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We brought Malcolm, our youngest son, to Wooster in 1994. The plan was to then take our older son, Bryant, to Boston, go home to Cleveland Heights, and adjust to an empty nest.

A casual conversation on the lawn of the president's home that August day changed the plan. On New Year's Day 1995, my husband preached his first sermon as pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church on the Wooster campus. We did the unthinkable and followed Malcolm to college (and sent Bryant a T-shirt that said, "Wooster is not in Massachusetts—thank God.").

So I encounter the College from several vantage points. I'm the mother of an alum, *Wooster's Class Notes* editor (since 1995), and most recently, an adjunct professor of First-Year Seminar.

This combination of roles offers a plethora of perspectives. While reading about the experiences of former College students in *Class Notes*, I'm also introducing new students to Wooster. *Class Notes* tell me about the ways in which Wooster has influenced its alums. At the same time, I'm helping future alumni in the Class of 2011 negotiate their first months in college.

My students coalesced as a group on day one. When they were faced with only one copy of a required reading for the second class, they sat in a circle on the library floor and passed the book around, alternately reading aloud and taking notes. They did not flinch at the dicey topics presented in our seminar ("Vice, Virtue, and Contraband: Reforming Reproduction"). In fact, their frankness often challenged me to keep my cool.

Individually they dealt with homesickness, concussions, depression, and the deaths of relatives. All of this while learning to write, discuss, think, live, and act like college students—not necessarily in that order.

Just as each issue of *Wooster* represents a diversity of experiences, so do my classes. This group includes someone whose parents are from Syria, someone who was born in Cuba, a Texan who spent her childhood in Dubai, and someone born in the Midwest who now hails from the Netherlands. There are leaders, athletes, and party-goers (who nod off in class, the morning after), joiners, and loners. I'm sure there are future scientists, artists, philosophers, and teachers.

At the risk of sounding sappy, getting to know these young people and the magazine's 20-some student assistants over the years enriches my life—and my work on the magazine. The relationships help me comprehend the deep loyalty that Wooster alumni hold for their alma mater. I am convinced that the future of this College on the hill lies in excellent hands.

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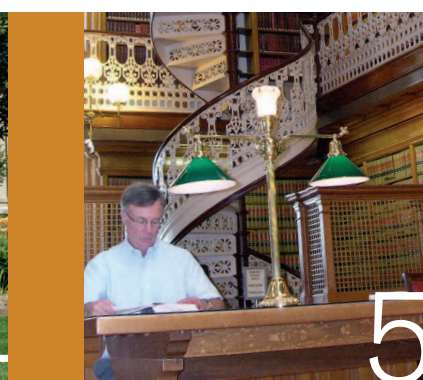
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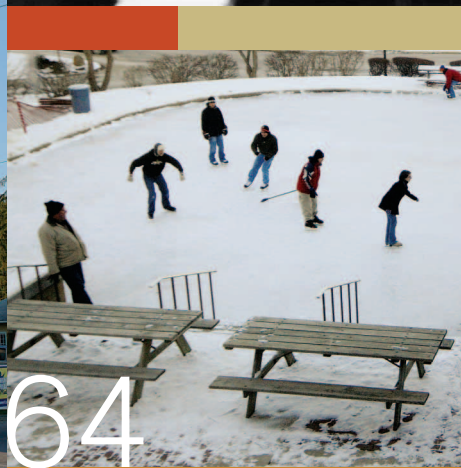
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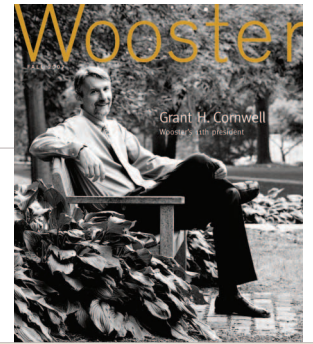
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On the cover

Seth Duerr '00, defensive coordinator for The College of Wooster, is one of seven alumni coaches who offers insights into the coaching profession for this feature.

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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

*Mailbox*

A Wooster Window

Wooster magazine arrived in the mail the other day. As usual, I read it from cover to cover, including the ads and letters from readers.

As I was reading, I thought about what my experience with *Wooster* has been. Our college visit must have been good, as our daughter, Caitlin, is a junior, and having a good experience (as much as I can tell from our phone conversations every few days). Reading your magazine, I learned so much more. I learned about a school with a rich history and sense of tradition, one that alums really cherish. I learned about a school which promotes intellectual curiosity and excellence. Most importantly, I learned about a school which develops a sense of global responsibility and influence in its students. Thank you for giving me this window through which I can see the real Wooster better.

MICHELE AMENT
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Outgrowing roots?

I was most interested in reading about the appointment of Grant Cornwell as Wooster's 11th president. The trustees made a very sound choice in their selection. But the story about him and his family, as reported in *Wooster*, Fall 2007, was interesting from another perspective. The selection of Dr. Cornwell demonstrates that Wooster has outgrown its church related beginnings and is now grounded in the values stemming from the Renaissance and the Enlightenment. Contrast this with the role the Presbyterian Church played in selecting Howard Lowry as Wooster's president in 1944!

This is evident in Dr. Cornwell's passion for philosophy, the values of Buddhism, and his commitment to putting philosophic beliefs into practice. These include ethics and social justice, cultural diversity, duty to others, and human rights. Indeed, these very values can be found in the Christian faith. But what is noteworthy is that Dr. Cornwell's selection was based not on any Christian beliefs he may or may not hold, but on his humanistic and secular values, the very qualities required to lead an academic institution of Wooster's stature. Indeed, the College's current statement of purpose reads, "Wooster aims to establish an atmosphere in which intellectual inquiry is unconstrained by ideology, fashion, or creed..." There is no reference here to religion, much less to Presbyterianism.

The selection of Grant Cornwell as Wooster's 11th president reveals how far the College has outgrown her Presbyterian roots. But a nagging question remains: Is there a place for an avowed Christian perspective in the College's mission? If so, what is it, other than a pro forma recognition of her Presbyterian heritage?

LEE H. LYBARGER '56
DELAWARE, OHIO

The 60-year-old Robin

BY VIVIAN DOUGLAS SMITH '47
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I raced to the door as fast as an 81-year-old can race. That thump inside the letter drop just had to be the Round Robin. Only a letter that holds the 60-year story of 14 women could be that weighty and still lighten my spirit every time it comes.

For those of the BlackBerry generation, unacquainted with telegrams, party lines, and other antique forms of communication: A round robin is a letter mailed from person to person, with each adding a new letter and removing her previous one that has cycled back to her.

Ours began in 1947, on the eve of our graduation, with an offhand suggestion to start a round robin. It's still making the rounds, arriving roughly once a year at each of our 14 homes. We are not quite the original 14; one member died of cancer in 1986, and another classmate joined us. We are scattered throughout the 50 states and sometimes in other countries, but 13 of the original 14 were able to make it to our 50th class reunion. Though fewer made the trip for our 60th reunion, our bond is stronger than ever.

The round robin has become the story of a generation. It has made us all almost family, including our children, who sometimes show up at fellow Robin homes when traveling nearby. Like family, we are all different, but our lives are typical of many during the 20th century.

Four of us met our future husbands at Wooster. Two men were fellow students; the other two were part of the naval aviation program at the College. It was a wartime campus, with 600 co-eds and 65 men, along with 600 Navy cadets—one of



'47 ROBINS AT THEIR 50TH REUNION IN WOOSTER:

BACK L TO R: Dede Bender Seaton, Cornelia Lybarger Neuswanger, Norma Wolcott van der Meulen, Dorothy Campbell Hallett, Liz Webster Van Wagoner, Mary P. Lewis, Liz Ann Jacobs Atkins. **FRONT L TO R:** Hope Yee Lee, Jean Eberling Harrington Beek, Martha Jean Stoll Ballard, Linda Wells Ellsworth, Marilyn Anderson Williams, Vivian Douglas Smith.

them, David E. Smith, became my husband. We have had one divorce in the ranks and one amicable separation.

As the "transition generation," about a third of us held full-time jobs for some years, the rest had innumerable part-time jobs and volunteered creatively. We've done library displays, manned highway rest stops, been avid members of the Jane Austen Society, political, environmental, and health care activists, led Girl Scouts, tutored, held drama workshops, learned Spanish to work with immigrant families, worked as the "world's oldest roadies" for touring musician daughters, collected international costumes, served in museums, churches, civic associations, and historical societies, given musical performances for seniors, helped start nursery schools and wellness centers, and done our bit to keep book publishers and travel agents in business.

We remember cheap gas and "cash only." We remember hats and gloves and a world before computers or television. We write about recipes and remedies, Fosamax and estrogen, cholesterol and collagen, and what to do on bad hair days.

We reflect on a time when women had fewer rights and pray that the next generations will guard and use the new freedoms wisely. We watched our daughters' world change from rigid hours and "lights out" to co-ed campus housing. We campaigned



for "smokers" in the dorms, and we saw a later generation campaign to ban smoking.

We cheer each other's successes and joys, give each other sympathy and empathy in times of crisis. We shared worries about aging parents and tell of our struggles with downsizing our homes. "I feel like I'm cleaning out the attic of my heart," wrote one Robin.

We care for ailing husbands and children, and cope with loss. Five of us have lost husbands, one last year, three in the past decade, one in 1949 when his Marine Corsair crashed. If all this sounds depressing to young people, we assure you it is not. There is great joy in watching our lives unwind, a reassurance in seeing the patterns of life, feeling a part of something bigger than yourself. None of us is famous or important or unduly wealthy. We are just a bunch of women who, collectively, may have left the world a tiny bit better than when we came here. And we wouldn't trade the Round Robin for anything.

In the current round, one Robin writes,

"The threads of our 14 lives have become cords that have bound us ever more dear to each other. Now, in the twilight years, we have each other to console, encourage, laugh with, cry over, and face the future with faith and spirit. How many people have such a letter, such strong friendships, such a sisterhood to support us at 80 and beyond?"

And another writes, "If I could give one piece of advice to today's graduates, it would be, 'Start a Round Robin!' You do not at present think you will ever grow old. But if by chance you surprise yourself and do, you will have found an unexpected way to soften the hard edges of time, and you will treasure that Round Robin more than you can ever know."

E-mail may be faster, but we hope a few people in the next generation will follow this advice and come to know the thrill of a big, fat packet of letters arriving in the mail. You will see now and then, perhaps, a stain from a cup of coffee—or maybe even a teardrop—on one of them. You don't find that in e-mail.



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Oak Grove

HAPPENINGS AROUND CAMPUS

Oak Grove



Photo by Mark Niemczyk

Kauke landscape receives first-place award

The College's campus grounds department was recently honored by the national Professional Grounds Management Society for work done in conjunction with the renovation of Kauke Hall. Wooster was the only college campus in the country to receive a Grand Award.

Director of campus grounds Beau Mastrine and his team designed and executed a plan that involved 400

shrubs, 300 perennials, and 50 trees. Included were 10 disease-resistant Princeton American elms, planted south of the building to recreate a vista fondly recalled by generations of Wooster alumni. The project also included replacement of 15,000 square feet of brick sidewalks, installation of an irrigation system for grass and plants, and new teak benches, planter pots, and bike bollards.

Please join us:

Inauguration of President Grant Cornwell

Alumni are invited to the formal inauguration of Grant Cornwell as the College's 11th president, an occasion that will showcase and celebrate Wooster's distinctive approach to liberal education.

On Friday, April 25, students, faculty, and alumni will participate in a panel discussion titled *The Transformative Power of Mentored, Independent Research*. Seniors will showcase their Independent Study projects through presentations and displays in a variety of campus locations, an event billed as *A Moveable Feast of Undergraduate Research*.

Later that afternoon, Cornwell will moderate a roundtable discussion on liberal learning in the 21st century with fellow presidents, including Richard Guarasci of Wagner College and Daniel Sullivan of St. Lawrence University. The day's program will conclude with a lecture by Martha Nussbaum, the Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at The University of Chicago.

On Saturday, April 26, the inaugural convocation will take place in the Oak Grove. The ceremony will feature music by College ensembles, words of welcome and advice from alumni and students, and the president's inaugural address. A picnic luncheon will follow on the lawn south of Kauke Hall.

For more details, visit the web at www.wooster.edu/inauguration. Please RSVP for events at **330-287-1900** or email to inauguration@wooster.edu.



Alumni News

WOOSTER ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Alumni News

New faces

The Alumni Board welcomed its newest members, who began their three-year terms in October:

Mike Zaugg '69 is a real estate agent in Seattle, Wash.

Karen Johnson '87 is vice president of university relations at Northwestern University in Chicago, Ill.

Katherine Varney Ritchie '00 is an education consultant in Columbus, Ohio.

Bernice Walker '86 is the director of Small Business Development for the Hamilton County Department of Administration in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ron Price '53 has retired from his executive position at Westinghouse Electric Corp. and lives in Delray Beach, Fla.



The Wooster Fund has a new assistant director



Meena M. Ghaziasgar has joined the College's Office of Development and Alumni Relations as assistant director of The Wooster Fund, where she will work with young alumni, run the student phonathon program, and manage the annual fund's parents and matching gifts programs.

She comes to Wooster from the *Wooster Weekly News*, where she served as editor. Previous experience also includes magazine writing and public relations.

Ghaziasgar received her degree in English in 2003 from Wooster and her M.A. in English from Carnegie Mellon University.



Upcoming events

Feb. 13: Cleveland, Ohio
Quicken Loans Arena
 Cleveland Cavaliers vs. San Antonio Spurs

Feb. 11: Jacksonville, Fla.
The Riverdale Inn

Feb. 13: Venice, Fla., Venice Yacht Club

Feb. 15: Fort Myers, Fla.,
Forest Country Club

Feb. 16: Boca Raton, Fla.,
Royal Palm Yacht and Country Club

Florida luncheons and lectures by Paul Christianson, Professor Emeritus of English, The College of Wooster

Feb. 16: The College of Wooster
 Wooster-Wittenberg Basketball Tailgate
 Armington PEC

May 18: Cincinnati, Ohio

An afternoon at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center with a lecture by Josephine Wright, professor of Africana studies and music

Aug. 7, 8, 9: Portland, Ore.
 Oregon Shakespeare Festival

For details on these and other events:
www.wooster.edu/alumni/activities



Alumni

Wooster alumni making a difference

Steve Glick, chief of police, City of Wooster

Career opportunity:

Excellent writing, speaking, driving, first-aid, and firearms skills are required. You must be willing to serve as psychologist, sociologist, educator, and kitten-rescuer. On some days you will be the hero, on others the bad guy. You must have the fortitude to take another's life and the courage to give your own. Expect long hours.

When Steve Glick '79 arrived at Wooster, the idea that he would go into law enforcement was as unlikely as a career as a lion-tamer. But then he started hanging out with the College's director of security, Carl Yund, a retired police chief from the City of Wooster. "In retrospect, I think Carl was trying to recruit me," remembers Glick.

"He talked about law enforcement in a different way than you would expect. He talked about service to the community. He talked about those times in his career when he could look back and say, 'I helped somebody today.'"

By the time Glick (a history major) was a senior, he was working for the Wooster Police Department. He never looked back. After 28 years of service to the department, he was recently promoted to chief of police.

He remembers the first time, early in his career, that he realized the job meant that he had to be willing to take a life. He and his partner were investigating a domestic abuse complaint and were met at the door by one of the residents, bearing a knife. "I've been lucky enough never to have to use deadly force," says Glick. "People would be surprised at how often in an officer's career (even in a city the size of Wooster),

an officer is legally and morally justified to use deadly force, but doesn't."

As the chief of police, Glick is responsible for the ongoing training of 37 officers and five support staff. He also has responsibility for their well-being. "There's a lot of talk about the physical dangers of the job, and those are very real, but there's less understanding about long-term emotional trauma. More officers commit suicide every year than are killed in the line of duty."

Glick knows from experience the pain that comes when emotions overwhelm reason. Logically, he knows there was nothing he could have done the night he was called to a home, responding to a complaint about a loud party. Legally, he could not have entered the apartment without a warrant. But the next day, when he learned that a two-year-old child had been killed at the party, he was besieged by guilt and grief. "I kept thinking back—if I had done this, or if I hadn't done this, if I'd just walked in. . . ."

The best way to maintain good emotional health, Glick tells his officers (and himself), is to find someone to share with. For him, it is his wife, Liz Eberhart '81. He also tells members of his force to develop relationships and activities outside of law enforcement. "It's tough at times, because we work odd schedules, see things other people don't see, and do things other people don't do," says Glick. "But if you can manage it, it really helps."

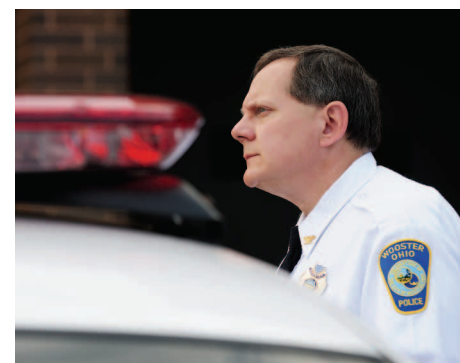
Another thing that has helped, he says, is understanding the global nature of his profession's challenges. As part of his ongoing education, Glick attended an international law academy. "If you put law enforcement officers from Hong Kong, Las Vegas, and Scotland into the same room, you'll hear them talk about the same types of good things, bad things, and issues. It's absolutely amazing how similar law enforcement is, across the world."

KC

Thousands of Wooster alumni are out there, somewhere, making a difference. Help us tell their stories by e-mailing kcrosbie@wooster.edu.



PHOTOS Matt Dilyard



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STEVE GLICK



Alumni

Wooster alumni making a difference

Steve Scott: Preventing child abuse

The state of Iowa is 10th highest in the nation in the number of reported child abuse cases. At first blush, this fact could look very bad to Steve Scott '69, executive director of Prevent Child Abuse Iowa. But his reaction to Iowa's ranking is as complex and analytical as the work that he does.

Scott's law degree and experience as an attorney prompt him to look at the data from many angles. Why would Iowa, with its relatively lower levels of crime and poverty, rank higher than say, Illinois, with its crime-ridden Chicago? The key, says Scott, is in the word "reported." More people living in Iowa believe that state authorities will respond to their concerns, and therefore they are more likely to file a complaint, he explains. In contrast, a neighbor in Chicago may make no report because she believes that authorities—who are perceived as overworked and unresponsive—will do nothing.

Also, people mentally adjust what they consider to be unacceptable. "There's an interesting theory that says that humans can only deal with so much deviancy," says Scott. "If levels of deviancy grow too large, we respond by redefining what we consider deviant."

But given that caveat, child abuse rates are higher in Iowa than in states with similar levels of civic engagement and similar demographics, says Scott. And child abuse has been on the rise in recent years in Iowa and in many other states.

That's the bad news. The good news is that there is solid evidence that much child abuse can be prevented, says Scott, whose organization oversees 174 prevention projects in Iowa. Scott and his colleagues advocate for the most important ingredient in keeping children safe: Healthy families. One of Scott's primary jobs is to lobby the state legislature for funding

for programs such as crisis nurseries, parent education, respite care, and young parent support. In the last legislative session, his organization's efforts helped secure additional funding for child sexual abuse prevention programs, leading to a major expansion of classes on how to protect children.

Daily, Scott is faced with the conundrum prompted by the phrase *child abuse*. "When you say 'child abuse,' shutters come down. The words evoke images of such horror that you can't even have a discussion," he says. "If you're a young family needing support, are you likely to want to attend a class called, 'Preventing Child Abuse?'" In fact, in Iowa, only 6 percent of abuse cases in 2006 involved sexual abuse, and 10 percent involved physical injury. By contrast, approximately 70 percent of all abuse cases in Iowa involve neglect.

But while changing the words "preventing child abuse" to a more positive phrase, such as "building healthy families," might be more effective for serving clients, state funding would probably suffer, says Scott. "If you become this nice, family-wholeness project, it becomes so amorphous that legislators don't know what you do. While the words 'child abuse' shut down dialogue, they also grab people in the gut."

Why are levels of child neglect and abuse on the rise nationally? Again, Scott is faced with a puzzle. While sensibilities may prompt a neighbor to pick up the phone and file a complaint, that's where civic engagement ends. Nationwide, volunteerism is down, and support from the extended family has plummeted. "Our mantra is, 'Protecting children is everyone's responsibility,' but the reality is that measures of civic participation are on the decline," says Scott. "Increasingly, individuals and families are isolated."

With a goal of turning this phenomenon around, Scott's organization recently formed a partnership with AmeriCorps, in which 10 staff members recruit volunteers to help neighborhoods and communities create support systems for families.

Scott has a long history of concern for the disenfranchised. For his Independent Study at Wooster, he studied the suppression of the Industrial Workers of the World, a labor union

for immigrants and farm workers in the early 1900s. His decision to respond to the draft in 1970 by registering as a religious conscientious objector was highly influenced by his Wooster experience, he says. His alternative military service at a community center in Indianapolis piqued Scott's interest in using legal aid to achieve social justice. He pursued a law degree at the University of Pennsylvania, where he researched the needs of people with disabilities and went on to become deputy director of the Minnesota Disability Law Center. He has been at his current position since 1996.

Professionals and volunteers who help parents to prevent disaster, rather than picking up the broken pieces after a tempest strikes, avoid much of the heartache that comes from being in the center of the storm, says Scott. But prevention work comes with its own pressures. "No matter what we do with families, it will never be a vaccine equivalent. It's not like you can give a blood test and say, 'OK, this parent is free of the germ of child abuse.'

"There is never automatic certainty. And that's challenging."

KC

Steve Scott, who lobbies members of the Iowa legislature on behalf of families and children, studies in the law library at the Iowa Capitol Building in Des Moines.

PHOTO Karol Crosbie





Alumni

Wooster alumni making a difference

Danny George: Rethinking Alzheimer's disease

It takes an uncommon degree of confidence and perhaps a touch of innocence for a 22-year-old with a newly minted bachelor's degree in English to walk unannounced into the office of one of the nation's foremost geriatric neurologists and ask if the doctor is in.



PHOTOS Matt Dilyard

And when it turns out he's not, only the most self-assured young man would slip a copy of his senior Independent Study project on the therapeutic uses of narrative in treating patients with Alzheimer's disease under the physician's door.

Three years ago, Danny George '04 did just that, and in January, St. Martin's Press will publish *The Myth of Alzheimer's: What You Aren't Being Told About Today's Most Dreaded Diagnosis*, by Peter J. Whitehouse, M.D., Ph.D., with Daniel George, M.Sc.

The book's thesis is simple. What we call Alzheimer's is not a specific brain disease at all. "It can neither be diagnosed definitively in life nor death and does not have one basic defining pathological feature," says Whitehouse, who directs the Memory and Aging Center at Case Western Reserve University and University Hospitals. After almost 30 years as a researcher and clinician, he has come to believe that the Alzheimer's label instead "represents our culture's attempt to make sense of a natural process, brain aging, that we cannot control." This, he believes, has led to a misbegotten emphasis on finding a "cure" for the effects of brain aging, rather than on prevention and care, especially non-pharmacological ways of enhancing an aging patient's quality of life.

This shift in thinking was already complete when Whitehouse met George three years ago, but Whitehouse was eager to share his insights with a broader audience than the researchers and physicians for whom he has written hundreds of scholarly articles. After initially hiring him as a research assistant, Whitehouse was sufficiently impressed with George's skills as a writer, editor, and critical thinker to ask him to collaborate on a book that he called, somewhat facetiously, "part memoir, part exposé."

They set to work in early 2005 and completed the first few chapters before George left for Oxford to begin working on a master's in medical anthropology. Thereafter, they collaborated long-distance. For each chapter, George would interview Whitehouse and write a first draft, which would then go through a series of trans-Atlantic revisions.

George often found himself testing ideas from the book with a diverse group of fellow graduate students, from neurologists and molecular geneticists to political scientists, in one of Oxford's pubs. The experience reminded him of his undergraduate days.

"One of the things I loved at Wooster was when things overlapped, when something from religion class spilled over into economics." That sort of cognitive blending, he says, proved to be excellent preparation for the intellectual foment of Oxford.

With the book and his master's both complete, George is back in Shaker Heights, working at the Memory and Aging Center, collecting data on whether intergenerational volunteer activities promote a higher quality of life for Alzheimer's patients. He plans to return to Oxford in May to write his doctoral thesis on the findings.

Meanwhile, he has been helping Whitehouse promote the ideas behind *The Myth of Alzheimer's*. In October, he traveled to Caracas, Venezuela, to make a presentation at an international conference on Alzheimer's. He and Whitehouse will attend an AARP meeting when the book arrives in stores. Other events are planned for New York, Washington, D.C., and Florida.

It is unusual to have a co-author as young as George, says Whitehouse. "I was surprised to find someone like Danny at a level of maturity where he could really help me."

In addition to valuing George's intelligence and writing skills, Whitehouse says he also admires his character. "Danny has a very well developed sense of what his values are and who he is that's really remarkable for one his age."

JH



From China, with love

It was August 2003, and time for Elise Geither '89 to make the arduous trip to China to adopt her second daughter. She was joyful and she was worried. Could she really make the trip by herself? Her husband, Jeff, needed to stay behind with their two-year-old daughter, also adopted from China.

"I desperately needed a travel partner," remembers Geither. And so she called her friend Elisabeth Jones '89, who said, "You bet!"

In Guangzhou, Jones did all the things her friend expected she'd do. "She was an RA at Wooster and was very good at taking care of people," Geither recalls. "I was in the hotel room with my daughter, waiting for our adoption papers, and Elisabeth went shopping, finding things I didn't even know I needed."

In addition to doing the expected, Jones also did the unexpected. She fell in love with the country and all 200 babies at the orphanage.

"I was really touched and taken by the beauty of the country and its people," remembers Jones. "Seeing children meet their new parents was an emotional thing."

And so it happened that in September 2007 the two Wooster friends, accompanied by Elisabeth's husband, Glenn, and

close friend, Brian Roff '89, returned to China, Geither to adopt her third daughter, and Jones to adopt her first. The two babies came from the same orphanage in Dianjiang in Chongqing Province. "Not only are we connected by being Wooster alumni, but our daughters are 'sisters,' born in the same city and cared for at the same orphanage," says Geither. "Elisabeth and I will always be connected."

The babies—now toddlers—are doing well, their mothers report. Geither's daughter, Violet, has settled in well with her two sisters in Berea, Ohio, and Jones' daughter, Maia, has taken up piano-banging at her home in Columbus, Indiana.

Their daughters were almost one-year-old when they were adopted, and their faces light up when they hear their native language, say their mothers. Both families will keep their daughters connected to their roots, they say. Geither's oldest daughter is taking Chinese, and some day the two friends hope to take their girls to their homeland for a visit.

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Elise Geither (left) and Elisabeth Jones meet Violet and Maia.

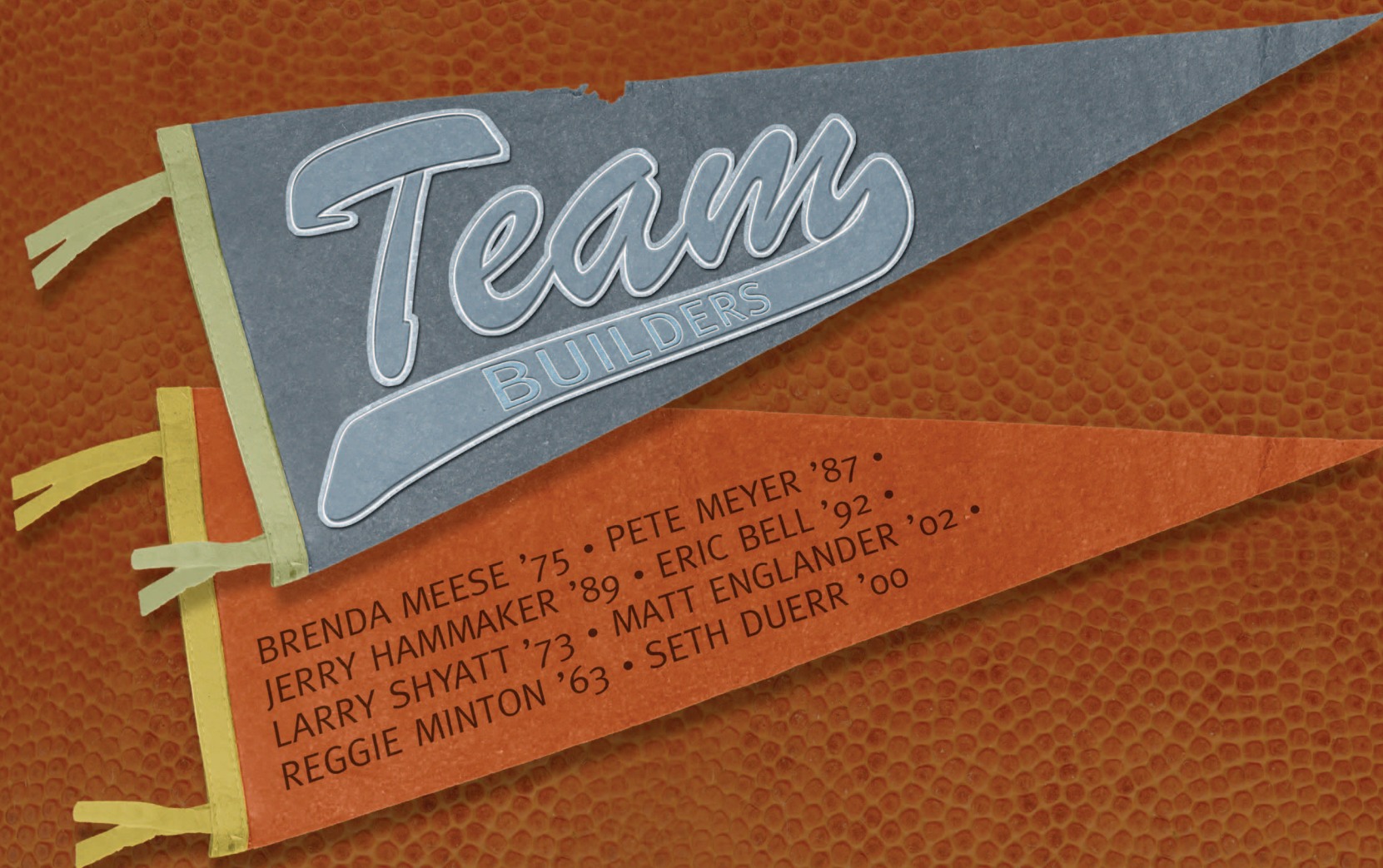
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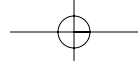
There's no other profession quite like it.

We asked some of our alumni coaches a few questions. How do you build a team? What do you find the most challenging? Which skills and knowledge do you use the most?

By KAROL CROSBIE

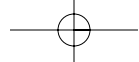
Here's what they said.





▲ Assistant coach Seth Duerr '00 and the Scots practice for the 2007 season.

PHOTO Matt Dilyard





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UILDING A TEAM

“Athletic performance is an art. Go and watch great athletes perform—look at their control on the ground and in the air—they’ve spent hundreds of hours perfecting that skill. A great athlete can control his body as well as a dancer. You watch J.C. Romero, with his bat in his hand—he’s an artist—a genius!”

Al Van Wie '52, Wooster athletic director, 1974-1991



▲ Pete Meyer '87 (right) coaches the Florida Southern Moccasins.
PHOTO Wayne Koehler

But if you had 25 Romeros, would you necessarily have a team? You would not. Just as you would not have an orchestra with 100 virtuosi, nor a dance troupe with 50 prima donnas. Building a team is, of course, the name of the game, but fool-proof strategies are hard to come by. It begins at the recruitment stage, when coaches use both subjective and objective measures to choose their team members.

For example, when Brenda Meese '75, Wooster's assistant athletic director and field hockey coach, watches an outstanding high school player, she pays special attention to how the athlete advances the ball down the field. If the player consistently carries the ball on her stick, rather than passing it to another player, she might not be the right player for the Wooster team. Coach Meese explains: “It tells me how that person's inner dynamic works. Does she consistently carry, when the options are there for three people around her to receive the ball? If she passes, does she pass out of strength or out of weakness? Does she pass because she's panicked, or because she sees her teammates and sees other options? I value team play, and I think that a passing team can be a great group of individuals, because they can do more.”

Sometimes that certain team building *je ne sais quoi* is more subjective. Pete Meyer '87 remembers the time he took his wife to a high school game to see an outfielder who had committed to playing for Florida Southern College, where Meyer is head baseball coach. “As the players jogged out to the field, I asked my wife if she could identify the player we had chosen. She



nailed it. It was about how he carried himself, his presence.”

When Jerry Hammaker '89 is recruiting, he often recalls his swim coach at Wooster, Keith Beckett (currently the College's athletic director). “I remember sitting with Keith on the bus after a meet, and how frustrated he'd be when talented players didn't work hard. So when I recruit, I recruit for attitude. One way to discover attitude is by talking with parents and watching how kids interact with their parents.”

Once student athletes arrive on campus, coaches build team spirit and competitiveness through tough, intensive inter-squad drills. “Bonding occurs because they've gone through it together,” says Seth Duerr '00, Wooster's football defensive coordinator. The leadership and modeling that young players see in their more experienced peers is also essential to team building, he says.

Agreeing upon and committing to a goal is essential, say the coaches. “Getting a group of men or women to strive for the same goal, regardless of what that goal is—if you can do that, then you have teamwork,” says Van Wie.

Team building comes from blood, sprints, and tears, but it also comes from cool analysis. Eric Bell '92, assistant coach of women's soccer at Florida State University, teaches a course on leadership, where class members learn about the five ways that a team can become dysfunctional. He ticks them off: Lack of trust, fear of conflict, inattention to results, lack of commitment, and avoidance of accountability.

▲ Eric Bell '92 coaches the Florida State University women's soccer team. PHOTO FSU Sports Information



MENTORS: STANDING ON SHOULDERS

There's a particular basketball maneuver that Reggie Minton '63 used when he coached at Dartmouth College, and later at the Air Force Academy. Its name is "Wooster."



▲ Larry Shyatt '73 shouts directions to the University of Florida men's basketball team.

PHOTO Ron Irby

▶ Brenda Meese '75 coaches the Scots field hockey team. PHOTO Matt Dilyard

The individual attention they give, the strategies they model, and the motivation they inspire make coaches influential in the lives of their players. Many of these players become coaches. And the cycle continues.

Matt Englander '02, head coach, baseball, Case Western Reserve University: "Coach Pettorini (Wooster's head baseball coach) was my mentor and always will be. He is famous for his sense of fairness. His best and his worst players—he treats them all the same. Sometimes with Coach P, people mistake his fairness for abrasiveness. I didn't realize how much he cared until after I graduated."

Pete Meyer '87, head coach, baseball, Florida Southern College: "I've been fortunate to have four great coaching mentors. From my dad, who was a coach, I learned about how to deal with individual players. I watched Tommy Thomas (head coach at Valdosta State), and learned how to deal with the community. Chuck Anderson (head coach, Florida Southern) modeled organization. And Coach Pettorini—his intensity will always impress me—the way he lived and died for baseball."

Larry Shyatt '73, associate head coach, basketball, University of Florida: "The hardest-working people I ever met were coaches. It was easy for me to select this as a profession. At Wooster, Al Van Wie always showed us how to handle winning and losing with class and dignity."

Expanding the inner circle

The mentoring that women coaches have received has not followed the easier course of their male counterparts. Before 1972, when the passage of Title IX federal legislation required gender equity in educational institutions, there were few varsity women's sports and even fewer female varsity coaches. Brenda Meese, who began coaching in 1977, represents the first generation of post-Title IX women coaches. "The people who coached me had not played varsity in a collegiate sport," she says.

But that did not make their mentoring any less valuable. "They were starting from scratch, from the ground up," says



Meese, whose own mentor was Maria Sexton, the College's professor and head of women's physical education from 1953-1984. During a 2008 academic leave, Meese will study and document Sexton's national and international contributions.

While female coaches now have the critical mass necessary for professional success, more momentum is essential before they will have a presence as administrators, says Meese. "At Division I schools, there are more female university presidents than there are female athletic directors."

The change, she says, will come from mentoring, particularly its final stage. "Mentoring has four stages. The first is, 'You'd be good at this, why don't you try it?' The second is, 'This is how you do things.' Third is, 'We're equals, but I'm better at this than you are, and you're better at this than I am—let's share knowledge.'" The final stage is advocacy. "I know somebody who would be great for this job."

"We don't have enough advocates yet, because we don't have the critical mass of women who are in that inner circle—the circle that says, 'I have somebody for you.'"

"We like to mentor people who are like ourselves. We're more comfortable staying within our gender, or race, or socioeconomic group. To expand that inner circle, it takes stepping outside of your comfort zone to mentor people who may not be like you."

Wooster Alumni Coaches

They all have stories to tell, and if we had had enough time and space, we would have contacted each one of them. Have we missed anyone? Let us know!

BASEBALL

Evan Agona '04, head coach, Mercyhurst North East Junior College, North East, Pa.

Matt Burdette '92, head coach, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio

Erik Hagen '93, head coach, Georgetown College, Ky.

Kevin Howard '88, head coach, LaGrange College, Ga.

Cary McConnell '89, head coach, Suffolk University, Boston, Mass.

Jon Oliver '06, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Shaun Swearingen '07, asst. coach, Ohio Northern University, Ada

Matt Englander '02, head coach, Case Western Reserve, Cleveland, Ohio

Pete Meyer '87, head coach, Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Fla.

Matt Palm '95, head coach, Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Doug Cline '95, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Nate Gaubatz '01, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Rodney Mitchell '04, head coach, Wayne College, Orrville, Ohio

Erich Riebe '92, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

John Ellenwood '00, head coach, Thomas More College, Crestview Hills, Ky.

Scott Duncan '78, asst. coach, University of California, Los Angeles

Jeff Hamilton '95, head coach, Shawnee State, Portsmouth, Ohio

Lamont Paris '96, asst. coach, University of Akron, Ohio

Ryan Pedon '00, asst. coach, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio

Larry Shyatt '73, assoc. head coach, University of Florida, Gainesville

Reggie Minton '63, National Association of Basketball Coaches

Michael Beitzel '68, head coach, Hanover College, Hanover, Ind.

FIELD HOCKEY

Brenda Meese '75, head coach, The College of Wooster

MEN'S SOCCER

David Holmes '70, head coach, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Ky.

Jonathan Freeman '00, asst. coach, Ashland University, Ohio

Roy Messer, Jr. '70, head coach, Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Brad Evans '92, head coach, University of Toledo, Ohio

Eric Bell '92, asst. coach, Florida State, Tallahassee

FOOTBALL

Steve Kassimer '07, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Kevin Rooker '03, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Kyle Rooker '01, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Justin Coan '05, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Seth Duerr '00, assistant coach, The College of Wooster

Brian Wright '94, offensive coordinator, Youngstown State, Ohio

GOLF

Rich Danch '89, head coach, The College of Wooster

Greg Nye '79, head coach, Penn State, State College, Pa.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Kelly Hubbell '05, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Helena Iaquina '06, asst. coach, The College of Wooster

Miriam Ester '02, head coach, Mount Holyoke, South Hadley, Mass.

Beth Hemminger '03, asst. coach, University of New Haven, West Haven, Conn.

Jessica Critchlow '01, head coach, Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.

SOFTBALL

Brian Claypool '99, head coach, Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Rob Harrington '99, head coach, The College of Wooster

Jerry Hammaker '89, head coach, Lycoming College, Williamsport, Pa.

Carolyn Strunk Layne '90, head coach, Bowling Green State, Ohio

CROSS COUNTRY, TRACK & FIELD

Jason Hudson '93, asst. coach, Oberlin College, Ohio

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Paul Wardlaw '81, head coach, Brown University, Providence, R.I.

VOLLEYBALL

William Dewar '79, asst. coach, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Mich.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Mary Fowkes '06, asst. coach, Thiel College, Greenville, Pa.

Deidra Reid '99, head coach and information director, Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga.



CHALLENGES

Every coach faces hurdles. Some obstacles are unique to particular sports and NCAA divisions. Some face every coach.



Everyone's challenge: The pressure to win

Each year, Reggie Minton '63, associate executive director of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, sends handwritten notes to the approximately 50 higher education basketball coaches who recently lost their jobs. "When salaries went up, expectations went up. And longevity went down," says Minton.

One of the coaches to receive such a note in 2003 was Larry Shyatt '73, who resigned under pressure after five seasons as Clemson University's head basketball coach. No matter that in his first season, the Tigers advanced to the championship game of the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) for the first time in history and made it to a post-season final game for the first time in 60 years. No matter that one year, two of his players won national NIT titles in scoring and rebounding. The Tigers had begun to lose.

Shyatt, now the associate basketball coach at the University of Florida, talks about the pressure to succeed. "I love the job, and I wouldn't trade my successes for anything. But it can be devastating—whether it's personal breakdowns or losing it in the locker room—what it does to you comes in all shapes and colors. Every season, I would lose 10-15 pounds. I can tell you that being fired is the most demeaning, embarrassing, and helpless feeling that a man or woman can have.

"It's nice to think it's about academics, and graduation rates, and building character. And it is. But mostly it's about winning. That's the litmus test."

A unique challenge: Birds, bees, and swimmers

First off, let's get one thing straight: The entrance of women to competitive swimming in 1972 has been a very good thing, says Jerry Hammaker '89, head swimming coach at Lycoming College. "The women push the men. They train together and race together, and men don't want the women beating them."

But this racing together and training together also results in attachments that can send swimmers over the moon or into subterranean depths, says Hammaker. "In football, if there's been a romantic break up, you can say, 'Buck up, get back in the game, go

hit something. But if she's swimming in the lane next to you, it's more difficult. I know. It happened to me when I was at Wooster."

Because swimming is an individual sport, personal problems can have a huge impact on a swimmer, says Hammaker. A late party the night before or preoccupation with a swimmer in the next lane can mean the difference between success or failure. "Nobody can pick up the slack. You're 100 percent personally responsible."

Everyone's challenge: You're not in Kansas any more.

Matt Englander, head baseball coach, Case Western Reserve: "Our first-years arrive, and in high school they were the strongest and the fastest. Trying to get them to understand that they need to work harder at the college level—that's the challenge."

Reggie Minton, former head basketball coach, U.S. Air Force Academy: "In the military, soldiers are trained to be very loyal to their classes. When they arrived on our team, we had to break that bond down a little. We had to convert that loyalty from class to team."

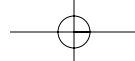
Pete Meyer, head baseball coach, Florida Southern College: "The kids arrive, and there are palm trees and sunshine. I call it the 'I can play tomorrow' attitude. I have a very good shortstop (he's going to be an outstanding pro), and he was dragging a little. I asked him what was up. He said, 'I don't know, coach, I hung around last weekend, went over to the beach.' I said, 'You've got to pick up the pace! You've got to adjust!'"

Sometimes the most challenging: Recruiting

Coaches often cite recruiting as one of the hardest parts of their job.

Seth Duer: "You have to build a relationship when you're recruiting. You spend a lot of time on one individual. And then to have it come to nothing—that's hard."

Brenda Meese: "You may work for more than a year to get a player, and then you lose her in the last week because of something that you have no control over, like a financial aid package or somebody wasn't nice to her on campus. Or maybe it rained the day he came. You get so invested, trying to get people here."



◀◀ Reggie Minton '63 directs the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

PHOTO Mike Theiler

◀ Jerry Hammaker '89 coaches the women's swim team at Lycoming College.

PHOTOS Dick Hostrander

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EY TO SUCCESS: FLEXIBILITY

“We’ve got to win! Bottom line.” With that as the most oft-quoted coaching mantra, flexibility might not immediately come to mind as one of the most essential attributes of the successful coach. But look more closely, and you see it at every turn.

Motivating the individual

Seth Duer: “Probably one of the most important things in coaching is knowing your players on an individual basis and knowing what they respond to. Sometimes that may take a while.”

Jerry Hammaker: “I remember one summer, I had a female athlete who really liked attention. If you didn’t acknowledge that she had tried hard, the next day she wouldn’t try as hard. At the same time, I had a guy who was motivated the most when he had no attention. The more attention you gave him, the worse he did. So I learned to just give him a little look in the eye and nod my head.”

Adapting a personal style

Pete Meyer: “When I went to the deep South to coach, I had to harness some of the intensity that I’d picked up from Coach P. at Wooster. I just needed a more laid-back style.”

Changing strategies

Most coaches agree that their strategies are predicated by the talents of their individual team members. But perhaps no coach is faced with a more drastic shifting of talents from year to year than the Division III coach. Consider Coach Meese’s 2006 and 2007 seasons. The 2006 season marked the culmination of a four-year cycle, one in which Meese’s players had reached their full potential and ended with a 12-0 championship season.

And then fall 2007 arrived. Five players had graduated. One starter went overseas, another decided not to play. The team’s All-American member broke her collarbone in the second game. A third of the way into the season, the team was 1 and 4. “That was a very different kind of season,” says Meese. “It was hard for a team of returning players to take, after being conference champions.”

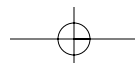
Meese’s first priority was to rebuild confidence by defining new goals. They would strive to be in the top five, and they would work toward being the first team to score in every game. “If you score first, you put more pressure on a team,” Meese explains. The team began marking their successes, including their small ones.

Second, Meese needed to develop a new field formation, based on the skills of her new players. “Part of coaching is not fitting people into a system, but creating a system around your people,” says Meese.

The Scots finished the season 11-7 as a rebuilt team ready for 2008, which will be a season of loftier goals and more experienced players. For Meese, this is the best kind of coaching. “Some of my best experiences have been in losing seasons. Not that I didn’t love going 12 and 0 last year in the Conference, but watching this team pick themselves up after they got a lot of kicking around and then becoming more confident and believing in themselves—that’s fun!

“To me, that’s the best fun of coaching—not taking the elite team and keeping them there, but taking the team that could go there and getting them to start the process.

“I love that.”





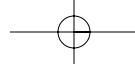
For her senior Independent Study, studio art major Kathryn Lehner '07 examined the human hand. Under the instruction of Walter Zurko, professor of art, Lehner created a photography and ceramic sculpture exhibit that featured images of children from a local preschool, elders from a retirement home in her hometown of Evanston, Ill., friends, and family.

Lehner's exhibit was a study in contrasts. The 47 photos were grouped to contrast ages, motions, and activities. "By photographing children and elders, I sought to illustrate how life's experiences shape, form, and affect the appearance and use of a person's hands," Lehner said.

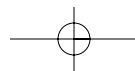
Since graduation, Lehner has been visiting friends and family in Tanzania and London. She says she hopes to find a job in photography, possibly in the Chicago area.

GRASPING

Life



▲ FATHER WITH NEWBORN [digital print]
My brother carefully holds the hand of his 19-day-old son.





GRASPING *Life*



▲ **GAZING CHILD** [digital print] A child stops her play at The College of Wooster Nursery School to observe me.

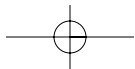
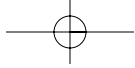


▲ **HANDS TOGETHER** [silver gelatin print] As he spoke to me, this man—a volunteer at the Presbyterian Homes, a retirement home in Evanston, Ill.— continually and subconsciously rubbed his hands together.

▶ **CHILD AT PLAY** [digital print] This activity at The College of Wooster Nursery School involved cleaning pennies with ketchup and gluing them on a Presidents' Day card.









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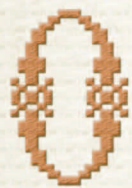
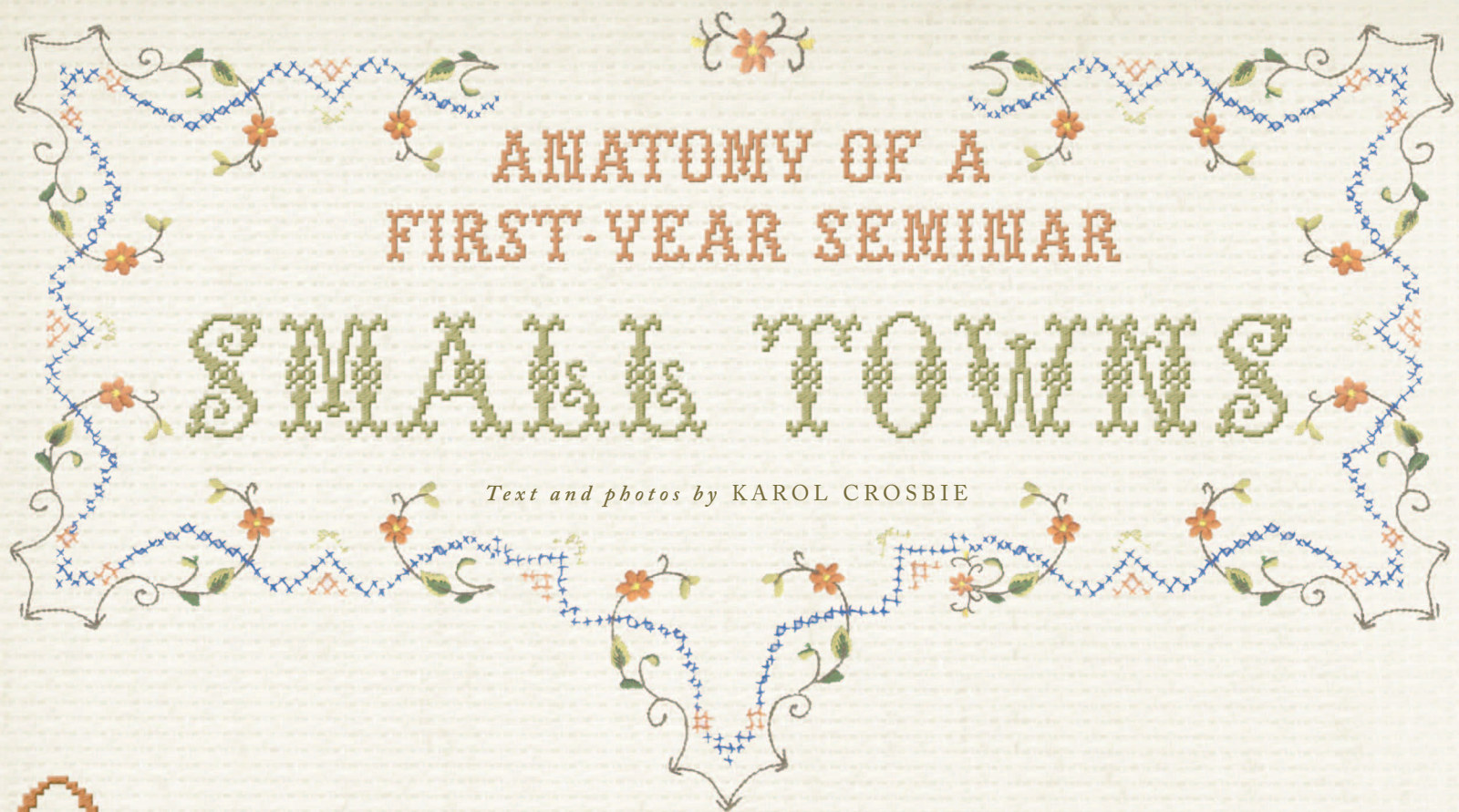
- ▲ WORKING A LOOM [silver gelatin print] This artist at the Presbyterian Homes never stopped working, as she told me about the blanket she was making.
- ◆ BOOK OF MEMORIES [digital print] A woman at the First Presbyterian Church in Wooster was engrossed in a history book.



PHOTOGRAPHY AT WOOSTER

The College's photography courses allow majors and non-majors to develop a variety of skills. Introductory courses introduce students to technical and aesthetic elements of chemical black and white photography. Intermediate and advanced classes incorporate color, non-silver processes, book arts, and new digital technologies.

The courses, says coordinator Bridget Milligan, associate professor of art, are designed to help students develop a cohesive body of work and a finished portfolio that can be used when applying for visual arts jobs or graduate school.



One of the first choices incoming Wooster students make is to select their favorite topics from a line-up of 36 enticing and diverse (albeit mandatory) First-Year Seminars. For example: Cheeseburger in Paradise; The Drugs We Drink; Representations of the Holocaust in American Popular Culture; The Religious Roots of Political Violence; The Art of Love; Vice, Virtue, and Contraband: Reforming Reproduction.

But no matter what subject they teach, all first-year seminar professors have similar goals for their students. We thought you'd like to see how one professor used her seminar topic—Life in the Small Town—to develop essential skills.

The subject of the small town was perfect for the seminar process, said Anne Nurse, associate professor of sociology and department chair, because it afforded the opportunity to study a spectrum of social questions, from the Wal-Mart effect, to juvenile crime, to prejudices. It was also a good personal fit for Nurse. "It was something completely new for me that I could get excited about. I wanted to convey my own excitement about the region."

Objective: Think critically.

Activity: Students used census data to describe the demographics and economics of a small town; many chose their own hometowns. Prof. Nurse: "We're not used to looking critically at the places where we grew up. We take them for granted. We generally feel pretty good about our towns, and

we don't think about why they are the way they are. It's been interesting to see students suddenly think about their towns in new and sometimes disturbing, sometimes exciting ways."

Objective: Observe critically.

Activity: The students used the online global positioning tool, Google Earth, to analyze towns' layouts. They visited Loudonville and Shreve, two small, nearby towns, to discover how differences in spatial arrangements affect town life.

Objective: Consider different points of view.

Activity: Students read and discussed *Worlds Apart: Why poverty persists in rural America* by C. M. Duncan and developed a budget for a low-income family during class. Said first-year student Larkin Yackulic, "I grew up in a suburb in Seattle and went to a small private high school. The book was shocking and eye-opening. I hadn't imagined that there would be so many disparities between the haves and have-nots. It was incredibly sad."

Objective: Write often, write well, write about what you care about. Become accustomed to using statistical analysis.

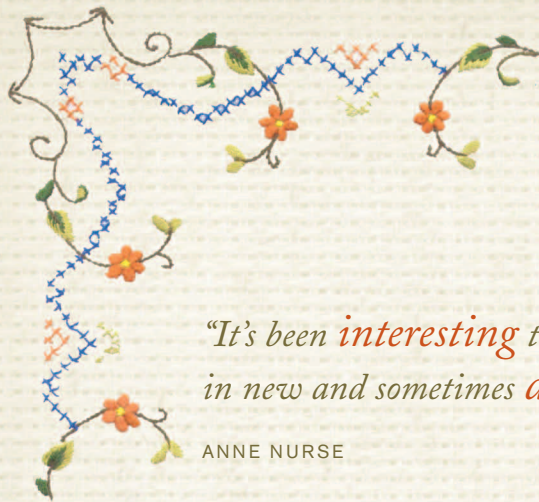
Activity: Students were asked to choose an attitude they wished to study; their topics included attitudes towards homosexuality, women's roles, gun control, bankruptcy, and atheism. Using data from the General Social Survey, they compared attitudes of residents in a small town with those of residents in a large city. Said Prof. Nurse: "I'm really dedicated to giving students basic statistical competency as soon as they get here."

First-Year Seminar students studying small towns took a break from class to visit the Loudonville street fair.



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Objective: Experience a wide range of disciplines and ways of knowing.

Activity: Students read both fiction and nonfiction in diverse forms—a memoir, a novel, essays, editorials, and research papers. They watched videos of varying styles—fictional, editorial, and documentary.

Objective: Develop oral skills.

Activity: Students read aloud Thornton Wilder's play, *Our Town*.

Objective: Examine the idea of being different and its importance in the small town.

Activity: Students read *The Jew Store*, by Stella Suberman, the memoir of a Jewish girl from a merchant immigrant family, growing up in a small Tennessee town in the 1920s.

From *The Jew Store*:

I went with the Reeves in a pink organdy dress with a green sash. On my arm hung a pink sateen purse. The Reeves kin were at the church. Miz Reeves' granny was there—a small wrinkly lady with veins on her hands like tree roots raising up on the ground. "My, what a nice little girl," she said to me. "Are you a Methodist, too?"

I could see Miz Reeves, standing to one side of me, frantically shaking her head. "No, Granny," she managed to say. "She's the little girl from across the street."

"The Jew child? Oh, Lord Jesus have mercy," her granny said.

Objective: Learn basic research and library skills.

Activity: Students developed a research method plan, including an annotated bibliography, on a research question of interest. Topics included the effects of technology, the influence of religion, and the role of football.

Objective: Experience Northeastern Ohio.

Activity: Students attended the Loudonville street fair, toured Shreve, and listened to a panel discussion by town elders. Prof. Nurse: "I think the students have come to a new appreciation for the beauty of our surrounding area; I think they'll be more comfortable leaving Wooster and going out into the region."



{ At Right }

In small towns near Wooster, cars and trucks often make way for Amish carriages on the town streets and highways.

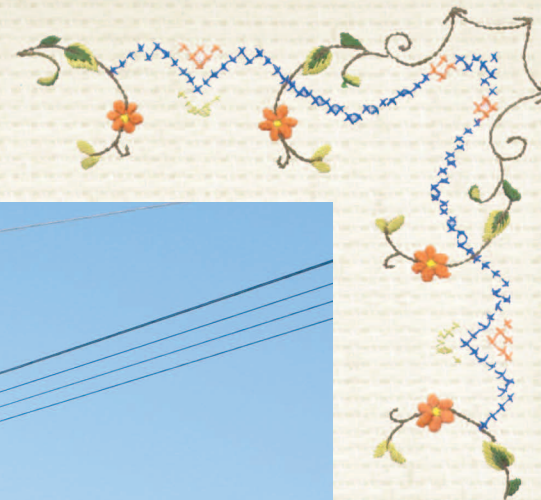


First-Year Seminars in Critical Inquiry at The College of Wooster



These 36 topics were offered to first-year students in 2007.

Comprehensive course descriptions and faculty instructors may be found online at:
<http://academics.wooster.edu/fys>.



1. "First, do no harm." Ethics and Health Innovations
2. Cheeseburger in Paradise
3. Literature and Place: Writing the Land Around Us
4. Food Injustice: The Impact of Capitalism on Eating and Working with Food
5. We've Come a Long Way, Maybe?: Examining the State of the Sexes through Chick-Lit and Lad-Lit
6. What's the Big Idea? A Critical Inquiry into the Concepts that Shape Our Understanding of the Modern World
7. From Everyday Acts to Global Actions: The Power of Grassroots Activism
8. American Fare
9. The Edge of Knowledge
10. The Drugs We Drink: Biological and Societal Perspectives
11. Representations of the Holocaust in American Popular Culture
12. Why We Eat What We Eat
13. The Midwest: Wasteland or Wonderland?
14. Being Human in the Twenty-First Century
15. World on Fire: The Religious Roots of Political Violence
16. Genius and Madness: Exploring the Minds of Geniuses in the Arts, the Sciences, and Politics through Their Successes and Failures
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PULLING TOGETHER
Tug-o-war at Winter Carnival,
ca. 1980s, no names given.
Recognize anyone?

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1932

We sadly report that **Harriet Painter Hopkins** died of heart failure on Nov. 5, 2007, at her Washington, D.C., home. A memorial service was planned for Dec. 30 in Lakewood, Ohio, where Harriet lived for more than 60 years. An obituary will appear in the next issue. We send our deepest condolences to her family and many friends.

1934

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Sorry for the last issue—one of those times when there was no '34 news!

Beryl Young Denny apologizes for "no news." She has 24 great-grandchildren and four great-greats! She still winters in Florida. Beryl, you've been a faithful correspondent.

Also faithful is **Mildred Schuenemann Johnston**, our class co-president. Mil doesn't think that she'll "be hopping on planes" in two more years, to get to our next reunion. She does sew, cook, drive, go to worship, read, and write verse, however. She's proud of their sons marrying "talented women—thus improving the family's academic level!" I (**Libby**) hear her chuckle. Her sons have done very well!

Kay Dilger Metcalfe writes of her ongoing friendship with **Nancy Casey**, her Wooster roommate. They both still drive and meet occasionally for lunch. Of Wooster, Kay says, "Twas the foundation and stimulus for the rest

of my life." (True for most of us, I believe.) Kay's daughter and son-in-law have come to live with her and are creating a horse farm. Her husband died in 1997. Her son, Tris III, is an architect who lives nearby in his solar home, while his son and daughter are in college. Kay is, she says, "quite content, because I live in the wonderful Berkshires."

Kay saw "zero news" in the '34 column, so she wrote! To the rest of you, "Go, thou, and do likewise!"

Mae Ashman Ziegler's son moved Mae to assisted living near him in Sarasota, Fla., so that she could have care. "Her physical health is excellent," he reports.

Stan Hoffman says that his daughter got her mother's (**Mary Kepler Hoffman's**) talent for music and is the music director in a large Lutheran church. She and her "good husband" live near Stan.

A note from **Mary Ellen Frame Weaver** says she's proud and pleased with her family.

1935

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1936

Ralph Gillman
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Morris Oldham checked in recently. He

majored in chemistry at Wooster and came back to teach chemistry (1945-49). He has three children who graduated from Wooster: Kathleen Oldham Beauchesne '66, Judith Oldham Majcen '71, and John Oldham '74.

A former student from the Class of 1951 who's now an English professor contacted Morris to talk about old times and compare notes about college teaching. Find Morris at 1214 River Crescent Dr., Annapolis, MD 21401-7712.

1937

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As I start the column for the winter issue of *Wooster*, out of the corner of my eye, I'm watching "Dancing with the Stars." It is Jane Seymour who is dancing, but in my mind's eye, I see **Cordelia Lampe Dennis**—tall, blonde, and active in modern dance as a student. For several years before her death in 1989, Cordelia and I corresponded regularly. I learned that dance was her lifelong hobby.

After Wooster, Cordelia earned a nursing degree and served during WWII as an Army nurse. After the war, she earned a B.S. and an M.S. At the time of her marriage in 1966, she was director of nursing at a Tennessee hospital. When she and her husband moved to Florida, she and a partner (not her husband) frequently competed in amateur ballroom dancing

contests. Somewhere, carefully filed away, I have snapshots of Cordelia in some of the gowns she wore—beautiful, long, flowing dresses. I wish I had seen her dance.

As Ken Burns' documentary on WWII is being aired, I wonder what roles our living classmates filled during 1941-45. For a brief moment, I thought of going to Wooster and spending some time in the archives in the basement of Andrews Library, reading the news items that were published during "our" war. Then I remembered that we did not speak of the whereabouts of our service people then. I was the women's secretary of our class from 1942-47, when the alumni magazine was published monthly. The editor relied heavily on the monthly columns submitted by the female secretaries—the male secretaries were extremely limited in what they could report.

In my last column, I reported on the 70th reunion of the Class of 1937, which was attended by six of us. Both men who made their way back to the campus for that historic event, **Norvin Hein** and **Bob Andrews**, are survivors of WWII. I want to record here their service to our country.

Wooster had a close relationship with Allahabad, India, while we were students (with about 30 missionaries), and Norvin was serving there when the U.S. entered the war. Britain had already been at war for two years, and Norvin was in frequent contact with young British airmen who were arriving in India preparing to "fly the hump" into China, to protect China from the Japanese.

Deciding to come back to the U.S. and volunteer for military service, Norvin needed a way to get home by sea, so he boarded a Liberty ship. But after two days, everyone on board was notified that the ship was under orders to sail to Calcutta and that they would be in danger of attack both by Japanese submarines and by air. All passengers were assigned to duty. Norvin's role was in the powder magazine, and for 96 days, he served in the U.S. Merchant Marines. The ship did finally sail to Savannah, Ga., and Norvin officially enlisted in the Merchant Marines.

He was sent to Brooklyn for training. When it was discovered that he could take shorthand, he was assigned a clerical job with the faculty of the training station. He eventually became a member of the training faculty and served the rest of the war helping to teach young men to become seamen. Upon discharge, he returned to Yale U to complete his studies, earning a Ph.D. in 1950 and joining the faculty at Yale, where he had a distinguished career. After finishing his current writing project, Norvin promises to pen an account of his role in WWII, especially for his children.

Bob Andrews was already in Hawaii as an Army private in Dec. 1941 and was on Ford

Island in Pearl Harbor soon after Dec. 7. Later, as an officer, he was attached on "D-Day plus 6" to one of the units which had landed on Omaha Beach to fight in France. He was present at Dachau shortly after our troops liberated the camp. He still has difficulty speaking of the emaciated prisoners.

On V-E Day, Bob was in Germany, with a German-speaking U.S. soldier as the driver of his Jeep. He and **Roger Van Bolt** corresponded frequently. I recall a letter of Bob's describing his return to Europe, after he retired, to retrace his wartime route.

I hope, in later columns, to record the wartime contributions of more classmates.

There are three deaths to record. **Emerson Peckham** died on May 16, 2006, **Melissa Biddle Harvey** on Jan. 18, 2007, and **Robert Schultz** on Sept. 5, 2007, shortly after he and **Betty Wertz Schultz** moved from Alabama to Medina, Ohio, to be near their sons. We send condolences to all of their families. I'll miss our annual birthday conversations.

1938 70th Reunion

We sadly report the death of our long-time class secretary, **Louise Harris Southard**, and send our condolences to her family.

1939

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You should all have received a letter in our belated attempt to find a replacement for **Bill Beamer** as president of the class and to get a successor as secretary. I (**Dean**) also asked for news, so I've had some good discussions with classmates of whom I'd lost track.

Doris Steiner Ely lives with her daughter in Harrisonburg, Va. Doris taught school for 23 years and has been retired for about 20 more. She and her daughter are quite active in their Methodist church.

I had a good talk with my friend and pre-Wooster neighbor in Cleveland Heights, Ruth Nusbaum Forman '40. She and her husband, **Douglas Forman**, had a fulfilling life in China, India, and elsewhere. Doug's grandfather had begun Forman Christian College in Lahore, India, now part of Pakistan. The college had been taken over by the government, but the Formans are happy that it was given back to the Presbyterian church in 2003. Doug and Ruth see their daughter in New Haven from time to time.

Barbara Foltz, <foltzfm1@comcast.net>, writes, "With regret that I have not done this sooner, I let you know that my mother, **Evelyn Callow Utter**, passed away in May 2005." We send our condolences to all of Evelyn's family.

Our best count is that there are 84 surviving members of the class. How modest you all are! I sense some reluctance at having the "heavy responsibility" (and honor) of assuming the helm of the class. Our reunion year, 2009, is not so far off. I'm looking for a "Cabinet" of members with whom to correspond. I want to hear from you.

1940

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Florence was unable to write the column for this issue. She says she's enjoyed being class secretary but wonders if anyone else would like to take over the task. Let Jimmy Meyer know, *class_notes@wooster.edu*, if you're willing.

1941

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On Oct. 17 I (**Mary**) was able to attend a beautifully planned welcoming reception for Grant and Peg Cornwell, as Grant takes the reins as College president. A large crowd cheered as he remarked at how "at home" he felt here, how he left Canton, N.Y., to come to a place near Canton, Ohio, and how he left cornfields in the Amish Country there, only to fly into cornfields here, with an Amish buggy passing by!

The exciting evening in the gala pavilion at the Wooster Inn was punctuated by shots of the starting gun, as intermural cross country races ran nearby, and heightened by the buzz of conversation between old and new friends. An exchange of local, national, inter-class, civic, and personal news provided a pleasant evening.

I attended with **Alfie Gabriel Campbell**. There we met Alfie's brother, Larry Gabriel '47, his wife, Alice Spohrle Gabriel '49, and Celia Retzler Gates '42.

Pat Arn told us that Ed's book, *Arn's War*, will soon be made into a documentary. I also spoke with our class president, **Lee Culp**. He was all smiles and looking good!

I see many changes, locally, of a commercial nature—most for the better—but, thankfully the outlying areas are still as they were 65 years ago. Wooster retains a small-town character that's part of its charm. Maybe it's the cornfields. Perhaps Ethanol is our salvation!

Alfie spent a month in Michigan, had a visit from her eldest, Gabriel, and hosted many



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over the summer. She keeps busy aiding and doing for many others as she has for years, here or in India. Now she's part of the Wooster scene.

Alfie tells me that **Joan Campbell Browne** had an eye operation which enables her to read easily again, for which she is truly thankful.

Eunice MacInnis Mitchell, feeling fine again, is involved with a Scottish heritage group and church and book club socials. Her nimble fingers have knitted over 50 sweaters for needy children!

Mary Liz Johnston Ellis stopped by recently after visiting the Wooster Cemetery. Now a Clevelander, she is busy learning "computerese" and attending exercise classes and monthly ministerial meetings. She has passed her drivers' test again!

A call to **Dori Bennett Haring** found her and **Bob Haring** feeling fit and busy, and enjoying life in Cleveland.

Margie Swartz Dean called to report on her summer in Canada, where her daughter woke her at 3:00 a.m. to watch a pair of barred owls training their young to hunt! A spotlight scared off the parents, and the young ones swoveled around like spooks. Margie also spotted all of the other wildlife indigenous to the area—except for a moose. Better luck next year, Margie!

Margie was invited to Thanksgiving at a private home, where a concert of Lerner and Lowe tunes was to be played on a Wurlitzer organ.

Margie McNiece Ellis writes of a full, busy, healthy life close to her two sons, who often join her for meals at nearby Persian restaurants on the peninsula near their homes.

Marian Roller Chilson is happily situated near her son, David. She's enjoying her new address, at Heritage Corner, Klotz Rd. #42, Bowling Green, OH 43402.

We all join Lee Bender in mourning the passing of his father, **Jim Bender**. We enjoyed Lee's reminder that Jim would have rejoiced in knowing that his death coincided with a big win by the Cleveland Indians! We have all lost another good friend in Jim!

Early in October, my (**Len's**) son, David (a devoted Mt. Union alum) and I visited the World War II Memorial in D.C.—truly awe-inspiring. If you haven't been there, put it on your to-do list. Being from a small community, I was impressed by the traffic and the international population—hardly a "damn Yankee" in sight.

1942

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This past September, **Lois Lambie** retired

as choir director at MacPherson Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, N.C. An article in *The Fayette Observer* highlights Lois's love of music, especially of directing singers. A former student said, "She told me one time she could get music out of a tin can if (it) paid attention." Before becoming choir director, Lois taught music and Latin at Seventy-First High School. Macular degeneration prompted her to retire, since she became unable to read the music. A few days after telling the preacher she was quitting, her sight came back, but Lois didn't change her mind, allowing her more time to herself. "It's hard to say no," she says, though. "It's a word I'm trying to learn."

1943 65th Reunion

Lois Wilson Scott wrote recently of her "deep, but buried" Wooster ties. Her grandmother lived at 1011 Beall Avenue during the 1930s-50s. Lois sends her regards to **Ida Snodgrass Artherton**, thanking her for being class secretary for so many years. Although Lois predicts not being able to visit Wooster again, she says she enjoys reading and corresponding with the magazine. The Scotts are in the process of moving into a retirement home, which requires downsizing—again.

We need a class secretary. Any volunteers?

1944

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Bob Johnson says that he prefers not to travel in the summer, too much to do in defending his garden. That, he says, was a "near disaster" this past summer because of the ravages of a tribe of groundhogs. Finally Bob took the ultimate step. He put an electric fence around the garden. That trumped the groundhogs, at least until they figure a way under, over, around, or through it.

Bob continues to walk the nearby bike path and managed to go back to Coshocton for a celebration of the 80th birthday of Helen Agricola Wright '48 and her retirement from playing the organ at the Presbyterian church for the past 40 years.

A little genealogy is in order. Helen is the widow of Norm Wright '47, whom you will recognize as having once been a member of our illustrious Class of 1944. Bob reports a "great gathering" of three clans—the Wrights, the Agricolas, and the Johnsons. He is looking forward to another large family gathering—this at his son's house in Athens for Thanksgiving. Athens, as you probably know, is now

Bob's hometown. That will keep him within reach of those pesky groundhogs should they try to stage a counter attack.

Don Coates says he has mixed feelings about this time of year in Florida. On the plus side is the fact that they've had no hurricanes and that cooler weather is now arriving. But that's partially offset by the arrival of the "snowbirds," those people from up North who are dodging their less-attractive weather. Thus the usual activities of Floridians must now be shared with the visitors.

Undeterred, Don continues to enjoy his usual menu. Attending plays and concerts, playing bridge and chess, corresponding, and reading help keep his gray matter functioning properly. He planned on spending Thanksgiving with his son and his wife at their beach condo in South Carolina.

Ben Kline can always be counted on to send at least a brief note to let us know that he's still on the green side of the grass. Beyond that, he has "no sharable news." He sends his hopes that we are doing well and his traditional wishes of Joy! Peace!! and Hope!!!

John Bender, our class Ironman, has found, as have most of us, that he is less than 100 percent iron. He had a procedure for a "partial obstruction" at the end of October in Evansville. He reports that his general condition is good, otherwise. Unfortunately, he had to miss his 60th medical school reunion. I'm betting on his being there for number 61.

An e-mail from **Don "Red" Layton** shows a car being closely pursued by a huge rocket. Looks like he is being chased. "This would shake up the other drivers," Red observes. If we don't hear from him again, we'll know the rocket was faster than his car. In the meantime, Godspeed, Red. Keep that pedal to the metal!

Male Call this issue went to **Andy Goheen**

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Class Notes are compiled from reports by class secretaries, news articles, press releases, and letters and e-mail to the Alumni Office or the editors. While we edit for content and space, we try to include a bit from each piece of alumni news that we receive.

We do not report upcoming events such as future trips, engagements, or pregnancies.

Note that the copy deadline (p. 61) is **two months** or so before the magazine is mailed. If you do not see a note that you sent, please contact the assistant editor, Jimmy Wilkinson Meyer, or your class secretary.

We aim to please!

in Willoughby, Ohio. I last talked with him six years ago. Andy says he had two enjoyable years at Wooster before transferring to the U of Cincinnati. Then the Army caught up with him, as it did to so many of us. After the war he returned to Cincinnati and graduated. He has eight grandchildren, six girls and two boys.

Andy regrets that he was not successful in convincing any of them to attend Wooster. He returned to campus this past fall to watch a granddaughter play soccer. She plays for Kenyon, however, and Kenyon won.

Andy hadn't been in Wooster for a while and was properly impressed with the College and all of the new buildings. His hobbies are bridge and occasional golf. He's contemplating a move to a retirement community. He has been accepted by Breckenridge, an attractive one that's close by.

Andy sounded young and vital. It's getting harder to find men like that in our class. We're down to 42.7 percent of our original 1940 male freshman enrollment level. When I screen for people to call, I run into disconnected phones, no answers, answering machines, and strangers who've been assigned classmates' old phone numbers. I guess we have to expect some missing people these days. We're all getting noticeably older—though I know that we remain forever young at heart.

Al Spreng claims he has been "swamped" recently by the need to prepare a guidebook for the geology alumni of the U of Missouri at Rolla. They descended on him en masse for homecoming there and gave a banquet honoring Al's many contributions to the field. Congratulations are in order. Sorry we couldn't be there to applaud one of our favorite sons.

With fewer people reporting this time, I (**Russ**) will sandwich in a little news on myself. The main story, of course, is almost always health related. Being octogenarians we've had to learn to deal with the downside of the accumulating years. I'm in reasonably good health, depending on how one defines "reasonably." The local definition is "as good as can be expected."

I still walk my Kerry, Duffy, three times a day, though my steps have gotten shorter and my gait has picked up a distinct wobble. It hurts a bit to walk, but I figure it'll just get worse if I skip walks or take shorter ones. So I force myself to keep going. I work out in our fitness center twice a week—mostly "tread-milling," stretching, and using something called the Nu-Step, that employs both arms and legs. I read quite a lot, mostly for entertainment, and play with my computer every day. I also run the monthly meetings of our Medford Leas Family History Group.

I take a couple of longer trips a year—the most recent one up to East Haddam, Conn., for a three-day Traditional Jazz Festival. Heard

some great stuff. Lots of gray hair in the audiences, though.

Hope you're all in "reasonably" good health as well and coping successfully with the challenges of advancing age. Warm regards!

1945

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I (**Jeanne Swan "Swanee" Garnett**) received an e-mail from **Ruth Whiston "Whisty" Roberts** in October. Ruth splits her year between Sarasota, Fla., and South Portland, Maine. She says, "I discovered something the birds have known for a long time. Winter is better in the South!" She used to drive alone between the two places but finds flying more convenient and less stressful.

In Sarasota Ruth lives in a retirement community run by the Mennonites. She has many friends and enjoys bridge, computer, and other amenities. In the summer the family returns to her big old house near Casco Bay, to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries with family reunions. She says, "Life is sweet."

Ruth's addresses are 5220 Manz Pl. Apt. 238, Sarasota, FL 34232 (Oct.-May) and 65 Drew Rd., South Portland, ME 04106 (June-Sept.). She'd love to hear from you.

Stan and **June Morse** report a new e-mail address, stanandjunemorse@yahoo.com.

Bob Buchanan has been retired for 25 years and has helped a son keep records for the past 18 years. Bob was a partner in Ernst & Young of New York, working out of Hilliard, Ohio. Another son is an architect in Florida, and a daughter lives near Bob in Ohio. Bob has five grandsons (ages 21 to 11), two of them in Florida. He was going to go into engineering, as had his brother, Donald '42. But after returning WWII, Bob decided to get a degree in accounting at Ohio State U.

Betty "Stucky" Stuckslager Towner and I had a great telephone visit. Over Columbus Day weekend, Betty was at a family reunion in southwest Pennsylvania. After her father retired, he purchased 190 acres across the river from Frank Lloyd Wright's famous Fallingwater. The reunion was held on that land, with eight adults and one child. They all helped fix up the house, including planting chestnut trees—a cross between the American chestnut and the Chinese chestnut, which is resistant to blight. A great time was had by all, singing around the campfire and recalling old times. Stucky has five children and five grandchildren.

Gordon and I had our annual lunch with **Margie Goldsmith Hydorn** in August. Margie and I still laugh at our attempt to play golf as Wooster students. Margie had a busy summer, with family at her home much of the

Extraordinary Service



Bethany College photo

G. T. "Buck" Smith, outgoing president of Bethany College, with students.

In 2004, former Wooster vice president and president emeritus of California's Chapman University **G. T. "Buck" Smith '56** assumed the helm of Bethany College in West Virginia. In the 1990s, he had assisted Bethany as part-time counsel to the president.

On January 1, 2008, Smith retired, again. Several news articles lauded his accomplishments, which included bringing financial stability to this small liberal arts school.

The chair of Bethany's board of trustees praised Smith's leadership, dubbing him "a one-man cavalry." "Buck Smith had time for everyone," the board chair said. "The best thing he does is connect with people."

Making connections was not the only way that Smith aided Bethany. During his presidency, at his own insistence, he took only a token annual salary—\$1.00. In his farewell address, Smith described his extraordinary service as "a privilege" rather than a responsibility or obligation.

In Smith's honor, Bethany College has announced the creation of the Buck Smith Center for Global Initiatives, expanding the school's horizons from the hills of American Appalachia to the mountains, deserts, and flatlands of the world. Smith will work with the Center to develop student initiatives.

Buck and Joni Eaton '56 Smith enjoyed a reception in their honor at Bethany late in 2007. In his farewell address, Smith cited Alexander Campbell, Bethany's founder: "The proper field of human action is *humanity*, not *humanities*..."



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summer, with family at her home much of the time. Over July 4, many family members came to help restore an old house for a grandchild and his family. One grandson was with Margie for five weeks.

Margie seems to enjoy having the kids there. She has five children: Mary Jane and Liz each have four, Sarah has three, and Tom has one. Another daughter, Sue, is unmarried. Tom lives in Amherst, Nova Scotia, and his son goes to a school where only French is spoken. At home, though, only English is spoken. Margie has 12 great-grandchildren; the oldest is 17. She brought pictures—a handsome group.

Marjorie Page Miner lives in St. Joseph, Mo. Her husband, Hugh, died in Oct. 2006. She's thankful that she has her family around, for they have been most helpful. We send our sympathy to you in your great loss, Marj. Hugh was an attorney; they were married for 62 years. They had three children: Hugh III, a retired banker; Robert an attorney; and his twin sister, Laura, an advertising executive. Marj has five grandchildren.

I caught up with **Marjorie Stewart Moreland** recently. She and her husband started a pharmacy in Rushville, Ill. (near Springfield) 50 years ago. It now employs 30 people, and her husband is retired. They have four children. A son is a pharmacist at their pharmacy, and a daughter helps there. Their other two daughters live in the Chicago area. The oldest is a pharmacist in an Evanston hospital and the youngest, a nurse in Chicago. Marjorie has 12 grandchildren (ages 28 to 7) and one great-grandchild.

Al Kean reports that he went to Homecoming 2007 but saw no '45s. Al and Lance Shreffler '48 were the only two registered from the '20s-'40s. Al enclosed a picture of himself holding a paddle inscribed with the names of the guys in Section Eight (p. 35). He's had it hanging on his office wall all these years.

Jane Townsend Coffey sent a long e-mail with lots of news. She and Bill Coffey '43 have been married for 62 years and have lived in the house in a rural suburb of Schenectady, N.Y., that Bill drew the plans for 54 years ago. It's now filled with "stuff," Jane says. She wonders how it will ever get cleaned out.

Jane and Bill have three children: Barbara is a doctor of child psychology and an expert on Tourette syndrome at New York U; Kathleen is an art teacher in Johnstown, N.Y., and has three daughters; son Richard lives in Stamford, Conn., and works on computers for Chase Manhattan. He and his wife have one son. Bill is still a radio ham (since age 12) but also enjoys photography and the computer.

Jane taught elementary school music until she and Bill retired in 1980. They've traveled in 48 states, using up three RVs! They both

have sung in the Methodist Church choir for more than 50 years. They helped found the Adirondack Consort, a recorder group, 45 years ago.

Jane had a business of making miniatures, "Coffey's Cuties," for more than 15 years. Though she no longer sells them, she still makes them and is president of the local Miniature Club. She also presides over the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake General Federation of Women. The Coffeys haven't been back to Wooster since our 50th reunion but really enjoyed seeing old friends then.

A short note came from **Margaret Shreve Reiman** with no news about her. She enclosed an article from the Wooster paper, with the sad news of the death of **John Purdy** on July 31, 2007, at age 81. John started in the Class of '46 but sped up his education and graduated with us. He was a Presbyterian minister and lived in Santa Fe, N.Mex., recently. He was a communication professional in the church for over 30 years and a published writer. He was a remarkably talented man, and we're proud to have had him in our class. We send our deepest condolences to his family.

Gordon and I had a busy summer, with a college graduation, two high school graduations, and a great dahlia growing season in Maine. On Oct. 19, 2007, we got word of the birth of our fifth great-grandchild, a girl, born to Emile and Hanneke in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. They've named her Brette Marie. Now we have to make a trip to see her.

1946

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A letter from **Doris Beyer Neff**, who has been in Arizona since 1973, tells of her son in North Olmsted, Ohio, and two granddaughters, and her daughter, a teacher who lives about 17 miles from them with their three grandsons. Doris's husband, Gene Neff '45, a city administrator, retired 18 years ago.

Gene is interested in genealogy and has published two books, which are at Denison U, on his family. He's traced relatives back to the 1500s in Switzerland—18,000 strong! Doris has been a docent at the Desert Botanical Garden since 1991. She keeps in touch with **Virginia Strubbe Mayberry** in Wooster.

Lois Wieland Jones celebrated her 83rd birthday on Sept. 21, 2007, with three of her children. In August her family gathered on Lake Shafer at Indiana Beach, 18 of them, and enjoyed motor boat tours provided by a grandson.

Ross Smith notes the death of **Suzanne Johnston Huff** on July 17, 2007. Ross and Lois saw Suzanne and George at the Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh.

Did you know that, to my (**Sally's**) knowledge, there are 17 couples in our class who met at Wooster? Here are the sweethearts, in addition to the Ormonds and Neffs. **Priscilla Allgyer** and the late William Johnson '45; **Barbara Bittner** and the late Art Campbell '47; **Pat Bryant** and the late John Hill '47; **Genevieve Budde** and Harry Mustin '47; **Carol Gordon** and Vince Vespe '48; **Ed Holden** and Harriet Harding '49; **Betty Leonard** and Fred Stead '45; **Joseph Roeder** and Shirley Smith '47; **Ruth Rowe** and **Vergil Fern**; **Paul Spurney** and Portia Robinson '47; Virginia Strubbe and **Dick Mayberry**; Sally Wade and Oscar Olson '45; **Lois Wieland** and the late Stanley Jones '47; **Marjorie Wilmer** and the late Ralph Miller '44; and **Pat Workman** and Bill Foxx '44.

Cary March Ormond tells of receiving a treasured photo of their great-grandchild's first birthday in Atlanta. Cary and Dave Ormond '45 are in a retirement community only a few miles from their former home in Michigan. She's tutored in ESL for 24 years and keeps in touch with **Jo Bender Regenhardt**.

Jo writes of a new address in a retirement community, White Sands: 7450 Olivetas Ave. #283, La Jolla, CA 92037. Jo and husband Bill are very happy there.

Jo relays the sad news of the death of **Jeanne Washabaugh Nemec** on Sept. 25, 2007. Since leaving Wooster, Jeanne had lived in Geneva, Switzerland. She and Jo were roommates and kept in touch.

Our class continues to lose members. We extend our sympathy to the families of: **Marjorie McPhee Martin**, who died on Jan. 29, 2007; **Frederick Bowman**, who died on April 9, 2007, and **Sarah Quintard Abbott**, who died on June 28, 2007.

1947

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Jean Kely Stoneburner, lwfexpl@sbcglobal.net, writes, "I recently married Lawrence Funkhouser, whom I've known for over 50 years. We were married in August in Menlo Park Presbyterian Church and live in Palo Alto, Calif. Life is good!"

Don Swegan, the new president of our class, has been talking by phone with a number of classmates. Several haven't been heard from for years. Here are Don's reports.

John Loehlin, Don's roommate in Livingstone Lodge (1943-44), also was his roommate at Harvard U in the N.R.O.T.C. (1945-46). John graduated from Harvard and



<< WOO MEMORIES

Al Kean '45 & autographed Section Eight paddle

< WOO CELEBRATING

L TO R Moe Moser, Judy Agle Ward, Tom Ward, Nancy McCarthy, Ginny Wenger Moser, '59s, Marti Damiani '58, Kathy Ogden Kingwell '59, & Nancy Damiani celebrated the 25th anniversary of Nancy McCarthy and Bruce Herzog.

taught college, the last 15 years in the psychology department at the U of Texas. He and wife Marj live in Austin. Their two children are both in higher education—James at the U of Texas and Jen at the State of Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Another of Don's roommates, **Bob Baxter**, was with him in Severance Gym (1946-47). Bob became a dentist in Lockport, N.Y. He and wife Barbara retired to Bradenton, Fla., 18 years ago. They have three children and seven grandchildren. The Baxters enjoyed a basketball mini-reunion in March in Venice, Fla., with Pat '50 and Carol Benson Milligan '52, Lois and Ross Smith '46, Al '50 and Judy Tilford '52 Van Wie, and Jerri Shaw Wagner (the widow of Ralph "Fingers" Wagner '48 and sister of Earl Shaw '50).

Paul and Thelma Wells '50 Weimer had to miss our 60th reunion this year because of Paul's cardiac problem, which necessitated a visit to The Cleveland Clinic and resulted in a pacemaker. Paul is doing well now. He's retired from his law practice in Akron, and the Weimers enjoy their four children, nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

1948 60th Reunion

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I (Mel) received a nice note from **Marilyn Helwig Zeigler**. Marilyn's new address is Plantation Village, 8117 Blue Heron Dr. E., A-206, Wilmington, NC 28411. Her son, Mark '79, and his wife, Mary Thomas Zeigler '80, also live there. Marilyn reports that she is still birdwatching. In July she enjoyed time in

Maine with her son, David.

More address changes came from Tom '47 and **Ruth Lautzenheiser Maxwell**. Ruth is living temporarily at T. Oaks Royale, 45 Erbes Rd. #25, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 and receiving medical treatment. Tom visits her daily. His new address is 3480 Streamside Ln. #108, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

Jane "Scotty" McIntosh Pearce is recovering from a total knee replacement. We wish her well. Before the surgery, she did get away for a trip with her sister. Scotty says that a granddaughter graduated from McGill U and is in France working as an *au pair*.

1949

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Few of you have written. I (Evelynn) want to thank so many of you for your prayers and concern during my recent illnesses. I had, I hope, my last (outpatient) surgery yesterday. All went well, and I'm feeling great.

Martha Steele Bardin recently completed 40 years as a 4-H club leader. She teaches children and adults how to raise puppies for Seeing-Eye Inc. in Morristown, N.J. In a newspaper profile, Martha's friends praised her for having earned her place in the 21 and Over Club, an award given to those who have raised at least 21 Seeing Eye dogs. Martha is currently raising her 26th dog, and her 4-H Club, the 4-Footed Leaders, will soon have raised 550. Martha became involved in puppy raising when she moved to Madison, N.J., and her son wanted to join 4-H. She loves seeing how the puppies help shy and bashful children "start talking to everybody, telling them about their puppies."

I received two long letters from **William Campbell** and **Bob Mabbs**. Thanks, guys.

Now, the rest of you send something right away for the next issue of *Wooster*. Please!

Bill and Holly Campbell made a large move last year—in some ways, they say, it was larger than some of the moves they made as missionaries overseas. "We were thinking of downsizing into an apartment in Allentown," the Campbells write. But that very week their daughter, Margaret, and her husband, Mark, called and suggested that they come to their house and build an attached apartment. Holly and Bill accepted the invitation and moved in 2006, to 12115 Bayer Dr., Waynesboro, PA 17268. Their e-mail address is willfe@pa.net.

Their daughter has four children (6, 7, 10, and 12)! Their health is good. "Holly roller skates and ice skates," Bill writes. "I play volleyball. I take eight pills a day but get along O.K. We attend the Brethren in Christ Church with our daughter and family. We rejoice in each day and thank the Lord as we go along."

Bill mentions that he gets a letter about every seven to 10 days regarding his book, *The Qur'an and the Bible in the Light of History and Science* (Middle East Resources, 2002). Sometimes Christians thank him for the book, and once in a while Muslims write to threaten or evangelize. "Often (the letter writers) ask new questions that I have to research. I got some questions about why denominations have different numbers of books in the Bible. I always answer the letters, whether they are complementary, questioning, or critical. I always include our 'good news' and ask where the Qur'an promises forgiveness of sin. Only a couple (of people) write back."

Bob Mabbs writes from his new address, 4510 Prince of Peace Pl., Laurel Oaks 3211, Sioux Falls, SD 57103-5866. His letter is full of wonderful quotes about current ideas. One I really liked was from Mariellen D. Gilpin, on "The Meaning of Silent Worship."



ClassNotes

WEDDING OF ANDREW LEWELLEN & AISHWARYA NUKALA, '03s, JUNE 17, 2007

L TO R Nick Hanson, Nick Lewellen, Claire Adelman, '03s, Philip Powell '02, Alaina Hession '04, Jeanne Hamilton Lewellen, W. "Buck" Lewellen, '71s, groom, bride, David Brock, Devon Herl, '03s, Karl Schmid '02, Ryan McManus, Andrew Small, '03s



Bob quotes her, "God takes me where I am... God sets the agenda (predicted upon my receptivity and need) in God's own way of loving. Silent worship is about becoming friends with God... In Silence I am comforted, given new thoughts to think, challenged to become whole in spite of brokenness—whole with brokenness."

Bob writes that he is struck by how labeling people changes attitudes as well as the labels. Labels associated with different religions (even within a religion) affect attitudes toward others. Even the values and issues, supposedly in agreement, are in conflict. Bob's last question is, "When will the world have enough of this carnage and cry *stop* to our world's power-absorbed leaders?"

So classmates, give with your doings and ideas. Be thinking of the next reunion—only two years away—2009, our 60th!

1950

Janice "Jay" Wilson George
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What a treat it was to receive a letter from **Jean Kennedy Tolar**, who admits to often thinking, after reading our class notes, "I should write to Jay." She finally "took computer in hand and did the deed!" Jean retired from social work in Cleveland in 1993 and moved to Phoenix, near her children and grandchildren. To fight boredom and finance her travel itch, she started a part-time job with Bank of America. After five years, Jean went to full-time, with the understanding that she could travel when she wanted. What a sweet deal! Jean has been to six continents in the past 10 years and, as I (Jay) write in October, is off to cruise in Australia and New Zealand. She lives in a golf retirement community south of Phoenix. I hope we can visit soon—perhaps that will bring more classmate news, as she is still in a C.O.W. round-robin of eight!

Kay Shamp's 2006 Christmas greeting brought news of trips that she took with a group similar to Elderhostel. One was to Canada and western New York State, the other to California. Kay continues to enjoy her abode in Cleveland and many fine musical performances.

Fran and **Joan Brumbaugh Smith** have not traveled as much in the past two years, due to health problems for both of them, but had a great family reunion in Virginia for Christmas 2006. They enjoyed Hawaii in April and visits to a son and family in Texas. Their far-flung family extends from Trinidad to Hawaii and also includes Colorado and Virginia.

I was sorry not to be able to get in my annual visit with **Mary Lou Louch Sahlstrom** while in Minnesota in September, but we keep in touch by phone and snail mail. Mary Lou's 2006 hip surgery has healed nicely, and she can walk without a cane, but she's only traveled to Minneapolis and LaCrosse, Wisc., to visit family and see some theater. A new road is being installed in front of her home, so that her lake view has been from behind closed windows to keep out the dust.

Sounds like my visits to my sons' homes, when each were in the process of remodeling or redecorating! I still had good visits and saw many church, PEO, and golfing friends from 36 years of living in Minnesota.

Other classmates who have quit traveling are **Dick and Ruth Richards Weirich**. They haven't been to their cottage in West Virginia in over a year. Ruth's hearty laugh over the phone assures me they continue to cope with life at the "family homestead" (over 150 years old), enjoy their trio of dogs, and get out for dinner occasionally.

Tom Bousman sent happy and sad news. For the good news, see the 1956 column. His sad news was of the death of **Floyd Chambers** of a heart attack in May 2007. Tom and Floyd were classmates at McCormick Seminary and

attendants in each other's weddings. I recall visiting with Floyd at our 50th reunion and discussing his duties as an Air Force chaplain. After retiring, he served for many years as a pastoral counselor in Virginia. We extend our sympathy to the family.

1951

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Jane Wallace and Jim Anderson wrote that, while living in Midland, Mich., for 35 years, they bought a farm, Summerhill, eight miles south of Wooster. They've lived there for 17 years, with two of their children and seven grandchildren, watching the latter grow and head to college. Jim still farms, "his excuse to own five tractors," and Jane manages the flower and veggie gardens (fun) plus the freezing and canning for winter (a pain). Several times a year they take off in their small motor home on back roads, exploring and enjoying "our beautiful county." They send greetings.

Ruth Campbell Ackerman had great hopes of getting to the class reunion last spring, but it was not possible. She was happy to read of the large turnout and says hello.

After graduate work at the U of North Carolina and with a family of four children, **Clarence Ammons** entered seminary. He spent 29 years serving pastorates in Denver. After retiring in 1995, Clarence served five interims, including the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy for the U.S. Embassy, the Georgetown Presbyterian Church in D.C., and pulpits in New Jersey, North Carolina, and back in Denver, where most of his family still live.

Clarence has remarried. Now in "real" retirement, he serves on the board of trustees

of Princeton Theological Seminary. He and his wife enjoy traveling, lately visiting southeast Asia and South America. Clarence adds, "I shall always be grateful for my education there (Wooster) and cherish good memories."

Walt Grosjean says he and Pearl are in good health and also enjoy a lot of traveling. They spend summers at Chautauqua Institution in New York. If any classmates get to Chautauqua, look them up in the directory.

Now that **Mas Kuniyoshi** no longer has to worry about class secretary deadlines, he's taking advantage of his extra time. In June he went on an Elderhostel rafting/camping trip on the Copper River in Alaska. No bears sighted, but a lot of eagles, beavers, and seals—the guides carried slug loaded shotguns and pistols. Then in September, Mas was off on a 40-mile, six-day Rogue River, Ore., hiking/camping trip. He says that it was the most strenuous, arduous, physically challenging activity he had done in many moons. His knees and hips must be in good condition.

John Monroe also reports on a high adventure outing. He says that over the years he enjoyed Elderhostel bicycle trips in Europe and wanted to share the experience. He and his brother, Bill, gathered their families (16 in all) for a 12-day bicycle trip in southern France. They rode 200 miles through Provence. Highlights included the hospital where Van Gogh stayed in Arles plus scenes that he painted, the 14th-century Palace of the Popes at Avignon, and the Pont du Gard, a portion of the Roman Aqueduct built in the first century. John said that, as a builder, he was impressed by the stonework laid without mortar and wondered how they were able to lift the stones, some weighing six tons, over 150 feet. A trip of memories.

Bill Hendrickson suggested that since I (**Max**) had plugged his radio show, I should do the same for **Mac Taylor**. Mac has been a volunteer jazz show host for 13 years on the northwestern Michigan station (90.7 WNMCFM) in Traverse City, Mich. His show can be accessed at www.wnmc.org on Wednesdays, 8:15 to 11 a.m. After retiring and moving from Troy, Mich., Mac couldn't find anything he wanted to listen to on the radio until he heard some jazz on WNMCFM. That led him to volunteer; he's glad he did. Mac and **Ruth Homrighausen Taylor** have daughters in Denver and Switzerland who regularly tune into the show. Give a listen.

We are sad to report the death of **Doug Bostwick** in Albuquerque on Sept. 23, 2007. After earning an M.S. in geology at the U of Texas, Doug began a 33-year career as a petroleum geologist with Exxon. His job took him and his family to Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Singapore, and Malaysia. We extend our sympathy to his wife, Judy, and their children.

1952

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I (**Warren**) sent out 20 post cards and got only a change of address in return. Please write!

Bill McGraw says that last June he and Noreen moved from central Oregon to San Diego.

John Gump writes from Korea, "I'll retire from teaching here in 2020. At 82 I'll come back to NYC and volunteer for Wooster!" Reach John at johnloveskorea@yahoo.com.

1953 55th Reunion

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On Homecoming Weekend, your planning committee met to tie up loose corners for our upcoming big event in June. Our Saturday morning was a test for those of us able to make it to the Wooster Inn. Trees produced colorful corridors of autumn shades that complemented the ecru tones of many campus buildings. I (**Don**) hobbled around, wondering how the students could have so many cars.

That afternoon, the Fighting Scots beat the Battling Bishops. My wife, **Marcia Klerekoper Orr**, was intrigued that the row of students seated behind her spent much of the game time discussing theology and other academic concerns, such as other schools. (Oberlin is the most liberal, Ohio Wesleyan is quite conservative, Wooster is in the middle—they decided.) The Scot band left Marcia and me speechless, almost, with its quality, quantity, and involvement in so many special contributions to the festivities. The Pipes and Drums and dancers were astounding. I finally got to witness the McLeod-plaid kilted band come down the brow of the hill.

Some of your committee arrived after long travels, such as **John Smith**. But they were chipper. **Ron Price** demonstrated his spelling ability as he scribed on the white board our modifications to the reunion agenda. **Art Hook**, looking lean and dapper, was quick-witted as usual with insightful suggestions. **Tom Angerman**, looking relaxed in his now-retired status, added wisdom along with smiles. **Margret "Mike" Beekel** was one of the two in the group devoid of an e-mail connection, **Frank Hays** being the other. We treated them both with awe.

Frank shared with me (Don) the joys of

being a park ranger in the California Ghost Town of Bodie, 100 miles or so south of Lake Tahoe. **Mina Ramage Van Cleef** reminded us of the success that husband Don Van Cleef '51's reunion last year had achieved in several areas. **Vivian Tuttle Hughes** echoed the insights, and we profited from their experiences. But not one of us knew how to spell "hors d'oeuvres."

Alumni Office liaison Sharon Coursey Rice '90 was helpful, with answers to our questions. It looks like, with her help and your wholehearted participation, our 55th reunion in June will be a special time to renew relationships and cherish the experiences that have shaped our lives.

I (**Nona**) must report on three deaths for this issue, those of **Mark Allen**, **Don Kemp**, and **Betty Morrison Dodson's** husband, John Dodson '52. For the class, I extend our deepest sympathies to the families of these good friends. Mark had lived with Parkinson's disease for some time; a cancer diagnosis was added early last summer. With hospice and devoted care from **Pris Gallinger Allen**, he died in their lovely log home at Tingley Lake on Aug. 13, 2007. Their sons, Keith and Steve, shared memories of their lovable father at the memorial service.

Steve, for instance, learned as a child that being Mark's "PK" (preacher's kid) "wasn't a burden at all—my dad had a way of making it a blessing." And in childhood, Keith was surprised that Mark, who was good at most kinds of ball games, was a pretty good pitcher. "Dang, he could throw the ball hard!" The boys confirmed what so many of us already knew, that as a father and friend, "Mark blessed his children with unconditional acceptance...making tangible for (us) the unconditional acceptance God offers us."

John Monroe '51, Don '52 and Mina Van Cleef, Jim '52 and Viv Hughes, **Bobbie Clayton**, Bill and **Carolyn Ruby Murray**, and Graydon and **Jeanne Miller Dodson** came to Mark's memorial service. As usual, Pris is calm, faithful, and indomitable, as her life continues along the quiet lakeshore.

Betty Dodson sent an early Christmas letter, with news of John's increasingly poor health that resulted in his death in Oct. 2007. The Dodsons had enjoyed a busy, interesting summer, though John's lack of pep was apparent. Finally, widespread cancer was discovered, with the option for radiation to shrink tumors. Betty wrote, "We are...continuing our lifetime of trust in a marvelous God who has loved and cared for us through life and has promised that that love will be with us always."

Marleen Bengel Allen, who keeps track of many classmates, wrote that Don Kemp was being treated for cancer. He too died in October. In the next issue I (Nona) will write



ClassNotes

>WOO IN THE GRAND TETONS

Katherine Maguire '06 & her dad, Fred Maguire '76, hiking last year. Both teach in Casper, Wyo. Katherine teaches Spanish. Fred teaches math and is a principal.

>>WEDDING OF RACHEL HANNAN '03 & JOHN KOEHLER III '02, JUNE 10, 2006

L TO R Jenny Tolson '01, John Koehler II '69, groom, bride, Lauren Smith, Andi Engel, '03s



more about his career as a Navy chaplain.

We anticipate the news in your Christmas letters. A couple of them may reveal which classmates (if any) tried to swim with the polar bears in Alaska last year. And maybe I (Nona) will tell you why **Bob Baab** spoke with my answering machine at 10:30 on the eve of Yom Kippur...but that story that will have to wait.

Save June 5-8 for our 55th reunion. Plans for fun are underway.

1954

Gordon Hall

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Anyone interested in assuming the duties of class secretary is invited to advise **Ross and Cynthia Stetson Gooch** of their interest.

Grace and **Gordon Hall** and **Dale** and Shirley **Kitzmilller** attended performances of *Student Prince* and *The Sound of Music* at the Ohio Light Opera last July. They were joined for lunch by Ross and Cinny and **Carl** and Marlene Fray '55 **Zimmerman**.

Upon Cinny's retirement from Edward Jones, her boss gave her "a gift for taking a trip" with Friendship Force, an organization designed to promote international friendships. They traveled to New Zealand and stayed in the homes of Friendship members. The Gooches also traveled to northeast India in 2000 and to Russia in 2002. The Russian trip was led by Bruce Rigdon '58, an authority on the Russian Orthodox Church. The group visited a number of churches in cities and villages and on an island with no motorized transportation. They visited a church where the art of icon painting is being brought from the brink of extinction by a priest who is teaching younger men the craft.

Dr. **Mary Mehl** retired from the field of clinical psychology at age 60. She's an avid

reader of fiction. Her current favorite author is Haven Kimmel. Mary strengthens her back by working out for an hour and a half each day and doing extensive walking.

Harriet Refo Locke was to have her annual fall visit with Mary in November. Harriet will participate in the Destin, Fla., "Mid-Day Bridge Race." She hoped to repeat her finish as first in her age class. Mary will be on the sidelines with a good novel.

Beverly and **Hugh McCullough** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in grand style, with all 16 children and grandchildren at Ruttgers Bay Lake Lodge in Minnesota in August.

Bob and Jean Thompson '56 **Kerr** live in Bob's hometown, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and enjoy reasonably good health. Your class secretary (Gordon) talked with Bob on a late October afternoon while Bob was marveling at the beautiful yellow leaves still on the trees outside their condo. In 2006 they enjoyed a cruise in the Panama Canal. Last spring they took grandchildren (ages 4, 6, 8, and 10) to Disney World. Bob is a church trustee and Jean is a deacon.

Pete Blickensderfer sadly reports the Oct. 2007 death of his senior-year roommate, **Ken Gregory**, after a six-year battle with cancer.

Don and Judy **Troup** have a business cleaning commercial property and homes and are active in a Four Square Gospel Church.

Brough and Nancy **Jones** enjoy good health in Bay Village, Ohio. They have sons nearby and in Kansas City. The Joneses belong to a retired elders group of Bay Presbyterian Church and participate in Bible study. Each play golf and tennis. They've enjoyed a couple of winter months on Sanibel Island since 1982. Last July Brough and Nancy cruised the Inside Passage as part of 60-person Elder-hostel group, as the ship's sole passengers.

John Siskowic and his Ph.D. psychologist

wife, Sally, are condo dwellers on San Diego Bay. John sees his brother, Sam Siskowic '55, weekly. In August John reported being removed from a Panama Canal Cruise and spending two days in an Acapulco hospital with congestive heart failure. A pacemaker and medication now keep the arrhythmia in check. He also had a 56-year-old shoulder repair redone and teeth pulled for a bridge. To bring his 75th year to an end, he had surgery for "second stage melanoma" on his temple. John is philosophical about all of this, though. He quotes from "Growing Old and Loving It," a poem that's making its way around cyberspace: "I like being old. It has set me free."

1955

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David and Patricia McClelland '53 **Privette** have moved from Lisbon, Ohio, to Adrian, Mich.

1956

Pat Young

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I (**Pat**) have good news to report about **Mab Bousman Voelkel**. As some of you may know, Mab suffered a serious brain aneurysm last March while visiting her son, Jim, in Boston. Fortunately Jim was with her and took her immediately to one of Boston's premiere hospitals. For people recovering from this kind of aneurysm, hospitalization and rehab usually require three months, but Mab was able to leave after two.



<< WEDDING OF MIKE CHEVALIER & MARCY HALLER '75, JULY 2007

L TO R Dee Dee Haller Buckley '86, bride, Alexander Junker '06, Lauren Merriman '09

< '76s IN CHICAGO

L TO R Deborah Little Cohn of Madison, Wisc., Susan Parsons Cook of Libertyville, Ill., Carol Jackson Boriss of Chesterfield, Mo.

For a number of years, Mab has spent her summers in Austria performing with choral groups—she returned last summer. Mab has made an amazing recovery except for a slight hearing loss.

Bob Humphreys had a challenging summer. It began in July, with open heart surgery to fix two valves. His recovery has been slow due to complications from congestive heart failure and diabetes.

Bob was well enough to visit with **Jim Schumacher, Evan Davis, and Don Keen**. And last June Bob and his wife, Pat, traveled to the Frazeysburg (Ohio) Presbyterian Church to attend a service and visit with the pastor, **James Schumacher**, and his wife, Sally. Reach Bob at 414 Meeting House Rd., Bridgeville, PA 15017.

In October **Robbie Burns Dinopoulos, Jan Ackerly Carlisle, and Jan Douglas Grim** had a wonderful get-together at the home of **Mary Gould Phillips** in Stevensville, Md. They attended a production of *Kiss Me Kate* that included the Annapolis Chorale. Mary and her husband, George, both sing with the chorale. The group laughed a lot as they shared memories of their days at Wooster.

Peter Mortensen announced last June his decision to retire as chairman of F.N.B. Corp. He will continue to serve as a director of F.N.B. and was named Honorary Chairman. With F.N.B. since 1959, Peter has served as president and CEO since 1974 and as chairman of the board since 1987.

1957

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Phil Ferguson wrote late last summer, "I've discovered in our last two reunions something

I had not expected. A class reunion is meant to be a time to reconnect with something in your past, especially people with whom you were good friends many years ago. And so it has been for me.

"But there is something else. I've found new friends from among those with whom I was not close during my Wooster years. At Wooster your special friends are your roommates, section mates, or teammates and a few others. The sad thing about reunions is that some people to whom you were close during those years, and who are still living, do not appear these many years later. Their absence is noticed, and they are missed.

"But it is a special joy to discover others who do come to the reunions, with whom you had not been close, who turn out to be new friends in a special way. It's more than enough motivation to make the effort to come back even after the 'Big 50' has passed.

"I look forward to seeing all of you again in five years, the Lord willing. My special hope is that some whom we missed will also come."

1958 50th Reunion

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I (Anne) have been reading Thomas Friedman's *The World is Flat*. He maintains that we are undergoing a revolution that is more dramatic than the Industrial Revolution. Some of us are pioneers in the emerging global economy. We routinely dash off e-mail that travels around the world, talk on mobile phones, consult GPS to get us where we're going, and maybe even iChat with grandchildren as they sit with laptops in Starbucks. A

goodly number are pioneering new body parts.

There are many reasons to come to a reunion—especially at the 50-year mark! It's largely curiosity. What course have people taken, who were once in the same place and time of life? We have a unique, shared history. We enjoy the Wooster stories—what we missed, can't remember, or remember differently. What lies ahead?

Reunion planning committee members have spent many hours tracking down classmates. They've reviewed the surveys and taken many of your suggestions: Time to reminisce, not overly scheduled, time for stories, sharing memorabilia, and choir practice. We plan to repeat the activity around common interests as we did at the 45th. This works well to integrate non-alumni family and friends.

Paul Reeder is preparing a special edition of a do-it-yourself "Prairie Home Companion" program. We're working on faculty and classmate lectures and a memorial service for classmates who've passed away. There will be campus tours and golf-cart transport. We have the use of Luce Hall, the only air-conditioned dorm. Rooms are free for '58ers, and we're working to keep our meal costs down. (See alumni.wooster.edu/reunion/classes/1958/.)

One of the most exciting "finds" was **Bruce Hunt's** call to **Harry Bradley**. Bruce and Harry went to the same elementary school in suburban Boston. You may remember a *Wooster* article about Harry in 2000. He was then president of Bradley Automotive Design in Palos Verdes, Calif., and on the staff of the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena.

After Wooster, Harry studied industrial design at Pratt Institute in New York, then earned an M.A. from Stanford. He worked for GM in the late '60s, then was hired by Mattel, where he designed the first of the collectible Hot Wheels cars. Over the years, Harry designed advanced concept cars, race



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cars, show cars, and specialty vehicles. Now retired and living in a remote area near Penn Valley, Calif., he's left much of his technical world behind. His most recent project has been organizing his body of work for the Boston Museum of Fine Art.

Harry told Bruce that the museum was impressed with his own version of the Dewey decimal system, a process he'd devised in the course of his Wooster I.S. In the earlier interview, Harry acknowledged his parents' insistence that he get a liberal arts degree before pursuing design. "Designers have to be gifted verbally and strategically," he maintains, "and I learned these skills at Wooster."

Peggy Lou Blumberg Wireman's new book, *Connecting the Dots: Government, Community and Family* (Transaction, 2007) is out! Peg (with a Ph.D. in sociology from American U) is a consultant in community and economic development. She has extensive experience as a legislative aide in Congress and in the executive branch in both Democratic and Republican administrations. In this book she contends that, despite its size and social diversity, the U.S. is one nation—what happens in one city or neighborhood affects all of us. Millions of Americans face significant challenges trying to meet everyday responsibilities. Peggy cites examples to ground policy-oriented discussion and statistical data as a basis for developing realistic solutions. Check it out, www.transactionpub.com.

Lillie Trent, along with Don "Cash" Register '59, represented the '50s and '60s on a panel presentation on diversity at Wooster presented by the Black Alumni Association at Homecoming '07. When Lillie and **Emmy Lou Collier** arrived at Wooster in 1954, they were the only Black women on campus. They were each given a single room in Miller Manor. George Dawkins '55 left soon thereafter for Wooster-in-India.

There was no one to date, Lillie says, but many well-meaning students and faculty. However, most of them had never had any dealings with Black people. Cash and Tom Dingle '59 arrived on campus the next year, and by 1958, there were 13 Blacks on campus. Lillie's social life came primarily from her involvement in music activities. "I never felt unwelcome at Wooster, because I sought people out and kept busy," she told the group.

Living in *La Maison Française* in her sophomore year was the beginning of Lillie's lifelong love affair with all things French. "One of the best ways to combat prejudice and racism is to be very good at what you do, therefore commanding respect," she says. Lillie became a "citizen of the world," rising above the demeaning attitudes of a few.

Cash concedes that Black men (especially athletes) had it easier than Black women, on

The Roof of Africa

by *Jim Sentman '72*

At our Wooster reunion in 2007, I promised that, if I succeeded in reaching the summit of Africa's Mt. Kilimanjaro, I'd write about it. Now that I've been to the Kili's Kibo Summit (19,341 ft.), I wonder, have I managed to get myself higher than any of my classmates?

Our hiking group met in Moshi, Tanzania, after two days of flights. At Moshi, we met our guide and host, Simon Mtuy, a world-class athlete, entrepreneur, comedian, and gentleman. Simon's is the best trekking outfit on the mountain, and his liveliness, attentiveness, and knowledge helped us to reach our goal and also value the beauty of Tanzania and its peoples.

We entered Kilimanjaro National Park through the Landorosi Gate at 6,000-plus ft. and began our eight-day trek through a tropical rain forest. At the end of the day, our 20-man team met us at the campsite with what proved to be a daily jamboree of singing and dancing. At night we slept beneath noisy Colobus monkeys, then headed further upward.

"Our group—amiable and caring—consisted of my brother-in-law, two of his business associates from Norway, my niece, and me. It was funny, as we crossed the alpine-like meadows of the Shira Plateau, to hear friendly banter in Norwegian, Swahili, and English.

Each night we camped slightly higher, trying to acclimate ourselves to the "thin" air. Finally, on July 19, we left the barren and rocky Barafu campsite before dawn to reach Stella Point (18,871 ft.) by noon. At its rim, we could look into the vast, icy crater. After trudging across the snow, we reached Uhuru Peak, known as "the roof of Africa" at 2 p.m. The blue skies were crystal clear, but as always, clouds wrapped the lands below us, except for distant mountain peaks arising above the fluffy whiteness.

I also learned that it's easier to climb up a mountain than to go down. The next day we took a steeper trail down through rock, gravel, and mud. Nobody falls up a mountain, but I fell more than once on the descent. When we finally left through the Mweka exit gates, I had a broken thumb, a bruised coccyx, sore quads—and elated spirits.

That night as we toasted and celebrated with our entire team and family members, the truth of brotherly love became evident. Despite differences in race, language, customs, or wealth, it is true that people are people, everywhere. At the journey's end, I basked in that warmth no less than I had at Kilimanjaro's peak.



campus and in town. In the presentation, Lillie and Cash each praised the introduction of Black studies into the College curriculum but expressed their concerns about separate dorms and dining, espoused by many current Black students, that segregate them. (See "The Report of the Task Force on Diversity 2006," www.wooster.edu/vpaa/diversity.pdf.)

Congratulations to **Mila Swyers Aroskar** who was honored by the nursing group of the American Society of Bioethics and Humanities at their annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Mila received the award for her contributions in nursing, in the area of ethics.

If you haven't had a call or a letter about our upcoming reunion, please let **Bob** or Anne know! If you haven't yet visited our Web site, get plugged in. View a slide show of our college days, listen to the Scot band and bagpipes, and review class notes from the past three years. You can send us photos and stories directly from the site!

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Jim '60 and **Susanne Reed Null**, who were written up in the last issue, traveled to Washington, D.C., in October to continue lobbying for the rights of gays and lesbians. They just happened to have **Ginny Wenger Moser**, one of your class secretaries, as their tour guide (out of the more than 1,000 professional D.C. guides!). Ginny and Jim discovered that they had both been "Washington Semester" (WS) students and found much to talk about. They agreed that the WS program was one of the best Wooster programs. It was a defining period for each of them.

Jim described it as "one of the most valuable of my life experiences." His WS I.S. paper appeared in the monthly publication of the

National Association of County Officials in his senior year—a coup of which President Howard Lowry was quite proud. The paper dealt with “The Use of Performance Standards in County Industrial Zoning.”

Ginny laughed to recall that her I.S. paper was a critique of Senate debate, and the bill she followed through the Senate was the Postal Rate Bill of 1958—raising first class postage from 3 to 4 cents!

Several classmates were among the 70-some guests invited to the Bucks County, Pa., home of **Nancy McCarthy** and Bruce Herzog on Labor Day weekend to help celebrate the couple’s 25th wedding anniversary (see photo, p. 35). Missing from the photo were **Ned Clydesdale** and Carol Baron, Reuben Simmons and **Marilyn Charles**, and Bruce. A seafood barbecue was held on Saturday, prepared by family and friends. At a catered dinner on Sunday evening, guests in tuxedos and fancy gowns danced into the wee hours.

Tom Ward married Nancy and Bruce 25 years ago in a memorabilia ceremony. On this occasion he gave a wonderfully heartfelt toast, paying tribute to the friendships in the assembled group, some going back 50 years or more. The honored couple departed two days later for Ethiopia—another photo shoot for Nancy and Bruce, who spend much of their time these days filming exotic festivals and rituals of diverse cultures around the world.

Ned Clydesdale writes that his wife, Carol, dreamed of touring Egypt and had plane tickets in hand three times. Each time, turbulence in the Middle East cancelled the plans. Determined not to let another year pass, they purchased tickets last winter, hoping not to precipitate another international crisis.

They arrived in Cairo on May 4, 2007, without incident and spent 20 wonderful days among the splendors of ancient Egypt. Ned writes that Cairo is now the second most populous city in the world—20 million people, one million automobiles, and no traffic signals! Pedestrians traversing the wide boulevards in the center of the city need the “broken field” running savvy of a **Tom Dingle** to survive.

Ned also said that he never appreciated the formative role of the desert in shaping the history of the Israelites until he viewed its vastness from the air, when flying from Aswan to see the remarkable ruins at Abu Simbel. When not dodging traffic in Cairo or flying over deserts, Ned continues as director of pastoral care at Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, N.J., where he has been for 21 years, after serving as pastor to churches in New Jersey and Ohio.

John and **Joan Becker Bissell**, recently back from a trip to China, compared notes in D.C. with **Susanne Fox**, who spent three weeks there in 2002. Joan went “behind the

scenes” in Xian, where the Terracotta Warriors are being pieced together. She also saw the china factory from which Martha Washington ordered her china (which is displayed at Mt. Vernon). Joan pondered the difficulty and the route that those dishes must have taken to arrive at the estate.

Roger Garst satisfies his adventurous spirit in a different way—volunteering to fight fires. A certified structural interior fire fighter with two fire stations in South Carolina, Roger is a qualified engineer and apparatus driver. In addition to managing grass, wood, and structural fires, his stations are also first in line to handle incidents at the Oconee Nuclear Station, a Duke energy facility. Oconee County recently decided to accept responsibility for all emergency services except EMS, which is supplied by the local hospital. This represents a major upgrade. A new county emergency services chief has been hired, and Roger is on an advisory commission—*déjà vu*.

Thirty years ago Roger served as a fire and rescue officer and commission chairman during a similar critical period in another South Carolina county. That department made amazingly fast progress in improving its rating to the best one possible. Roger hopes that a similar change will occur in these departments and feels privileged to again be present at a critical moment of transition, as the organizations increase their community responsibilities.

1960

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Here’s a note that somehow got left out of the last issue; our apologies. For the second consecutive year, Walsh U’s head football coach, **Jim Dennison**, was named NAIA Region IX Athletic Director of the Year. Jim was also honored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) as the Northeast Athletic Director of the Year (2005-06, 2002-03). His 2006 team won a school-record nine games and reached the NAIA playoffs for the first time. Jim’s career mark at Walsh is 88-42. His career record (168-104-2) includes 13 years as head coach at the U of Akron (80-62-2), where he still leads in coaching victories. Yea, Jim!

1961

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Congressman **Paul “Skip” Gillmor** passed away on Sept. 4, 2007. He lived in Colonial Club during his freshman year (1957-58), then transferred during the summer of 1958. On

campus Skip lived with **Dieter Indorf, Don Caruthers, John Beernink, Don Barnes, Bill Hoppes, Gary Pinder, Wayne Myers, Jim Donald, Jack Little, Nick Emigholz**, and a few others. Check out his bio on *Wikipedia*, where I (**Larry**) found out that Skip and I shared the same birthday.

Last October we held the first meeting of the Class of 1961 50th anniversary committee. **Nicky Healy Jordan** is the chair; the committee includes **Ed Andrew, John Beernink, Fred and Ethel Bair Brooking, Nick Emigholz, Steven Jenks, Fran Johnston, Bob Mantel, Mary Madden McKee, Elaine Cole Noble, Judy Chamberlain Peckham, Bob Pisor, Marge Ward, Anne Clausen Whitney, Jack and Angene Hopkins Wilson**, and by virtue of their offices, class president **Bill Hoppes** and class scribe, **Larry Vodra**. Our first task is to try to reconnect with each classmate.

Remember, you’re a classmate if you attended Wooster for one semester or more! We want all of you, everyone, to attend our 50th reunion blast, June 2-5, 2011. The whole event (except travel and most meals) is hosted by the College. If you have any ideas for fun or exciting activities during that weekend, let me know. (See my addresses above.)

Frank Davis and wife Becky, who retired from teaching third grade last May, enjoyed a 23-day trip in October that included time in San Diego, a cruise down the Mexican coastline, traversing the Panama Canal, returning to Ft. Lauderdale, where they spent four days, and then going home to Tennessee. Frank says now that Becky is retired, they can travel any time of year, not just during the summer.

Many other classmates have traveled on cruises. In July 2006 Elaine Noble and her husband joined Garrison Keillor and the cast of “A Prairie Home Companion” on their cruise of Norway. In addition to nightly entertainment by the cast, there were naturalists and historians every day and evening. Elaine says the scenery wasn’t bad either!

Last summer, Nicky Jordan visited **Genie Bishop** at Genie’s 100-year old cottage, built in 1907 by ancestors on Lake Champlain. The cottage was being rented by **Kathie Doob Sakenfeld** and her husband, so Nicky also got to visit them.

Genie is active in dog breeding (primarily Cardigan Corgis) and has hired an assistant. She also co-owns Fourth Corner Nurseries in Bellingham, Wash., which sells native plants for habitat restoration (wholesale only).

We finally heard from **Roger McManus**. He wrote to several classmates in connection with his 50th Wooster High School reunion, and this information is from that letter. Roger married Carol Cort ’63, spent a year as sports editor at the *Daily Record* in Wooster, then graduated from the U of Michigan Law



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WEDDING OF KIRSTEN LUCAS '04 & DAVID ECKERMAN, SEPT. 2, 2006

L TO R, BACK ROW Andrew Connell, Rick Young, '03s, groom, FRONT ROW Sarah Moorhouse, Mary Bray, 03s, Patty Laatsch '04, Laura Andrews '05, Lindsey Schaaft '04, bride, Kelly Robinson, Angie Triplett, '06s, Nell Schieber, Lee Hill, '04s



School (1965). He worked with a big law firm in Cleveland before moving to Wisconsin to practice in Racine. In 1992 Roger “escaped” Wisconsin winters and moved close to Venice, Fla., where he and Carol now reside. They have two children, Victoria and David, and five grandchildren.

Roger still plays golf (“thank God for graphite and technology”) and has traveled to Europe several times in the past few years. Did he come to our WHS reunion? No. He says he prefers to remember everyone as they were at 18—tall, good looking, and above average.

Unlike Roger, many classmates did attend their 50th high school reunions last summer, and all reported that they were enjoyable, well worth the effort to get there. Be there, in Wooster, for our 50th—2011!

1962

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Your assistant class secretary, **Jane Arndt Chittick**, reports that she and husband Dave Chittick '64 closed up Dave's small-town, one-person general practice law office (where Jane worked alongside him as “the staff” for 28 years) at the end of 2004. They split their time between Monroe, Conn., and Venice, Fla. Jane is happily occupied babysitting the two grandchildren, tutoring in an after-school program, participating in UCC activities such as the local Board of Missions, hosting guests, playing duplicate bridge, and traveling with Dave. A favorite project is an attempt to “do” all of the 120 scenic drives described in a book as the best in the U.S. This past year they drove 10 of them, in addition to going on a coach tour that followed the American troops from Normandy to the Rhine.

After six years as a part-time academic adviser at North Central State College, **Dennis Davis** retired in 2006. He and his wife, Polly, enjoy summers in Maine, where they own a small cottage in Port Clyde (mid-coast Maine, close to Rockland and Camden.) Children include a married daughter in Chicago and a son who conducts a high school orchestra in Lakeland, Fla.

Cynthia Rice Chase reports that she retired from the U.S. government in 2006, after 25 years as a Japanese linguist. She and Phil Chase '61 have lived in Laurel, Md., for 41 years. Phil still works for the government but mentions the word “retirement” from time to time. Cynthia states that she thought retirement meant leisure, that at last she could get at the stack of books she meant to read someday, but she seems to be busier than ever. Her mother, age 98, has lived with them for nearly a decade, and two daughters live nearby. Cynthia picks up a grandson (5) from school.

She also edits the newsletter for a local nonprofit that works with the homeless and near-homeless population of Laurel. She volunteers one morning a week there and helps run Winterhaven, a cold-weather shelter. She also sings in the choir and teaches Sunday School (4-6-year-olds) at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. She and Phil built a cabin a couple of years ago on land he inherited in Knox County, Ohio. Cynthia recently began a blog, [Freeverseandworse](http://Freeverseandworse.blogspot.com), at blogspot.com.

For the past 20-plus years, **Bill Humm** has worked as a mediator/facilitator, building consensus among stakeholder groups in natural resource, land use, and energy disputes. He is active in local/regional conservation organizations and chairs the Town Conservation Commission in Lee, N.H. Bill primarily negotiates conservation easements on private lands that have high natural source values and monitors for compliance. His hobbies are running, hiking, skiing, and canoeing. Bill especially enjoys exploring places with unusual flora and

fauna (such as Peru, Ecuador, and Belize).

This summer Bill and his wife visited Borneo, spending most of their time in the Malaysian state of Sabah. Being nature nuts, they hiked in rain forests and cloud forests and saw some fascinating wildlife (orangutans, proboscis monkeys, monitor lizards, bearded pigs, hornbills...). They also did some snorkeling with dozens of huge sea turtles and spectacular reef fish. Bill states that the inescapably sad part of the trip was seeing how much of the former rain forest has been clearcut and the land converted to palm oil plantations, stretching hundreds of square miles—for cooking oils, a wide range of supermarket products, and biodiesel fuel.

Bill has missed Alumni Weekends: his son, Karl, graduated from high school this past year. Two years ago, daughter Amy had their first grandchild.

Nancy Pickersgill Keeney had several careers (i.e. paid positions)—teacher, pharmaceutical representative, retail merchandiser/buyer for housewares and then fine jewelry, nursery school teacher, account representative for Procter & Gamble. Unpaid positions included wife, mother, Sunday school teacher, deacon, elder, clerk of session, elementary school aid, volunteer for Historic Newburgh, Ind., soup kitchen volunteer, book club facilitator, godparent to a Guatemalan boy, worker at camps in Antigua, and babysitter for six grandchildren. Nancy's hobbies include traveling, knitting, quilting, and being “first mate” to Capt. **Bill Keeney** on their sailboat.

Following graduation **June Markee Kinder** worked as a chemist, first for Robinette Research and later for Johnson Mathey. She took extra-early retirement in 1985, when her husband, John, took early retirement from Sun Oil. They sold their home in Turnersville, N.J., and moved to Hobe Sound, Fla. Before retirement they spent most of their vacation on skis. The knees no longer tolerate such abuse, so they

travel. Since 9/11 they've stayed inside the U.S.

Last year the Kinders upgraded their motor home to one more comfortable for extended travel—two to three months at a time. Their family has always included a dog or two. Right now they have Lucy, an abandoned part German shepherd., who accompanies June on morning walks. June reports that she's always been interested in sewing, but after they retired she exchanged sewing for quilting. She finds it a perfect way for an unartistic person to create, using color, texture, and shape. Their den is her studio.

Mary Clement Jameson writes that she is retired after 40-plus years of teaching. She and **Ross Jameson** downsized and now live in a condo in Wooster. Mary swims, takes piano lessons, and has a garden of lots of flowers, especially roses. She's vice-president of the auxiliary of West View Manor Retirement Center, where she works in the gift shop, visits residents, and does publicity. Close to her heart, it's where her mother lived to age 101!

Mary also volunteers for the Women's Committee, which supports the Wooster Symphony Orchestra, based at the College, which is the oldest all-volunteer orchestra in Ohio. She often travels to visit relatives, family, and friends.

Mary and her C.O.W. roommate, **Betty Andrews Washburn**, have taken trips and cruises to Spain, the Caribbean, and parts of the U.S., like the boot scootin' Grand Ole Opry.

After Wooster, **Charles Randolph** joined B.F. Goodrich in Akron. He got married in 1965, after moving to NYC. His wife's name is Lydia. In 1966 Charles began working for Allstate Insurance Co. in New Jersey. He then transferred to Chicago, where he worked for 20 years at the corporate home office. He took early retirement in 1995. Since then Charles has worked several part-time jobs and traveled extensively. Whenever and wherever he can, he indulges in golf. He's also coached competitive swimming for 10 years.

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Ann McKenrick Turnbull Wase practices law in Baltimore. Her husband, also an attorney, is retired. Their four children live in Washington State, California, Arizona, and Washington, D.C. They have three grandchildren.

Ralph Amiet also chose a legal career. He was recently recognized by his Canton, Ohio, firm for 25 years of service, specializing in business law. Ralph says he and several members of the 1959 OAC Championship football team occasionally get together for

"stories and lies," as well as fond memories.

Richard '62 and **Kathleen Myers Coe** each retired at the end of 2006. After a career in music and journalism, Kathy completed an M.Div. at Duke U and spent four years as pastor of the Jamestown, N.C., Friends Meeting. Dick spent several years in college teaching and then moved into administration at a Quaker retirement center in Greensboro, N.C. They enjoy their grandchildren, garden, travel, and work in community organizations.

James "Jet" Turner was reappointed to a third four-year term on the California Physical Therapy Board. Jet has held responsible positions in the both the executive and legislative branches of California government and was a lecturer in government in the graduate program at California State U, Sacramento. He also served as the associate director of admissions at Wooster. Jet and his wife, Sharron, live in Rancho Murieta, Calif. Their daughter, Bethany Bolden Cooper '95, is a doctor of optometry in Connecticut, and their son, Lance Bolden, is a project manager for a facilities estimating company in Sacramento. Jet invites his Wooster friends to contact him at win1frankie@yahoo.com.

Following a trip to Great Britain last summer, your class secretary (**Ron**) and wife Sue were interested in learning more about British history. I got some excellent reading suggestions from **Dale Hoak**, who teaches at The College of William and Mary. He's writing a book on Henry VIII.

Please send me any news, belated holiday letters, anything.

1964

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At the Shaw Cup golf tournament in Akron, **Barry Terjesen** was honored with the Joe Ungvary Sr. Award, given annually to an area player who has a zest for golf, is competitive, and accepts challenges. In an article in the *Akron Beacon Journal*, Barry's friends and fellow players honored him, saying that he has had a lifelong passion for golf, playing for most of his childhood and at Wooster. He later became one of the Akron area's best amateur players.

Barry qualified for the U.S. Amateur, the U.S. Senior Open, and the U.S. Senior Amateur. He is one of six players in the 77-year history of the Akron District Golf Association to win all four of the organization's majors. As an agent, currently with his own agency, Tour Talent, Barry has represented golfers and golf announcers for almost four decades.

If, as you've been asked, you sent me (**Jim**) your Christmas letter, there will be more

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WOO BARBERSHOP SINGERS

L TO R Art Taylor, Nina Thomas Taylor, Carol Magill McDougald, John McDougald, Bunnie Byers Walker, '65s, Earl Walker '64

Carol McGill McDougald '65 writes, "The last weekend in Sept. 2007 was the Far Western District Barbershop Competition for choruses and quartets in Phoenix. In attendance were '65 classmates **Nina Thomas Taylor**, **Bunnie Byers Walker**, and myself. We all spent our first year at Wooster on Second New Holden. Our spouses, Art Taylor, **John McDougald '65**, and **Earl Walker '64**, were competing as members of three different choruses.

"How did the fellows do? Taylor, first place; Walker, second, and McDougald, 18th. Classmates might remember the chapel programs given by the quartet of McDougald, Walker, **Dave Clymer '64**, and **Don Ludwig '65**."

content in the spring issue. If, as I suspect, you meant to send something but forgot, again, I'll tell you about our progress with a new native plant garden at our Florida place. Anyone do Zone 10 gardening? I'd love to hear from you.

1965

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Tom and Edith **Welty** recently moved to Idaho from Flagstaff, Ariz., "so we can be better grandparents. Our daughter, Julie, is a family doc in McCall, has a son, Camas (3), and is expecting a second child. We enjoy it here—lots of outdoor activities, including hiking, biking, swimming, and cross-country skiing in Ponderosa Park, out our back door.

"We've volunteered with the Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Board on HIV/AIDS prevention and control since we retired from the Indian Health Service in 1997." Tom attached a 2005 article on those efforts that



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WEDDING OF NICOLE BRINKMANN '99 & JIM REEVES, JULY 14, 2007

L TO R, BACK ROW Jill Schieda, Eileen Imada, Ana Hutton-Kehrberg, Elliott Strimbu, '99s, Sarah George Wessel '98 FRONT ROW Dave Powell (chemistry, emeritus), Margie Powell (libraries, emeritus), bride, groom, Lynn Switzer Clayton '01, Bruce Clayton '99



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Jack Travis, jwtravis@mindspring.com, was recently written up in Wikipedia (en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Travis): "John W. Travis, MD, M.P.H., became one of the leading figures in the wellness movement when he opened the world's first wellness center, the Wellness Resource Center, in Mill Valley, Calif., in 1975... Since 1991 (he) and his wife, Meryn Callander, have focused their efforts on parenting and infant wellness." In 2000 Jack, Meryn, and daughter Siena moved to Meryn's home, Australia.

Dorinda Hale, dorinda.hale@kodak.com, holds an M.A. from Western Washington U in Bellingham, Wash. She's a localization project manager at the Eastman Kodak Co. in Lowell, Mass.

Mary Jo Weaver MacCracken, maccrac@uakron.edu, is a professor of sport science and wellness education at the U of Akron. Among her courses is Motor Development and Learning. It focuses on our enculturation by families, friends, and school.

Betty Odell Gibson, gailandbettygibson@juno.com, writes, "My husband, Gail, and I went on the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation 'Cruise for a Cause.' I have had MS for at least 24 years, so I qualified. Each cruise offers all of the usual amenities, plus seminars with well-known doctors who specialize in MS and other people who are well-versed in the disease." Betty and her husband are geologists.

Last April **Becky Drysdale**, becky.drysdale@gmail.com, retired from Cingular Wireless as an IT business analyst. She's enjoying the freedom to garden, travel, and get together with friends. Atlanta has been her home since 1991. Becky is active at Oakhurst Baptist Church, "a wonderfully inclusive and diverse congregation, like an extended family."

Linda Ronald, lindaronald@insightbb.com, writes, "My husband and I have still not retired, though we have accomplished working a little less and traveling a little more. Steve teaches at Earlham, and we've been in Richmond, Ind., for 30 years. I still have a private practice as a child psychologist and continue to enjoy working with children and families, although the demands of managed care do not add much joy."

Diana Moseson, dmosesonb@verizon.net, writes from Ellicott City, a suburb of Baltimore, that she retired four years ago from John Hopkins' Bayview Medical Center, where she worked as a psychiatric social worker. Her recent move to a condo/townhouse community gives her time for reading and visiting with friends. She's now looking for volunteer work in mental health and teaching reading.

According to **Lydia Brown**, lbrown@rbf.org, "The Class of '65 was well-represented at the NYC Scots in Service event on Sept. 29, 2007. **Sue Ulrich**, **Pete Fabricant**, and I showed up, unbeknownst to one another, and got reacquainted. We helped serve breakfast at My Father's Heart (a non-denominational ministry on E. 11th St) to 470 folks from the East Village, Lower East Side, and Chinatown areas of Manhattan. These people were not necessarily homeless but in need of a good meal near the end of the month, when funds often run short. I also met Cindy Weber '73, who says she learned about Wooster from her cousin, **Betsy Bedient**."

1966

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In Sept. 2007, **Ken Fischer** enjoyed a celebration in honor of his 20-year tenure as president of the University Musical Society, a

world-class performing arts presenter in Ann Arbor. The *ISPA Newsletter* reports: "When Ken Fischer arrived at UMS in 1987, the organization was vastly different... In the 1987-88 season, UMS presented 40 concerts, mostly classical music with a smattering of dance performances. Twenty years later, the number of performances has doubled, and the organization has been transformed into a vibrant asset in southeastern Michigan and a model for the international cultural community."

"'Everybody In, Nobody Out' was the policy of inclusion that Ken brought to Ann Arbor from his Washington, D.C., mentor, Patrick Hayes. UMS has increased the size and scope of its annual presentations, with an active commitment to dance, theater, and global programming, representing the diversity of our community and the world. After Ken's arrival, UMS developed an award-winning, community-based education program for adults and children.

"...These expansive, innovative efforts to welcome and engage all communities in UMS have garnered national awards and recognition..." Congratulations, Ken!

Governor Mike Easley of North Carolina reappointed **Chalmers Brumbaugh** to the 17-member North Carolina Internship Council, which oversees the state government internship program. Chalmers is a professor of political science at Elon U, a member of the board of adjustment in Burlington, N.C., and chief judge of the Alamance County Board of Elections.

1967

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Lynda Carpenter Bennett, gburghome@aol.com, now lives in Frederick, Md. She works in Bethesda as senior policy analyst in the office of the Chief Information Officer at the National Institutes of Health.

On Sept. 29, 2007, Scots in Service Day, volunteers from the Class of '67 participated in at least four cities. **Gail Robinson** and **Susanne Johnston Leggett** worked in the Greater Chicago Food Depository warehouse, inspecting, sorting and packaging food. In Phoenix **Jane Russell** helped with Save the Family's annual fund-raising event. Dave and **Ann Law Vellenga** partnered in Raleigh-Durham with SEEDS, an organization that brings people together to develop sustainable spaces and strengthen community. And in San Francisco, **Jeanne Milligan Player** volunteered at the St. Anthony Free Dining Room. For details on these and other programs across the country, check the Wooster Web site.

Nancy Wilkin Sutherland writes, "Since marrying and retiring simultaneously in 1999, life has involved serving on several not-for-profit boards, studying home landscaping at the Morton Arboretum, and traveling for about three months each year. I have one daughter and two grandchildren who live in Baltimore, so that's a frequent destination.

"I often see Nancy Braund Boruch '64, my senior I.S. adviser, as we have many common interests. Although my husband is a U of Chicago alum, he is quite familiar with Wooster. He had Arthur Compton '13 as a Sunday school teacher and was a close friend of John Compton '49 while growing up in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Chicago! From 1988-2003, I got acquainted with Wooster in a new context, as my parents lived there, and Wooster was a family gathering place.

"I spent my career as a corporate banker in Chicago and Portland, Ore. I was fortunate to be a founder of the only environmental bank in the U.S. Along the way, I met many wonderful people and colleagues." The boards Nancy serves on include Chicago Theological Seminary; Openlands, the most significant conservation organization in northeastern Illinois; and Plymouth Place, a continuing care community affiliated with the UCC.

David and Judith Tustison Kovacs have lived in Charlottesville, Va., since 1976, with various sabbaticals in England, NYC, and Washington, D.C. Both teach at the U of Virginia, Judy in religious studies and David in classics. Last year David was awarded the Hugh O'bear Chair in Classics, in recognition of his 11 books on the Greek tragedian, Euripides. The main advantage of this honor is that he gets more frequent research leave, which he enjoys mightily, especially when he and Judy can go abroad. For fun, David sings

in an early music group called Zephyrus.

Judy does research on the New Testament and the church fathers, in particular on the letters of Paul and the Book of Revelation and their interpretation in the early church. She writes, "After many years on the 'mommy track' (full-time work for part-time pay), I finally received tenure a few years ago. My guess is that I am the oldest person to earn tenure in UVa history, though I haven't had time to research this."

The Kovacs' son, Mark, started medical school in Richmond, Va., and is married to Kangkang Li from the People's Republic of China. She's working on a Ph.D. in physics at UVa. Daughter Ellen, a UVa graduate, works in the education department at the Smithsonian Museum of Art, which reopened in July 2006 after six years of renovation. Judy says that it's gorgeous, a must see!

Last August, Judy went to Oxford, England, for the International Conference of the Church Fathers and enjoyed a visit with **Ruth Ball Dowley** and her husband, James, in their beautiful English garden. Judy concludes, "Thanks to all who organized our 40th reunion, including **Doug Topping** and **Sally Patton**. It was a particular treat to see so many of the faculty who taught us at Woo U."

CEOs **Tim Smucker** and his brother, Richard, continue to run the J. M. Smucker Co. The Orrville, Ohio, company has tripled in size since 2001 through sales and the acquisition of similar brands like Jif, Crisco, Pillsbury, Hungry Jack, and, recently, Eagle Brand condensed milk. Founded 110 years ago, Smucker's is one of Wayne County's largest employers and still holds to the "corporate strategy" core of values: quality, people, ethics, growth, and independence.

We have an update on **Ann Hills Breed**, head of the Lower School at Francis Parker School in Chicago. She had a bone marrow transplant on Sept. 6, 2007. Facing a tough recovery, she welcomes our thoughts and prayers.

Carnegie Mellon U held a campus tribute for our late friend, **Bill Brown**, in the fall. To understand Bill's profound effect during his time on this earth, take a moment to Google him, for touching tributes from CMU and the *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*.

Wooster Online reported the induction of new members into the "W" Hall of Fame. That made us wonder who from our class had been so honored in the past. There are three: **Tim Jordan** for basketball; **George Bare** for football and baseball; and **Jane Hardy** for field hockey, basketball, and tennis. Jane earned a total of 10 letters in sports—long before the days of Title IX!

By the time you read this, it will be 2008. Make it your resolution to send us some news!

1968 40th Reunion

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Joe Benson has been named interim vice president for research and vice provost at the U of Alabama, according to a news article. Joe joined the UA faculty in 1978 and has served as senior associate dean of the UA College of Arts and Sciences since 2000. His research in petroleum geology has led to more than 80 publications in academic journals and substantial external funding.

1969

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According to the *Asian Reporter*, the Portland (Ore.) Art Museum appointed **Maribeth Graybill** as its new curator of Asian art. She's responsible for all aspects of acquisition, research, and exhibitions and in charge of evaluating the collection and planning for the reinstallation of the permanent collection (2009-10). Maribeth was the senior curator of Asian art at the U of Michigan Museum of Art since 2001 and before that, taught Asian art at the U of California, Berkeley, and Swarthmore College. She has held several visiting professorships in Japan, is fluent in modern Japanese, and reads classical Chinese.

1972

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Lynn A. Allison, lynnall@hotmail.com, notes that she's "back in Washington, after three years at the U.S. Embassy in Mbabane, Swaziland. For the last 14 months of that period, I was *Charge d'Affaires* a.i., juggling multiple jobs while waiting for a new ambassador. He finally arrived on Sept. 15, following the byzantine process by which the U.S.A. still selects its ambassadors. After home leave, I will take up duties as desk officer to public



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affairs officers at our missions in southern Africa. Wish me luck!"

In May 2007, the Allegheny County chief executive named **William "Jack" Simmons** as the director of the Shuman Juvenile Detention Center in Pittsburgh, Pa. Jack has experience as Pittsburgh's chief magistrate, a hearing officer with the state Gaming Control Board, a founder of Pittsburgh Partners Against Domestic Violence, and the chief counsel to the state auditor general's office, as well as a private attorney. Jack implemented procedures in Child's Court that resulted in more reliable testimony from child victims, created the Underage Drinking Court, and enhanced Domestic Violence Court policies.

Don't miss **Jim Sentman's** Kilimanjaro report on page 40!

1973 35th Reunion

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1974

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If you e-mail me (**Kim**) some class news (and I hope you will), please put in the subject line, COW 74 classnotes. I get a lot of junk and spam filtered mail, and if you're not in my address book, you may end up in that pile. So it's easier for me to see that it's a note from you, if I can search e-mails on the subject line. Thanks!

Mark Bean writes from France, "In 1994 I started a company to provide linguistic accompaniment and training to corporate people. If you know anyone who would like to improve their French, please send them over. The major part of our work is English but we also assist in French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese. We do a lot of training via phone and videoconferencing. I'm presently setting up a network of U.S.-based trainers.

"I'd enjoy exchanging information with classmates and other Woo grads who've developed careers in foreign language training, especially for English. I'm a great believer in networking.

"Véronique and I have three sons. Yann (21) attends an acting school in NYC. Léo (14) is in *Seconde* (two more years before *baccalauréat*); Noah is six. We'd happily welcome classmates into our home in Alsace." E-mail Mark at m.bean@yahoo.fr.

1975

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Bob Rogers, a member of Lockheed Martin's Persistent Threat Detection System (PTDS) Competitive Win Team, recently received Lockheed Martin's 2007 NOVA Award, along with other team members. This is Lockheed's highest recognition for individual or team achievement. PTDS, designed and developed at Lockheed Martin's Akron facility, is a surveillance system used in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Each PTDS provides continuous surveillance, detection, and communications in support of coalition forces. The group was honored for its commitment and effort in capturing the PTDS contract and launching the program in remarkable time to meet an accelerated schedule for supporting U.S. Army operations in Iraq.

According to a press release, **S. Quon Bridges** was appointed a District Court Judge for the Ninth Judicial District in North Carolina. Quon's career as an assistant district attorney since 1991, an assistant public defender before that, and in private practice prepared him well for this position.

My (**Andrea's**) news is that I had four (count them) different jobs in 2007! I was actually paid to spend my days in a kayak this past summer with 10-14-year-olds at a day camp with ecological overtones—almost too much fun! Now I have a permanent, part-time position as secretary to the head of the Upper School at McDonogh School. It's a new line of work for me, but technology enables me to make the transition. I enjoy working part-time and always find something fun to do with time off. I do miss teaching, and it is odd to have weekdays off between September and June!

Stuart Goodfellow reports, "I've been in the wine business for 21 years. I have been based in Houston since Jan. 2005 as regional manager for Nicolas Wines, a French importer. I cover four states and am on the road 40 percent of the time. I came to Houston after 10 great years in Santa Fe.

"While working for a wine distributor there, my duties included running the Bordeaux wine futures program. Each April I would travel to Bordeaux, France, for two weeks, taste approximately 1,000 wines, and then make buying decisions. Tough job, huh? While working in the metro NYC area in the early '90s, I served on tasting panels for *Wine & Spirits* magazine and got a cover story on single-malt scotch.

"I was in Wooster in July 2006, the first visit since 1990. Of course, I had to have a pizza at Coccia House. Joe Calabria sat down with me, and we had a great chat about the old days.

"I want to let Larry Shyatt '73 know that I

think I was his first successful recruit. Larry and I played basketball at the same high school and he 'recruited' me to Wooster. I would never have considered the College, had it not been for Larry. I want to thank him for that." Find Stuart at santafe95@juno.com.

1976

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Andrew J. Matonak, a resident of East Schodack, N.Y., was recently appointed to First Niagara Bank's Eastern New York Regional Advisory Board. Andrew became the sixth president of Hudson Valley Community College in 2005 and oversaw the graduation of the college's largest class last spring.

See **Fred Maguire** pictured on p. 38.

Eric Olson ran in the Marine Corps Marathon in Oct. 2007, in Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Organization for Autism Research of Arlington. His twin sons, Kevin and Carl (age 20) have autism. Eric trains with their high school cross country team. He also tunes pianos all over northern Virginia and serves as the county Democratic chairman. Eric is the son of Oscar '45 and Sally Wade '46 Olson and the brother of Linda Olson Peebles '73. His e-mail is ceolson@shentel.net.

Three former roommates met in Chicago (see photo, p. 39). They hadn't seen each other in 11 years.

1977

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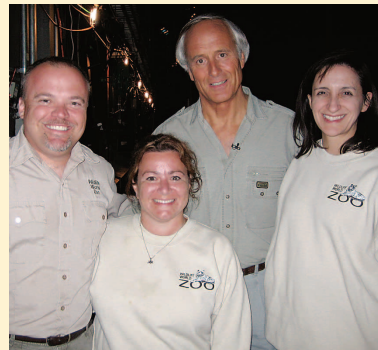
1978 30th Reunion

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In Aug. 2007, 15 members of Phi Sigma Alpha (Sixth Section) from the late 1970s (1975-82) returned to Wooster for the First Inaugural Sig Golf Outing. Many of us hadn't seen each other in over 20 years. The group ate several meals at Coccia House, TJs, and the Hero House, socialized several nights at the Noll Avenue Bar and the bar formerly known as Danner's, and golfed the rest of the time.

Gene Jackson served as our golf commissioner, arranging multiple rounds. Former Sig and now head professional at the Wooster Country Club Gary Welshhans '73 graciously allowed us to play his home course on the first



<< **SCOT COTTAGE FOLKS, JUNE 2007, NEW HAMPSHIRE**
L TO R Stacy Roberts Porro, Cheryl Stearns Huber, Holly Blake, Leslie Davis Hiner, Nicki Poulter Gioseffi, Mary Ann Woodie Driscoll, Marci Pinis Heller, Charlotte Sommers, '80s, Marilyn High Valencia '81, Judy Moorman Lofgren '80

< **WOO ON "LARRY KING LIVE"**
L TO R Grey Stafford '88, Karen Balogh Stafford '90, King guest "Jungle Jack" Hanna, Kim Strollo '90

day. We played the next day at the College's L. C. Boles Memorial Golf Course, joined by former head lacrosse and assistant football coach, Art Marangi. We finished the weekend at Mohican Hills Golf Club outside of Wooster. It was a good turnout for an inaugural event. We hope others will join us in the future. Contact **Bill Stone** for information, wstone@lynchdallas.com.

1979

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George Zambie was named most valuable player of the Men's 50-54 Div. Senior Basketball Tournament in Chicago last August. He averaged 30 points in three games, as he led the Ohio team to a runner-up finish to Chicago. (The competing players vote on the award.) The Chicago team included four former players from the NBA, ABA, and Europe. George scored 41 points against them in a defeat. George is an office equipment sales manager at Graphic Enterprises. He played basketball at the College and Lakewood High School. He lives in New Philadelphia, Ohio, with his wife, Lori, and two children.

Marty Radcliff is now the stated clerk of the Muskingum Valley (Ohio) Presbytery.

A news article tells us that **Cameron Maneese** is the coordinator for the Family and Children First Council located in Wooster's Gault Family Learning Center near campus. The council's goals include providing easy transitions for all age groups and children at different stages of development. The Gault facility houses many programs at one location.

Massey, Quick, & Co., a financial planning and money management firm in Morristown, Ohio, of which **Stewart Massey** is a founding

partner, was recently featured in the *Daily Record*. And Stewart was pictured with his partners on the cover of *Financial Advisor*. As a former partner with Morgan Stanley and College Trustee, Emeritus, Stewart was in charge of Wooster's investment committee.

Hello, classmates! It would be great if you would either update your e-mail address with me (**Jennifer**) or the College. You can also sign up for a Wooster address that will be yours forever. Check it out, alumni.wooster.edu/. Please send me your e-mail if you want to get reminders about deadlines for this column.

The San Diego fires were burning when I sent my e-mail request for news, and **Care Crawford** wrote, "We are dealing with lots of smoke and ash. It is a devastating sight. I am the moderator of the presbytery (cluster of Presbyterian churches), so we are involved in supporting the Malibu Presbyterian Church, after its building burned to the ground.

"In the midst of it, crisis reveals people's faith...I am amazed at the strength and depth of what we are seeing. There is a great verse in the Bible, 'When you walk through the fire, I (God) will be there!' I think people are feeling God's presence...and seeing light in the midst of the devastation and darkness."

Newby Roper wrote, "We're in San Diego watching the fires go by. No danger to us, but several friends' houses have burned. One had just finished rebuilding his house from the 2004 fire, only to lose it to this one. I think we Wooster grads have good karma. I'm hoping it holds for a few more days."

Dave Comstock is finishing an interim ministry in Marion, Ind., and "wondering what God has for me next. My wife, Carol Hornbeck, has a thriving practice in marriage and family therapy in Indianapolis. We have two sons at C.O.W., Jonah and Nathan, '10s. Our oldest is a senior at St. Olaf and recently got engaged. I'd love to hear from old friends!"

Liz Barker Brandt says, "Nothing new on the horizon, other than turning 50."

David Ware says, "I live in Mauritania (West African Sahara) and am the managing director of Maersk Shipping Line. My latest adventure took place on a business trip to South Africa. We were faced off by a massive bull elephant when leaving a campsite in a truck. The elephant was approaching us in the road, head-on, and our game driver was trying to reverse the truck without agitating the bull. The big guy kept us cornered on a side trail for over 30 minutes before wandering off.

"I worked with a Mexican airline for 10 years after Wooster, then quit and went to Paris to learn French and work with various companies for 10 years. I was recruited by a division of the World Bank and the UN to work in Madagascar for two years with a freight company. I got recruited after that to Maersk and was previously located in Madagascar and Senegal."

After Wooster **Jerry Burden** says he worked with Hughes Aircraft in Jubail, Saudi Arabia. He ran the MIS department with a contract with the Saudi Navy and traveled frequently to Europe and the Far East. He says he then teamed up with the late governor John C. West in a consulting company.

Jerry says, "Gov. West was like a second father. Our company West, Burden & Associates, was based in Hilton Head. There I met my wife, Holly. We now have a great son, Colter (10).

"I got into real estate development on the island. For 18 years I was involved in redeveloping Harbour Town, a marina village and the gem of Hilton Head. Its candy-striped lighthouse is one of the most photographed points on the coast. I was lucky to work with the original master developer of Hilton Head, Charles Fraser, and learned a great deal. I used the knowledge working with the Melrose Co. and learned marketing and entrepreneurial skills from its principal, Bob Kolb. I continue to use my real estate broker's license.

"In August I accepted a job with Timbers



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Resorts based in Carbondale, Colo., and we moved to beautiful Glenwood Springs. Created by my brother, David, Timbers develops high-end residence clubs around the world. I head up work on some new projects. I've reconnected with my best friends from Woo. **Newby Roper** is in San Diego, and **Greg Stolicis** is in Richmond.

"I long for a cold beer with buddies at El Rancho Grande. The Wooster years were so good. I learned much about people and about how precious friendships can be. I may have even learned a few things about research and business along the way. Twenty-eight years in a couple of paragraphs, wow, how time flies."

1980

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Since graduation, Scot Cottage residents have met every other year to catch up and tell their stories (see photo, p. 47).

1981

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LuAnn McLernan Duffus reports, "Life is good—always in motion—here in Granville, Ohio. My husband, Keith, and I celebrated our 25th anniversary in 2007! It was cool to be in the Oak Grove in May as daughter Kate '07 walked through Kauke Arch. She majored in archaeology. Son Jack is a sophomore at Sewanee in Tennessee (in biology). We'll travel this spring to see him play lacrosse. Our youngest two are in elementary school (K and 2), and keep us hopping!"

With other news of anniversaries and offspring, here's **David Land**. "My daughter, Ainsley, is a freshman at Carleton College. Naturally, I tease her about attending a school that is almost as good as Wooster! My younger daughter, Kaylin, is a freshman in high school. My wife, Kelcey, and I recently celebrated our 23rd anniversary by participating in our sixth Scots in Service here in Denver. (We really know how to party!) I'm in my 10th year of teaching math and science at the Montessori Middle School. We've been in Colorado for 21 years—hard to imagine. Numbers, numbers, numbers...."

David Sterna reports, "I've been working with the Rotary Club of Amherst, Ohio, on

several international projects. In the last three years I coordinated two teams of eye doctors from Russia who came to northern Ohio for business and training with the assistance of the Center for Citizen Initiatives (ccisf.org). My wife, Dianna, and I have hosted several high school students from around the world and soon will have a young girl from the Republic of Slovakia.

"We recently sent a team of Amherst teachers to the Bourdeaux region of France for a cultural and educational mission. In October we'll travel to northwest Mexico to investigate providing humanitarian assistance to Tarahumara Indians. It's a unique opportunity to assist these indigenous people while at the same time preserving their cultural heritage."

Barbara Gouse Casey sends greetings from Bourbonnais, Ill., near Chicago. "Husband Mike enjoys being an agent for State Farm Insurance, and I help out part-time at his office. We're also active in our local church: I accompany on piano and Mike plays drums in the praise band! Our oldest daughter, Erin, is studying film and cinematography at Columbia College Chicago, and our youngest, Lauren, is a junior at Carthage College. She's studying for the year in Tokyo as a Japanese art major. We look forward to visiting Wooster again soon. E-mail us, mbelcasey@yahoo.com."

And from your secretary (**Scott**): Six months in Heidelberg, Germany, have gone by quickly. We're already anticipating our return to Boston. It's been a great work experience for me and a grand adventure for the family. We've made good use of our proximity to things, with trips to southern France, the Alps, Venice, Germany, and before we return, Vienna and Rome.

If you're reading this and you have not received my "Any news?" e-mails, then Wooster doesn't have your current e-mail address. Send it to me, and I'll take care of getting it on Woo's lists.

1982

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Jay and Ann Zuberbuhler West of Sewickley, Pa., report that their oldest, Laura '10, is enjoying her sophomore year at Woo.

Kim Hsieh, kimchuck@rcn.com, says, "I'd love to hear from classmates. E-mail me!"

Jay Heiser writes that he has posted pictures of our class reunion on his Web site,

www.pbase.com/jheiser. He and Elizabeth still live in the UK. Their son, Kirk, had an extended visit to the U.S. and returned for his senior year of high school. Jay still works as an analyst for Gartner in the IT security and risk area. It's stimulating, he says, and scratches his 35-year-long itch for global travel.

Peter Zornow now teaches English as a second language to Arab-American Army recruits at Ft. Jackson, S.C. Pete would love to have visitors, at 521 Spindrift Ln., Columbia, SC 29209 or send him e-mail, zornowpd@juno.com.

I (**John**) am bouncing between my position as education coordinator for the department of Ob/Gyn at George Washington U in D.C. and my director of music job at the Oakton Church of the Brethren in Vienna, Va. Teaching private piano and voice lessons and writing a book take up my spare time. I look forward to hearing from more of you!

1983 25th Reunion

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Wendy Mohlmaster says that she and Ann Zobrosky '84 have been cruising together for 13 years. Wendy says, "Ann is an attorney in Marion, Ind., and I work for the U.S. Post Office in Akron. Wooster friends, write to me at momo136@msn.com."

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The economy, religion, family dynamics, the Middle East, Vietnam—we (**Katie and Barry**) cover it all (in a relaxed, class notes sort of way) in this edition.

Byron Elliott writes from Essex Fells, N.J., that he has "been brokering mortgage-backed securities since 1990! Egad, I'm right in the middle of the sub-prime mortgage mess!" He and wife Karen just celebrated their 18th anniversary and have three children: James (14), Ken (13), and Nicole (10).

Byron continues, "I run into Steve and Susan Auffinger Ramos, '86s, periodically at



**WEDDING OF NOEL HOLLINGER '05
& DAN FOLTS, JUNE 16, 2007**

L TO R, BACK ROW Yan Min Aung '03, Cory Fox, Will Hollinger, '08s, Sajal Sthapit '05 FRONT ROW Bethany Comella '06, Claire Willey, Jessica Riviere, Aleisa Myles, '05s, Polly Walker Ashley '50, bride, groom

the spring and winter lacrosse matches that Steve coaches for his town, Maplewood. Our sons compete with that team." Byron says he's found volunteering at the New Jersey Scots in Service program over the years "very rewarding"—a nice activity to do with his kids. However, he laments that this year's program at a Jersey City emergency shelter was open only to volunteers 18 years old and over, excluding kids from a service learning experience. Find Byron at belliot@bloomberg.net.

While it may be hard to believe (no pun intended—wait for it...), **David Arpee** has finally completed his book, *The Heretic's Guide to Heaven and Hell* (BookSurge Publishing). "I know, you're checking outside to see if there are any pigs flying around," he says, "but it's true. The book is done."

While available on Amazon.com, Dave says the best way to find the book and read preview pages is at www.thehereticsguide.com. Not intended as a scholarly work, the work covers Dave's lifelong wrestling match with faith, his exploration of Christianity, and some of the "unusual claims Christians make." Dave grew up in Iran, the son of Anglican missionaries, and served in the first Gulf War. He explains, "It all started with heated arguments with my brother over my beliefs, which led to the need to clarify my thoughts by writing them down."

Dave touches upon his time at Wooster in the book—from his experiences with on-campus religious groups to a drinking game built around an Ohio-based evangelist's television show. All the while, a nagging sense of something spiritual within him kept his quest going. "Hopefully, this book will clear up at least some of the misunderstandings that people have about Christianity," he writes in the preface, "while at the same time providing a little food for thought and perhaps discussion." Discuss it with Dave at darpee@yahoo.com.

Jay Childs explores religion, too. "I still use the exegetical skills I received from Dr. J. Arthur Baird (economics, religion) as I teach a Sunday morning Bible class each week at Messiah Lutheran Church." During the week, Jay teaches at the Casady School in Oklahoma City, where he has begun a study of Modern Standard Arabic "with an eye toward an immersion program in the Middle East next summer." Jay is proud that the Casady School just sent Matt Pierce '11 to Wooster.

"There is no life like the teaching life," Jay concludes, "and I am grateful for the examples and inspiration of Wooster professors." Learn more at childs@casady.org.

A news article informs us that Arthur J. Gallagher and Co. chose **Walter D. Bay** as its new corporate vice president, general counsel, and secretary. Walter has over 20 years of business management and legal experience. He has held many key positions, most recently as general counsel and secretary for G. E. Commercial Distribution Finance.

Julia Church Hoffman and husband Jeff bid their oldest son, Devon, an emotional farewell as he left their Albuquerque home to attend Westminster College in Salt Lake City. "He intends to be an English major and perhaps a theater minor," says Julia. "But I think he also intends to minor in skiing—there are no less than seven ski resorts within a 30-min. drive from his college!" Julia reports that during Devon's college search, "Wooster kept appearing on the top of every list—for unique and innovative programs, a beautiful campus, and life-changing opportunities. I was proud to say I was once a part of that." However, her son's desire for great skiing won out.

Julia continues to teach elementary school music, direct the U of New Mexico's children's chorus (K-2), and lead a family music class at the university. If coming to New Mexico,

please set up a visit with Julia. Write to her at jkch@comcast.net.

That's just what **Elizabeth "Betsy" Dakin** did. Last August Betsy enjoyed visiting with Julia while in Albuquerque at a conference. Betsy lives in northern Virginia and is a social worker employed by Goodwin House Inc., an organization that manages two continuing care retirement communities. She spent an afternoon with Julia, visiting a nearby pueblo ruin, wandering around the U of New Mexico, and catching up after 22 years. You, too, can catch up with Betsy at ebd123@comcast.net.

As Julia ushered a man-child out of the nest, another New Mexico native welcomed a baby. "I am thrilled to write that, after a tedious couple of years of waiting, and a three-week adventure in Hanoi, my partner, Chris, and I finally have our daughter, Florence, home," reports **Ronna Halbgewachs** from Potomac, Md. Flo (1) joins sister Grace (4). "Our evenings are filled with dramatic, costumed renditions of *High School Musical I and II*," writes Ronna. "Also, the scope of my reading has been reduced to *Good Night Moon*, *Pajama Time*, and *Little Bear*. *The Economist*, winds up in the recycling pile." Ronna is the assistant vice president for planning and health affairs at the George Washington U School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Washington, D.C. Congratulate her at mcarlh@gwumc.edu.

Jeff Brookshire has made a movie, *Awaken the Dead*, due out on DVD in Nov. 2007. The distributor is Brain Damage Films. Jeff majored in English literature and was active in creative writing at C.O.W. Find details at www.awakenthedeaththemovie.com.

We (Barry and Katie) enjoyed running into **Lisa Davies Winter** in the parking lot at the John Hiatt/Shawn Colvin concert at Wolf Trap in August. We also spent a wonderful evening at the Silver Spring, Md., home of



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Laura Davis and Deb Earley '84. **Jori Ellis** and her husband, Dave, were also there.

Katie, a long-time yoga enthusiast, has added teaching yoga to grade school kids to her usual duties of teaching seventh and eighth grade English at Christ Episcopal School in Rockville, Md.

On Oct. 23 (his birthday), Barry was brought up to speed on what's happening on campus over lunch with Sandy Eyre Nichols '94 (alumni relations). He later attended the alumni event that evening at the Phillips Collection, America's first modern art museum.

1986

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Bernice L. Walker, director of Hamilton County Small Business Development, is the immediate past president of the Cincinnati chapter of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators (2005-07). She was elected chairperson of the Small Business Law Section of the National Bar Association (NBA) and serves on the NBA Board of Governors. Bernice is the immediate past chairperson of the NBA Government Lawyers Division and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. During 2006-07, she was the deputy chief of staff to the NBA president and a member of its executive committee. At the 2007 NBA convention, Bernice, an NBA life member, received a Presidential Award for outstanding service and commitment.

1987

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Greetings! I (**Emilie**) had a busy summer and fall, splitting my time between NYC and my singing obligations and helping my mom in Lockport, N.Y. In November I performed the role of Santuzza in *Cavalleria Rusticana* with the Amato Opera in NYC. I've heard from several classmates.

Franklin Lim writes: "We are finally settled in Granger, Ind., where I started a new job as assistant corporate controller for a hi-tech multinational company, with significant business in Asia. We are about 100 miles from Chicago and go there frequently for the food. My wife, Luz, and little boy, Emilio, are doing fine, settling into a small midwestern town.

Gretchen Dow Mashkuri was recently hired as the first photographer to photograph golfer Tiger Woods with wife Elin and their

baby girl, Sam Alexis. Four of the photographs were released to the national/international press in June. "It was a thrill to be featured on the covers of the *New York Post* and other publications," Gretchen writes. "But my 15 minutes of fame abruptly came to an end, upon returning to my husband, Javad, and four children, Maya (9), Wyatt (7), Quentin (5), and Willow (2), on our 40-acre farm in Silverton, Ore. Drop me an e-mail at gmarshkuri@mac.com."

Laura Schwartz Lindauer writes: "My husband, Craig, and I have fulfilled the log home dream that so many share. Everyone who hears our story says, 'That's my dream home.' We decided that someone needed to act on it, so we built a fabulous log home in Chardon, Ohio. We haven't experienced the building nightmares that so many people do, so we're lucky.

"In the 20 years since graduation, I've done a 14-year stint in the classroom (including one semester of teaching French at Woo!) and two years with a nonprofit therapeutic riding center. I've kept fairly busy singing throughout the Cleveland area, with my share of interesting gigs, the most intriguing being 'The Mighty Wurlitzer Radio Hour' on WCLV. It's an hysterical throwback to old radio! Drop me a line, ljindauer@gmail.com. I'd love to hear from you and learn what you've been up to."

Sarah Jones sings with the Cleveland Orchestra and Chorus. This season the group performed in Mahler's *2nd Symphony*, Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*, and Ives' *Psalm 135*, as well as the Christmas concert series. Sarah also performed with her voice teacher in a joint recital in November ("three duets and few solos for each of us"). "My online jewelry business is picking up a bit," Sarah concludes. "If anyone wants to check it out, my Web address is sarahjane44087.etsy.com."

Bill Morgan heard from John Van Cott '86. He's traveling and writing and is currently in Maine.

A news article tells us that Shamrock Structures LLC announced the promotion of **Richard Walter** to the position of chief scientific officer. Shamrock Structures is a privately owned structural biology company that works to determine the three dimensional structures of proteins, speeding up the process of new drug development. Richard is in charge of all scientific work in structural biology R&D and manages the company's vision, operations, and scientific direction.

It's so wonderful to hear from so many of you. What are the rest of you are up to?

1988 20th Reunion

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Stephen "Grey" Stafford and Woo guests recently appeared on "Larry King Live" with "Jungle Jack" Hanna, director emeritus of the Columbus (Ohio) Zoo. (See photo, p. 47.) Grey is the director of conservation and communications for the Wildlife World Zoo in Litchfield Park, Ariz. He explains, "Over the years, we've helped Jack (Hanna) by providing outreach animals for his TV appearances. Jack has graciously written the foreword to my first book on animal training, *Zoomility: Keeper Tales of Training with Positive Reinforcement* (see www.iReinforce.com)."

Grey reports that, after a rigorous selection process, Kim Strollo '90 has been accepted by the U.S. State Department. She's training for an assignment as a U.S. Consulate officer.

According to a press release, **John Kuzmishin** has been elected to the Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse (PLSG) board of directors. The PLSG is a private/public partnership that works with the region's life sciences industry for growth. A previous investment banker, John now is vice president and senior member of the Strategic Business Initiatives group at the U of Pittsburgh Medical Center, where he sources, structures, and oversees direct investments as well as general business development for the hospital.

1989

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Christopher Shilts, cshilts@pingry.org, writes, "Cathy Hamm '88 and I live in Flemington, N.J. We're the parents of three girls—Maddy (8), Carson (4), and Sydney (18 mos.)—and a son, Joe (6). I am the English department chair at The Pingry School in Martinsville, N.J., and Cathy is on the technology administrative staff at Stuart Country Day School in Princeton. I'm also the head middle-school football coach and assist the boys and girls varsity track and field teams (hurdles and pole vault). Both boys and girls teams won state championships last year. Anyone nearby, give a holler."

Fuad Chundrigar had a chance to visit Wooster in early August, his first visit since graduation. He met up with his old roommate, Mahbub Alam '90, and saw **Erin Grim Barnhouse** and **Tina Sines Barnette**. Fuad tells us that Erin works as a speech specialist for Wayne County, and Tina lives in Elyria with her husband, Mike, a pharmacist. She's a stay-at-home mom.

Fuad reports, "Kauke looks magnificent (with the recent renovation), as does the new economics building (Burton D. Morgan Hall)." Fuad recently moved to Paris. He travels in Egypt and the Middle East for Groupe



<< **WOO & ROYALTY**
Dalex Walker '90 RIGHT with
Prince Charles in Philadelphia

< **'94s IN OLYMPIC
NATIONAL PARK**
L TO R Steve Hardy, Ray
Kinman, Steve Smail, Matt
Roach

Danone, a French company that markets biscuits, water, and yogurt. Fuad was married for eight years but got divorced last year. Contact him at fuad.chundrigar@gmail.com. He especially wants to hear from any alumni/ae living in France.

With her husband, Tim Espy '90, **Debbie Donnelly Espy** lives outside of Chicago. They have two sons, Joseph (10) and Charlie (8). Debbie's a physical therapist but has of late been a full-time graduate student in kinesiology at the U of Illinois, Chicago.

Tanya Arbogast and her partner, Chanel, recently moved from Wilmington to Durham, N.C., where Tanya enjoys her new job as a physician assistant with the pulmonary transplant program at Duke U Medical Center. Chanel is in the surgical residency program for physician assistants, after working in several ERs throughout the state. She and Tanya recently toured Toronto and the coast of Maine on bicycles, and Tanya competes in triathlons. She's even given up her car in favor of biking to work. Coming from Lutheran and Baptist backgrounds, Tanya and Chanel say they "met on new spiritual ground" and attend the Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Tanya would love to know of Woosterites in the area, taarbogast@gmail.com.

I (**Beth**) have seen a few alums lately. I ran into **Scott Izzo** in Cleveland in October at the American League Championship Series game 3, Cleveland Indians vs. Boston Red Sox. (I married a Boston fan, so go, Red Sox!)

In June 2007, **Sally Closser Maxwell**, **Libby Black Yoskowitz**, and I met in eastern Pennsylvania for a fun 40th-birthdays getaway. We toured Amish country, got lovely massages, and talked nonstop, of course. Sally and Kevin have two little boys, Ethan (4) and Ben (2), and Libby and Jack have Noah (10), Justin (8), and Katie (almost 6)—all are well.

Jason '90 and **Daphne Daugherty Cody**

came through Columbus in Aug. 2007 with daughters Claire (11) and Mae (9)—great visits this year with my wonderful Woo friends! I hope you all get to see your good Wooster friends this year!

1990

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Dalex Walker, Dalex@macconnect.com, writes of an extraordinary opportunity. "As president of The Welsh Society, founded in Philadelphia in 1729, I had the pleasure of offically welcoming His Royal Highness Charles, The Prince of Wales, to Philadelphia during his visit last January (see photo, above). The Prince was in the States to receive an award for environmental activism and stopped in Philadelphia for the Annenburg Ball and to inspect our Mural Arts Program as a model to bring back to the UK. It was a pleasure to welcome him and arrange a service for him in Philadelphia's historic Welsh church."

1991

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Jason Moore recently moved from New York to San Francisco to work with Genentech in market development. Reach him at jmoore.us@gmail.com.

Mark Morris and his wife, Tammy,

welcomed their daughter, Matilda Renee, on Sept. 7, 2007. On the same day, Mark's brother, Greg Morris '93, and his wife, Emily, welcomed their daughter, Anna Elizabeth, to the greater Morris clan. Cousins Mattie and Anna are already best friends.

Jenn Shaw Porcari gave birth to her second daughter, Sara, on Aug. 30, 2007. Sara joins Conna (3). Jenn and her husband, Chuck, live in Cheverly, Md., and both work for the American Federation of Teachers. Jenn has been on the national staff of AFT for over 10 years. She writes that she sees a small group of Wooster women once a month for dinner, including **Morgan Theriot**, **Liz West**, **Barb Beenhakker**, Cristy Quigley Gallagher, and Katina Muir Zimmerman, '94s.

A news article tells us that **Mitch Waters** recently joined AXA Distributors LLC as a national sales manager for the AXA Advisors Channel. Mitch leads the wholesale distribution, sales, and business development of AXA's variable annuity products.

Fiorella Simoni de Cannon and Andrew Cannon were married on Jan. 28, 2006. Fiorella earned a Ph.D. in environmental science and public policy last spring from George Mason U. She'd love to hear from friends at fiorella@simoni.org or 5850 15th Rd. N., Arlington, VA 22205.

Gregg Brown and I (**Don**) travelled to Wooster for Homecoming '07 to watch the induction of our old friends, Anthony Fernandez '92 (tennis) and Geoff Belz '90 (football and lacrosse), into the "W" Association Sports Hall of Fame. Also attending were **Kerry Perkins Fernandez** and Heather Keeney Belz, Chris Carini, '90s, **Mike Knapic**, Gary Miller '92, Jeff and Jen Ludowise Smith, '93s, Pat '90 and Lynn McMaster '92 McKenna. It was a fun weekend and great to see friends so honored.

Rich McClelland and I (**Katie**) enjoyed a



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WEDDING OF NATE ZAHN '02 & CHAYA CASHIN '99, AUG. 4, 2007

L TO R, BACK ROW Jessica Armstrong-Pennington Witmer '99, Ryan Catteau, Ryan Banach, '98s, Dan Broehl '99, Dean Pavalis '05, Ian O'Brien-Rupert '03, Dan Mecredy '98, Seth Tansey '01, John Goss '04, Liz Lantz, Max Lesko, '06s
 3RD ROW Jane Shull '04, Liz Hallenbeck Broehl, Amelia Hankin Banach, '99s, Aubrey Bailey Hopkins '01, Alex Hopkins '00, Bryan Perkins '01
 2ND ROW Dave Carney, Kirsten Zahn Jordan, Megan Mueller VanderHorst, Kirsten Mueller, '99s, Adrian Braun '98, Danielle Baughman Catteau '99, groom, bride, Jay Eichstaedt '04, Ryan Lewkowski '98, Ahren Olson '03, Margaret Hazlett '02, Graham Binder '03, Alan A. Chewning '03 (development), 1ST ROW Jenny Schroeder '99, Brooke Abernethy Braun '98, Mike O'Neil '03, Bryan Wilson '02, Benjamin Duval '01



week on the Outer Banks with **Karl Crandall, Anna O'Donnell, Danielle Dunn, Bob Graves, Matt Hastings, and Carrie Fasolt Crawford** and their families. It was one of the hottest weeks in the summer, but we had fun playing on the beach, visiting Kitty Hawk, and socializing into the wee hours.

1992

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Cari Boardman '94 and **Andrew Robertson** traveled on a mission trip to Togo, West Africa, with their son, Drew. Andrew spent 10 weeks as a substitute pediatrician at the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism mission hospital in the town of Tsiko. His skills were stretched daily, as he encountered many medical conditions not common in the U.S. He saw children die from malaria on a weekly basis. Cari helped train teachers and prepare the mission school for fall classes (after years of disuse) while Drew honed his "futbol" skills, played games, and swam. They wrote, "We really saw God at work in the hearts of the people."

The Robertsons now live in North Carolina, where Andy works in a pediatric practice with his brother, Jim Robertson '90. Their new address is 115 N. Hills Dr., Mt. Airy, NC 27030.

Tim and **Katye McCullough '91 Russell** left Tim's hometown of Lancaster for Katye's old stomping grounds in Nashville. Katye is now the only seventh grade English teacher at the University School of Nashville (USN), where she works alongside Tim (Latin) and her mom (kindergarten). Daughter Mara (2nd grade) and son Matthew (kindergarten) both attend USN as well. It's all in the family!

The Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) announced the June 2007 appointment of **Jennifer O'Keefe Ruggles** as the regional economic development director for the Cleveland region. Jennifer is responsible for directing development, establishing an agenda for continued growth, and serving as a liaison between the ODOD and state government with local interests. Jennifer has worked for the State of Ohio for several years.

Conya Doss was profiled in the Cleveland *Plain Dealer* in June 2007 as a woman with two vocations. A special education teacher at the Clara Westropp School on the city's west side for seven years, Conya also directs an annual variety show that features her students. In the summers, she practices her artistic career—as a singer—appearing in 2007 around Cleveland and in New Orleans, Baltimore, Miami, and Los Angeles. "I'm a teacher and I'm a singer," she told the news reporter. "Why must I choose or give one up?...I want to continue doing what I'm doing and have peace of mind, because I can do both well."

While organizing a Web site for a study abroad trip to Istanbul for which I (**Kathleen**) will be a faculty member (anyone want to come?), I stumbled upon another Wooster archaeology alum, **Gary DeVore**. He's a lecturer at Stanford U, teaching courses on ancient empires, the classics in film, and the archaeology of Pompeii. He's also the co-director of the Pompeii Archaeological Research Project (Porta Stabia), which is investigating a poorly understood region of the fabled buried city.

Scott Dixon continues to perform with the Commonweal Theater in Lanesboro, Minn. He has been part of the resident company since 2003. Scott continues to write short stories and runs a local technology business

with his wife, Stela Burdt, also a seasonal Commonweal performer.

David Kime continues to work as the academic adviser for the honors program at Northern Kentucky U, where he tries to bring a little bit of a Wooster-style education to his university environment. David spent a week caving inside Mammoth Cave as part of a course with the Center for Cave and Karst Studies at Mammoth Cave National Park, to prepare to teach a course on the cave's history and geology for honors students this spring. He reports that he now knows just how small a hole in the ground he can squeeze through!

1993 15th Reunion

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Kate Cowles married Gregg Stevens in 2006 (see photo, p. 54). Kate teaches preschool at The Little School in Weston, Vt., and with Gregg, operates a market garden specializing in cut flowers. Gregg is an educator at Merck Forest and Farmland Center in Rupert, Vt., an independent nonprofit whose mission is to teach and demonstrate the benefits of sustainable land management.

1994

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Timo Smith has moved from the Philippines to Mt. Dora, Fla., with his wife, Clare, and children Isabel and Alexander. Timo is a general manager with Accent Marketing LLC. Find him at mr_t_smith@yahoo.com.

Christopher Brown, senior director of federal government affairs for the Society of the Plastics Industry, was recently awarded the Certified Association Executive credential by the American Society of Association Executives after he successfully completed the CAE examination last May. Christopher joins more than 3,400 association executives worldwide who have earned this mark of excellence.

Steve Hardy, Matt Roach, and Steve Smail, along with friend Ray Kinman, rendezvoused in Seattle in June (see photo, p. 51). They then headed further west to spend four days backpacking in a coastal rain forest and wilderness beach in Olympic National Park. They report, "We somehow managed to escape from family and professional responsibilities and successfully avoid high tides and twisted ankles. Steve Hardy is an anesthesiologist in Seattle; Matt and family are also in Seattle, where he does social work; Steve Smail teaches high school geology and filmmaking and is the Web site manager at a K-12 school in Nashville, where he lives with his family. Hello to all out there."

I (**Jessica**) have some news. In May I graduated from Cleveland State U with a Ph.D. in counseling. My dissertation was entitled "Executive Functions, Affect Regulation, and Intelligence in Children with Severe Emotional Disturbance." Now I have to complete a psychology residency in order to sit for the Ohio psychology license exam.

I'll work part-time and stay at home the rest of the time with my triplets (age 2), who keep me on my toes and very, very, very busy! To keep my sanity, I've discovered bodybuilding. It's a tremendous outlet and has ignited a competitive drive that I never thought I had. I would love to hear from friends!

1995

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Sarah Fuller, sgfuller543@gmail.com, moved back to the States after "hopping around the Middle East" for AMIDEAST for almost three years. "The crowning achievement of my time in the region," she writes, "was the signing of AMIDEAST's Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Education of the Sultanate of Oman in May 2007 (after two years of negotiation).

This allows AMIDEAST to be the first international NGO to establish a permanent presence in Oman.

"I returned home to pursue a Ph.D. in higher education at Penn State U. I have a graduate assistantship and am settling into my condo in State College. I look forward to welcoming Woosterites to Happy Valley!"

John Trevor "J.T." '93 and **Gina Bombaci Peirce** adopted a baby girl from Guatemala in 2007. Danica Magdalena Peirce was born in Guatemala City on Oct. 16, 2006. Gina writes that she and J.T. began the adoption paperwork in 2006, arrived in Guatemala on June 23, 2007, and returned home with Danica on June 29, "following a week of intensive on-the-job training in basic parenting skills—including a lesson on 'how to take care of an eight-month-old while both parents are violently ill with food poisoning!" Since then, Gina and J.T. have taken consecutive parental leaves to spend time at home with Danica, who's adjusting well to her new home in Pittsburgh. Get the latest baby news at gbpeirce@pitt.edu.

It's awfully quiet out there. Send me (**Brad**) your news, or I'll have to resort to stomach-turning medical anecdotes. Nobody wants that.

1996

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Kian Goh started an architecture and design office, called super-interesting LLC, based in Brooklyn (www.super-interesting.com). The firm's work spans the residential, institutional, and commercial fields. Involved in sustainable design and technologies, the business is working on several projects, including college residence halls, a country house in upstate New York, and a green roof in Brooklyn. Find Kian at kian@super-interesting.com.

Richard Richards, wandervogel.richard@gmail.com, and his wife, Grier Booker Richards, survived their first year living in the Northeast...as Southerners. In a recent song that Rich wrote about New Jersey, "The Garden State," he tried to break some stereotypes, "Come see for yourself, the Garden State is calling. It's greener than you think, don't be fooled. Come see for yourself, it's more than just a turnpike... although you might be told, you drive too slow."

Grier is in her second year, the "middler" year, at Princeton Theological Seminary working on an M.Div. Rich is continually thrilled to be the director of youth and young adult ministries at the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville. He says it's truly a gift to work

with such a creative and progressive group of pastors, musicians, and educators. If you are in the Princeton area, look them up!

I (**Emilie**) hope everyone had a wonderful summer and fall. I was lucky enough to spend a week in South Carolina with my cousin, Kelly McLarnan '98. She continues to teach Spanish and is fund-raising like mad to take 20 students to Spain.

Mary Thomas South wrote last summer, "Andy South '95 and I will celebrate our 10th wedding anniversary in August. Andy is finishing a neonatology fellowship this June at UNC, and I have one year left of a fellowship in urogynecology and pelvic reconstructive surgery at Duke U. We are currently still in the Durham-Chapel Hill area, not sure where we're headed next. We have a cute son, James (2), aka 'mini-Andy,' and a daughter, Mia (4 mos.). We're always in touch with Chad Jessup '95, who's in a pathology residency at Harvard. He is doing great!"

I (Emilie) spent some time with Chad while I was at a conference in Boston. He was expecting a visit from Tucker Bethem '94 and enjoying the big city.

Debbie King Gannon was recognized in the *Des Moines Register* for her induction into the "W" Association Hall of Fame during Homecoming 2007. Debbie graduated as the second-most decorated swimmer in the College's history, with 19 All-American honors, out of a maximum of 28 (1993-96). She lives in Des Moines, Iowa, and is an administrative coordinator in the department of athletics at Grand View College.

Jenny and **Jamie Christensen** had a Wooster mini-reunion in Richmond, Va., last summer with **Graig** and Jen Eisinger '94 **Meyer**, their three children, and **Meredith Graham**.

Ali Abbas Inayetullah suggests that we set up a Class of '96 group on Facebook. He says, "My wife and I have emigrated back to Pakistan from Canada. I work for a logistics company (primarily ocean shipping), and my wife teaches literature to eighth and ninth graders."

Please write. It's going to be a long, dark winter here in northern Idaho!

1997

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Brian Friedman ran into **Meredith Pangrace** at a neighborhood arts festival in Cleveland. Meredith lives on the edge of Lake Erie and is an editor with *Scene Magazine*.



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> WOO '93 IN D.C.

L TO R Kelly Allen Choate, Mike McTiernan, Jessica Knight Morris, Sharon Vargas Ezzone



>> WEDDING OF KATE COWLES '93 & GREGG STEVENS, AUG. 19, 2007

L TO R, BACK ROW Jen Smith Gillett '93, Mike Gillett, groom, Jason Hurley, Kristin Areglado Hurley, Nicole Krantz Mann, '93s, Curtis Mann '90 FRONT ROW Bride, Deb Whitfield Wiese, Peter Wiese, '91s



While traveling through Cincinnati this summer, Brian visited the new home of **Andrew Duker**, M.D. Andrew has joined the Neuroscience Institute at the U of Cincinnati and University Hospital as assistant professor of neurology. A specialist in Parkinson's disease, he was awarded the first Davis Phinney-Donald Krumme Fellowship in Movement Disorders in 2005. He has a medical degree from the U of Toledo and completed a residency in neurology at the UC College of Medicine. He held the Phinney-Krumme Fellowship (2005-07) and a Med-tronic fellowship in deep brain stimulation (2006-07).

With the Advanced Materials and Processes Co. since 2006, **Rita Forman-House** now is senior manager for events, according to a news article. Rita leads the development and testing of products and services for the materials science and engineering community.

In late Oct. 2007, **Erik Sosa** opened his show, *A Taste for Art*, in Chicago with a benefit for Between Friends, a 21-year-old nonprofit that each year serves, free of charge, more than 10,000 women, children, and teens affected by domestic violence.

Jennifer Earl Boehm and her husband, David, live in Milwaukee. Contact Jennifer at jearl@uwm.edu.

Andrea Boardman Michalski writes that she's excited to be doing field work and finishing a master's in occupational therapy. She and her husband, Tim, are renovating a farmhouse in the St. Paul area and hoped to move in by Christmas.

I (**Jennie**) am sure that their two sons, Levi (4) and Ian (2), will have a great time in the new home. Andrea invites anyone who visits the St. Paul area to stay with them.

Contact her at michalski.andrea@gmail.com.

I'm enjoying the fall colors and our home in Seville, Ohio. My husband, Shawn, and I moved here a few months ago. We're mastering homeownership. My dental practice is growing, and it is an adventure working with my father every day. If you're visiting Wooster, I live just 20 minutes north and welcome anyone to stay at my home. See my e-mail address above. I look forward to hearing your adventures!

1998 10th Reunion

Terrence Heubert

NEW! 718 13th St. NE, Washington, DC 20002

Sally Thelen

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Sarah George reports, "This spring I was granted tenure and promotion to associate professor at Illinois Wesleyan U. On July 7 I married Keith Wessel in Tennessee. We live in Bloomington, Ill., and I'm enjoying a sabbatical."

In just a few short months, you'll be able to kibitz amongst yourselves without yours truly as a mouthpiece. Our 10-year reunion is coming up! Mark your calendar now for June 5-8. Class president **Matthew Scott** reports that he created a Class of 1998 group on Facebook that includes reunion details and offers a forum for people to connect (www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=5057974978). The planning committee encourages as many people as possible to join. Contact Matt, at matthewscott@comcast.net, for information or if you'd like to help with planning. Hope to see lots of you in June!

Here's some dirt to tide you over. **Jen Ropelewski D'Amico**, jenropelewski@yahoo.com, and husband, Mike, had a baby boy. Michael Thomas "Little Mikey" has been keeping his parents busy ever since. You'll

recall that Mikey's grandma, Mama Ropes, is the president and founder of our (**Sally and Terry's**) fan club—at least there's an excuse for lousy membership recruitment!

Susan Norfolk Wilhelm, sewilhelm27@yahoo.com, and husband, Gary, also welcomed a son, Daniel Thomas, on Oct. 16. Daniel joins big sister Natalie (age 3). The family resides in Morrisville, N.Car.

Patrick Kreider, patrick_kreider@hotmail.com, has moved to Nashville, with his wife, Amanda, and daughter, Nora (1). Being a proud parent, Patrick shamelessly promotes his daughter's blog, allaboutnora.blogspot.com. He spends time with poet and professional gambler **Tim Ross**.

Julie Good, j.a.good88@csuohio.edu, moved back to Ohio from Vermont in September and has a new job as the study abroad manager at Cleveland State U.

Gary and Katherine Greathouse '01 **Boldizar** moved to Milford, Ohio, from New Albany, Ohio. Gary continues his career with Maxim Healthcare Services, and Katherine enjoys teaching sixth grade. Find Gary at gaboldiz@maxhealth.com.

Rachel Leigh Brown lives in the Columbus area and is finishing nursing school. She has a new e-mail address. Drop her a line at RachelLeighRN@hotmail.com.

Valentina Antonova Kornik, valya_kornik@hotmail.com, graduated from nursing school at Cleveland State U in Aug. 2007. She works at the Cleveland Clinic's main campus in the neurosciences department. Valentina is looking forward to our reunion.

And finally, news about us! Terry recently moved into a townhouse in Washington, D.C.'s "H Street Corridor" (see new address above). He finally has a real guest room, so if you visit, you won't have to sleep on a blow-up mattress!

Sally has somehow avoided the wrath of the locals and enjoys her new life in Kobe, Japan. In addition to teaching at Konan University, she recently joined a bilingual improvisational comedy group in Osaka. She won't be able to make the trip to Ohio for the reunion, but she's eager to stage a mini-reunion with any '98ers living in Japan. Find her at slthelen@gmail.com.

1999

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We congratulate several classmates who recently got married! **Eileen Imada** was married in June 2007.

Nicole Brinkmann says she "married Jim Reeves in July 2007 and moved back to South Bend, Ind., after a honeymoon in Belize. I'm working part-time with the chemistry faculties at the U of Notre Dame, St. Mary's College, and Bethel College."

I (**Debbie**) was visited by **Tasha Stolle Peacock, Jody Clauter, Heidi Cloughly Bird, and Leslie Knapp Stubbendieck** in October. We had a mini-reunion in Cleveland and spent lots of time catching up and pampering ourselves with a trip to the spa and the Melting Pot! Few big changes to report. We hope to make this an annual event in the years when we're not returning for a Woo reunion.

I'm still getting used to working four days a week at St. Joan of Arc (Chagrin Falls) and Our Lady of Peace (Cleveland) Schools. I do enjoy the three-day weekends! I've been asked to start a drama program, in addition to teaching music, so that has been an adventure.

Kathryn Ann Klonowski finished her first year of teaching literacy to young male felons in Cleveland and her first season of singing with the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus. She says she sings "with my lovely classmate and choral veteran Debbie Gutowski and many other fine alums!" Kathryn has a daughter, Naomi (3). She concludes, "E-mail me if you are visiting Cleveland, at klonowski314@hotmail.com."

Timeka Thomas Rashid is listed in the fifth edition of *Who's Who in Black Columbus*, an inspirational compilation of the achievements of African Americans in central Ohio. *C-BUS Magazine* profiled some of the honorees, including Timeka, who is the director of student activities and athletics at Columbus State Community College. She holds a board position with the Association of Student Judicial Affairs and is a member of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and the American College Personnel Association. Timeka is working on a

Ph.D. in higher education administration, on the leadership of Mary McLeod Bethune.

2000

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Mia Antoinette Rapier is the new fitness director for the National Capital Area YWCA in D.C. Find her at mia_rapier@hotmail.com.

Cheryl Farney writes, "I'm grateful for the foundation my Wooster theatre degree has given me, and I congratulate the team that took *Nocturne* all the way to the Kennedy Center last year—go, Scots!

"Since graduating from Wooster, I've worked in and around the stage—in the literary departments at the Royal Shakespeare Company and Geva Theatre, in marketing and administration and onstage at the Chautauqua Conservatory Theatre Company, and onstage with several other companies. I have appeared in two regional television ads, through the NBC affiliate in Rochester, N.Y., and in three independent movies, including *Low Rent* and *Getting Personal* with Zinko Films in Rochester."

Melanie Wardlaw Merritt and husband Michael celebrated the birth of their first child, Evan Patrick, on Aug. 25, 2007. The family lives in Stow, Ohio. "I'd love to hear from classmates," Melanie says. "My e-mail is melaniekmerritt@yahoo.com."

2001

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Katherine Anne Daly, daly_katherine@yahoo.com, says she "moved back to D.C. last January and started working for the Easter Seals Child Development Center as their director. It's been a blast! I'd love to reconnect with Wooster alums in the area."

Ramon T. Stewart, Ramon_Stewart@att.net, started a new job with Citigroup Mortgage Securities Inc., on the non-agency fixed desk. He says the move took him from his beloved Cleveland to St. Louis.

After serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Western Kazakhstan, **Dan Borsody** returned to NYC to work in the field of international exchange. He planned to return to Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan) this fall to work for ACTR/ACCELS on the FLEX (Future Leaders Exchange) program. He notes, "Any Wooster alumni in the region with a hankering for beer, horsemeat, and if they're real lucky, a boiled sheep's head, contact me at danielborsody@yahoo.com."

2002

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William "Dan" Carter, wcart02@alumnimail.wooster.edu, is in his fourth year of teaching Spanish full-time at Licking Heights High School in Pataskala, Ohio. He's working on a master's in school counseling through the U of Dayton. In addition, Dan is in his sixth year of coaching football at Johnstown-Monroe High School. "My responsibilities are the assistant offensive coordinator, varsity offensive line, and assistant defensive line."

Dan speaks of Woo connections. "I'm in my second year of coaching with Seth Mastrine '00, and I coached Chris Craig '07 when he was a senior at Johnstown-Monroe in 2002-03 (Johnstown's first playoff appearance). I also coached Scots running back Dustin Sheppard '09 and quarterback Austin Holter '10 at Johnstown-Monroe.

"Last season Johnstown hosted and won its first playoff game (second overall post-season appearance). I hope to continue to pursue higher education, even after I obtain the master's. I hope to continue to teach life lessons and help our youth in the future, whether it be as a teacher, guidance counselor, and/or coach."

Allison Elizabeth Kegley, alikegley@yahoo.com, works in investor relations at Bain Capital in Boston. Contact her for other news!

On Oct. 5, 2007, **Melinda Smailes** married Brian Birch, a U of Alabama grad. They honeymooned in Maui and started their lives together at a new house in Dublin, Ohio.

Ben "Bean" Worley reports that he's been busy. "I'm enrolled in Georgia State U, finishing an M.F.A., and am teaching at GSU. I was honored to be selected for the 2007 Atlanta Biennial at The Contemporary Art Center. My work has also been selected for a

Photos

We love to publish good quality photographs of alumni, preferably those that picture two or more alums. Because we receive more photos than we can use, pictures of large groups but only a few Wooster alums are not considered.

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> WEDDING OF RITA KIRKPATRICK & ALEXANDER TATE, '04s, OCT. 8, 2006

L TO R Anna Krumwiede,
Lahrin Koucky, Nicole Ziemnik,
'04s, bride, groom, Matt
Elrod '04, Adam Osborne,
Melisa Kundracik Osborne,
James Faulkner, '05s



>> '93S IN D.C.
L TO R, BACK ROW Andy Gavin &
son Will, Dan Kotchen,
Michael McTiernan, Marcus
McGraw, Jeff Langer,
Jessica Knight Morris & Lucy
FRONT Walter Morris



few permanent collections, and I've been working with a few galleries in town. I just had a large commission purchased for the new library at Georgia State. I've also had art shows in Atlanta, Savannah, and Chicago.

"I have my own production company in Atlanta. I still work in night clubs, running Lenny's Bar, recently featured on MTV and Spin and in *Rolling Stone*. I work with major artists and bands in the Atlanta area, including Mastodon, Deerhunter, and Black Lips. View my work at www.nebproductions.com or send an e-mail to beansummer@gmail.com."

As mentioned in the previous issue, I (**Liz**) received an overwhelming number of updates this summer. Here's news from a few more folks, with even more to come. Get your news in the queue now by sending me an e-mail—postcards, letters, and meeting for coffee in the Windy City are also acceptable!

Jessica Defrange Linkous writes, "I teach preschool at the Northfield (Ohio) Presbyterian Church Day Care Center. I've been here for almost four years and love it. I continue to direct the Contemporary Choir at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kent and serve as a cantor there. I'm still involved in theatre. Last summer, my husband, Greg, and I returned to the Huron Playhouse (where we first met) to perform in the musical *1776*. We're also the drama directors at Crestwood High School in Mantua."

Jessica was most excited to share that she and Greg bought their first house this summer! She mentioned that **Jen Boring** hosted a reunion of sorts for those of us who lived together in Kennedy Apartments and Reed House with Habitat for Humanity. We look forward to seeing photos!

Kimberly Christensen Digregorio was married in Apr. 2005 and lives with her husband, Joel, and two dogs, Walter and Lewis, in "the itty bitty town of Greenville,

N.H. Seriously, it is tiny (no stoplight, 45 minutes to the nearest grocery store, 2,000 people)." Kimberly works at Fidelity Investments as an operations analyst and really enjoys the job, as well as the volunteer opportunities provided by the company. She writes, "I've been volunteering for the American Cancer Society, Toys for Tots, and the American Heart Association. All in all, life is great! I can't wait to hear how everyone else is doing. If anyone is in New Hampshire or Boston, drop me a note. I'd love to catch up! Hope everyone is doing well!"

Meghan Wills and husband Nathan Wilkinson '00 relocated to Raleigh, N.C., this past summer, after living in Cleveland for almost five years. Nate teaches English at The Fletcher Academy, a private school in Raleigh for students with learning disabilities and/or attention deficit disorders. Megan is shifting away from development work and toward employment and/or advanced education in urban planning. "We're both looking forward to warmer weather in Raleigh after slogging through too many long Cleveland winters," Meghan writes. "We hope to connect with Woosterites in the Triangle area, so please email us at meghanwills@yahoo.com or nathanwilkinson04@yahoo.com!"

Rachel Renkes still lives in Columbus and teaches in the public schools. She and her brother, Nathan '99, spent most of last summer cycling around central Ohio in preparation for RAGBRAI—*Des Moines Register's* Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa—which they rode in late July.

Michael Wood is nearing completion of his first year of studying psychiatric nursing at the University of Manchester. He spent 18 months working on the wards as a support worker and subsequently decided to become a qualified nurse. He keeps busy in his spare

time: "I've appeared in a few musicals around Manchester and am singing in a choir at Manchester Cathedral."

Heidi Erdmann lives just outside of Boston and works north of the city. She writes, "I started a 'new' job about a year ago at Altova Inc., an Austrian-American software company. They focus on tools for software and Web developers. I manage their print and online advertising, media buying, and tradeshow participation. It's a great professional role and helps me keep up my German. I spoke to Wooster students this past fall about studying abroad, working abroad, and working internationally in the U.S. It was wonderful to see all the beautiful additions to the campus.

"In other news, I took a two-week vacation to Germany and Austria. I visited Barbara 'Babsi' Goeschl (German language assistant, 1999-00). She and her husband are doing well. Babsi is taking time off from teaching to raise two adorable little boys, Jakob and Johnathan."

Last February **Holly Laufmann** accepted a position as a clinical research associate at a global company, PPD. She moved from Columbus to Wilmington, N.C., and lived on the beach for three months. Holly writes, "Since then, I bought my first house, and I'm trying to work my way up the corporate ladder. I finally feel like an adult! Other than work, I play a ton of tennis and hit the beach as often as possible."

Claire Frese returned home from Zambia almost a year ago to live in Cleveland and teach middle school math. She recently moved to California, where she's teaching middle school English in a small town just north of San Francisco.

Sonia Gustafson lives in Spokane, Wash., having moved there from Seattle six months ago to take her "dream job" as a children's librarian. "I love it—storytimes, summer read-



WEDDING OF BETH WUNDERLEY '00 & ZACH GASKILL '01, AUG. 5, 2006

L TO R, BACK ROW Marcus Fowler '01, Chris Pugh, Molly Hilger Pugh, '99s, Ruth Battenburg Walts, Eleanor Coombs Wunderley, '68s, Jeralyn Vitale Wunderley, '94, Andrew Wunderley '97 FRONT ROW Seth Tansey '01, groom, bride, Katie Pease Manghillis '00, Dean Pasalis '05

ing, etc.” Sonia sees **Brook Patten** all the time. Brook lives in Seattle and is doing well. Sonia also caught up with **Kristen Chapin Pugh** and **Kristin Walley Fallow** last Thanksgiving at Kristen’s wedding.

Jen Scherzinger returned to Portland, Ore., after a year of teaching English in Japan. “I recently finished a year of post-bac courses in the sciences at Portland State U and am now in the M.A.T. (Master’s of Art in Teaching) program at Lewis and Clark College. The summer passed quickly, with classes, potlucks, camping, and biking. If you are ever in the area, I’d love to hear from you, at jenschertz@yahoo.com.”

Finally, a call for help. With The Cleveland Clinic’s support, **Dan Dean** (Wellness Center) is co-authoring a book about cancer survivorship among young adults (18-30). He writes, “I want to profile young adult survivors to see if and how a cancer diagnosis impacts the transitions of those years—jobs, relationships, spirituality. I was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma in 2003, about 10 months after graduation from Wooster. I welcome submissions for yourself or anyone you know, at 7594 Mapleway Dr., Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138 or dandean2005@yahoo.com.”

2003 5th Reunion

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Erin Donnell, erindonnell18@hotmail.com, married Kristopher Bjerkaas on Apr. 28,

2007, at the Hilton Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, where Erin is an associate at the large law firm, Lerner, Sampson and Rothfuss.

Matthew Wagner, bzarcher@gmail.com, writes, “I bought a house! I learned how to make wine! (It’s really fun!) I’m disturbingly grown up these days. Please help me!”

Adrienne Nicole Walts, anwalts@gmail.com, has moved from Rochester, Minn., to Chicago, where she works for the U of Chicago. Adrienne earned an M.S. at the U of Michigan last April.

Andrew Lewellen and **Aishwarya Nukala** got married last summer (see photo, p. 36).

They are delighted to announce that they welcomed their first child, Josephine Nukala Lewellen, on Oct. 16, 2007. They write, “Josephine came into the world curiously eyeing everything, particularly her father! She has exhibited her mother’s warm charm and her father’s incessant and insatiable appetite.”

Darren Demaree married Emily Beattie this past July in Granville, Ohio. Darren earned a master’s in creative writing from Miami U and works for *New Homeowner Magazine*. Emily also attended Miami U and is a special education teacher with Hillard City Schools. They honeymooned on Amelia Island, Fla., and live in Worthington, Ohio.

2004

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James Ellinger moved to Madison, Wisc., to start a Ph.D. program in biochemistry.

Douglas Reiser, dsreiser@hotmail.com, has moved from New Orleans to Seattle with Jessica Hunter '05. He’s setting up a law office in Seattle with an attorney from New Orleans.

Stephanie Anne Foster Raessler finished

an M.A. in global finance, trade, and economic integration at the U of Denver. She works at MarkWest Hydrocarbon in downtown Denver as a risk associate. Her husband, Jon Raessler '01, works for Paradigm Publishers in Boulder. “We are excited to make Colorado our permanent home,” Stephanie says. “Any and all Woo visitors are welcome! Contact either of us at hopkinton1@yahoo.com.”

Erin Hayes has moved to 1730 N. 5th St. #402 in Philadelphia. She’s studying for an M.S. in speech-language pathology at La Salle U.

Alyssa Kate Adriance, alyssakate@gmail.com, teaches high school art and lives in Massachusetts. “Missing my SBs!” she says.

Megan Potts earned a master’s in library and information science from the U of Western Ontario in London, Canada, and began a new position as digital asset specialist at the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, N.Y., at the end of August.

Aaron Applebaum writes, “In May I will graduate from the Moritz College of Law at Ohio State U. I have accepted a federal clerkship with Judge Bruce I. Fox in Philadelphia, in the Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which will commence in August.”

Corrine Gosling Brush moved to Arlington, Va., in June 2007. Since arriving she starred in a play for the Cap City Fringe Festival and is filming a short horror film to be a part of a film festival.

Sonya Tarasenkov writes the following: “My most recent adventure comes from Pittsburgh, Pa., where I live and work. I’m a hair stylist at an upscale salon in the city’s north end. I traveled to Chicago for the 2007 Midwest hair show, where out of the crowd I was picked to be a model for Nick Arrojo, Arrojo salon team, to have my hair cut and styled. (Nick Arrojo is the stylist from the hit TV show ‘What Not to Wear.’)

“It was an opportunity of a lifetime! Our



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salon was also invited by Arrojo to visit and take classes at his New York salon. Two of our stylists also traveled to the Davines World Hair Show in Barcelona, Spain. So if you're ever in Pittsburgh and need a hot look, look me up.

"I've met up with Wooster bud **Jen Jenkins** and my sister, Tanya, in Columbus. And I swim on the U of Pittsburgh masters team...Hope all of my Wooster cats of '04 are doing well!"

Andrew Spencer writes, "I'm in graduate school at U of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, working toward a Ph.D. in classics, with an emphasis on Latin literature and Roman history. "Mr. **Evan Rae**, I'm looking at you here."

2005

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Lindsey Kerr, lkerr05@alumnimail.wooster.edu, writes, "I am studying for a master's in historic preservation at the U of Georgia, in Athens. Thanks to great professors at Wooster and I.S., I got an assistantship and my tuition waived! I look forward to getting in touch with Wooster alumni in the area."

Sarah Jeanne Nicholson is married to George Morrison '04. Sarah works as a speech language pathologist with Delaware Speech and Hearing in Delaware, Ohio, having earned an M.A. from Ohio State U in August.

Noel Hollinger married Dan Folts on June 16, 2007 (see photo, p. 49). She writes, "We had a beautiful day, and my best friends from Wooster (two were my freshman roommates) were bridesmaids: **Jessica Riviere**, **Claire Willey**, and **Aleisa Myles**. **Sajal Sthapit** took the photographs.

"I'm completing an M.S. in adolescent education and teaching French and ESOL at Dansville School in upstate New York."

On July 28, 2007, **Jessica Kathleen Metcalf** married Michael Magdi Lutfi in Oak Ridge, Tenn. After their honeymoon in Savannah and Orlando, the couple moved into their home in Cairo, Egypt. Jessica works for the International School of Choueifat.

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According to an article in *The Advocate*, Louisiana State U's head mens basketball coach announced in Aug. 2007 that **Jeff Clapacs** would join the LSU coaching staff as director of operations. Jeff was an assistant to the operations manager of Wooster's athletic department and a student assistant.

Marriages

'98 **Katie Rhoads** & Juan Pablo Rivera Torea, Sept., 20, 2007

'89 **Ted Hamilton** & Leslie Humbert, June 18, 2007

Births & Adoptions

'01 To Keelin & **Tom Johnson**, a son, Dominic Joseph, July 7, 2007

'99 To **Travis & Yael Moore Snyder**, a daughter, Payton, Sept. 20, 2007, joining brother Tyler (2)

'97 To Helen & **Brian Hitchens**, a daughter, Claire Elizabeth, July 24, 2007, joining sister Emma (3)

'97 To Michael & **Margaret Conti Sobol**, a daughter, Ella Olive, July 12, 2007

'96 To **Emily Brunk Jones**, a daughter, Lucy Wade, July 28, 2007, joining brother Henry (3 1/2)

'94 To Drew '92 & **Lisa Horwedel Barton**, a daughter, Elsa Lucille, Sept. 5, 2006, joining brother Jack (now 5)

'93 To Cristian & **Stacy Slater Erazo**, a daughter, Tabitha Dixie, Oct. 5, 2007, joining twin brothers Alden and Eli

'93 To Nick & **Sharon Vargas Ezzone**, a daughter, Isabella Nicole, Apr. 29, 2007, joining brother Anthony (1 1/2)

'91 To Tom & **Carrie Fasolt Crawford**, a son, Andrew Paul Fasolt Crawford, born Sept. 27, 2006, in Guatemala and welcomed into their home on Sept. 13, 2007. He joins brother Scott.

'91 To Pamela & **Andy Lewellen**, a daughter, Sara Cordelia, Aug. 17, 2007

'91 To Paul & **Rachael Henderson Whitmarsh**, a son, Logan McClain, Aug. 1, 2007, joining sisters Leska and Delaney

'88 To Mark & **Heather Duncan Simpson**, a son, Clark Edward, Apr. 17, 2006, joining brother Evan (now 3)

We've Moved

Mark & **Heather Duncan Simpson** '88
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In Memoriam: Faculty

Kenneth R. Hoover, assistant/associate professor of political science at the College (1970-78), died on July 14, 2007, in Bellingham,

Wash. He was professor emeritus of political science at Western Washington University and the author of seven books, including *Economics as Ideology: Keynes, Laski, Hayek and the Creation of Contemporary Politics* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2003) and *The Elements of Social Scientific Thinking* (Wadsworth, 2007). Survivors include his wife, Judy, and their two children.

In Memoriam: Trustees

Dwight "Pete" C. Hanna III '44, Emeritus Life Trustee of the College and a retired plastic and reconstructive surgeon, died on Sept. 10, 2007, at Longwood at Oakmont. Just three weeks before his death, he arranged for the donation of thousands of surgical instruments to 25 hospitals in India.

Pete was born in Port Allegheny, Pa. He attended Wooster from 1940-42, where he sang in the Men's Glee Club and Westminster Choir and participated on varsity tennis and swimming and diving teams. Pete met Jane Atkinson '44 at Wooster; they married in 1944.

Pete transferred to Pennsylvania State University and, following in his father's footsteps, earned an M.D. from the University of Pittsburgh Medical School (1946). Dr. Hanna served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps (1947-50), then interned at the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, trained in general surgery at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Pittsburgh, and completed a residency in plastic surgery at Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh VA Hospital. He was certified by the American Board of Surgery (1955) and the American Board of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (1957).

Dr. Hanna was a faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and served on the staff of various Pittsburgh hospitals, including Children's (1954-72), Allegheny General (1966-72), and Western Pennsylvania (1954-87). He had served as trustee and president of the American Association of Plastic Surgeons, chairman of the American Board of Plastic Surgery, chairman of the Residency Review Committee of Plastic Surgery, and medical director and board member of Western Pennsylvania Hospital. He co-founded the city's first burn unit at Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

In 1964, under the auspices of the United Presbyterian Church and the American Leprosy Society, Dr. Hanna went to India as one of eight American plastic surgeons who volunteered to treat leprosy at Christian Medical College Hospital in Vellore and nearby New Life Village, operated by missionaries for individuals recovering from surgery for leprosy. In 1983 Dr. Hanna was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to Yugoslavia to estab-

lish a plastic surgery division at the University of Belgrade.

After his retirement in 1987 as professor emeritus of surgery, he fulfilled a long-held commitment to return to India as a medical missionary, where he performed more than 100 major reconstructive procedures in less than three months. Known there as "Dr. Pete," he later trained local surgeons, established a division of plastic surgery and a burn unit, and raised money for a cardiovascular unit. He was the medical director for the Brother's Brother Foundation in Pittsburgh, through which he made the 2007 gift to India.

A member of Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, Dr. Hanna was dedicated to the charitable works of the Presbyterian Church (USA). He was past president of the National Council of United Presbyterian Men and a trustee and former chairman of the Board of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Dr. Hanna served as Wooster's Alumni Association president (1967-68), Alumni Board member (1965-68), and national chairman for The Wooster Fund (1971). He received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1974 and volunteered for *Independent Minds: The Campaign for Wooster*. Far from being all work and no play, Pete took up bowling in retirement, with scores of over 200. Friends described him as a man of "integrity, graciousness, and kindness."

An Alumni Trustee from 1968-74, Pete Hanna joined Wooster's Board of Trustees in 1982 and served as an Active Trustee until 1996. As an Emeritus Life Trustee, he served on the Faculty Relations and Religious Dimension Committees.

Jane Hanna died in 1994, and Pete later married Mary Forbes Hawkins. She survives, as do four children; 10 grandchildren, including Jeffrey Simpkins '93; seven great-grandchildren; two stepchildren, including Julia Hawkins Schieve '78; and a sister.

Stanley R. Welty Jr., former president of Wooster Brush Co., civic servant, and Emeritus Life Trustee of the College, died on Sept. 4, 2007, at his Wooster home. He was born in Warren, Ohio; his father was in the Wooster Class of 1924. Stan graduated from Wooster High School, then attended Tusculum College in Greenville, Tenn., and earned a B.S. in business administration (1951). After completing graduate courses at Ohio State University, Mr. Welty served for four years in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Mr. Welty's exemplary career in industry included production, planning, and manufacturing positions at the Armstrong Cork Co. (1956-69) and at the Armstrong World Industries Inc. (1969-82). He joined the Wooster Brush Company in 1982, became

president in June 1985, and served until his retirement 13 years later. For 27 years, ending with his death, he was a member of the company's board of directors.

Mr. Welty shared his talents and passions with a broad array of local nonprofit organizations. For example, he served on the advisory board of the Salvation Army Wooster Corps, chaired the board for Goodwill Industries of Wayne County, and presided over the Rockland Housing Corp. He was a director of Junior Achievement of Wayne County, the American Heart Association, and the American Cancer Society. Stan Welty served as a Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America and belonged to the Rotary Club of Wooster, the National Right to Work Committee, the Business-Industry Political Action Committee, Western Reserve Society Sons of the American Revolution, and the United Methodist Church of Wooster. He led successful fund drives for the Wayne County Historical Society and the local Salvation Army and Goodwill.

For his community service, Mr. Welty won honors from the Salvation Army, Goodwill, the Wayne County Historical Society, the Wooster Chamber of Commerce, and the DAR. United Way of Wayne and Holmes Counties created the Stanley's Cup Award, in honor of the community contributions of Stan Welty and Stanley Gault '48. In 2007 Mr. Welty was presented with the key to the city of Wooster.

He served on and chaired the board of directors at Tusculum College, which bestowed on him several awards, including an honorary degree (2005). Tusculum also renamed the residence hall in which Stan lived as a student the Welty-Craig Hall.

Stan Welty joined Wooster's Board of Trustees in 1991 and served as an Active Trustee until 2003. As Emeritus Life Trustee, he remained active on the Audit, Buildings and Grounds, and Finance Committees and was instrumental in the success of *Independent Minds: The Campaign for Wooster*.

Surviving are his wife, Janet, three children, including Kay '79, and two grandchildren.

In Memoriam: Alumni

'89 **Jennifer Hoskin Grosel**, Euclid, Ohio, June 7, 2007, of cancer. Jen majored in history and graduated with departmental honors. As a resident of Yost House, she was a founding member of the volunteer program at Wee-Care Day Center. Jen also was active in student government and hosted prospective students. In her junior year, she studied in Yugoslavia and England. At the 2004 reunion, the Class of '89 elected her as president.

Jen married E. Douglas Grosel '86, and

they settled in the Cleveland area. She worked in customer service for McKeesson Medical Supply Co. and then as a recruitment specialist at Temps Plus. After her third son was born, she decided to work full-time at home and take care of her family. Jen was active at their children's school, St. Felicitas, and at St. Felicitas Church. Her strong determination, friendly disposition, and courageous attitude will truly be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Her love of her family and friends was second to none. Surviving are her husband, three sons, her parents, Thomas and Agnes Mooney Hoskin, her grandmother, Maxine Mooney, and two siblings.

'85 **Ronald J. Spadone**, Lackawanna, N.Y., May 7, 2007. Ronald was a religious studies major with a business minor, played varsity golf for three years, and was a section officer. Surviving are his parents, Ronald and Anne Ginnetti Spadone, four siblings, and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

'76 **Donn "D.C." Calloway**, McHenry, Ill., Nov. 26, 2006. Donn majored in English, served as an RA, and played Scot men's basketball. He was named best defensive player on the junior varsity team in his first year and was the team's co-captain as a senior. He worked as a senior medical sales representative, winning national sales awards. As an ordained deacon at the Trinity Baptist Community Church in Crystal Lake, Ill. Donn's was involved in the prison ministry, men's ministry, and marriage retreats. He was married to Jocelyn Burgin for 23 years. She and three children survive, along with a granddaughter, Donn's mother, Charlotte Kellogg, and two brothers.

'75 **Paul D. Sebron**, Cincinnati, Ohio, Apr. 30, 2007, of heart complications. Paul majored in sociology, was captain of the Fighting Scots football team in his senior year, and won second place at the Wooster invitational wrestling tournament. After a decade as

Obituaries

We learn of alumni deaths from alumni, family members, and newspapers. As in Class Notes, we edit for content, style, and space. Our copy deadlines (see p. 61) are about two months before the magazine is mailed, and we don't always hear of a death until after some time has passed. Thus obituaries may appear in *Wooster* **six months or longer** after we have been notified. Please contact the assistant editor, Jimmy Wilkinson Meyer, with any questions.



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a social worker in Chicago, Paul returned to his hometown of Cincinnati. In 1995 he started a ribs take-out and catering business, called Mr. Pig, which quickly became well known for barbecue and soul food. Paul's wife, Christine, survives, as do seven siblings.

'72 David S. Earley, Cheshire, Conn., July 13, 2007. David majored in religion and participated in debate and Wooster Christian Fellowship. He earned an M.Div. from Yale Divinity School (1974) and an M.B.A. from the U of New Haven (1990). Divorced from Patricia Wales '72, David married Lucy Vignola in 1989. He was assistant director of finances for Yale New Health Services. At the Cheshire United Methodist Church, he served on the nominating committee and pastor parish and as a teacher, lector, and certified lay speaker. David was active on the Cheshire Democratic Town Committee and was one of the founding members and first chairperson of the Cheshire Interfaith Housing Committee. He was an avid reader and enjoyed music, computers, cooking, and his four grandchildren. They survive, in addition to Lucy and two daughters.

'69 Ted L. Potts, Mansfield, Ohio, Oct. 14, 2006.

'67 Christina "Tina" Frey Edwards, Catonsville, Md., Feb. 25, 2001. Tina belonged to Pi Kappa, Sharks, the swim team, SGA, and Sociology Club and played in the marching and concert bands. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa and earned honors in sociology. Tina married Douglas Edwards Jr. in 1975; they had one son. She worked for the Rachel Carson Trust for the Living Environment in Chevy Chase and later at the American Institute for Research in Kensington.

'67 Harold P. "Terry" Sloan III, El Cerrito, Calif., Dec. 14, 2006, unexpectedly. Terry earned an M. Div. in 1970 from Yale Divinity School and was ordained as a Presbyterian minister. He began working as director of the Beacon Coffeehouse, Drop-in, Hot Line, and Counseling Center, a personal and family growth center in Trumbull, Conn. It started as a drug prevention program and expanded to include family therapy.

Terry later moved to Sarasota, Fla., to work as executive director for Storefront Inc. He earned a Ph.D. in religion and psychology in 1999 at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley while working as a pastoral counselor, a chemical dependency and family therapist, chaplain, and finally, as the director of New Beginnings Doctors Medical Center, a chemical dependency and recovery program. Terry married Mary Jordan

in 1990. She survives, as do two stepchildren, three grandchildren, and three sisters, including Julia Sloan Van Hamm '69.

x'59 Robert J. Leedy, Acworth, Ga., June 3, 2007. A Shreve native, Bob was sports editor for the *Voice*, played Scot football, and belonged to Third Section. He transferred to Ashland College and graduated in 1960. Bob taught and coached at Tuslaw and Benoit West Branch High School before moving to Loudonville. There he owned Leedy's Clothing Store (1968-80); he later joined Fxible Co. His community involvement in Loudonville earned him the Mohican Area Community Service award. In 1985 Bob moved to Georgia and worked for Muncie Reclamation before retiring in 2002. Survivors include Beverly Drennen Leedy, Bob's wife of 35 years, two sons, seven grandchildren, and two sisters. A daughter and a brother died previously.

'58 Lawrence R. Springer, Boardman, Ohio, Apr. 30, 2007, of complications from cancer. Larry majored in history, worked on the *Index*, sang in the Men's Glee Club, and belonged to First Section, the Student Christian Association (as treasurer), Congressional Club, and Young Republicans. He earned a law degree from the U of Michigan (1961) and married Jean Woodburne the same year. Larry served six months on active duty in the U.S. Army and five and a half years in the active reserve. He spent over 18 years as a partner and principal with Comstock Springer & Wilson in Youngstown and served on the Board of Governors of the Ohio State Bar Association. Larry also served for 16 years on the Boardman Board of Education (including three terms as president) and was inducted into the American College of Civil Trial Attorneys (1985). Larry assisted the College in the Campaign for the 1990s. A son and a daughter, Laurel '94, survive. Jean died previously.

'57 James O. Bloom, Johns Island, S.Car., Apr.14, 2004.

x'56 Colin "Bud" Campbell, Pittsburg, Calif., Apr. 15, 2007. Bud majored in psychology and was involved the Men's Glee Club, WCW, Section III, and the Psychology and Sailing Clubs. He also appeared in dramatic productions and belonged to the National Collegiate Players. Bud served in the U.S. Navy (1956-58) earned a B.T.A. at the Pasadena Playhouse College of Theatre Arts. He worked for Pacific Electrical Supply for 33 years. In retirement Bud volunteered at Diablo Medical Center, Concord, Calif., in the plant operations dept., at the American Cancer Society, and at Caring Hands while remaining active in theatre. His wife, Mary Jo, a daugh-

ter, two grandchildren, and a sister, Nancy Campbell Brown '52, survive.

x'56 Barton Moore, Gainesville, Ga., May 25, 2007, of ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). Bart belonged to Beta Kappa Phi. He enlisted as a Naval aviation cadet in 1955 and married Joan Domhoff of Wooster in 1960. At the time he owned and operated Moore's Bakery and Moore's Coffee Shop in Wooster. Surviving are Joan, three children, two grandchildren, his mother, Marguerite Sumerix Moore, and two brothers.

'55 Frederick A. Thayer III, Oakland, Md., Feb. 15, 2007. A history major, Fred belonged to the Congressional and International Relations Clubs and Second Section. He was a nephew of Prof. Mary Rebecca Thayer (English). Fred married Diane Senior '56 before heading to Duke U, where he earned a law degree (1958). The Thayers moved to Oakland, Fred's hometown, and Fred began a legal practice. He served as state attorney for Garrett County (1962-74). In 1977 he was appointed a circuit court judge for Garrett County. He became chief judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Maryland in 1983.

Fred retired in 1996 and continued to play an active role in the courts, real estate, and banking. He volunteered as a firefighter in Oakland and co-founded the Garrett Highlanders, a bagpipe and drum band, in the late 1970s, retiring as pipe major in 2001. Fred also enjoyed skiing and sailing. Survivors include Diane, a son, Rick IV '80, and two grandchildren.

x'53 Richard T. Campbell, Salem, N.Y., Apr. 25, 2007, of cancer. Dick played in the Scot band, participated in intramural sports, and was an officer in Third Section. He transferred after two years to Cornell U, where he earned a degree in chemical engineering. He later earned an M.A. from Union U. Dick worked for nine years as a chemical engineer with Amoco and 23 years as a high school math teacher in Salem, N.Y. He also taught math and science for two years in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Surviving are his wife, Mary, and three children, including Richard B.'79 and Christine E. '80.

x'53 James J. Haun, Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 20, 2007. Some of Jim's favorite Wooster memories were of chapel talks. He married Kathleen Lautenschlager '48 in 1950 and moved to Arizona. He graduated with distinction from the U of Arizona with a B.S. in finance. Jim was a self-employed real estate broker, developer, and builder in the Tucson area. Upon retirement he enjoyed world travel and rafting on the Colorado River. Jim built and flew

airplanes and restored cars. Survivors include Kathleen, two sons, a daughter, three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and two siblings, including John '57. Three other siblings and a great-grandson died previously.

'52 **Thomas T. Boyne**, North Royalton, Ohio, Mar. 24, 2007. Tom served in the U.S. Army (1946-47) before coming to Wooster. He enjoyed intramural sports and the friendships he had with both Wooster faculty and students. Tom married Dorothy Lynch in 1955. He worked for Ohio Bell Telephone Co. for 39 years in Youngstown, Akron, and Cleveland, retiring in 1991 as a labor/management negotiator. In retirement he served on his community's Civil Service Commission (1998-2007) and in political organizations. Tom also served on the College Alumni Board (1985-86) and as an Alumni Admissions Representative (1978-93). Survivors include Dorothy, six children, 12 grandchildren, and a brother.

'51 **Mildred F. Kohler**, Poland, Ohio, May 21, 2007. Millie majored in sociology and belonged to the Self-Government Association, KEZ, and the German and Sociology Clubs. In Washington, D.C., she worked at the national headquarters of AAUW and later at the National Geographic Society. She then moved to Cleveland and worked for 30 years as executive secretary at the Durkee Famous Foods Division of the Glidden Co. Following the company's takeover by Reckitt Coleman LTD, Millie served as executive administrative secretary to the CEO of Reckitt Coleman's U.S. Division until her retirement (1986).

Millie belonged to the Petersburg Presbyterian Church, the local League of Women Voters, and Mahoning Valley Historical Society. She served as secretary of the local Republican Women Organization and the area historical society. Millie enjoyed traveling throughout Europe. Two siblings and several nieces and nephews survive

x'51 **Henry Little III**, New City, N.Y., May 19, 2007. Henry served in the armed forces in Berlin as part of the post-war occupation (1945-46) and was proud to be a veteran. At the College he was an officer in the YMCA cabinet, belonged to the International Relations Club, and sang with Westminster Choir. Even in the face of lifelong schizophrenia, Henry found ways to enjoy life. He was a long-time devoted member of Central Presbyterian Church in Haverstraw, N.Y., where he found support, pastoral care, and friendship. Among his wide-ranging interests, Henry loved the New York Yankees and the Knicks, classical music, grand opera, news, and politics. Two brothers, including

David '55, and Henry's best friend, Ernie Stedje, survive. —*David Little '55*

'51 **Jonathan "Jack" W. Reining**, Phoenix, Ariz., May 9, 2007. Jack served four years as a combat infantryman in Europe during WWII and majored in chemistry when he got to Wooster. He owned and operated pasta companies in Ohio and California before moving to Phoenix in 1960, where he became a financial adviser. Jack worked as a broker in Sun City for 36 years. He also taught finance at Phoenix and Glendale Community Colleges and presided over the Rotary Club. He enjoyed his Bluebird airplane. Surviving are his wife, Donna, two daughters, two stepdaughters, 10 grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

'50 **Floyd A. Chambers**, Hampton, Va., May 11, 2007. A philosophy major, Floyd was involved in Fourth Section, the track team, Westminster Fellowship, Westminster Choir, and the International Club. He earned an M.Div. from McCormick Theological Seminary (1953) and was ordained as a minister of the Presbyterian Church (USA). He served as a chaplain in the Air Force (1956-78), retiring after serving at bases around the world. Floyd then earned an Ed.D. in counseling at The College of William and Mary. From 1981-2007 he was employed with Tidewater Pastoral Counseling Service in Norfolk. He was made a Fellow of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors in 1992.

Surviving are his wife, Toney Lee, five children, 10 grandchildren, and two siblings, including Earl '51.

'50 **Elmer H. Cook**, Montgomery, Tex., May 1, 2007. Born in Wooster, Elmer majored in economics and political science and belonged to Fourth Section, THE Corp., and the Spanish Club. He also played in the Scot band and orchestra. Elmer married Dorothy "Dotty" Weimar x'51 in 1948 and served in the U.S. 61st Army Band (1946-48). He founded Pumps of Houston Inc. in 1960. Elmer belonged to the state and national Ground Water Associations, Rotary, and April Sound Church. Survivors include his wife, four children, and nine grandchildren.

'49 **H. Lloyd Cornelius**, Wooster, June 14, 2007. A Wooster native, Lloyd majored in economics and political science and belonged to the German Club, THE Corp., and Fourth Section. He worked for the family business, Cornelius Oldsmobile Inc., until it closed in 1963. He then became a bailiff and assignment commissioner for Wayne County Common Pleas Court (1964-75). Lloyd earned a law degree at the U Akron (1974) and was law director for City of Wooster, retir-

ing in 1990. He served in the U.S. Naval Reserve. He married Mary Hannah in 1963.

Lloyd belonged to Trinity United Church of Christ, the Wayne, Ashland, and Ohio Genealogy Societies, and Wayne County Historical Society. Lloyd was a founding member of the Wooster Camera Club and a 30-year member of Kiwanis. His wife, four children, and 11 grandchildren survive.

'47 **Phyllis Oliver Park**, North Benton, Ohio, Oct. 7, 2006. Phyllis majored in psychology and earned a teaching certificate from Mount Union College. She taught at the Atwater Primary School in the Waterloo School District for 26 years. Phyllis belonged to Sebring Methodist Church. Surviving are her husband of 56 years, Kenyon, two daughters, and five grandchildren. One sister preceded Phyllis in death, and another, Wilma Oliver Barr '43, died in Jan. 2007.

x'45 **Jane Treadwell Ellis**, Shepherdsville, Ky., June 10, 2006. Jane married Leonard Ellis in 1944. She was a Girl Scout leader and Cub Scout den mother when their children were small. Jane retired as a church secretary and received the Mary Fay Volunteer Award from the Southland Federated Women's Club for her voluntary efforts. Surviving are Leonard, four children, two siblings, including Ruth Treadwell Wilson x'55, five grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. A brother, Verne Treadwell '46, died previously.

'45 **Katherine Bush Ginther**, Canton, Ohio, May 13, 2007. Katherine majored in sociology, belonged to Sphinx, and sang in the choir. She married D. Robert Ginther '43 in 1945. Katherine worked as a secretary and a caseworker for the Stark County Welfare Department. She was a founding member of Northminster Presbyterian Church and an active member of the DAR and the College and Literary Clubs. Robert died previously;

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surviving are two children, three grandchildren, and two sisters, including May Bush Copley '45.

x'44 Margaret Baysor Shaw, Ambler, Pa., Mar. 8, 2007. During her two years at Wooster, Peg was involved in the church choir, debate team, and YWCA. She earned an L.L.B. from the U of Buffalo Law School. In 1963 she married John B. Shaw. Peg worked in the Buffalo area for the courts and as assistant public defender and with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service before retiring in 1978. She attended a Methodist church and led New York State Wooster alumni groups. John died previously.

'43 John I. Emmett II, Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 23, 2006. John came to the College in 1939 and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in his junior year. He served as a master sergeant for over four years before returning to Wooster. He was the manager for football, played baseball, and belonged to Third Section. In 1948 he married Jean A. King '48; she died in 1979. John worked for the Goodyear Orient Co. Ltd. in Singapore (1947-59) and then was general manager for the Kennedy Timber Co. in Malaysia.

John spent several years in Arizona with Southwest Forest Industries/Champion International as the overseas project director and with Evans Products Co. as a director and director of operations for Tropical Timber Acquisitions. This took John to Central and South America and back to Asia. In 1978 he joined Liken Home Furnishings (Beatrice Foods) in Guatemala. In 1980 John returned to Arizona and worked as a real estate agent with Merrill Lynch. His second wife, Nan Wilkinson Emmett, survives, in addition to a brother, Daniel '55, and his family.

x'42 Elizabeth "Sue" Burkhardt Singleton, Virginia Beach, Va., Nov. 16, 2006. Sue was involved in the *Voice*, Pyramids, and the *Index*. She married Andrew Singleton in 1942; they lived in California and Illinois. Sue worked in the personnel and alumni offices at Northwestern U. She moved to Virginia in 1984. Two children, including Ann E. '72, survive. Her husband and a sister, Virginia Burkhardt Thompson '32, died previously.

x'41 Mark C. McCrone, Silver Spring, Md., Aug. 9, 2006. Mark served in the U.S. Air Force in England during WWII and finished a degree in business at Youngstown State U. He worked in real estate and was married to Eoline McCrone. A sister, Esther McCrone Hoose '33, died previously.

'40 Betty Burt Hammond, Attalla, Ala., May 25, 2007. Betty participated in modern dance and accompanied voice and dance students. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa and won the Jonas O. Notestein Prize. She taught junior and senior high school English and French and served as company officer for the U.S. Marine Corps in Washington, D.C., during WWII. Betty married Francis Hammond in 1944; they had four children.

Betty was involved in her husband's international marketing business. Her volunteer efforts including encouraging children to enjoy reading and improve their skills. After Francis died in 1984, Betty moved from Florida to Alabama, where she was a secretary for the Gadsden (Ala.) District United Methodist Church before retiring in 1992.

'39 Mary Geraldine "Jerry" Adams Williams, New York, N.Y., Mar. 15, 2007. Jerry majored in English and took flying lessons at the Wooster airport. She belonged to Pyramids and Student Senate, wrote for the *Voice*, and was a senior counselor. After graduation she became a reporter for the *Youngstown Vindicator*. For three years during WWII Jerry served most ably in India and Europe with the American Red Cross. She then became secretary to the foreign editor of the *New York Herald Tribune* and later handled the U.S. distribution of a column written by three foreign correspondents. Jerry married John Williams, a *Wall Street Journal* reporter, in 1951.

As his career moved them from New York City to Detroit, Chicago, Boston, and back to NYC, Jerry worked as a temporary secretary for many firms, from Ford Motor Co. to McGraw Hill Publishing. She loved to read Ellery Queen and Sherlock Holmes mysteries, do crossword puzzles, and avidly follow (and sometimes participate as a volunteer) in politics. Jerry's journalist nephew once described her as "Queen of the Wanderers." She visited countries from Austria to Bolivia, Turkey to Thailand, and took a round-the-world trip to visit longtime friends in Hong Kong. Jerry had good, longtime Wooster friends and always held the College in the highest regard.

'38 Margaret Bowser Rose, Wooster, June 22, 2007. Margie majored in English and belonged to the Franklin Club and Sphinx. She attended Robert Morris School of Business and then worked in the personnel department for the Aluminum Co. of America. In 1940 she married Grant E. Rose '39. Margie worked for the American Red Cross in both Virginia and Pennsylvania during WWII. She later worked in the College Alumni Office and at Melrose

Elementary School (1969-74). Margie belonged to the Wooster United Methodist Church and taught Sunday school. She belonged to many organizations, including the auxiliaries for the Salvation Army and Wooster Community Hospital, AAUW, League of Women Voters, and PEO. In 1986 Margie and Grant received the John D. McKee Alumni Volunteer Award. Grant died in 1991. Surviving are two sons, five grandchildren, including Amy M. Rose x'97, and four great-grandchildren.

'38 Shirley Mackey Westerman, Vero Beach, Fla., Mar. 26, 2007. Shirley majored in biology and sang in the choir. She earned an R.N. from the U of Michigan School of Nursing in 1940 and married Harold Westerman '40 in 1941. Shirley spent many years as director of Camp Wawanock, a camp for girls in Jefferson, Maine. She belonged to the First Methodist Church in Orono, Maine, and served on the YMCA board and as treasurer of the PTA. Shirley and her husband moved to Florida in retirement. Surviving are Harold, four children, 11 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

x'37 Frederick K. "Fritz" Shibley, Sarasota, Fla., Apr. 4, 2007. A Wooster native, Fred belonged to Seventh Section before transferring to Columbia U to earn a B.S. in business administration. He married Mary Secrest in 1938. Fred served in the U.S. Army during WWII, earning a Purple Heart. He worked in insurance before moving to Kansas City, Mo., in 1950 to work for the Kansas City Bridge Co., an engineering and construction firm.

In 1979 he retired as administrative and financial vice president and treasurer. Mary died that year. Fred married Fern Pettid in 1980 and moved to Sarasota. He belonged to Pine Shores Presbyterian Church and the Sarasota Power Squadron, a group that promotes boating safety. Fern died previously. Survivors include three daughters, two sons, a sister, Mary Shibley Wilson x'39, two stepdaughters, 14 grandchildren, including Sara Felger Sherwood '87, 17 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

'37 O. Wayne Welty, Smithville, Ohio, May 7, 2007. Wayne was a history major. In 1936 he joined the military, serving in Europe, Japan, and the Philippines during WWII and winning two bronze stars. After completing his degree, he took elementary education classes at Ashland U. In 1948 Wayne married Mildred Horn. He taught elementary school in Wayne County and was treasurer of the

Triway Local Classroom Teachers' Assn.

Wayne retired in 1981, after 32 years of teaching, and then taught as a substitute for eight more years. He belonged to Smithville Methodist Church for more than 50 years. The Weltys were instrumental in founding the Smithville Historical Society and raising the funds to purchase the nearby Mishler Mill (1991). The two volunteered there for 12 years.

The Class of '37 dubbed Wayne "Class Poet." In 1990 his children published a book of his poems, *Moss on the Stones*. Surviving are Mildred, three children, including Roberta "Robin" '74, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Three siblings, including Arden '36, died previously.

'36 Charlotte L. Ames, Xenia, Ohio, Apr. 24, 2007. A native of Wooster, she majored in chemistry, belonged to Imps, played field hockey, and wrote for the *Voice*. Charlotte worked for a few years as an editor before going to medical school. She graduated from Western Reserve U School of Medicine, one of only three women in the class, and began practicing internal medicine in Xenia in 1947. There were few women physicians in the area, and she served as the first woman president of the Greene County Medical Society. She retired in 1996. A niece, Liz Cohn, survives.

'36, H'66 J. Murray Drysdale Jr., Willoughby, Ohio, May 22, 2007. Murray graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary (1939) and spent 37 years in the full-time ministry. He served as pastor of five Ohio churches, including Noble Road Presbyterian in Cleveland Heights (1953-68). He was a leader in the Synod Organization Ohio Study Commission (1964) and later an assistant to the Ohio synod executive. Wooster presented Murray with an honorary degree in recognition of his contributions to the church.

With a love of the wilderness, Murray was involved in the Cleveland Presbytery's purchase of its Highlands Camp property and led many canoe trips in Canada. He served on the Permanent Judicial Commission of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church (USA). In 1973 Murray was elected president of the Ohio Project Equality for the church. He retired in 1976 as business manager of a large Presbyterian church in Buffalo and moved to Columbus. Murray worked as treasurer of the campus ministries at Ohio State U and was honored for his contributions.

He loved to garden and was an expert chess player. Surviving are his wife of 67 years, Helen Forry Drysdale '37; four children, including Margaret '64, Susan Drysdale

Vaughn '68, and Rebecca '65; nine grandchildren; and two brothers, including Alex '41. Another brother died previously.

'36 Elbridge "Fuzzy" Vance, Vermilion, Ohio, Feb. 18, 2007. Fuzzy played soccer for the College and belonged to YMCA and Seventh Section. He earned a master's and Ph.D. in mathematics from the U of Michigan and taught there part-time (1937-39). Fuzzy taught at the U of Nevada (1939-43) before joining the faculty of Oberlin College, from which he retired in 1983. Fuzzy chaired the math department (1948-75) and twice was acting dean, College of Arts and Sciences. He authored several high school and college math textbooks that were published in Spanish, English, and bilingual editions.

Among other professional activities, Fuzzy spent four years as chair and five years as chief reader for the Advanced Placement Program in math. In 1964 he traveled to India to teach teachers with Aid for International Development. He taught for a semester each in inner-city Cleveland and at Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass. Fuzzy was a tutor, mentor, a volunteer with Boy Scouts, and president of the Oberlin School Board. He was active in Rotary Club and enjoyed golf, fishing, and skiing. Divorced from Margaret Stoffel '38, Fuzzy married Jean in 1975. She survives, in addition to four children, two stepchildren, 14 grandchildren, including Megan Beynon '96, and eight great-grandchildren.

'34 L. Esther Larr Darrow, Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 13, 2007. Esther majored in speech and English and gave the senior farewell address. She attended Ohio State U and in 1941 married Robert Darrow '37 in Westminster Chapel on the College campus, with President Wishart officiating. Esther taught and directed dramatic productions at high schools in Columbus. In retirement the couple traveled in Europe, often visiting their daughters working or studying abroad. They lived in Ft. Myers, Fla., during the winters. Esther belonged to the Clintonville Women's Club and was active at King Avenue United Methodist Church. She also assisted in the gathering of class notes for Wooster in recent years. Bob and a daughter died previously. Two daughters, four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren survive.

'33 Lois E. Hanna, Canton, Ohio, Feb. 2, 2007. An English and French major, Lois belonged to YWCA at Wooster. She worked as a secretary for the Hoover Co. for many years. Lois belonged to Christ Presbyterian Church, where she was active in the Cum

Double Sunday school class, the Woman's Association, and Trirosis. She enjoyed photography, crafts, and travel. Her brother, Charles B. '32, died previously. A nephew, C. Chris '69, survives.

'32 Ford G. Ross, Wooster, June 16, 2007. Ford participated in the College's first student-produced musical, *Where Men are Men*, and in interclass softball and played music for campus dances. With a degree from Harvard Law School, Ford practiced law for more than 71 years, beginning in his father's practice (1935) and later with his two sons in the family firm, Ross Law Offices. His practice focused on estate planning and administration.

Ford married Anna Kropf on July 30, 1940. He was a past president of the Wayne County Bar Association and belonged to the Cleveland, Ohio, and American Bar Associations. Ford helped establish the Myers Educational Trust, providing Wooster High School graduates with financial aid for post-high school education. He was active in many local organizations, including Rotary, the planning commission, and First Presbyterian Church, where he was a trustee.

Ford was a College Trustee (1950-56) and president of his class. A lifelong musician, he was the last surviving member of the Wooster Board of Trade Band, in which he played flute and piccolo. Surviving are his wife, three children, including Carolyn Ross Spalding x'66, and two grandchildren. A sister, Myrtle Ross Hawken '27, died previously.

x'27 Osie Drushel Feusier, Wooster, Mar. 26, 2007, at 102 years. Osie sang in the chorus at Wooster but left after two years to teach seventh and eighth grades in a two-room schoolhouse. Osie married Leroy Feusier in 1928, and they settled on his farm in Weilersville. She later attended Ashland College, graduating in 1965 with an elementary education major.

Osie taught in the Green Local Schools for 25 years, mostly fifth grade, retiring in 1973. She helped found the Smithville Historical Society and with Leroy, wrote and produced the Smithville bicentennial pageant. Osie belonged to Smithville United Methodist Church and taught Sunday school for 50 years. She was a charter member of the Smithville Grange and the Wooster Community Hospital Auxiliary and a lifetime member of the Wayne County, Orrville, and Smithville Historical Societies. In 1989 Osie was named Ruritan Woman of the Year; she received the Community Service Award from the Ohio State Grange in 1992. Leroy died previously. Two daughters, three grandsons, and eight great-grandchildren survive.

A LOOK BACK

*Family History*

Lowry Center revives an old tradition



We don't know exactly where these Wooster students were skating, or even who they are. We do know this was taken in the mid-1920s. If you know anyone, let us know.

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Ice skating has long been a tradition at Wooster, and in 1968 it got a boost when Lowry Center opened. Its lower level patio was created so that it could be used as a winter ice rink. For the next 20 years, the patio was flooded and the skaters came. And then (no one today seems to know why), the tradition stopped.

A cold snap in January 2007 inspired students and administrators to revive the tradition. The future of the ice rink depends on winter temperatures, says Kurt Holmes, dean of students.



Students revive an old tradition at Lowry Center in January 2007.

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Included in the 800 Scots who worked in 2007 were (counter-clockwise from upper right) Carolyn Wert Werthen '93 and son Cabot, Kelly Brannan '06, Jeanette Gerritz, and Jim Witter '07, who worked at the Carriage Hill Metropark in Dayton, Ohio. Darcy Poland '08 and others repaired trails at Christmas Run Park in Wooster.

If you would like to organize a Scots in Service project in your community for Sept. 27, 2008, contact:

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"The cow is a poem of compassion."
Mahatma Ghandi

Nancy McCarthy '59 captured this image on a recent trip to Ethiopia. "These cows belong to the Mursi people, who feel that their cows deserve body-art just as much as humans do. In addition to the sculpted ears, many of their cows also have horns trained into imaginative shapes. It is indeed a wonderful, diverse world out there."

A NOTE TO READERS

We would love to receive images of cows you have known (or even cows you are glad you don't know). Include the location of the photo, along with your name and class year. Large digital images suitable for printing or smaller images for electronic posting are both welcome. Send to kcrosbie@wooster.edu or to *Wooster* magazine, 1189 Beall Ave.

