patrons going forward. When asked about her hopes for the future, Suzanne responded that she hopes we will “remember how the arts got us through this period and why it’s important the arts are in our lives.” She said she hopes that we will maintain a focus on equity, diversity and inclusion, and that we will “take what was good from this period ... and carry it with us into the future.” Well said, Suzanne!

One of the many “gifts of COVID,” a term I use to represent the unexpected blessings of this challenging time, has been connecting more frequently with several classmates. At the beginning of the nationwide lockdowns, Joanna Ashworth, Linda Reynard Basnight, Laurie Raymond Benson, Alison Hawley Ewing and I decided to meet weekly via Zoom. Checking in from Virginia, Maryland (and sometimes Michigan), South Carolina and Montana, we were able to support one another, sharing some memories, inspiration and smiles. When one of us lost a beloved family member and another of us became gravely ill and was hospitalized for many weeks, these weekly meetings became a lifeline, helping us cope with the loss, grief, fear, anxiety and stress we were experiencing. We were together as one of us settled in a family cottage for part of the summer and dropped her youngest at college for the first time. We were together as one of our children celebrated a first wedding anniversary from London, another transitioned from the Peace Corps to a graduate program across the country, and her brother began attending college from another country online. We cheered as another’s oldest (who is also an alumna) returned to Williamsburg for a socially distant concert that raised awareness and funds an important cause. And we remain together as we support our friend as she continues to recover from her illness. These connections forged so long ago during just four years at William & Mary have now lasted 40 years, and the gratitude I feel for these friendships is overwhelming.

I hope that you and your loved ones have remained healthy and safe during this year and will remain so as you receive this at the beginning of a new year. Sharing our news and staying connected seems more important than ever, so please reach out if you have an update you’d like shared in the next Class Notes. You can reach me via email, text, phone, Facebook message or mail.

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To borrow half of Cicero’s famous quote, “O tempore!” This is indeed quite a time we have been living through; as I write this, there have already been six months of staying close to home. I hope that all of you have been well and are coping with the changes we as a nation are undergoing.

There is only one person from our class that I have heard from this time, but what an amazing story I have to share! Please take a look at the link in our Class Notes online to read about Leigh Doane Grant. I reached out to Leigh herself after I read the article and she told me more about her time at William & Mary. Leigh was a sophomore transfer from the University of Virginia, living in Sitch with roommate Gayle Longest ’83. Junior and senior years, she lived in Madison and Landrum with roommates Ann Shufflerbarger ’86, M.A.Ed. ’90 and Kelly Baker. Leigh graduated with a double major in biology and psychology. After graduation, she worked at MCV for a number of years in the academic labs as a lab technician in the areas of physiology, anatomy and head trauma research. Later, Leigh moved on to environmental lab work in the private and public sectors, taking a break in there to get a master’s degree in English at VCU, marry, and raise two sons. A few years ago, she went back to work full time as a science teacher and then circled back to environmental lab work, currently at the Water Reclamation Facility in Henrico County, Virginia.

Not to give away too much before you read the article I linked, but Leigh developed postpartum cardiomyopathy six months after the birth of her second child in 2001. Over the next eight years, her heart condition was managed with an ICD (defibrillator) and medication. When it worsened in 2007, more drug therapy was added. And when that failed, she had open heart surgery in 2008 to implant an LVAD which takes over the pumping action of the heart’s left ventricle. Leigh was listed for transplant and received her heart in June 2009. She was able to resume her regular activities gradually as she healed and got stronger. And (spoiler alert!), Leigh has been able to run a half-marathon!

That’s it for me this time. I know many of you are still finding yourself with more time on your hands than you ever thought possible, so please reach out to me and let us know what is happening in your lives. Homecoming for our 35th Reunion looked a little different this year, as Zoom unions were more the norm than tailoring or standing next to someone at the Alumni House trying to figure out what they might have looked like freshman year. No worries, we were more the norm than tailoring or standing next to someone at the Alumni House trying to figure out what they might have looked like freshman year! Meetings were more the norm than tailoring or standing next to someone at the Alumni House trying to figure out what they might have looked like freshman year. Meetings were more the norm than tailoring or standing next to someone at the Alumni House trying to figure out what they might have looked like freshman year. 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Hello classmates,

Last year, Mike Doucette joined the board of directors of the YMCA of the Virginia Peninsula. He is vice president of Riverside Health System and also serves on the boards of directors for Peninsula Fine Arts Center and Smart Beginnings.

Chris Olson ’86, J.D. ’92 reports that life has been a lot of “hanging around and working.” He moved his daughter Ange Olson ’20 to Arlington, Virginia, in May, so that she could start her working-from-home job closer to DC, but that she couldn’t go to school.

In September, Maria Reyher Meredith was hoping her younger daughter, a William & Mary sophomore, would be able to complete her semester on campus. Her older daughter, Ashley Meredith ’17, is manager of Durham Public Schools Hub Farm in Durham, North Carolina. Maria’s husband, Mike, is a software engineer. Maria is a finance executive for Arlington County, Virginia.

Matt Solomon sends his regards from Israel, where he lives in the Judean Hills, south of Jerusalem, halfway to Hebron. Other W&M alumni who have lived in his community are Larilyn Cole ’93 and Matt’s late father, Jack Solomon ’48. Matt would love to hear from alumni living in Israel or the Middle East. You may contact him at meirmatt@hotmail.com.

At Ojai, Duarte and Los Angeles, California, and Greenfield, Massachusetts. Now he is a homeowner in Bath, Maine, where he hopes to stay.

Christine Kabacki Atherton ’87 and Mike Atherton are well. Mike’s daily life is as busy as ever and not much changed by the pandemic, as he has always worked from a home office. He misses traveling but has enjoyed keeping up his flying skills with regular outings in his airplane.

Ann Brown-Halley of Williamsburg was enjoying seeing students back in town in September and was hopeful that they could continue with in-person classes. Her work had been slower than usual, so she had been busy with art and her husband, Lars, is a finance executive for Blue Origin. They are thrilled that he was close to his goal of 100,000 miles near Earth.

Suzanne Robinson Trailon of North Carolina is working from her home office. She looks forward to the day when she can travel again.

Kathryn Potter Perez sent her first update in 34 years! After graduation, she spent four years on active duty and as an Army Medical Service Corps officer. While serving in Germany, she met her husband, Danny, who was there working for Cadence International, a parachurch organization that serves military personnel around the world. Their mission involves a lot of loving and caring for individuals and hospitality in their home. In addition to the US, they have lived in Oregon, Colorado and most recently Fayetteville, North Carolina, for the last 19 years. They raised four sons, now adult men, who all served on active duty military. Their youngest (24) is an Army nurse in San Antonio, married, and just gave them their first grandson. Their 26-year-old is now out of the Army and living in Kansas City, Missouri. Their 29-year-old is an Army officer stationed at Fort Bragg and their 31-year-old is a Marine. Their 28-year-old is now out of the Army and living in Kansas City, Missouri. Their 29-year-old is an Army officer stationed at Fort Bragg and their 31-year-old is a Marine. Their 28-year-old is now out of the Army and living in Kansas City, Missouri.
and may be reached at kathryn.perez@cadence.org or 910-322-2484.

Classmates who sent brief notes to say hello: Butch Atkinson ’86, M.Ed. ’95, Lisa Ferguson Poyta, Angela Castle Broaddus, Jeff Gollomp, Dale Fennell, Joe Jackson, David Brackins, Mary Gair Relley, Mary Pettit, Patricia Baker Kegel, Karin McGaughy, Maria Acedo Kronenburg, Jeanne Cherundolo, McPhillips (Dolan), Thomas Blackwood, Brian Kane, Mary Mainous, Kathleen Calpin Newton, and Tim Hamilton.

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It is September right now and by the time this article is published, it will probably (hopefully) be 2021. Despite the myriad challenges of 2020 being a little unexpected, it seems that our Tribe classmates have found many ways to stay connected.

Jenny Koleda Hoescheid met up with Julie Benedick over Labor Day weekend in New York and headed up to Cape Cod to tour an unusually quiet and crowd-free Chatham and Harwich by bike. On their way home, they stopped in Connecticut to see Nan Shanley Cunningham ’86 for a quick visit. Now Jenny’s back at home working remotely along with her husband. Her son is a wonderful freshman year and is working close to home as a nannyeducation facilitator for a family with two elementary-age children. Jenny already had made reservations for W&M’s 2020 Homecoming along with Kristin Rombough Robinson, Julie Benedick, Lezlie Farrell Anderson ’87, M.B.A. ’96 and Nan Shanley Cunningham. The group is going to hopefully regroup for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2021, which will be a much-needed celebration for all of us.

While many people have been working remotely from home this past year, Matt Harrison ‘87, M.A. ‘94 has been busier than ever working at four different Charlotte-area hospitals. After he graduated with a biology degree in ’87, he went on to earn his M.A. in biology in ’94, and received his M.D. at MCV/ VCU in ’98. He completed his residency in family medicine at the University of South Alabama back in 2001. He moved to Charlotte and from 2001-2011 had a private clinic doing inpatient and outpatient care and obstetrics. He is currently medical director for the student health clinic at Belmont Abbey, assistant professor at Campbell Osteopathic School of Medicine and medical director at the HELP crisis pregnancy center/ prenatal clinic. Matt and his wife, Kathleen, have seven kids between the ages of 12 and 23. Despite all his important responsibilities and being so busy, Matt told me he also finds time to travel on medical missions to Ghana. He is still in touch with many old W&M friends including Rob Skoff, Danny Malks, Chris Bernart, Ray Nardo, Sharon Varallo, George Coundouriotis, and Rob Garnier ’87, J.D. ’91 and Marnie Crannis Garnier ’88, M.Ed. ’91.

Chris Geschickter has really been missing out on being able to join his brother Tad Ges-chickter ’85 and Tad’s NASCAR teams this past season due to the COVID restrictions. But he, along with race fans everywhere, was glad that NASCAR was one of the first sports to come back on TV. He and Tad still keep up via text/phone often. Chris got away a few times this summer to reunite in a socially distant way with some of his Saint Stephen’s classmates and Tribe friends (including Tom Repke and Karla Palmer Repke) at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. Chris also stays in touch often with Jenny Koleda Hoescheid and enjoys reading updates on the Class of ’87 Facebook page. Chris is excited that his daughter Lindsay (a high school senior) is applying to William & Mary this fall!

Elizabeth Overstreet Trumbull is living in Northern Virginia and has recently started meeting regularly with Lynn Flaherty Dommel for walks on Saturday mornings to catch up. She was able to join with friends Beth Buzzard Armstrong, John Armstrong and Cindy Clark for a socially distanced happy hour at Melinda Miller’s screened-in porch in Great Falls recently. Their W&M Supper Club has actually begun meeting since 1988, when they all lived in Arlington after graduation. A few members of the group that couldn’t make it to the recent happy hour include Christy Checkel Sweet ’88, Kathleen McCarthy-Sober and Carrie Harrison. Elizabeth’s two daughters followed in her footsteps to W&M. Her oldest daughter Brit- tony Trumbull ’19 was also a Kappa and is now working for Deloitte Federal. Her younger daughter Aly Trumbull ’24 is having a wonderful freshman year and also recently pledged Kappa.

Matt Towner provided this update: “As of July 2019, I moved with my family from Fairfax to Newport, Rhode Island, where I am serving as the George H.W. Bush Chair for Intelligence Studies at the United States Naval War College. I am teaching foreign policy analysis and Chinese foreign policy and developing China-related courses for the future. My oldest is in her second year in college and youngest just started HS, both daughters. I will be here in Newport through the summer of 2022, when I will most likely head back to D.C. and life in the DC USG unless I find my dream teaching job in New Zealand!”

Suzie Gruner McMullen and her husband are new empty nesters! Their son Luke is a student athlete at Salisbury University, where he plays tennis. They are hoping to see him play pretty often as the university is near a family beach house. Her 2020 days have been full of work, making improvements to their log home in Leesburg, long walks with the dogs, and her tennis team league play as well. She is still in close touch with her Tribe as well and filled me in on what they are up to nowadays: Sara Sawyer is living in West Virginia, where she is a professor at a liberal arts university. Beth Stanford Fuchsbauer recently moved with her husband to Reno, Nevada, to start their semi-retirement there now that both their kids, Ryan and Shannon, are college graduates and doing well. The oldest son of Liz Hunter ’87, M.A.Ed. ’90, Noah Dalbey ’22, is at W&M, her daughter Mollie is in her second collegiate year and plays hockey at the University of Vermont, and Liz’s son Cooper is in high school. Liz recently started a new career and received her bachelor’s degree in nursing. Karen Sheehan Maher is a physical therapist and is also a new empty-nester. Karen’s daughter Meghan graduated from
high school in June and is studying performing arts, and her son Brendan is also away at school and playing hockey. Carrie Taylor Lang is in human resources at Yellowstone National Park. They are all, including Theresa Jacoby Massie, keep in touch whenever they can arrange a Zoom call but are hoping to get together again at the next W&M Homecoming.

Theresa Jacoby Massie continues her work as a senior brand manager for Sutter Health in California. Theresa and her husband, Christopher, started a new business venture and launched Park Street Wine Sellers in January. It is a shop in Alameda, California, and they were still able to keep the business strong through their e-commerce platform. They can ship to any state that allows interstate shipping of wine to consumers. Their daughter Miranda just graduated from college and will start her freshman year in high school and is a talented swimmer, and Theresa serves on the Board of Directors for the city’s 200+ member swim team, the Alameda Gators. Theresa is a Tribe Cross Country and Track & Field alum with hopes her daughter would consider swimming at W&M, and was devastated to hear of the passing of her daughter-in-law by William & Mary. Theresa was able to see Liz in February when she graduated from nursing school and is a talented nurse and is in human resources. Pam’s husband, Kevin Sutherland ’Ed. ’94, is a professor at Virginia Commonwealth University in special education. They met on Match.com over 10 years ago and he was worth the wait. He is Pam’s rock in every way and possesses so many traits of her beloved father, who passed away months before they met, that Pam says she is certain her father had a hand in bringing them together.

Says Pam, “How do I cope in the pandemic? I wear my mask and honor social distancing, but continue to live my life. Like many introverts with a big yard, a loving family and stable profession, I have enjoyed the slowing down of life in general. We love to cook and garden and read so have done more of that. I had a hip replacement at the end of May and am obsessed with cycle classes at the moment since nothing hurts anymore! I’ve made a lot of art and watched a lot of TV on Zoom. Basically, I’m enjoying the moment — and the changes this very unusual moment demands — knowing that it will be temporary. I pray our country learns from this moment and crafts a better, more inclusive, kind and equitable country in its wake.”

Before COVID hit, Rich Lipsky met up with W&M fraternity brother Steve Christie ’90 at a Super Bowl party in Miami in early February. Michael Egge has picked up a new job as pediatric cancer patient advocate. He’s still practicing law at Latham & Watkins in Washington, D.C., and serving on the firm’s global executive committee, but he found a higher cause after daughter Olivia (now 20 and a “2nd year” at UVA with twin brother Luke) was diagnosed with a rare bone cancer (osteosarcoma) in 2017. After countless nights in the hospital and six major surgeries to save her leg, including four in spring 2020 during COVID, “Olivia is a beacon of strength and her family is so grateful for her strength and guts. We follow her lead in patient advocacy and fundraising to cure osteosarcoma, a devastating disease that took two wonderful teens Olivia befriended. I cannot thank enough the many William & Mary friends and Lambda Chi brothers who helped raise the largest single community-based research grant ($1.5 million) for osteosarcoma ever — names like Mackesy, Mallory, Cunningham, Vince Haley, Don Planty, Gary Zanfagna, Linda Habgood, Licht, Moyer, Carswell, Sicoli, Gatti, Wiley, Prophett, Pilot, Mitchell, Walsh Yates, Mohler, Lashutka, Scarpignato, Callahan, Srochi, Emory, Harris, Soroka, Hughes, Johnson and my three fellow W&M grad Egge siblings (Willie Egge ’91, Cristina Cooke ’93 and Paul Egge ’95) who have come immediately to mind, and there are many more I surely have missed. Special shout out to Vince Haley for advocacy behind the scenes at the White House, to Father Don Planty who taught Mike how to pray for hope in what felt like hopeless moments and to my wife April, daughter Sophia, and son Luke for nursing Olivia to health these past four years.”

All is well, considering, in Maplewood, New Jersey, with Kitty Nguyen and her husband, Bill Connolly. Bill is a partner at Sheridan Wells, a Florham Park, New Jersey-based law firm, where he is a corporate attorney representing foreign and privately owned companies. Building on a career designing brands such as Barneys New York and J.Crew, Kitty is running a business she founded last fall (2020), called We’re in the 100% Semifinalist.com — an online concept store that features favorite everyday items for men, women and home. Reflecting on the past year, one of the highlights of 2020 was the opportunity of shared time with her children, Claire (23) and Liam (21), chatting, cooking and streaming. Another highlight was a socially distanced, but delightful, summer meetup with Bob Wilson, Jennifer Lear and Todd Confer ’87 on the patio at Jennifer and Todd’s new home in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Susan Smith Bateman and her husband, Scott, “are loving life in our hometown of Norfolk, Virginia. After 32 years of marriage and raising four sweet children, we recently embarked on a crazy new family adventure. On July 1, we opened COVA Brewing Co., a craft brewery and coffee house in the Ocean View section of Norfolk, just a few miles from our home. It has been three years in the making, but with lots of prayers, hard work and friends’ support we managed to successfully launch in the midst of the pandemic. Our partners and staff (including all
of our kids! I have helped us convert an old car repair shop into a family-friendly venue with a self-pour tap system, state-of-the-art coffee bar, food trucks, great outdoor seating space and endless opportunities to serve and partner with our community. Next time you are in the 757, please come see us. Something's always brewing!" — Anne Newton Doll

Anne Newton Doll writes, “As hard as it has been for Class of ’88 Chi O sisters Maggie Marzio Melsen, Wendy Jones Loew, Christina Langelier Hamilton, Karen Johnson Cragg, Kim Colonna Elander and I to postpone our frequent in-person get-togethers together, we have managed to have regular ‘house meetings’ via Zoom. It has been a high-light for us during these tough times, strengthened our bond even further, and made us look forward even more to the times we can all be together in person again!”

Page Hayhurst Kiniry is excited to be working with Brent Fortenberry ’06 on a history project related to rice production in South Carolina for an exhibit at Brookgreen Gardens. South Carolina produced 75% of the nation’s rice in 1840 through the work of enslaved Africans and the exhibit will help tell their story.


Dinah Page Manns sent in greetings and shared the following: “So many things have changed in our world over the last few months, but I consider myself blessed. Pandemic Life: I am the faculty chair of human services courses and research at Capella University and have been working remotely for the last 10 years. Lockdown didn’t require a work adjustment. However, the limited access to products and services has been a real lifestyle change. Pandemic Survival: Bidet, working out from home and watching westerns. Fun: Spending time with family, playing the piano and cello and singing at church. Personal changes: Empty nest — my son Abram graduated from high school and started at Oklahoma State University. Philosophy of Life: Respect and honesty are entitlements. My hope for America: As we navigate this unique time in our country, I hope that we will treasure, help and respect others.”

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Todd Martin became president & CEO of GRASP (Great Aspirations Scholarship Program) in September after a 30-year career with the Boy Scouts of America. GRASP advisors work in 47 high schools in Virginia helping students and parents navigate the financial aid world when applying to college and technical programs.

Also in September, Ginger Miller O’Neil became executive director of the Maggie Walker Governor’s School Foundation, where she oversees the day-to-day operations, fundraising and alumni relations for this full-time regional governor’s school that serves students from 13 localities across Central Virginia.

Jim Smith retired this fall after 26 years with Wells Fargo. He had some truly great years working with fantastic people there and was lucky enough to create innovative digital experiences, from the world’s first internet banking experience to mobile banking, Zelle, ApplePay and more. Now, he’s on to new adventures and travels when that opens up again.

Speaking of travels, Cathy Puskas and Bill Stokes ’87 took to the road for their #MakingLemonadeTour2020 this fall. From Alexandria, they hit Pittsburgh, Mackinaw City, Mackinaw Island and Escanaba in Michigan; Yellowstone National Park, Jackson, and Grand Teton National Park, Missoula, and Glacier National Park in Montana; Ogden, Moab and Arches National Park in Utah; Aspen, Denver (major) and Telluride, Colorado; and Santa Fe, New Orleans, Atlanta and Charleston. Wow!

Steve Kistulentz, Kim Hoge Reilly and Glen Springer met up on a visit to Santa Clara, California. Trish Tobin and Dave Hicks moved from San Francisco to Perdido Key (Pensacola), Florida. Trish met up with DG sister Traci Heath Mon- doro on a visit to D.C. to pay respects to Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Bouq and I bought a house and rental cottage in Delray Beach, Florida, this summer, so I guess I was taking advantage of being able to walk to the beach and forget about life during the pandemic. While I haven’t been fortunate enough to actually see anyone in person, I have enjoyed long phone conversations or texts with W&M friends including Catherine Nelson Schlawin, Michele Sokolet-Perrigaut, John Windt, and my DG little sis Susan Gawalt Bunker ’90.

If you missed the last (online only) Class Notes, I want to personally reach all of you from our class who gave, came back to campus, supported or cheered on W&M students, or connected others to our exceptional W&M community. You helped to make William & Mary’s For the Bold campaign a success. Thanks a billion!

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What a way to commemorate our 30th year post graduation! I sincerely hope everyone has found a way to stay healthy, sane and engaged in creating a new, illuminated path forward.

Liz Daines and Sterling Daines relocated to Zurich, Switzerland, from Connecticut in 2017. After a decade at Goldman Sachs, Sterling moved to Credit Suisse, where he was a managing director and global head of Financial Crime Compliance. In August, he joined Libra as chief compliance officer. Liz has been enjoying university courses, exploring the mountains and lakes, and welcoming visiting family and friends. Their oldest son flew to Zurich for spring break before the borders closed in March — great luck having all four boys home during lockdown. Hiking trails never closed during the pandemic, and their dog has never been so tired. Their older two have now returned to the University of Rochester and the University of Edinburgh, while the younger two resumed in-person classes and sports in August.

Allison Ivory Holt is relieved that W&M is doing a much better job than many schools in keeping the campus free of COVID-19, since her son, Jack ’23, attends. He even has an in-person class!

Martin Ohlinger and Lisa Savage Ohlinger ’91 live in Toledo, Ohio. They were almost empty-nesters this fall, but with COVID-19, college students were not invited to live on campus at Georgetown University, where their youngest of four daughters is a freshman. Martin was recently appointed as clinical professor and chair of pharmacy practice at the University of Toledo College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Jennifer Jones Lowrey feels relatively isolated (safe) at home in Arkansas. She was promoted the year before last to national director, Hope Events at Prison Fellowship. Her son got married last May. He and his wife were in Lubbock at Texas Tech (where he is a senior violin performance major) until the pandemic hit. They are back home until COVID-19 passes, and he will finish his degree online. Her daughter, Maddie (married, one daughter, living in Jackson, Mississippi) founded Madeleine Illustrated LLC (facebook.com/madeleineillustrated and a Webtont “Tales for Coin”

David Lasky had the great pleasure of being interviewed by Cecce Bell ’92, author of “El Deafo,” her brilliant graphic novel memoir, and Newbury Honor Book, which David colored for her in 2014. You can view the series on YouTube, where she gives “director’s commentary” for each chapter of her book. David was interviewed in Chapter 14, where the history of their friendship, which started out in the offices of The Flat Hat at W&M, came to light. David is a (now online) teacher of comics and is at work on his next graphic novel.

In June, Ginny Jamison saw Ashley Stout Miller in Richmond. Ashley’s daughter, Sunny, is in her freshman year at the University of Virginia. Ginny also saw Jen Stephens Fallon almost every week at her home for Fallon Friday and fun around her pool. Jen,
Christi Browne Hans- 
on, Nancy Saltzman Sheed and Ginny get to- 
gether for lunch in Darien every few months. In 
November 2019, Ginny started a new job at Sun- 
rise Senior Living in sales and loves it!

Stephanie Finelli, a Sacramento-based ap- 
pellate lawyer, is excited that her son, Connor 
Mclaren-Finelli ’24, is a freshman at W&M. 
She was happy to see 
the campus when she dropped him off in August and grabbed a quick 
lunch at College Delly. 
Like many of us, she was 
disappointed to miss our 
30th Reunion and Home- 
coming.

Richard Kidd continu- 
es to see Jeff Troll- 
ingen ’89, Alan Clark, 
Lan Lingio ’99, Angela 
J.D. ’93, Gary Robert-
son, Glenn Grossman 
’91, M.Ed. ’94 and Jon 
Swanson ’91 regularly and was pleased to work 
with Dave Swaim ’92 and Jared Willey pro-
essionally in the Boston community. Richard 
formed an executive search firm targeting 
faith-based nonprofits called MissionLead-
ership. He found the 
extecutive director of the 
Museum of the Bible, 
CEO of Prison Fellow-
ship, and the senior min-
ister of the famous Park 
Street Church in Boston, 
among others. Richard’s 
daughter, Rachel Kidd 
’21, is enjoying her 
senior year and has been 
accepted into Teach for 
America. Richard was 
honored but saddened to 
perform the funeral of his 
college mentor, the Rev. 
Bill Warrick, long-time 
pastor of the Williams-
burg Community Chapel, 
who passed away in June.

Dr. Scott M. Stray- 
ther is the new chair of the 
Department of Family 
Medicine and Population 
Health at VCU, where 
his research degree and completed his residency. Scott subse-
quently was a founding 
faculty member for a mil-
itary-civilian residency at Scott Air Force Base in 

St. Clair County, Illinois. Scott completed his Mas-
ter of Public Health at St. Louis University and be-
gan conducting research on smoking cessation and 
health behavior change in 
primary care settings. In 2005, he was a recipient of an American Cancer 
Society Cancer Control 
Career Development 
Award. 

Prior to joining the 
VCU faculty, Scott was a professor (as well as 
vice-chair and interim 
chair) in the Department of Family and Preventive 
Medicine at the Univer-
sity of South Carolina 
School of Medicine in 
Columbia. Before that, he 
was a tenure-track faculty 
member in the University of Virginia’s Department of Family Medicine for 10 
years, where he founded 
and directed the university’s first formal 
practice-based research 
network. During this ten-
ure, Scott was elected to the prestigious Academy of 
Distinguished Educators 
at the University of Virginia.

Scott is also a colonel in the Air Force Reserve, 
supporting the Air Force chief medical information 
officer in the develop-
ment, configuration and 
worldwide deployment of 
a new electronic health 
record across all military 
treatment facilities, 
including the Veterans 
Health Administration. He has served as a pro-
essor at the Uniformed 
Services University in 
Bethesda, Maryland, ad-
vising the chair on tenure 
and promotion for 17 
mission family medicine 
residences across the 
United States.

Amy Leimkuhler 
Williams left the Harry 
S. Truman Library & Mu- 
seum in Kansas City after 
20 years to accept the 
chief of museum opera-
tions position at Andrew Jackson’s Hermitage in 
Nashville, Tennessee. 
Quite a move with two 
teachers, two horses, 
a dog, and a husband, who 
was able to follow six 
months after the reloca-
tion. Amy’s two teenage 
girls approved, so she 
concludes it must have 
been the right thing to do.

Thanks to everyone 
else who wrote just to say 
hi; please let me know if I 
inaudently left you out 
and I’ll make sure you’re 
in next time.

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Once again, I hope this 
column finds you healthy, 
and I hope somehow we 
all managed to survive the 
insanity that was 2020. 

As I write this in Sep-
tember, I have heard from 
a lot of people trying to 
survive virtual school, 
whether it is re-learning 
fractious with younger 
one or having a college 
student return home. 

Hang in there, parents! 
In a very funny Facebook 
exchange with multiple 
people, Derika Wells 
Mercer let me know she 
was somehow surviving 
hers husband working 
from home, three kids 
doing virtual learning and 
multiple dogs running 
around while Kathy 
McGee Warner, Beth 
Speakman Bortz ’91, 
M.P.P. ’93, Hollis 
Clapp and I mused about 
how many pairs of pants 
we can still fit into. The 
COVID-15 is real! Ani-
sha Sheth Mason said 
it best — 2020 sucks, 
2021 better be freaking 
better! 

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Mike Graves reported that he (an economics 
minor) and wife Trish 
Davis Graves (a business 
minor) somehow 
gave birth to two engi-
ners. Their older son, 
Connor, is working as a 
software engineer with Green Hills Software in 
Santa Barbara, California, 
but at least temporarily, 
he is working remotely 
from their house in Neva-
da. Younger son Brendan 
is a freshman on an Air 
Force ROTC scholarship 
at Arizona State Univer-
sity and is majoring in 
aeronautical engineering. 

Bill Fondren and 
his wife, Mimi, are moving to 
Memphis in 2021 to be 
closer to family. Last 
summer, Bill did an online 
terview about brain 
health with Dr. Fallon 
from Amen Clinics in 
Atlanta — search for it on 
YouTube.

So many of our
classmates are public servants and running for office. Kevin Foster is a candidate for one of four open seats on the Austin, Texas, School Board. Kevin is a professor at the University of Texas and is executive producer of Blackademics Television, a PBS program that features the work of Black Studies scholars in education and leadership. He has two children and earned both his master’s and doctorate in anthropology from UT.

Lisa Mathis has been reappointed as a member of the North Carolina Board of Transportation to represent DOT Division 8. She will work with the NCDOT staff to make decisions about transportation policies and priorities. Lisa lives in Sanford, North Carolina, and owns ArtStudio, which focuses on spreading art and design education to the next generation of creative leaders.

Several classmates banded together in September for a virtual fundraiser for Amy Padden and Ben Pogue. Amy is running for district attorney in the 18th Judicial District in Colorado and Ben is a candidate for solicitor in South Carolina. Guest speakers included KC Becker, speaker of the Colorado House of Representatives, and Jay Jones, Virginia House of Delegates.

Nita Stevenson had the adventure of a lifetime — she spent January in Antarctica! She spent time photographing six species of penguins and lots of whales. She reports that animals are not afraid of humans, just curious since humans are new to them as they are to humans. In her words, “it was absolutely breathtaking... the silence, the never-ending daylight, the truly frigid weather, the vastness of untouched wilderness.” She took her W&M flag to represent the Tribe at her landing on Cape Horn, across the Drake Passage and at several locations on the frozen continent. I can only imagine how fantastic the journey was. Please reach out to me with any news you have!

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Since last spring, all of us have found ourselves adjusting in our professional, social and familial lives. It has not been easy for many, and for some the consequences of the pandemic have been tragic. I hope this correspondence finds you, your family and your community in a good space. I’d like to invite more stories and messages from you all, and until then, I’ll offer a few of my own. While some of us might be more interested in looking ahead rather than looking behind, there have been some changes emerging from 2020 that have been welcome, and many stories of how folks have handled the challenges in uplifting ways. Although we gave up our Netflix a few years ago, we tried it again for two months this autumn. While we don’t like what television does to our kids sometimes, I’ll admit that I probably enjoyed the streaming service more than both of them. Between an architecture show, a tiny house show, and Marie Kondo’s tidying, I went from vicarious learner to active participant in refreshing our house, which has never been more organized, clean, and beautiful. I attribute this success to many hours of work, including those on the couch when I was absorbing lessons directly linked to better living.

As an equally compelling experience refreshing one’s home, we welcomed a new housemate in the form of a pet. For my part, I was already angling for a dog or cat. My wife was on board with the idea, and now that our children are 10 and 7, their growing self-sufficiency made the idea of caring for a pet less daunting. And yes, the kids were on board, too: Both expressed a wish for a baby brother, so we transferred that desire into a “little brother” pup.

Max is a Havanese pup, whose fondness for gnawing on sticks earned him the nickname Chewbacca. At 6 pounds, he’s hardly a wookie, and we like him that way. For those of you who are fond of dogs, a pandemic is a wonderful time to raise a puppy, assuming you’ve had more time at home.

Most of our family gatherings in 2020 took place in state parks and other outdoor spaces. While many of us yearn for normalcy of some kind, my family enjoyed these gatherings, and we hope to explore even more in 2021 and beyond. I hope you find the time to gather safely with friends and family, if not during the holidays, then certainly in the new year!

After many years as an educator and professor, I tip my tricornered hat to all continuing to work in that noble profession. My wife, Amy, teaches biology and environmental science, and our kids are in grades 4 and 1, and it’s clear that school was and still is challenging on many levels. I hope anyone in your family involved with schools or education can find the strength and determination to keep moving forward.

May you and your family find the year 2021 to be filled with healthy adventure, positive connections and meaningful work that serves the greater good.

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Happy winter days and Happy New Year (or near there). I’m hoping by the time I read this in print, we’ve had a bit of snowfall here in the mountains.

One quick update from the news blotter: Congratulations to Suzanne Sones Long for her reappointment (by the governor) to the board of the Virginia Public Building Authority.

Sharing some more notes from Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2019, which I hope are still accurate. I had the pleasure of meeting Will Vance — one of the many gentlemen from Monroe 2nd East. Will is a CPA, contracting to the Navy (NAVSEA), focusing on government and international relations. Another Monroe gentleman (1st West) present was Michael “Paci Paci” Paci. Michael has been in Munich for the past 3-4 years working for State Street Corp. Michael has two daughters and a standing invitation to class members for an Oktoberfest table.

Next group of classmates were all Barrett 3rd East: Kate Long works for alumni relations at the University of Delaware, Alice Givens is a member of the Alumni Association board and is active in the Orlando alumni chapter, Andrea Renaldi Wassmer was texting updates to Amie

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Well kids, it is our 25th this year and things just didn’t work out like planned. I’m barely keeping up with a first-grader on Zoom while my fifth-grader has become a Fortnight expert. In January, I got my dream job as VP of product marketing for a company that focuses on spend management (back-office source-to-pay solutions). The firm, Medius, is based in Sweden and I was slated to work from home but travel around the globe 5-6 times a year, as well as some North American travel to speak at events as a thought leader. Sigh, ready for 2021 (or maybe 2022) — the work is great and when my younger one isn’t getting kicked off his pod for bad behavior, life is moving along. Apologies for missing the last deadline, I was just buried in a pile of laundry and probably sobbing.

So here’s the news for those that have been busy living!

Just for Fun:
The ladies of Yates First North had a Zoom reunion on June 12. Ker- ry Pisacane Green, Lesley Stracks-Mul lem, Erika Frantz Madison, Kara Preissl Eyrich, Virginia Reves Hall, Laura Delmore kay, Elizabeth Jones Polkowitz, Wend y Foster, Alex Pfieffer Sharp, Nicole Schock Malto, Stephanie Crenshaw Marchesi and Amy Narducci Sarjeant all attended and enjoyed catching up. They tried to find the entire hall and hope that all their fellow Y1N alums are doing well!

Movers and Shakers in the News:
Sonja S. Watson has been named dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

Laura Sims published her first book, “Looker,” in 2019 to warm reviews and appeared at the Montclair Literacy Festival in March to discuss the work and how it is being produced by Emily Mortimer’s production company, King Bee.

Lisa Hudson Kim has a new job as an attorney at Kaufman & Canoles in Virginia Beach. She specializes in real estate claims, title insurance solutions and consumer finance.

Mark Dix was named a Virginia 2020 Super Lawyer! Mark is a trial lawyer with more than 20 years of experience concentrating in personal injury, labor and employment, and civil rights litigation.

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in health psychology and cardiac rehabilitation. She ended up in Canada after meeting a Canadian man in New York while she was pursuing her Ph.D. at Columbia University. "Now the couple and their five kids live in Ottawa. "I am slowly learning to love winter sports, but I still miss Virginia a lot," Kathleen wrote.

Congratulations to Mark Ryan, who was named the Medical College of Virginia Physicians Distinguished Clinician of the Year! Mark has worked as a physician for Virginia Commonwealth University's Medical College of Virginia (now VCU Health) since 2007. He began exploring a career in medicine while he was an undergrad at William & Mary and has worked with patients in rural and urban areas of Virginia as well as on medical missions to the Caribbean and Latin America. Thanks to everyone for writing! Please keep me posted about your adventures, great and small!

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Hope you’re all staying healthy and finding creative ways to beat the pandemic blues. Our Class Notes were light this time, so please keep your updates coming!

I was thrilled to hear from Deanne Dent

Brook, who emailed to say: "I’ve been working diligently the last two years on getting my new business up and running in interior design and graphic design as well as staging, which I’ve done for many years. Things are going really well!" You can visit Deanne’s website at www.the-design-stage.com.

Congratulations to Young Ju Rhee on the birth of her daughter Gemma Yoonseol on Nov. 6, 2019.

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Hello, Class of ’99!

I hope the winter months find you happy and healthy, and that these updates bring a smile to your face!

Lars Thorn has been busy creating games for two companies that he’s created and owns, and W&M alumni can get 20% off all five of his games by using the coupon code TRIBE at his website: www.uncorkedgames.com. While he game development and sales are exciting, the most exciting news is that he and his wife Julia are expecting their first child! Lars writes, “Our baby boy is due three days after the presidential inauguration, and we pray he’ll be born into a more hospitable America! I have been doing political advance work for Joe Biden since 2010 and Kamala Harris all of 2019. We’ll be moving back to our nation’s capital from an incredible 13 years living on the best coast by the beach in Los Angeles. Our son will be born a fourth generation Washingtonian, and we are thrilled to be able to share this next joyous chapter with family and friends in the D.C. area!”

Kevin Marston has been in Neuchatel, Switzerland, for 15 years now and is still working with the CIES (International Center for Sport Studies), teaching, researching and writing on sport history and governance with a new book on the history of soccer, football and high society in 19th-century Boston. He is proud that the course in which he teaches, the FIFA Master, has been listed in the Top 3 sports management degrees in the world and best in Europe for the eighth time in the last nine years. His son is growing up ... too fast!

Mark Zimmer married Susie Metzger ‘97 in November and his assignment as deputy director for Sudan at the Department of State in September and is now studying French ahead of his assignment to Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire, in summer 2021.

After a stay-at-home mom to her four kids for the past several years, Lisa Walthenhorst Anderson returned to working as an occupational therapist in her local school system in September.

Regina Olafte Donovan and her husband, Chris, had a daughter, Mila Grace, on July 6. Regina was halfway through her pregnancy when the COVID-19 pandemic hit. It made for an interesting spring and summer, to say the least. Mila was a definite bright spot for 2020! Regina has been working as a senior talent acquisition specialist at Leidos for the last five years. She is also a hockey Mom to her 8-year-old son, Blake, who is a second-year Mite for the Reston Raiders.

Crystal Caldwell Barksdale is an ear, nose and throat physician assistant and a first assist in surgery at Lewis Gale Medical Center in Salem, Virginia. She is also homeschooling three of her children!

In case you missed the digital issue this summer, here’s the news we shared then:

Rachel Boyd Potter ’96, M.Ed. ’00 changed roles at Mary Baldwin University in July. She now serves as the director of applied behavior analysis and autism studies. Her children, Eric and Elliott, are keeping her busy with a healthy dose of teenage drama and laughter!

Addy Wilson Stairs was re-elected to her fifth term as mayor of Knowlton Township in New Jersey. She lives in Knowlton with her husband and four kids. Her oldest son was accepted into William & Mary on an Army ROTC scholarship and joined the Tribe this fall!

Greg Barber married Eric Kennedy in February (02-22-20!) in a quiet ceremony in their home. Greg writes, “It was the right amount of hullabaloo for two introverts in their 40s who’ve been together for almost a decade.” Many congratulations!

That’s all for now. Stay healthy and send me your updates!

Tribe Pride!

-Meredith

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Milan Chakraborty executive produced a horror film, “The Dark and the Wicked,” which debuted on Nov. 6, 2020. The film was supposed to have its world premiere at the 2020 Tribeca Film Festival, but the festival was canceled due to the pandemic.

Milan also reported that Jonathan Leahy was the music supervisor for “Bill and Ted Face the Music.” Jon and Milan were roommates during their junior year and previously collaborated on the 2017 film, “My Friend Dahmer,” for which Milan was a producer and Jon was the music supervisor.

Christopher Donald was appointed university chaplain and director of religious life at Vandalibit University in June 2019. Chris wrote, “It has been a strange year for sure, because I was just finding my feet when the university sent all of the students home because of the pandemic. And, after a year of getting to know Nashville, we found a neighborhood we love, and we’re settling into a house with plenty of room to receive friends and classmates!”

Peter Graham is an associate professor of chemistry at Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and his wife, Emily Browning, was the coordinator of the Palliative Care Program at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia for 11 years. Emily recently left her position so that she and Peter can live in Seoul, South Korea, for Peter’s academic sabbatical year.

Annie Heckel shared that she left higher education and she had been an assistant professor of English, and switched careers. She is working for Online ADA, a small company in Eugene, Oregon, that provides digital accessibility compliance services. Annie wrote, “It’s been a big change, but in a really good way (especially having weekends actually off, which wasn’t the case in my teaching job!”

Mary Heffernan’s cookbook, “Ranch Raised Cookbook: Homegrown Recipes From Our Family to Yours,” was published by Penguin Random House on Sept. 8, 2020. Mary wrote, “It’s been a two-year process to write and photograph the book,
and I’m thrilled to finally be putting it out there in the world!”

In December 2018, Stephanie Sakai Hernley ’99 moved to Boerne, Texas. Joel is the lead helicopter pilot for Air Methods out of their San Antonio base at University Hospital, while working on his MBA and M.S. in strategic management from the Indiana University Kelley School of Business. Stephanie works as a physical therapist in outpatient and acute settings. In May 2020, Stephanie and Joel welcomed Lyla Jean to their family. Lexi (age 7) is enjoying her big sister status!

Jill Anderson Mick married Jonathan Mick on July 11, 2020. They had a small, socially distanced wedding attended by a handful of family and friends including Sarah Shallcross Fox, Alexandra Vogel Spitzer ’00, M.A.Ed. ’01 and Mike Spitzer ’01. Jill is in her 14th year of teaching ESL at Virginia Commonwealth University. She and her husband have a cooking blog and enjoy working on the blog together and taking on new and creative cooking projects.

Samantha Rodearmel Montgomery is living in southern Arizona with her husband Neil, two kids, and their menagerie of pets (three dogs, two cats and a snake). Her oldest, Ananda, will be graduating from high school this year, and her youngest, Ben, is learning how to drive. Samantha spends time writing and editing fiction, is preparing for a harp recital and recently began working as a local outdoor fitness instructor.

Liz Oxhorn gave birth to a daughter, Georgia Eloide Oxhorn, in December 2019, and is a Democratic political consultant living in Washington, D.C.

R.J. Reibel wrote to note that “having our 20-year reunion canceled is the most GenX thing ever.”

Tunisia Riley wrote, “Greetings to all of my Class of 2000 grads! What a year, but despite all that’s going on, I’ve seen love and resiliency in the face of challenges. Happy to report that I’ve been keeping in touch with my 2000 pals in every avenue possible including text, calls, Zoom and socially distant meetings. Andrea Seiffert and I have been pen pals since before quarantine, and we’ve been keeping it up more consistently with monthly handwritten letters going back and forth between California and New York. She’s doing great work in California in the medical field. Please keep her, and all of our frontline workers, in prayer. I met with another frontline worker and friend, Kim Bylander ’99, for a socially distanced trip to Storm King, an outdoor art installation in upstate New York. I met with my Barrett Hall girls, including Mariko Chambers Semetko, Rebecca Fleming and Mary Kirby, for a monthly Zoom call, and we cover four different time zones with our Zoom meetings. Lastly, I did a virtual movie night with my Dawson Hall crew of Curtis Spriggs and Mike Reiter. Since we can’t be together for Homecoming, just trying to keep the love going.”

Tunisia also reported that she caught up with Damiyo Muhammad over the phone on his birthday and took a socially distanced walk with Ashley Mizell-Edney Davis ’03, both of whom are doing well and trying to keep the children educated during this unusual school year. Lastly, Tunisia and Gina Angelletta Cristallo are colleagues and shared their Tribe Pride for Tribe Professional Day.

Karen Gruber Shepherd was named the director of government affairs, advancement and community at The Washington Ballet, the ballet of the nation’s capital. In this role, Karen leads the government, foundation and corporate fundraising initiatives for The Washington Ballet in addition to providing strategic oversight and operating plans for community impact programming. Karen began her first term as a board member for the William & Mary Libraries in July 2020 and looks forward to giving back to the W&M community.

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After a few issues off, I am happy to come back with a few great 2002 updates for this issue. I will start with classmate who has dutifully been serving on the William & Mary Board of Visitors since 2016. Doug Bunch ’02, J.D. ’06 was just reappointed by Gov. Ralph Northam to a second four-year term on the Board of Visitors. It’s great to have one of our own helping to lead our beloved alma mater! I also heard from Lisa Purdy Lewis ’02, J.D. ’07 with some exciting family news. In 2019, she married Ira Lewis in Golden, Colorado, and they welcomed their first child, Fox. In 2020, she has left her job as an in-house senior attorney and is busy pursuing baby-friendly adventures with Ira and Fox. Lisa and Ira are looking forward to releasing their book “Canyoning in the Colorado San Juan Mountains,” written by Ira and edited by Lisa, in spring 2020.

I also have some job news of my own to share. In spring 2020, I accepted a job offer with John Tyler College Community as a career coach. I am currently assigned to several Chesterfield County high schools, helping students navigate their college and career decisions.

I first fell in love with the college experience at William & Mary, so I am loving helping a new generation of students navigate such a tough and rewarding experience.

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The "C" word. You know what I'm talking about. The one people often precede with "@#&%" to form a short, poignant exclamation.

No, not "covid" — although, yes, most definitely, @#&% COVID-19. But no, the "C" word I'm talking about is "cancer." @#&% that one.

Cancer had always seemed this distant, abstract tragedy for which I empathized with other people. But now, its reach has found my own family. And so I sit here, typing up this edition of Class Notes a solid three weeks after a student knocks and hears you on the phone, and then you suddenly stop talking. I think some of us alumni know what I am talking about, wink-wink.

It has been over 14 years since I heard from a fellow decorative arts classmate. Since his days up in New York working for the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Daniel Ackermann received his M.A. in architectural history from the University of Virginia and a Ph.D. in art history from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dan is currently the interim chief curator and director of collections, research and archaeology at the Old Salem Museum and Gardens in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Well, fellow class-mates, as Porky Pig says, "That's all folks!" But before I leave you, I want to give a special shout-out to Kat Wiseman Stachel '02, M.Ed. '09 and Matt Stachel '03 in Wilmington, Delaware, for sending me a note to share how much they have enjoyed the column over the years. The card was a cool, 3D pop-up one. The card was also special because it arrived near my birthday (my last B-Day of my 30s)!! As always, hope you all are staying safe, sane and well, and let me hear from you from time to time!

Take care,
—Owen

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At the time this is going to the editors, it is October. Kids are finally finding a groove in their schooling (albeit very different this year!). Some are going totally virtually, some are going in person, and the vast majority are doing some of each. Families have had to make the best of very difficult situations. These have included job loss, pay cuts, extra hours at work, loss of day care, schooling from home, sick loved ones, etc. It hasn’t been easy, but it has resulted in more time at home, more time with the ones we love. Maybe it was learning to ride that bike without training wheels. Perhaps it was catching up on all the Netflix shows. Or maybe it was home remodeling and cleaning out. In any case, I hope that as you read this, you are feeling thankful. That you have something that brings a smile to your face and warmth to your heart. The world looks very different than it has in the past, but here’s hoping that your view is still full of love and blessings.

James Hipolit wrote in about a wonderful gift that he and his wife, Kristen Malkus Hipolit, shared. They added another beautiful baby to their family back in February 2020. Baby boy Mason Hipolit was born Feb. 21 and was greeted by a very excited family. He was born Feb. 21 and was welcomed into the family back in February 2020. Baby boy Mason’s life has been filled with so many sweet memories and we can’t wait to hear more about the brothers’ adventures in the years to come!

While I know life is busy and times are crazy, our wonderful, amazing, super active class of studious and overachieving young people are certain to have a TON of phenomenal news to share! Where are the updates? Please reach out to me via email or on Facebook and send me your news. We love hearing from you and want to know all the juice! Who got engaged? When did that wedding take place and how many alums were present? Have you gotten a promotion at work or moved to take a new position? Or has your family expanded by two feet or even two paws? We can’t wait to hear what you’ve been up to during the pandemic and what’s in store for your life that will surely be even better and rewarding afterward. Until next time, take care of yourselves and even better care of those around you!

As always, love and pride in our Tribe family,
—Amber

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2007

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I reached out to all of you for updates, and you certainly delivered! Thank you, thank you, thank you, to everyone who reached out. I was so excited to see the emails pouring in with exciting updates from so many people. While I’m dealing with life in 2020, I get a lot of joy from seeing how the Class of 2007 is impacting the world in so many ways. To quote my favorite author, George Eliot, the effect of our class is “incalculably diffusive.” Our professions, publications, progeny, marriages, and moves matter, not just to us, but to the many people who benefit from our talents and passions.

Let’s keep up the trend and make future columns overflow with announcements! Send in an update, whether you’ve had a big change in your life or whether you just want to let us know where you are living and what you are up to. Maybe you just want to send in your deep thoughts about the universe. Whatever the case may be, as we creep dangerously close to 15 years since graduation (!!!!!!!), now is the time to check back in with the people who shared a brief but incredible time in our lives.

On Aug. 21, 2020, Emily Adams Day married Patrick Day in Leesburg, Virginia. Their wedding was originally scheduled for May but delayed due to COVID-19. Her bridesmaids included Barbara Burner Thomason ’07, Kaatlin Finley Nobbs ’07, Laura Robertson Elliott ’07 and Rianna Barrett ’07.

Erin Alpert Holmes and her husband, Jeremy, had a baby girl, Nina Alpert Holmes, on April 13, 2020. Their son, Harrison, turned 3 in June. They live in Cleveland, Ohio, and Erin teaches English for speakers of other languages in an adult education program.

2019 and 2020 have been full years for Elizabeth Anderson Moore! She has been working for almost a year with Trees for the Future as director of training, and in which she loves for its combination of teaching, international work and agroforestry/sustainable agriculture. Last August, she welcomed her first child, daughter Sureya Persephone Claire, into the world. Right before COVID closed everything, Elizabeth and Sureya traveled together to Kenya and Senegal for a month for work. In 2019, with two agroforestry colleagues from graduate school at Virginia Tech, Elizabeth also established a landscape and social design consulting business, Kindred Roots Design, LLC.

In February 2020, David Arndt transferred to Honolulu, Hawaii, for his job. He has been trapped on an amazing island, yet quarantined indoors. I told him that still sounded better than being trapped in the Midwest.

John Bell and Leah Giles moved from the Boston area to central Massachusetts in June 2019. Leah began working at the Insight Meditation Society, one of the oldest Buddhist retreat centers in the country. John started as assistant professor of history at Assumption University. Most importantly, they welcomed a baby girl, Juniper Rens Bell, in February 2020. They hope she lives on Monroe 3rd like her parents when she grows up.

In August, 2020, the Richmond Times-Dispatch interviewed Liz Doerr ’17, M.B.A. ’13. She was a school board candidate running uncontested in the board’s 1st District in Richmond, Virginia.

Megan Dorward married Richard Brahan on Sept. 21, 2019, in Natchez, Mississippi. Laurance Frierson ’04 served as a groomsman and Taryn Adkins served as a bridesmaid. Other Tribe friends attended, including Kelly Norton Mayer ’09, and Alex Mayer ’09, and Megan’s fellow WMAH board members including Alice Givens ’94, Janet McNulty Osborn ’85, Sue Manix ’79 and...
Glenn Gunderson ’76, Ed Moreland ’80, and Carla Shaffer Moreland ’81, J.D. ’84. In lieu of a gift registry, Megan and Richard established a scholarship at William & Mary to offset the cost of tuition for a first-generation college student with financial need. The popular wedding website The Knot featured Megan’s story and generosity earlier this year.

Thomas Edward “Teddy” Deele was born Feb. 8, 2020 (Charter Day) to Meg Eason and her husband, Dave Deele. They live in Suffolk, Virginia, and have an older daughter, Libby, who turned 4 in April.

At the beginning of August, Mackenzie Fama started a position as assistant professor in the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences at The George Washington University in D.C. She is also expecting a baby boy this fall with her husband, Matthew Finger.

Elizabeth (Liz) Fein Karberg had identical twins, Leo and Tommy, on Oct. 14, 2019. Big brother Charlie (2 at the time) welcomed them as well as you can expect a 2-year-old to. She received her Ph.D. in 2015 and has been doing research at Child Trends (a nonprofit organization).

Megan Fikse Potteiger and her husband, Dustin, welcomed their fourth child, Violet Jana Potteiger, on June 25, 2020. Violet joins her twin brothers Dean (4) and Calvin (2) to round out the rambunctious crew in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania.

Determined to make 2020 a good year, Brittany Frome Dobias ’06 attended virtually. Shortly after the wedding, Brittany and Ryan left Brooklyn, New York, and bought a house in Maplewood, New Jersey, where they now reside.

Anne Gessler is a clinical assistant professor in the First-Year Seminar Program and Humanities Program at the University of Houston-Clear Lake. In June, the University Press of Mississippi published her social history of cooperatives, “Cooperatives in New Orleans: Collective Action and Urban Development.”

Candice Hatcher-Solis was recently honored with the Women of Color STEM Technical Innovation in Government Award for her “mentoring, leadership, and spirit of innovation.” She is a research scientist in the Air Force Laboratory’s 711th Human Performance Wing and lead of their Neurobiology of Cognitive Performance team; she was also recently named 711th Human Performance Wing Lab’s Scientist of the Quarter. See her profile on page 92.

Peggy Hotchkiss Ciesiolkowski is the director of planned giving at the College of Charleston. After graduating from William & Mary, she received her M.A. in philanthropy and development from St. Mary’s University. She and her husband, Dan, have two children, Thomas (4) and Elizabeth (1). While the College of Charleston may be in the CAA, she still proudly cheers for the Tribe during conference play.

Timothy Huffstutter ’07, J.D. ’12 and his wife, Caitlyn Huffstutter J.D. ’12, welcomed their baby girl, Caroline Grace, on March 18, 2020. Caroline loves watching her big brother, Josiah, and enjoys trying to pet Ninja, the old man cat.

Lesley Hunley ’07, M.Ed. ’11 lives and works in her hometown of Mountainsville, Virginia, where she is in her sixth year serving as the assistant superintendent of Mathews County Public Schools. In May 2020, she graduated from Virginia Tech with a Master of Public Administration degree. She also earned a graduate certificate in local government management from Virginia Tech in May 2018. During her graduate studies at Virginia Tech she was inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and Pi Alpha Alpha Global Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration.

Miranda Hutton married Andrew Buck on June 6, 2020, at Muir Beach, California. They used the Zoom platform to broadcast their wedding so everyone could virtually attend and see them exchange vows. They had to change their original wedding plans due to COVID, but it turned out to be a perfect day. Their officiant was Natasha Marwarh ’06 and they had a number of William & Mary folks attending including plans.

Meghan Smith ’07, Laura Sauls ’07, Renee Butner Pocius ’07, Gina Sobel ’07, Jessie Di Gregory ’07, Jessica Sloan Jones ’05, Celeste Otsuka ’07 and Portia Ross ’06.

Carly Anderson Ingersoll and Deuce Ingersoll welcomed their son, Henry, into the world on March 4, 2020, in Charlotte, North Carolina. He is a bright spot amidst the pandemic. Carly and Deuce also have a daughter, Nora, age 3.

On July 21, 2020, Jesica “Efe” Foster Lind and Bo Lind welcomed a sweet baby girl to the Lind family, Eluna Faye Lind.

Mark Maloy recently published a book titled “Victory or Death: The Battles of Trenton and Princeton” that describes the Revolutionary War battles in New Jersey in which W&M alumnus John Monroe 1778 took part.

Alison Mathey Lambeth and her husband, Chris, welcomed their second child, William Leonard Lambeth, on July 29, 2020.


Walking across the Crim Dell bridge really works. More than 16 years after meeting in the W&M Choir, Chris Perry ’07, M.A. ’09 and Meghan Whitehead Perry ’06, M.A. ’07 live north of Boston with their two boys, Logan (7) and Liam (5). Chris is now a digital commerce consultant for Fortune 500 brands after having led eCommerce for Kellogg’s, WellPet Natural Pet Food and RB over the last 10 years. After teaching English in public schools, Meghan has been heading up the Writing Center at St. John’s Preparatory School for the last several years. Logan is entering second grade and loves all sports. Liam is entering kindergarten and loves drawing and arts and crafts.

A year ago, Lanora Pettit took the position of assistant solicitor general of Texas. Friar Rich Rome is serving his apostolic internship year at Mother Cabrini Church in Sharmokin, Pennsylvania. He is a seminarist with Our Lady of the Angels Province of the Congregational Franciscans and recently completed his philosophy studies at Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

Michael Peter Charles Smith ’07, M.A. ’09 married on May 15, 2020, to his lovely wife, Lauren M. Sundquist.

Meghan Townes Behny married Robert Behny on March 23, 2019, at the Wren Building, with other William & Mary alumni present. Meghan is starting a Ph.D. in American studies at Boston University.

Maria Traver and Clayton Traver ’08 welcomed their second baby boy, Alexander Davis Traver, on Nov. 23, 2018. His older brother, Samuel, born in 2016, adores young Alex, but wants the world to know that all the toys in the house belong to him alone.

Paul Trifletti won over $100,000 and was a five-day champion on “Jeopardy!” His episodes aired in early March 2020. Paul and his wife currently live in Athens, Georgia, and he is an assistant district attorney. In an article from the Athens Banner-Herald, Paul encourages others to take the online test to be on the show. Come, Class of 2007, let’s see some more “Jeopardy!” contestants! The article also mentions that Paul may have a chance to be in the Tournament of Champions. Congratulations to Paul!”

Happy 2021, everyone! I hope you had a great holiday season with friends and family. Thank you to everyone who submitted an update for this issue.

Sarah McCartney ’06, M.A. ’10 earned her Ph.D. in American history from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 2018. She is a visiting assistant professor with the National Institute of American History and Democracy (NIAHD) and the history department at W&M.

Michael Duarte ’08,
Hello Class of 2009!

Be sure to send me any updates and life milestones you are celebrating so they can be featured here and on the online Class Notes. Your class wants to hear from you, whether it is a new job, a wedding, a new family member, or maybe you paid off all of your debt to Tom Nook. It is all important and worth sharing! Just send them to me at afoiles@gmail.com.

This certainly wasn’t a fall and winter like we have ever experienced, and while all of our hearts were breaking to not be present for this year’s Homecoming, William & Mary had some amazing virtual events planned to bring Homecoming, and other virtual engagement opportunities, right to our homes.

If you attended some, write in and let me know how they went and if you saw classmates there.

Go Tribe,

Andy

Updates:
Cody Hill started a new job in North Carolina to join Upstate, a startup focused on helping people learn new languages, and planned to pilot the tool in the fall of 2020.

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“Will used the program to launch Pangea Chat, a software tool designed to help people learn new languages, and planned to pilot the tool in the fall of 2020....”

I hope this column finds everyone well despite the past year being undeniably tough. The pandemic brought countless personal and professional challenges to people’s lives, but thankfully among this resilient class there’s still a lot to report and a lot to be proud of.


Dr. A. Scott Morris, a lieutenant in the Navy’s Medical Corps and a diagnostic radiologist, was one of 600 doctors, nurses and other crew members who volunteered on the USNS Comfort to help NYC hospitals respond to the COVID pandemic in March and May.

The Halifax County Industrial Development Authority hired Tracy Mallard as their new deputy director in February 2020. Tracy previously worked as a data analyst for Noblis, based in Danville, Virginia, and ran her own consulting firm.

J. Scott Zickefoose has been named partner at the Glen Allen, Virginia-based CPA firm Keiter. Keiter is the largest independent certified public accounting firm in Central Virginia.

Will Jordan-Cooley was one of seven participants in the Richmond-based nonprofit Lighthouse Lab’s summer Startup Intensive cohort in 2020. Will used the program to launch Pangea Chat, a software tool designed to help people learn new languages, and planned to pilot the tool in the fall of 2020, connecting students in Pittsburgh and Mexico City.

Sallie Ford Post qualified the morning threshold to run in the Feb. 29, 2020, U.S. Olympic Trials Marathon in Atlanta. Sallie qualified at age 30 for the 2020 trials with a personal record of 2:41:26 set in 2017. She also hopes to qualify for the 2024 Olympic Trials this coming fall.

Since graduating, Tanya Bouicaut has been an assistant professor at VCU and a youth program director at STREAM Youth Theology Institute. She’s also currently pursuing a Ph.D. and serving as editorial assistant for an academic journal. She’ll be the guest editor of a forthcoming issue of the Journal of American Folklore, called “African American Expressive Culture and Protest, Imagination, and Dreams of Blackness.”

Chris Maggiolo released a book in September 2020 titled “Distilled in Vermont,” which discusses the local spirit industry. In December 2019, Chris became the campus manager of the Black River Innovation Campus in Springfield, Vermont, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit focused on rural economic development and the cultivation of a local digital and technology ecosystem.

Chris said he was hopeful BRIC could find a way to have a relationship with W&M’s new Entrepreneurship Center.

After COVID shutdowns postponed their May wedding, Rachel Bremer married Michael Lewan in a private ceremony Aug. 8, 2020. They look forward to the full celebration next summer with all their family and friends.

Steve Hess and his wife, Katie, were happy to welcome a daughter, Nina, into the world in October 2019. Gilbert Stanley ’69 is also proud to be Nina’s godfather.

Jonna Knappenberger Yarrington and her husband, Landon Yarrington M.A. ’10, welcomed a delightful daughter, Evelyn Hanna Yarrington, on May 19, 2020, in Tucson, Arizona.

I will also share that my dad, Jack Bruggeman M.B.A. ’78, passed
2011

Class Reporter
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Hello Class of 2012!
If I had to venture a guess, I’d say everyone’s pretty excited for 2021. We had high hopes for 2020, but alas I think we can all agree that with the pandemic and the wildfires and the political climate, 2020 was a bit of a tough one. I know from social media that several of you postponed weddings, received hard-earned graduate degrees via virtual graduation ceremonies, put off travel, refrained from seeing family and friends, and the list goes on.

As I write this in September, I hope that by the time the magazine publishes in January, we’re all well on our way to having a brighter 2021! My husband and I are officially living in Jerusalem as of four weeks ago and it’s been a bit of a bumpy ride. I won’t go into all the details — I’ll just say that getting things done in a new country while under a strict three-week-long quarantine is nearly impossible. We feel like two trapped birds in our apartment as we try to navigate things like grocery delivery, purchasing a new Israeli cell phone plan, and living without our belongings that we packed up in June and haven’t seen since (delivery is currently delayed for the foreseeable future due to COVID).

This feeling — the deer-in-headlights, not knowing what to expect, wondering if the ship will right itself, slight trickle of dread — is something I’ve felt before, and as I was washing the dishes thinking about what to write for this class note, it came to me. I felt this exact same way on move-in day as a freshman at William & Mary. I remember standing there in the chaos of it all feeling like my world was spinning out of control. I kept asking myself: “Am I ready for this? Can I handle this? Will I like it here? Will everything be OK?”

Now, almost 11 years later, here I am again — wildly out of my comfort zone but thinking that, if I pushed through those initial feelings of fear and chaos on move-in day and graduated from William & Mary with a group of best friends and a lifetime of memories made in just four years, maybe I’m on the verge of something else. Maybe we all are.

“The best way out is always through.” Robert Frost

Here’s what’s new with our classmates:

**Katherine Covino**
Promoted to senior manager at Deloitte Risk & Financial Advisory in August 2020. She has worked at Deloitte since her college internship before senior year and works with teams in the D.C., NYC and Orlando areas. Katherine currently lives in Washington, D.C., with fiancé Martin Feeney ’09 and their petite goldendoodle, Portia. Katherine and Martin are finally getting married next year in September 2021, after multiple COVID-related reschedules.

**Becky Koenig,** who works as a journalist for EdSurge, won a 2020 Dateline Award for best online feature from the D.C. Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists for her story about an innovative education program in the D.C. jail. She was also recently awarded a $10,000 journalism fellowship to report on career and technical education through the WW Foundation and ECMC Foundation.

**Chris Moad** and Lynnie Bresnahan Moad were married on July 11, 2020, in a small ceremony with their ‘94 & ’12 Cary Street girls in attendance.

**Jake O’Connor** wrote an opinion piece titled “People don’t have to be ‘racist’ to behave as such” that was published in the Sunday issue of the Richmond Times-Dispatch on June 7, 2020. In the article, Jake talks about what it’s like to be a mixed-race man in today’s world.

**Jessica Pierson** is getting married to Travis Newton on Oct. 10, 2020. They will welcome their first child at the end of January.

**Dylan Scarton** married Melissa Casalla in July and started a Ph.D. program in neuroscience at George Mason University this fall. Dylan and Melissa live in their new home in Reston, Virginia. Their first child, Ciel, was born on June 19, 2020.

**William Wright** and his wife, Miranda, welcomed their daughter, Harriet Calliope Pilar Wright, on Feb. 3, 2020.

**Katherine James** married Michael Bajesert on Jan. 11, 2020. See more at magazine.wm.edu/class-notes

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2012

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engaged to Chris Raleigh in February of last year.

**Susan Johns** married Daniel Ley on March 7, 2020, in Gainesville, Florida. Bridesmaids included **Meredith Graham, Lauren Bayse, Sarah Higgins Becker** and **Brooke Hummel Yellen**. Susan and Daniel met at the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where they were members of the Class of 2016. They recently moved to the Washington, D.C., area, where Susan is an attorney advisor in the Office of the General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

**Kelsey Chana Fish** married Nimrod Peretz Soll on March 22, 2020, in Queens, New York. It was an impromptu, socially distanced backyard wedding due to COVID-19.

**Kathryn VanDeveer** married Chris Gioia on Sept. 5, 2020, in Pittsburgh. Despite being a smaller wedding than originally planned, it was a perfect celebration on a gorgeous day filled with love. Kathryn’s husband is an officer in the Navy Reserve, a volunteer firefighter, and a guidance counselor. Kathryn is an officer in the Navy Reserve, a volunteer firefighter, and a guidance counselor.

**Daniel Ley** on March 22, 2020, in Gloucest, Virginia. She received her Doctor of Medical Science (DMSc) degree in 2020. Kathryn is an active member of the American Academy of Dermatology Physicians Assistants, the Virginia Academy of Physician Assistants and the Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants. Her husband, Lt. Chris Weber (USCG), is trying to keep up with her.

Keeping with the theme of academic achievement, **Brianna Buch** graduated from the London School of Economics with her master’s degree in December 2019.

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### 2014

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### 2015

**Class Reporter**

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Hey, Class of 2015! If you’re reading this, we made it through 2020! Despite the challenges of everything the year threw at us, you all continued to do awesome stuff.

Dr. **Emma Kennedy Weber** DMSc, MPAM, PAC graduated from the University of Lynchburg Doctor of Medical Science Program in June 2020. She currently works as a physician assistant at Dermatology Consultants of Gloucester in Gloucester, Virginia. She is licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia and is nationally certified by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants. She is an active member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants, the Virginia Academy of Physician Assistants and the Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants. Her husband, Lt. Chris Weber (USCG), is trying to keep up with her.

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### 2016

**Class Reporter**

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Hello, Class of 2016! My name is **Carrie D’Ulisse** and I am so excited to serve as your new class reporter! During my time on campus, I could likely be found at the Arabic House in the Randolph Complex, walking along DoG Street with a cup of coffee in hand, or getting late-night Cookout with friends. I was a Phonathon caller and a part of Students for University Advancement, and now work in advancement and alumni engagement at The Stony Brook School on Long Island, New York. Since graduating, I’ve had the joy of staying in touch with some of the great people I met at W&M, whether by attending weddings, visiting and hosting in our cities, or, especially in 2020, virtually!

I hope you all are doing well and staying healthy and safe. Please share with me your professional and life updates at cdulisse@email.wm.edu so that all of us in the class can celebrate with you; I know I’m welcoming all the good news I can get these days. Here’s to a happy and healthy new year!

A couple of updates from our classmates:

Finally, **Emily Louise Fruchterman** married **Justin Robert Williams** on March 14. Congrats!

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### 2017

**Class Reporter**

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Hello, Class of 2017! My name is **Caprielle D’Ulisse** and I am so excited to serve as your new class reporter! During my time on campus, I could likely be found at the Arabic House in the Randolph Complex, walking along DoG Street with a cup of coffee in hand, or getting late-night Cookout with friends. I was a Phonathon caller and a part of Students for University Advancement, and now work in advancement and alumni engagement at The Stony Brook School on Long Island, New York. Since graduating, I’ve had the joy of staying in touch with some of the great people I met at W&M, whether by attending weddings, visiting and hosting in our cities, or, especially in 2020, virtually!

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A couple of updates from our classmates:

**My roommate from Preston Hall, Marion Lerner, lives in Arizona and teaches Latin and English to middle school students in the Great Hearts network of schools. I’m looking forward to visiting her someday soon!**

**Marlena Tremba** is an assistant coach for Navy Women’s Basketball. A standout player during her time at William & Mary, this is her second coaching position, and was previously an assistant coach at Chatham University in Pennsylvania. She also obtained her MBA from Chatham in May 2020. Congratulations, Marlena!

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### 2018

**Class Reporter**

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Long time, no note, and in the intervening period, coronavirus has turned our lives topsy-turvy. (Insert eye-roll emoji here.) I apologize for not submitting any information to the online-only version of the Fall 2020 edition of the magazine, but there’s something odd about an online format that’s simply not as fun as print. If this bothers any of you, please email me about it! I’d love to hear from you, even if all you want to do is kvetch.

Since we last spoke, many of us began working from home or going to school online. This past March, I left D.C. and returned to the Valley of Virginia to live with my parents, take my Australian shepherds for runs, and generally enjoy this abnormal time in my favorite part of the world while I continued to work for Rep. Tim Burchett.

The whole ordeal proved somewhat convenient to transitioning to my current chapter, law...
school at Washington & Lee. Lexington is tucked away in the mountains just 45 minutes from my parents’ house, so I had the easiest time apartment searching and moving to my current home, a guest house situated in the middle of a garden straight from a Beatrix Potter tale. A comfortable abode truly alleviates the hardship of reading cases and writing memos from dawn to dusk.

Although law school lives up to its stereotype of lots of work and little play, we still manage to have some fun, even with coronavirus quashing most organized activities.

Do you all remember Claire Gross? She matriculated with the Class of 2019, joined Kappa Kappa Gamma, became Emily Martin’s little, but then transferred a year later. After undergrad, Claire went straight to Washington & Lee Law. In my first semester of law school, I’ve had the opportunity to reconnect with her, and I halfway jokingly call her my law school fairy godmother. She’s told me what to expect from professors and exams as well as introduced me to her friends.

My class schedule is identical to that of Natalia Micheli ’20. Although I never knew her while at William & Mary and we don’t interact much outside of our coursework, I appreciate slogging through 8 a.m. contracts with someone else who survived four years at the Alma Mater of the Nation.

Despite my life centering around divining black letter law from judicial opinions, many of which should require a translator, and keeping up with my friends, many of whom graduated from undergrad more recently than I did, I still find the time to check in on some of my favorite people William & Mary placed in my life. Rather, they check in on me and make sure I’m sleeping and remembering to eat my vegetables. Sarah Anderson ’17, Dillon Hayes, Hunter “Mac” McConvile, Matt Phillips and I started holding almost weekly Zoom catch-ups during the thick of quarantine and have continued the practice throughout the fall. Sarah reports that Callie Beard has recently become engaged. My Phi Mu littles, Elizabeth Pokol ’20 and Marina Schlesser ’20, both graduated in the asynchronous 2020 spring and have started new lives in different states. Elizabeth has become a middle school history teacher in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Marina is working as a community builder and developer in Philadelphia. By the time you read this, Hollie Soave and I will have had the most wonderful time at Donna Kinney’s ’17 wedding. I am, however, writing this about a month before Donna’s big day, so at the moment, Hollie and I are actively engaged in deciding what to wear and figuring out who else will be in attendance.

This note, like many of my preceding ones, focuses mostly on the small friend group I have retained since undergrad and individuals I know tangentially through those people. There is, however, an alternative. If you have tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates, you can always email me those tired of my updates.

Cheers,
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2020

Class Reporter

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I hope everyone had a Happy New Year! May 2021 bring you much joy and happiness. Please send in some news or stories to share with everyone.

Daniel Peckhis M.S. ’03, Ph.D. ’11 (physics), a research staff member at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) in Alexandria, Virginia, was one of four recipients of the IDA 2020 Larry D. Welch Award for Best External Publication. The authors developed a novel concept to identify space debris, which can provide a better understanding of the low-Earth-orbit debris environment that affects satellite design. “Characterizing the orbital debris environment using satellite perturbation anomaly data” was published in December 2019 in the proceedings of the inaugural International Orbital Debris Conference.

Andrew R. Beaupré Ph.D. ’17 (anthropology)
is a research assistant professor at the University of Arkansas and station archaeologist at the university’s Pine Bluff Research Station. The El-Dorado News-Times reported that this past March, he presented “The most miserable place in the universe: French settlement in the documentary and archeological records of the natural state” at the Tunica Chapter of the Arkansas Archeological Society’s monthly speaker series, which is co-sponsored by the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Arkansas at Monticello.

Christine Green M.A. ’00 (anthropology), a freelance writer, teaching artist, writing coach and speaker, is a 2020 SummerWrite instructor for Writers & Books, reports The Post in Rochester, New York. Writers & Books is a literary center based in Rochester, New York, that fosters and promotes reading and writing as lifelong activities for all ages.

Emerson “Tad” Baker Ph.D. ’87 (history) was named vice provost for academic affairs at Salem State University in November 2019, as was reported in the Portsmouth Herald. He joined Salem State in 1994 as an assistant professor of history.

Meredith Henne Baker M.A. ’07 (history, NIAHD certification program) has been named a Virginia Humanities Fellow and is scheduled to hold a writing residency at the Library of Virginia in 2021.

Stephanie Anne Maguire M.A. ’14 (American studies) and Patrick Lee Johnson Ph.D. ’18 (anthropology) were married Aug. 1, 2020, at the Williamsburg Regional Library Terrace in Williamsburg.

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Mason School of Business

Graduate School

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Matthew Queripel M.B.A. ’19 has been appointed senior vice president and market executive with Old Point National Bank’s Commercial Lending Division. He most recently held the position of senior director for Clydesdale & Yorkshire Bank Group in London. Matthew has over 15 years of international commercial lending and banking experience. Before his MBA from W&M, he earned his Master of Arts in economics and finance from Leeds University Business School in the UK and his Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Johannesburg in South Africa.

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School of Education

Graduate School

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Michelle Boyd Ed.D. ’13 serves as the assistant superintendent of special services at Fairfax County Public Schools, as reported in the Fairfax Times this August.

Erin Crotty M.Ed. ’01 (higher ed EPPL) recently joined the team at CharityEngine, a nonprofit database and
fundraising solution, as the vice president of client services.

Michael Daddario M.Ed. ’02, Ed.D. ’20 recently became the principal of Evendale Elementary School. He has 18 years’ experience as an administrator and five years in the classroom, as reported in the Winchester Star this June.

Deborah DiCroce Ed.D. ’84 is the president and chief executive officer at the Hampton Roads Community Foundation. DiCroce formerly served as the president of Tide-water Community College, as reported by Inside Business Hampton Roads this May.

Caryl Felty Ed.D. ’96 and her husband, Robert, recently celebrated 50 years of marriage. Caryl and Robert have two children and four grandchildren. Caryl taught at Lancaster, Arlington and Virginia Beach schools, as reported by the Virginia Pilot this June.

Loury Ollison Floyd Ph.D. ’03 has been named the dean of the School of Education at the University of North Carolina, Pembroke, as reported by the Pilot in Southern Pines, North Carolina, this August.

Carlene Pittman-Hampton Ph.D. ’03 currently serves as the director of the MBA program at the Raymond A. Mason School of Business at William & Mary.


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School of Law

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Lots of news this cycle so no real intro. Find additional Law School Class Notes at law.wm.edu/alumni/classnotes.


Benjamin Dean Lorenz B.C.L. ’66 passed away on Aug. 4, 2020. He is survived by his wife, daughters, grandchildren and extended family.

John A. McKinney Jr. J.D. ’73 was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2021 listing.

Anthony P. Tokarz J.D. ’74 passed away on July 11, 2020. He is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren and a sister.

Clifford R. Weckstein Jr. J.D. ’74 passed away on June 20, 2020. He is survived by his children, grandchildren and extended family.

William H. Casterline Jr. J.D. ’76 has been named to the 2020 Super Lawyers list of both Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Sandra Boek Werness J.D. ’81 celebrated her seventh year as executive director of the Global Autimmune Institute.

Robyn H. Hansen ’78, J.D. ’83 has joined Sands Anderson PC’s Williamsburg office, bringing a significant employment law practice.

The Hon. David B. Franzen J.D. ’86 has been appointed to the 16th Judicial Circuit of Virginia.

Robert J. Stoney J.D. ’87 has been elected to the 2020 list of Virginia Super Lawyers and the list of 2020 Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers.

Ellen C. Carlson J.D. ’88 passed away on Aug. 1, 2020. She is survived by her sons, grandchildren and extended family.

The debut novel of Michael F. McAuliffe J.D. ’89, “No Truth Left to Tell” (Greenleaf Press), was published in March 2020. He practices law in Florida and teaches as an adjunct law professor at William & Mary and as a senior lecturing fellow at Duke University School of Law.

Dennis F. Kerrigan J.D. ’91 has been appointed executive vice president and general counsel of The Hanover Insurance Group.

Claudia DelGross Kostel J.D. ’92 was elected to the board of Senior Services of Alexandria. She is chief counsel for employment for the United States Senate.

John P. Domeika LL.M. ’94 has joined COPIC as general counsel.

Vanessa P. Williams J.D. ’95 was named senior vice president and general counsel for Kelly Services.

Doug Dziak J.D. ’99 was named the staff director for the U.S. Senate Committee on the Budget.

Christopher J. Forstner J.D. ’00 was named a 2021 Lawyer of the Year by The Best Lawyers in America.

Arnie B. Mason J.D. ’00 has been selected to the 2020 Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers list.

Jennifer R. Muse J.D. ’01 has joined Sands Anderson PC’s Williamsburg office, bringing a significant employment law practice.

Elizabeth M. Weldon J.D. ’01 has been named as a 2020 Legal Eagle by Franchise Times for the 10th consecutive year, marking her induction into the Legal Eagle Hall of Fame.

Courtney M. Malveaux J.D. ’02 has been named a co-leader of Jackson Lewis P.C.’s Workplace Safety and Health Practice Group and also serves as co-leader of the firm’s Construction Industry Group.

Amanda L. Wait J.D. ’04 was named to Benchmark Litigation’s 40 & Under Hot List 2020.

Carl D. Neff J.D. ’05 has joined FisherBroyles as a partner.

S. Douglas Bunch J.D. ’06 was named to Benchmark Litigation’s 40 & Under Hot List 2020.

John H. Ambrose Jr. J.D. ’07 was named in the Washington, D.C., Business Journal to its 2020 “40 Under 40” list.

Stephen A. Cobb J.D. ’07 was named by Virginia Lawyers Media on the “Leaders in the Law” list. He currently serves as counsel at Troutman Pepper’s Richmond office.

Rania M. Hago J.D. ’07 passed away on May 2, 2020.

Chara M. O’Neale J.D. ’07 was named by the Charlotte Business Journal among the 40 top business leaders under the age of 40 in the Charlotte region.

Wesley D. Allen J.D. ’08 has been named to the 2020 Super Lawyers Virginia Rising Stars list and the 2020 Super Lawyers Washington, D.C., Rising Stars list. He is an associate with Blankingship & Keith in Fairfax.


Drodi A. Neiman J.D. ’09 was named to the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association Board of Managers. He has been involved as a member of the organization on the Board of Advocates since 2016.

Omid Safa J.D. ’09 was named to Benchmark Litigation’s 40 & Under Hot List 2020. He is a partner at Blank Rome.

Robert Paul Barrett J.D. ’10 and Amy Buckmaster Barrett welcomed a son, Max Alexander, on March 26, 2020.

Janice Craft J.D. ’10 has joined the faculty at the University of Richmond School of Law, leading the Profession-
Bill Seufzer M.A. ’94, Ph.D. ’01 reported that his path from VIMS led to NASA Langley as opportunities appeared and as kids and a mortgage happened. During his NASA tenure, he got to fly in zero-gravity aboard the Vomit Comet and obtained two patents while working in a group that researches 3D printing with various aerospace metals. Bill designed and built the first closed-loop control for the EBF3 system; Google “NASA EBF3” to see the process. A few years ago, Bill was part of a team that printed NASA’s first full-scale upper-stage rocket nozzle. If you Google “LCUSP” you will find a video of the motor doing its thing! Recently he was promoted as the branch head of a cybersecurity and privacy branch and is Langley’s chief information security officer. His kids are both in college: Olivia is studying global affairs at George Mason University in Virginia, and James is studying musical theater at the University of Hartford in Connecticut.

Chris Buzzelli M.A. ’91, Ph.D. ’96 sent in this update from Wilmington, North Carolina: Chris is the CEO and principal scientist of Coastal Ecosystems LLC. Previously, he was senior/lead scientist at the South Florida Water Management District for a decade where he specialized in the effects of variable freshwater inflow on salinity, water quality and biotic responses in multiple south Florida estuaries. He is enjoying life in Wilmington, where he likes going to the beach, cycling, cooking for friends, and playing drums and percussion with various musicians around town.

EPA Office of Research and Development colleagues Joel Hoffman Ph.D. ’06, Giancarlo Cicchetti Ph.D. ’98 and Matt Harwell Ph.D. ’00 published a series of book chapters in “Ecosystem-based Management, Ecosystem Services and Aquatic Biodiversity: Theory, Tools and Applications.” In its first month, this Open Source volume was downloaded more than 24,000 times.

Amy Shields M.S. ’04, Ph.D. ’07 is a branch chief for the Standards and Water Quality Branch in EPA’s Region 7 in Kansas. In September 2019, Amy traveled to Monaco as part of the U.S. delegation for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) for the Special Report on the Oceans and Cryosphere. She is also on the expert panel for the U.S. government review IPCC Workgroup I Assessment Report 6. Amy was recently awarded two national EPA Silver Medals for her work on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and the regional science technical portfolio.

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Helen Sergeant

Emily Sneed

Sally Morse Snyder

Gervais Wallace
Brekke ’40 of McLean, Virginia, died May 18, 2020.


Frances Wolf

Doris Giles Porter
Ahlstrom ’41 of Wilmington, Delaware, died July 31, 2020.


Caroline Cook Ball
’42 of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, died June 1, 2020.

Richard Watson

Margaret “Billie” Wrenn Kennedy

Jean Elinor Andrews

Charles “Chuck” Webster Massey
’43 of Columbia, South Carolina, died April 14, 2020.

Aline Mims Traylor
’43 of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died Dec. 20, 2019.

Louise Turner


Frances Eloise Bateman Heath


Charlotte Virginia Parker McQuade


Jean McPherrin Morris ’45 of Williamsburg died May 18, 2019.


Margaret “Mardee” Mahone Witten ’46 of Columbia, South Carolina, died Dec. 31, 2019.

Annie Laurie Pritchard Andrews


Mary Edith “Boots” Hardie Brandes
’47 of California, Maryland, died Feb. 26, 2020.


Joan Teer Jacobson
’48 of Tuscon, Arizona, died June 12, 2020.

William Derring
Mace ’49 of Williamsburg Beach, Virginia, died May 16, 2020.

Brendan “Bren” Hubert Macken ’48 of Aurora, Canada, died March 12, 2020.

Lucy Jones Murphy


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Barbara Lee Stoltz Swann '49 of Richmond, Virginia, died April 19, 2020.


Neil T. Eisen '50 of Atlanta, Georgia, died in July 2019.

Ruth Barnes Jorgensen '50 of Rancho Santa Fe, California, died Jan. 12, 2020.

Walter Jacob Kephart Jr. '50 of Roanoke, Virginia, died May 21, 2020.


Henry Carlton Ellis '51 of Albuquerque, New Mexico, died July 4, 2019.


James “Jim” Oscar Hancock '51 of Lexington, South Carolina, died Dec. 31, 2019.

Adrienne “Billie” Potts Place Leeper '51 of Bristol, Tennessee, died June 3, 2020.


Sara Winifred Hardin '52 of Richmond, Virginia, died Dec. 30, 2019.


Noyes MacLeod '52 of Columbus, Missouri, died Aug. 23, 2020.


Mary “Carlotta” Duncan Bell '54 of Norfolk, Virginia, died May 20, 2020.


Lois Kendrew Caporal '53 of Needham, Massachusetts, died April 10, 2020.

Betsy Sheppard Case '53 of Peoria, Illinois, formerly of Williamsburg, died May 6, 2019.


Barbara Lee Stoltz Swann '49 of Richmond, Virginia, died April 19, 2020.


Neil T. Eisen '50 of Atlanta, Georgia, died in July 2019.

Ruth Barnes Jorgensen '50 of Rancho Santa Fe, California, died Jan. 28, 2020.

Walter Jacob Kephart Jr. '50 of Roanoke, Virginia, died May 21, 2020.


Henry Carlton Ellis '51 of Albuquerque, New Mexico, died July 4, 2019.

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Elizabeth Shell Allen '57 of Columbus, Ohio, died Jan. 20, 2020.


Alexander “Alex” Victor Fakadej '57 of Murphy, North Carolina, died April 24, 2020.


Elizabeth Evans Amann '58 of Vienna, Virginia, died April 8, 2020.


Helen “Rita” Record Dietz '58 of Salisbury, Maryland, died July 25, 2020.


Jean Schindler Eoff '58 of Las Cruces, New Mexico, died July 26, 2020.


Carla Warner Tinker '59 of Fallbrook, California, died May 13, 2020.


Edgar “Sandy” Lawrence Beach '60, M.Ed. '68 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Aug. 15, 2020.

Arthur P. Burgess '60 of Buford, Georgia, died March 17, 2020.

Mary Ellen “Meci” Carlson Coffey '60 of Silver Spring, Maryland, died Jan. 17, 2020.

Francis “Frank” Howard Cornell '60 of Cayce, South Carolina, died June 25, 2020.


John Krikor Jerrehian Jr. '60 of Los Altos Hills, California, died June 18, 2019.

Sherry Wood McCaskill '60 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died July 5, 2020.


Rita Friede Randazzo '60 of Alexandria, Virginia, died Nov. 10, 2019.

Anthony V. Spallone '60 of New Providence, New Jersey, died March 31, 2020.

D. Thomas “Tom” Hopkins '60 of Davis, California, died June 18, 2020.

Juliet Morgan Ratchford '61 of Coppell, Texas, died April 22, 2020.

Sherry Wood McCaskill '60 of Alexandria, Virginia, died Nov. 10, 2019.


Rita Friede Randazzo '60 of Alexandria, Virginia, died Nov. 10, 2019.

Anthony V. Spallone '60 of New Providence, New Jersey, died March 31, 2020.


Wayne Elbridge Barber Jr. '61 of Traverse City, Michigan, died April 12, 2020.

Phyllis Hooper Campbell '61 of Water town, Massachusetts, formerly of Brighton, Massachusetts, died March 31, 2020.


Owen “Mike” Michael McCall '61 of Vienna, Virginia, died March 25, 2020.

Martha Todd Parks '61 of Davie, California, died June 18, 2020.


Juliet Morgan Ratchford '61 of Coppell, Texas, died April 22, 2020.


Margaret Rankin Brinkle '64 of Clifton Forge, Virginia, died Feb. 26, 2020.

Thomas “Tom” Dorsey Picklin IV '64 of Aberdeen, Maryland, died July 1, 2020.


Lynn Jensen Harris '64 of Providence, Rhode Island, died July 13, 2020.
James “Jim” Temple Knotts III ’64 of Bluffton, South Carolina, died June 5, 2020.

Ron Squire Steffey ’64 of Williamsburg died April 1, 2020.


Pamela “Pam” Bradley Whitman ’64 of Abingdon, Virginia, died April 1, 2020.

Beverly Van Oot Williams ’64 of Cumming, Georgia, died Aug. 13, 2018.

Julia Hodges Williams ’64 of Orange, Virginia, died May 19, 2020.


Patricia Treveyt Lucy ’65 of Richmond, Virginia, died June 10, 2020.

Michael “Mike” Robert Schoenenberger ’65 of Richmond, Virginia, died March 17, 2020.

Margaret Temple Sharman ’65 of Glen Allen, Virginia, died July 18, 2020.


John Malcolm Muel ler ’68 of Richmond, Virginia, died March 5, 2020.


Carol Smith Powell Tello ’68 of Bethesda, Maryland, died Aug. 9, 2020.


Lud “Ren” Lorenzo Spivey ’69 of Suffolk, Virginia, died June 22, 2020.


Donald Lee Ellis ’70 of St. Albans, West Virginia, died June 12, 2020.


Sally Sims Stokes ’72 of Silver Spring, Maryland, died Aug. 13, 2020.

Elizabeth “Betty” Graves Xhma Backfield ’73, M.Ed. ’95 of Pickens, South Carolina, formerly of Williamsburg, died April 20, 2020.


Christopher William Herman ’74 of Katy, Texas, died Jan. 21, 2020.

Christopher Brian Ramsay ’74, M.B.A. ’76 of Annandale, Virginia, died March 9, 2020.


Catherine “Kitty” Crush Tate ’74 of Crozet, Virginia, died July 17, 2020.


Barbara Anne Harrison Bess ’75 of South Bend, Indiana, died March 24, 2020.


Stephen Joseph Modafferi ’75 of San Diego, California, died March 19, 2020.


Emily Taliaferro Prince ’83 of Boston, Massachusetts, died May 13, 2020.

Katharine McEnderfer Roberts ’83 of Concord, Massachusetts, died Dec. 3, 2019.


Dawn Field ’91 of Monterey, Virginia, died May 2, 2020.

Patrick “Christian” Murawski ’91 of Tujunga, California, died Dec. 31, 2019.


Erin C. Ellis ’97 of Williamsburg died March 1, 2020.

Meredith Corbett Hill ’01 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died Jan. 10, 2020.


Adam Glen Wright ’04 of Richmond, Virginia, died July 31, 2020.

Hilary Bunny Goodwin ’05 of Strasburg, Virginia, died Oct. 6, 2019.

Kaia LaFay Grant ’09 of Cincinnati, Ohio, died March 21, 2020.


GRADUATE ALUMNI


Margaret Celeste Cook M.A. ’60 of Yorktown, Virginia, died June 9, 2020.


Ralph W. Johnson M.Ed. ’68 of Gloucester Point, Virginia, died Nov. 8, 2018.


George G. Steinmetz M.S. ’69 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died May 21, 2020.


Earle Thomas Hale J.D. ’70 of Richmond, Virginia, died Feb. 16, 2020.


Everett Potter
Priestley J.D. ’73 of Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, died April 24, 2020.

Jonathan “Jon” Dwight Ward

John Lumley Bagwell


Robert “Bob” Emil Croonenberghs

Donald C. Hilbert
M.A. ’74 of Potomac, Maryland, died May 17, 2020.

Maria Kondon M.A. ’74 of Beverly, Massachusetts, died April 3, 2020.


Mark Steven Kamleiter J.D. ’78 of Paris, France, died March 8, 2020.


Teresa Marie Danforth M.B.A. ’91 of Bluffton, South Carolina, died June 13, 2020.


Rosalie Cumbee Ph.D. ’93 of Christiansburg, Virginia, died Nov. 21, 2019.


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Teresa Marie Danforth M.B.A. ’91 of Bluffton, South Carolina, died June 13, 2020.


Anita Leigh Hunter J.D. ’95 died May 24, 2019.


Rania Mohamed Hago J.D. ’07 of Sterling, Virginia, died May 2, 2020.


John Lacy McKnight of Williamsburg died May 12, 2020.


Larry Ventis of Williamsburg died April 11, 2020.


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